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Tell America Fund Drives—A Major 2014 CID 169 Success Story

Money to carry out our projects. Money to Tell

America about the Korean War. Money to support students, schools and general charities. Money to keep our Chapter going. Yes, we need money to do all these things, and more.

Largely due to over \$2,000 in donations to the Veterans Memorial at Fountain Park over the past 3-4 years we found that our treasury had been depleted to a somewhat low of \$3,209 as we started 2014.

One of this year's major Chapter success stories is the giant turnaround in Chapter moneys.

Thanks largely to President Wally setting funds as a major priority for 2014, to the outstanding leadership of our fund

(TA Fund Drives Cont'd on page 5)



Art Iversen, R, CID169 Tell Am. Fund Drive Ldr.

Our Annual Christmas Luncheon — Price Reduced to \$13!



Above photo was last December—see page 6 for 2014 plans and map.

President's Column by Wally Jones



Of special note, the Board of Directors has agreed to offer tickets for the December 19th Christmas Luncheon at a reduced price of \$13.00 per person.

Those who have already paid will receive a \$5.00 per ticket refund.

Upcoming events to pay close attention to as we wind up 2014:

- November 12, BOD meeting, 2:00 PM Leesburg Senior Center
- November 15, Eisenhower Center Meeting, 2:00 PM. This will now be held regularly the 3rd Saturday each month except December. This is to attract new members for Chapter 169, but current members are most welcome. Yong Kouh will present his CD displaying Korea before the war, wartime footage showing the devastation to the cities, and the wonder of South Korea today.
- November 19, Regular Member Meeting, 2:00 PM Leesburg Senior Center. This is be-

ing held one week earlier to avoid conflict with Thanksgiving. Election of Officers will take place (Note: Wally Jones opted out). Speaker: Alexander Wormka, Florida Dept Consumer Services.

- December 10, BOD meeting, 2:00 PM Leesburg Senior Center.
- December 19, Annual Christmas Luncheon, 11:30 AM –1:30 PM, Mission Hills

I thought it best to list these dates and times to avoid confusion at year end.

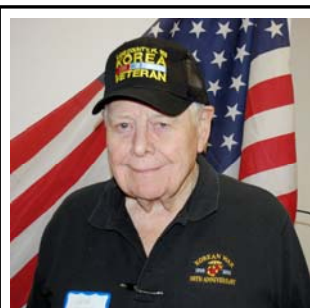
Our effort to recruit younger Korean Defense and Service Veterans becomes more emphasized due to age of members.

Dan Peski, a more recent member passed away on October 07. I can tell you from personal experience that he was a great fund raiser.

Bob Balzer, past President of the Department of Florida, passed on October 26.

Sadly, this brings us two steps closer to final roll call for our Chapter and KWVA.

Wally



Meet new member **Gene Elliott** of Leesburg. Gene has been a member of KWVA so we are especially happy to have he a Ginny become a member of our community.

Guests at our Member Meetings: We welcomed the Guests listed in the table at right who visited either the Senior Center or the Eisenhower Center meetings. We hope you all will, like Gene, join us.

Brooks	Michael L.
Larivee	Donald I.
Little	Haold K
Meyer	Wallace
McGrath	Ken
Moran	Edward K.
Scanlan	Patrick J
Schuck II	John H.
Schwarz	Bob J.
Waterfield	Robert B
Whipple	Andrew L

Our Eisenhower Center effort to broaden membership—please be there to showcase Chapter strength!

We held our first meeting at the Eisenhower Center on October 18. We want to encourage the attendees there to join Chapter 169, and if they are unable to come to our regular meeting at the Senior Center, then we plan to continue holding meetings regularly on the third Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at the Eisenhower Center so that they can feel that they are a part of our chapter.

We had eight guests (anyone not a Chapter 169 member) plus about 20 of our members in attendance.

SIX* out of the eight took membership applications to join our chapter and meet there.

Ask your friends to come and visit to see if they would be interested in joining.

Our next meeting at Eisenhower will be November 15th at 2:00 P.M. See you there. Wear your Chapter Shirt.

