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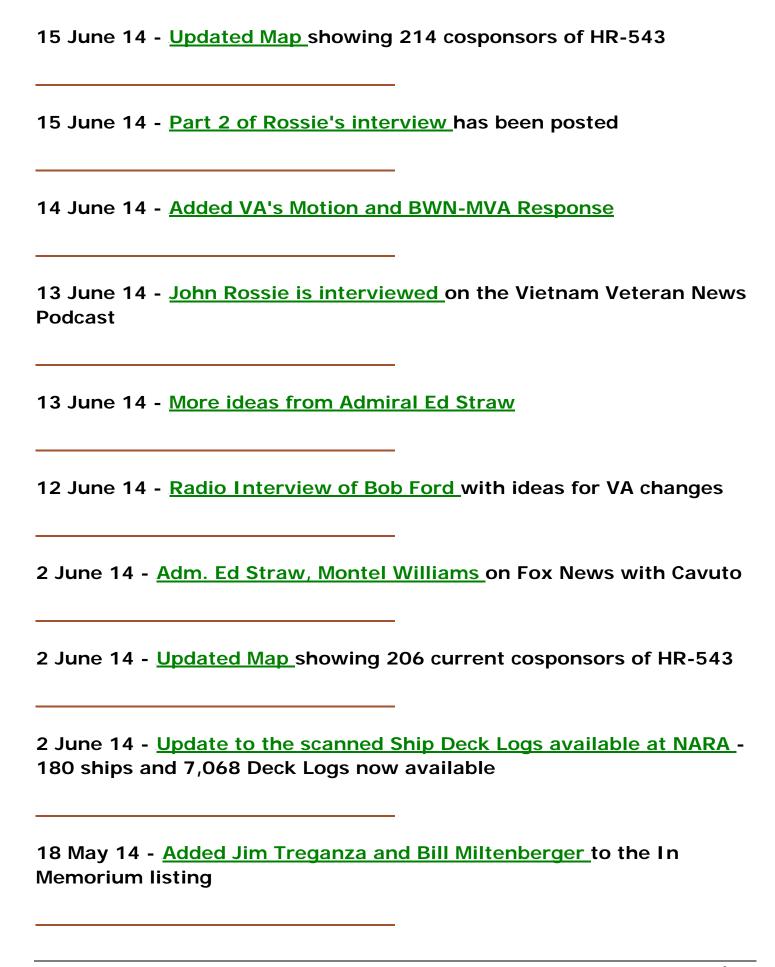
Blue Water Navy Web Site UPDATE LOG

These are the latest updates anywhere on the web site in chronological order check this list for the LATEST POSTINGS for ALL sections **Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Association** 8 June 15 - Why the IOM Report on the C-123 Aircraft is important to the Blue Water Navy 6 June 15 - Hill and Ponton Law Firm analysis of the Gray v. McDonald Ruling 4 June 15 - Written Testimony to the Senate VA Committee for May 13, 2015 Hearing 16 May 15 - UPDATE - ATTENTION Carrier Sailors 5 May 15 - Documented use of Agent Orange/TCDD in Malasia in 1952 26 Apr 15 - How does the CAVC Ruling affect Blue Water Navy **Exposure Claims?** in my opinion



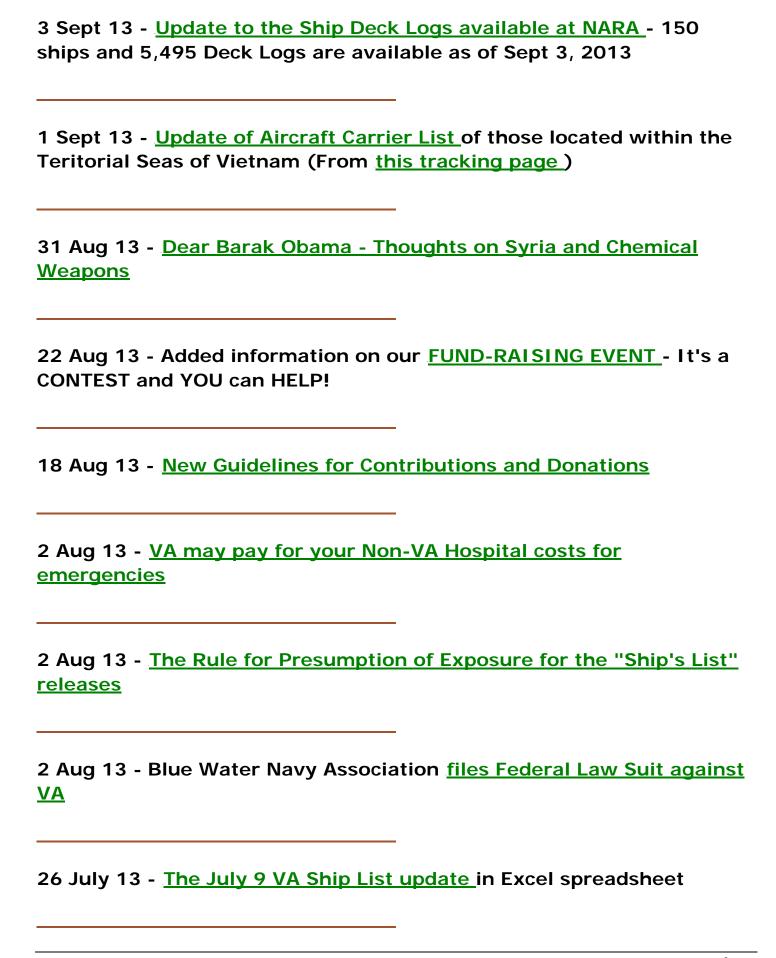
6 Jan 15 - <u>Updated information</u> regarding Association Benefits
5 Jan 15 - <u>Amazing array of embroidered clothing items</u> in our Ship's Store (near the bottom of page)
22 Dec 14 - New Association Membership Benefits
21 Dec 14 - New Embroidered Sports Shirt in Ship's Store
21 Dec 14 - New Embroidered Canvas Tote Bag in Ship's Store
20 Dec 14 - A Report on the December 4th Court Hearing
18 Dec 14 - PTSD information links from RNtoBSN.org
27 Nov 14 - Ship's List CHANGES ONLY Nov. 2014
25 Nov 14 - November 25 Ship's List Update released by VBA
25 Nov 14 - A Letter from the Director
19 Nov 14 - The VA vs. The Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans: A Simple Overview

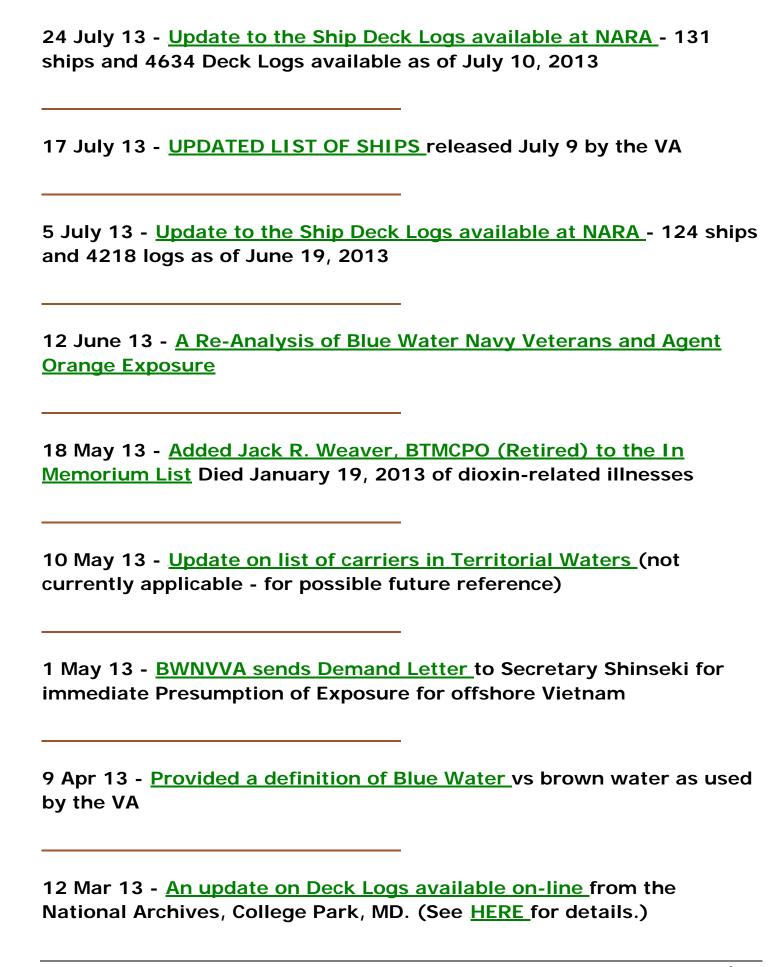
4 Oct 14 - A hearing is scheduled for Dec 4, 2014 in Washington, DC
17 Sep 14 - A PDF page of the Summary of the Aircraft Carrier Spreadsheet is added for those who do not have a spreadsheet program. NOTE: OpenOffice is an excellent FREE substitute for the Microsoft Office Suite with all functions for Documents, Spreadsheets Powerpoints, Databases, and more.
15 Sep 14 - <u>Updated Aircraft Carrier Spreadsheet</u> - additional carrier IDs for Territorial Waters added
9 Aug 14 - Added new items to the Ship's Store
9 Aug 14 - Added Support Letter from Team Veteran
24 July 14 - <u>Update to House co-sponsor support</u> at 240
21 July 14 - New BWN Poster shows potential AO exposure levels in Vietnam
27 June 14 - <u>HR 543 has 224 Co-Sponsors</u> as of June 27 - New Map
21 June 14 - <u>Updated information on NEW T-Shirts in the Ship's Store</u>





17 Feb 14 - <u>VA Information FAQs on DBQs</u>
17 Feb 14 - Information on VA Dental Care Programs
17 Feb 14 - Information on VA Assistance from VA Doctors for Medical Compensation Claims
17 Feb 14 - Information on Non-VA Emergency Health Care
29 Jan 14 - 27 new additions to the Inland Water Service Ship List
16 Jan 14 - <u>A Full Compilation of Court Documents</u> for the Federal Lawsuit BWNVVA-MVA vs Eric Shinseki
15 Jan 14 - <u>Update to the scanned Ship Deck Logs available at NARA</u> - 165 ships and 6,321 Deck Logs now available
22 Dec 13 - Beyond Arbitrary and Capricious
27 Oct 13 - <u>Update to the Ship Deck logs available at NARA</u> - 162 ships and 5,935 Deck Logs are available as of Sept 30, 2013





9 Dec 12 - <u>Directions on how to find Digitized Deck Logs</u> from the National Archives in College Park, MD
9 Dec 12 - <u>Update to Ship Locator Spreadsheet</u> for carriers (See Figure 3)
28 Nov 12 - House Veterans Committee confronts VA
18 Nov 12 - <u>Updated Spreadsheet</u> for identifying Aircraft Carriers within the Territorial Seas (See Figure 3)
15 Nov 12 - <u>Information on the November 2012 update to the Inland</u> Waters Ships List
3 Nov 12 - Tools to use in locating ships withing the Territorial Seas* of Vietnam
27 Oct 12 - FREE items for vets on Veterans Day (and other days)
26 Aug 12 - <u>A VA Health Care Notice</u> has been posted regarding the drinking water at Camp Lejeune
9 Aug 12 - Additions to the Stand-Down Report - more to come
8 Aug 12 - Beginning the After Action Report on the Stand-Down

23 July 12 - Added Bob Barbee to our In Memorium Listings
18 July 12 - <u>VA Publishes Final Rules for new Core Values and Characteristics</u> for Department
17 July 12 - Added photo of the Quilt to be given away at the Stand- Down
20 June 12 - Added the Declaration of Independence to front page to read aloud on the 4th of July
11 June 12 - Blue Water Navy Assoc. Sponsoring Stand-Down in upstate NY
23 May 12 - Original BWN Coverage under the AO Act of 1991 shown in the M-21 Rules in FAQ section
22 Apr 12 - A Map of Congressional Support for HR-3612
3 Apr 12 - Added Letter of Support from the Association of the United Stated Navy
10 Mar 12 - Additional Information on the National Archives Scanning

25 Feb 12 - Additional Information and a request to Support Statements added
24 Feb 12 - Made some corrections to the layout for IN MEMORIUM listings
21 Feb 12 - DIOXIN ON THE CARRIERS - Research providing certainty that carriers were exposed to Dioxin
30 Jan 12 - <u>Total of new ships changed to 47.</u> USS Marathon (PG-89) was originally listed here as NEW but it had appeared on the May 201 List.
23 Jan 12 - The numbering of Bills is explained in the FAQ Section
19 Jan 12 - Added News Release of Jan 6, 2012 to the Editorial Section
19 Jan 12 - <u>Update to Inland Water Service Ship List</u> with New Ship Breakout
17 Jan 12 - Added the Blue Water Navy Association CAUSE to the Web

15 Jan 12 - National Archives Posting Deck Logs For Public Access
7 Jan 12 - <u>Additions to the FAQ Section</u> This process will be ongoing and from this point only major additions will be mentioned here.
4 Jan 12 - FAQ Section Developed for Blue Water Navy Agent Orange Legislation
4 Jan 12 - <u>C&P Division Announces Thailand Vets Granted AO Due</u> <u>Payment from First Date of Claim</u>
3 Jan 12 - Added more information to the FAQ on the Public Support Page
28 Dec 11 - <u>Did minor internal fixes and new info to Public Support</u> Page
20 Dec 11 - Additional Information on Public Support Page
19 Dec 11 - NewsPage Link to the Public Support Page
18 Dec 11 - Changes and additions to the Public Support Page
11 Dec 11 - Created the Public Support Page

11 Dec 11 - Moved the VSO Toolbox up to the Blue Buttons
7 Dec 11 - New Legal Resource links from LexisNexis and other data were added to the VSO Toolbox
16 Nov 11 - Veteran Organizations Support Blue Water Navy Bill S- 1629
13 Oct 11 - "Information on VA-provided Eye Glasses and Hearing Aids" was removed pending resolution of contradictory information
12 Oct 11 - VA Letter Clarifying Addition of CLL to 3.313
10 Oct 11 - Added information and map of Vietnam Territorial Water
3 Oct 11 - Obtaining Muster Roles and Command Histories
30 Sept 11 - Added information on Senate Bill 1629
20 Sept 11 - Added Information on the On-Line VA List of Ships Exposed to Herbicides

