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Veterans Day 2012 by tom thiel



Bill Shumaker and Claus Tiesman carry our wreath to memorial escorted by Eustis JR ROTC.



Bill Simunek, Jimmy Corbet, Bill Shumaker, Jack Reynolds, Claus Tiesman, Gloria Corbet, Tom Thiel, Marty Rowland and Gene LaJunesse.



Dave Lavery, Wally Jones, Gordon Talbot, Art Canale, and behind him Don Lynch, and Art Iversen.



Wally Jones, Gordon Talbot, Don Lynch, and Art Iversen.

This Veterans Day saw our Chapter involved with two ceremonies, both at the same time, 2:00 p.m. One at Ferrin Park, Eustis, and the other at Veterans Memorial Park in the Villages.

I attended Ferrin Park since it is only 3 miles from my house, and because these local ceremonies are where I think the Chapter ought to be.

This represents quite an achievement for 169; two years ago, we only had enough Color Guard to cover The Villages, and we were leaving our main constituency uncovered.

We ought to set our sites on other venues like Leesburg and Tavares.

The top two photos are from Eustis, and were taken with my

camera; the bottom two photos are from The Villages, and were provided by Dwight Brown.

VFW in Mount Dora provides the leadership for the Eustis ceremony, and in addition to KWVA, American Legion 41, and several other organizations participated.

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Membership

Membership remains steady at 87 Active Members. We also have two Honorary Chapter members giving us a total of 89.

I think this is the first month in a long time that we did not have a new member to report.

January may be a critical month for us as we increased our rolls by about 20 last January, and it remains to be seen how many chose not to renew.

Our membership policy is to remove members from the Chapter rolls when they become inactive on Membership DB, one month after their Association due date.

CHAPTER 169 2012 INCOME & EXPENSES to NOV 30

	2011	----- 2012 -----		
	Actual	Budgeted	To Date	Comp w/Budg
INCOME				
Dues	\$2,084.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,237.00	(\$63.00)
FundDrive	\$5,185.50	\$7,000.00	\$6,012.92	(\$987.08)
FundDrivePrj	\$1,270.00	\$0.00	\$256.00	\$256.00
OtherInc	\$2,474.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,675.00	\$175.00
Total	\$11,013.50	\$10,800.00	\$10,180.92	
EXPENSES				
CGeneral	\$1,747.04	\$500.00	\$2,649.10	(\$2,149.10)
CScholarship	\$2,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,850.00	\$650.00
DOF	\$112.00	\$200.00	\$150.00	\$50.00
Insurance	\$127.22	\$140.00	\$127.00	\$13.00
KWVA	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,855.00	(\$655.00)
MemBen	\$1,467.06	\$1,000.00	\$484.45	\$515.55
Mtg&Con	\$160.60	\$250.00	\$770.50	(\$520.50)
Postage	\$238.00	\$250.00	\$189.70	\$60.30
Printing	\$470.31	\$500.00	\$884.89	(\$384.89)
ProjExp	\$434.96	\$0.00	\$862.10	(\$862.10)
STATE	\$80.00	\$100.00	\$71.25	\$28.75
Supplies	\$3,133.35	\$3,500.00	\$3,004.35	\$495.65
Total Expenses	\$10,970.54	\$10,140.00	\$12,898.34	
Net for Year	\$42.96	\$660.00	(\$2,717.42)	

Financial Report

Treas. Shumaker:

Balance available as of Oct. 25, 2012, \$2,513.01. November deposits \$1,890.10. November expenditures \$1,345.30. Balance as of November 20, 2012, \$3,057.81.

Wells-Fargo balance as of November 30, 2012 \$3,517.13. Balance projected for year-end \$3,829.00. TJT

The table at the upper right tells us where we are financially month to month in comparison with last year and this year as budgeted. It also makes reporting to the State of Florida relatively easy.

Chapter 169 Golf shirts with Florida Logo and Lake County FL

are now available for order through Quartermaster Director, Art Iversen, 611 San Marino Dr., The Villages, FL, 32159, (352) 753-0139, lois59art@embarqmail.com.

Shirts are \$28.00, and you must prepay at the time of order.



These shirts have our correct name, KWVA Chapter 169,

Lake County Florida, so let's all consider getting one.

Members with a shirt saying Leesburg may of course wear them.

ASSOCIATION

Thiel is working with John T. (Sonny) Edwards, Commander of the Department of Virginia, and newly appointed Association Membership Chairperson.



