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David Mann (SAR), PCCs Dr. Lee Harford, Maj. Richard Bishop, and Wendell Small of MG Thomas H. Ruger Camp 1 appeared in Fayetteville at the Wilmington National Cemetery.



Hono Bregon's Col. Edward D. Baker Camp 6 (C-A-L) & Co. B, 71st Penn. Vol. Inf. (SVR) met at the Eugene Pioneer Cemetery to assist the American Veterans of Brave Foreign Wars in their ceremony. 1861 - 1865



C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1's Chaplain, Br. Dean Collins spoke to nearly 300 gathered inside Milwaukee's St. John Palotti's Church for the Camp and Auxiliary 4's annual Memorial Day service and ceremony. For the first time since 1995, the program was held indoors.

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In Indiana, over 200 attended Champion Hill Camp 17's fourth annual illumination ceremony at Huntington's Gen. Slack Park on May 30th. The Mayor spoke about honoring May 30th as 'the Decoration Day.' Flower girls, bands, cannon and rifle fire, prayers by the Camp and Dept. chaplains, and an initiation ceremony followed.



In Texas, Co. K, 1st U.S. Inf. (SV R), associated with Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth Camp 18, performed a Memorial Day Remembrance at McKinney's Pecan Grove Cemetery. Co. K gathered at Capt. W. L. Boyd's grave, where CC Drake Peddie led the proceedings. Capt. Boyd served with Co. I, 5th Mo. State Militia Cav.



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Vermont DC Whitney Maxfield, CC William Scott and Camp 302 CC Maurice Ceratti attended the dedication of a new Civil War memorial in Barre. The memorial lists 186 area men who served in the Union forces. A full-color replica of the SUVCW membership badge was blasted into the last tablet. The Sons marched in a parade, which ended at City Park, where the DC Maxfield, was the master of ceremonies.

Michigan's Gen. Israel B. Richardson Camp 2 is an integral part of Birmingham's Memorial Day service, at the Oakland County Civil War monument. This year, Pres. Lincoln (Fred Priebe) helped commemorate the 150th anniversary of The Gettysburg Address. Brs. Tom Lagoe and Bruce Miller served as his Honor Guard.

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#### **KUDOS IN ORDER**

Member at Large **Br. Robert Edgar Heath** of Calgary, Alberta, Canada was presented the "Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal" in recognition of his years of service with the Royal Canadian Legion, Canada's Military Veterans and the 1292 Army Cadet Corps of Canada. The Medal and Certificate of Award from Her Majesty were presented to Br. Heath at ceremonies in Calgary that were held on 22nd February. Br. Heath is the impassioned force behind efforts to establish a monument to the 50,000 Canadians who fought for the Union. *Submitted by PCC David M. Lamb* 

**Jacob Parrott Camp 33** (OH)'s Br. John "Mike" Murray, a U.S. Army Major General, is soon to command the Third Infantry Division (Mechanized) at Fort Stewart, Ga. At present, Gen. Murray is the director of Force Management for the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff in Washington. Gen. Murray served three combat tours in Iraq and as deputy commanding general of the First Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas.





*On the Cover:* Irish Brigade Camp 4 (CH)'s PCC Bob Heath served on the Son's color guard during the Grand Opening of Stafford, Virginia's Civil War Park on April 27th. Story on page 9

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## **REAL DAUGHTER RECOGNIZED**

#### by CinC Jeffry Burden, MOLLUS

Hazel Mason Jeter of Virginia, whose father Silas Mason served in the Union Cavalry and whose status as a "Real Daughter" was a secret for years, has finally received the recognition due her.



Shown with Hazel: Brs. Neil Hanlon, Lou Mosier, Ed Freyfogle, and Steve Von Hitritz.

Five members of Col. James D. Brady Camp 63 of Williamsburg/Petersburg, Va., made the trip to her home in Varina, just outside of Richmond, on March 30th. CSVC Lou Mosier read to the group a summary of Pvt. Mason's service, and brought greetings from the Sons, along with a certificate signed by CinC Mellor. Br. Neil Hanlon brought her a Civil War-themed teeshirt, which delighted her. As a Camp brother and also MOLLUS CinC, I presented a MOLLUS certificate. Also present were Camp 63 brothers Edward Freyfogle and Stephen von Hitritz.

Since our meeting, Hazel has been profiled in a special feature in the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

Hazel turned 96 on March 26th. Her story was never known outside of the family until a neighbor suggested that, in conjunction with her birthday, her status as a "Real Daughter" be publicized. The family agreed, so the neighbor contacted Bob Krick of the National Park Service, who contacted me.

Silas Mason was born in Belfast, Me. in 1842. He enlisted as a Private in Co. D, 1st Maine Cav. in February 1864, and served with the unit in the latter

stages of the 1864 Overland Campaign (including within a few miles of Hazel's current home), and later that year around Petersburg. Badly injured at Ream's Station in August 1864, Silas was mustered out in late 1865.

He moved to southwest Virginia about 1905 and married his third wife, Nellie Banes. They had five children, of which Hazel was the last.

Hazel remembers her father, who died in 1923 when she was six. Most vividly, she recalls him visiting her school and bringing candy to the kids, which irritated the school principal! Silas is buried in Farmville, Va.; Nellie died in 1962. Hazel's daughter Mildred Watson, who joined us for the presentations, says her mother and grandmother never really talked about Silas' service.

Hazel still lives alone in her home, where she was cutting grass until a few years ago. She is a charming, gracious Southern lady who, thanks to the Sons, now has a new appreciation for her amazing Civil War...and Union Army...heritage.

For a complete list of known children of Union Civil War veterans, visit http://suvcw.org/kids/CWkids.pdf

Certificates were issued to those who did not already have one and offered membership into one of the Allied Orders if the individual was not a member. Should you wish to contact

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any of those listed or if you have any questions, contact: Dean E. Letzring, Chair National Committee on Real Sons and Daughters 709 Olde Oaks Drive Dickinson, TX 77539-3335 Letzringd@aol.com

**The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic** Cordially invite all of the Allied Orders to attend The Grand Opening of their

#### New National Headquarters August 24, 2013

At the Military Museum on the campus of the

Ohio Veterans Home 3416 Columbus Ave., Sandusky, OH 44870 1:00 PM Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with Reception



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CinC Mellor presents a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day.

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On April 28, CinC Mellor attended U.S. Grant's 191st birthday tribute at the Grant National Monument in Manhattan, NY. Oliver Tilden Camp 26 hosted the ceremony, which was attended by many National, State and local officers of the Allied Orders of the GAR, as well as those of historic and patriotic organizations.