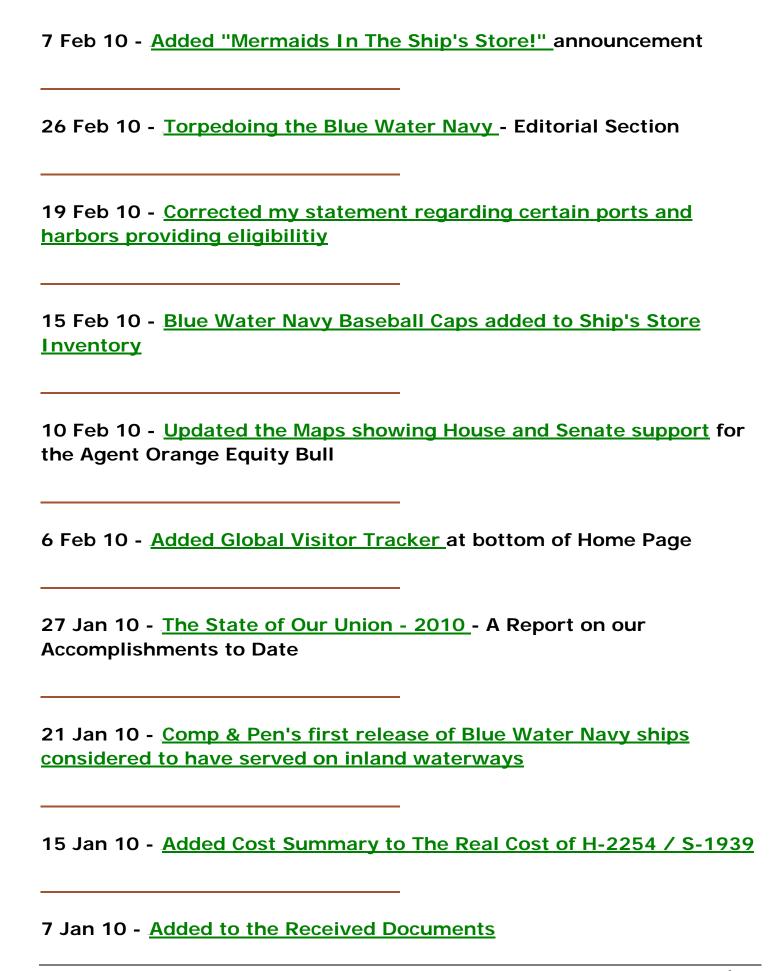




24 Jan 11 - New List of Ship's Granting Crew Presumption of Exposure
13 Nov 10 - Info on 'Plausible Causality' for direct exposure
29 Oct 10 - Dealing with the DVA's Financial Deceit
29 Oct 10 - How To Use the Da Nang Harbor Report
20 Sept 10 - VA Policy on rating Blue Water Navy claims
9 Sept 10 - Reduced the price of the Baseball Caps!
7 Sept 10 - Revised dollars on the The True Cost of The Agent Act of 2010
4 Sept 10 - A Postscript to the Da Nang Harbor Report
29 Aug 10 - <u>Updated Maps of Senate and Representative support for</u> H2254 and S1939
23 Aug 10 - The Da Nang Harbor Report

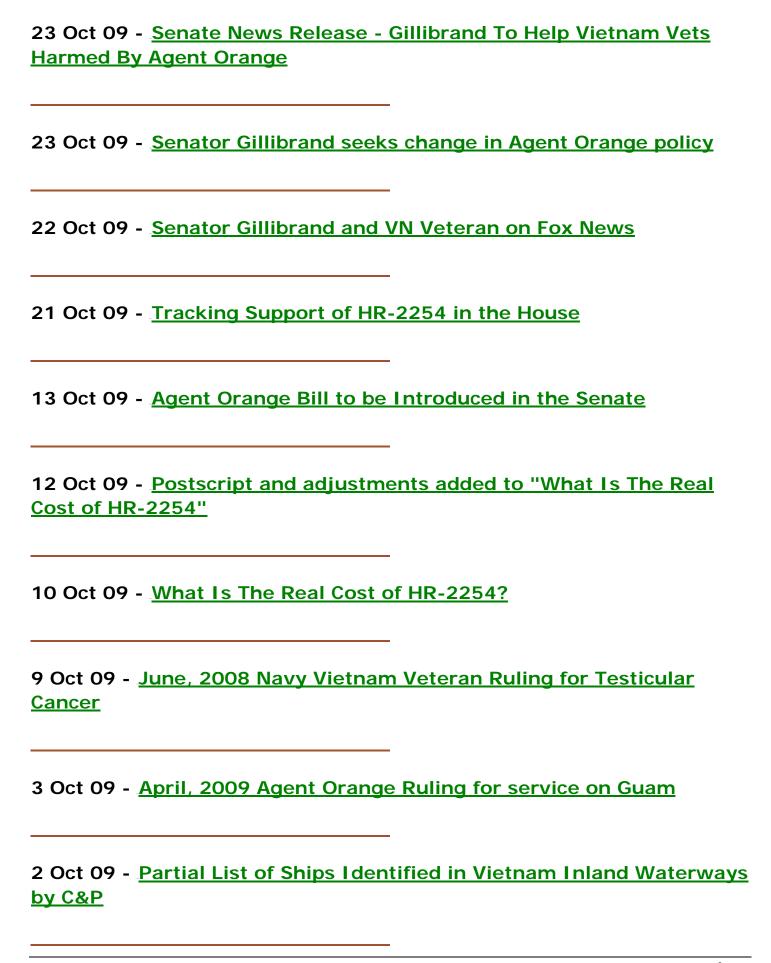
23 Aug 10 - Revised Costs for the Agent Orange Act of 2010
4 Aug 10 - Added support documentation to the Da Nang Harbor project
12 July 10 - VA Releases New PTSD Claims Fact Sheet
7 July 10 - VA Announces a New Automated Claims Processing System
30 June 10 - A List of all 713 Ships that served offshore Vietnam between 1962 and 1975
29 June 10 - Reformatted the Combined List of All Ships Given Presumption of Exposure for Inland Water Service Per Policy 211
28 June 10 - <u>John Rossie Testimony to Senate Veterans Affairs</u> <u>Committee</u> - on May 19, 2010
28 June 10 - <u>John Rossie Testimony to House Veterans Affairs</u> <u>Committee</u> - on May 5, 2010
27 June 10 - Created Combined List of All Ships Given Presumption of Exposure for Inland Water Service











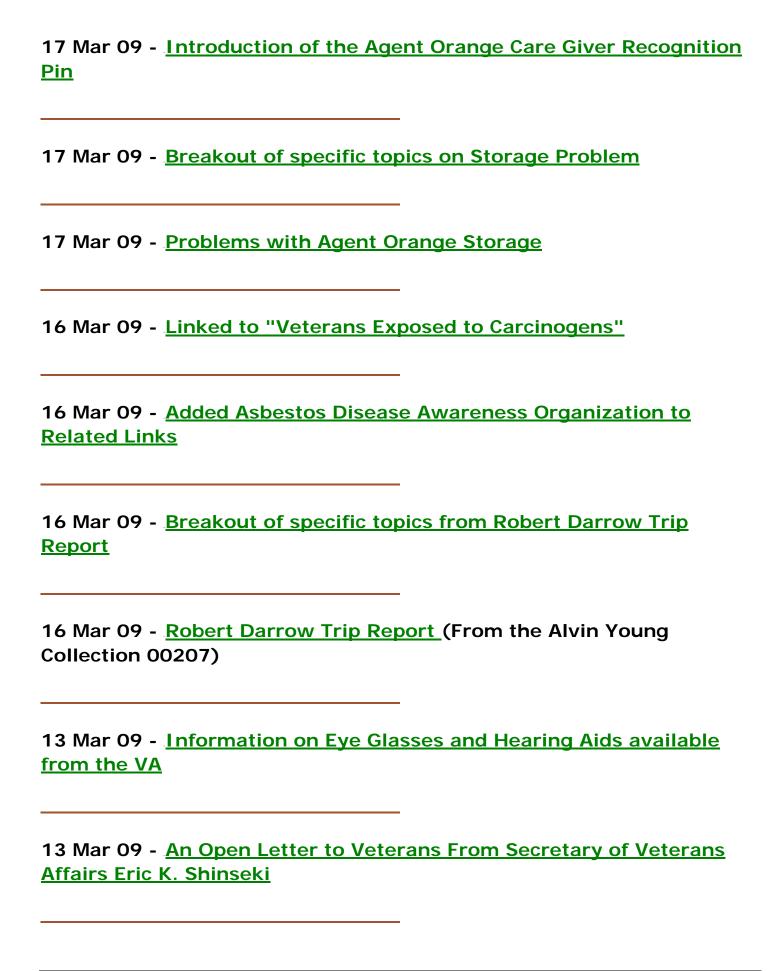


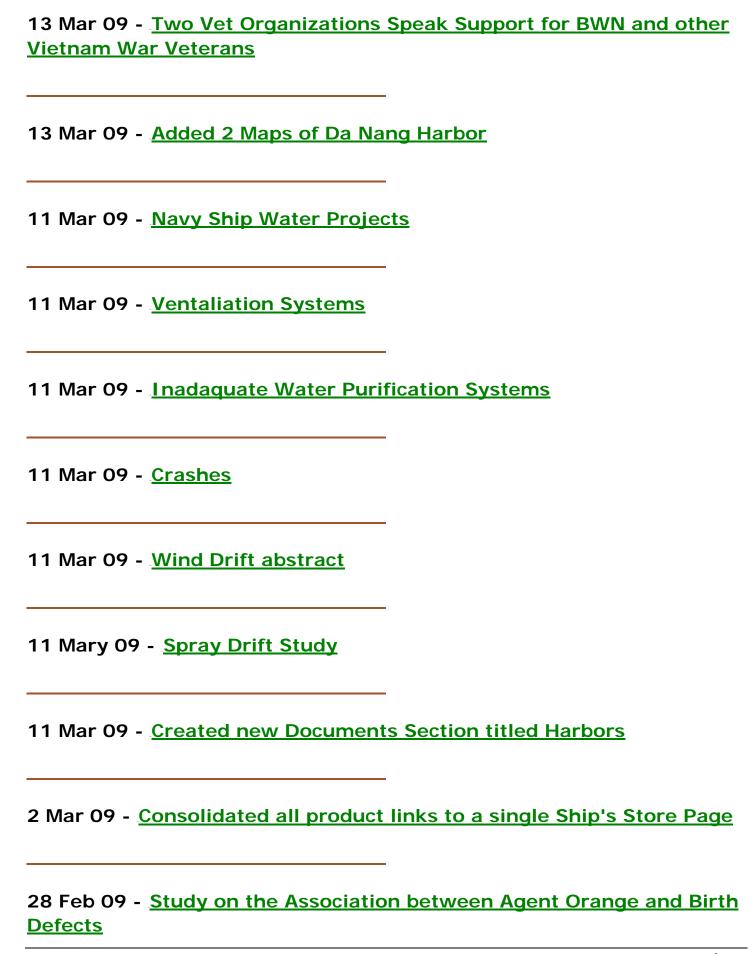


4 May 09 - Blue Water Navy Association Activity Report
1 May 09 - Comp and Pension Bulletin Discusses 3.313
29 Apr 09 - <u>Legal Notice about Veterans Data Theft Settlement</u>
28 Apr 09 - Posted Letter on Congressman Filner's New Bill
27 Apr 09 - Added information from the <u>Lymphoma-net.org web site</u>
20 Apr 09 - Instructions on getting precise dates a ship earned the Vietnam Service Medal or the Combat Action Ribbon
18 Apr 09 - Soil Persistence of TCDD
11 Apr 09 - Get Mad with Larry Stimeling and DO SOMETHING
4 Apr 09 - The Blue Water Navy Association presents the Agent Orange Care Giver Recognition Pin
4 Apr 09 - Announced May 6 as next Star Dust Radio Broadcast for Veteran's Health and Benefits Program

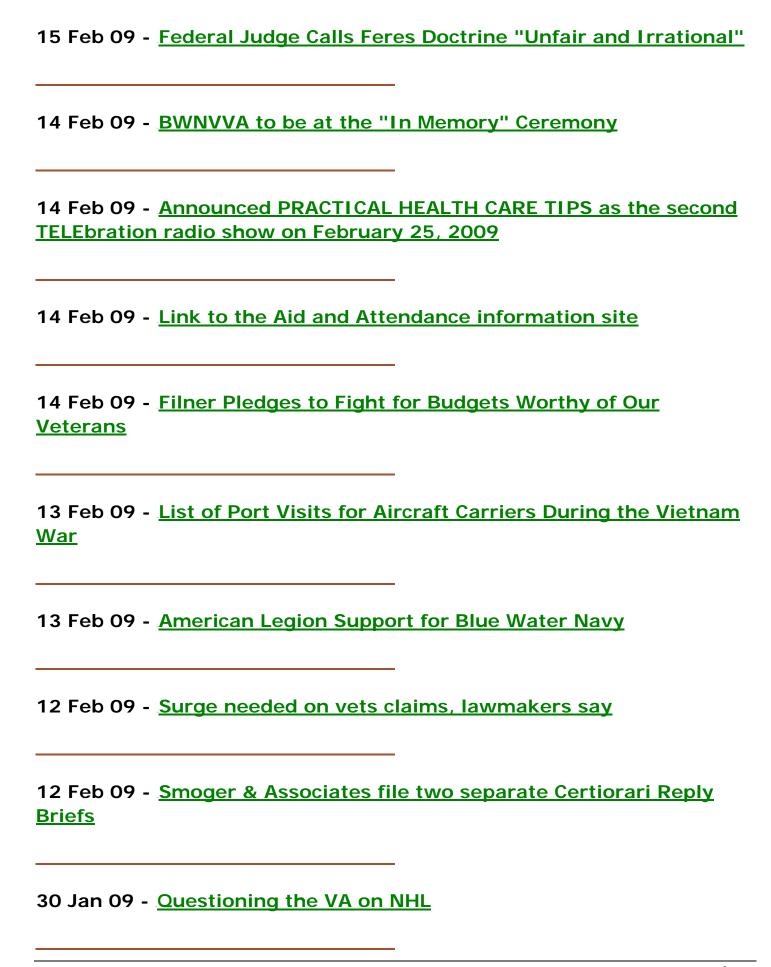
30 Mar 09 - Board of Appeals rules on medical evidence outside influence of limited IOM reviews
29 Mar 09 - The Ranch Hand Project and Da Nang
23 Mar 09 - USS Rapurtus now given Presumption of Exposure
22 Mar 09 - Navy Ships Not Protected from Dioxin - Break Out
22 Mar 09 - Navy Dioxin Instruction Sheet
22 Mar 09 - Navy Water Project
22 Mar 09 - Inadequate Water Purification
20 Mar 09 - Deep Water Anchorage photo at Da Nang
19 Mar 09 - Introduced the Agent Orange Care Giver Recognition Pin
18 Mar 09 - Breakout on the Army Herbicide Field Manual

