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SUBJECT: DAV Podcast

We are pleased to share the latest episodes of the *Disabled American Veterans Podcast*, which continue to shed light on critical issues affecting our veteran community. Your engagement with these discussions is vital in amplifying the voices of our nation's heroes.

Below are summaries and links to the four most recent episodes, listed from oldest to newest:

Combat-Related Cancer and the PACT Act

Jeff Slotnick, a combat engineer, shares his journey battling stage-four cancer that's linked to his military service and environmental toxins. The episode emphasizes early detection, presumptive conditions under the PACT Act and policy changes for veterans' health advocacy.

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Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy for Veterans

This episode explores innovative mental-health treatments for veterans, focusing on psychedelic-assisted therapy. Panelists who shared at this year's DAV national convention discuss its potential to address PTSD, depression and anxiety. They also talk about DAV's advocacy for expanding these treatment options.

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Fuji Fire: Sifting Ashes of a Forgotten U.S. Marine Corps Tragedy

Host Matt Saintsing interviews author Chas Henry who wrote a book about the devastating 1979 Camp Fuji fire in Japan that killed 13 Marines. Henry shares his personal connection to the tragedy, the fire's cause, the survivors' experiences and the Marine Corps' institutional response.

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Her Service: The Cold War

DAV dives into the 44-year history of the Cold War, highlighting the often-overlooked contributions of American women veterans. Retired U.S. Army Colonel Christine Cook discusses trailblazing figures like generals Mary Clarke and Elizabeth Hoisington and intelligence heroes like Juanita Moody and the women of the Venona project.

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These episodes and all of our previous podcasts can be found at www.dav.org/news-media/podcast/. We encourage you to listen, stay informed and engaged with the ongoing conversations that impact our veterans. Your support and understanding are instrumental in driving positive change within our community. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to our mission.

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