CinC Perley and Aux. NVP Diane Mellor join the Department of Illinois for its Encampment at Chicago's Rosehill Cemetery on May 11th.



The Commander-in-Chief poses with brothers of the Maine Department at their Encampment in Portland on April 27th.



Michigan DC Paul Arnold presents a gift to CinC Mellor during his visit to that Department's Encampment on May 4th at Lansing's Great Lakes Christian College.

The CinC's General Orders may be found at http://suvcw.org/go/go.htm

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"We cherish the memory and honor the name of our departed brother, B.F. Stephenson, because he was worthy as a countryman, neighbor and friend. But today, we call to mind also, the position and service of our departed brother as one of the great family of patriotic citizens, who periled property and life in the cause of our glorious country."

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-Rev. Francis Springer, Chaplain Dr. Stephenson's re-internment Rose Hill Cemetery, 29 August 1882

## TRIBUTE TO GAR FOUNDER - DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON

Rose Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, IL April 13, 2013









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"Unquestionably, Western man though he be, and Kentuckian by birth, President Lincoln is the essential representative of all Yankees, and the veritable specimen, physically, of what the world seems determined to regard as our characteristic qualities."

*—Nathaniel Hawthorne* 



# THE LINCOLN TOMB OBSERVANCE

Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, IL April 13, 2013





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#### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES - APRIL 13, 2013 SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

The meeting was opened by CinC Mellor at 7:50 PM. Chaplain Kowalski was absent due to sickness; substitute Chaplain Alan Russ provided a moment of prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. CinC Mellor thanked everyone for attending and gave general opening comments. The Nat. Secretary called the roll and recorded the following members of the Council of Administration and Guests as present: CinC Perley Mellor, SVCinC Kenneth Freshley, JVCinC Tad Campbell, Nat. Secretary Eugene G. Mortorff, Nat. Treasurer Richard D. Orr, Nat. Quartermaster Danny Wheeler, Council Members Robert Petrovic, Don Shaw, Donald Martin and Immediate PCinC Donald D. Palmer Jr. PCinCs included: Stephen Michaels (Banner Editor), Ed Kreiser, Jim Pahl, and Leo Kennedy. Guests included: Exec. Director David Demmy, Nat. Chief of Staff Ed Norris, SVR Deputy CO Henry Shaw, Nat. Membershipat-Large Coord. Alan Russ, and PDC Jerome Orton (NY). Excused: Council Member Steve Hammond. Absent: Council Member Bill Vieira.

#### PRESENTATION

PDC Orton presented the CinC with an original certificate, concerning a PCinC, which his wife purchased at a flea market and worded: "State of Ohio, City of Columbus, Supreme Court of Ohio, January Term AD 1909. William M. Coffin was duly examined and regularly admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in any courts of record in the State of Ohio." The CinC thanked Br. Orton. Action: Given to Executive Director for disposition.

#### REPORTS

SVCinC Freshley spoke about his life changes, including his hospitalization, health issues and time spent helping family members experiencing difficulties. His ability to keep up with SUVCW responsibilities had been affected and has asked for help, reassured that his responsibilities will be completed. The Proceedings are about 98% complete. He expected the project would be completed in the next few weeks. He has been using his assistants and life is settling down for him.

JVCinC Campbell had nothing additional to report. He has had 148 membership applications since our Encampment last August.

Nat. QM Wheeler reported that his assistant has been helping him.

Nat. Treas. Orr discussed our application for IRS 501c3 status. The paperwork is finished; he and the CinC are signing it. Most require notarized signatures. We must register with 39 states and Camps/Depts. in order that they will be covered. An SUVCW organization asking for donations via a website is considered by tax courts to

be a "worldwide" solicitation. We could possibly announce that we are IRS-approved for 501c3 by the Encampment. The normal delay is 1.5 years, however, because of our backing, and the fact we are already 501c4, we may be approved much earlier. Two states require a resolution allowing the organization's Treas. and CinC to sign the state 501c3 application. Br. Orr moved, Br. Palmer seconded, to adopt a resolution authorizing our Treas. and CinC to apply for Certificates of Charitable Organization for those two states. PASSED unanimously.

He then discussed our current budget status and distributed copies of the Consolidated Balance Sheet for the period ending March 31, 2013, the FY 2012 final audit and management letter. He also provided a report concerning the successful, audit completed by Abraham & Gaffney, P.C. Though successful, the Treasurer is not happy with how long it took (7 months), or the many mistakes requiring correction or attention by the auditor's employees. A new Auditing firm that can complete the audit in a more timely and professional, manner is sought. A copy of the audit was presented.

He acknowledged Dept. EIN reporting confusion. Camps and Depts. need NOT send him their IRS 990Ns. He does require the Dept.'s Report, containing the Camp EINs and contact information for those responsible for filing reports with the IRS (normally the treasurer). Discussion included the possibility of making a "Dept. EIN Reporting Form" (referred to Plans & Programs) and asking the Banner to publish a story, highlighting this report, explaining what is needed and when to submit it to the Nat. Treasurer. Action: Treas. to write an article on EIN reporting requirements for the Spring edition of the Banner.

An SUVCW proposed investment plan, including brochures and prospectuses, was presented. Available monies would be invested in four (4) different Lord Abbett "low risk" bond funds: Lord Abbett Core Fixed Income Fund, Lord Abbett Total Return Fund, Lord Abbett Income Fund, and Lord Abbett Short Duration Income Fund These will give us 5% (all things as predicted). The council preferred a more diversified plan, even if the risk was moderately higher, including individual stocks (such as Disney) that historically provide a handsome return. Br. Petrovic moved, Br. Wheeler seconded, authorizing the Nat. Treas. to investigate other opportunities, and if found – authorize him to take advantage of the opportunity. PASSED Unanimously.

It was reported previously that the IRS original 1941 letter, authorizing our 501c4 status, could not be found. However, our Treasurer, while preparing for our 501c3 status application, discovered it and we now have it.