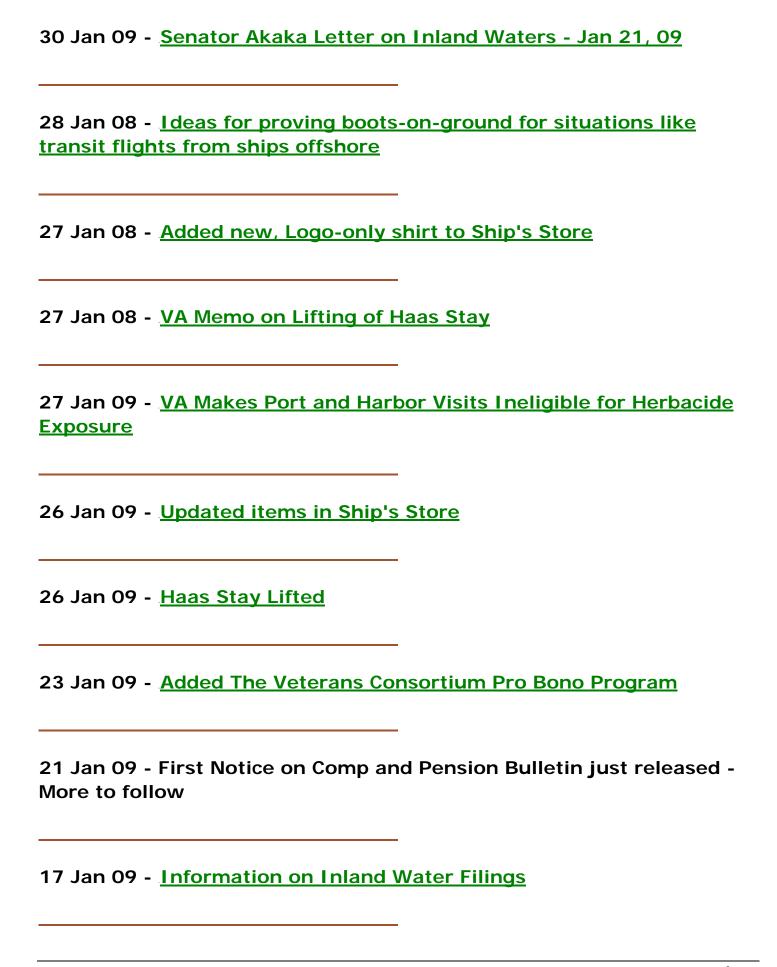
18 Mar 09 - Army Herbidice Field Manual
17 Mar 09 - Breakout on the Brown Seminar Presentation
17 Mar 09 - Presentation of VA's Dan Brown to Judge's Seminar
17 Mar 09 - Migration of dioxin from the air base
17 Mar 09 - Large map of Da Nang Harbor area #5
17 Mar 09 - Large map of Da Nang Harbor area #4
17 Mar 09 - Large map of Da Nang Harbor area #3
17 Mar 09 - Large map of Da Nang Harbor area #2
17 Mar 09 - Large map of Da Nang Harbor area #1
17 Mar 09 - AO Damage in Da Nang
17 Mar 09 - Breakout of specific topics on Damage in Da Nang





26 Feb 09 - Removed Bob Kozel's Agent Orange Primer 2009 due to its many errors
25 Feb 09 - Congressman Stearns wants some answers about Blue Water Navy
25 Feb 09 - The history of the Ranch Hand Program in Vietnam - 1961-1971 - a 10 Gbig file
22 Feb 09 - Abstract of childhood brain cancer and herbicide study
21 Feb 09 - <u>Bart Stichman - NVLSP - presentation to</u> Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs
21 Feb 09 - Health Awareness - Asbestotis in the Military
19 Feb 09 - Added photos to BWNVVA's Agent Orange Quilt of Tears project
17 Feb 09 - Celiac Disease Linked to NHL
17 Feb 09 - Corrected some <u>links to our Non-Hodgskins Lymphoma</u> <u>information</u>





16 Jan 09 - VA General Counsel Responds on NHL issue
16 Jan 09 - Supreme Court Will Not Be Reviewing the Haas Ruling
12 Jan 09 - Added additional information from Leukemia and Lymphoma Society web site
9 Jan 09 - 2008 compensation ruling for chronic myelomonocytic leukemia involving "private medical opinions of record" and lay statements of significance.
9 Jan 09 - <u>Updated the Brief Summary of the Issues</u> for a chronological history of the Haas Case
9 Jan 09 - Listed all filings to the Supreme Court by NVLSP and the VA
1 Jan 09 - Filing Packet for Claims related to AO exposures from Inland Waterways of Vietnam
29 Dec 08 - <u>Alert: Veteran AO Registrations May Be Ending</u> - County VSO Alert
29 Dec 08 - Accurate Radiation Treatments on Horizon
23 Dec 08 - American Cancer Society explains CLL and SLL are NHL

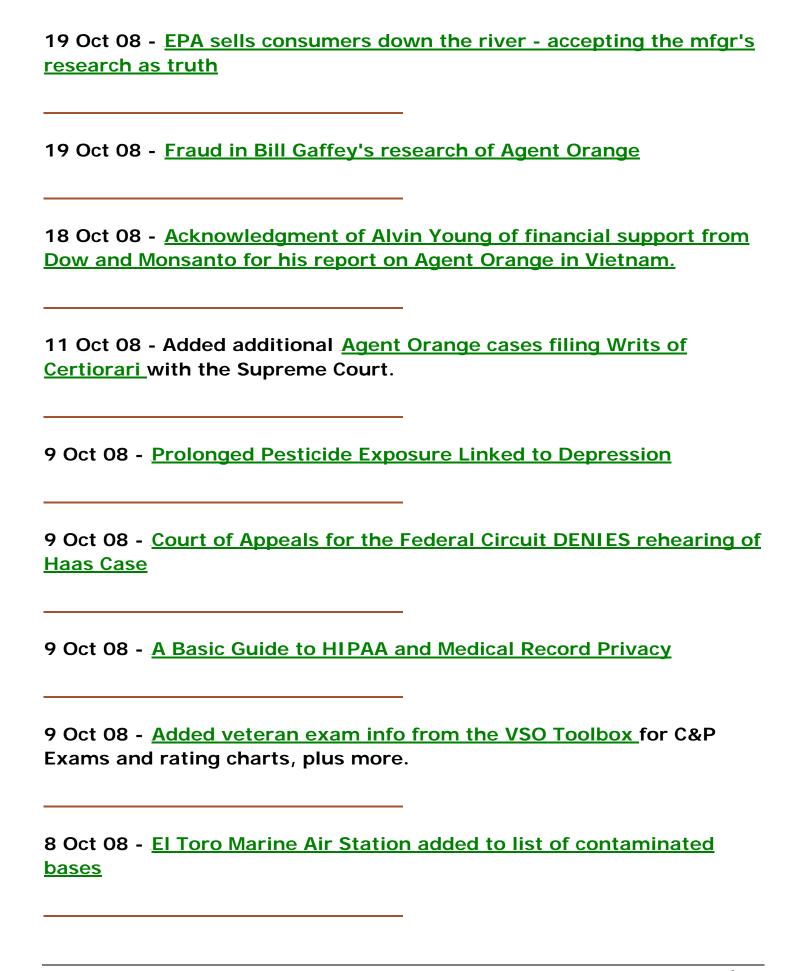
18 Dec 08 - Hearing Loss Is Common in People with Diabetes
18 Dec 08 - Added info linking CLL and NHL
18 Dec 08 - Non-Blue Water Navy esophageal cancer award, 1999
15 Dec 08 - Announcement of our TELEbration on January 14, 2009
14 Dec 08 - Posted BVA Ruling for <u>Esophageal cancer to Blue Water</u> <u>Navy veteran</u>
12 Dec 08 - In a Blue Water Navy Association exclusive, we've cleared the log jam of NHL cases being illegally held under Haas But not all the RO's toe the line
1 Dec 08 - Adding details to the January 14, 2009 TELEbration
1 Dec 08 - Added CONTACT CONGRESS information link
1 Dec 08 - Study puts direct and indirect cost on diabetes
29 Nov 08 - 1960 article on spraying herbicides

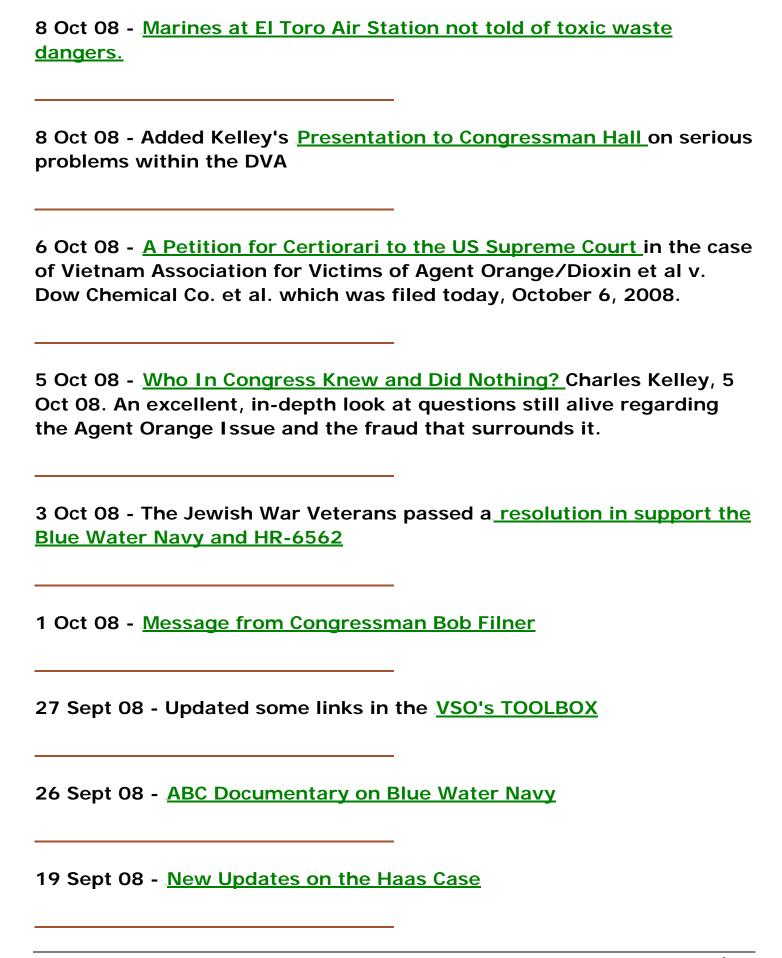
27 Nov 08 - Announcement regarding low inventory levels for shirts.
27 Nov 08 - Dioxins and Cardiovascular Disease Mortality
27 Nov 08 - Persistent Organic Pollutants Toolbox
27 Nov 08 - ABC News report on veterans and prostate cancer
27 Nov 08 - Three House Subcommittee hearings Jan - Feb '08 on VA Problems
27 Nov 08 - Added "The Veteran's Voice" as a co-sponsor to the Veteran's Health and Benefits Campaign
24 Nov 08 - 1980 Study showing correlation between TCDD and cancers
24 Nov 08 - 1986 Study between TCDD and liver cancers
24 Nov 08 - VA given extension for Supreme Court filing until Dec. 22
24 Nov 08 - Edited the <u>Letter to the General Council</u> to the NHL Information Page

22 Nov 08 - Link to Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation
22 Nov 08 - "Feckless IOM Does Agency's Bidding: Sound Familiar?" - New complaints about the IOM
22 Nov 08 - Published an BWN Association Letter to the General Council of the VA regarding the illegal holding of NHL/CLL claims for compensation - Please feel free to submit this letter under your personal signature
22 Nov 08 - Posted the <u>Letter to the General Council</u> to the NHL Information Page
14 Nov 08 - NIOSH Pocket Guide entry on Picloram
12 Nov 08 - Fact Sheet on Pecloram
12 Nov 08 - Added more documents to the "Who Knew" Section
9 Nov 08 - Added more documents to the "Who Knew" Section
8 Nov 08 - Added more documents to the "Who Knew" Section



31 Oct 08 - 1981 Study on <u>ICDD Cancer Rates and Dosage</u>
27 Oct 08 - Added information of what the Supreme Court can do regarding the Writ of Certiorari
26 Oct 08 - Relationship between body burden levels of dioxins and DL-PCBs, associate with metabolic syndrome including elevated triglyceride and glucose intolerance
26 Oct 08 - Added the entire CHICO Report for the benefit of veterans stationed in Thailand
26 Oct 08 - Added <u>USTOO.org</u> with information by survivors of <u>prostate cancer</u>
24 Oct 08 - Our <u>"In Memoriam Eagle"</u> has added Rick Spryka to the list of our departed Family
22 Oct 08 - Haas Case Appealed to the Supreme Court
20 Oct 08 - Added <u>embroidered Blue Water Navy patches</u> to the Ship's Store inventory
20 Oct 08 - An Overview on Prostate Cancer and Agent Orange

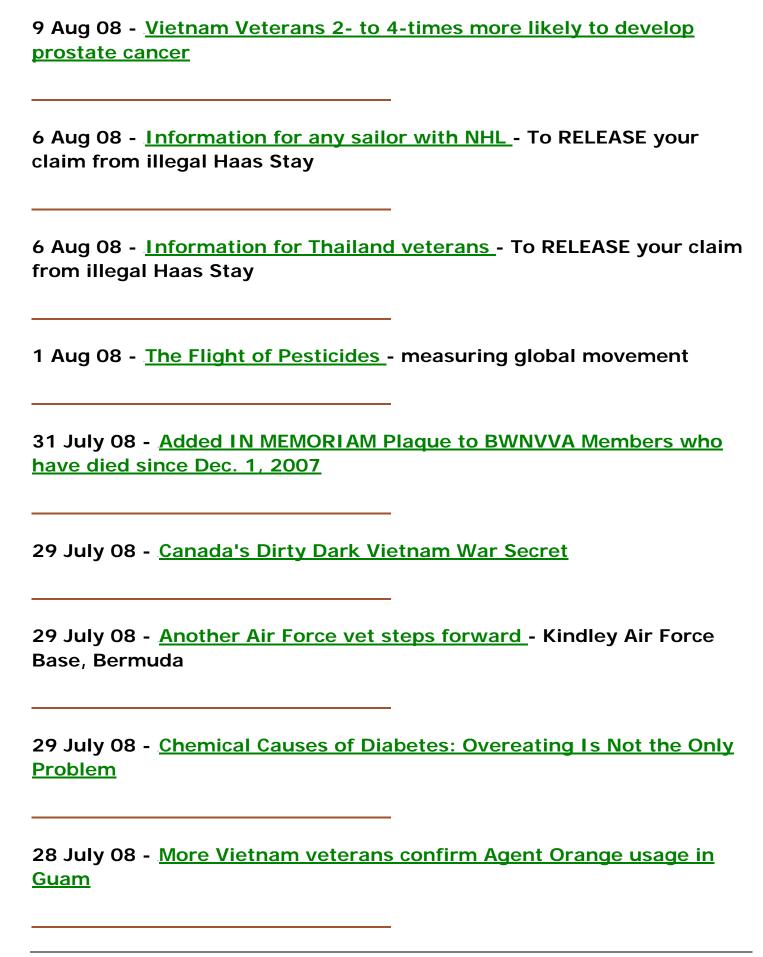




17 Sept 08 - An Interview With Congressman Bob Filner
17 Sept 08 - ABC Channel 11 has aired a story on the plight of the Blue Water Navy.
14 Sept 08 - Another study of TCDD persistence in the soil using soil that had been exposed at least twenty years earlier.
12 Sept 08 - Agent Orange Odyssey - a year 2000 Australian Paper
12 Sept 08 - Exposure to herbicides in Thailand is conceded
12 Sept 08 - Australian paper used in establishing connection of PN with TCDD exposure
9 Sept 08 - <u>USS Lake Erie</u> does a one-shot take down of a satellite in orbit.
8 Sept 08 - An Aug 20 Statement from Filner
7 Sept 08 - <u>Arsenic Exposure Linked to Diabetes II</u> - Agent Blue had a large component of Arsenic!
6 Sept 08 - <u>- Chemical Toxins</u> - Exposure of Naval Veterans to an incredible range of toxins