CHAPTER LAPEL PIN

See Page 8

Get yours now!

Welcome to your new 2013-14 Officers!

Don Van Beck, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of proposed officers for 2013-2014 to the November Member Meeting: President Wallace Jones, 1st VP Arthur Iversen, 2nd VP Jack Reynolds, Secretary Doreen Peever, and Treasurer Clause Tiesman.

Each nominee was given the opportunity to say a few words about

why they allowed their name to be placed in nomination.

The meeting was then opened for nominees from the floor; Tony Falot nominated Gordon Talbot for President. Mr. Talbot politely declined.

There were no other nominees from the floor, so after three such calls, the motion was given to close nominations from the floor.

Per our Operating Procedures "In case of unopposed position for office, the Chairperson of the NC shall cast one vote for all the membership electing that candidate to the unopposed office," (sorry, we had the Secretary do it).

Your new officers are shown below. Please welcome them, thank them, and do what you can to help them!



**Wally Jones,
Art Iversen,
Jack Reynolds,
Doreen Peever, and
Claus Tiesman**



Yet to be filled are the Directors, which, per the new Bylaws, are to come from members filling leadership positions in the following areas; please call Wally (904) 716-3360 and volunteer to be one of them.

- Sergeant at arms

- Chaplain,
- Historian
- Quartermaster
- Newsletter Editor
- Web Master
- Honor and Color Guard
- Assistance and Aid
- Fund Raising

- Public Relations
- By Laws and Procedures
- Membership
- Activities
- Tell America
- Audit
- Chapter Auxiliary
- Computer Systems Mgr.

Tell America Program

A member indicated he desires to become



active in our Tell America program, and asked what he should do.

It is simple. Let us know of your interest; wear your best Chapter uniform and show up at the appointed place and time (we will notify you of these).

Be prepared to talk to a class room of students for a variable amount of time depending on factors we do now know until we show up (but as low as 4-5 minutes).

Please bring any items to show the kids, or any visual aids.

Go to July-August 2012 Graybeards page 30, and read about our program. Also, see www.cid169.kwva.org Tell America button.

Gloria Corbet has accepted Tell America leadership role for Eustis and

Mount Dora programs.

She contacted Col. Cangelosi of Eustis and Col. Ron Richards of Mount Dora AF Jr. ROTC programs.

Eustis High School – Monday December 3 starting around 7:10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Claus, Don, Dwight Exhibits, Jack, Jimmy and Gloria, Carol, Thiel, Ron and Dick p.m. only. Three classes.

Mount Dora High School – Tuesday, January 8. Four periods from 7:30 to Noon. Fifty-minute periods.

St. Paul School – last week in Jan-first week Feb. Vi Pfahler.

Need to schedule other schools.

TA Team leadership for 2013 is open.

Tell America Fund Drives

It takes money to support our Tell America and other programs. Mostly, we get these from our Tell America Fund Drives, yes we “Tell America” at our fund drives too! Fund raising is the responsibility of the 1sp Vice President.

The Oct and Nov Palm Plaza (2), and Loch Leven Mount Dora drives yielded a total of \$1,692.10. That is a total of \$6,705 for the year, which is \$907 below what was budgeted! I really wanted to go over!

Dwight told us of his recent contact with the Publix Colony Plaza manager who spoke of being under more control from Publix HQ Lakeland.

Dwight then contacted Lakeland, and they explained that their procedure has not changed, rather they are enforcing it more on their managers. (However, this is the same procedure we have been under with Publix Loch Leven all along.)

The point here is that we need at least three months lead-time for

making these contacts.

February 8, 2013: Colony Plaza in The Villages. Firm, so, mark that on your calendars, and call Allan Stover (352) 430-2305 or email acstover@hotmail.com to offer your help.

March 1, 2013: Publix in Buffalo Ridge on 466. Also firm; call Allen Stover or Art Iverson (contact info on page 9) to offer your help with this one.

Other 2013: Drives are needed next spring including but not limited to: Lake Square Mall, Okahumpka Publix, and others. We need to make those requests to Publix managers now.

Some say that we have “drained” Publix. This is probably not true. But we ought to rotate to more stores; there are twelve in the area. Could also consider other sources.

The special luncheon for fundraisers at the Leesburg Golden Corral was held Wed. Nov. 7. Twenty-one attended at a total cost including tip of \$185.78. (Photo next page.)

Sick Call

Harold Sievers reported on the death of Frank Mezzatesta last month; asked us to remember him.