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# CIVIL WAR SESQUICENTENNIAL

#### VIRGINIA'S NEWEST CIVIL WAR PARK

By CC Michael Virts Life Member 762 - Irish Brigade Camp 4

On April 27th, the Stafford Civil War Park held its Grand Opening in Stafford, Virginia. The park is the site of the 1863 winter encampments and fortifications of the Union Army's 11th Corps, 1st and 3rd Divisions, following the December 1862 Battle of Fredericksburg. Irish Brigade Camp 4 successfully engaged the public and was interviewed by press reporters from Stafford County Sun and Civil War News. Brothers chatted with several of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors. PCC Bob Heath, PDC Michael Beard, Guide Jim Standard, and JCV Eric Sprengle served as the color guard at the Opening Ceremony. SVC Jay Rarick and Sec/Treas. Tom



Dempsey Camp set up the Camp's table and canopy directly across the road from the ceremonies. Br. Logan Metesh and his wife performed as mounted cavalry. Brian Withrow, Historian, portrayed an Infantry colonel. Attendees were interested in talking with Chaplain John Griffiths when they learned that he is a descendent of Gen. U.S. Grant. Members sold many Sesquicentennial Medals, stamped a few Passports, and gave out information to those interested in joining our Order. *Photos by Br. Andy W. Johnson & Jay Rarick* 

#### COL. WM. H. KINSMAN MONUMENT



Rededication Service & Commemoration

The re-dedication of the monument to Col. Wm. H. Kinsman, commander of the 23rd Iowa Vol. Inf., happened on the exact date (May 18) that he died from mortal wounds, received in the decisive charge at the Battle of Big Black River Bridge, Miss., during the 1863 Vicksburg campaign.

The monument was restored under a joint effort of the SUVCW, the Historic Lincoln-Fairview Neighborhood Assoc., the DAR and the City of Council Bluffs.

The ceremony opened with a cannon shot fired by 2Lt. Glen Kelley, Co. B, 10th Iowa, SVR, from a 3-inch ordnance rifle. Co. A, 49th Iowa, SVR, posted the Colors. The National Anthem was sung and Dept. Chaplain Dennis Sasse gave the

invocation. 1Lt. Michael Carr, Co. B, 10th Iowa, SVR, gave the welcome and the Council Bluffs mayor urged the assembled audience of over 150 to take part in other projects, designed to preserve and perpetuate Iowa's history and heritage.

Following a speech by the director of the Historic Dodge House Museum (former home of MG Grenville M. Dodge, friend of Col. Kinsman.), four Abraham Lincoln High School AFJROTC cadets read letters from Kinsman comrades who contributed to the monument's erection. She gave the Dept. a binder, containing facsimiles of a cache of letters donated to the Dodge House (These will be posted on the Dept. web page.).

DC Richard Grim gave a short address, as in the original May 17, 1902 ceremony, and laid a wreath with DAR Chapter Vice Regent Jane Gephart.

The keynote address was given by the great-great granddaughter of Col. Samuel Glasgow, Kinsman's second-in-command and successor.

The dedication of Monument was performed by DC Grim, 1st Lt. Carr (Officer of the Day) and Dept. Chaplain Dennis Sasse. The Symbols of the Soldier were placed by the Nebraska Rangers SVR, Capt. Marc Witkovski, commanding. This unit fired the customary three volleys in honor of the fallen. Sgt. Henry Krecklow, Co. B, 10th Iowa, then played "Taps".

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PCinC Pahl volunteered to take on the project of digitizing ALL issues of Nat. Encampment Proceedings into one digital library. He is probably the only individual in the organization holding all of them.

Nat. Sec. Mortorff had nothing additional to report.

Nat. QM Wheeler discussed the Junior Assoc. Certificate and indicated there have been requests for a Junior Certificate. Discussion ensued in the lines of there is no need for a Junior certificate because a Member certificate can be issued instead.

He then discussed the JROTC certificates, specifically should the certificates have pre-printed CinC Signatures? Discussion ensued revolving around the merits of this and alternate means of getting signatures on the form.

Br. Petrovic moved, Br. Campbell seconded, to not preprint the signatures, but to send out the blank ones and provide information on persons who can do calligraphy for them. PASSED Unanimously.

Specific changes to the ROTC Certificate Request form were recommended by the Nat. QM. Action: Referred to Programs and Policy Committee.

Br. Wheeler also discussed SUVCW Grave Markers being available for sale soon. The mold is being made for coated aluminum markers which will sell for \$18. These should be available through the Quartermaster within 30 days.

#### Break at 9:35 Reconvened at 9:40 PM

Br. Kreiser is finishing the transcription of the 2012 Proceedings, but has been delayed due to health concerns. He's had a difficult time reading due to sight problems caused by fluctuating blood pressure. He is asking for help in finishing them (especially the computer work). **Action:** Br. Pahl will ask Br. Harrison if he could lend a hand on this task.

The CinC announced the Vision & Planning Comm. chairperson had resigned due to a difference in opinion. Br. Brian Pierson accepted the Chairperson position. The committee will now move forward.

#### OFFICER, COMMITTEE and DEPT. COMMANDER RECOMMENDATIONS:

(Paragraphs and page numbers refer to 2013 Springfield CofA Meeting Reports Package)

Nat. QM Wheeler 2.6.1 Page 9

Action: Referred to the Constitution & Regulations Comm.

Nat. Exec. Director Demmy 2.14.1 Page 13

Currently, the REGULAR certificate is used. Br. Wheeler brought a certificate "marked up." There is no reason to make a new certificate for Juniors.

Action: Referred to Program & Policies (Junior and Junior Associate Certificates Review)

Nat. Executive Director Demmy 2.14.1 Page 13

Action: Referred to Program & Policies Comm.

Nat. Chief-of-Staff Norris 3.8.1Page 15

Action: Being Addressed by Special Comm. on Regulations

Nat. Chief-of-Staff Norris 3.8.1 Page 15

Br. Orr indicated the reason is they do not have automatic credentials to the Nat. Encampment.

Actions: Referred to Special Comm. on Regulations Nat. Chief-of-Staff Norris 3.8.1 Page 15

There was a misreading of the regulation. Applies only to elected members – PCinC is an automatic appointment.

Action: None required.

Nat. Patriotic Instructor Bates 3.9.1 Page 16

Action: Referred to 20/20 Planning Comm. (Vision & Planning)

Asst. Nat. Webmaster (Web Ring) Cole 3.27.1 Page 3 Action: Resignation accepted and a General Order abolishing the position forthcoming.

Nat. Comm. on CW Memorials/Busch 4.2 Page 24

Action: Referred to Programs and Policies Comm.

Nat. Comm. on CW Memorials/Busch 4.2.1 Page 26

Action: Referred to Special Comm. on Regulations Nat. Committee on Comms & Tech Peterson 4.3.1

Page 27 Action: Disagree with the assessment. There can be co-chairs.

Nat. Comm. on Comms & Tech/Peterson 4.3.2 Page 27 Action: Referred to Special Comm. on Regulations. Nat. Comm. on Fraternal Relations/Sayre 4.6.1 Page 29 Much discussion; this committee is an ORIGINAL

Committee for the SUVCW.

