

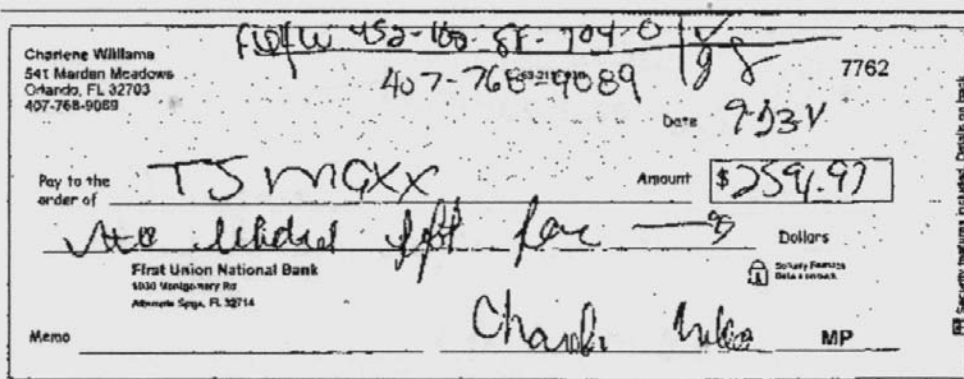
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Identity Theft!



We completed all claims reports on 9/30, and expect a complete recovery.

Of course we have no idea who may have perpetrated this crime, or how they obtained our account number. These were all paper checks.

At 10:00 p.m. on Sept. 27, we accessed our Wells-Fargo account online and discovered that our bank account had 12 counterfeit checks like the one shown above (with routing and account number removed). They printed the checks with their name and First Union Bank; they added the Wells Fargo routing and our account numbers and were able to steal \$2,722.37 from our account.

Most were cashed by T J Max and Marshalls with one each to Wal-Mart, Kmart and Party City.

We closed the account on 9/28, with the balance of \$3,912.90 used to open a new account on 9/29.

For reasons we do not know, the \$573.69 from the Wal-Mart and Kmart transactions has been credited to our account; this leaves \$2,148.68 still to be recovered.

We were most pleased with the cooperation and assistance of Ms. Bess Dullum of the Mount Dora Wells-Fargo branch store, and pass on her invitation you to consider opening a personal account there. She would be happy to be your personal banker 352-483-2940.

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Chapter 169 at DoF Council—see pg. 5. From left, Becker, Reynolds, Van Beck, Lynch, Sievers, Brown, Thiel & Tiesman.





MAXIN GEORGE A

GEORGE A. MAXIN, 77, of Dahlonega, GA and Mt. Dora, FL passed away September 22, 2011 with his loving family at his side. He joined Chapter 169 in March of this year. George was born in Coraopolis, PA. He is survived by his wife of 55 years Jean Kephart Maxin, son James Maxin, daughter Kathleen

Zalman (Barry). He was the loving "Pappy" of grandchildren Hope, Karyn and James Zalman, Gainesville, FL. He proudly served our country in the US Army during the Korean War. He is survived by sisters Marge Curcio and Anna Garti, and brothers Paul, Frances, Thomas and Andrew. He was predeceased by his parents, Carl and Mary, sister Martha, and brothers Joseph, Robert and John. He is also survived by many sisters and brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews. A private memorial service will be held at a later date in Dahlonega, GA. Memorial contributions maybe made to Wounded Warriors, Washington, DC or to Cornerstone Hospice, Tavares, FL. 25 Woods and Water Dr., Mount Dora, FL, 32757, (407) 620-9352. Published in the Orlando Sentinel on September 25, 2011.

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

Max Stumborg was at our September meeting; he expressed his thanks that we sent him a get well card recently

We learned that **Bill Kenny**, an August visitor, has undergone multiple heart bypass surgery, and wish him well. And there are quite a few members who have not been to a meeting for a very long time. We hope you are doing OK.

