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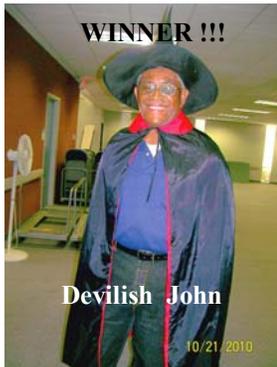
*Our Mission as Editors of the Warrior, is to Enlighten the Minds and Hearts of its Members!*

## ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF AND AUCTION

The annual chili cook-off and auction was held at our monthly meeting, October 21st, and it was a giant success. Those of you that were unable to attend the event, missed a great time. A number of our members arrived in costume. We had a devilish witch (John Jackson); a pregnant prairie lady (Martha Ballard); the Texas Chain Saw Murderer (Carlos Ballard); poodle skirt wearing teenager from the 50's (Marlene Harrison); country sheriff (Buddy Blair); a princess dressed in blue (Billie Blair); a sexy bikini (Marlene Telling); Albert Einstein (Don Napp); Hawaiian native (Nelda Napp); a Cow Girl (Chris Carnero); and an Aussie (Manny Carnero). I wish we were able to publish all the pictures, but they will be available at the next meeting.

(Martha reported that on their way home, they had stopped at a stop sign, and she went into labor and delivered their baby. They named him Feathers.

**CONGRATULATIONS MARTHA & CARLOS!!!**



bowl)

The tables were end, there was desserts other end-the chili, rice, cheese, etc., and of sodas and water. Everything, some of us com- to produce a very inter- of chili. (it was so good,



laden with food. On one of all kind, and on the crackers, beans, onions, course, drinks-coffee, one had a great time eat- bined the different chilies esting and delicious bowl that the next day, I wanted another



The Silent Auction was a huge success. The receipts from the sales at the auction and receipts from the dinner, totaled over \$1,200.00.

A big **CONGRATULATIONS** is sent to all members who helped make this such a success.

## ***RAFFLE - RAFFLE***

The Lone Star Chapter is holding a raffle for a 40" Slimline flat screen TV. This is not an old, every day set, it is a brand new HDTV 1080p television set. This set contains almost double the pixel resolution giving it superior picture quality over standard HDTV. You'll see details and colors like never before.

***The tickets are \$2.00 each, 10 tickets to a book***

The drawing will be held at the November meeting, Nov. 18th. You do not have to be present to win, but wouldn't it be nice to be able to take your new TV home with you?



## **FRANKO'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Franko and Betty have requested that everyone keep December 5th open. This is the day that they will be hosting their annual Christmas Party at their home. This party is always fun with everyone enjoying good food and good friends. Betty plans to do the cooking this year, perhaps spaghetti. Franko has a huge TV, and the game is usually on. If the weather is nice, there is a covered patio where you can sit and visit with friends.

**SEE YOU THERE!!!!**

## **HOLIDAY PARTY**

The VA Hospital is hosting a Holiday Party, Friday, December 3rd, 2010. It will take place in the 4th floor Auditorium, beginning at 6:30PM.

All Veterans are invited.  
Refreshments will be served.

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Make your plans early.** The date for the annual Christmas Party has been set, so mark your calendar. The place will once again be at the Monument Inn. We have had two very successful parties there and the decision was made to return.

**DATE:** DECEMBER 18TH

**PLACE:** MONUMENT INN

4406 INDEPENDENCE HWY. (formally Battleground Rd.)  
LaPORTE, TEXAS

**TIME:** 11:30 - 4:00 PM

**MENU:** FISHERMAN'S PLATTER

CHICKEN TERIYAKI

BROILED TILAPIA PONTCHATRAIN

12oz GRILLED RIBEYE STEAK

All entrees served with a green salad, baked potato, homemade rolls and muffins, Iced tea and coffee. The ladies are asked to please bring a dessert.

**COST:** \$22.50 per Person (Make checks payable to KWV/Texas Lone Star Chapter)

Mail to Nelda Napp, 1207 Whitestone, Houston, Texas 77073

There will again be a gift exchange - \$5.00 (if possible) gifts. Men bring a gift for a man and the ladies bring a gift for a lady.



## VETERAN'S DAY



This year, **Veteran's Day, Nov. 11th**, falls on a Thursday. The program will start at 10:00 am, in front of City Hall, with the introduction of the Master of Ceremonies & Guests followed by the Presentation of Colors. Josh Flynn will again sing the National Anthem. The Lone Star Chapter will then Post the Colors. Stoney Stone will present the POW/MIA ceremony.

Following the ceremony, there will be a Moment of Silence and a fly over at 11AM.

A parade through downtown will follow the ceremony, starting at Smith and Prairie. The chapter will have 4 trucks in the parade, we will be located near the front of the parade in section 2

Everyone is encouraged to attend the City Hall Ceremonies and the parade that follows.