Action: Referred to the Const. & Reg's. Comm. Nat. GAR Records Officer Enderlin 4.9.1 Page 30

Br. Orr gave some history (he was an aide to the committee). Br. Freshley indicated there is no problem hosting it. Many comments made on how well this committee worked and constructed the task. This was a true committee effort.

Action: Br. Campbell moved, Br. Orr seconded that we approve the plan. APPROVED Unanimously.

Nat. Comm. on Lincoln Tomb Observance 4.11.1 Page 36

MOLLUS has already concurred on this.

Action: Approved.

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Nat. Comm. on Scholarships/Ertel: 4.16.1 & 2 Page 42 Action: Referred to the Special Comm. on Regulations

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## **Rescued 'Silent Sentinel' to Stand Guard Again**

The *Silent Sentinel* once stood over the graves of Civil War veterans at Mount Moriah Cemetery in Yeadon and Southwest Philadelphia. In fall 1970, thieves pulled the bronze figure of a Union soldier from its granite base and tried to sell it to a scrap dealer, who alerted police. The monument was recovered, repaired at a Chester foundry, and stored out of public view for more than 40 years, until a secure location could be found and money raised for a granite base.

A few days before Memorial Day, the monument was moved to Laurel Hill Cemetery on Ridge Avenue to take up a new post and an old mission.

"We're returning this monument to its sacred task," said PCC Andy Waskie, a board member of the Friends of Laurel Hill Cemetery and an associate of the Pennsylvania Commandery of MOLLUS, which owns the statue. On May 27, 2014, it will be affixed to a 10- to 12-foot-high granite base and illuminated at night at the Gen. George Gordon Meade Post No. 1 GAR burial plot at Laurel Hill. The bronze will eventually be visible to passersby on busy Ridge Avenue, illuminated at night "like an eternal flame in Philadelphia, honoring all veterans," Br. Waskie said.

Laurel Hill Cemetery is the final resting place of dozens of generals and admirals, including Meade, the Battle of Gettysburg's victorious commander.

Also known as the *Silent Sentry*, the monument was commissioned in 1883 by the Soldiers' Home

Br. Waskie leads the Memorial Day service at Laurel Hill Cemetery. Photo by Br. Blair Thron.

of Philadelphia, a civilian organization that helped care for indigent and disabled Civil War veterans, Br. Waskie said. The home bought a plot at Mount Moriah for soldiers who died while under care there. The 700-pound monument was dedicated in 1884.

Br. Waskie is a member of Anna M. Ross Camp 1, a Temple University professor and author of *Philadelphia and the Civil War - Arsenal of the Union.* 

Finding a safe home for the statue delayed its move to a public site. MOLLUS wanted to prevent another theft and further vandalism, so it stored the statue, valued at \$20,000, at the foundry until Waskie proposed the move to Laurel Hill.

Laurel Hill "is a National Historic Landmark that's well secured and safe," said Waskie, who formed a fund-raising committee for the transfer. It's now on display in the cemetery's gatehouse office.

"It's a gorgeous monument that is finally being returned to its mission," Waskie said.

*Silent Sentry* was the work of Achille G.J. Bureau, born December 3, 1835, at Lilie, Nord, France. Bureau learned the trade of bronze founding in his uncle's shop in Brussels.

Bureau immigrated to the United States, serving as a private in Co. D, 18th Pennsylvanian Volunteers during the Civil War. Later, he was a member of GAR Post 114. In 1878, he, his brother, and another man started a business in Philadelphia. The firm was the first in Philadelphia to engage in the casting of large bronze statuary, and made many of the best known large pieces in this country.

These included the equestrian statues of Gen. Thomas and General Reynolds in Philadelphia; the Indian group in Chicago, and the statue of Shakespeare in Central Park, New York.

He died February 2, 1888, and was buried at Laurel Hill Cemetery.

From The New York Herald, February 5, 1888



PCC Waskie and the Silent Sentinel

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Civil War Heritage Defense Fund/Kirchner 4.17 & 4.17.1 Pages 43 & 44

Action: Referred to the Special Comm. on Reg's. Comm. on Civil War Mem. Grant Fund 4.18 & 4.18.1 Page 44

Action: Referred to the Special Comm. on Regulations Encampment Credentials Comm./Busch 5.1.1 Page 45 Action: Referred to the Commander-in-Chief.

Encampment Credentials Comm./Busch 4.1.2 Page 45 Action: Referred to the Special Comm. on Regulations GAR Sesquicentennial Comm./Dyer 5.4.1 Page 49

Action: Referred to Nat. Webmaster Freshley for action.

Restore Memorial Day Comm./Peterson 5.6.1 Page 49 Action: Mixed committee with our Allied Orders. The CinC orders no Comm. changes to be made at this time.

Nat. Comm. on Fundraising/Knight 5.8.1 Page 51

Action: Commander-in-Chief will take for action separately.

Comm. on Vision & Planning/LaBrot 5.10.1 Page 51

Action: To convert to Standing, it must be done by the Encampment. Referred to CinC for action; he will discuss with Br. LaBrot.

Dept. of Illinois/Jody Switzer 6.7.1 Page 57

Action: Already on the internet. Referred to Comms & Tech. Comm.

Dept. of Kentucky/Bernard O'Bryan 6.11.59 Page 59

Action: Already available for a fee. Please contact National Webmaster Freshley.

Dept. of Missouri/Martin Aubuchon 6.15.1 Page 64 Actions: 1-3 These refer to our marketing efforts. Referred to Committee Chair Mark Day

4. No action taken.

5. Currently in process.

Dept. of Ohio/Fredric Lynch

6.21.1 Page 75

Action: Only the Air Force Approves. No Action Taken

6.21.2 Page 75

Action: No "legal" responsibility. Referred to the Committee

6.21.3 Page 75

Action: A current plan, and policy, already exists. Referred to Br. Bruce Frail

Dept. of Pennsylvania/Rich Essenwein 6.23.1(1) Page 76

Action: Recruiting not appropriate as our scholarships are only for current members. Depts. can, however, run their own Scholarship programs. Concerning changing the number of scholarships, or the amounts of scholarships, can be adjusted. Referred to the Education Comm.

6.23.1(2) Page 76

Action: The Nat. Treasurer will write a story for the Spring Banner.

6.23.1(3) Page 77

Action: We already have a blanket policy for Nat. Events. Depts. and Camps can get coverage, but they wait to the last minute to complete the paperwork. Depts. and Camps must get their requests in early. Costs are reasonable The Nat. Treasurer will write a story for the Spring Banner.

