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- OBITUARY -
KEITH G. HARRISON, PCINC
JANUARY 10, 1950 - JANUARY 12, 2023



A resident of Holt, Michigan, Keith Graham Harrison passed away on Thursday, January 12, 2023 in Holt, Michigan. He held a 1972 Bachelor of Science degree in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology from Michigan State University and a 1974 Master of Arts degree in Ecology from Western Michigan University. He retired from the state of Michigan in February 2005 after serving for 25 years. In addition to his numerous state Civil Service environmental executive positions culminating as Director of the Office of Special Environmental Projects within the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, he also held two gubernatorial appointed positions by then Michigan Governor John Engler (Executive Director of the Michigan Environmental Science Board and Acting Director of the state's Office of Great Lakes). In addition to state service, he also served as a Special Federal Employee, where he participated in several National Academy of Sciences and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Science Advisory Board committees as an invited Ecology Expert. His professional research and work resulted in more than 100 publications addressing a wide range of environmental and natural history issues.

Keith belonged to the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, in which he served as the National Commander-in-Chief from 2009 to 2011, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in which he served as the National Commander-in-Chief in 1994/1995, and Commanding Officer of the Sons of Veterans Reserve in 1996/97. He traces his ancestry back to 47 Union Civil War soldiers.

Keith served as the Board President of Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum (Eaton Rapids, Michigan) since its inception in 2013.

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VOICES OF PATRIOTISM

Ben Frail, PDC - National Patriotic Instructor

Brothers,

Now that the weather is warming up, we are in the middle of planning and executing our outdoor activities. Some of these may be cemetery clean ups or assisting in placing a battlefield sign. But the most important item that we all do is celebrate Memorial Day. I am not talking about what most people think of it as, the unofficial start to summer, but what the true meaning of celebrating Memorial Day is, ensuring that those who did not come home are remembered. We as Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War must take the time to decorate the graves of our ancestors and ensure that they are never forgotten.

Our most sacred duty as Brothers is to ensure that themen who fought in the Union Armed Forces are never forgotten, especially by commemorating Memorial Day. It is so important that in the oath we take upon our initiation into the Order, we state “to always observe the day, set aside by the Grand Army of the Republic, as Memorial Day.” I cannot stress enough how important this day is to us, not only as an organization, but as Americans. Without their sacrifice, the country and world as we know it would be a much different place.

We will all be busy this May taking part in activities to honor their sacrifice, and no effort is too small. Whether it is going to our local cemetery and placing flags over their graves or marching in a local parade. These efforts by our Brothers do not go unnoticed, not only in the Order, but in our local communities and with other organizations. When we do what should be considered our bread and butter well, it opens doors to us to continue to honor these men through out the year and not only just on May 30th. When the community and other groups, like the VFW or American Legion, see us committed to honoring those that can no longer honor themselves, they will work with us in future endeavors, as they will recognize that we have a like mission.

My challenge to all of you this Spring is simple. Honor our ancestors this Memorial Day, ensure that you are inviting the community out to see these ceremonies so they can see first hand why it is important that we never forget those who put everything on the line to preserve the Union and to free the enslaved. Don't be afraid to ask other organizations in your community for help and team up with them, at the end of the day it is about honoring the brave men of the Union, and the more allies we have in this endeavor the better.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
National Patriotic Instructor
Br. Ben Frail, PDC
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BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE: MARCHING BEYOND RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

By **W. Faron Taylor**
James A. Garfield Camp #1, Department of the Chesapeake

Of the many challenges facing heritage organizations in the twenty-first century, attracting new members and retaining them in the ranks can be a daunting prospect. As Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, we are not immune from this dilemma and camps throughout the Order are working to address the issue. Many different strategies have been employed with varying levels of success and it is becoming apparent that a combination of approaches is essential to substantially increase our rolls and keep new Brothers onboard.

So, what happens when our recruitment efforts bear fruit and new Brothers enthusiastically renew their membership? What steps are we taking to encourage and prepare them for leadership roles at the camp level?