The Eisenhower Center is located on Buena Vista Blvd, and just north of 44 (close to the Brownwood Shopping Center). *You do not need to reside in The Villages to attend.*

The Center has a real attraction of Military artifacts, and has been drawing lots of visitors.

If you can, either come early or stay after our meeting and look around, you will be impressed.

Art Iversen

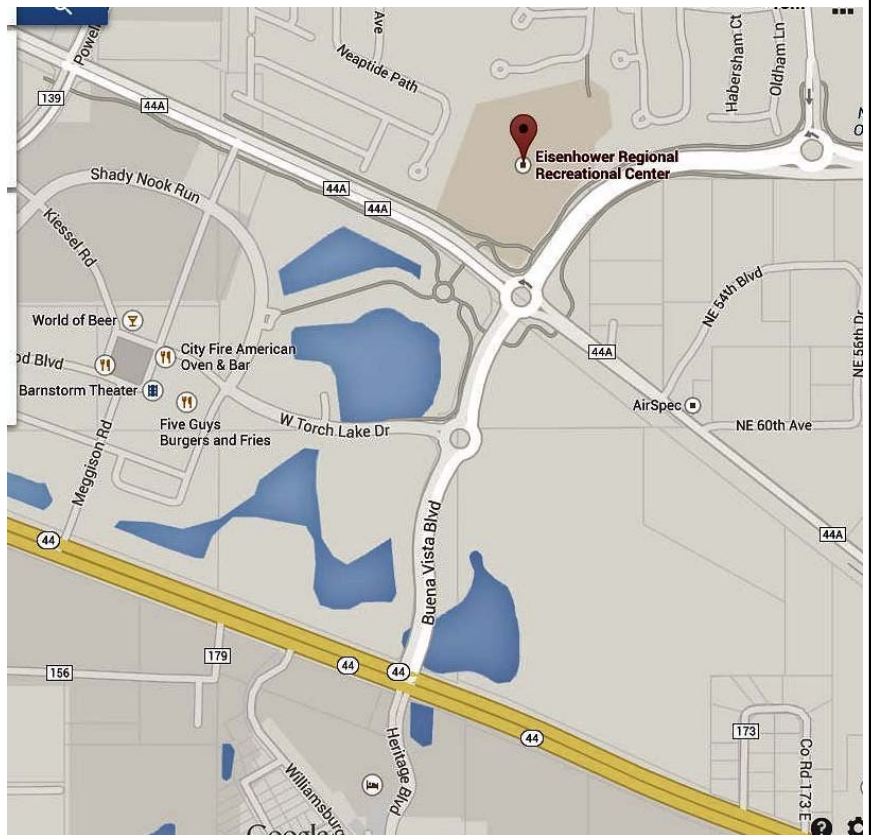
Ed Note: You are encouraged to come to the Eisenhower Recreation Center in The Villages on November 15, at 2:00 p.m. to show that Chapter 169 is a real vital KWVA Chapter.

We are one of the largest and most active Chapters in the State and Nation.

These meetings are being held in association with the monthly meeting of Korean Veterans started by Harold Sievers and Art Canale, who are members; both are former presidents of our Chapter.

We need to always keep in mind that our mission statement says we are KWVA Chapter 169 Inc., of Lake County—all of Lake County!

* These guests were logged into our membership system and will all receive this *Scuttlebutt*.





Daniel Peski age 81 of The Villages FL and Portland Or., died Tues, Oct.7, 2014 of complications from treatment of kidney disease.

He was born and raised in Detroit Mi. He retired in the mid 1990's from GM/Fisher Body in Livonia, Mi. where he worked 40 years as a journeyman toolmaker. Dan loved life and approached it with an unsurpassed passion. He never let a day languish. He filled his time with "treasure" hunting for old toys, vintage record albums or whatever caught his eye. He loved playing cards, golfing with his best buddies, gardening, writing, and

most of all playing water volleyball. He found in his later years that he had a creative mind and wrote short stories and anecdotes of his daily adventures, some of which were published. His latest achievement was getting two anecdotes published in volumes 1 and 2 of "Our Portland Story." He also discovered he could make unusual masks from recycled palm bark and spent hours in the garage making these creations, some of which sold in Portland stores. Most importantly, he had a wonderful sense of humor which touched everyone he met. He had a knack for spreading "random acts of kindness" which indeed made the world a kinder place.