Dept. of Florida

7.3.1(1) Page 84 Action: Done

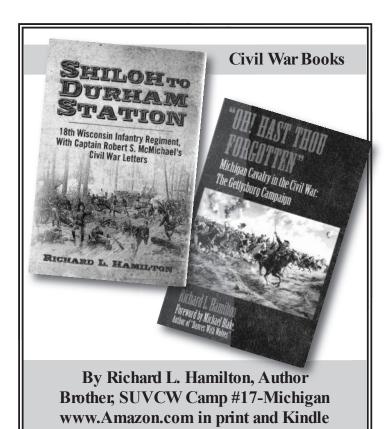
7.3.1(2) Page 84 Action: No action taken.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER.** Nat. QM Wheeler appreciated all the gestures he received while he was under the weather.

**CLOSING.** CinC Mellor provided closing comments and our substitute Chaplain, Alan Russ, provided the blessing. The meeting adjourned at 11:12 PM

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

PDC Eugene G. Mortorff, Nat. Secretary





## EAGLE SCOUT IS HOT ON THE TRAIL!

**By George Andrew Huttick** Fort Donelson Camp 62 Signals Officer **SVR 7th Military District PIO** 



Geo. M. Huttick at Stones River NB

Br. George Michael Huttick advanced to the rank of Eagle Scout on May 22nd. While accomplishing this remarkable feat, Br. Huttick provided a service to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Br. Huttick's Eagle Scout Project was to create five (5) educational hikes in Middle Tennessee to help promote knowledge and increase park visitation. Having grown up in Middle Tennessee, he had performed service projects at Stones River National Battlefield as a Cub Scout. Additionally, he had taken many hikes at Shiloh National Battlefield. When it came to deciding his project, he wanted to develop a program similar to Shiloh's (and Chickamauga's and



Vicksburg's) in Middle Tennessee. Learning that the Shiloh educational hikes were developed as Eagle Projects helped in this decision.

There are now hikes established for Fort Donelson (Dover, TN), Fort Defiance (Clarksville, TN), Fort Negley (Nashville, TN), Stones River (Murfressboro, TN), and Fort Granger (Franklin, TN). The beneficiary for the project is Fort Donelson Camp 62. Upon completion of each hike (which in many cases may be biked or driven) commemorative patches may be obtained. The hikes are rated for length and difficulty, and are suitable for all ages. Details of the hikes may be found at www.midtncivilwar.org.

Br. George Michael has been a member of two different troops in Middle Tennessee Council (320/500). He is a member of the National Youth Leadership

Training and Kodiak Course training staff this summer. He has been a member of Camp 62 since 2007. He is an active member of the 10th Tennessee Infantry (U.S.) SVR unit. He was the first Junior to complete Memorial University.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

On July 25th, 2010 – over 10,000 scouts from all over the U.S. converged in Washington D.C. to participate in a chance of a lifetime parade, honoring the Boy Scouts of America. The last time they were invited to Washington, DC was by Pres. Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1937, the first National Boy Scout Jamboree. George Michael Huttick, a 6th grade student at the time, had the honor of marching into history down Constitution Avenue between 7th and 17th Streets. He was Troop 320's flag bearer and represented the Middle Tennessee Council.



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# **Recognizing Outstanding Youth**

Following the example of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War honors deserving JROTC and ROTC cadets. These young people demonstrate patriotism and civic duty. They likely will serve in our Nation's military under the flag that our forefathers fought to preserve.

#### **CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC**

In Monterey County, CA., on May 15th, Seaside High School JROTC cadet Carlos Hulzar received the SUVCW Certificate and medal from DC Timothy P. Reese and Lincoln Camp 10 SVC Kevin R. Coyne. On May 17th, Monterey High School NJROTC cadet Marie Mendoza received SUVCW certificate and medal from DC Timothy P. Reese and Aux. Nat. Chaplain Rachelle B. Campbell, daughter Emy, and Lincoln 10 SVC Kevin R. Coyne. On May 29th, Soledad High School Naval JROTC cadet Tristan Rivera received the SUVCW certificate and medal from DC Timothy Reese and Lincoln 10 Br. Randall Hawkinson.





Wm. B. Keith Camp 12 CC Russell A. Dixon and his son Junior Cameron Dixon make a presentation at Eldorado High School NJROTC Awards night. The school's unit has placed in the nation's top 10%. Camp 12 makes presentations to 17 high schools in Las Vegas and one at Dixie High School in St. George, Utah.

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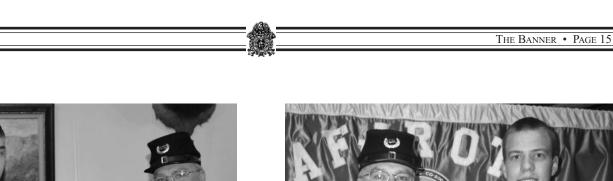
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For additional membership information, visit the MOLLUS Web Site at: http://suvcw.org/mollus.htm or

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Cadet Geoffrey Hensle (left) receives the ROTC Medal and Certificate from CC Cheney (right)



CC Cheney (left) presents the ROTC Medal and Certificate to Cadet Zamora (right)

Recently, Centennial Camp 100 CC Gene Cheney presented ROTC Medals to two cadets. Cadet Erik Hensle of Rampart (Colorado Springs) High School's AFJROTC Detachment received his award at a ceremony on April 30th. Cadet Hensle is a freshman and an Orienteering team member. A top student, he has a 4.3 grade point average. Cadet Andrew Zamora was presented his award on May 9th at the Westminster High School's AFJROTC Detachment annual awards banquet. Cadet Zamorais is the detachment's color guard commander and a drill team member. He was selected to attend the Leadership Laboratory at the Academy this summer.

#### NEBRASKA

**COLORADO** 

On May 1st, Victor Vifquain Camp 1 CC and Nebraska Rangers Commander Capt. Marc Witkovski presented Air Force JROTC cadet Allen Fleming the SUVCW ROTC medal,certificate and ribbon at the Plattsmouth High School JROTC presentation. This was one of several ceremonies that were performed by the Dept.





#### WISCONSIN

NJROTC Cadet Benjamin Bunzel received the Son's ROTC Award and certificate from Milwaukee's C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 CC Brian McManus during a joint services ceremony held at Marquette University on April 20th.

It is right to recognize those who have accepted the challenge of leadership in defending our Nation's flag, principles and freedoms. For more information on the ROTC/JROTC Recognition Program, visit http://suvcw.org/ROTC.htm#WHYWE HONOR



#### CHESAPEAKE WREATH LAYING AT LOGAN'S TOMB By CC W. Faron Taylor, James A. Garfield Camp 1

Over 100 gathered in Washington, DC to witness a wreath laying ceremony at the tomb of Gen. John A. Logan tomb on May 27th. Hosted by Baltimore's James A. Garfield Camp 1 (CH), the event honored the life and role of the GAR's third CinC as a driving force in the national establishment of what is now recognized as Memorial Day.



