

Cold War Update

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Status of the Museum

Greetings and Happy New Year!

As you can probably imagine, there haven't been many changes. I had hoped to have filed the tax exemption paperwork prior to the beginning of the year, but that was not to be. The good news is that I filed the tax exemption paperwork for the State and the Feds in January and February respectively. Hopefully, the ailing economy will bring some good luck and get us a swift response. Please watch your email for an update once we have been approved for Non-Profit status by the IRS.

There were a couple of things that caused a delay in these two filings. One was a financial delay, the other was a legal challenge to our corporate name. An organization located in the Eastern U.S. sent us a notice

stating that we were in violation of their trademark on the term "Cold War". After a bit of research, it was decided that we ignore this challenge and proceed as before. This organization's trademark was challenged by another Cold War museum located in Texas. The Texas Museum prevailed in this challenge. The Trademark Appeals Board found that the term "Cold War" was a general term that could not be trademarked. The trademark has been cancelled.

Our primary site we are considering for the location of the museum is the industrial building on F and 12th in Marysville. We are estimating that \$1,000,000 will be enough to purchase and renovate to the point of being able to open a nice facility. It is large, solid, and was built in 1915 and has about 26,500 sq ft of building



Inside of General Dynamics picture folio.

space. The lot is large enough for a parking lot with some outdoor displays and even a little expansion. The only set back is that we need to find the paltry sum of a million bucks. Piece of cake, right?

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Special Thanks

Displayed in this issue, are a few pictures we have in our collection. Please let us know if you have anything you may want to donate. I would like to thank the Cold War Air Museum and the Rocky Flats Cold War Museum for their assistance with resolution of the trademark issue. Please check out their websites by

going to our links page. These are really great organizations that successfully represent how to work as a team!



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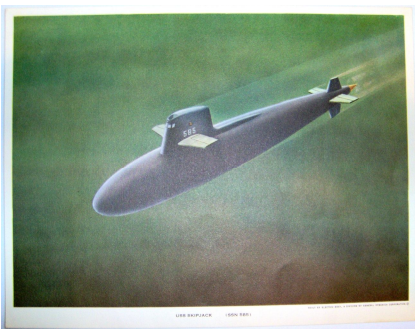
I have been spending volunteer time with the local Chapter of Disabled American Veterans (DAV). They have been operating here since 2006 and have yet to find a permanent home. They prefer to use what funds they can raise to help our local disabled veterans in finding assistance. This organization is a great group of people that really want to make a difference for our disabled veterans.

I have approached the officers of the DAV with the idea of sharing our

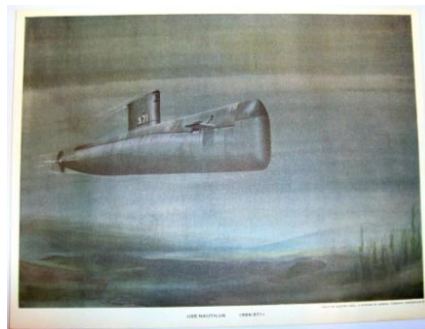
facility with them in the future. I think this would be a mutually advantageous partnership and wonderful way to support our disabled veterans. If we could offer them a permanent meeting space and office/storage area it would be a considerable benefit; especially if we could offer it at very limited or no charge.

One of our first projects will be working with the Veterans History Project. Congress passed a law that sought the history of our veterans to be recorded and

archived for those to use in the future. This is an important part of establishing history and will help historians of the future tell our story. We will interview those veterans that are willing to participate, using a high quality digital camcorder. Copies will be submitted to the Library of Congress through the Veterans History Project, but the originals will be archived on site. In the future we will create an online database to allow people to access this information for use.



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Meet the Board

A forum has been created on our website for people to share their stories and thoughts. Please click on the "FORUMS" link on our website to check it out. It would be even better if you could post some of your military experiences too. If you have any suggestions on how to improve the site or forums, please feel free to contact us.

Do you have a website? Feel free to link to our website from your links page and please let us know, so we may do the same. Links help to list your site on search engines, such as Google and Yahoo, higher up on the listing. If you have any suggestions or have had difficulty accessing our web pages, please contact us and let us know.

Some of you may

not be acquainted with the members of our Board of Directors. These three individuals are the force behind getting this project off the ground.

Richard Neault is the President and Founder. He served 5 ½ years in the USN in submarines from 1984 to 1989. He served on the USS Bonefish (SS-582) and the USS Blueback (SS-581) and at NAVSTA San Diego. He was injured in a fire on board the Bonefish and was discharged with a disability rating. He currently works for the State of California as an Accountant. He is married and has three children.

Brad Kosh is the Secretary. He works for SelectBuild NorCal, Inc. as the Scheduling Manager. He and Richard have been

friends for about thirteen years and have worked together on numerous church related and family projects during those years. He is married and has three children.

Craig Dumas is the Treasurer. He works for the State of California as an Accountant, but his true calling is as the Senior Pastor of True Bible Ministries in downtown Sacramento. He is married and has three children.

There is an individual who has offered to join our Board of Directors and will be joining us soon. We are still in the process of recruiting board members and other volunteers. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact us and let us know.