Dan was a Korean War veteran (U.S. Army, 1953-55) and was a member of the Chapter 169 KWVA of Lake County, FL, where he was active in fund raising. He is survived in life by his loving wife Mary, sons Jeff and Tony Asch of Portland Or. , Daughter Dawne Falk of Garden City Mi., sons Brian and Eric Peski of Garden City MI and Calif and seven grandchildren. A celebration of his life will be held later this month in Portland. The family suggests in lieu of donations, that everyone who knew and loved Dan will do something kind and unexpected to all they encounter to carry on his legacy.

Posted on Oct 26, 2014, The Villages Daily Sun



Frank "Bob" Balzer, one of America's veterans greatest friends and advocates passed away this morning. As a Past President of The Department of Florida (2008-09), he will be missed by all who knew him and any who worked with him will remember a level of energy, unequalled by other men of his age. His family is in mourning of course, but his memory will continue to inspire them as long as they live and those of us in the DOF will carry on his enthusiasm with a little extra gusto to accomplish our mutual goals. He will be missed!

Services will be held at: 1st Christian Church, 1401 New York, Deland, FL, Saturday November 1, 11 AM. Lunch will Follow. Bob McGuire, DOF President

Sick Call

Sick Call: **Claus Tiesman** is at Avante At Mt Dora nursing home, 3050 Brown Ave, Mt Dora, FL 32757, Phone:(352) 383-4161. **Doreen Zettelmoyer** is to have heart surgery. Bill Simunek said that his wife **Janet Simunek** is undergoing a whole battery of tests at Waterman Hospital; there are more but we do not have their status.

I sent some get well cards out to ill members. *D.J. Lynch*

Reminder: Please keep in mind that this is your chapter; when there is a serious illness or death of the Member or Spouse, please notify the Chapter President so that we can notify all members and can properly prepare to assist you.

(TA Fund Drives *Continued from page 1)*

drive program by Art Iversen, and the excellent support of a bit over one-third of our members, we expect to begin CY 2015 with over \$5,000 in our Wells-Fargo account!

And at the same time we have contributed over \$8,000 to our general charity program and \$3,275 to schools and students—all in 2014!

How did we do it?

Art Iversen led in the conduct of eight total TA Fund Drives producing a total of \$7,828! (See table below).

APP DTE	PLACE	AMOUNT
02/19/14	Olson on Feb 8/ Publix-27&48	\$ 817.48
03/10/14	Stover on 466A-Mar 8	\$ 1,364.30
04/07/14	Iversen at Sam's Club-Apr 5	\$ 1,163.39
05/19/14	Iversen at	\$ 909.00
06/09/14	Loch Leven Publix(7 Jun)	\$ 1,095.43
06/23/14	466 Iversen	\$ 1,180.51
08/25/14	Publix	\$ 646.52
09/25/14	Brownwood Center	\$651.35
	TOTAL	\$ 7,827.98
	AVERAGE	\$ 978.50

Art says “My hat is off to the following members who worked on these TA Fund Raisers (I hope I did not overlook anyone): Becker, Carol; Iversen, Art; Pfahler, Dick; Briggs, Joel; Jansen, Ted; Schuetz, Al; Canale, Art; Jones, Wally; Shumaker, Bill; Corbet, Gloria and Jimmy; Keaser, Frank; Stover, Allen; DeRosa, Tom; Talbot, Gordon; Corriveau, Ben; Lavery, Dave; Thiel, Tom; Corscadden, Jack; Lynch, Don; Van Beck, Don; Gaston, Zilah; Olson, Harry; White, Charley; Goebel, Anna and Herb; Peski, Dan; Peters, Bob; Zellemoyer, Dick and Doreen; Gruber, Joe and Zender, Gene.



Two members demonstrating proper actions in conducting TA Fund Drives—approaching customers with eye contact and a smile.. D.J. Lynch at left and Gordon Talbot right.

This is an impressive number of volunteers (32 total, and 29 members or 35 percent of the membership. Many, most notably Don Lynch, worked multiple assignments for each drive.

