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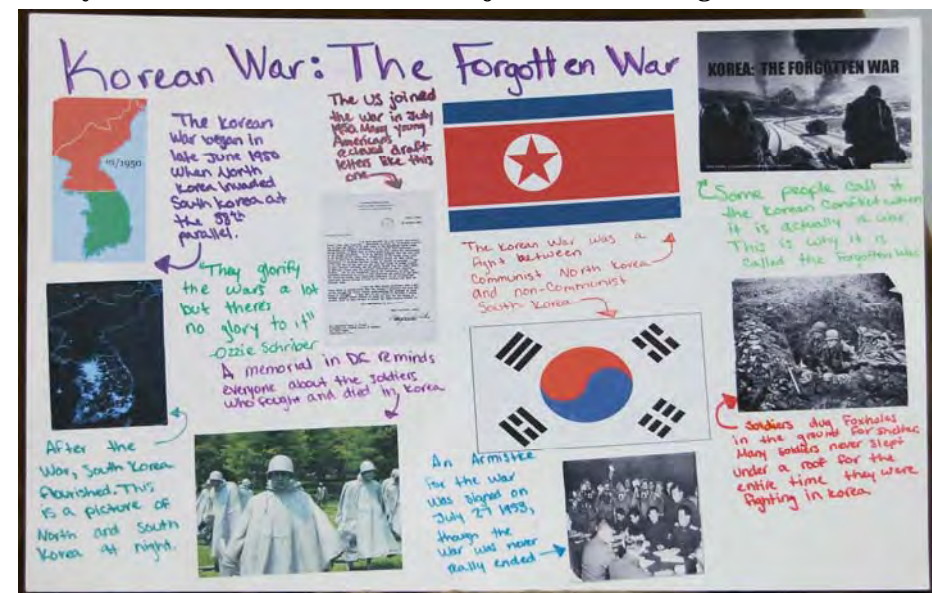
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St. Paul School Collages—65 of them



Seated from left: Wally Schreiber, Dick Pfahler, Al Schuetz, and Tom Thiel, presented awards to, also from left, Ryan Saez – Seventh Grade, Marjorie Netwal - Eighth Grade, and Bilal Sattar – Sixth Grade, for their collages of the Korean War. Collages were to contain information they learned from us at our Tell America program on Jan. 29, as well as from their own research. Photos. Vi Pfahler.



The collage at left was that of Miss Marjorie Netwal, which the Tell America team judged the best overall collage. (Notice that the award plaques each had a replica of their own collage in each award.)

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Membership & Funds by Gloria Corbet with Tom Thiel, ED

Membership 86

Membership at the end of March is 87 Active Members. Included is one new member, **Theodore “Jake” Jacobs** of Lady Lake. Jake served in Korea from 1969-1977, with the AF, 80TFS, 36TFS, 35TFS, and the 8TFS. Welcome Jake.

Our policy is to remove delinquent members from the Chapter rolls when they become Inactive on Membership DB.

Keep in mind that the Chapter Due date is 30 days prior to your Association Due Date in order for us to process your payment to Membership in Illinois.

At the last Member Meeting, Art Iversen introduced a guest, **Jack Freedman** who had attended a fund

raiser on 466 and expressed an interest in the organization.

Finances

Wells-Fargo bank balance available as of the beginning of 2013 (and end of 2012), was \$3,804.63. This was identical to our Chapter’s computer balance sheet.

Our bank balance as of **March 31 was \$5,610.37**, which matched the balance shown on our W-F bank March statement.

GC/TJT

Calendar

April

- April 1 Mount Dora HS Tell America
- April 6 Korean Church luncheon
- April 10 Board meeting
- April 24 Picnic in place of Member Meeting.

May

- May 3 DoF Council—PM
- May 3 Mount Dora HS AFROTC Awards Banquet
- May 4 DoF Convention, Evening Banquet
- May 8 Board meeting
- May 10-11 Palm Plaza fund raiser
- May 17 Leesburg HS AFROTC Awards Banquet
- May 17 Eustis HS AFROTC Awards Banquet
- May 18 Tavares parade
- May 20 Eustis HS Tell America
- May 22 Member meeting—Eddie Ko and a movie about his life.

Our 2012 Charity— Scholarship contributions estimated at 67 percent,

which is 17 percent above the 50 percent specified in our Bylaws. See table below. Why estimated? Because we do not keep this kind of detailed records on individual purchases.

