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Congratulations Harold!

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Left: Harold Sievers with Olivia Park (left) and Carey Williams, two of his AdoptAKid "children."

Local Veterans in the Adopt-A-Kid, Adopt-A-Vet program show and

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July 3 Patriotic Spectacular

RIGHT: Art Canale (flag), Gunther Noder and Harold Sievers (near right) in the Patriotic Spectacular at the Savannah Center in The Villages on July 3. by Joan Klawuun

I think we often get so caught up with picnics, family gatherings and fireworks that we often forget what we are sometimes celebrating. The 4th of

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Membership now 64!



We welcomed two guests at our July Member Meeting, and are most happy to welcome both to our Chapter!

Wally Jones (spouse Karin) of the Villages who served with the 1st Cav Jan '53 to Apr. '54; and



Bill Tench (spouse Rose) of Leesburg who served June 1950 to April 1952.

With the addition of Bill and Wally, we now have 64 members and one Honorary members, but we are still one behind Chapter 173 for the top Chapter membership

in the State.

Several others have contacted us about membership; our goal of 70 by year's end may be in view.

Please, everyone wear your Chapter 169 caps and carry our Chapter tri-fold membership brochure when you go out. Let's everyone get one new member!



At the right is **Don Baron**, who became a member at our April meeting, but who had never received his Chapter cap, or had his photo taken. Welcome Don!

INCOME AND EXPENSES	
	7/27/2011
INCOME	
Dues	\$1,121.00
FundDrive	\$2,680.00
FundDrivePrj	\$1,260.00
OtherInc	\$1,138.00
Total	\$6,199.00
EXPENSES	
CDirExp	\$219.15
CGeneral	\$300.00
CScholarship	\$1,900.00
DOF	\$112.00
KWVA	\$725.00
MemBen	\$240.05
Mtg&Con	\$102.40
Postage	\$102.80
Printing	\$165.31
ProjExp	\$434.96
STATE	\$80.00
Supplies	\$978.87
Total Expenses	\$5,360.54
Net	\$838.46
Mission Expended	\$2,419.15
Mission Earmarked	\$1,265.85
Mgmt and Fund Raising	\$1,675.54

And on Funds

Thiel (for excused absent Treasurer Shumaker) reported that we have \$7,080.06 in our Wells-Fargo account as of July's meeting.

At left is a table showing Income received and Expenses incurred from January 1 through our July meeting by category.

Our bylaws directs us to earmark one-half of all our income except for money taken as dues to our primary 501c17 mission, which in our case has been our Scholarship/Tell America/General Charities program. The table below reports on our status in that category.

MISSION DIRECTED EXPENSES				
DATE	DESCRIPTION	CREDIT	DEBIT	BALANCE
12/31/2010	Balance forward to 2011	\$1,146.00		\$1,146.00
7/27/2011	One-half income 1/1-7/27/2011	\$2,539.00		\$3,685.00
7/27/2011	Used 1/1-7/27/2011		\$2,419.15	\$1,265.85

We entered this year with a carry-over of \$1,146.00, to which we add 1/2 of the other three sources of income, or \$2,539.00. We then subtract what we have expended this year, or \$2,419.15, which leaves a balance of \$1,265.85 presently available for these activities.

The Chapter is on quite sound financial status, but we will need to conduct more fund raisers this fall.

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July is a time to celebrate our country's independence, and who ought we honor on such a day than our Veterans who fought to protect our country.

Chapter 169 color guard had a busy 4th of July weekend; they were prime participants at the Patriotic Spectacular on July 3, and on July 4th



Chapter 169 Color Guard at VMP on July 4; from left: Charlie White, Bill Shumaker, Gunther Noder and Art Canale. (photo by Becker)

(Army), Dick Simpson (Commander). You guys rock!!

On July 4th the same people turned out to do the 4th of July Ceremony in the Villages Memorial Park. No rehearsal was necessary they were all warmed up from the previous days activities. Harold Sievers was master of ceremonies, and they did the program just a little different than the norm. The American flag was



Bill Shumaker looking sharp!
(Photo by Klawuun)

home for family members of severely wounded troops undergoing medical treatment or rehabilitation.

The musicians wore red, white and blue ties and scarves and played for more than 800 residents who proudly rose and sang along with the Star Spangled Banner as the color guard marched out center front stage. They did two performances that night both to a sold out crowd. They did a great job, thanks to Art Canale, David Stanley (Marines), Harold Sievers (Air Force), Lyle Koch (Navy), Gunther Noder (Coast Guard), Larry Lubben (POW), Beverly Belanger



Gunther Noder also carried the Coast Guard flag; do you know that Gunther is still active in the CG Reserve? (photo by Becker)

they served as the Color Guard at the Veterans Memorial Park Ceremony in the Villages.

