



## General Walton H. Walker Chapter 215

### THE BULLDOG BUGLE



## HONORED CHAPTER MEMBER, COLONEL JAMES L STONE, MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT

HOME CHAPTER OF KWVA NATIONAL PRESIDENT: **BILL MAC SWAIN**

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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER JANUARY 2010

It is hard for me to grasp that we are almost into the New Year and it will be 2010. Most of us are rolling into the 80 zone (a little over or under) and life gets interesting about this time.

Congratulations to **Ted Malcolm** for reaching this special age. Aches and pains sometimes serious and sometimes not but I think we are all feeling a little more ag-ed these days. I try to ignore it and hope those aches will go away. We do have some with serious health issues though and need to keep them in our prayers and help when we might be able to do something for our brothers.

This last week we lost one of our beloved members, **Lew Feucht**. Several of us visited with the family on Sunday night at his Memorial service and burial at the Moore Gardens in Arlington on Monday. Overall, it was a very memorable service with the Marine Honor Guard and the Bagpiper for the interment. We will miss Lew, especially at our Tell America Programs where he would read his poems in his own quiet way and it always made an impression on the students. **Connie Martino**, our teacher contact at Arlington High School, called me tonight to tell me that she too was very sad to hear of his passing.



We did have a very good day and excellent attendance at **Roy Hill's** party at Outlaw's Bar B Que for our December meeting. Roy treated us all very well and we had a good time exchanging presents and recognizing Korean War Veteran **David Watson** and his family as our Christmas Angel.

At our January 16 meeting, Captain **Robert Epstein**, who is an air surveillance observer with the Civil Air Patrol will bring us a program on their activities with the Border Patrol and Homeland Security. I think it will be very interesting.

My special thanks to **Eileen Montanez** for taking over for **Marvin Dunn** as the temporary editor of the Bulldog Bugle. As you know, Marvin has been the editor for the past 3 years and is having serious health problems and is not able to continue. If we are to continue with this newsletter we need someone that will take over as editor in helping to put it together. I hope someone in our organization has an interest and will step forward to help Eileen.

I look forward to 2010 and hope everyone has a healthy and prosperous New Year.

*Larry Kinard, President*

## STAYING IN TOUCH

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Richard Beard 3  
Sam Bass 6  
Eldon Armstrong 6

### MEMORY

Clyde Maxwell Jr 15  
Nina Smith 25  
James Ogletree 26

### ANNIVERSARY

Lewis Feucht 12/20  
Barbara & Bill Mac Swain 2/54  
Betty & Bill McFadin 16/54

### EILEEN'S CORNER

A good time was had by all at our Christmas party Dec. 19th. This party was given through the generosity of Roy Hill. Not only was the food very good, but Calvin Langford and his daughter provided the music. We had a gift exchange and Roy even provided door prizes. He also presented Life Time memberships to George Wolfe, Calvin Langford, Sam Bass, and Byron White. He brought his son with him who helped set things up.

David Watson was our Christmas Angel recipient. David is joining our chapter at the January meeting. He came with several family members.

Forty Chapter 625 ROK vets were supposed to come to the party but didn't make it. They missed a very nice time.



We mourn the passing of Lew Feucht on December 20th. His viewing was held Sunday evening at Moore Funeral Home in Arlington with his memorial service held on Monday afternoon at 3:30. He was buried in the cemetery there. At his memorial service his granddaughter spoke about him as did the pastor of his church. Three of Lew's favorite hymns were played and there was a slide show of his life. His many medals, scrapbooks, and pictures were also on display. His obituary can be found in the December 28th issue of the Star Telegram. His memoirs

can be found on the website [http://www.koreanwar-](http://www.koreanwar-educator.org/memoirs/feucht_lewis/index.htm)

[educator.org/memoirs/feucht\\_lewis/index.htm](http://www.koreanwar-educator.org/memoirs/feucht_lewis/index.htm) back to memoirs. (See quote below from memoirs)

**Arlington, TX -  
Korean War Veteran of the United States Marine Corps  
World War II Veteran of the USMC  
China Marine**

*"The only consolation in the remembrance of this excursion is that at least we kept the south free. These people really did, and still do, show their appreciation of what we did there. I would not realize the value of this adventure until almost 50 years later in my life."*

*- Lew Feucht*

Annette White will be taking pictures at the January meeting for our directory if you still need to have your picture taken in uniform.

The latest word on the new V.A. clinic on Campus Drive in Ft Worth is it's scheduled to open October 2010. In July we sign the agreement to sell popcorn there. Volunteers will be needed to man the stand Monday through Fridays.