2012 Income			
Total Income			\$11,701.92
Less AsocDues			\$2,030.00
Less Xclude - Christmas			\$907.00
Total subj to Char			\$8,764.92
2012 Charitable distributions			
Cgen	\$2,649.10	1.0	\$2,649.10
CSch	\$1,850.00	1.0	\$1,850.00
Postage	\$207.70	0.3	\$62.31
Printing	\$923.69	0.5	\$461.85
Supplies	\$3,258.05	0.3	\$814.51
Total Char			\$5,837.77
Percent of Total distributed to charity			67%

President's Column



We continue to make changes in our meeting process.

Our Secretary, Doreen Peever now sits in the middle of the room and an additional microphone is utilized in the back of the room. We ask anyone speaking to identify themselves and use a microphone. This accomplishes two purposes. One, all members are able to hear what is being said and it is easier for the Secretary to take complete and accurate minutes.

Our speaker this month was from SECO and he discussed ways to

save energy. We will continue with speakers each meeting not to sell us anything, but for Chapter member and guest awareness.

This month we are making plans for the May is "Armed Services Parade in Tavares. We will be using a large 40' trailer thus hopefully being able to accommodate all who wish to participate.

The "Tell America" group placed student poster presentations around the meeting room that depicted Korean War history. For the students involved in this, their lives will be different from fellow students as they will be aware of what veterans accomplish to guard and promote freedom.

Now the fund drives make real sense to me because donating to the schools gives them incentive to

allow "Tell America" presentations. The teachers, in turn, realize the importance of the knowledge being offered. The requirement of the students to make graphic exhibits of the Korean War will make an impression never to be forgotten.

It would be wonderful to generate this sort of thing across our Country. It is real life stuff, not just academia, TV games, or politicians sounding off influencing upcoming generations. It could be accomplished by any Veteran organization from any of the many wars this Country has fought and died for in the cause of freedom.

Great appreciation goes to Tom Thiel for his rendition of our complete Chapter 169 history. Copies were given to those in attendance at the meeting.

Eddie Ko to be May speaker



Eddie Ko, who became homeless when both parents were killed by the Communists at the start of the Korean War, will be our speaker for our May 22 Program.

A very small portion of his story as a spy for the U.S. Marines is covered in a video that will be shown, and Eddie himself will be here to address us as well.

The Eddie Ko Story is at www.cid169.kwva.org. Click the Stories button, and scroll to Eddie Ko story.

Medallions — this is to bring you up to speed on our prospects of receiving medallions.

Dear Mr. Thomas J. Thiel and Mr. Joseph Ryu,

I would like to offer my deep and sincere apologies for taking so long to respond to your requests.

This is to let you know that I will do my best to make sure that every member of Chapter 169 receives medals and is honored in the proper manner. With regard to the medals, there are some pending issues to need to be sorted out with the Ministry of Patriots and Veterans Affairs in Seoul. *However, in the meantime, you have my word*

(Medallions Continued on page 8)

Chaplain Jack Reynolds (352) 728-3928



Please keep our ailing members in your prayers and thoughts, and also inform your Chaplain when either of you has a health issue.

We have sent a sympathy card to Barbara Dickson at the loss of her husband, Jim Kelly.

Sick Call – get well cards to Art Burke, Jim Houpp, Dick Zettlemoyer, and Herb Goebel.

Herb is in the hospital, Dick is in Rehab with a broken hip, and Claus Tiesman is still recuperating.

Others, please let me know.

Jack

Tell America Fund Drives

by Art Iversen, 1st VP, (352) 753-0139



On March 2, Don Lynch, Gunther Noder, Doreen and Rob Peever and I spent a very cold and very windy day outside Publix at the Southern Trace Center on 466.

The results were poor because of the weather, not the effort — \$457.00.

On Saturday March 9, our Chapter was at the bowling lanes on 44 in Leesburg. I have not heard what the results were; I have to admit I said I would be there but I had a senior lapse of memory and did not show up. (This was for VMFP, not Chapter.)

As far as I know there are no fund raising events planned for April.

The next Publix event will be May 10 and 11 at the Palm Plaza Shopping center in Leesburg on 441. Bill Shumaker is in charge call him to help 323 0807.

We need to begin now to start planning for our fall fund drives.

Art Iversen

PIN sales net us \$564 profit

Joel Briggs (352) 233-9320, joel@aol.com



Last issue we reported that as of Feb. 28, we had sold 226 pins, and collected \$864. We also reported that we originally had 1,000 pins produced at cost of \$862. We said it is all profit from now on!

