

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful.
- Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

Monument *with* Sculpture Monument with *Cannon*
 Monument without Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. Emory Fisher Post #30 Johnstown, PA) M.O.L.L.U.S.
 W.R.C. (Corps Name & No. _____) Other Allied Order
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. _____) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)

Other: PA bill signed 11 May 1905 granting \$2000 to the Association of the Fifty Fourth Regt. PA. Vet. Vol. Inf.

Original Dedication Date 25 October 1905 Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the *first* dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication. Thank you.

Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:

Street/Road address or site location Route 11 "Old Valley Turnpike"
City/Village New Market Township _____ County Shenandoah, VA

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)...

Name New Market Battlefield State Historical Park Dept./Div. Virginia Military Institute
Street Address P O Box 1864 8895 George Collins Parkway
City New Market State VA Zip Code 22844
Contact Person Colonel Keith E. Gibson, Mr. Scott Harris Telephone (540) 464-7806, 740-3101

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s)...

Not Applicable

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Barre Granite

Material of the Sculpture = Stone Concrete Metal Undetermined
 If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Barre Granite
 If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" _____

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Bronze

Material of Cannon = Bronze Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm
 Markings on muzzle = _____

Markings on Left Trunion _____ Right Trunion _____

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? If so, describe _____

Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points
 Monument or Base: Height 11 ft. Width 7 ft. Depth 7 ft. or Diameter _____
 Sculpture: Height 6 ft. Width 2 ft. Depth 2 ft. or Diameter _____

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!

Markings/Inscriptions (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found Unknown mark

Mr. Jeremiah L. Smith, sculptor (info from period newspaper article)

The "Dedication Text" is formed: cut into material raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides...) Please use additional sheet if necessary.

Dedication Text on front of pedestal:

ERECTED TO THE MEMORY OF THE HEROIC DEAD OF THE 54TH REGT. PA. VET. VOL. INFY.

WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN DEFENSE OF THEIR COUNTRY

Rededication Text on bronze marker at front of pedestal base:

AT CEREMONIES CONDUCTED 16 SEPTEMBER 1984. TITLE TO THIS MONUMENT WAS TRANSFERRED FROM THE

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA TO THE NEW MARKET BATTLEFIELD PARK. THE MONUMENT WAS ORIGINALLY

DEDICATED ON 25 OCTOBER 1905 TO THE MEN OF THE 54TH PENNSYLVANIA INFANTRY. IT NOW SERVES AS A

MEMORIAL TO ALL WHO FOUGHT AT THE BATTLE OF NEW MARKET ON 15 MAY 1864.

Environmental Setting

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

Type of Location

Cemetery

"Town Square"

Municipal Building

Courthouse

Traffic Circle

Park

Post Office

State Capitol

College Campus

Library

Plaza/Courtyard

School

Other: _____

New Market Battlefield

General Vicinity

- Rural (low population, open land) Suburban (residential, near city)
 Town Urban / Metropolitan

Immediate Locale (check as many as may apply)

- Industrial Commercial
 Street/Roadside within 20 feet Tree Covered (overhanging branches)
 Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)
 Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)
Any other significant environmental factor Located perhaps 30 to 50 yards off Route 11 in a open natural setting Battlefield. Enclosed on three sides by a metal railing fence with the front side open for public access.

Condition Information

Structural Condition (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture - including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	Sculpture	Base
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (look for signs of exterior rust)	___	___
Any evidence of structural instability? (look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	___	___
Any broken or missing parts? (look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	___	X
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	___	___

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting	___	___
White crusting	___	___
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	___	___
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	___	___
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	___	X
Chalky or powdery stone	___	___
Granular eroding of stone	___	___
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	___	___
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	___	X
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	___	___

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? Yes No Unable to tell

Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? ___ Yes No ___ Unable to determine
 If known, identify type of coating.