To address this, Baltimore's James A. Garfield Camp 1 completed a multi-phase workshop designed and directed by Camp Commander Brian Horgan to invest in and nurture leadership potential in its junior officer corps. Billed as the 'Garfield Staff Ride,' the first segment of the program instructed the camp's Junior Vice Commander, Patriotic Instructor, Chaplain, and Aide to select a particular field commander of their choice who was engaged in the Gettysburg campaign. Once their selection was made, the Brothers were given several weeks to do biographical research along with a summary of the field commander's action on the field and what leadership lessons could be learned. Of particular importance, they were also instructed to relate those leadership lessons to specific management challenges at the Camp and Department level within our Order.

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The second segment of the workshop was a July 6, 2019 visit to the battlefield itself where Brothers initially gathered together at the Maryland monument and then the Woolson / GAR monument where PDC Faron Taylor presented an overview of the history of the Grand Army of the Republic and SUVCW. This introductory session concluded with a camp connection to the Woolson / GAR monument, as Commander Horgan recounted the memorial service for PDC Kenneth Hershberger, which was held at the Woolson, on Remembrance Day, 2017.

Brothers redeployed to the Buford monument where PDC Taylor delivered a sample leadership study focusing on the cavalry commander's vision, adaptability, creativity, and utilization of technology, and more significantly, how those leadership qualities could be applied to service and management within the Order. Following this model, the group proceeded to visit each of the attendee's selected sites and with facilitation by CC Horgan and PDC Taylor, the leadership of several famous and infamous field commanders were examined and analyzed. Not surprisingly, the scrutiny of Major General Daniel Sickles generated a slightly livelier discussion in comparison to generals Hancock, Hunt and Sedgewick.

While in Gettysburg, the day's program also capitalized on the extensive connection of the area to WWII. As the 75th anniversary of D-Day was fresh and with the convenience of The Gettysburg Museum of History's "Band of Brothers" exhibit, Commander Horgan facilitated a discussion of the leadership qualities of Major Richard "Dick" Winters. Once again, these aspects of leadership were applied to Camp and Departmental opportunities. The discussion was coordinated with a visit to the museum that includes the Maj. Winters and Lt. Ronald Speirs exhibits. Realizing the great value of fraternity in building relationships in our Order, attendees lunched together and shared a social gathering at the end of the day.

The third segment of the workshop was gathering feedback and assessing its initial impact. Attendees reported an enjoyable and positive learning experience. Participants reflected a greater perspective and understanding of the history of the Order and the Camp's and Department's role within the Order. In addition, the workshop facilitated a greater understanding of Camp history. The program shared common leadership attributes using lessons learned at Gettysburg, on the field at Gettysburg. This combination of ideas and discussion, offered within the context of the historic and sacred space of the battlefield, served as a powerful educational tool, which was greatly valued by all. The exercise facilitated discussion regarding leadership based on historical examples, as well as professional experience and the experiences of senior officers within the Order.

Overall, "The Garfield Staff Ride" was a successful, creative effort to invest in the future leadership of the Camp and further develop the interpersonal relationships of the Camp officer corps. As with any program, the camp is committed to reviewing the initiative further with the goal of making improvements that will enhance camp leadership and actively engage both newer Brothers as well as seasoned camp 'veterans.'

While not every camp or department has the luxury of having Gettysburg or other storied battlefields in their "backyard" as Garfield Camp does, there is no shortage of historical sites around the country where leadership decisions were made that helped shape America. Therefore, this staff ride model can be adapted to a variety of venues and may be an effective tool for other camps and departments in their efforts to identify facilitate and nurture future leaders of the Order.

Should your camp or department want additional details on Garfield Camp's program, please feel free to contact CC Brian Horgan via email: bhorganpa@aol.com.



FINAL MUSTER

In the past few months, I have been attending a great number of funerals. For members of our Order as well as their family and friends. It brings home several important points; we all have an “expiration date,” and we are all sinners. As you read the Brothers listed here - remember those two things.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

Chaplain Jerry

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12/15/2022

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5/3/2022

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Abraham Lincoln Camp 6 (New York)
11/28/2022

Keith G. Harrison, PCinC

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Curtenius Guard Camp 17 (Michigan)
1/12/2023

Jack K Houser

David D Porter Camp 116 (Indiana)
10/9/2022

Jerry G Smith, III

David D Porter Camp 116 (Indiana)
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Dennis Michael Dailey

Sgt. Samuel J. Churchill Camp 4 (Kansas)
1/3/2023

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1/8/2023

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2/28/2023

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- OBITUARY -
BETTY J. BAKER
APRIL 26, 1944 - JANUARY 21, 2023

**PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT,
 AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

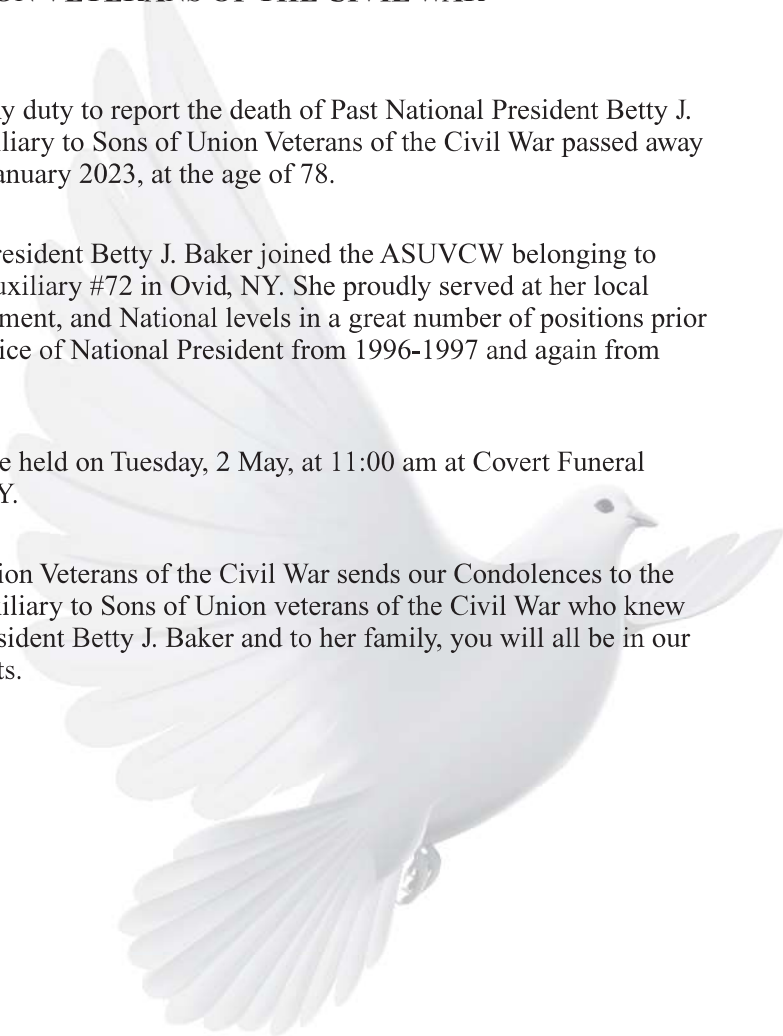


Brothers, It is my duty to report the death of Past National President Betty J. Baker of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War passed away on Saturday, 21 January 2023, at the age of 78.

Past National President Betty J. Baker joined the ASUVCW belonging to D.G. Caywood Auxiliary #72 in Ovid, NY. She proudly served at her local Auxiliary, Department, and National levels in a great number of positions prior to holding the office of National President from 1996-1997 and again from 1998-1999.

A service will be held on Tuesday, 2 May, at 11:00 am at Covert Funeral Home in Ovid, NY.

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War sends our Condolences to the Sisters of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union veterans of the Civil War who knew Past National President Betty J. Baker and to her family, you will all be in our prayers & thoughts.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I MAKE PLANS - AND GOD LAUGHS

Have you ever made plans and things just didn't work out? Last year, I had planned to attend a funeral for a highly respected friend and Leader of our Order, and then continue on to Gettysburg for the Lincoln Remembrance Day activities. Those were my plans - the auto had been prepared, lodging was arranged, and the bags were packed. The Almighty Laughed - instead I was a patient in the Emergency Room of a University Hospital, and unable to travel at all. I wish I could say that this was my only episode of hearing God Laugh, but it isn't. The BANNER isn't big enough to list them all. How about you? Have you ever made plans and heard God Laugh? I believe that is why "Thy Will Be Done" is the most difficult thing we can say. If you agree with me - just say AMEN.

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Chaplain Jerry



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GENERAL ORDER #16

Announces the passing of Keith G. Harrison, PCinC.