6 Sept 08 - The Legacy of Agent White
1 Sept 08 - How is Legislation created - An overview
29 Aug 08 - Massive format change to page layout. Each topic can nov be viewed separately by using the Blue Button Link.
25 Aug 08 - Contact list for members of the 110th Congress of the House and Senate
25 Aug 08 - Report on Dioxin by ASTAR
24 Aug 08 - Smokey the Bear - AO and the US Forest Service
24 Aug 08 - The Ranch Hand File
24 Aug 08 - The Lane Evans Legacy - A man who fought for veterans
22 Aug 08 - Additional Study on CLL and NHL
21 Aug 08 - Filner's New Agent Orange Equity Act to cover all veterans

20 Aug 08 - Added template for letter to Senators re: HR-6562
20 Aug 08 - Added additional information on NHL/CLL relationship
18 Aug 08 - Added information from NVLSP on NHL exclusion for waters off shore
17 Aug 08 - "The History of the US Department of Defense Programs for the Testing, Evaluation, and Storage of Tactical Herbicides" - by Alvin Young, 2006
16 Aug 08 - Two Peripheral Neuropathy due to Agent Orange claim approvals
16 Aug 08 - Added Agent Orange Act of 1991
12 Aug 08 - Completed loading ruling on NHL removal from Haas Stay
11 Aug 08 - Guam Legislators Work All Night, Support Agent Orange Bill
9 Aug 08 - Added color choices to T-Shirts in the Ships Store



26 July 08 - Bioaccumulation level measurements of Dioxin (TCDD) in
Humans and Animals
26 July 08 - Dioxin (TCDD) found to be present in 2,4-D and other substances
23 July 08 - Multiple Updates for new HR-6562 under New
<u>Information</u>
Update from Army Times
FRA Legislative Contact Site
Full Text of HR - 6562
HR-6562 Listing in Govtrack 19 July 08 - Congressman Filner's
<u>Proposal for Blue Water Navy - Agent Orange Equity Act</u>
15 July 08 - Alvin Young experiment shows 99% of TCDD persisted in soil at least 12 years
14 July 08 - Added approved claim with single buddy letter for visitation on land by sailor
14 July 08 - Added the changes made February 27, 2002 requiring boot-on-the-ground policy
13 July 08 - Added Mesothelioma Web
13 July 08 - Support the elimination of travel deductives for veterans seeking health care
5 July 08 - Observational Editorial - I was talking to my Self
4 July 08 - Added new link to Data on Mesothelioma
3 July 08 - A template for a Resolution supporting elimination of boots-on-ground requirements
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2 July 08 - Bob Filner Letter of Support to Bill Fryday

2 July 08 - Email from Dept of Navy about Vietnam Combat Zone 30 June 08 - Tom Philpott's Article - Sailors' victory reversed in Agent Orange-related cases 29 June 08 - NVLSP and BWNVVA fighting to gain back title and **benefits** 29 June 08 - Made some page layout adjustments. 29 June 08 - John Wells files Amicus Brief for the ReHearing 29 June 08 - Where Does Vietnam End? by Kelly Franklin 28 June 08 - Added new LIGHT BLUE T-shirts to the Ship's Store 28 June 08 - Added template "Letter to the Editor" to the Press Club 27 June 08 - A Blue Water Navy Analysis of the Chevron Deference -By Wallace Ward 26 June 08 - Updates made to News Release on John McCain's status as a Vietnam War veteran - with an analysis given.

25 June 08 - NVLSP files petition for Rehearing En Blanc for Haas - Requests entire panel of Federal Circuit Court Judges to rehear the case

17 June 08 - Special Edition Lost at Sea: The Vietnam "Blue Water Navy" Vets Case"

16 June 08 - Comments of <u>John Wells to DVA Federal Register</u> <u>Proposed Rule Making</u>

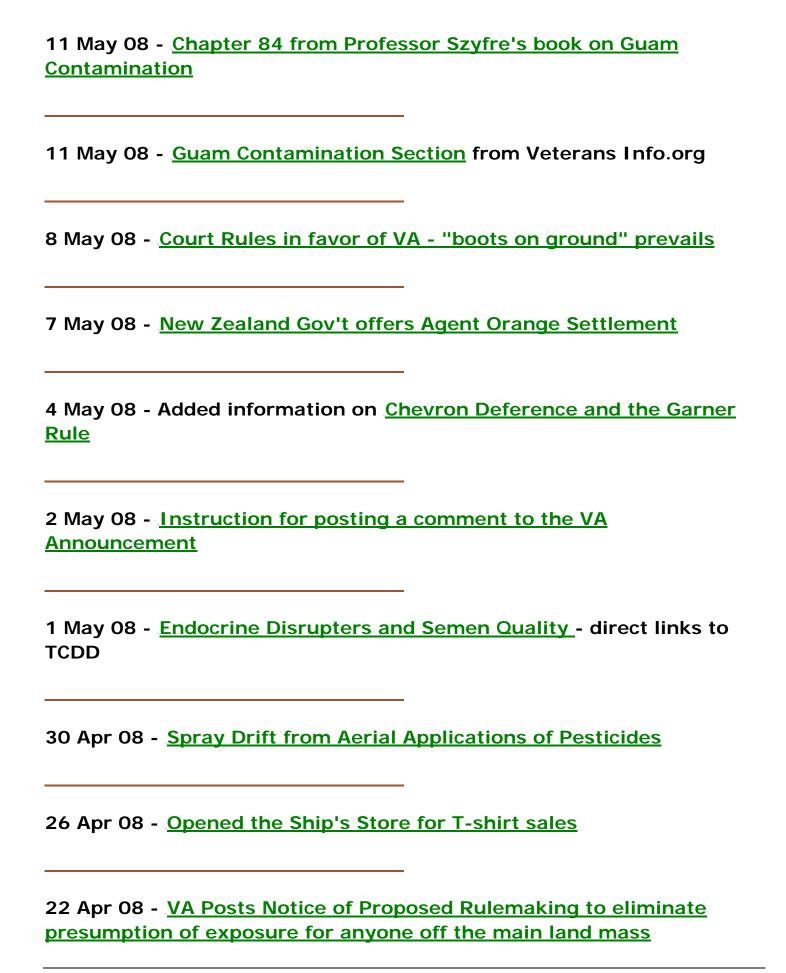
10 June 08 - Veterans for Common Sense get Courtroom Win

10 June 08 - All Blue Water Navy (including John McCain) reclassified as "Vietnam Era veterans"

6 June 08 - Agent Orange Exposure, Vietnam War Veterans and the Risk of Prostate Cancer
6 June 08 - More on Genetics Studies from New Zealand - Fathers Can Harm Unborn
6 June 08 - Study on Camp Lejeune toxic water continues with Navy money
5 June 08 - Oct 1998 claim award ruling for cancer from Agent Orange based on "service in the waters offshore"
31 May 08 - 1967 document discussing 300+ mile spray drift for agent orange
31 May 08 - 1967 Document relating runoff of agent orange directly into the South China Sea
30 May 08 - Cold War test victims compensated
30 May 08 - A directive describing what is a proper item the VA can STAY on the Haas case
24 May 08 - Canadian Toxicology listing
23 May 08 - Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma still covered for Blue Water Navy
22 May 08 - Added Executive Order 11231 establishing the Vietnam Service Medal

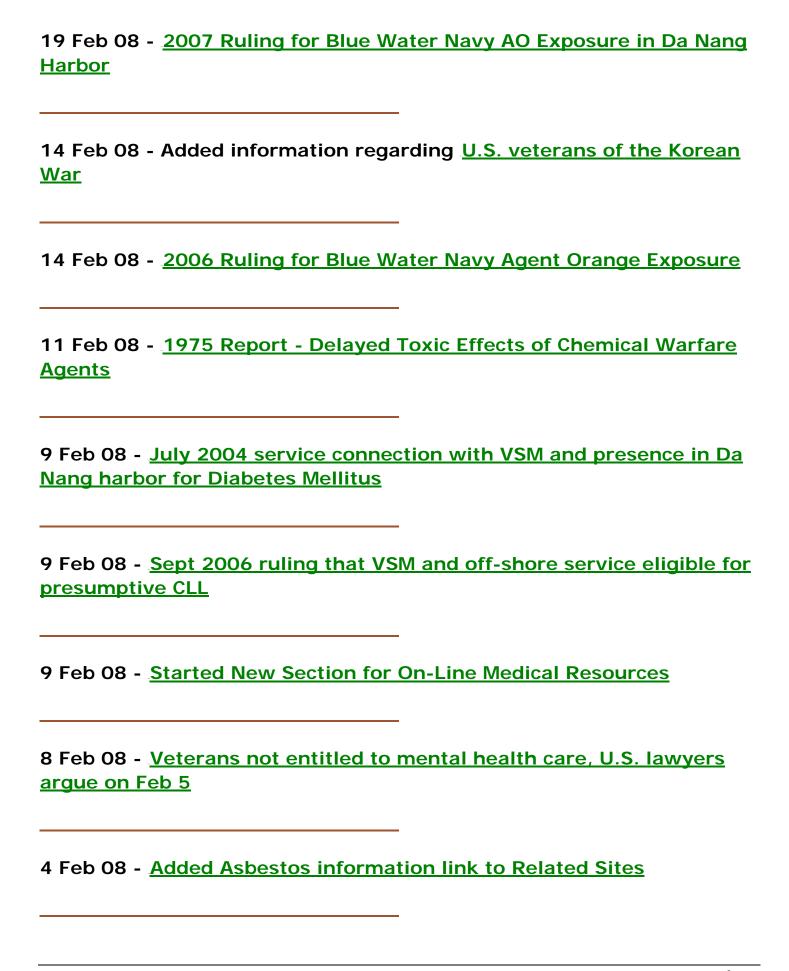
21 May 08 - Linked to the Court of Appeals for Veteran Claims for tracking the Haas Case - Docket 04-0491
20 May 08 - Improving the Presumptive Disability Decision-Making Process for Veterans published 2008 - a Book of Interest - National Academies Press
20 May 08 - Potable Water Chemical Contamination Aboard US Navy Ships
20 May 08 - Water Supply Afloat - from the 1962 Navy Manual of Preventative Medicine
20 May 08 - A 1960s Naval Manual on Water Treatment re-issued in 1984
18 May 08 - "In Honor Of" is a fact sheet on the plight of the Blue Water Navy and all contingents whose presumptive benefits have been denied.
18 May 08 - Area in Australia sprayed with herbicides in 1960s shows 10 fold increase in cancers
16 May 08 - Myelodysplastic Syndromes & the Vietnam Era Veterans - Bone Cancer

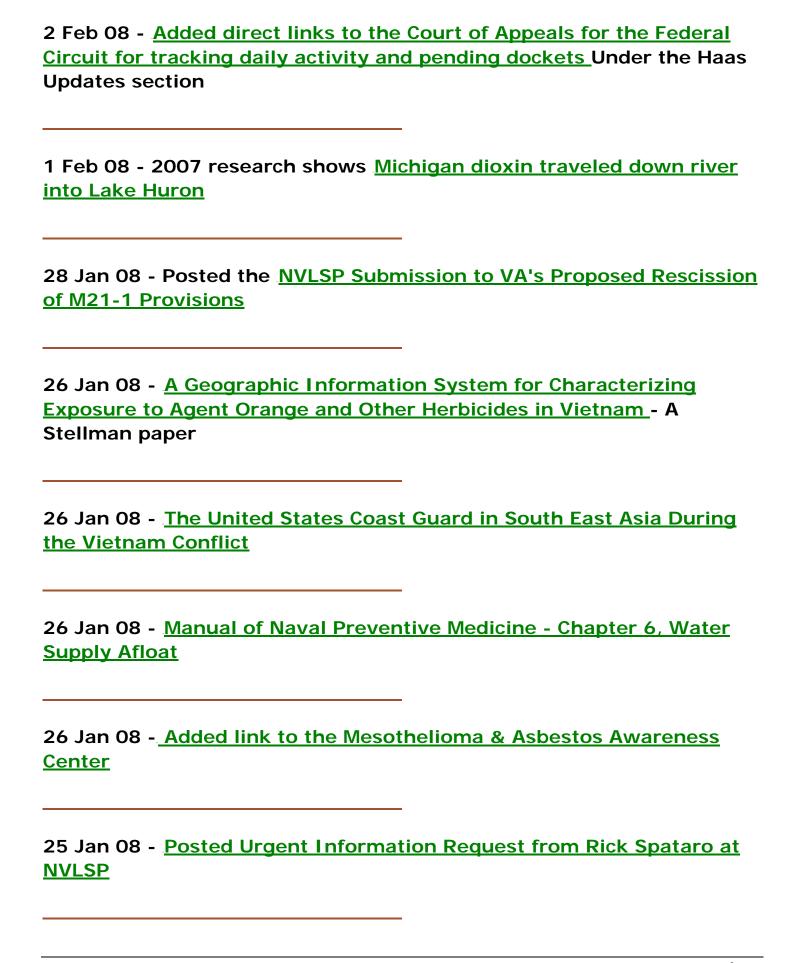
16 May 08 - New Study Strengthens Association of Prostate Cancer with Exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam Veterans
14 May 08 - EPA defines -Tetrachlorodibenzo-p-Dioxin (2,3,7,8,-TCDD)
14 May 08 - Linked to the SEND IN YOUR MEDALS Campaign of VNVets Blog
13 May 08 - Monsanto again caught up in lies
13 Mar 08 - Reports of thousands of gallons of Agent Orange dumped into the Gulf of Tonkin
12 May 08 - Added information in the Press Club section for use in "getting the word out" about BWNVVA and its challenges.
11 May 08 - House Bill aims to end rule of "The Claim Dies With The Veteran
11 May 08 - Additional information of the USS Ingersoll inclusion in presumptive coverage with no boots on ground