Though 35 percent is impressive, one must ask, where were the other 65 percent?

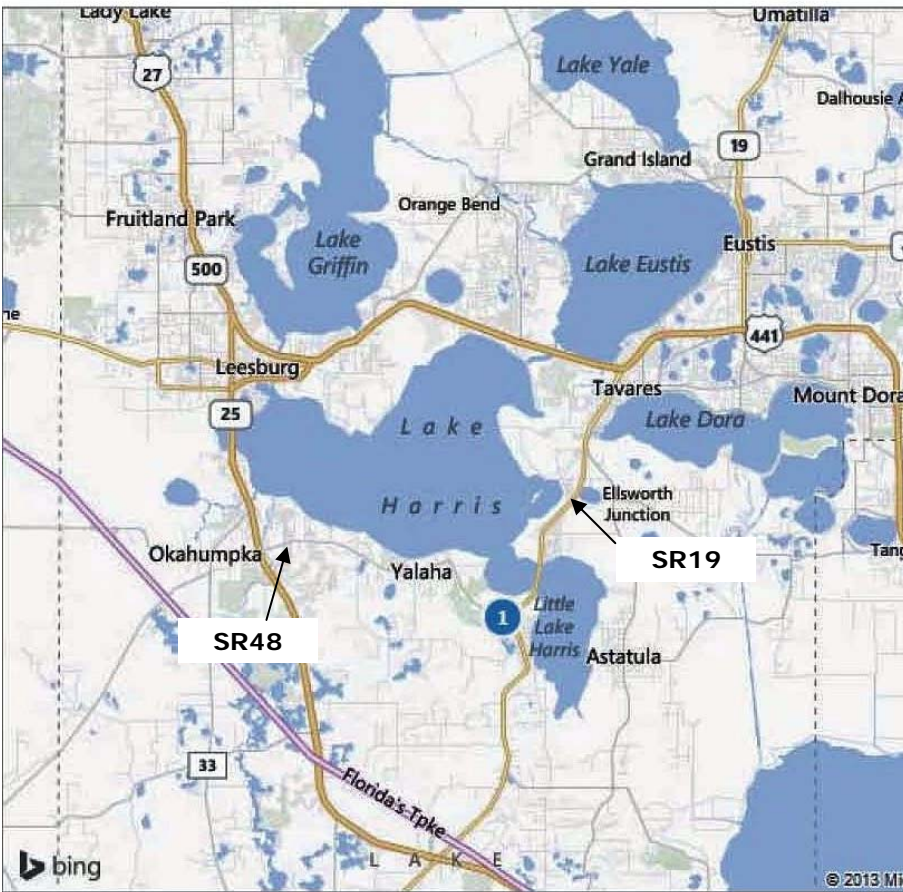
WALKATHON

But Art’s funds collection didn’t end there; he nearly singlehandedly, brought in \$8,742 in the Walkathon of 2014; over two-thirds of this, however, went to charitable organizations.

On behalf of the Chapter, we all express our heart-felt appreciation to Art and all those who worked in supporting this year’s very successful Tell America Fund Drive program.

Ed. Note: This is only the first in a series of articles summarizing our various Chapter activities. We hope to do the same for Color Guard, Tell America, and other Chapter activities.

Our Annual Christmas Luncheon — Price Reduced to \$13!



Our annual Christmas Luncheon will be **Friday, December 19, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**, at the **Mission Inn**, 10400 County Road 48, Howey In The Hills. Entrance 1/2 mi. west of intersection of SR 48 & 19 on Sr 48. Caution—speed traps!

Dress is Christmas casual.

Reservations are a must. You need to pay for your tickets no later than the November 19 Member Meeting. December 1 is the latest.

The BoD has approved via email vote for the Chapter to underwrite \$5.00 of every dinner; hence your cost is now \$13.00 per ticket (those already paying will be reimbursed).

For Tickets and Information:

Frank Keaser, 163 Sunset Dr, Leesburg, FL 34748. Ph:352-314-9351



Color Guard

October 18: presented Colors at the Eisenhower Center for a Chapter Meeting there. Colors were posted by Art Iversen, D.J. Lynch, Gene Zender, Gordon Talbot and Joel Briggs. P.O.W Missing Man ceremony by Frank Keaser.