Camp 1 and Lincoln – Cushing Camp 2 planned the event, while George G. Meade Camp 5 provided a uniformed color guard. DC Mark Day offered insight on the significance of Memorial Day. Camp 1 laid a wreath and sailors from the USS Abraham Lincoln presented an arrangement on behalf of the Society of Illinois. A local actress, who portrays Gen. Logan's daughter Mary, presented vignettes on the life of her "father." The ceremony concluded with the Battle Hymn of the Republic and the National Anthem. Lunch and a tour of Fort Stevens followed, including a visit to Battlefield Nat. Cemetery, where 41 of the fort's defenders are interred.

#### **COLORADO**

Centennial Camp 100's Br. Benny Nasser presented a brief overview of women who fought in the Civil War disguised as men to the Palmer Lake (CO) Historical Society on March 21st. According to Br. Nasser's research, 300 to 400 women served as male soldiers on both sides. After the war, many of these lady soldiers managed to receive government pensions for their injuries and one was even inducted into the GAR.

#### **ILLINOIS**

# New Grave Markers for Union Veterans Dedicated in Chicago

Over 110 gathered April 27th on Chicago's southwest side to dedicate 74 new government headstones for Union veterans buried in Mt. Greenwood Cemetery. The ceremony was sponsored by the cemetery, Philip H. Sheridan Camp 2, and the Ill. Dept. The cemetery's multiyear effort to mark the graves was completed with research support from Camp 2.

Nearly 300 Civil War veterans from almost every

Northern State east of the Mississippi River are buried at Mt. Greenwood Cemetery.



Taps is sounded while Mulligan's Battery renders the final salute.

After remarks by PDC Steven Westlake, Nat. Chaplain Jerome Kowalski provided an invocation and a color guard composed of the 10th IL Inf., Chicago's Boy Scout Troop 609 and the Ill. Dept. presented the colors. The Cemetery President, State Representative, State Senator and two historians also spoke. A vocalist led the attendees in the "Battle Hymn of the Republic". Rifle and artillery salutes were provided respectively by the Worth, Ill., American Legion and Mulligan's Battery, SVR. Taps concluded the ceremony.

#### Headstones Cleaned in West Aurora

On May 11, Philip H. Sheridan Camp 2, Naperville's Boy Scout Troop 107, family, and friends gathered at historic West Aurora Cemetery to clean 56 Civil War and four Spanish American War headstones. The was part of Camp 2's yearlong effort to identify, document, mark and preserve the graves of approximately 200 Civil War veterans buried in there.

While identifying which graves needed marking, it became apparent that many government headstones needed cleaning. Camp 2 used this opportunity to build their relationships with local Boy Scout Troops. PDC Dave Bailey, Sr., noted that: "The response was gratifying and better than expected." Quite



Br. Robert Rogers instructing Eagle Scout candidate Tyler Rynes

a few scouts wished to base their Eagle Scout Leadership Project on this activity. Troop 107's Tyler Rynes beat the others to the punch.

Br. Robert Rogers instructed the scouts on how to remove the dirt and biological growth from the stones. A number of the markers were leaning badly and required resetting before they could be cleaned.

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The West Aurora Cemetery was created in 1834, before the city was officially founded, and boasts over 3900 burials, including veterans from the War of 1812. The Camp is also refurbishing a memorial to Aurora GAR Post 20 at the cemetery. *Submitted by PDC David C. Bailey, Sr.* 



Col. Friedrich K. Hecker Camp 443's Br. Bill Jacobus (at left) held the Camp flag while CC Garry Ladd (at right) was presented a donated U.S. Flag from Congressman Bill Eyhart (D-IL), at the WRC Soldiers Monument and Soldiers Memorial Plot, at Walnut Hill Cemetery in Belleville, IL, on Memorial Day. The Camp had just replaced a worn out flag at the plot two weeks earlier and the presentation came as a surprise to the brothers, who had just participated in the Belleville Parade & Ceremony.

#### INDIANA

On May 18th, the Huntington Champion Hill Toppers vintage 1862 baseball club took the field against the Columbus Buckeyes at Olde' Republic Field at Lake Clare. Before and after the match, ceremonies honored the 150th anniversary of the battle and the brave men who fell in the fight. It was appropriate to have Indiana and Ohio clubs at the match, as the 47th Indiana and 56th Ohio Inf. Regiments fought side by side during the battle. It was a proud and dignified little ceremony and a great day for base ball. PS - The Champion Hill Toppers took the match 11 to 10 in nine innings.



Shown in front are Br. George Foster, Miss Taylor Day, Brs. Gib Young, Francis Frederick, and Dave Tilden prior to the match. (Br. Gary Bugge - the gray beard is second from the left. Br. Elijah Allred, behind Miss Day, played in his uniform.)

David D. Porter Camp 116 received the La Porte County (Indiana) "Historian of the Year" award for an organization by the La Porte County Historical Society, Inc.

The Camp's dedication of markers in various county cemeteries (2003-08), placement of a "Last Solider" plaque (2006), its recreation of a memorial parade for a local Civil War hero (2012), and its dedication of a new headstone for a Medal of Honor recipient (2013) justified the award. PCC Mike Downs and PDC Ron Gill accepted the award at a dinner meeting May 21st.

#### **NEW JERSEY**



Shown: Assemblyman Paul Moriarty, PDP Loder-Smithcors, DJVC Mossbrucker, PCC Hann and Assemblywoman Gabriela Mosquera.

On May 20th, the State Assembly voted on a number of bills. One involved a Proclamation, designating May as "Civil War Veterans Recognition Month" in honor of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This Proclamation passed by a vote of 78-0. Assembly Joint Resolution Number 77, was sponsored by Assemblywoman Gabriela M. Mosquera, District 4 (Camden and Gloucester), and Assemblyman Paul D. Moriarty of the same district and co-sponsored by Assemblywoman McHose and Assemblyman Benson

The idea of recognizing the GAR and the SUVCW was started by DJVC Fred Mossbrucker and Hammonton's Col. Louis R. Francine Camp 7. The proclamation was accomplished with the support and encouragement of everyone in the Dept. It's believed that New Jersey is the only state in the Union to honor Civil War veterans and the SUVCW in such a way. The following attended the historic vote: DC Ron Brower from Abraham Lincoln Camp 100, DJVC Mossbrucker (Camp 7), CC Bruce Sirak (Camp 100), PDC David Hann, (Camp 7), and PDP Viola Loder-Smithcors of Cornelia Hancock Aux. 10.