Please tell your spouses to inform your Chapter when either of you is confronted with a threatening health problem.

Membership now 63!

We were sorry to learn of George Maxin's untimely loss. And also have one member seriously overdue. That brings our membership tally down to 63. We will just have to keep trying to get new members.

Thank you to Pat Carli, Ben Corriveau and Claus Tiesman for renewing.

We continue to appeal to all our existing members whose dues are payable now to renew. Your membership is very important to us; we hope it is also important to you and that you renew soon.

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

And Funds

Treasurer Shumaker reported that we have \$6,083.58 in our Wells-Fargo account as of our September 28 meeting.

But as we reported on page 1, we have been ripped off for \$2,700 in forged checks. Wells-Fargo assures us that we will recover the entire amount, so we are pleased to report that we remain financially sound.

We will have a detailed report at our October meeting.



Claus Tiesman has agreed to serve as Assistant Sec/Treas. Thank you Claus!

One of Claus' first contributions will be to collect the member's Christmas Luncheon reservations and payments.



TELL-AMERICA, SCHOLARSHIP, and AWARDS



Tell America, as well as scholarship and awards, are our Chapter's major charity activities. The above photo was taken last May at our visit to First Academy.

We will be starting our program for this year on November 2, from 8:15 to 9:00 a.m., at Liberty Christian Academy, 2451 Dora Ave, Tavares, FL 32778, (352) 343-0061. And that likely will be followed around Nov 11 at Carver Middle School in Leesburg. After that, we expect to follow most of last year's schedule.

Tell America team members include: Jack Geisinger, Don Lynch, Dick Pfahler, Jack Reynolds, Al Schuetz, Harold Sievers, Don Van Beck, Charlie White and Tom Thiel.

Dwight Brown is joining the group as is our Color Guard, *but we would like more members to become involved with our Tell America program.*

That's some of us below at St. Paul's last February.



FUND-RAISING / TELL-AMERICA EFFORTS

In order to sustain our Chapter programs, we need to conduct fund drives, mainly at Publix stores in our area.

We also treat these as Tell America events by passing out Korean War Daisies and using Posters and Brochures. We also talk to folks about Korea.

We are firming plans for three Tell America Fund Drives this fall. They are:

Oct 7-8 - Palm Plaza, 717 N 14th St, Leesburg, – Charlie White has received confirmation on this date. He still needs one or two more; please call him at 787-1885 to arrange for your three-hour time slot.

Oct 21-22 – 10601 US Highway 441 Ste D. Jack Reynolds is leading this effort and needs a full complement of helpers. Call Jack at 728-3928 to commit to helping the Chapter achieve its goals.

Nov 18-19 (revised date) – Loch Leven Publix at intersection of US 441 and SR44/Donnelly St, Mount Dora. Tom Thiel 357-3943 or 408-6612 needs a full complement of help for this event.

This is your Chapter. It needs you to meet its objectives. Some of these monies go to your benefit, such as a portion of the cost of your Christmas dinner, name tag, cap, etc. So, do your share, please.

Photo:
Tom Thiel
Telling
America
at Publix
in Mount
Dora.



Your Chapter Color Guard—Ceremonial Weapons?

We are very proud of our Chapter Color Guard—our Chapter 169 publicity billboard!

Led by Charlie White, the members are Bill Simunek, Don Lynch, Bill Shumaker, Art Canale, Gunther Noder, Claus Tiesman, Paul Deeley, and Wally Jones.

Recently, we have made a Chapter decision to expand our Color Guard to enable us to simultaneously meet both our long-standing commitment to The Villages' Veterans Memorial, as well as any new opportunities throughout the remainder of Lake County.

We added a second set of flags, in-



White, Shumaker, Noder & Canale at The Villages.

cluding a new Chapter Flag, thanks to Carol Becker (below).

to undertake the additional honor doing this will mean? Are you willing to accept this responsibility?