November 1: National Guard Armory for the Rotary Dance and show (5:00 pm)

November 11: Art Iversen post Chapter Colors at The

Villages Veterans Mem. Park. (10:00).

November 11: Ferran Park in Eustis for the Veterans day Wreath Ceremony (10:00)

November 16: Mission Inn in Tavares (5:30) for the Rotary Club.

December 7: Chapter colors at The Villages Memorial Park (10:00)

This will keep us busy for awhile (and our washer woman) but it's a labor of Love.

Joel Briggs



Bob McGuire, DoF President, (L), and Chuck Husbands, DoF 2nd VP, present Tom Thiel, C, with DoF Outstanding Service Award for Tom's DoF contributions. Tony Polemeni accompanied them on their journey from Port Orange.

Membership tjthiel

As this goes to press membership is 81 — 78 Regular Members (Including Mr. Elliott) and three chapter-paid Associate Members.

At the Fund Raiser, D.J. Lynch contacted six people that seemed very interested in coming to the Wednesday meeting as they were retired and of the younger set that served in the 1980's. He also talked to a few, 2 were women, about the Saturday meeting at the Eisenhower center and they said they would come. He also left messages with Diane Weinbaum but she has not returned the call.

Peace Medallions:

I plan to contact the South Korean Consulate in Atlanta to see if Peace Medallions are still available.

According to my records **all members except** DeRosa, Freedman, Sage, Wikane and Elliott have received them.

If you do not have one, you should contact me by Nov 11.

Tom Thiel



Speaker: Gus Kornegay of SECO, "How Weather Affects your energy consumption."

Funds by Gloria Corbet, Treasurer.

	BUDGET	RECEIVED	CMP to BDG
	Appr Feb/14	20-Oct	
INCOME			
FundDriveTA	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 7,176.63	\$ 1,676.63
FundDrivePins	\$ 135.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 1.00
FundDriveWalk	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 8,741.62	\$ 4,741.62
Dues	\$ 2,960.00	\$ 1,936.00	\$ (1,024.00)
Orther Income	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 1,574.00	\$ (1,626.00)
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 15,795.00	\$19,564.25	\$ (972.37)
EXPENSES	BUDGET	SPENT	CMP to BDG
	Appr Feb/14	20-Oct	
CharityGeneral	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 8,109.35	\$ 4,609.35
CharitySchools&Students	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 3,275.00	\$ (25.00)
KWVA Member Assoc Dues	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 1,432.00	\$ (818.00)
Operating Costs	\$ 6,245.00	\$3,944.27	\$ (2,300.73)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 15,295.00	\$16,760.62	\$ (3,143.73)
Net for Year	\$ 500.00		
Balance on hand 1/1/14	\$ 3,209.40	1-Jan-15	\$ 9,473.67

Code of Conduct:

We would like all Chapter 169 members to sign up for the KWVA Code of Conduct (please refer to page 10 of **September 2014 Scuttlebutt** for explanation of what this code entails.)

According to the KWVA records, the CID169 members listed in the table at right have not subscribed.

If your name is in that list, please tear-off the back page of this *Scuttlebutt*, print your Name and Member Number, check the box marked with the CoC arrow, sign, and send to me as soon as possible.

Tom Thiel

LNAME	NNAME
Babcock	Ray
Boucher	Art
Cahill	Wally
Corbet	Jim
Corscadden	Jack
DeRosa	Tom
Elliott	Gene
Freedman	Ron
Hayes	John
Hickey	John
Jacobs	Jake
Kouh	Yong C.
LaLiberte	Joe
Lavery	Dave
Leanza	Sam
Markle, Jr	Frank
Mason	Sue
McBroom Jr	John
Olson	Harry
Royal	Ray
Sabel	Milt
Sage	Sam
Schuetz	Al
Sievers	Harold
Simunek	Bill
Sinai	David
Stumborg	Max
Tench	Bill
Tiesman	Claus
Van Beck	Don
Veliky	Don
Wigglesworth	Ernest
Wikane	George
Zender	Gene

Scuttlebutt:

Editor Thiel reports that it costs us over \$2.00 to print and mail the hard copies of one 16-page *Scuttlebutt*. Including Minutes takes only two pages, but they are largely duplicated by *Scuttlebutt* content.