___ Gilded ___ Painted ___ Varnished ___ Waxed ___ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? ___ Yes ___ No ___ Unable to determine

Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

___ Well maintained Would benefit from treatment ___ In urgent need of treatment ___ Unable to determine

Overall Description

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on).
The overall condition of the 54th Monument at New Market Battlefield is good. The Monument is in need of cleaning moss, bird droppings and other surface grime. The Monument is missing 4 granite cannon balls that surrounded the feet of the soldier sculpture. No one knows how they came off nor where they are, perhaps vandalism. 4 new balls will need to be purchased and affixed to the Monument. Other than that, the railing fence perhaps will need repainting and surrounding grounds spruced up according to VMI maintenance desires.

Supplemental Background Information

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 15 May 2010

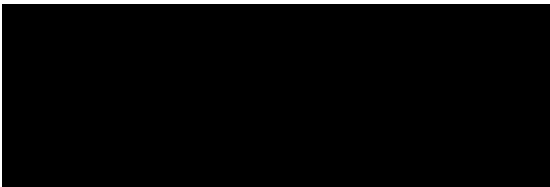
Your Name Karl D. Jensen

Address 118 Carol Drive City Hackettstown

State NJ Zip Code 07840 Telephone ([REDACTED])

Please send this completed form to:

Kevin P. Tucker, PDC, Chair



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
 National Civil War Memorials Committee

54th PVVI Monument, Form #61 Supporting Photos



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
East Side Elevation**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
West Side Elevation**



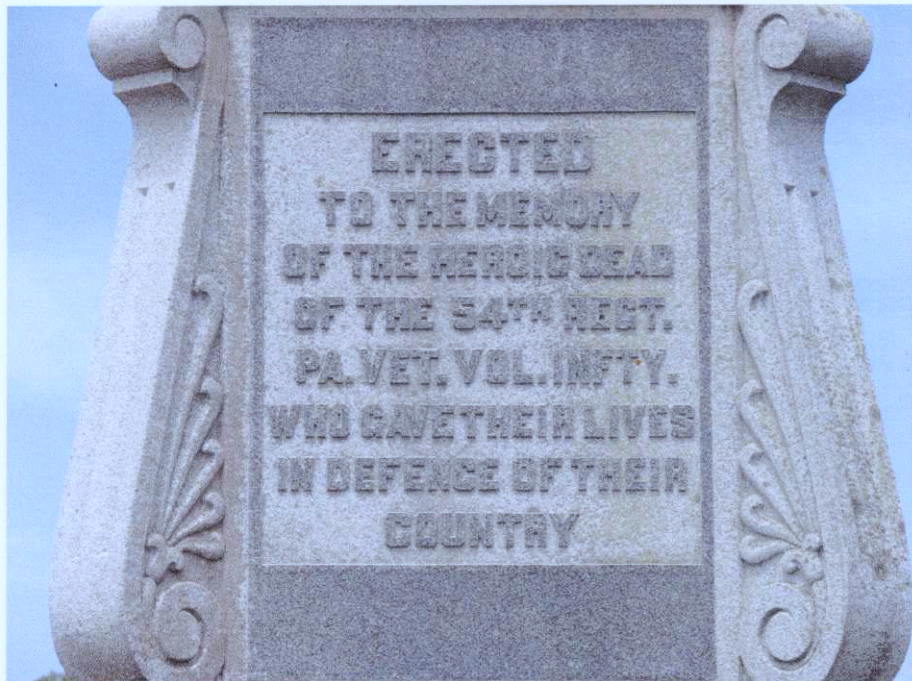
**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
North Side Elevation**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
South Side Elevation**