Are you willing to be a rifleman? This will be an agenda item for next meeting.

As we stand now we still need a few more Color Guard members. The Chapter provides shirts, and accessories (but not patches or pins).

All Color Guard members must be Chapter 169 members. But sometimes we may be unable to fill a Color Guard need. Non-members may be used to complete our Color Guard to fulfill these immediate needs; however, all such persons selected who are eligible for KWVA membership may not serve more than two times unless they become Chapter 169 members.

If you are interested, please call Charlie White, (352) 787-1885, or Art Canale, (352) 750-2505.

Ceremonial Weapons

The question before us now is a decision to add M-1 Ceremonial weapons to our capabilities.

Dwight Brown has extensively researched obtaining M-1 rifles, and found they are available free of charge on loan from the U.S. Army. He has also found a feasible means of storage.

So the question of our membership now is do you, the members, wish

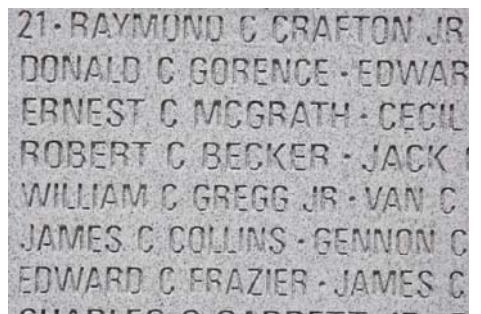


"Veterans Memorial at Fountain Park" by Carol Becker.



ERT C BECKER. I was astonished! And greatly surprised and pleased.

I got in Leesburg a little early today, so thought that I would look at Fountain Park. I had seen this part before, but never looked too much at the many names. I was just standing there looking at a few names - wondering if they were in alphabetic order, and how could they be, when I just saw the name of my dear husband ROBERT C BECKER.





VETERANS MEMORIAL at FOUNTAIN PARK



Four name-bearing walls have been placed at the Memorial. To find where your name is located on these four walls, please call the VMFP office, 352-314-2100. Dedication, will now be the president's day weekend in February.

More veterans need to provide their names. The Chapter has been asked to pass out their leaflets at our events.

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

For our newer members information, VMFP originated in our Chapter. Go to <http://cid169.kwva.org>

See the Events article on page 6 for specifics of some activities planned for the VMFP. In addition, Don reported that in May 2012, Rolling Thunder will visit the VMFP.

Next Member Mtg: The next Member Meeting will be **October 26**, 2:10-3:40. Ted Jansen will tell us all about 4.2" mortars.

At our November 16 meeting, Jim Corbet will present his Korean and Vietnam era knife collection.

If you wish to make a presentation, please contact Dwight Brown at (352) 205-8536 or (352) 638-0514, or kaydees@embarqmail.com

<http://kwva.org>

DEPT OF FLORIDA (DoF):

Continued from page 1.



Eight 169 representatives attended the DoF Fall Council Meeting on Sept. 24 at the Plantation Golf Resort & Spa, Crystal River, the largest Chapter contingent in attendance. Items covered included Department business and reports from all the Chapters represented.

Keep in mind that all chapter members are *a priori* members of the Department of Florida. As such we should fully participate in DoF activities, which include two Council sessions, a Convention and related fund-raising and other activities.

The DoF Winter Council Meeting will be January 28, 2012, at the same facility. President Thiel has been asked to do a one hour training session on Association and Department online electronic information resources.

Members, especially Board members, are encouraged to attend. We will compile a list of our members and submit one Registration request along with a chapter check to cover the fee.

You might also mark your calendars for the DoF Council and Convention on May 11-13, 2012 also at the Plantation.

The DoF web site is operational: <http://dfl.kwva.org>. You can find much DoF information there.

Photo below is of Past President Jim Bradford presenting Tom Thiel with a DoF engraved marble paper-weight for his service to DoF in 2009-2011.