## TEXAS VETERANS VOICE

The Texas Veterans Voice, a newsletter put out by the Texas Veterans Land Board, featured an article about the Texas Lone Star Chapter in their recent newsletter. . . . .

The Texas Lone Star Chapter of the Korean War Veterans recently hosted the 60th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony of the Korean War on the State Capital grounds in Austin on June 24th, 2010.

## "HUGO SALUTES OUR VETERANS"

AMG Medical Inc., headquartered in Alpharetta, Georgia, launched a program in 2007 to give away 5,000 canes to honor the parents and relatives of its employees who served in the U.S. Military. In 2009, Hugo Salutes gave out 25,000 canes on Veterans Day. This year, with the backing of numerous sponsors, they are greatly expanded their program to give out 36,000 canes over three days—Veterans Day and the days before and after.

The Hugo Folding Cane that will be given out retails for \$29.99. It is a beautiful patriotic blue with an ergonomic comfort-grip handle, appropriate for both left and right-handed users. Sturdy, functional and stylish, it has multiple height settings to comfortably meet the needs of most people. These canes are free of charge, to U.S. Military Veterans at all Sam's Clubs nationwide, Nov. 10,11 and 12, 2010.

## HEAR MY VOICE

You brave men came home  
With medals on your chest  
While I still lie here where  
You laid me to rest.

It's somewhere by the Chosin  
I really don't know where  
If only you would come for me  
So I know you really care.

I look back when it happened  
The bugles and the yells  
From all around they came at me  
On both sides bodies fell.

The snow turned red  
And some men screamed in vain  
While others lay motionless  
For them there was no pain.

My battle now over  
As my eyes are closed so tight.  
Was it you that carried me down  
As others stayed to fight?

More men are laid beside me.  
Dirt fell upon my head.  
The Chaplain said a prayer for me  
As he did for all the dead.

The valley is now quite  
As you fellows march away.  
Whispering winds blow the snow  
On the cold ground where I lay.

Don't you hear my voice, I ask,  
I've called out, oh so long.  
You're my buddies  
I know I did no wrong.

Please bring me home  
with no medals on my chest.  
Just return me to my country  
for God's eternal rest.

Corporal Gordon L. Krueger  
Elk River, Minnesota

## **Wisdom from Maxine.....**

"You don't have to win every argument, agree to disagree, like hell I will!"

"Make peace with your past, so it won't screw up your Christmas presents!"



## ***“WARRIOR DONATIONS” Honor Roll for “July 2010 to July 2011”***

The editors would like to acknowledge and thank the following members and patrons of the *Warrior* who have contributed in helping to defray some of the cost of printing and mailing. As you know, we now have the *Warrior* on line for those with computers, but the Post Office has informed us that the cost of mailing has gone up, so we still need your help. We thank you for your generous support and contributions. **We will be using the funds received to defray the costs of the newsletter. The following names will be published monthly through the July 2011 issue. Be sure and have your name included. Fill in the sponsor card, seen below, or included in your newsletter, (those that are mailed) and return with your contribution. Thanks: Your editors: Lee & Charlotte Henderson**

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### **Children in Church....**

A little boy was in a relative’s wedding. As he was coming down the aisle, he would take two steps, stop and turn to the crowd. While facing the crowd, he would put his hands up like claws and roar. So it went, step, step, ROAR, step, step, ROAR, all the way down the aisle. As you can imagine, the crowd was near tears from laughing so hard, by the time he reached the pulpit. When asked what he was doing, the child sniffed and said, “I was being the Ring Bear.”

One Sunday in a Midwest City, a young child was “acting up” during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew, but were losing the battle. Finally the father picked the little fellow up and walked sternly up the aisle on his way out. Just before reaching the safety of the foyer, the little one called loudly to the congregation, “Pray for me! Pray for me!”

A Sunday School teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, “And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?” One bright little girl replied, “Because people are sleeping.”

### **In Memory of —**

*This Space is for you to Remember someone you Care for.*

Christensen, John  
 Cockrell, Bill  
 Graves, Dick  
 O’Flynn, John J.  
 Russell, Roy  
 Teadwell, Marvin

Texas Lone Star Chapter – KWV  
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**I want to be a sponsor of the Warrior for**  
**July 2010-July 2011**

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# Membership Chapter & Other Events

## TIME TO RENEW

Dues are \$20.00 - Life Membership \$200.00 – Send renewal to KWVA – P O Box 802541 – Houston TX 77280-2541.

**The following memberships are due November 1, 2010**

Walter G. Ballard M780	Josh Flynn	M805
Wayne Harrison M813	Albert Hollan	M397
Edwin Moore M555		

## RENEWALS

Manny Carnero	James Watkins
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## CONGRATULATIONS

Colby Ballard, grandson of Carlos and Martha Ballard, recently competed in the County Fair again, and he won, again. Colby showed his steer, an English steer named Troubadour. The judge took a long time making his decision, he said that the top two steers were so close the decision was hard. The final decision was that Colby and Troubadour received Reserve Grand Champion.