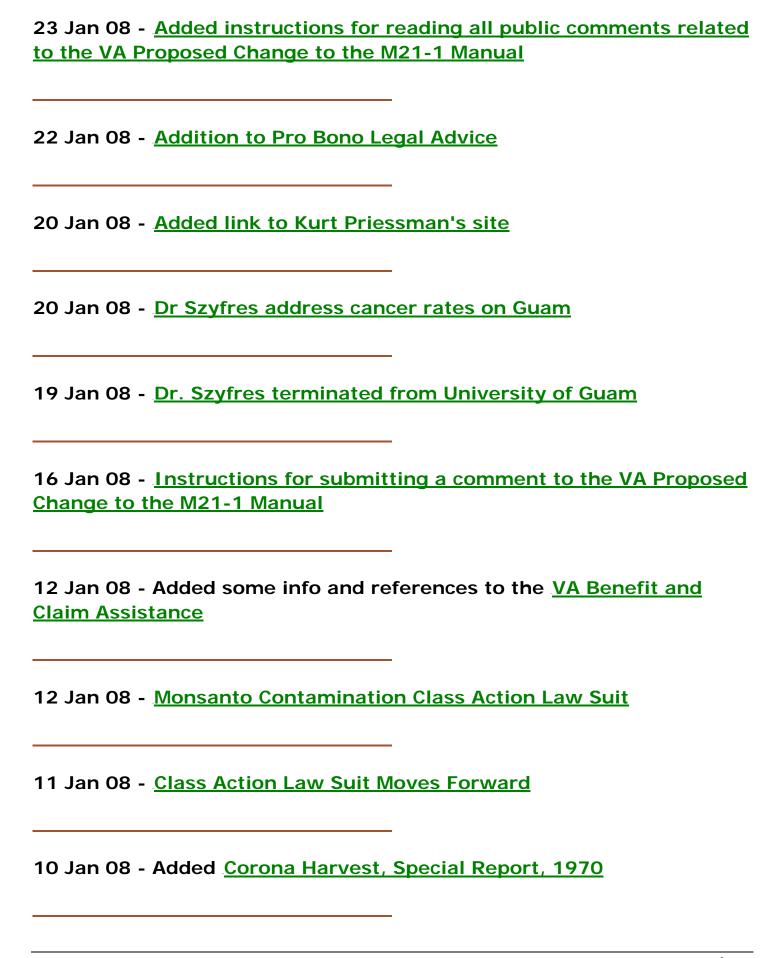


21 Apr 08 - Camp Lejeune 1985 Data Analysis - Water
21 Apr 08 - Camp Lejeune Environment Alert - April, 2008
16 Apr 08 - BWN response to the VA Rescission
15 Apr 08 - VA rescinds provisions of its Adjudication Procedures Manual, M21-1
13 Apr 08 - October 30, 2003 AO Exposure while offshore Vietnam
13 Apr 08 - Akaka introduces bill for vets to challenge VA Rating Schedule
7 Mar 08 - Report of a <u>Tests of Agent Orange and Agent White near</u> <u>Manilla in January, 1972</u>
6 Mar 08 - Update on <u>Dr. Szyfres on Guam</u>
6 Mar 08 - Cancer and TCDD: The Mitochondrial Connection
6 Mar 08 - Restated the <u>rules</u> for submitting a ship to the list of <u>Ships</u> <u>That Served In Vietnam</u>

5 Mar 08 - Added link to Professor Narrett's article <u>Are Veterans</u> <u>Targeted for Triage?</u>
5 Mar 08 - Added new section on main page BLUE WATER NAVY IN THE NEWS
1 Mar 08 - More info on Asbestos and the Military - <u>Veterans and Mesothelioma</u>
1 Mar 08 - A study from 1970 showing dioxin contamination in the water in Vietnam
29 Feb 08 - Asbestos and the Navy Article for Asbestos Awareness Month
29 Feb 008 - Added link to Order of the Silver Rose on the opening page
29 Feb 08 - Linked to the newly created <u>Veterans Health Digest</u>
27 Feb 08 - Kurt Priessman speaks out about a lame Congress
27 Feb 08 - Dec 2007 Ruling - Thyroid Cancer from Agent Orange at

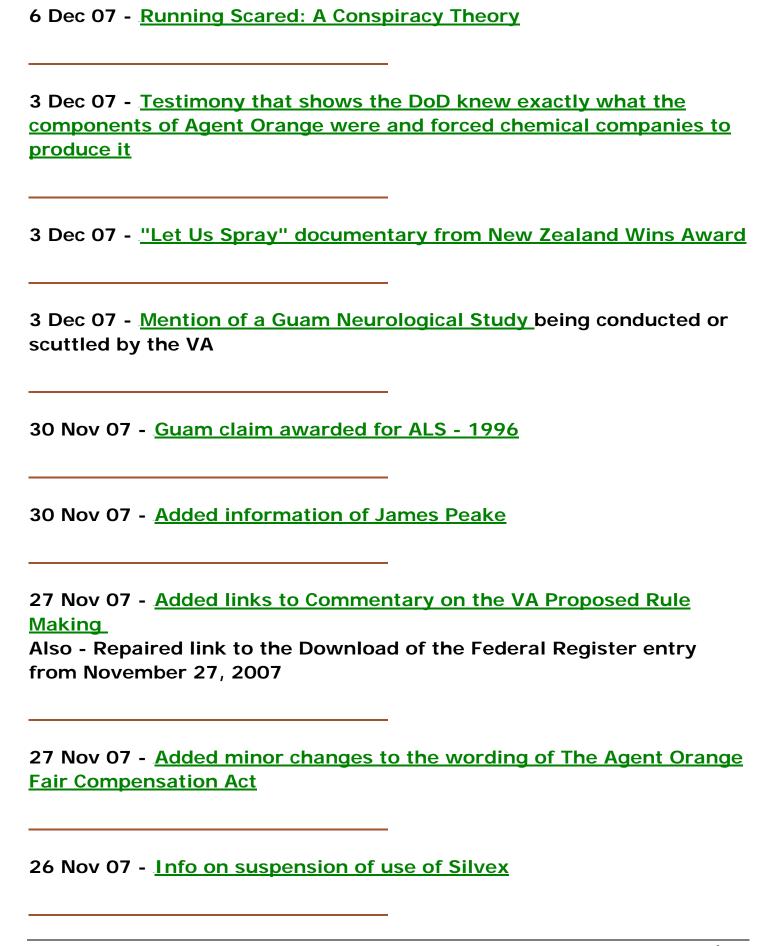


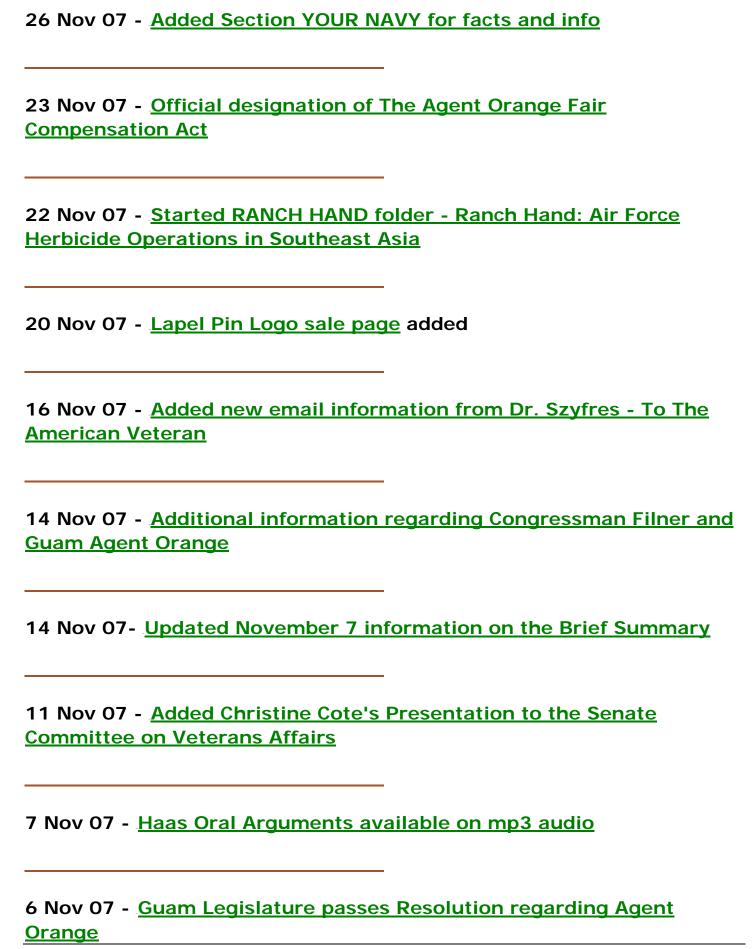






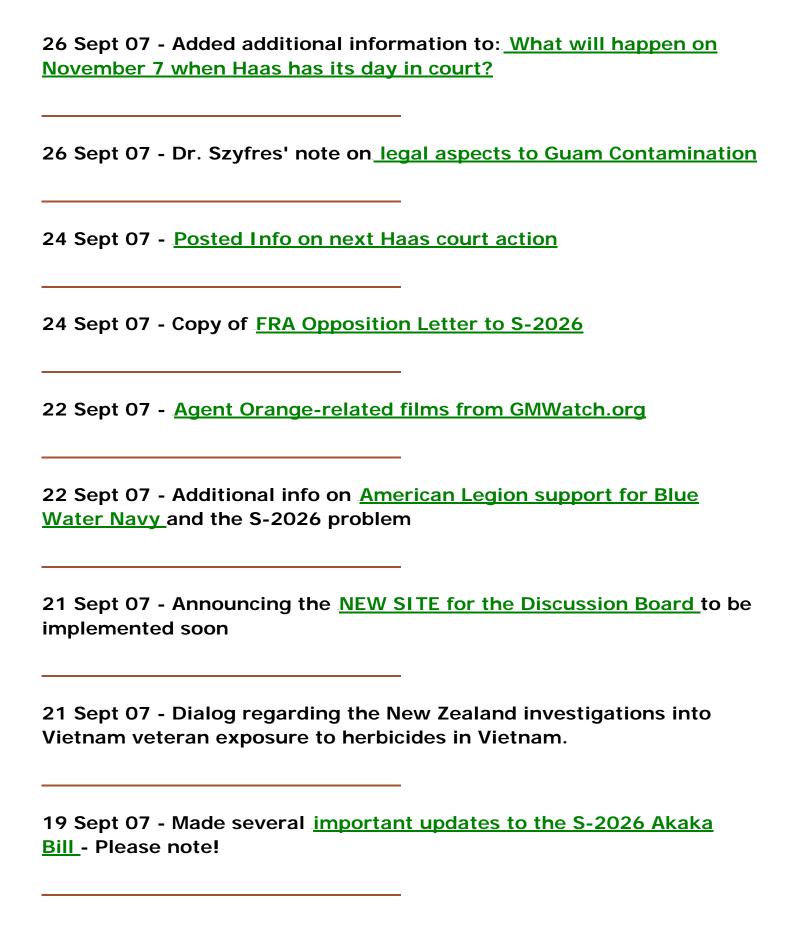
20 Dec 07 - New Zealand Vietnam vets sign up for compensation
18 Dec 07 - National Security Memorandum #35 - to continue maintaining overseas stockpiles of chemical weapons.
18 Dec 07 - Air Force Base Commanders allowed to use herbicides with no accountability required," at domestic and foreign bases during the Vietnam War
18 Dec 07 - 2004 Pesticide Literature Review
17 Dec 07 - How Dioxin (TCDD) Works
17 Dec 07 - More news from Guam vs. Agent Orange
12 Dec 07 - Notice of Water Contamination at Camp Lejeune 1957- 1987
12 Dec 07 - Introduction to the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Association with sign-up link for BWNVVA and the Discussion Forums.
11 Dec 07 - How Dioxin Moves Through The Environment

