

# MEMORIES

THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

THE DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA

# MEMORIES

ANNUAL CONVENTION

HOSTED BY THE DOF

MAY 6, 7, 8

2011

AT THE OCALA HILTON

Friday and Saturday Meetings to be held in  
The Arlington/Monmouth  
Room

Dear Friends

Welcome to the 2011 DOF Convention and Reunion.

Our theme this year, MEMORIES, is in keeping with the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the years of the war, which are to be officially remembered between 2010-2013.

Last year we commemorated the anniversary of the start of the war by honoring two of the children of that war, Kimi Springsteen and Eddie Ko. There was sadness and pain as we remembered the war along with Eddie and Kimi, as it should be. The very nature of war produces dark memories, some we do not like to look at very often if at all.

However being Americans with our unique spirit and way of handling adversity, the war and the few years before and after also produced life long friendships, romance, fun, adventure, pride in accomplishment, and helped make us the persons we are today.

This year, it is to those memories that we pay homage and hope that this gathering of comrades who were blessed to have come home from that war, will help us put aside for a brief while, the painful memories and instead nudge us to remember the good times of that era.

My wish for you is that you will get a little DOF business done, enjoy the peace and pleasure of fellowship, have some fun, have a lot of laughs, walk down memory lane for a bit, and make a few new good memories to take home from Convention 2011.

*Jim Bradford*  
President

**SCHEDULE OF  
EVENTS**

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON 1:30 PM  
COUNCIL MEETING**

**AFTER THE MEETING, CHANCE TO VISIT  
VETERAN'S PARK BEFORE ELKS DINNER**

**FRIDAY EVENING 6:30 PM  
DINNER AT THE OCALA ELKS CLUB  
"MEMORIES OF WEARING THE UNIFORM"  
BEST MILITARY STORY CONTEST  
(Cash bar opens at 5:30)**

**SATURDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
10:30AM - 4 PM**

**SATURDAY LUNCHEON  
"MEMORIES FROM THE DRIVE IN"**

**SATURDAY EVENING**

**6 PM  
COCKTAIL PARTY HONORING OUR  
CHAPTER PRESIDENTS**

**7 PM  
BANQUET**

**AFTER DINNER  
"MUSICAL MEMORIES OF THE WAY WE WERE"  
PRESENTED BY JENNIFER GILMORE**

**SUNDAY MORNING  
8 AM  
MEMORIAL  
"FOR THOSE WE WILL ALWAYS HOLD IN OUR  
MEMORIES"**

## **DOF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD**

President Jim Bradford

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Charlie First

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Gene Gillette

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Bill Shibler

Secretary Joan Arcand

Treasurer Richard Arcand

Immediate Past President Bob Balzer

### **APPOINTED OFFICERS/STAFF**

Chaplain Harold Sievers

Judge Advocate Bill McCraney

Historian Bill Shibler

Sgt at Arms Mickey Tutolo

KWVA Liaison Jake Feaster

Korea/America Liaison Eddie Ko

Assistant Secretary Laurie McCraney

*Thank you Commander Hank Butler for sitting in for  
VP Gene Gillette during his illness and recovery*

## Way To Go Boosters!

First VP Bill Sarver and Ginny Sarver of 175

DOF Past President Bob Balzer and Rose  
Balzer of 173

First VP Don Smith and Flo Smith of 153

A Friend from 200

President Henry Moreland of 200

DOF America/Korea Liaison Eddie Ko and  
Jonna Ko of 175

QM Dick Garfield and Nancy Garfield of 267

President Murdoch Ford of 175

Past Commander Don Sherry and Pat Sherry  
of 267

President Robert McGuire of 189

President and DOF Sgt at Arms Mickey  
Tutolo and Edwina Tutolo. of 210.

Sam and Verdalea Hayes of 175

Al McAdoo of 175



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Who Do We Appreciate?

All of you of course! Many Thanks

## THANK YOU SPONSORS

DOF Treasure Richard and  
Secretary Joan Arcand



Go Navy!