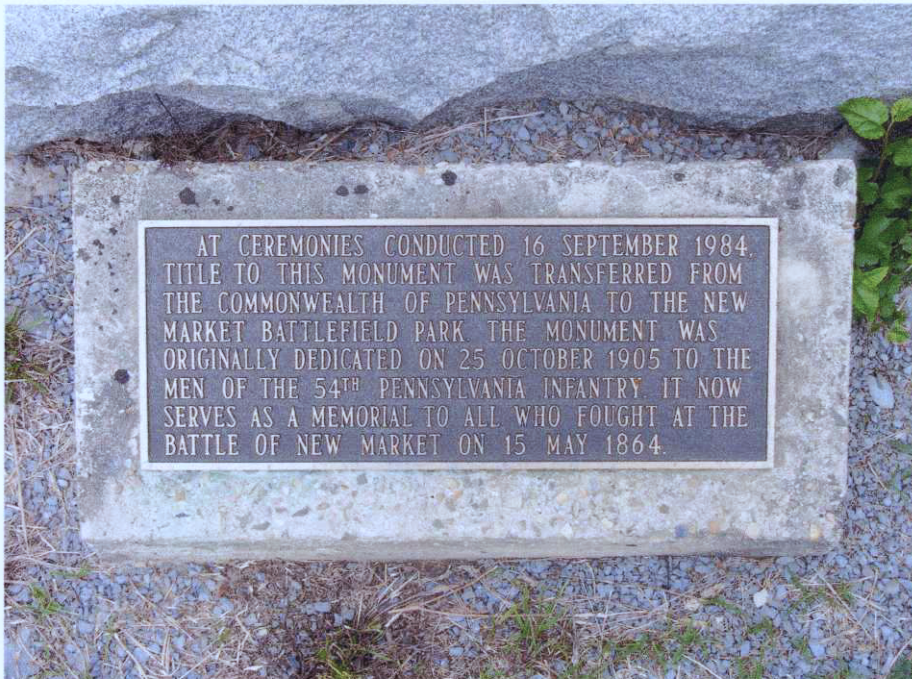
**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
Soldier Sculpture Closeup**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
Inscription Closeup**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
Missing Cannonballs Closeup**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
Bronze Rededication Plaque**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
1950s Postcard Image (one cannonball)**

54th Regt. Penna Veterans Monument, New Market Battlefield, near Mt. Jackson, Va.



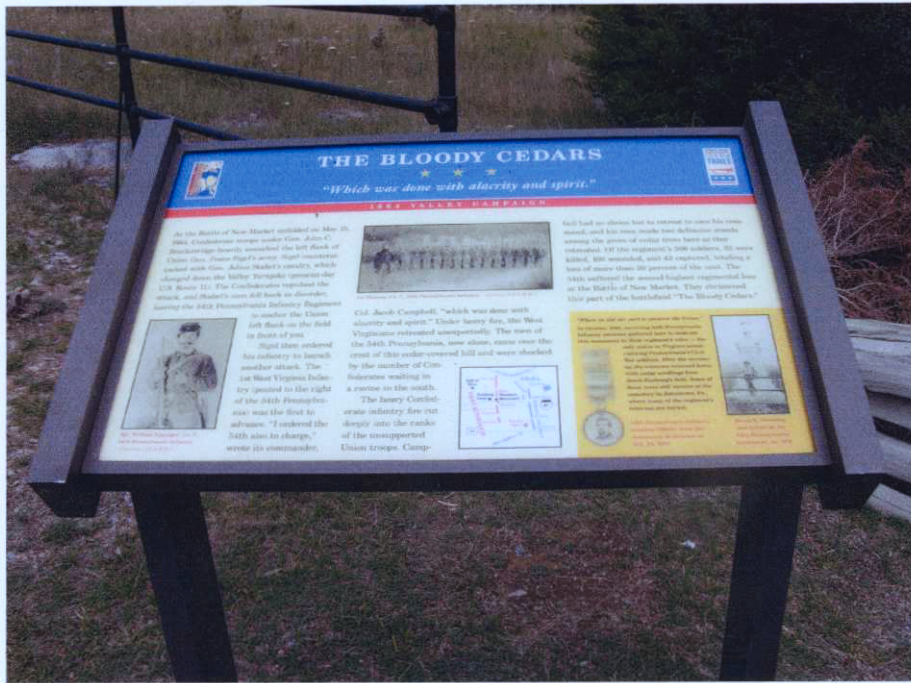
**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
1920s Postcard Image (four cannonballs)**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
View from US11, "Old Valley Turnpike"**



**Rededication and Transference Ceremony 16 Sept. 1984
54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield**



**54th PVVI Monument, New Market Battlefield
Interpretive Marker**

"Where we did our part to preserve the Union."