GENERAL ORDER #17

Announces the passing of Betty J. Baker, PNP, ASUVCW.

GENERAL ORDER #18

Revocation of the charter of the George G. Meade Camp #5, Department of the Chesapeake.

GENERAL ORDER #19

When a brother of the Order has resigned and it is discovered he had been convicted in a court of law of an infamous or heinous crime, the Commander-in-Chief shall instruct the Executive Director to flag that brother's file. An infamous or heinous crime is defined as a crime that is punishable by death or imprisonment in a correctional facility, with or without hard labor, for a period of one year or more. A pardon, gubernatorial or presidential, does not erase the conviction or the criminal record.

GENERAL ORDER #20

Revocation of the charter of the Joshua L. Chamberlain Camp #69, Department of Maine.

GENERAL ORDER #21

Revocation of the charter of the General Alvin C. Voris Camp #67, Department of Ohio.

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION
JANUARY 4, 2023 - ZOOM MEETING**

(Note from the National Secretary) This is a synopsis of the minutes as edited by the Banner Editor. The full minutes will be posted on the Order's website and is the official version)

Meeting opened at 7:09 PM. Brother Kevin Martin led us in the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to appoint a replacement for Quartermaster Donald Shaw, PCinC who has recently passed away. Brother James Lyon has agreed to serve as Quartermaster until the next National Encampment where a replacement will be elected to fill out the remainder of Brother Donald Shaw's term. A motion was made and seconded to appoint brother James Lyon as National Quartermaster until the next National Encampment. There was no discussion and the vote was unanimous voting yes.

The Meyers social media award was discussed. A motion was made by Brother Martin to add items for a more descriptive language of Meyers background. The motion was seconded by Brother Robert Payne. There were 8 Brothers voting yea and one nay.

The next in person meeting of the Council of Administration will be on April 15, 2023 at 7:00pm in Springfield Illinois.

There are no dates for Annual Encampments for the

Departments of Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Missouri, and Southwest.

Brother James Lyon was sworn in as National Quartermaster at 7:39 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM

**MINUTES OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION
MARCH 2, 2023 - ZOOM MEETING**

(Note from the National Secretary) This is a synopsis of the minutes as edited by the Banner Editor. The full minutes will be posted on the Order's website and is the official version)

Meeting opened at 8:34 PM. Brother Kevin Martin led us in the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of voting members.

The newly revised Form 61 that Br. Walt Busch submitted to the P&P Committee was discussed. The P&P Committee has reviewed the Forms and has made corrections. A motion and second and motion carried to approve the revised form.

There was discussion about the problems we are having with the email accounts with Go Daddy.

They are switching to a pay as you go for the forwarding email system. Estimated cost with Go Daddy is \$1,000 to \$6,000 per year.

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Motion, second and motion passed to move email to Google providing it is free and if not free, competing bids be obtained.

The new SUVCW website will be launched by April 1. The new website will be posted by Pantheon.

Special Order 2 will be issued but limited to the people whose emails are affected by problems with Go Daddy.

The PCinC's will be contacted to see what they would like saved from the old website.

The General Orders need to be available along with the Counselors opinions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 PM



SUBSCRIBE TO THE SUVCW YouTube CHANNEL!

Brothers, in order to reach new younger members, the National Promotions and Marketing Committee is improving our presence on social media and have started the Official SUVCW YouTube Channel. We hope that being more active on social media like Youtube will help us be relevant to younger potential members.

It is important that every Brother who has internet access visit the official SUVCW YouTube channel, subscribe to the channel to be notified of new content and watch and comment on the videos currently posted. The interaction of watching and commenting enables the YouTube algorithm to recognize the video as of interest and recommend it to other viewers.

The link is here: <https://www.youtube.com/@SUVCW>

Do you have a video that you would like the Committee to post on YouTube? Send the video to Brother Roderick Fraser, the YouTube Channel Director at SUVCWclarioncall@gmail.com.

Would you like to participate in our “What Makes us Sons?” video series? Also contact Brother Fraser at the above email address.