### **Chapter 210 Brevard County**

Best wishes to the  
Department of Florida

### **Chapter 169 Lake County**

Best wishes to the Department of Florida  
for a great 2011 Convention.  
<http://cid169.kwva.org>

## DOOR PRIZES DONATED

### BY

Richard and Joan Arcand of 014  
Jim and Becky Bradford of 158  
Gene and Dorothy Gillette of 199  
Bill and Laurie McCraney of 158  
American Flags courtesy of  
Citrus County Chapter 192

*You are cordially invited to attend  
a Cocktail Party  
On  
Saturday, May 7 at  
6 o'clock in the evening  
Honoring our  
Chapter Presidents and Commanders  
Cash bar*

*Everett DeWitt 014 Suncoast  
Jerry Bey 015 Eddie Lyon  
Bernard Fisher 016 Alice Grüt Savage  
Joseph Green 017 Lt Richard E Cronan  
Peter Popolizio 106 Treasurer Coast  
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Robert Hebner 155 Gulf Coast  
Charles Appenzeller 158 WR Charette MOH  
Thomas Thiel 169 Lake County  
Charles Travers 173 Mid Florida  
Murdoch Ford 175 Lt Lopez MOH  
Carleton Hogue 188 South Lake County  
Robert McGuire 189 Central Florida East  
Hank Butler 192 Citrus County  
Thomas "Skip" Hannon 199 Manasota  
Henry Moreland 200 NE Florida  
Mickey Tutolo 210 Brevard County  
Dick Davis 267 Gen Van Fleet  
Vincent Abbate 318 Indian River County*



**IF SHOPPING IS ON YOUR  
MIND!**

THE HILTON IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED TO  
THE AREA'S BEST SHOPPING AND ANTIQUING.

PADDOCK MALL IS ONLY A FEW BLOCKS  
FROM THE HILTON. SEARS, BELKS, MACY'S  
AND JCPENNY ANCHOR THE COMPLEX.

ACCESSORIES, JEWELRY AND SPORTING GOODS  
ARE AVAILABLE, ALONG WITH PLENTY OF  
CLOTHING VENUES FOR EVERYONE IN THE  
FAMILY.

A FOOD COURT HELPS TAKE CARE OF MID-  
SHOPPING HUNGER PANGS. REPRESENTATIVE  
STORES INCLUDE GAP, VICTORIA'S SECRET,  
AÉROPOSTALE, BATH AND BODY WORKS,  
AMERICAN EAGLE OUTFITTERS, AND  
KIRKLAND'S.





**Patrons**

***Chapter 199 Manasota***

*Chapter 199 wishes the DOF a successful  
Convention with camaraderie for all.*

***Chapter 175***

***Lt Baldomero Lopez MOH***

*From Tampa, Florida Chapter 175*

*Have A Great Convention!*

***Chapter 267 General James A Van  
Fleet***

*Chapter 267 in Gainesville, Florida,  
Home of the Fighting Gators and Chapter  
of  
Duane Dewey, Medal of Honor Recipient*



## *Patrons*

### *Chapter 200 North East Florida*

*Remember the*

*"Land of the Morning Calm."*

*Have a great reunion.*

*From everyone in the Jacksonville Chapter*

### *Chapter 192 Citrus County*

*Herman (Hank) Butler, Jr. Commander*

*Veterans Helping Veterans*

### *Chapter 173 Mid Florida*

*The members of KWVA Chapter 173*

*Salute William "Bill" Russell,*

*Secretary, Editor of the Morning Calm*

*and recipient of the initial Award of the*

*Bill Russell Lifetime Achievement Award*



**PAT'ONS**

*Louis T Dechert,  
Former KWVA President  
2011 Candidate for KWVA Director  
Miss you all, have a great convention!*

*Chapter 153 Central Florida  
Best Wishes to the DOF for  
A Successful Convention.  
From the Officers and Members of 153*

*Chapter 188 South Lake County  
God Bless our Troops and God Bless  
America!*



## **Patrons**

### **Chapter 158 WR Charette MOH**

*Proud to have MOH recipient Doc Charette as  
a member! Best Wishes for a Great Reunion*

### **Best Wishes for a Successful Convention!**

*We love you all!*

*Kimi and Jim Springsteen*

### **Chapter 173 Mid Florida**

*The officers of KWVA Chapter 173 Salute  
Charles R "Chuck" Travers Commander as  
their choice for Chapter 173's  
Veteran Of The Year.*

### **Chapter 014 Sun Coast**

*Best wishes for a successful Convention.  
Chapter 014 Sun Coast*

DON'T MISS IT!  
THE DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA  
FALL COUNCIL MEETING  
Crystal River  
**September 24**  
At the  
Plantation Golf Resort and Spa  
9301 West Fort Trail  
Crystal River, Florida 34429  
800-632-6262 or 352-795-4211



**GOOD LUCK AND BEST WISHES  
TO THE NEW DOF OFFICERS AND BOARD  
2011-2012 TERM**



*Sunday Morning,  
May 8  
Two Thousand and Eleven  
At eight O'clock  
We will pause and  
remember those we have lost  
this past year.*

**Memorial Service**

**Keeneland/Aqueduct Room**



*Thank you to our  
Convention Hostess*

*Margaret Appenzeller of 158*

*Debra Martin-Back of 267*

*Becky Bradford DOF and 158*

*Rita Butler of 192*

*Peg Champion of 158*

*Annette Feaster of 016*

*Dot Gillette DOF and 199*

*Laurie McCraney DOF and 158*

*Ginny Sarver of 175*

*Shirley Schultz of 158*

*Pat Sherry of 267*





# MEMORIES

## OF WEARING THE UNIFORM

FRIDAY EVENING DINNER AND FUN  
AT THE OCALA ELKS CLUB

### BEST MILITARY STORY CONTEST

Bring your appetite, your sense of humor,  
put on your casual duds, relax and enjoy!