This month Tom Thiel sent via email to all KWVA Chapters and Departments a nice flyer telling them about the pins, and invited them to consider buying a supply for their chapters and departments. We even

offered free shipping on orders of 25 or more pins.

The response has been very gratifying to say the least.

As of our March 27 meeting, we had dispensed an additional 157 pins, or a total of 383 pins. And we have taken in a total of \$1,428, or a net profit to the Chapter's project fund of \$564!

And I have calls from all over the U.S. indicating that more orders are still coming!

Color Guard Joel Briggs announced that there was nothing scheduled for the Color Guard for the next few weeks.

QM Art Iversen 1st VP, (352) 753-0139

It was reported you can purchase items at the Naval PX for less then we can thru our quartermaster supply. But, you have to be retired or active military to do this. Art Iversen



Chapter 169 Shirts—\$28.00, See QM Iversen

(Tell America *Continued*

from page 1)

What a great feeling, knowing that through our Tell America program, 65 middle school students will not likely ever forget about the Korean War!

Not only did we provide \$25.00 to the three students, we also provided a \$200 contribution to the school; that is principal Mary Staley in photo upper right accepting our check.

March 27, 2013 Tell America Report, by Tom Thiel

April 1, at Mount Dora HS AFJrROTC; four classes at 8:00 a.m., ended at 1:00p.m. Schuetz, Lynch, Psonak, Schreiber, Corbet, and Thiel.

Received word that LSBG HS will place three photos taken at our Feb. 21, TA visit there in their 2013 High School Yearbook. See photos lower right.

Dick and Vi Pfahler, Al Schuetz, Wally Schrieber and I visited St. Paul School on Mar. 18 to present Awards (see page 1). Have made posters of the top three awards and also have all 65 posters recorded photographically. Eventually, I plan to upload all 65 to our website.

Am planning a Graybeards TA Article, and to summarize this year's Tell America program for uploading to the website.

Future TA Events

April 9, The Villages: a Jean Jones witnessed our collecting donations at a Publix store recently and was so impressed that she asked us to give a presentation to her Alpha Delta Sorority group. This will be first Adult TA. Lynch and Sievers.

May 3, Mount Dora HS Awards Banquet. Chapter representatives: Thiel and Jim Corbet. Chapter will donate \$500.



May 17, PM Leesburg HS Awards Banquet. Chapter representatives: Jones and ?? Chapter will donate \$500.

May 17, PM Eustis HS Awards Banquet. Thiel and Joel Briggs. Chapter will donate \$500.

At next BoD, I will ask the Chapter to pay for Chapter Representative's Banquet Tickets at awards banquets.

May 20, (details to be determined) at Eustis HS. Regular Tell America presentation.



Right: Tom Thiel, Cadet Major Kristina Gayler, and Gunther Noder.



Left, Joel Briggs, right, with student.

Right, from left, Ozzie Schreiber, Al Schuetz, with unidentified Leesburg student.

Photos by Miss Gayler.



Tom Thiel, 352-408-6612, kwva169@gmail.com

New Member Efforts:

Don Van Beck has had VMFP staff go through their records and extract 552 names of veterans who served during the Korean War. He has offered these records with phone numbers to our Chapter. Don has written a script to read to these veterans in an effort to obtain new Chapter members.

President Jones then asked for volunteers to make phone calls. Art Burke, Jack Corscadden, John Hayes and Joel Briggs volunteered.

The Editor will make the *Scuttlebutt* available to the New Member Committee or Chapter Officers as a file to facilitate their sending the *Scuttlebutt* to these prospective new members, either in email or printed format.

Call Wally Jones or Don Lynch (see pg. 8) .