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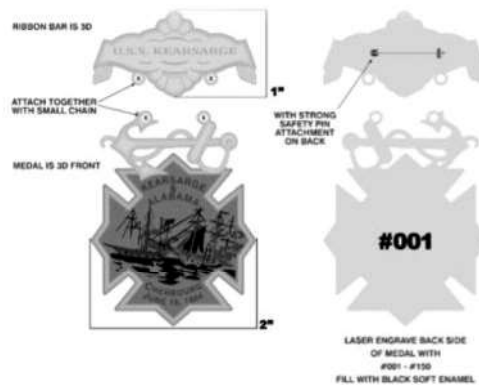
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Banquet will be held at 7:00 PM on Saturday, August 5, 2023.
Seating is limited.

All Reservations must be received no later than July 21, 2023

Entrée Choices:

Entrée 1 – Chicken Piccata

Entrée 2 – Herb Grilled Pork Chop with a Fig Port Reduction

All entrées served with:

Artisan field greens salad with a Sienna vinaigrette

Fresh baked rolls and whipped butter

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Hot and Iced Teas

Dessert – Tiramisu Tulip

Reserve _____ Chicken Piccata entrée(s) at \$42.00 per person. Total _____

Reserve _____ Grilled Pork Chop entrée(s) at \$46.00 per person. Total _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Send checks, payable to Dept of NH, SUVCW, to:

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AUGUST 4 - 6, 2023

PROGRAM BOOK AD FORM

See the Encampment website for requirements and details

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Organization _____

Choose ad size:

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2020 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT
PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Department _____ Camp # _____

Current/Highest Past Office (**Check One Only!**)

CinC PCinC Dept Cmdr

Past Dept Cmdr Delegate Alternate

National Elected Officer (if no honors listed above)

If under 18 years old, check must be by parent/guardian

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This form does NOT replace a completed Credentials Card, which is required to complete your registration at the Encampment. You will not be able to register at the Encampment without a completed Credentials Card from your Department Secretary.

Pre-registration will be acknowledged by e-mail only and not individually.
Questions? jhall46646@aol.com

Pre-Registration deadline is 15 July 2023

2023 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT
SVR BREAKFAST - REGISTRATION FORM

SATURDAY 5 AUGUST 2023

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

SVR Unit or Camp _____

Number of seats required _____ X **\$27.00 per person**

Amount enclosed _____

Reservations and Payment MUST be received by 15 JULY 2023

BUFFET Serving of eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes,
bread, coffee, tea, juice, pastries

NO AT THE DOOR SALES

Make Check payable to **TAG-SVR**

Return this form and payment to:

Brig. Gen. Donald E. Darby

Deputy Commander, SVR

1382 Western Ave.

Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

**2023 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE ALLIED ORDERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
AUGUST 3, 2023 - TOUR REGISTRATION**

Seating limited to 49 people. Reservations must be received no later than **July 1, 2023**
NOTE: See website for requirements and qualifications. This is an operating military facility.
Specified ID and other items will be necessary to attend.

Name: _____ Age: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Stop 1: - Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and the Heritage Center Museum, Portsmouth, NH
Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, the Navy's oldest continuously working shipyard, was established on 12 June 1800.

Stop 2: - Portsmouth Harbor Boat Cruise
Narrated by Civil War naval historian and author of 12 books on the US Navy during the Civil War, Chuck Veit, this boat cruise of historic Portsmouth Harbor will take us through nearly 400 years of local and American history.

Costs: **\$50.00 per person.** – Includes a box lunch
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AUGUST 3 – 5, 2023
EXHIBITION TABLE ORDER FORM**

See the Encampment website for details. Reservation Deadline:
Reservations and payment must be received before **July 15, 2023**.
Accepted reservations will be confirmed by the Host Committee via email.

Please Reserve _____ Outside Aisle Tables @ **\$25.00 each**
Please Reserve _____ Center Aisle Tables @ **\$25.00 each**

Total Enclosed _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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ALABAMA

The Pvt Richard Taylor Camp #53, Department of Alabama recently completed a year long project to honor the men of the United States Colored Troops.

An exhibit honoring the 106th US Colored Infantry was opened as part of Black History month on February 4th. The exhibit, donated to and located at the Alabama Veterans Museum in Athens Alabama, includes two life sized figures, authentically outfitted as a company Orderly Sergeant and Company Musician. Behind the figures interpretive panels tell the story the USCT, the USCT regiments that included men from North Alabama and 106th USCI which fought at the nearby Battle of Fort Henderson in Athens.