## CONGRATULATIONS COLBY,

Your steer is awesome.



## THE NATIONAL WWII MUSEUM

Next week we will celebrate Veterans Day by honoring the service and sacrifices of our men and women in uniform. This makes it a great time to honor the veteran in your life with a personalized, commemorative brick at the National WWII Museum.

This lasting tribute will honor their courage, commitment and sacrifice, and your gift will help us continue to build the finest WWII Museum in the world, dedicated to preserving the incredible story of the American Experience during WWII.

There is no better way to honor your personal hero than with a commemorative brick at **The National World War II Museum.**

Space is running out, so reserve your brick online today, or call (504)528-1944 x 500

## NOVEMBER



- 4th - Board Meeting - 4:30 pm
- 5th - Aero's Hockey Game
- 7th - Daylight Savings Time Ends.
- 10th - U.S. MARINE'S EST. 1775
- 11th - VETERAN'S DAY
- 18th - General Meeting - 6 pm
- 25th - Thanksgiving Day

## DECEMBER

- 2nd - Board Meeting - 4:30 pm
- 2nd - First Day of Hanukkah
- 3rd - Christmas Party, 6:30 pm, V.A. Hosp.
- 7th - PEARL HARBOR DAY
- 11th - Wreaths Across America
- 12th - BIRTHDAY OF U.S. NATIONAL GUARD
- 17th - SOCKS - V.A. HOSPITAL—10 AM
- 18th - TLSC Christmas Party 11:30 AM
- 21st - First Day of Winter
- 25th - CHRISTMAS DAY
- 31st - New Year's Eve

## SOCKS - V.A. HOSPITAL

The quarterly distributing of socks to the patients at the VA Hospital, will take place on Friday, December 17th, at 10:00 AM. If you are planning to help in this worth while cause, please be at Volunteer office, second floor, by 9:30. The teams will begin visiting the floors by 10.

**SEE YOU THERE !!!**

## REWARDS FOR VETERANS....

Several area restaurants have offered free meals to veterans. It is their way of making up for all those MRE's. **Chili's** advertises that Veterans and those on active duty who come in **Thursday, Nov. 11th** will get your free choice of one of 8 entrees, none of which are served in vacuum sealed plastic pack, or even require hydration.

**Applebee's** is also rewarding the vets by offering a free meal on **Nov. 11th**. The only requirement is the veterans should produce ID showing they are veterans, or active duty service people.

On **November 15th**, the **Golden Corral Restaurants** will be offering a free meal to veterans and active duty service people.

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S



Roland English . . . . . 4th	Fred Ortiz . . . . . 8th	David Velasco . . . . . 14th	Evelyn Perkins . . . . . 22nd
Chuck Ehrlund . . . . . 4th	Richard Andrews . . . . . 9th	Betty Weeden . . . . . 15th	Frank Daidone . . . . . 26th
James Johnson . . . . . 6th	Richard Arnott . . . . . 11th	Herbert Nittsche . . . . . 16th	Clarence Sperbeck . . . . . 27th
Guy McMenemy . . . . . 6th	Marian Odell . . . . . 12th	Edwin Moore . . . . . 20th	Wayne Harrison . . . . . 27th
James Kirk . . . . . 8th	Doris Bray . . . . . 14th	Lillie Leonard . . . . . 22nd	Bennie Younger . . . . . 28th
Peggy Wilmeth . . . . . 8th			

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY'S



<u>MEMBER &amp; SPOUSE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEMBER &amp; SPOUSE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Joseph & Lorraine Preola . . . . .	11/	Jack & Violet Goodwin . . . . .	11/1
Morris & Mary Lee Estess . . . . .	11/2	<b><u>Bennie &amp; Marianne Younger . . .59 yrs . 11/3/51</u></b>	
<b><u>Ralph &amp; Anita Melcher . . . 64th . . . . . 11/8/46</u></b>		<b><u>William &amp; Mary Kennison . . . .60th . . 11/11/50</u></b>	
Harvey & Patsy Barnhart . . . . .	11/16	<b><u>Oscar &amp; Vendia Migl . . . . .57th . . . 11/21/53</u></b>	
Robert & Barbara Sims . . . . .	11/25	<b><u>William &amp; Mary Louise Maillet . 55th . 11/26/55</u></b>	

***Congratulations to our members celebrating their 50th + Anniversary's'!!***

### CONDOLENCES

It is with great sadness, that we report the passing of longtime member, **Charles Laird**. Charles has not been well recently and had undergone numerous tests and procedures. He took a sudden turn for the worse and passed away, Friday, October 15, 2010.