The Villages Concert Band and the New Horizons Band, along with American Legion Post 347 Color Guard, Korean War Veterans Association Chapter 169, and Villages Honor Guard all joined together to produce a benefit concert called the Patriotic Spectacular, at the Savannah Center. All proceeds were donated to the Fisher House in Tampa a



Harold Sievers as Master of Ceremonies. (photo by Becker)

raised; a fire one volley and then our color guard marched out to place the flags. What I really liked was a 5 year old lead the pledge of Allegiance, the crowd all applauded after she had finished. Ashley Dunn a teenager from the Villages sang all 4 verses of America the Beautiful. Thanks to Charlie White, Bill Shumaker, Gunther Noder, Art Canale (also doubled as Ice Cream Dad). You guys did a great job, thanks. Joan Klawuun.



TELL AMERICA, SCHOLARSHIP, and AWARDS:

All Tell America-Scholarship-Awards activities since the fall of 2009, along with the amounts of any awards made, are shown in the table below. A draft plan for the next school year is also offered.

The Tell America group invites the Chapter Color Guard to join in with the Tell America program, especially inviting them to do a flag folding ceremony at Tell America School activities.

COLOR GUARD

Members include: Charlie White, Bill Simunek, Don Lynch, Bill Shumaker, Art Canale, Gunther Noder, Claus Tiesman; Wally Jones and Paul Deeley. It is growing but we still need more members.

The reason we need more members is to enable our Chapter Color Guard to cover events at both the Villages and other sites in Lake County simultaneously.

We have added a second complement of flags, but still need a second Chapter Flag.

Charlie White is overall Chapter Color Guard leader, with Art Canale heading up our Villages component. All Color Guard components should always utilize only Chapter members to extent possible; non-members shall never become permanent or regular Color Guard members.

Our Tell America group has invited the Color Guard to do flag folding at Tell America School activities.

CHAPTER FUND RAISING

We should approach our Fund Drives as Tell America opportunities and use posters and brochures, in addition to the Korean War daisies.

Fund Drive events in planning stages for this fall are the following:

- Sep. 23-24, TBD, Publix, 3475 Wedgewood Ln, The Villages, 751-6280, off 166 near 301. (Contact to be made—TBC).
- Oct 7-8 - White, Palm Plaza- Confirmed
- Oct 21-22 – Reynolds, 10601 US Highway 441 Ste D, (352) 365-1811 – TBC
- Nov 11-12 – Thiel, Mount Dora—Confirmed

We will need your help to carry out these events.

LAKE COUNTY EVENTS

Members need to keep tuned to parades, and other events in their communities throughout all of Northern Lake County keeping the Chapter and the Color Guard aware of local opportunities.

Much of this planning was precipitated by an invitation for us to participate in the Mount Dora July 4 celebration. But Bryan Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep in Lady Lake “pulled rug out from under us” for July 4—members considering purchasing cars are encouraged to remember this dastardly Bryan Motors deed.

DATE	SCHOOL	PARTICIPANTS, COMMENTS	FUNDS
10/02/09	Holy Trinity	Sievers, Pfahler, Thiel, first Tell America	
11/10/09	Carver Middle	Sievers, Pfahler, Regan, Van Beck, White, Thiel. With AmVets and Bob Peters	
02/02/10	St. Paul's	Pfahler, Regan, White, Thiel.	
02/23/10	LK Mont	Sievers, Pfahler, White, Thiel. Adopt a Kid/Adopt a Vet	
06/01/10	LSBG ROTC	Scholarship Awarded by Jansen and Thiel. \$500 Article in DC	\$500.00
11/08/10	Carver Middle	Sievers, Pfahler, Geisinger, Van Beck, White, Thiel. With AmVets and Bob Peters	
02/03/11	St. Paul's	Pfahler, Schuetz, White, Thiel. Initiated essay contest.	\$150.00
02/09/11	LSBG ROTC	Sievers, Pfahler, Schuetz, Van Beck, White, Thiel.	
03/19/11	LSBG ROTC	Scholarship Awarded by Jansen and Thiel. John Yohn Awd. Article in DC	\$500.00
04/25/11	MTDH ROTC	Lynch, Reynolds, White, Thiel.	
05/04/11	B&G LSBG	Sievers, Shumaker, Simunek, Canale, Pfahler, White, Thiel. Flag folding, don flag	\$100.00
05/06/11	MTDH ROTC	Scholarship awarded by Thiel at their annual Awards Banquet	\$500.00
05/11/11	FST ACAD	Pfahler, Reynolds, White, Thiel.	\$150.00
07/11/11	CITIDEL	Austin Rambly	\$500.00
			\$2,400.00

PLANNED UPCOMING TA NEXT SCHOOL YEAR	
Carver Middle	\$150.00
St. Paul's	\$150.00
LSBG ROTC	\$500.00
MDHS ROTC	\$500.00
EUST	\$500.00
TAVA	\$500.00
FST ACAD	\$150.00
Extra	\$150.00
	\$2,600.00



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teach children what veterans mean.