Charlie White (coming home (sister's house) on Monday, Dec. 3); **John & Rita Carollo; Lorene Gruber** has had surgery; Claus Tiesman, Secretary, sent cards to the above members.

Special need at Baptist Church, Avon Park, FL, near Sebring. At Sept meeting, A


motion was made and seconded that the Chapter send \$100.00, but the motion was Tabled pending additional information. At the Nov. 14 BoD meeting, motion was removed from table, and voted on. Motion failed. Members were satisfied that this outcome met their wishes.

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

Chapter Color Guard

Don Lynch and Wally Jones agreed to serve as co-chairs of the Color Guard thereby ensuring that the Chapter continues to maintain a Color Guard.

Future CG activities: Dec 7 Pearl Harbor Day at Villages, program at 10:00 a.m. Going to visit Ed Browne at Wildwood (24th ID members also) meet at parking lot in Continental Country Club (Don Lynch) at 11:20 a.m.

Twenty-one fund-raisers and spouses at first Special Luncheon rewarding members who volunteer to serve at our fund drives. 



CHAPTER AUXILIARY NEWS

by Doreen Peever



Merry Christmas to All from your Chapter 169 Auxiliary!

If you are interested in joining us, please give me a call or send an email and I will add your name to the list.

There are no dues, no meetings to attend, just an opportunity to support our Chapter, help plan the Christmas party, a picnic or whatever other social occasion you might think we could put together.

I welcome your suggestions and input.

Note that the Board changed the name to Chapter Auxiliary to allow all spouses and significant others to participate.

If you come to the meeting and would like to bring along

some goodies, we welcome you to do so.

We have had no formal "sign up" sheet for registration at meetings; but that will be corrected starting with the next meeting.

I am also thinking of an information sheet agreeing to be part of the organization.

Our Christmas Luncheon and Awards Ceremony is coming up on Dec. 19, I hope you all have your luncheon tickets. If not, give me a call and I will reserve a spot for you. Tickets for the lunch buffet that I hear is truly great, are \$17 per person.

This is a bit of an uphill challenge, but we will continue our efforts to make it work!

Doreen Peever

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Wildwood, FL 34785
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doreenmpeever@aol.com

Bylaws Revision Approved

by Tom Thiel

New Chapter By-laws were offered for approval by the members at the November 28, 2012, Member Meeting.

Dwight Brown moved with second by Jackie Gleason to present them to you. And I explained the rationale for the changes, and discussed what they actually changed. The vote was then called, motion passed without a negative vote.

Operating Procedures

have also been extensively re-written. They are 18 pages; copies have been printed especially for BoD members. These did not require approvals.

Note that the printed Bylaws versions at that meeting were not the final version. That is now posted on www.cid169.kwva.org. Go to the About Us button, and then to Documents. A small supply of the final version will be available on Dec 12.

Christmas Luncheon:

Will be at Mission Inn, Howey-in-the-Hills on Wednesday, Dec 19. We will have the same excellent buffet dinner in same room as last year. Cost will be \$17.00 per person. Please be there around 11:00 am. There will be an Awards Program.

Get your tickets from Dee Peever ASAP. Dee Peever, 113 Big Oak Lane, Wildwood, FL 34785, ph.: (352) 748-0549, email: doreenmpeever@aol.com

LaJunesse and Van Beck recommend we very seriously examine the Venetian Gardens for next year; we would save from \$7.00-\$10.00 per plate.

VETERANS MEMORIAL at FOUNTAIN PARK (VMFP)

V MFP is still short \$18,000. Members are urged to purchase bricks \$60.00 ea.

Thiel reminded those present that the member benefit of having the member's name engraved on the wall as a benefit

of Chapter 169 membership will discontinue at the end of this year, Dec. 31, 2012. If you are a relatively new member, and do not now have your name on the wall, send your DD214 to Thiel ASAP (if you have not done so already).