Again, thank you Roy for your generosity. God Bless.

*By Eileen Montanez*



*Larry Kinard presented a KWVA shirt to new member Stan Bullard.*



*Col. James Stone and wife Mary at Roy Hill's party 12/19/09*



*Roy Hill, Larry Kinard and David Watson. We were introducing him and presenting him with the gift from the chapter. David is not a member of the chapter but says he will join at the next meeting.*



*Larry Kinard and David Watson -- David is also a member of DAV Chapter 42 in Grand Prairie and is a Korean War Veteran. He was accompanied by 5 members of his family. (See below)*



*Korean War Veteran **David Watson** and his family, our KWVA Christmas Angel Outlaw's Bar B Que 12/19/2009*

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**LISTEN UP:** This is your third reminder that dues of \$40 for those with 01/01/10 and those wives who are Associate Members at \$12 with 01/01/10 on your Bulldog Bugle mailing label. All other dates show when dues are due for your membership.

If your dues are not received by January 15, 2010, you will be sent a letter as your last reminder that your dues have not been paid and when your Chapter Membership will be closed. Then if you wish to only remain in the National Association you should renew in National yourself at \$25 to keep on receiving the Graybeard Publication. You should use a new Application Form from *The Graybeards* to do so.

The Executive Council appreciates your membership in the Chapter and hopes that all will submit their renewal dues payment before the end of January 2010. If you have any questions, please

contact the Treasurer at 817-244-0706 or e-mail [BillMacSwain@charter.net](mailto:BillMacSwain@charter.net). If you have already mailed your dues and you still show 01/01/10 on your label disregard this letter. Your dues payment was not received by 12/30/09, when the labels were printed.

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GENERAL WALTON H WALKER CHAPTER 215, INC.  
DECEMBER 2009 MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

The Gen. Walton H. Walker Chapter #215 Membership Meeting was held on December 19, 2009 at the Outlaw Bar-B-Que in Grand Prairie, Texas. The Chapter meeting was called to order by President Larry Kinard with 48 members and 10 guests present. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Don Jones followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag conducted by John Fisher. James Lucas read the Chapter Creed followed by a moment of silence.

Since this was our Christmas Angel and Christmas Dinner President Kinard ask only for a report from Jim Wetmore on those members who were ill and then reported that the meeting for the Bulldog Bugle would be on December 28 at 10:00 am at the Atlanta Bakery and Eileen Montanez would be handling that meeting since Marvin Dunn was one of our members reported under the weather and could no longer be the Bulldog Bugle Editor. He asked for a volunteer to take this position and meanwhile Eileen would fill in this position. President Kinard then introduced our host Roy Hill who had graciously planned and provided the meal as well as the entertainment. He also "Thanked Roy" and his son for doing this as well as arranging for our Christmas Angel David Watson a Disabled Korean War Veteran and his family to attend.

Following the meal Calvin led us in some Christmas Carols.

Roy then introduced our Christmas Angel and presented him with a gift from the Chapter and had him introduce those who attended with him. Roy also "Thanked" member Calvin Langford and his Daughter for the entertainment both before the meeting started and during the meal. Many marveled at the great voice on Calvin and really enjoyed his singing to many songs we all recognized.

A Special gift of a Life Membership in the KWVA to four individuals was made by Roy and then a member gift exchange took place.

Finally a number of gifts were drawn for by the membership also furnished by Roy.

It was a fine time and a great Christmas Party that Roy put on along with help by his son.

A motion to adjourn was made and Chaplain Don Jones dismissed the Chapter with a prayer.

*Respectfully presented,  
Bill Mac Swain, Secretary*

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**This from history buff Col D. G. Swinford, USMC, Ret.**

You have to dig deep for facts like these:

1. The first German serviceman killed in WW II was killed by the Japanese (China, 1937), the first American serviceman killed was killed by the Russians ( Finland 1940); highest ranking American killed was Lt Gen Lesley McNair, killed by the US Army Air Corps. So much for allies...
2. The youngest US serviceman was 12 year old Calvin Graham, USN. He was wounded and given a Dishonorable Discharge for lying about his age. His benefits were later restored by act of Congress.
3. At the time of Pearl Harbor, the top US Navy command was called CINCUS (pronounced "sink us"), the shoulder patch of the US Army's 45th Infantry division was the Swastika, and Hitler's private train was named "Amerika." All three were soon changed for PR purposes!
4. More US servicemen died in the Air Corps than the Marine Corps. While completing the required 30 missions, your chance of being killed was 71%.
5. Generally speaking, there was no such thing as an average fighter pilot. You were either an ace or a target. For instance, Japanese Ace Hiroyoshi Nishizawa shot down over 80 planes. He died while a passenger on a cargo plane.
6. It was a common practice on fighter planes to load every 5th round with a tracer round to aid in aiming. This was a mistake. Tracers had different ballistics so (at long range) if your tracers were hitting the target 80% of your rounds were missing. Worse yet, tracers instantly told your enemy he was under fire and from which direction. Worst of all was the practice of loading a string of tracers at the end of the belt to tell you that you were out of ammo. This was definitely not something you wanted to tell the enemy. Units that stopped using tracers saw their success rate nearly double and their loss rate go way down.
7. When allied armies reached the Rhine , the first thing men did was pee in it. This was pretty universal from the lowest private to Winston Churchill (who made a big show of it) and Gen. Patton, who had himself photographed in the act.
8. German Me-264 bombers were capable of bombing New York City (one way), but they decided it wasn't worth the effort.
9. German submarine U-120 was sunk by a malfunctioning toilet.
10. Among the first "Germans" captured at Normandy were several Koreans. They had been forced to fight for the Japanese Army until they were captured by the Russians, and forced to fight for the Russian Army until they were captured by the Germans, and forced to fight for the German Army until they were captured by the US Army.
11. Following a massive naval bombardment, 35,000 United States and Canadian troops stormed ashore at Kiska, in the Aleutian Islands ...21 troops were killed in the assault. It would have been worse if there had been any Japanese on the island.

*Submitted from Eileen's brother*



**Lewis Feucht (1926 - 2009)**

Lew Feucht died on Sunday, Dec. 20, 2009, at his home of natural causes.

Lew was born Jan. 19, 1926, in Ogden, Utah, to Gottlieb Albrecht Feucht and Luise Weiser Feucht. He was a Christian man who loved life and he adored his family. As one of the "Greatest Generation," he served in the United States Marines as a radio operator. He served in World War II, the Korean War and fought at the Chosin Reservoir. He was very proud to be a Marine and was passionate about it. He was a member of the KWVA (Korean War Veterans Association) and The Chosin Few.

Lew was employed and retired from Western Union Telegraph Co. after 44 years of service in 1983. He was a member of Meadow Lane Baptist Church. Lew loved reading, studying the Bible and learning about God. He loved music, movies, poetry and photography. He loved gardening and he grew amazing gardens every year and his family loved eating what he produced. He was a hard-working man and worked hard to take care of his family.

He always credited "The Good Lord" for taking care of him and us. He knew that God loved him and certainly gave Him the praise and glory for everything. He was a very positive man. Everything was "wonderful" in his eyes. Anything he did with any one of us he referenced it in every conversation for days afterwards and it was always "wonderful." Every little task with him was very much appreciated and he made sure you knew it.

A special thank-you to the staff and residents at Town Village Retirement Center in Arlington for their friendships and for their kindness during this very difficult time. He so enjoyed the years that he lived at the Village tremendously.

Lew was preceded in death by his wife of 37 years, Lynn Feucht, in 1995.

Survivors: He is survived by his son, David and his wife, Marcia; daughter, Jodi and husband, Roger; grandchildren, Jennifer and Dana Peoples, Janette Greene and husband, Justin, Robert and Kristen Kirbow; great-granddaughter, Addie Greene and Christian Sumner; sisters, Martha Wickstrom of Nevada and Ruth Werrell of California; brothers-in-law, Allen Hull of Texas and Ben Hull of California.

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*Chapter 215 monument donated to the National Cemetery*



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

**January 12** Executive Board Meeting - Hugh Smith Center 7:00 - 9:00 PM

**January 16 Regular meeting: 11:15 AM** 1030 SW Green Oaks Blvd, south of I-20, between Cooper and Matlock Streets

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**3RD WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH – HAMBURGER COOK-OUT**  
Dallas VA Hospital 10:30 a.m. Helpers needed– please volunteer!

**CREED:** All the members of the General Walton H Walker Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association are the living representatives of all Americans who gave their lives in Korea. As members we are dedicated to also represent the known American prisoners of war that were never returned after the war, and the American service personnel still missing in action in the Korean War.

**OUR PURPOSE IS :**

1. To motivate patriotism amongst the American people and to raise their awareness of the Korean War and those who served in it.
2. To render help and support to all the wounded and disabled American Veterans of the Korean War.