The exhibit was made possible by donations of cash and artifacts from individuals, plus a very generous grant from the Alabama Department of Tourism.

The exhibit opening was attended by over 140 people including Senator Tom Butler who helped secure the tourism grant. Besides the members of the Taylor Camp, Brothers from the Croxton and Spencer camp were also in attendance. Peggy Towns, a well known African American local history author was kind enough to offer her time in reviewing and commenting on the text for the interpretive panels.

CALIFORNIA / PACIFIC



Members of Gen. Wm. Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25 closed out the year by participating in the annual Wreaths Across America Celebration on December 17th at the

GAR Cemetery in Reno. A few members also participated at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Fernley and Lone Mt. Cemetery in Carson City. Approximately 15 Brothers were in attendances, as well as members of the American Legion Darrell Dunkle Post 1, and a good number from the general public.

CONNECTICUT



The Department of Connecticut held its annual Memorial Service in the Connecticut plot of the Soldiers Cemetery in Gettysburg during Remembrance Weekend in November. George Geer, Commander of Wooster-Russell Camp #22 led the service attended by other Department Camp members. The service included naming of the Connecticut Regiments who took part in the Battle of Gettysburg as well as prayers and the recitation of Taps.

FLORIDA



During the Florida Department Encampment we had a Change of Command ceremony for SVR Harmon Company. Outgoing Commander, Captain Tim Campaign passed on the company guidon to Incoming Commander, Captain Jeffrey Garten during a "formal" ceremony.

GEORGIA / NORTH CAROLINA

Far-flung Elias Moon Camp #2 continues, with partnering Kennesaw Mountain Camp #3 and Edward Wallace Camp #21, to make progress in the Marker Star Initiative in which the graves of the twenty GAR posts in the Department are located, reported, rehabbed and



repaired as necessary, and honored with a metal GAR marker star and sturdy large US flag. The history of these GAR posts was largely lost to time and Elias Moon is reconstructing it one grave at a time. Pictured here is an Elias Moon brother who traveled some distance from coastal Georgia to place marker stars and flags on ten graves of the obscure R. A. Alger Post 20 in St. George on the Florida border. Seven other posts have been researched and stars either have been installed or are awaiting patriotic manpower to do so.

ILLINOIS

Brothers of Philip H. Sheridan Camp #2 are proud to announce the completion of a three-year project to clean up Civil War headstones at Bluff City Cemetery in Elgin, Illinois. Over the course of this time and with the help of local Young Marines and Boy Scouts they replaced/installed 50 new headstones, reset 50 more and cleaned the remaining 400+. A dedication ceremony featured messages by U.S. Congressman, Elgin Mayor and other dignitaries and featured a cannon and rifle salute.



Camp Commander Stewart Stefany, George Armstrong Custer Camp #1 holds our national flag as new member William Nemmer is initiated into our Order. This ceremony took place at the joint camp luncheon on Saturday, January 21st at Angelo's Restaurant in

Elmhurst. Camps 1, 2, 1863 and 6165 were in attendance.



IOWA



On December 17th, 2022, members of Camp Robert Mitchell #206 took part in the annual Wreaths Across America. The camp members placed twenty eight wreaths at Linwood Cemetery's Civil War/ Veteran section, in Dubuque, Iowa.

MICHIGAN



Brothers of the Gov. Crapo Camp #145 attended the annual awards banquet for the Tomcat Squadron of the US Naval Sea Cadets (USNSC) located in Mt. Clemens

this past January 22nd. This years' recipient was CPO Ryan M. Parker. Our Camp has provided recognition to an outstanding cadet annually for the past 10 years, between the squadrons located in Port Huron and in Mt. Clemens. We present the cadet with a certificate of recognition and an SUVCW Challenge Coin (with application for membership). The certificate is based on suggested language for military commendations.

MISSOURI



Sherman Remembrance Day was held on 3-11-2023 at his family gravesite in Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis, MO. Members of US Grant Camp 68 held the ceremony assisted by General Thomas Fletcher Camp 47, Lt. Colonel Franz Wilhelmi Camp 17, and from Illinois - the Colonel Frederick Hecker Camp #443.