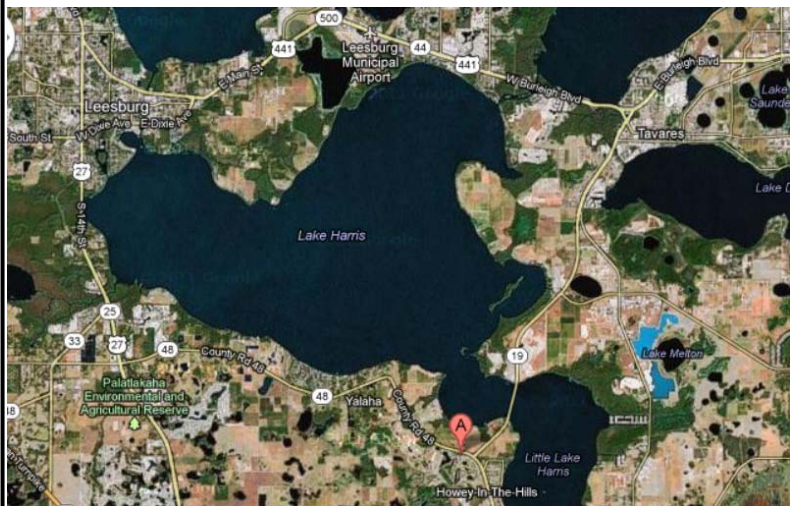
"Korean Conflict Veteran" Florida auto license plate.

Carol saw one in Clermont.

Thiel checked FL statutes and found that indeed the above plate was authorized by 2012 Florida Statutes, Title XXII, Motor Vehicles, Chapter 320.

Members universally approved a motion directing the Chapter President to contact Florida representa-

tives, and the Senator, representing our area to explain our collective dismay over the FL approval of the term "Korean conflict" in lieu of "Korean war," for Florida license plates, and to request that they, our representatives in the Florida Legislature to bring about action in the Florida legislature to correct this insult to Korean Veterans every-





Don Lynch, at left above, at Continental earlier in the AM.

(Veterans Day *Continued*
from page 1)

Of course, Harold Sievers is instrumental in The Villages Program. Chapter 169 has been the official Color Guard at The Villages for more years

than I can recall. We appreciate that, Harold!

And we also want to report that Don Lynch participated earlier that day with his Continental Color Guard where he lives.

Thank you all!



Dwight Brown, I., presents 60th Certificate to Tony Falo.

60TH ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES

(from DoD Secretary Panetta) are available to any Chapter member who has not received one yet. Provide Dwight Brown with your name, address, time in Korea (from 1950-1953 only), and the unit you served in (Army, Navy, etc., plus unit designation if available). Dwight also has new covers for existing certificates for those who want them.

KOREAN PEACE MEDALLIONS



Duane Hall, left, was one of sixteen to receive a set of three Korean Government Peace Medallions, and a Certificate commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Korean War from Dwight Brown, right, at the November 28, Meeting.

Dwight contacted the South Korean Consulate in Atlanta (our region), and he and Thiel provided them a list of eligible 169 members who have not yet received a medallion.

We requested 48 medallions; we received 20!

The list that we provided Atlanta was derived from the Chapter Membership Roster. First, all those receiving a medallion in Tampa were removed, as were all others receiving

these medallions. We also removed all whose service time did not include the years 1950-1953. We then sorted the remainder in membership number order (your order in joining the Chapter).

Sixteen were presented at the November 28, meeting. We will do a **final** presentation at the December 12, meeting. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE YOURS**, as we do not want to hold them.

Those whose name was on the list but were not there to pick them up at the November meeting were: **McMahon, Velly** and **Hackett**. Next names in the queue are Corbet, Jones, Tench, LaLiberte, Thompson, etc.

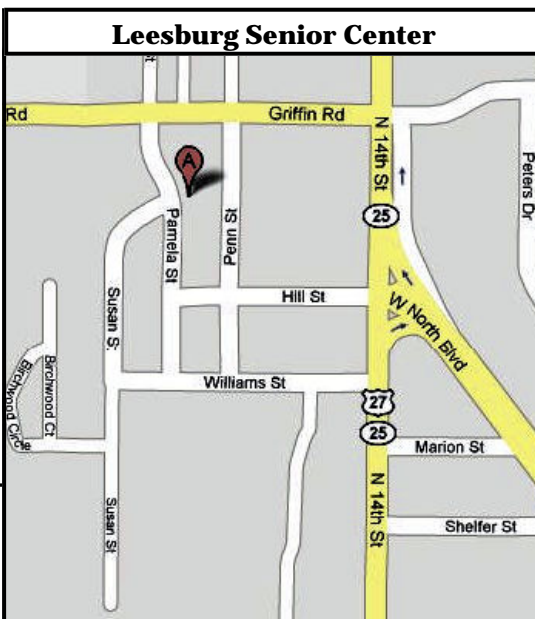
About Email

Please be judicious about the emails you forward; what you think important or funny is likely just junk or spam to someone else, and

Never, never use the Chapter's address list for your forwarded messages.