It all began with a question asked by a teenager to veterans holding a POWs (Prisoner of War) fundraiser in The Villages — "Does POWs stand for People Out of Work?"

What emerged from that question has led to countless children learning about the sacrifices of America's brave veterans along with a bond built forever between veterans and children.

The program, Adopt-A-Kid, Adopt-A-Vet, brings veterans to elementary schools in the tri-county area to tell students about their branch and years of service, concluding with the students writing an essay about their veteran's service.

The hope is that children will learn more about wars that shaped their country while recognizing the efforts made by the nation's beloved veterans.

"The veterans just love the program because it's great to see these kids get acquainted with all these branches of service," says Harold Sievers, Korean War veteran and President of the Veterans' Memorial Park Association in The Villages.

"Now they know about veterans and are respectful towards them." Please see <http://cid169.kwva.org>.

CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Bob McGinty will chair as he has so capably been doing. WE will again hold it at the Mission Inn. December date TBD. It will be for Chapter 169 only. Plan now to attend.



Fred Harrop, Sumter County Veterans Services Office was our July guest speaker. He spoke on: "Veterans assigning a Power of Attorney to represent them."

He said all veterans should appoint a Veterans Organizations (VFW, Legion, etc..) Services Officer as a Power of Attorney to represent them in matters relating to claims. These organizations maintain offices with the VA in St. Petersburg offices. They are especially useful in matters where the veteran may wish to file notices of disagreement on a VA decision relative to a veteran's claim.

For more information on this or for assistance with naming a Veterans Organization as their PA, please call or see Fred. His card appears in the Schuttlebutt.



LEFT: Carol Becker and Harold Sievers with Carol's quilt car cover on July 4 at the Villages

FUTURE EVENTS

Sept. 11, 2011, 2:00 p.m. at VMFP. The City of Leesburg is sponsoring a special recognition ceremony for SS Michael A. Bock, USMC, KIA Afghanistan Aug. 13, 2010. **Color Guard and as many members as can should attend.** (This will test our dual Color Guard concepts as there will also be a 9/11 ceremony in the Villages at 6:00 p.m.)



The TV Drawings were held at the July meeting. Names drawn were: Kenneth Ede, Mount Dora, and **Gordy Talbot, Jr.** of Otego, NY (Gordy is the son of member Gordon Talbot). Contacts for delivering both have been arranged. One will hopefully be at the Mount Dora Publix store with photos taken and stories sent.



VETERANS MEMORIAL at FOUNTAIN PARK

Four name-bearing walls have been placed at the Memorial. Photo show crew securing and sealing the walls. The walls will have scale and other dirt picked up during the engraving process removed.

You will be able to call the VMFP office, 352-314-2100, after August 5, and receive information as to if and where the name of a specific veteran is located on these four walls.

Dedication, which was to be Nov. 13, but now will occur in January or February because of contractor error.

More veterans need to provide their names. Van Beck asked the Chapter to pass out their leaflets at our fund drive events.

Around \$125,000 more funds are needed yet for full completion.

If you have become a KWVA Chapter member after June 1, 2009, and have not submitted your name for inclusion on the wall, please send a copy of your DD-214, or equivalent documentation now to Don Van Beck, Veterans Memorial at Fountain Park, 411 Main Street, Leesburg, 34748. Be certain to mark on it that you are a member of KWVA Chapter 169 and to have it marked to the attention of Mr. Van Beck.

There is a link from our web site to VMFP construction photos on their site.

For our newer members information, VMFP originated in our Chapter.

Sick Call

If you know of anyone seriously ill please inform: Secretary Charlie White, 352-787-1885 or Tom Thiel 357-3943, kwva169@gmail.com

DEPT OF FLORIDA (DoF):

President Thiel reminded attendees that all chapter members are *a priori* members of the Department of Florida. And that they ought to consider participating and improving on DoF.

The DoF Fall Council Meeting will be Sept. 24, at the Plantation Golf Rsrt & Spa, Crystal River; members, especially Board members, are encouraged to attend. We had planned to include the registration form herein but one full page is just too much real estate to devote to that.