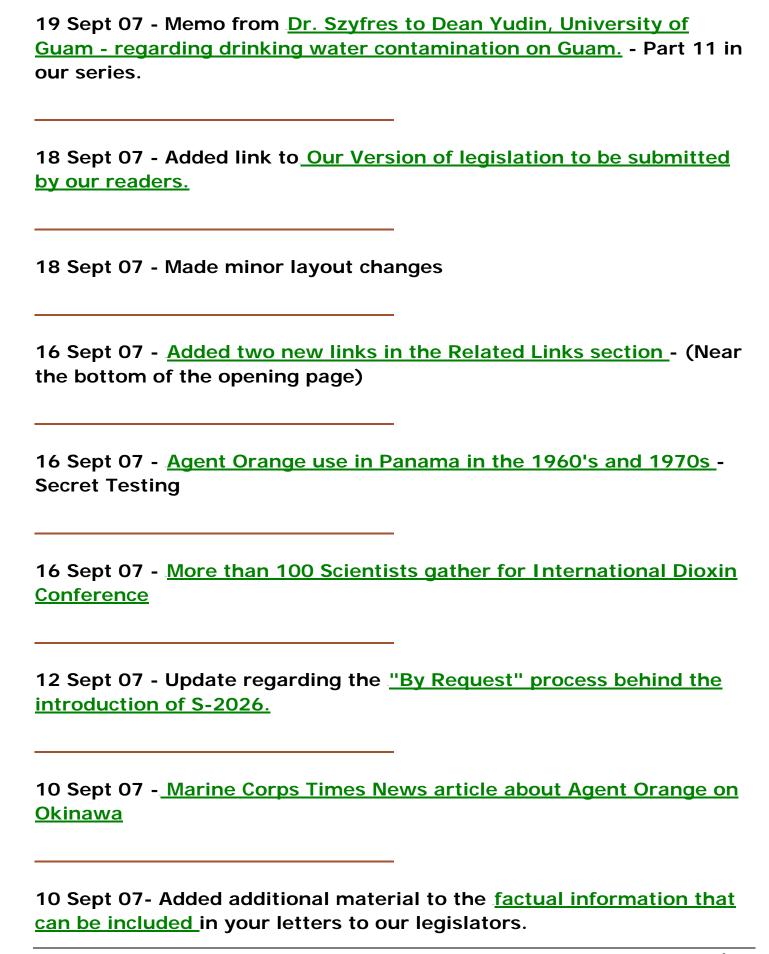


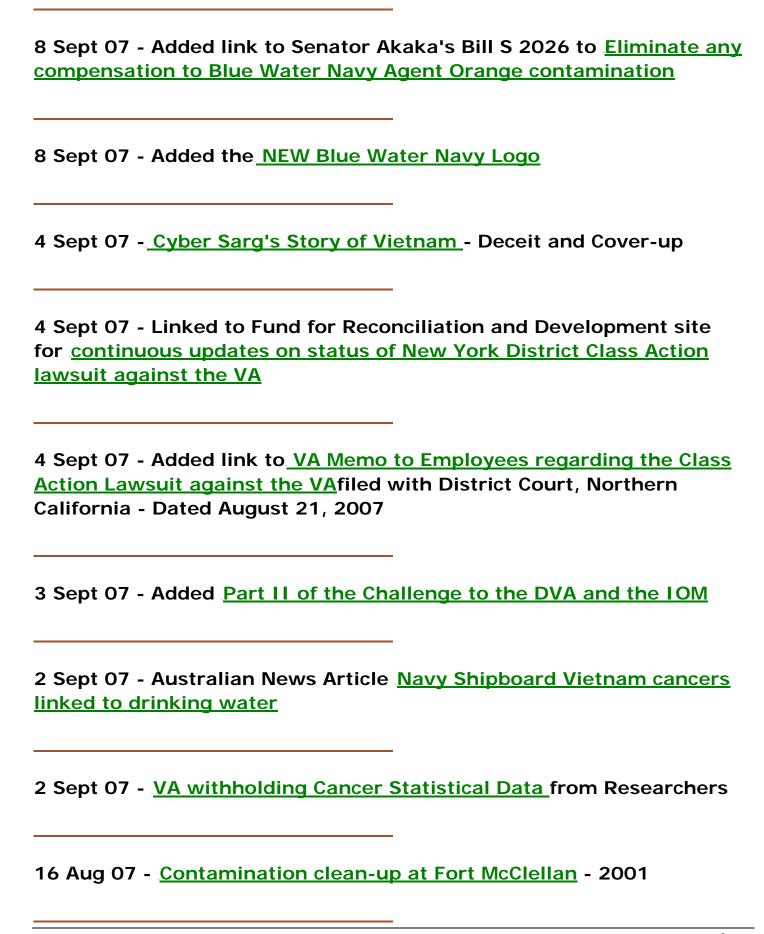


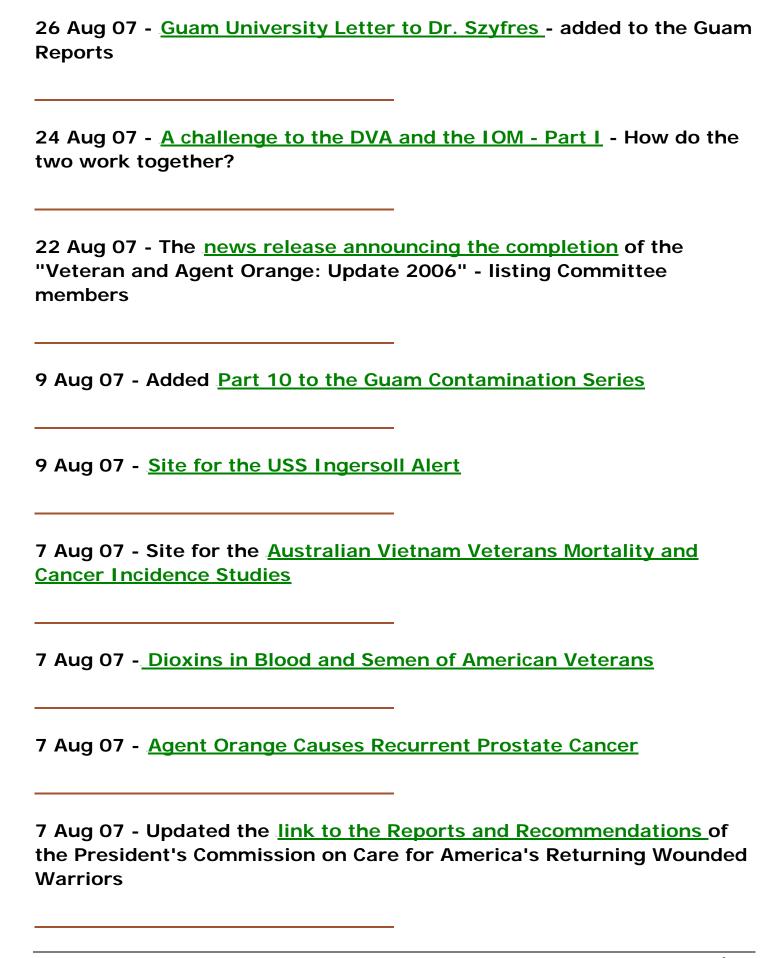
30 Oct 07 - SAY NO! to Peake's nomination for Secretary of the VA
23 Oct 07 - An email of Oct. 21, indicates Dr. Szyfres if leaving Guam and preparing a book
14 Oct 07 - Historical Archive 1990 - Agent Orange Study Was Obstructed, Panel Says
10 Oct 07 - The History of the US Department of Defense Programs for the Testing, Evaluation, and Storage of Tactical Herbicides - 2006
8 Oct 07 - Added Chemical Defoliation of Northern Tree Species
8 Oct 07 - Added Kelley's review and commentary of the Disability Commission Report
7 Oct 07 - <u>Veteran's for Common Sense Class Action Suit and the VA's Motion to Dismiss</u>
7 Oct 07 - <u>Veteran's Disability Commission Report</u>
7 Oct 07 - Link to <u>Vietnam veterans Parkinson's Disease information</u> group







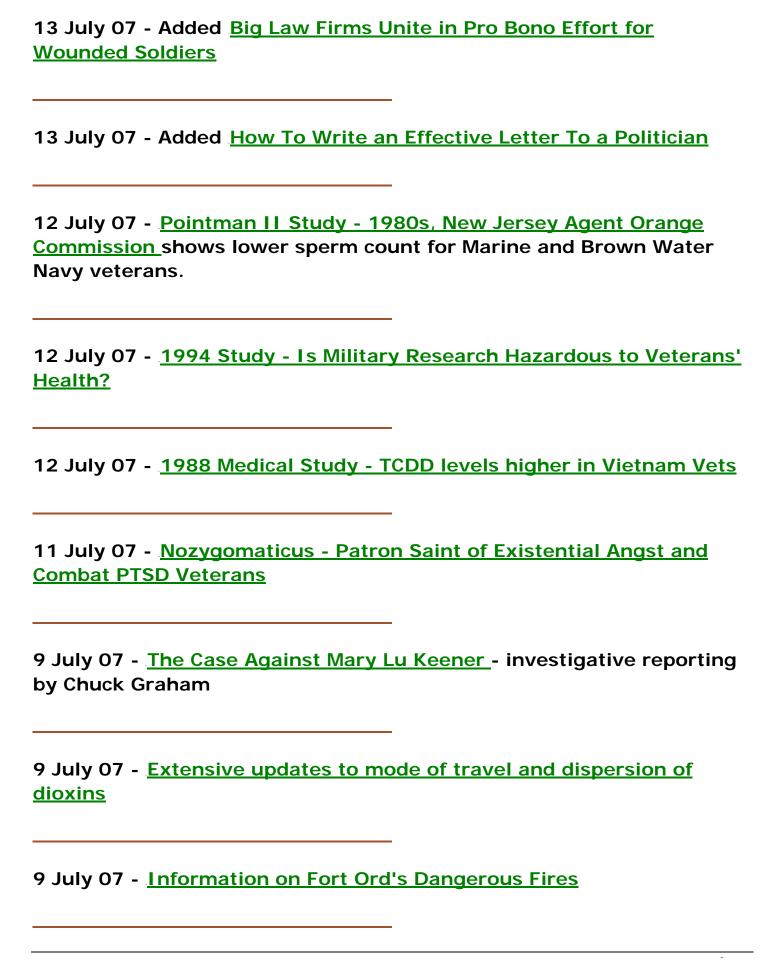


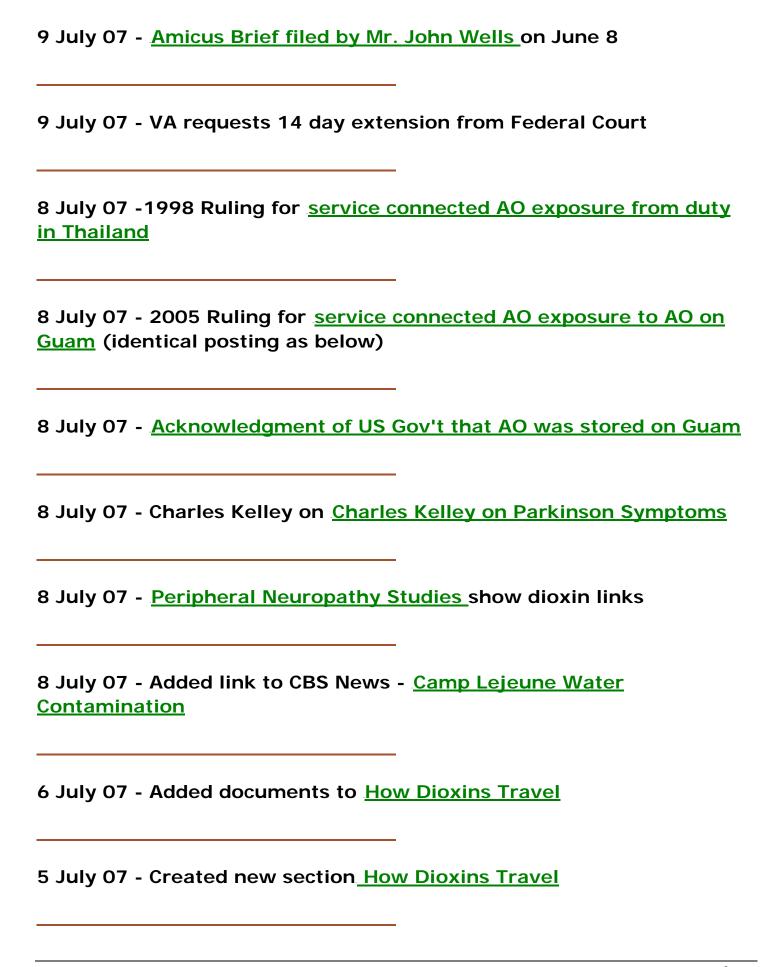




27 July 06 - <u>Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2006</u> available from the Institute Of Medicine
- The full draft summary of the Agent Orange Update 2006 Report.
27 June 07 - Agent Orange link to high blood pressure (?)
27 July 07 - Investigative reporting in New Zealand brings about an admission of guilt in dioxin contamination
25 July 07 - A Farewell Letter to Jim Nicholson that you can add your name to
24 July 07 - 19 July Court Rebuke of Dept. of Veterans Affairs regarding their non-payment of CLL claims Kelley comments on it here.
24 July 07 - Added link to another <u>CLASS ACTION law suit filed with</u> the U.S. District Court, Northern California
24 July 07 - Added web site for the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission
23 July 07 - What are the Symptoms of Dioxin Poisoning?
23 July 07 - More information on the TTCP - The "agency" that secretly tested biological and chemical weapons on our troops

Thousands of Dangerous Chemicals in our Air - Canadian
AO exposure on Okinawa - VA Ruling
<u>List of Presumptive Illnesses of Agent Orange</u> - Order of ose
Cyber Sarge's List of AO Related Diseases
Nicholson to Leave VA and Return to the Private Sector
Atsugi Naval Base, Japan - Is this a poisons coverup?
A study of marine life contamination and sea-borne
Added Page 3 of Ruling for service connected AO Guam [Also added to Guam Reports]
Changed headline to show the Federal Court has granted 14 day extension