Veteran's Affairs



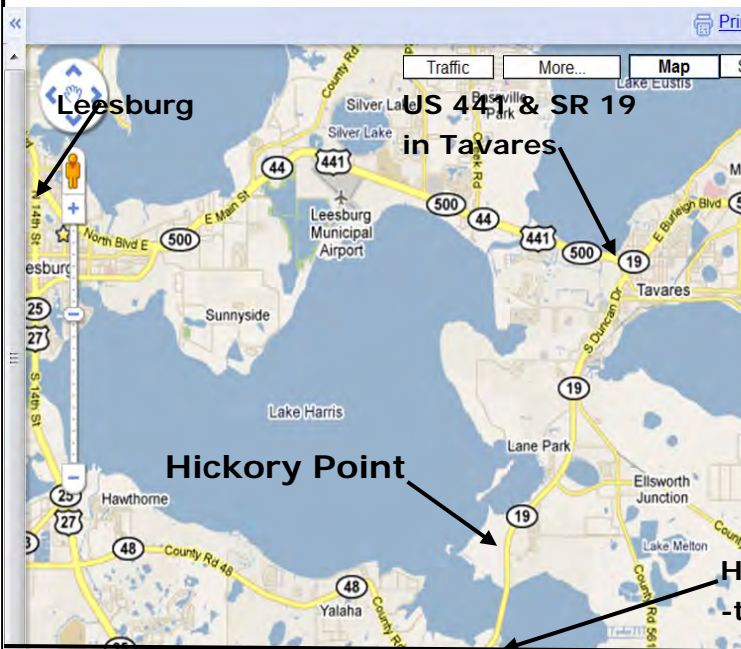
Bob McGinty reported the Service Officer at The Villages VA office is Al Harrison, and that there will be a convention at the Orlando Hilton for Disabled American Veterans Aug. 10-13.

Mr. McGinty feels very strongly that the integrity of the KWVA organization is at stake with the Chapter's use of non-regular members serving as Secretary and Treasurer. He offered several suggested solutions—appoint a regular member at the start of each meeting, unite with another chapter, relinquish charter to Association. He received information from National Headquarters and stated they report “no non regular member may serve these positions.”

It was moved and seconded for Board to address this before bringing before the members.

Picnic April 24 at Hickory Point—

Members and spouses or significant others—please come to our Annual Picnic from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Hickory Point Park on SR19 south of Tavares.



Burgers, hot dogs, buns, relishes, soft drinks, etc., will be provided; but please bring a covered dish.

We urge all members to come.

If you are coming and were not counted at the March meeting, please give Bill Shumaker or Don Lynch a call to aid in planning. See pg. 8

Thank you Secretary Peever — your minutes of the BoD and the Member Meetings were very useful in doing this Scuttlebutt. ED.

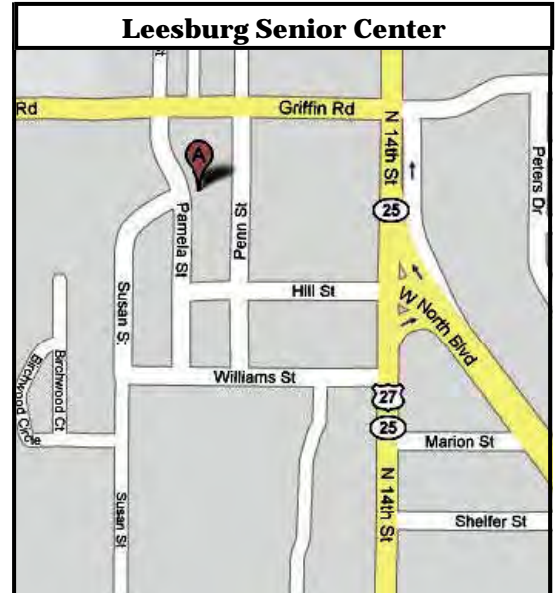
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DoF ED/WEB Thiel attended the DoF Board of Directors meeting on Feb. 13 in Groveland.

Spring Council Meeting will be the p.m. on May 3; this is DoF Officials and Chapter Presidents or their designee.

DoF Convention on May 4. This is for all members and their ladies and lads. The Convention is the Florida member Business Meeting, and that is followed in the evening by a social hour and a banquet. This year there will also be a change in DoF Officers. see www.dfl.kwva.org for more information.

Tom Thiel, DoF ED/Web



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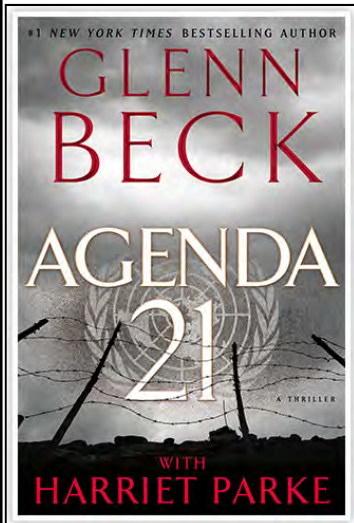
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Speaker this month was Tony Shaw from SECO who spoke on Energy Savings in the home. Tony is a Korean Service veteran, serving in Korea in 1981.

Ed note: I thought it somewhat unusual that none of us at Tony's presentation even flinched when he said something to the effect, "You better buy incandescent bulbs while you can. 'The Government' has prohibited their manufacture.

You cannot get a 100 watt incandescent bulb now."