The DoF web site is operating <http://df.kwva.org>. You can find much DoF information there. The webmaster is waiting for additional information.

The American Legion Post 18 in Wildwood will be having a luncheon **Friday August 5th** from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The menu is: Chicken and rice, green beans, salad, rolls, and a drink. donation is \$6.00. Come enjoy some good food and fellowship. For info call 461-6673.


FUTURE MEETINGS: The next Member Meeting will be August 24, 2:10-3:40. President Thiel will demonstrate the Chapter and DoF Website contents.

September 28.

October 26. Speakers needed for this and all subsequent

President Thiel appointed **Joe Gruber** as Director.

Appeals to you (or to your spouse) to accept **Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Vacancy**.

BOARD OF SUMTER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

VETERANS SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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2011 Boosters		
LNAME	FNAME	BST11
Anonymous		\$10
Becker	Carol M	\$100
Beyerly	Lillian L	\$100
Burke	Arthur L	\$250
Canale	Art	\$63
Gaston	Mrs. Zillah	\$50
Hall	Duane	\$10
Houp	James	\$10
Jansen	Ted S	\$10
LaJeunesse	Eugene C	\$15
Pfahler	Richard N	\$17
Rodgers	John R	\$13
Sell	Warren J	\$38
Shumaker	William D	\$25
Sievers	Harold E	\$3
Strausbaugh	Harvey E	\$5
Yohn	Mrs. Alta M	\$500
Zettlemoyer	Richard P	\$15
SUM		\$1,124

Next Board Mtg:
August 24, 12:30 to 1:45 at Senior Center Conference Room.

Chapter Web Site: <http://cid169.kwva.org/> Go to the site often as it is constantly changing. Remember to include as a chapter resource with anything you write, Business Cards, etc.

60th Anniversary Medallions.
Still no new information on the medallions from the Korean Consulate in Atlanta. I supplied them with new member names; they have not replied. TJT

Secretary White and Treasurer Shumaker ask that any of you making payments or otherwise giving them money add a slip of paper giving your name and a few details. If renewing please use the form on the next page. Thank you.

Chapter Officers and Directors

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Membership Dues Dates Association, DoF, Chapter

Members whose dues—Association, Department and/or Chapter—are payable now or soon are shown at the right. The total amount due for Assoc, Dept, and Chapter is \$37.00.

Unless we have your dues in hand by the end of the month shown you will be removed from the membership roster.

This is the only notice you will receive as we do not wish to incur the costs of separate mailings. Please use form below.

We very much thank you for your retaining your membership. Chapter Membership Committee.

Member Dues Payable Dates through 11-30-2011

LNAME	FNAME	ASSOC	C DUE DT
Carli	Armando "Pat"	R017082	08/26/11
Regan	Ronald	R028079	08/26/11
Olson	Harry	R041430	09/05/11
Geisinger	John	R042522	09/06/11
Horvath	Bert	R042556	09/19/11
Strasser	John N	R041471	10/04/11
Tiesman	Claus J.	R042616	10/10/11
Sell	Warren J	R027577	10/25/11
Talbot	Gordon	R042682	11/06/11
Gruber	Joseph J	R040778	11/09/11
Pfahler	Richard N	R040780	11/09/11
Corriveau	Ben	R040801	11/16/11

**Help us become the #1 Chapter in Florida
Please retain your membership.**

KWVA CHAPTER 169 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

NOT TO BE USED FOR NEW APPLICATIONS

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY: DATE: ____ / ____ / 2011

NAME: _____ Spouse Name: _____

ADDRESS (if changed): _____ (APT/SUITE/LOT # _____)

CITY: _____ STATE: ____ ZIP: _____ - _____

TELEPHONE: (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

email: _____ @ _____ DOB: _____

Chapter 169 Dues: \$10.00, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____ Assoc. Number: _____

Dept. of FL Dues: \$2.00, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____ Requested of all Chapter Regular and Life Members

Assoc. (Nat'l) Dues: \$25.00, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____

Chapter Boosters: Amt Enclosed: \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Check _____ Cash _____ Signature: _____

I understand that by paying my dues I am entitled to participate in membership meetings and activities, receive the *Schuttlebutt* either by email or snail mail, vote, and serve as a chapter officer, director, committee or color guard member. I also hereby swear to uphold the Constitution of the United States, and the Bylaws of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc., and the Lake County KWVA Chapter # 169, so help me God.

**Please use this form for
your renewal. Thank You**

Make Check Payable to: KWVA Chapter 169.