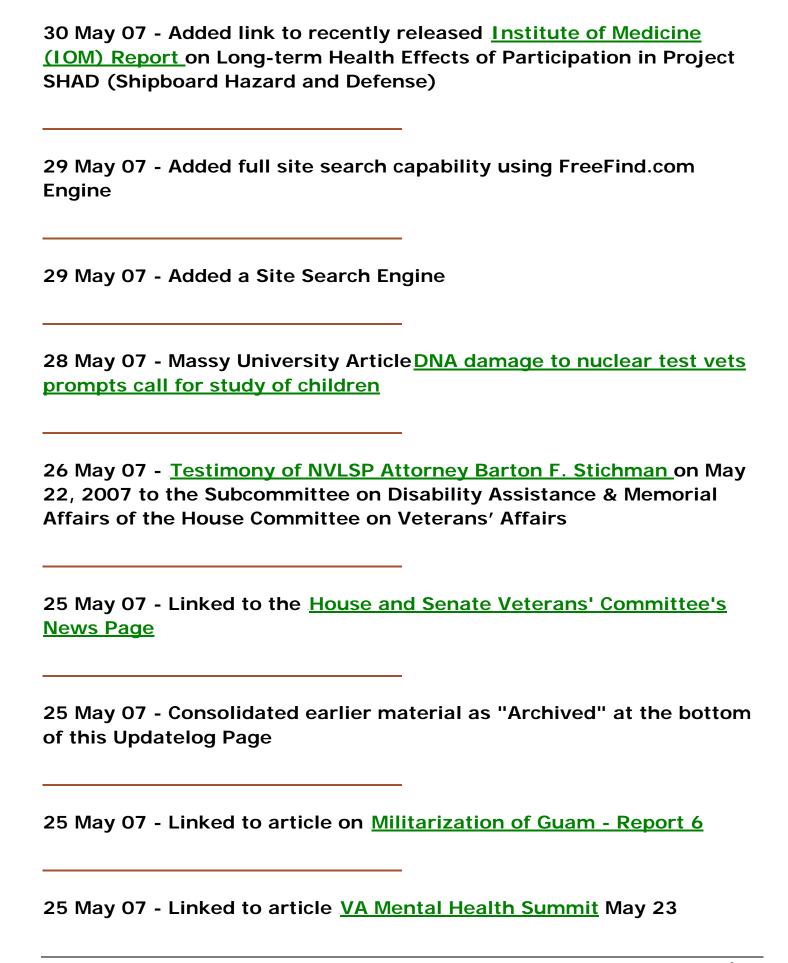


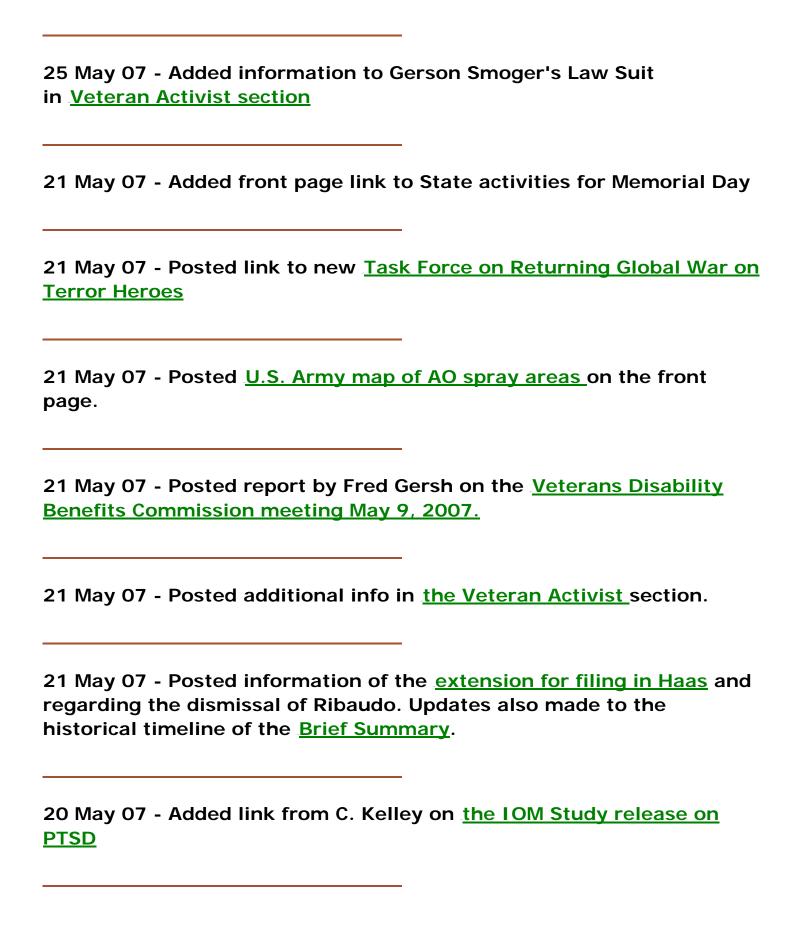


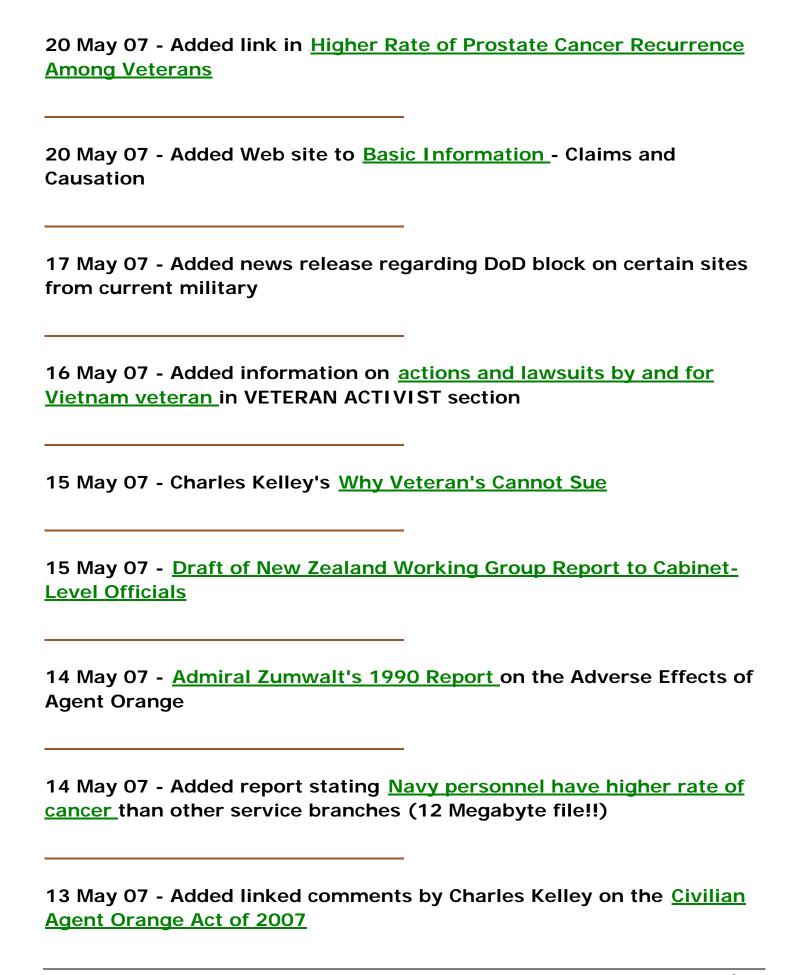
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25 June 07 - Added link to War Legacies Project - Agent Orange section
25 June 07 - Added link to <i>The Charlotte Observer</i> 6/21/07 article Nicholson Is Clueless
24 June 07 - Extent and patterns of usage of Agent Orange in Vietnam
24 June 07 - <u>The New Yorker Magazine, February 7, 1970</u> - Thomas Whiteside, "Defoliation"
23 June 07 - Link to <u>Hatfield Associates web site</u> for Agent Orange-related reports and studies
23 June 07 - a <u>presentation to the Veterans' Benefit</u> <u>Commission</u> during 2007 public hearings
23 June 07 - Added <u>Veteran's Benefits Commission</u> presentation on Commission Priorities
23 June 07 - Added IOM presentation to Veterans' Benefits Commission

23 June 07 - Started General Documentation and Information section
22 June 07 - Added Intro Page <u>link to the Blue Water Navy Discussion</u> <u>Group</u> and the <u>VN Vets Blog</u>
22 June 07 - The Federal Circuit granted the government a 15-day extension for filing their reply brief. It is now due on July 6, 2007. (Updated the Brief Summary Section.)
21 June 07 - Added Paul Sutton's <u>History of Agent Orange</u> from the March, 2002 Hanoi Conference.
18 June 07 - Added <u>VA's Federal Register Announcement regarding</u> <u>limiting presumptive exposure</u>
17 June 07 - Added Silvex in Vietnam- used in our water tanks
16 June 07 - Added link to <u>Searchable Agent Orange Archive</u> at Texas Tech
16 June 07 - Added GAO Report Regarding DOD and VA Disability
16 June 07 - Added linked to Gary Moore's <u>Agent Orange Talking</u> Paper #1

16 June 07 - Added <u>The Hatfield Group Vietnam Environmental</u> <u>Studies link to the Basic Info page</u>
15 June 07 - Added Part 7 of the Guam Contamination Reports
13 June 07 - Added link to <u>Facts About Benzine</u>
13 June 07 - Added 2 new links to PTSD Section of Illnesses and Symptoms
12 June 07 - Added link to Pro Bono Legal help for <u>Parkinson's</u> <u>Disease</u>
12 June 07 - Added a June 12 updated statement regarding the class action lawsuit against the chemical companies filed by Dr. Smoger.
12 June 07 - Added information on the 25th Anniversary Parade for The Wall in The Veteran Activist Section
11 June 07 - Added links to the <u>NVLSP legal brief</u> filed on 4 June 07 - (.PDF download) on Front Page and also in the <u>Brief Summary.</u>
2 June 07 - Cape May County Harold News Op-Ed from May 30, 2007



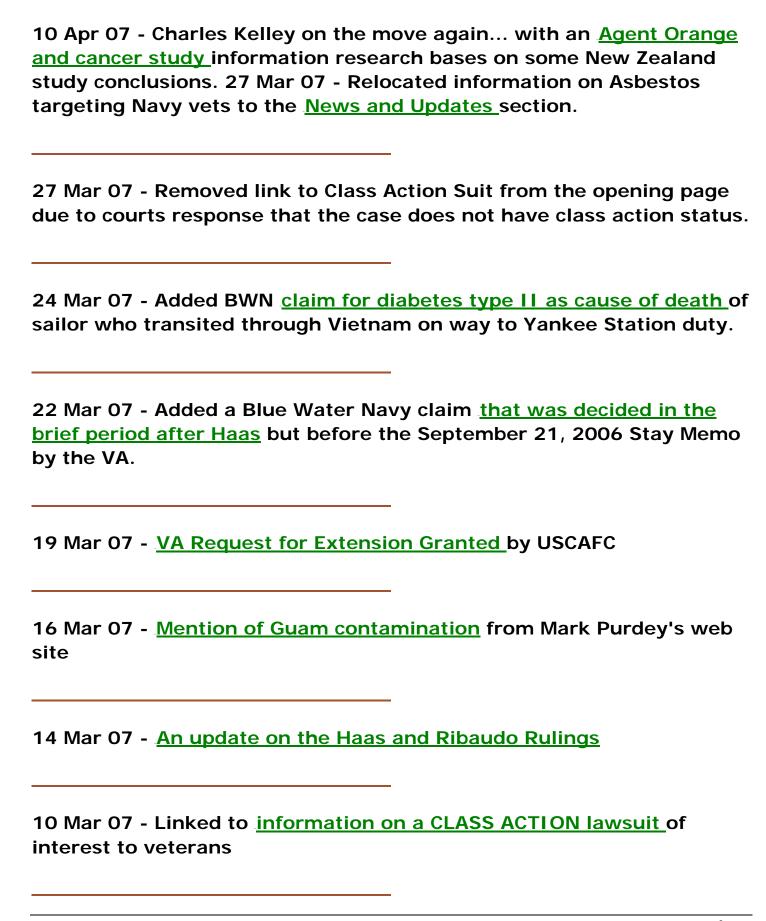




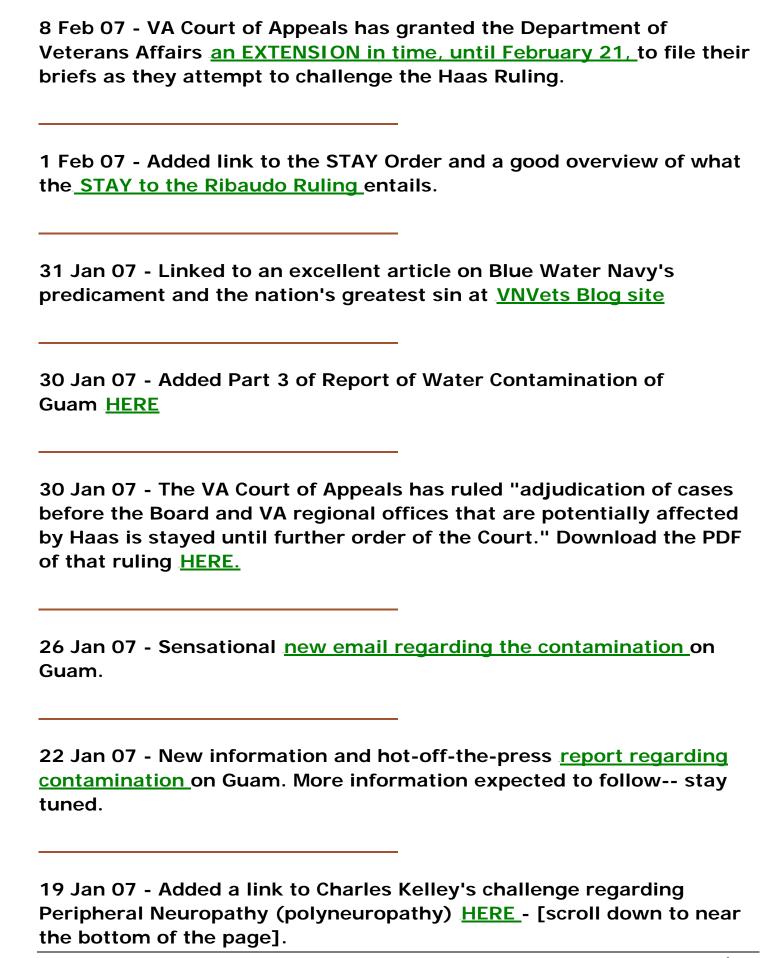
13 May 07 - Added <u>Prostate Cancer Fact Sheet</u>
13 May 07 - Added new info regarding the <u>Australian/New Zealand Vietnam veterans</u> law suit
11 May 07 - Added link to web site of Hatfield Consultants <u>Agent</u> Orange videos and books/reports resources.
10 May 07 - Added David Butler's <u>History of Agent Orange</u>
10 May 07 - Added New Zealand Chromosome Study link
9 May 07 - Added <u>Executive Summary - "PTSD Compensation and Military Service"</u> - 2007
9 May 07 - Added <u>Herbicide Use Outside of Vietnam</u>
9 May 07 - Added news article titled Navy Vets Fight for Benefits, Legacy by VNVets
6 May 07 - Added <u>New Zealand information</u> regarding their dealing with Vietnam Veterans

6 May 07 - Completed the Brief Summary
5 May 07 - Continued clarifying <u>Brief Summary</u> with new information.
4 May 07 - Continued tune-up of the Brief Summary of the legal battles
2 May 07 - Added comment regarding the HR 1490 bill - it will likely cause more harm than good.
2 May 07 - Updating and rewrite of the Brief Summary continues - not in final version yet
1 May 07 - Added text of House Bill HR 1490
Some posting from this time frame were lost in a drive crash.
28-Apr-07 - Added a New Section for Tips on Filing Claims and Appeals. (No documents attached yet.)
28 Apr 07 - Rearranged links from the Front Page. Added a New Section for Tips on Filing Claims and Appeals.
27 Apr 07 - Added sites on Illness Page

22 Apr 07 - Added link to C. Kelley's page regarding the New Zealand government admission of shipping Agent Orange to US Military in the 1960s
21 Apr 07 - Rearranged layout of information on the Haas and Ribaudo Cases, adding an updated <u>Chronological Listing of events</u> and expanding the <u>Brief Summary</u> .
17 Apr 07 - I corrected an INEXCUSABLE ERROR of providing an incorrect link to the PDF File for the March 7 VA court filing. The link correction has been made to the proper document. Please accept my profound apology!
16 Apr 07 - Added Full Order for Court Grants VA's Request for Stay in Ribaudo
12 Apr 07 - Added link to <u>National Veterans Legal Service</u> <u>Program statement of 12 April 07</u>
12 Apr 07 - Added downloadable copy of the VA brief filed March 7
11 Apr 07 - Added <u>A Brief Summary of the Issues</u> to the Home Page
10 Apr 07 - Moved historical data on Haas and Ribaudo Cases to A separate page





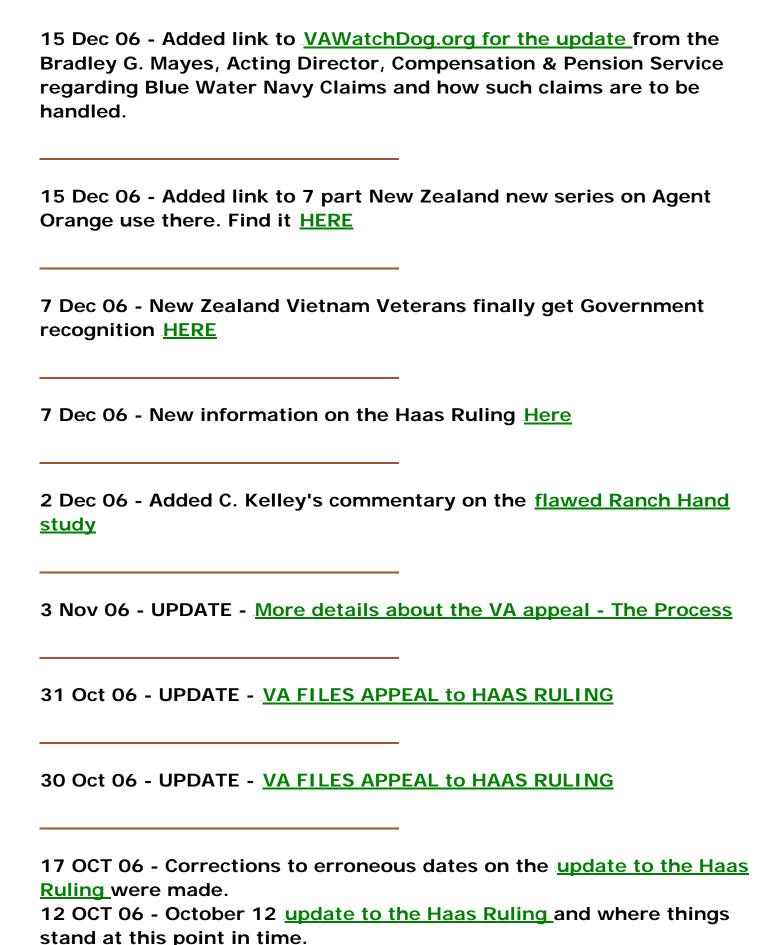


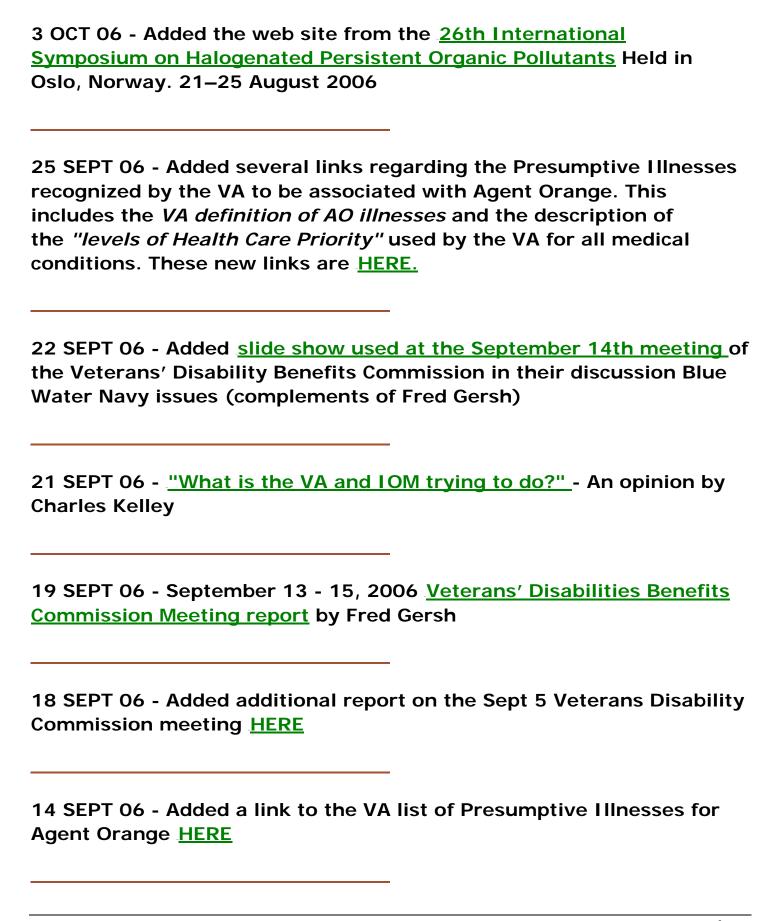
19 Jan 07- Added a link to the VVA Letter of Applause news release regarding the Ribaudo Ruling 18 Jan 07 - Added a link to "Dioxin and the Courts" HERE - an older site with historical information of interest. 17 Jan 07 - Added this link to VNVets Blog for an excellent analysis and outline of the Haas Ruling, the follow-on Ribaudo Ruling, and what we might expect from here. 17 Jan 07 - Added a link to the Operation Ranch Hand Web Site HERE 16 Jan 07 - Received information regarding the Task Force on the Future of the Military Healthcare, which will have a meeting today in Arlington, VA. This is the first I've heard of this Task Force and will try to dig up some additional information. 14 Jan 07 - Link established to Commission on the Future for American's Veterans with information their planned National Town Hall Meeting Tour Set to Begin in Charleston, WV on January 16, 2007. 10 Jan 07 - Court of Appeals orders Department of Veterans Affairs to

process all claims involving Agent Orange contamination of blue water

sailors. But the door for a further filing requesting a court Stay has been left open. See the ruling and analysis Here_for the new Ribaudo