Also assisting were members of the Julia Dent Grant Tent 16 - DUVCW; Louisa Volker 215 - ASUVCW; Missouri MOLLUS; members of the 4th Military District SVR; and also present were members of the reenacting group - Turner Brigade. During the ceremony, the old flag was retired to be preserved for later presentation to a patriotic American. The US Grant Camp has taken on the duties of maintaining the site and is planning a remembrance plaza there in the future.

NEBRASKA



On December 17, 2022, members of Victor Vifquain Camp #1 and Shiloh Camp #2 participated in the Wreaths Across America ceremony at Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln Nebraska. The Wreaths Across America event takes place at 11:00 am to coincide with the main ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

On February 11, 2022 the Department observed Union Defenders Day in Concord with a presentation by Ms. Stephanie Tickner of the Marlow (NH) Historical Society. They researched and published the Diary of Ezra Huntley who served in the 18th NH Vol. It was quite a project as the handwritten script was as times hard to decipher, and Cpl. Huntley's spelling was unique. It was a wonderful presentation, with a good turnout. Photos from the event were provided by Br. Stevens.



NEW JERSEY

The Brothers of the Colonel Francine Camp were surprised and honored when Commander in Chief Bruce Frail paid an unexpected visit to our February meeting. Commander in Chief Frail initiated our newest Brother William Moen and posed with the Camp and our Auxiliary, Elizabeth Thorn 14 for a picture with a certificate of appreciation from the Marine Corps League for our donation for Toys for Tots. The Camp donated well over 50 toys in December"



OHIO

Judge Michael T. Daugherty, a member of Henry Casey Camp 92, died unexpectedly on Sept. 8, 2022 at the age of 53. A plaque bearing his image now adorns the entrance to his courtroom. In a Feb. 1, 2023 ceremony his Clinton County Municipal Courtroom in Wilmington,

Ohio was named the Honorable Michael T. Daugherty Memorial Courtroom in his honor.



An estimated 150 people attended the ceremony. In 2013, before he became an SUVCW member, and while he was still a practicing attorney, he agreed to represent (pro bono) the Ohio Department in a law suit to prevent the Wilmington Sugar Grove Cemetery from selling two Civil War cannons that are part of a GAR memorial.

In July, 2015 following an agreement between the SUVCW and the City of Wilmington, Ohio the court issued a permanent injunction preventing the cannons from being sold or moved without the approval of the Ohio Dept. SUVCW. A few days later he was appointed to fill an unexpired term as judge of the Clinton County Municipal Court by Ohio Gov. John Kasich. In 2016 he emerged as the winner in a six-person race for a six-year term as judge of the Clinton County Municipal Court.

In 2014 while representing the SUVCW in the law suit Daugherty along with his father Joe Daugherty joined both the Henry Casey Camp 92 and Company C, 20th Ohio Vol. Inf. Sons of Veterans Reserve. At the 2015 SUVCW National Encampment Commander-in-Chief Tad Campbell gave him the SUVCW Meritorious Service Award for his work in saving the Sugar Grove Cemetery Civil War cannons. Michael Daugherty's father Joe is now a past camp commander and is currently serving as the camp patriotic instructor.

The efforts of the members of the Ohio Department SUVCW, prompted by the Wilmington cannon situation, resulted in Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine signing into law in December, 2021 the Ohio Veterans Heritage Protection Act which protects war memorials from all American Wars from being moved, sold or destroyed.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Brothers of Isaac Eaton Camp No 504 were proud to receive their new Camp flag at their February meeting. The Camp was Chartered over ten years ago and has 30 members on its roster.



On Sunday, February 19, 2023, Brothers from Davis * Camp, Pittsburgh, took part in Special Event: Genealogy Day, hosted by the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh. The event which was the first of its kind for the CLP was attended by a dozen exhibitors ranging from genealogical and historical societies, libraries, history centers and lineage groups. The event was free to the public as well as to the exhibitors. The Camp was able to connect a television to a laptop and this provided real time genealogy assistance in locating civil war veterans for many interested people who stopped at the Davis * Camp table.



SOUTHWEST

Brothers of the US Grant Camp #3 attended the unveiling of the Hashknife Pony Express in Holbrook, Arizona on January 31, 2023.. This monument was constructed by Scott Rogers in memory of the Hashknife Pony Express which is the only USPS certified Pony Express in the United States.