Thanks Jim, for a job well-done. TJT



Chapter Name Badges

Another member benefit is a permanent name badge. Pick up yours at a Chapter Meeting. Here's mine.



KNOWN FUTURE EVENTS

Oct 7-8 - Tell America/Fund Drive—Palm Plaza, 717 N 14th St, Leesburg, see page 3.

Oct 21-22 – Tell America/Fund Drive—10601 US Highway 441 Ste D., see page 3.

November 11, 2011. Eustis, Ferran Park, Veterans Memorial. VFW sponsors. Gloria Corbet providing wreath; Carol Becker to replace center to reflect KWVA. Bill Shumaker and Claus Tiesman will place wreath.


November 11. 2011. Veterans Memorial at The Villages. 10:00 a.m. Special event. Contact Harold Sievers, (352) 753-4929, (352) 454-3759

November 12, Rotary Club USO type of event at Hanger 16, Leesburg Airport. 5-9 p.m. \$30.00 per ticket. One-quarter of proceeds go to VMFP. Chapter Color Guard at 5:00 pm. Contact Don Van Beck for more information. . (352) 343-1529 (352) 552-3399

Nov 18-19 (revised date) – Tell America/Fund Drive—Loch Leven Publix at intersection of US 441 and SR44/Donnelly St, Mount Dora, see page 3.

February 20, 2012. Veterans Memorial at Fountain Park Dedication. Please reserve.

List of future events in Lake County. Members please provide dates etc. of parades and other events of interest in promoting our Chapter to Bill Shumaker. (352) 323-0807



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Will be Friday December 16 at the Mission Inn. Bob McGinty arranging for skits etc. Wives and significant others are invited.

The cost of the dinner for both members and spouses will be \$10.00; the Board agreed to underwrite the remaining costs.

We urge you to make your reservations with Claus Tiesman, 33927 Clara Drive, Leesburg 34748, (352) 742-0110, cjtiesman@embarqmail.com now; he asks that he have all in to him by November 16, the date of our last member meeting prior to the event.

* * * Medallion Notice — Oct. 7 Deadline * * *

To: All Chapter 169 Members who **have not** received the special medallion issued by the South Korean Government at Tampa last October 2010, or at last year's Christmas Party.

There is another opportunity for you to receive it at the Doubletree Hotel in Tampa on October 27-30. The event is sponsored by The Frozen Chosin organization with numerous activities scheduled, including visiting the Armed Forces Museum at Largo.

The event will conclude with a Satur-

day (Oct. 29) 6:00 p.m. dinner (complementary?) at the Doubletree Hotel, where the medallions will be awarded.

You are eligible to participate in the entire program of events, or you may chose to only attend the Saturday dinner and the awarding of the medallions.

If you wish to obtain a medallion, this may be the only opportunity you will have, as my contacts with the S. Korean Consulate in Atlanta appear to have

very limited promise.

If you wish to attend the entire convention, or if you only wish to go to the dinner in Tampa on Sat. Oct 29, 2011, you must contact Murdoch Ford ASAP but not later than October 7, 2011.

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7041 23RD ST
ZEPHYRHILLS, FL 33540-1553
Ph: 813-783-9033
Cell: 813-625-2870
MertnLou@tampabay.rr.com



Photo Below: Russ Crittenden from the Hillcrest Memorial Garden, in Leesburg, making presentation last Wednesday'.



Austin Rumbley, at left in the above photo, is the young Eagle Scout who obtained funds for the flag pole at VMFP. He is also the young man we helped a bit to go to The Citadel under our scholarship program.

Also in photo from Austin's left are his mother Cheryl, his sister Rachel, his father Clif, and his grandmother Dorothy Starling.