Charles served as the Chaplain for the Lone Star Chapter, and he also submitted articles to the newsletter for the Chaplain's Corner.

Charles is survived by his loving wife Grace and two nieces and numerous friends.

*We all will miss you Charles, the world will not be the same without you.*

### **Wisdom from Maxine.....**

“How blessed are those people, whose lives have no fear, no dreads, to whom sleep is a blessing that comes nightly, and brings nothing but sweet dreams!”

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Milly Spencer** wrote: Thank the Honor Guard for their participation at Mickey's funeral service. Our family and church members were very pleased with the tribute. All the cards, phone calls and visits were also a comfort during his long illness. What a blessing to have caring friends like the KWV. *It was an honor for us to honor Mickey in this way.*

### **MICKEY SPENCER MEMORIAL.....**

Members of the Lone Star Chapter, met at St. Stephens United Methodist Church on Saturday, Oct. 9th, to help celebrate the life of Mickey Spencer.

Among the friends and family that filled the church were 15 members along with numerous wives, also in attendance was Su Myong Kim, President of the Korean Community. There were many people that spoke of their memories of Mickey, and at the close of the service, Don Napp, long time friend, presented the service flag to Milly.

Following the service, a lunch was provided in the Fellowship Center

**KEEPING IN TOUCH - SICK BAY**

**Wayne Harrison** and wife Marilyn, joined us at the meeting. Wayne has been under the weather lately. He has had heart surgery, but is doing very well now. *It was great seeing you again.*

**Marianne Younger** was also at the meeting, but with her recent injury, her attending was a pleasant surprise. Marianne fell recently and injured her eye when she hit the night stand. *We are all very pleased that you decided to join us for the Chili dinner and meeting. It was great seeing you.*

**Ruth Johnson** was in attendance as well as **Frank Grochoske**. Ruth and Max along with Frank and Betty have been absent for a long time. *Everyone was very happy to see them rejoin us at the meeting.*

**Lee & Charlotte Henderson's** daughter, Debbi Shannon was in a serious motorcycle crash on Saturday, October 16th. Debbi was thrown from the motorcycle and received numerous injuries. She received reconstructive facial surgery several days after the accident. Her face is returning to normal but her jaw is still wired shut. Her jaw was also broken. She was transferred to a rehabilitation hospital, where she is receiving Occupational and Physical Therapy. She now has a long road of recovery ahead of her. *We want to thank everyone for their prayers during this time, they have really helped. It is by the grace of God that she is still with us.*

**Martha Ballard** recently had knee surgery. She is home and receiving therapy and will be fine soon. *Keep up the therapy and know that our prayers are with you for a complete recovery.*

**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**

Travis Riley presented a check for \$259.00, from his VFW post for the Wreaths Across America. The post was VFW Post 8790 - Golf Association.

Thank you very much for the donation.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**

Roger and Sheryl Lochridge of **YOUR BEST SHOT PHOTOGRAPHY** have been working on a photo book of the members and wives. It is almost finished and will sell for \$50.00 each. You can order the book at the meeting or by calling her at 713-545-0384. Payment is requested in advance, so the books can be ordered from the printers.

The book is very nice and you will diffidently

**[www.rsl.photorelect.com](http://www.rsl.photorelect.com)**

They also have the pictures that they took at the celebration in Austin. You can go to their website to view and order the pictures.

**REUNIONS.....**

**Rod & Sandra Ramsey** recently attended his army reunion in Oklahoma City. This was the 22nd annual meeting of the 32nd Infantry Regiment Association which includes members from WWII through the current wars in the Middle East. (Most members are Korean War vets.). We are affiliated with the current active duty unit, 1st Battalion 32nd Infantry of the current 10th Mountain Division and are recognized by the Department of the Army officially. We have an Army approved Honorary Colonel of the Regiment and an Honorary Commander Sergeant Major. The reunion was attended by about 50 members and wives and included a color guard from the 10th Mountain Division. We conducted a formal memorial service for our fallen (past and present) in a base chapel at Tinker Air Force Base. I was elected to serve as President for a 2 year term.... Rod

“If at first you don’t succeed, do it like your wife told you too!”

## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

The annual laying of the wreaths at the Houston National Cemetery will be held this year on **Saturday, December 11th, 11 AM**. This year it should be a spectacular event.

Donations are \$15.00 per wreath. Please make plans to donate and then attend this wonderful event. The deadline to donate is in November, in order to have the order filled and trucked from Mass.

Let's make this event larger than last year, when the Houston V.A. Cemetery surpassed even Arlington Cemetery. With your help, our cemetery can be covered with wreaths this year.

We have learned that the cemetery will be under construction at this time, so buses will be provided. Parking will be available at Greens Point Mall, with buses transporting to and from the cemetery.



### REMEMBER OUR VETERENS



### DONATIONS TO WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA



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