Ruling and how it affects the Haas Ruling.





13 SEPT 06 - Added news release regarding the Australian Agent Orange Study Report #3 <u>HERE</u>	
12 SEPT 06 - Representative Strickland news release urging VA to focus on claims backlog <u>HERE</u>	
10 SEPT 06 - Congressman Lane Evans Urges Blue Water Navy to File AO Claims <u>HERE</u>)
9 SEPT 06 - April 2006 Australian Study - Australian National Service Vietnam Veterans: Mortality and Cancer Incidence <u>HERE</u>	.
7 SEPT 06 - A report from Charles Kelley on the Sept 5 meeting of the Disability Commission in Atlanta HERE 6 SEPT 06 - List of Army Units that served at or near the Korean DMZ that have been added to the presumption of herbicide exposure list HERE 6 SEPT 06 - Updated Schedule for Disability Commission meetings fo September 13, 14 and 15, 2006 HERE	<u>*</u>
5 SEPT 06 - Added John Wells' Reply to the Court in his ongoing blue water navy case before the VA Court of Appeals <u>HERE</u>	ļ
2 Sept 06 - Information on a list of attorneys CURRENTLY authorized to represent veterans before the Veterans Court of Appeals <u>HERE</u>	
1 Sept 06 - Added American Legion Directive release regarding Blue	

Water Navy claims dated 22 Aug 06 HERE

22 Aug 06 - Additional information on the Blue Water Navy Court Ruling <u>HERE</u>

22 Aug 06 - Update info on the Veterans Disability Benefits Commission meeting Sept. 5 in Atlanta <u>HERE</u>

17 Aug 06 - Blue Water Navy Wins Court Ruling for Presumptive Agent Orange for Listed Medical Conditions !!!

Download PDF file of the Ruling <u>HERE</u> This is the court document for the Haas v Nicholson ruling!

15 Aug 06 - Link to info on the 2006 IOM review of PTSD diagnosis guidelines <u>HERE</u>

14 Aug 06 - News Item: New Zealand Agent Orange study will be used in a U.S. Court. Find news item <u>HERE</u>

14 Aug 06 - An important BLUE WATER NAVY EXPOSURE filing by John Wells currently before the VA Court of Appeals. This Claim is IMPORTANT to read. Find <u>HERE</u>

14 Aug 06 - Information on how to obtain copies of a <u>ship's Deck</u> <u>Logs</u> for just about any ship for any date or date range.

8 Aug 06 - Added link to the US Veteran Information site, which contains some very good information for filing and understanding claims. You can find that link <u>HERE</u>

8 Aug 06 - A "call to action" for Dennis Bradley's filing before the Supreme Court. Information can be found <u>HERE</u> including a LETTER TEMPLATE to submit to the Supreme Court Justices.

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- 1 Aug 06 Added the .pdf file of VA GUIDE TO FILING AGENT ORANGE CLAIMS. This is an important document to be familiar with. Additional information and notes have been added following the VA guide in this same .pdf file. Read it ALL !!! <u>Find it HERE.</u>
- 1 Aug 06 added link to the description of the Institute of Medicine's role in investigating Presumptive Exposure issues <u>HERE</u>
- 1 Aug 06 added link to Multiple Chemical Sensitivity information <u>HERE</u>

31 July 06 - New Veterans Claims Ruling Hurts Vets With Multiple Claims - Details <u>HERE</u>

28 July 06 - Report on Genetic Damage from "harmful substances" in Vietnam Veterans <u>HERE</u>

28 July 06 - Opening banner announcing the Veterans' Disability Benefits Commission Meeting August 3 <u>HERE</u>

24 July 06 - New Zealand information of genetic damage from Agent Orange - from Kelley's Page <u>HERE</u>

24 July 06 - New Zealand information of genetic damage from Agent Orange - from NZ Sunday Star Times Newspaper <u>HERE</u>

16 July 06 - Information on PTSD and its relationship to other illnesses and diseases <u>HERE</u>

7 July 06 - Information on AO and Stomach Cancer, by Charles Kelley <u>HERE</u>

7 July 06 - Information on Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Veterans Registry [known as Lou Gehrig's Disease] <u>HERE</u> 7/11/06 - An opinion by Charles Kelley <u>HERE</u>

 9 July 06 - Added link to new discussion group for Navy Veteran's dealing with the VA over health issues <u>HERE</u> 9 July 06 - VA Rulings show bias on PN and other diseases <u>HERE HERE</u>
9 July 06 - Veterans Disability Benefits Commission to meet July 13, and Friday, July 14 <u>HERE</u>
27 May 06 - Link to Cyber Sarge's Agent Orange Page <u>HERE</u>
24 May 06 - Information about WHAT TO DO to protect yourself from identity theft HERE
18 May 06 - Link in Related Sites added to <u>Dave Barker's NAVY AND AGENT ORANGE Web Site</u> 18 May 06 - <u>October 2005 Agent Orange Claim Won for service on</u>
Guam 18 May 06 - Several Peripheral Neuropathy Updates
12 May 06 - Public Health Assessment For Andersen Air Force Base,
Yigo, Guam 12 May 06 - Peripheral Neuropathy Symptoms and Information is now being added.
2 May 06 - Johnson Atoll to be used for Contaminated Waste 2 May 06 - EPA Support for Base Clean-up
RETURN TO the Main Page

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17 Aug 06 - First available information on <u>BLUE WATER NAVY WINS PRESUMPTION</u> <u>OF AGENT ORANGE EXPOSURE</u> From VA Watchdog - Details to Follow

 $\textbf{10 Sept 06} \textbf{ -} Congressman \ Lane \ Evans \ Urges \ Blue \ Water \ Navy \ to \ File \ AO \ Claims \ in$

a September 6 News Release

Download PDF file of the Ruling <u>HERE</u>

14 Aug 06 - A suit has been filed with the VA Court of Appeals that should be of interest to all Blue Navy Veterans. Find the details <u>HERE</u> under the 14 Aug 06 Updates.

14 Aug 06 - The infamous and revealing New Zealand Agent Orange Report linking Agent Orange to permanent genetic damage among veterans will be used in a U.S. Court Case. Details <u>HERE</u>

8 Aug 06 - Dennis Bradley's case before the Supreme Court is now on the docket. Below is an email I received regarding some legal action that is part of the current "movement" that calls for serious reviews of the VA system and Claims process.

Dennis Bradley, a veterans advocate, unsuccessfully ran for a Senate seat in Florida. He has done several other notable things in line with his veteran advocacy. He is currently filing before the Supreme Court a case which is essentially a 'class action' suit challenging the way the Veteran's Court of Appeals operates and treats all veterans. This legal action should have a direct effect on the current Blue Water Navy status of non-inclusion in "presumptive exposure" because that is presumably a "Due Process" failure of the system. The "Conflict of Interest" arises from the fact that ALL Veterans are given 3 reviews of the facts of their cases. All 3 are done by the VA and this is a direct conflict of interest since if they grant service connection then they must pay the disability benefits but if they deny service connection they do not have to pay a dime.

He is going after a "fix the system" approach to how the VA handles compensation claims. Additional information can be found on Bradley through most search engines (e.g., google, yahoo, etc.) He is affiliated with the Veteran's Party of America.

Here is his email. Please consider responding to his request:

Hi All,

I have finally gotten the case docketed at the Supreme Court.

The best argument that I am making is that every Veteran is denied Due Process when they appeal their case because we are only allowed 3 reviews of the facts in our cases and all of them are done by the VA.

The VA has a direct conflict of interest in that they have to pay the disability claims based on their decisions and do not have to pay if they deny our claims.

The case number is 06-158 and I would like to have every Veteran send a letter to the Supreme Court asking them to hear this Appeal.

If they get 50,000 letters it is more likely they will hear the case rather than deny a hearing and leave every Veteran at the mercy of the VA.

Supreme Court of the United States Office of the Clerk Washington, D. C. 20543-0001

If we stand together we cannot lose and if we do not stand together we cannot win.

Dennis F. Bradley

<u>GO HERE</u> for an easy-to-follow set of instruction and a LETTER TEMPLATE to send to the Supreme Court.

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31 July 06 - New Claims Ruling Hurts Veterans with Multiple Claims - <u>DETAILS</u> <u>HERE</u> from the VA Watchdog

23 July 06 - Link to Kelley's Page - New Zealand report on Agent Orange and genetic defects HERE

30 MARCH 06 - <u>Letter from House and Senate Veteran Affair Committees</u> to DVA

Secretary Nichols

requesting further studies for relationships between toxins and Peripheral Neuropathy.

15 MARCH 2006 - from the RAO Bulletin Update

Please refer to http://www.geocities.com/legionpost88/raobulletindex.html for the complete story on the status of blue water navy dioxin claims... from the March 15, 2006 ROA Bulletin

VA AGENT ORANGE CLAIMS UPDATE 01: The American Legion and the National Veterans Legal Services Program (NVLSP) have been working closely Together over the last 15 years to make sure that the VA pays all of the benefits that Vietnam veterans and their survivors deserve as a result of exposure to Agent Orange. Recently, there have been two important developments.

This article provides advice about the steps you should take if you represent yourself, a veteran, or a survivor who may be affected:

1.) CLL Claims: Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) is the latest disease the VA added to the list of diseases presumptively service connected due to Agent Orange. The VA issued the regulation adding CLL on 16 OCT 03. CLL is a malignancy (cancer) of the white blood that results from an acquired injury to the DNA of a single cell, a lymphocyte, in the bone marrow. This injury is not present at birth. As a result of the Nehmer lawsuit [Nehmer v. U.S. Veterans Administration, 32 F. Supp. 2d 1175 (N.D. Cal. 1999)] the VA is normally required to pay benefits for an Agent Orange-related disease retroactive to the date the VA received the first claim the veteran or survivor filed based on the disease with the exception of claims that were finally denied before 25 SEP 85. VA took the position that when it was service connected CLL the Nehmer rules did not apply to CLL claims. As a result, the VA assigned an effective date no earlier than 16 OCT 03 whenever the VA granted a disability or DIC claim based on CLL even if the first CLL claim was filed before 16 OCT 03.

The Nehmer lawsuit is a class action brought by National Veterans Legal Services Program (NVLSP) on behalf of Vietnam veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange and their survivors. NVLSP appealed the VA's decision concerning CLL, and on 1 DEC 05, the federal court that oversees the Nehmer lawsuit agreed with NVLSP that the Nehmer rules do apply to CLL claims. The court's December 1st ruling requires the VA to pay disability and DIC benefits retroactive to the date of claim to all veterans or survivors who filed a CLL claim before 16 OCT 05. The VA recently appealed the December 1st decision to the

court of appeals. If you know of a Vietnam veteran or survivor who filed a CLL claim before 16 OCT 03, you should contact NVLSP attorney Rick Spataro at (202) 265-8305, ext. # 149 or rick_spataro@nvlsp.org NVLSP is currently trying to get the court to require the VA to pay the retroactive benefits owed under the December 1st order as soon as possible, even though the VA has appealed the decision. Rick is collecting a list of all CLL claimants who deserve an earlier effective date under the December 1st order to present to the court.

2.) Blue Water Disability/DIC claims: From 1991 to 2002, the VA took the position that Navy veterans who were awarded the Vietnam Service Medal as a result of service in the waters offshore Vietnam (blue water vets) were entitled to the same presumption of exposure to Agent Orange as veterans who set foot on land in Vietnam. As a result, many Navy veterans who served offshore and their survivors were granted disability or DIC benefits based on an Agent Orange-related disease. However, in FEB 02 the VA amended VA Manual M21-1 to limit the presumption of exposure to Agent Orange to only those veterans who actually set foot on the land mass of Vietnam. As a result of the policy change the VA has been denying claims filed by blue water vets for Agent Orange related diseases since FEB 02. In addition, the VA has taken action to sever awards of service connection in some of the cases that were granted prior to February 2002.

NVLSP has appealed to the Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims many of the BVA decisions denying benefits to blue water veterans. NVLSP has argued in these cases that the VA's change of position in 2002 violates the Agent Orange Act of 1991. On 10 JAN 06, a panel of the Court heard argument in one of NVLSP's appeals and a decision on the legality of the VA's set-foot-on-land requirement is expected some time this year. In any case in which you are representing yourself or another blue water Navy veteran/survivor on a claim based on an Agent Orange-related disease, you should keep the claim alive by filing a timely Notice of Disagreement (NOD) after the VA denial, and a timely substantive appeal after the Statement of the Case (SOC). If the BVA denies the claim, contact NVLSP attorney Rick Spataro so that a timely appeal can be filed with the Veterans Court. This is a prudent move because if NVLSP wins its appeal, the VA will be required to follow the Veteran Court's decision on the pending claim. On the other hand, if the VA's denial of the claim becomes final, there is no guarantee that the VA will consider the prior final denial to be a clear and unmistakable error even if NVLSP were to win its appeal.

[Source: NVLSP Staff Attorney msg 16 Feb 06