Guests at Nov. Meeting:

Will Gifford spoke very briefly about their Family Care Home at 34017 South Hanes Creek Road, Leesburg, ph.: 352-343-0433 that presently has two veterans at their home; they would welcome any of our members needing such care.



Meets every 4th Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. except Dec & Apr.



* Boosters *		
LNAME	NNAME	BST12
Anonymous		\$3
Becker	Carol	\$26
Corbet	Jim	\$3
Corscadden	Jack	\$100
Gaston	Zillah	\$25
Hanold	Audley	\$50
Houp	Jim	\$10
Jansen	Ted	\$10
Morford	Ted	\$25
Peters	Bob	\$20
Pfahler	Dick	\$31
Sell	Warren	\$13
Shumaker	Bill	\$32
Stover	Allan	\$50
Strausbaugh	Harvey	\$3
Talbot	Gordon	\$10
Thiel	Tom	\$13
Yohn	Mrs. Alta	\$500
SUM		\$924

FUTURE MEETINGS

December 12—Special Member Meeting 2:00 p.m. at Sr Center.

December 19—Christmas Luncheon at Mission Inn.

January 9—BoD meeting 2:00 at Sr. Ctr.

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA

The Winter Council Meeting, will be Saturday, January 26, at the Altamonte Springs Hilton. An Educational Class at 9:30 a.m. by the Executive Board will cover subjects essential to running a smooth Department operation. The Council Meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

The Chapter will pay the \$15 Registration/Lunch fee for those registering by the December 12 Member Meeting, with the new Chapter BoD given priority.

Bring your completed registration forms to Dwight Brown at the Dec 12 meeting and he will send to DoF.

CHAPTER LAPEL PIN PROJECT: Shumaker and Becker.



We have received 1,000 pins at cost of \$862.10. We are charging \$4.00 ea.

These are very nice pins. They are unique to KWVA, not the Chapter.

We plan to promote to other FL chapters at DoF,

and maybe to KWVA. Need to sell 220 to break even. Should realize nearly \$3,000 if we place all 1,000.

Joel Briggs is managing these sales; \$256.00 taken in Nov. 28. President suggested members give to family members to help remember the Korean War.

Graphic enlarged.

Canned Food & Clothing Bring to the next meeting. Clean & folded in bags.

Membership Dues Dates Assoc, DoF, Chapter thru Jan 31

Members whose dues—Association, Department and/or Chapter—that are payable anytime from now to JANUARY 31, 2013 are shown at the right.

Dues are: Chapter \$10; DoF \$2; and Assoc. \$25; Total \$37.00. *(All members are asked to pay the DOF fee.)*

Unless we have your dues in hand by the end of the month shown you will be removed from the membership roster. Association Life Members must still pay Chapter and Department. **Those in bold red are due now!**

LNAME	NNAME	ASSOC	C DUE DT	AMOUNT
Olson	Harry	R041430	09/05/12	\$12.00
Watson	Darryl	R043495	10/10/12	\$12.00
Babcock	Ray	LR43586	12/01/12	\$12.00
Lynch	Don	R029963	12/02/12	\$37.00
McMahon	Murray	R024785	12/02/12	\$37.00
White	Charlie	R033792	12/02/12	\$37.00
Noder	Guenther	R041624	12/06/12	\$37.00
Markle, Jr	Frank	R043593	12/11/12	\$37.00
Strasser	Jack	R041471	12/11/12	\$37.00
Thompson	George	R043594	12/11/12	\$37.00
McBroom	John	LR34827	01/01/13	\$37.00

This is the only notice you will receive as we do not wish to incur the costs of separate mailings. *Please use form on back page to renew.*

PLEASE PAY as EARLY as POSSIBLE as Association is totally swamped by year-end renewals in January causing serious database problems.

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

If you are having problems with maintaining your membership with all the economic difficulties recently, please call me before letting your membership lapse. tjt 408-6612

2012 Officers and Directors

Officer	LNAME	NNAME	Phone	CELL	E-Mail	Spouse
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RENEWAL ONLY — PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY — USE “NEW MEMBER APPLICATION”

DATE: _____ / _____ / 2012

TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

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:** _____

My signature below and checking the box at left indicates I subscribe to the KWVA Code of Conduct.

I understand that by paying my dues I am entitled to participate in membership meetings and activities, receive the *Scuttlebutt* 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.

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

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