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2011 Boosters

LNAME	NNAME	BST11
Anonymous		\$10
Becker	Carol	\$100
Beyerly	Lillian L	\$100
Burke	Art	\$250
Canale	Art	\$63
Corriveau	Ben	\$13
Gaston	Mrs. Zillah	\$50
Hall	Duane	\$10
Houp	Jim	\$10
Jansen	Ted	\$10
LaJeunesse	Gene	\$15
Pfahler	Dick	\$17
Rodgers	John	\$13
Sell	Warren	\$38
Shumaker	Bill	\$25
Sievers	Harold	\$6
Strausbaugh	Harvey	\$5
Yohn	Mrs. Alta M	\$500
Zettlemoyer	Dick	\$15
SUM		\$1,250

Next Board Mtg: October 26, 12:30 to 1:45 at Senior Center

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 in this newsletter. 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

LNAME	NNAME	C DUE DT	AMT	ASSOC
Olson	Harry	09/05/11	\$12.00	R041430
Geisinger	Jack	09/06/11	\$37.00	R042522
Horvath	Bert	09/19/11	\$37.00	R042556
Strasser	Jack	10/04/11	\$37.00	R041471
Sell	Warren	10/25/11	\$37.00	R027577
Talbot	Gordon	11/06/11	\$37.00	R042682
Gruber	Joe	11/09/11	\$37.00	R040778
Pfahler	Dick	11/09/11	\$37.00	R040780
Canale	Art	12/02/11	\$37.00	R038775
Hall	Duane	12/02/11	\$37.00	R024656
Lynch	Don	12/02/11	\$37.00	R029963
McMahon	Murray	12/02/11	\$37.00	R024785
Seidelman	Len	12/02/11	\$37.00	R024568
Sievers	Harold	12/02/11	\$37.00	R027799
Simunek	Bill	12/02/11	\$37.00	R007055
White	Charlie	12/02/11	\$37.00	R033792
LaJeunesse	Gene	12/06/11	\$37.00	R041623
Noder	Guenther	12/06/11	\$37.00	R041624
Layer	Rod	12/09/11	\$12.00	L040781

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 sign up.** 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, McBroom-LR34827, McMahan-R024785, Oakes, Robert W.-R043395, Olson-R041430, Regan-R028079, Rodgers-R041121, Seidelman-R024568, Sell-R027577, Simunek-R007055, Slusher-R041952, Strasser-R041471, Strausbaugh-R041951, Teneh—R043315, Veliky-R041034, Wiggelsworth-R041541, and Zettlemoyer-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 above), and send to: Stephen Szekely, 1516 Laclede Rd., South Euclid, Ohio, 44121 (or give to the Chapter)

Korean Veterans Helping Veterans

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

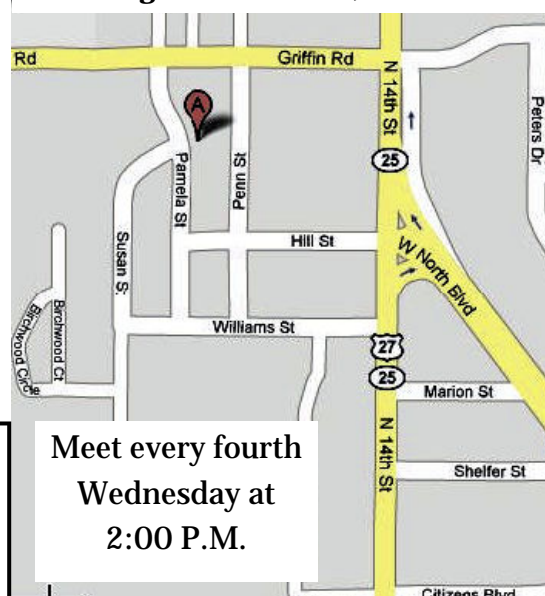
- ◆ Promote recognition of the Korean War, and its Veterans.
- ◆ Educate the public, especially our youth, about the Korean War, and about our troops who have served in Korea from the end of the war in 1953 to the present time!
- ◆ Provide a venue for the fellowship and comradeship of all veterans who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