#### **NEW YORK**

On May 18th, Walter H. French Camp 17 participated in the Armed Forces Day Parade followed by the Watertown Soldier/Sailor Statue Rededication Ceremony with City of Watertown Mayor Jeffrey Graham and 10th Mountain Division Commander MG Townsend. Present were CC

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Rick Beirman, Brs.Robert Roshia II, Rick Holley, and Jeffrey French. Both events focused on honoring our current veterans and those of the Civil War.



Brs. John Goloski (1st), Bill Bamann (3rd), and Jeffrey French (5th from left), marched with the American Legion, VFW, and Marine Corps veterans marched in the Lowville Memorial Day Parade.

On May 27th, Walter H. French Camp 17 placed GAR flag holders and Flags at the Town of Diana's Oswegatchie Corner Cemetery, honoring our Civil War veterans. The Lowville Memorial Day Parade followed. The Camp divided into two groups. The first, Brs. John Goloski, Bill Bamann, and Jeffrey French, marched with the American Legion, VFW, and Marine Corps veterans. The second, CC Rick Beirman, Brs. Scott French, Rick Holley, and Robert Roshia II, road in a truck float with a Camp sign. The parade paused for a wreath laying. Br. Bamann served as a guard, Br. Goloski was an escort. The parade resumed to Memorial Park.

At the park, the statue rededication included Brs. Goloski and Bamann, on the Fire Team, Brs. Scott French and Rosia stood in formation, and CC Beirman, Brs. Holley and Jeffrey French conducted the ritual. Brs. Scott's and Jeffrey French's 3rd great grandfather, Luhman Carter, was the Officer Commanding the Monument in 1882 from Bailey GAR Post. He oversaw the fund raising, was the main speaker at the groundbreaking ceremony on Memorial Day 1883, and was a significant part of the statue dedication ceremony on July 4, 1883.

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Over a 100 people from the community of Lowville showed up for both the Parade and the Statue Rededication Ceremony.

#### VERMONT

On May 18th, twelve brothers gathered for the 128th annual encampment in Rutland and were joined by CinC Mellor. DC Francis Owen turned the gavel over to his successor, Whitney Maxfield of Scott Camp 302; Whit was last year's Cornelius Whitehouse Brother of the Year. The encampment's highlight was the presentation of the Geo. Jerrison Stannard Camp 2 charter. The Camp serves northwestern Vermont and is the Department's first new Camp in 20 years, the first in the Burlington metro area in half a century.



Camp 2's Sec/Treas. Devin Grandchamp, CC Robert Grandchamp and CSVC Bill McKone

On Memorial Day weekend, Camp 2 sought out and flagged graves in rural northern Lamoille County. On Federal Memorial Day, nearly 15 brothers from all Camps dedicated the Civil War monument in Barre. The event was well attended by veterans, reenactors, and civic leaders. Rutland's Ripley Camp 4 continued its tradition of visiting smaller cemeteries in Rutland County. In Chelsea, members of Hall Camp 28 assisted the Boy Scouts in putting out over 200 flags in Highland Cemetery, while Stannard Camp 2 held a traditional evening GAR ceremony at Gen. Stannard's grave on May 30th.



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# WITH OUR SISTERS



**ILLINOIS** 

During its 2013 Memorial Day activities, Col. Friedrich K. Hecker Camp 443 held a ceremony at the WRC Soldiers Monument and Soldiers Memorial Plot, at Walnut Hill Cemetery in Belleville. During the event, CSVC Russell Schleicher and Br. Paul Buechler present "Order Arms", next to Br. Schleicher's 1841 reproduction Mountain Howitzer (hidden). Standing at the forefront is Sr. Candy Buechler (Julia Dent Grant Tent 16 (DUVCW). Photo by: Br. John Fulton

#### OHIO

Cincinnati's Lytle Camp 10 and Aux. Sisters were joined by members of the 6th Ohio Inf. reenactors in the Civil War section of the city's Historic Spring Grove Cemetery. After the ceremony, attendees placed flower petals upon the graves of Union soldiers to honor their sacrifice.

Likewise, Dayton's **Sherman Camp 93** and Sister O'Connell Aux. 10 held a traditional GAR Memorial Day ceremony at Historic Woodland Cemetery. They led the public in strewing flower petals upon graves They then held a special honors service at the grave of 1879 GAR CinC William Earnshaw.



Shown: DC David LaBrot and CSVC David Daniels with bowed heads during the invocation.

#### TEXAS

Sarah Emma Seelye Aux. 1, Auxiliary to Lt. Cdr. Edward Lea USN Camp 2, held its 6th Annual President's Tea on April 20th. In opening ceremonies, DC David LaBrot led the Camp's Color Guard in presenting the Colors and provided inspiring words to all. CC Dr. Stevenson Holmes, gave an enthusiastic greeting and Victorian dancers entertained with dances of the era. Guests enjoyed special music and a presentation on Galveston's historical cemeteries. A visit by Ms. Harriet Tubman (Melissa Waddy-Thibodeaux) made for an enjoyable event. DC LaBrot displayed an impressive collection of GAR Badges and the Sisters displayed several Civil War era reproduction quilts they had made.

#### WISCONSIN

The Joint Opening of the Wisconsin Dept. Encampment on June 15th included the installation of a new Auxiliary. Brothers and WRC NP Shirley Grant watched as Old Abe Aux. 8 was instituted by PNP Danielle Michaels. New AP LuAnn Williams, Lucy Peters, Kathy Heltemes, and Kathy Balza represented the new Aux. The Auxiliary will assist Old Abe Camp 8 in accomplishing its missions. This Auxiliary's organization is part of a rebirth of the Allied Orders in northeast Wisconsin, which includes the Woman's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865.



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## **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**



Just before Memorial Day, my doctor put me in the hospital for a cellulites infection in my right leg. I spent three days there and came to the conclusion that, when I am ill, I really appreciate phone calls, cards and especially visits by family and friends. A Brother from P. H. Sheridan Camp 2 came by to visit. He is a Doctor of Optometry and teaches at a college here in the Midwest. He told me a story about one of his students.

A number of years ago, when that student had been in practice for about four years, one of her patients came in for some glasses. The individual had just passed their helicopter exams and was now qualified to fly with the Armed Services in the Mideast. The individual told the optometrist that three pairs of cheap glasses would be just fine, because of breaking,

losing, and cost. The optometrist said, "No!" The individual must be fitted with titanium frames and case hardened, bullet proof lenses. The two argued for half an hour. Finally the individual gave up and took the advice of my friend's former student.