Mail to: KWVA Chapter 169, P.O. Box 491428, Leesburg, FL 34849-1428.

CODE OF CONDUCT

, Steve Szekely, KWVA CoC Chair wrote the Chapter thanking us for collecting 24 signatures at our May meeting. Steve said this was the largest single group he has ever received. This month we passed a new sheet and gained four new signees. **Our Chapter goal is to have 100 percent signup.** If you have not yet signed the Code of Conduct, please print or tear out the sheet below, fill it in at the bottom and send it to Steve at the address on the form below. A list of Chapter 169 members who have not yet signed the Code of Conduct follows. **We'd like our Chapter to be 100%!**

According to Chapter records, the following have not yet signed the COC: **Back-R024207, Canale-R038775, Carli-R017082, Geisinger-R042522, Gruber-R040778, Hackett-R042040, Hall-R024656, Hanold-R041292, LaJeunesse-R041623, Layer-L040781, Maxin-042903, McBroom-LR34827, McMahon-R024785, Morford-LC00394, Olson-R041430, Regan-R028079, Rodgers-R041121, Seidelman-R024568, Sell-R027577, Simunek-R007055, Slusher-R041952, Strasser-R041471, Strausbaugh-R041951, Veliky-R041034, Wiggelsworth-R041541, and Zettlemyer-R041226.**

KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION of LAKE CO, Chapter #169**CODE OF CONDUCT (COC)**

- *I will uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States.*
- *I will adhere to the Bylaws of the KWVA, my Department, and my Chapter.*
- *I will not engage in any unlawful or unethical conduct, or attempt to deceive in any manner, my Chapter, my Department, or the National KWVA.*
- *I will fulfill my obligations and will be responsible for my actions to the Chapter, Department, and National Organization of the KWVA.*
- *I will render service and comfort to bereaved families of fellow Veterans, in time of need, to the best of my ability.*
- *I will respect the rights of others in regard to politics, sex, race, religion and ethnic background.*
- *I will hold an open mind to the thoughts and opinions of others in any discussion or problem.*
- *I will at all times conduct myself with proper decorum and dignity, and, while a member of the KWVA, will commit no act or actions that would dishonor the KWVA, our Flag or our Country.*

Name Printed

Name Signature

Membership Number

Date

IF YOU HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY SIGNED THE CODE OF CONDUCT , please print, copy or detach this page, fill in the blanks, sign your name, include your Membership number (see number above), and send to: Stephen Szekely, 1516 Laclede Rd., South Euclid, Ohio, 44121-3012

Korean Veterans Helping Veterans

Founded in 1998 by Martin "Jackie" Gleason and Joseph Turner (deceased), The KWVA of Lake County, Chapter 169 strives to:

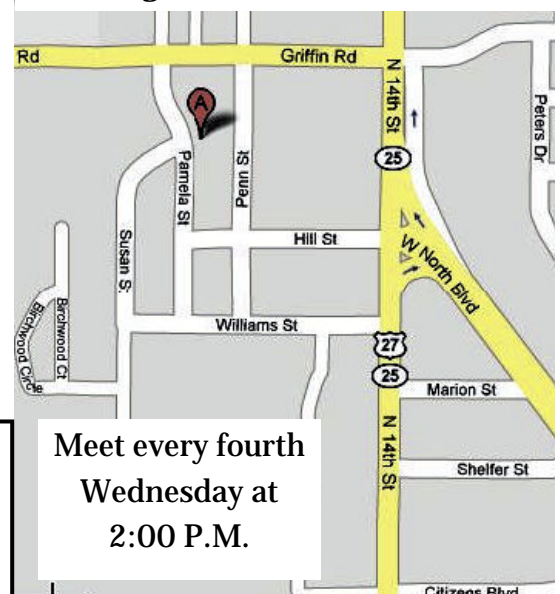
- ◆ Promote recognition of the Korean War, and its Veterans.
- ◆ Educate the public, especially our youth, about the Korean War, and about our troops who have served in Korea from the end of the war in 1953 to the present time!
- ◆ Provide a venue for the fellowship and comradeship of all veterans who ever served in Korea!

Canned Food & Clothing

Bring to the next meeting. Clean & folded in bags.

Dick Pfahler will accept and deliver your donations to the Leesburg Food Bank or other bona fide charity.

Leesburg Senior Center, 1211 Penn St



**Meet every fourth
Wednesday at
2:00 P.M.**

**Please help us cut mailing costs and labor. Send an email to kwva169@Gmail.com if you have an email address, and are receiving this by US Mail.
Schuttlebutt Deadline, Date of the Member Meeting.**

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