For a glimpse of where "The Government," over-zealous environmental extremists, and the UN might possibly take us, check out and read the book shown at left. It is not political and an easy read

Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans May 18 Tavares

Wally Jones reported that the Chapter will participate in this event with a 40-foot trailer float in the parade. Don Van Beck notes only members may ride on the float, no wives or girlfriends. Call him to reserve a seat. Call Wally or Don for more information (see pg. 8) .

July 27 60th Anniversary Celebration.

This is being planned by Art Canale, who reported the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Korea Armistice at VMFP is going well. The necessary permits have been applied for. For more information contact Art Canale. (352) 750-2505

* Boosters *	
Back, Bill	\$2.00
Falo, Tony	\$5.00
Friedman, Jack	\$16.00
Houp, James	\$10.00
Jansen, Ted	\$10.00
Pfahler, Dick	\$9.00
Shumaker, Bill	\$3.00
Sinai, David	\$22.00
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 2013 DoF Convention

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that the 46 veterans in the Chapter 169 will get their medal as early as the close of April or beginning May. I will keep you informed of the progress through Deputy Consul General Ryu and Ms. Patricia West.

(Omitted a paragraph about Korean Church)

Once again, I thank you immensely for your patience and please feel free to let me know if I may be of your assistance in the future.

Best regards,
 He Beom Kim
 Consul General of the Republic of Korea

Membership—Dues Dates—Assoc, DoF, Chapter—thru June 30

Members whose dues—Association, Department and/or Chapter—that are payable anytime to **June 30, 2013** are shown at the right.

Dues are: Total \$37.00; That covers \$10 Chapter, \$2 DoF \$2, and \$25 association.

All in bold are DUE NOW; please pay promptly 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 dues.

The **Chapter Due Date is 30-days prior to the Association Renewal date** to allow us time to process you payment.

DO NOT wait for your Association notice as that is too late!

All questions about your membership status should be addressed to Gloria Corbet.

Please use Renewal Form on last page.

LNAME	NNAME	ASSOC	AMOUNT	C DUE DT
Young	Bob	LR24160	\$12.00	02/02/13
Slusher	Clarence	R041952	\$37.00	03/03/13
Schellhase	Rick	R043951	\$37.00	03/14/13
Baron	Don	R043136	\$37.00	04/13/13
Boucher	Art	R042107	\$37.00	04/13/13
Veliky	Don	R041034	\$37.00	05/03/13
Stover	Allan	R043212	\$37.00	05/10/13
Cassulo	John	R044084	\$37.00	05/12/13
Corbet	Jim	R043241	\$37.00	05/29/13
Deeley	Paul	R042245	\$37.00	06/07/13
Lewis	Joe	R042246	\$37.00	06/07/13
Zettlemoyer	Dick	R041226	\$37.00	06/07/13
Iversen	Art	R044140	\$37.00	06/13/13
Hanold	Audley	R041292	\$37.00	06/29/13

Pay to: KWVA Chapter 169. **Mail to:** KWVA Chapter 169, 16035 Umatilla Pl, Umatilla, FL, 32784.

If you are having problems with maintaining your membership with all the economic difficulties, please call me before letting your membership lapse. Wally Jones (904) 716-3360

Chapter History — Historian Tom Thiel has completed a 19-page History of KWVA Chapter 169, and has made it available on our website under the Our Chapter button and the History link on that page. Also, 50 copies were made available to members at the March 27 Member Meeting. Ask Sec. Peever if you want a copy.

Bylaws and Operating Procedures are also posted on our website under the Our Chapter button and the Documents link on that page. Printed copies are also available.

Please contact Secretary Peever, (352) 748-0549, sec169kwva@aol.com if you wish to have a copy of any of these documents.



Bob, an Honorary Associate Member, advises us that we can now view our videos as YouTube's.

Wally Jones and Tom Thiel will be interviewed on April 5, they will appear on Salute later.

Canned Food & Clothing

Bring to the next meeting.

Clean & folded in bags.

Dick Pfahler

MEMBER RENEWAL & CODE OF CONDUCT ONLY (new members use New Member Application)

DATE: _____ / _____ / 2013

NAME: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____

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

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ - _____

TELEPHONE: (_____) _____ Cell (_____) _____

email: _____ @ _____ **DOB:** _____

Chapter 169 Dues: \$10, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____ **ASSOC. NUMBER:** _____

Dept. of FL Dues: \$2, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____ Requested of all Chapter Regular and Life Members

Association. Dues: \$25, 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. (TJT 2/25/2013)

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