TENNESSEE

On November 27, 2022, the Sunday nearest the November 30th Anniversary of the Battle of Franklin, Tennessee, Members of Fort Donelson Camp #62 and 10th Tennessee Volunteer Infantry SVR, participated in our Annual Reconciliation March to the Carter House.



Members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans step off from Winstead Hill, where the Confederates began their assault on the Federal Entrenchments, while the SUVCV/SVR step off from Fort Grainger where US Artillery opened up with the first shots of the Battle of Franklin. With careful timing the Federal Troops arrive at the Carter House at 4:00 PM as the Confederate Troops arrive just as they did in 1864. It is a moving tribute and

exemplifies the words of Confederate General Frank Cheatham to a Union Soldier when they met on the battlefield years after the war had ended... "Any man who fought in the Battle of Franklin is a Brother of Mine!"

TEXAS

On Saturday, December 17, 2022, brothers of the Colonel E.E. Ellsworth Camp #18 participated in the Wreaths Across America Day program. Camp 18 members participated at two cemeteries this year; the San Antonio National Cemetery, and at the Pecan Grove Cemetery in McKinney. Pecan Grove Cemetery is special to Camp 18, because it is believed that some if not all of the 13 Union Army and Navy veterans buried there, were members of GAR Post 18 of McKinney.



WISCONSIN

A strong crowd of about 90 attended the 53rd annual Patriotic Luncheon, held by C.K. Pier Badger Camp #1 and Auxiliary 4 on Feb. 4 in Wauwatosa. This was the latest incarnation of a Milwaukee tribute that stretches back to 1890, held by one of our predecessor Camps. This year, Professor Emeritus Dr. James Marten spoke about Lincoln's promise to the veteran, widow and orphan.





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HISTORY OF THE SONS

BY BOB WOLZ, NATIONAL HISTORIAN

FORGOTTEN HISTORY: THE UNIQUE ROLE OF KEY WEST DURING THE WAR OF REBELLION

Recently, we celebrated the sesquicentennial of the Civil War from 2011 to 2015. Many scholars took the opportunity to contribute new research and provided members of the Sons the opportunity to fulfill our mission to teach the true history of the Civil War.

Known today as a tourist mecca, Key West, Florida was a strategic naval station that controlled the shipping lanes known as the Straits of Florida. In 1846, Fort Zachary Taylor and Fort Jefferson were erected as part of the coastal defenses of America. Key West became one of the largest and wealthiest cities in Florida...the seat of Federal Courts and government offices.



Captain John Brannon commanded the army garrison requested instructions from Washington. Receiving no response he secured Fort Taylor for the Union in January 1861.. Additional troops arrived and reinforced the forts. Any opportunity of the Confederates to capture them was now lost. Key West became command headquarters for the 3,500 mile naval blockade of the South.

While some white citizens went north to join the confederacy, others avoided the war by seeking refuge in the Bahamas. A thriving black community of both freed and enslaved black families prospered in Key West. In February 1863, Colonel James Montgomery of Kansas arrived in Key West with authorization to organize a black regiment.

One hundred and twenty black men between the age of 15 and 50 were enlisted to fight for the Union. Some were reluctant to join as the army pay of \$7.00 a month was far less then they were earning as free black merchants. Definitely many felt it was their duty to fight for the Union and for freedom. Their regiment was the Second South Carolina Volunteer Infantry (Union). Their units were mustered into Federal service on 22 May 1863. They participated in the raids on rice plantations on the Combahee Ferry which freed 800 slaves. They burned the town of Darien, Georgia. Other engagements included James Island, Grimball's Landing, Fort Wagoner and Fort Greg. Finally serving in Jacksonville, Florida.

They were discharged In the Spring, 1866. Most returned to Key West after the war. Of the 120 enlistees, 18 died in service. Others raised families and became active in the community.

Major Benjamin Curtis Lincoln Post # 3 was one of the first Florida. GAR integrated Posts and a Woman's Relief Corps was founded prior to the 1884 creation of the Florida Department.

In the 1880s and 1890s, with the end of Reconstruction, a totally different story emerged. Former Confederate soldiers and white Democrats "rewrote" history. Key West was always in rebellion against the northern occupiers. There were no black soldiers. Stephen Mallory was their favorite son who reflected southern valor. The "Lost Cause" mythology existed in Key West as it did though out the South.



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