Months later, a bomb landed in the lap of the individual. It took off both legs and an arm. The face and the glass lenses were imbedded with shrapnel. Because the former student stuck to her guns, did not give in to the easy way out and forced the copter pilot to take the right glasses...Illinois Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth can see today.

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# THE SVR MARCH

This year marks the 80th anniversary of the SVR March. The SVR March is a much simpler musical tribute than the Sons of Veterans March, written by Karl L. King. The March was dedicated to the Sons and the GAR. Its words were written by 30 year-old C. LeRoy Stoudt, its music by Fred Cardin.

Reading, Pennsylvania's C. Leroy Stoudt had been active in the SVR's Pennsylvania Brigade since he joined in early 1922. The Brigade was the SVR's original and largest organization with 197 officers and 2,960 enlisted men. In 1932, Br. Stoudt originated the annual Appomattox Banquet and by 1933, he was a captain in the SVR.

Fred Cardin, eight years Leroy's senior, had graduated from Carlisle Indian School in 1912, attended Philadelphia's Curtis Institute of Music and the American Institute of Music. After teaching at the Oswego College for Women and the University School for Music in Lincoln, Neb., he came to Reading High School in 1931. In 1933, he received honorable mention in a nationwide contest of Indians whose achievements had been most outstanding.

From http://www.suvcw.org/pcinc/fstoudt.htm *The Reading Eagle*, July 17, 1977

#### NEBRASKA

On May 24th, the Nebraska Rangers, SVR, dedicated a GAR marker to Pvt. Joseph Teachman, Co. H, 15th NY Engineers at the New Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Ceresco. Joseph's father, Luke, also served in the Civil War and is buried in Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln. The unit draws members from Shiloh Camp, Victor Vifquain Camp and Wellstedt Camp

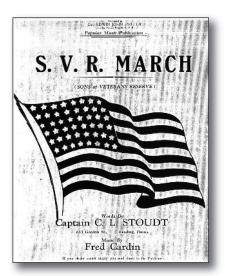


Shown: Color Bearer Stan Hollinsworth, NE Rangers Cpt.Marc Witkovski, 1Sgt.Gage Stermensky, Sgt. Paul Hadley, 2Lt. Keith Rockefeller and musician/relative Eric Bachenburg.



#### **6TH MILITARY DISTRICT**

At the San Diego Padres baseball game on May 30th, the 6th MD's Tom Helmantoler, Will Tisch, and Deane Poole presented the Colors on behalf of the Boys in Blue.



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# FINAL MUSTER

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Russell A. Wilcock Army of the James Camp 1864 (CH) February 2012

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By PDC Robert Wolz, National Historian



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The Maj. A.P. Davis mourning badge is the fourth variation of a series of five with our founder's likeness upon it. The first three were in use during the early 1890s and were probably used as recruiting awards, presented by the Major. Each had a different colored ribbon, which likely indicated increasing levels of members recruited. All have a pin bar, which is an elongated eagle with spread wings. Both badge and pin bar are made of antiqued bronze.

In contrast, the mourning badge has a black grosgrain ribbon. In 1899, Mrs. A.P. Davis issued this badge to members of our Order who participated in her husband's funeral in Pittsburgh. Despite thousands participating in the funeral which rivaled that of a president, relatively few badges have survived.

The fifth type is a re-strike issued by Pittsburgh's Davis \* Camp on May 21, 1999, the centennial of Maj. Davis' death. That badge is pewter with antique gold plate and modern clutch pin.



Issued for Death Centennial

On May 18th, Davis \* Camp held a memorial service at the Maj. Augustus P. (A.P.) Davis mausoleum, located in Allegheny Cemetery in Pittsburgh. A.P. Davis was born May 10, 1835 and died May 21, 1899. The Davis \* Camp reserves its May meeting for a memorial service and lunch. A.P. Davis was the founder of the SUVCW and is the Davis \* Camp's namesake. The service was attended by several brothers and spouses and was followed up with lunch at a local restaurant where the bonds of fellowship were strengthened.



Shown at the mausoleum: Brs. Michael Berger, PCC John Gipson, Woody McVicker, Lee Henry, Jr. and CC Tim Ryan.

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Grant Sesquicentennial Challenge Coin Series



Numbered set of 5 antique brass coins. Lowest available number will be shipped.

> \$75.00 per set shipping & handling included



#602 SUVCW Gravemarker antique brass must be epoxied to headstone 4.5" W x 4" H \$20.00 + \$5.25 shipping

# MUST USE THIS FORM WHEN ORDERING THE **ABOVE SPECIALS**

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## 2013 Remembrance Day Schedule

<u>Time</u> 8 am	<u>Event</u> SVR Breakfast	Location Wyndham Hotel Rt. 15 & Rt. 30 Gettysburg	1382 Western Av	o: Col. Donald E. Darby e. s Chillicothe, OH 45601
9:30 am	Unit Commanders Parade Briefing Distribution of event streamers	Wyndham Hotel	None	
11 am	57th Anniversary GAR Ceremony	Woolson Monument	None	
1 pm	Parade Step-off	Lefever Street	None	
4 pm	Catholic Mass at Battlefield	Fr. Corby Monument	None	
6 pm	84 <sup>th</sup> Annual Dedication Day Dinner (all are invited)	Wyndham Hotel	\$35 by November 15 <sup>th</sup> to Dedication Day Dinner 1126 Hanover Road York, PA 17408	
8 pm	21 <sup>st</sup> Annual National Civil War Ball	Wyndham Hotel	·	to BG Henry Shaw, Jr. 27 Griswold St.
			\$25 at door	Delaware, OH 43015-1716
Post Remembrance Day		Sunday, 24 November		
<u>Time</u> 7-11am	Event Camp 112 Pancake Breakfast	Location GAR Post 9 Hall 53 E. Middle Street Gettysburg	Cost \$5 at door	
7 am	Non-Denominational Worship Service	Wyndham Hotel	None	
8 am	Nat. Council of Administration Meeting (open to Nat. Officers, PDCs and DCs)	Wyndham Hotel	None	

2013 Remembrance Day Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR) Breakfast 8:00 AM, Saturday, November 23, 2013 Wyndham Hotel
Name
Street
City/State/Zip
Phone
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Unit
ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED Reservations must be made by 1 November 2013 No At Door Ticket Sales
Reserve Seats @ \$13.00 each Total Enclosed \$
Make checks or money orders payable to: TAG-SVR
Return this form and payment to:

2013 Remembrance Day SVR Breakfast c/o Col. Donald E. Darby, AG, SVR 1382 Western Ave. Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

## Saturday, 23 November