Starting with this issue the Minutes will not be in *Scuttlebutt*. And, we will make every effort to limit length to 10 pag-

es, which mails for one Forever Stamp. This will cost us about \$1.29/copy. I do the copying at Office Depot directly from the MS Publisher file; yes there are lower cost copiers but that would take more of my time, and I chose not to do it.

Minutes will be sent to members on email, and a printed copy of Minutes will be available for examination at the Member Meeting from the Secretary.

Quartermaster

Art Iversen, 1st VP, QM



I have Korean War caps, Korean Service caps, A few White Korean war caps. I also have

one medium size white color guard shirt complete with the patches, blue shoulder cord, and white gloves. Art Iversen (352)

Graybeards:

“Chapter 169 Honors Korean Service Veterans” on page 38, and

“Freedom’s ‘Seeds’ Planted Over 60 Years Ago Bear Fruit,” on pages 56-57, 75.

Nothing presently submitted.

Gene Zender has been appointed

Director at Large of the BoD. He will collect and report on all our members who volunteer, and also collect information on which members come to meetings.

Officers and Directors (Revised this issue)

Comments	LNAME	NNAME	City	Phone	CELL	E-Mail
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Membership—Dues Dates—Assoc., DoF, & Chapter—to Dec. 31, 2014

Members whose dues— Association, Department and/or Chapter—that are payable anytime up to **December 31, 2014** are shown here.

Dues Total \$37.00; that covers \$10 for Chapter, \$2 for DOF, and \$25 to the Association. 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.

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

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

Please use the Renewal Form on the last page.

Pay to KWVA Chapter 169.

Mail to:

**Gloria Corbet, Treas,
16035 Umatilla Place,
Umatilla FL 32784.**

If you cannot maintain your membership with all the economic difficulties, please call me before letting your membership lapse.
Wally Jones.

LNAME	NNAME	ASSOC	C DUEDT	AMOUNT
Babcock	Ray	LR43586	12/01/14	\$ 12.00
Cahill	Wally	R044407	10/14/14	\$ 37.00
Canale	Art	LR38775	12/23/14	\$ 12.00
Corriveau	Ben	R040801	11/16/14	\$ 37.00
Hall	Duane	R024656	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
LaJeunesse	Gene	R041623	12/06/14	\$ 37.00
Lynch	Don	R029963	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Markle, Jr	Frank	R043593	12/11/14	\$ 37.00
McMahon	Murray	R024785	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Noder	Guenther	R041624	12/06/14	\$ 37.00
Pfahler	Dick	R040780	11/09/14	\$ 37.00
Sage	Sam	R045570	12/15/14	\$ 37.00
Seidelman, Sr	Len	R024568	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Sherwood	Bill	R044492	11/28/14	\$ 37.00
Sievers	Harold	R027799	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Simunek	Bill	R007055	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Sinai	David	R044568	12/30/14	\$ 37.00
Thompson	George	R043594	12/11/14	\$ 37.00
Tiesman	Claus	R042616	10/10/14	\$ 37.00
Vienna	Chaz	LR45359	08/30/14	\$ 12.00
White	Charlie	R033792	12/02/14	\$ 37.00
Zettlemoyer	Doreen	A044570	12/31/14	\$ 16.00

If you have a story to tell, call Bob!

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The mission of the *Scuttlebutt* is to publish all information that is of relevance to all members of CID 169. *It is published on the last day of the month it bears.*

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

DATE: ____ / ____ / 2014

NAME: _____ **Spouse Name:** _____

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

CITY: _____ STATE: ____ ZIP: _____ - _____

TELEPHONE: (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

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

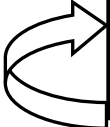
Chapter 169 Dues: \$10, Amt Enclosed: \$ _____ **ASSOC. NUMBER:** _____

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: \$ _____

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

Check _____ Cash _____ Signature: _____

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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