**Cash bar 5:50 PM ~ Dinner at 6:30 PM**

**Roast Beef and Ham**

*Have one or both*

**Tossed salad**

**Green beans with almonds**

**New Potatoes**

**Rolls with butter**

**Coffee, tea**

**Assortment of Wonderful Goodies**

*Elks Club dress code does not allow shorts, tee shirts or  
jeans on Friday evenings*

# MEMORIES



## *OF THE WAY WE WERE*

*7 PM*

*Saturday evening Banquet and a  
Musical Program presented by  
Jennifer Gilmore*

### *MENUE*

*Pork Scaloppini with Italian breadcrumbs and fresh  
lemon parsley sauce*

*Oven roasted Chicken breast with a crisp herb sauce  
topped with wild mushroom sauce served with wild rice*

*Vegetable du Jour*

*Fresh garden salad*

*Chef's specialty Dessert*

*Warm rolls and butter*

*Freshly brewed Columbian coffee, iced tea and Iced  
water.*

*Del Mar/Santa Anita Ball Room*

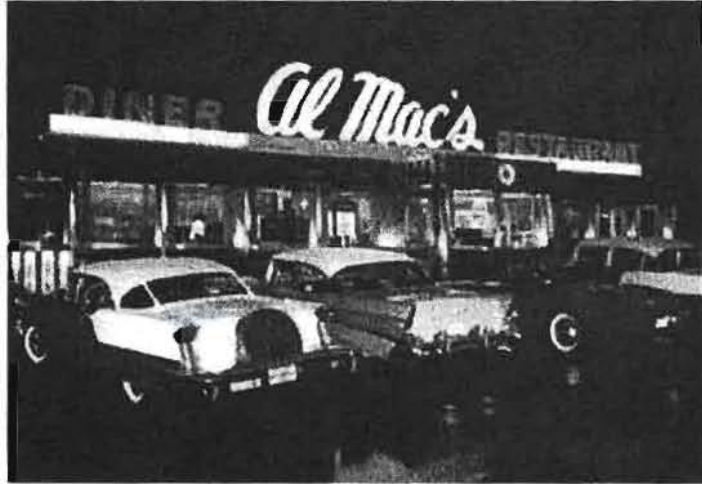
*SATURDAY EVENING MEMORIES  
OF THE WAY WE WERE*

*JENNIFER GILMORE* will present a musical program after the banquet, of songs that will take us all right back to those wonder years of our youth!

*Jennifer and her husband, Sean and their children live in Ft Meyers. She comes from a wonderful musical family and background. Jennifer's parents raise horses now, but are still very involved in music. Her Dad had a dance band for many years and still sings and plays, and her Mom is the choir Director for the First Methodist Church in Bartow and had taught at least half of all the children in Bartow to sing and play the piano.*

*Jennifer is blessed to have an amazing voice, and she loves to sing. She sang with the Ken Masters band of Lakeland for 3 years (sounds like the Big Bands with the girl singer!) and was in the Florida State Chorus Ensemble. She performed in the BPAS Christmas show for the last 2 years and performs in local events as often as her busy life allows. When Jennifer sings in Church, her voice makes Sunday morning seem a little bit closer to Heaven.*

# MEMORIES



**I REMEMBER THE DRIVE IN!**

*LUNCH ON SATURDAY*

*Do you remember?*

*Hot dogs*

*Hamburgers*

*Fries*

*Cherry cokes and other stuff to drink*

*Wonderful goodies for dessert*

*Arthur's Restaurant*



**FRIDAY MEETING 1:30 PM**

**FRIDAY AT THE ELKS**

**5:30 CASH BAR**

**6:30 DINNER**

**SATURDAY MEETING 10:30 AM**

**SATURDAY COCKTAIL PARTY 6 PM**

**SATURDAY BANQUET 7 PM**

**SUNDAY MEMORIAL 8 AM**

MAY YOU HAVE VERY HAPPY

**MEMORIES**

OF DOF CONVENTION 2011