In October 1905, surviving 54th Pennsylvania Infantry veterans gathered here to dedicate this monument to their regiment's valor — the only statue in Virginia memorializing Pennsylvania's Civil War soldiers. After the ceremony, the veterans returned home with cedar seedlings from Jacob Bushong's field. Some of those trees still survive at the cemetery in Johnstown, Pa., where many of the regiment's veterans are buried.



**54th Pennsylvania Infantry
reunion ribbon, from the
monument dedication on
Oct. 25, 1905**



**Jacob E. Bushong
and friend at the
54th Pennsylvania
monument, ca. 1910**

October 25, 1905

MONUMENT UNVEILED.

Rain Interfered Somewhat with Ceremonies at Newmarket.

ROYAL TREATMENT ACCORDED THE "YANKS."

Special to The Tribune.
Newmarket, Va., Oct. 25.—A steady rain which began this morning and has continued throughout the day, interfered somewhat with the ceremonies in the Newmarket Battlefield held in connection with the dedication of the

of the State was made by Curt C. Campbell of Johnstown, who was appointed by Gov. Pennypacker to represent the Keystone Commonwealth on this occasion.

This evening a campfire will be held, and the party from Johnstown and other sections of Pennsylvania will spend some time seeing the sights here and elsewhere in the South. There were present at the dedication ceremonies thirty-three veterans of the regiment and friends who swelled the total number of Northerners to eighty-three.

The Monument Dedicated.

The monument dedicated today is every way appropriate as well as beautiful specimen of the sculptor's art. Mounted upon an elaborate pedestal there stands the heroic figure of a Federal infantryman clad in the uniform of 1865 and holding his position of attention. The figure is six feet in height and like the rest of the monument, carved from the best grade of Barre granite.

The pedestal, which taken with the figure, gives the monument a total height of seventeen feet, is in two parts. Resting upon the foundation is a plain slab of granite seven feet

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historic field on Sunday, May 15, 1864.

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ardor of the reception accorded the
visiting "Yanks" by the hospitable peo-
ple of this typical Virginia village.
They have royally entertained us, and
to-day's part for the dedication of
the monument, was a holiday through-
out the region.

The survivors this afternoon drove to
the battlefield, one mile north of the
town, headed by the Shenandoah Vil-
lage Band. The monument was un-
veiled with brief exercises by Miss
Miriam Mostollar, daughter of J. W.
Mostollar, a veteran of the regiment.
The party then returned to the town
hall, where the dedication address was
made by the Hon. W. Horace Ross, of
Johnstown, Pa., who was adjutant of
the regiment. The response on behalf

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Lieut. Col. of the Fifty-fourth Regi-
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DIRECTORS IN THE DARK

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RESUME BUSINESS

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START FOR SCENES IN "OLE VIRGINNY"

Several "Vets" of the Fighting
Fifty-fourth Accompanied
by Their Wives.

DEDICATION ON WEDNESDAY.

Special to The Tribune.
Newmarket, Va., Oct. 23.—The Fifty-
fourth Regiment is in place and is a
ready. The weather is fine and New-
market people expect 5,000 persons
here for the dedication Wednesday.

Among the persons who left Johns-
town over the Somerset & Cambria
Branch this morning for Newmarket,
Va. to attend the exercises in connec-
tion with the unveiling of the statue
erected by the survivors of the
Fifty-fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania
Volunteer Infantry, were Mr. and Mrs.
David R. Brian and daughter, Mrs.
Margaret Trimbath, and Mr. and Mrs.
William A. Shuk, of Johnstown; Mr.
and Mrs. D. E. Wilson and George
Ford, of Mineral Point; Mr. and Mrs.
E. F. Minkie, of Clearfield; Mr. and
Mrs. Samuel M. Cris, of Scrap Level;
Charles Wendell, D. B. Wertz, John A.
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Milton Hoffman and so- -law Ed-
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Barnett, Joseph Brotz, Christina A.
James, and Rose Shearer, together with
Mrs. Thomas and two sons.

These to leave the city over the
Pennsylvania Railroad at 9:45 o'clock
were Mrs. Mary R. Campbell, of Wal-
nut street, widow of Gen. Jacob M.
Campbell, with her son and daughter-
in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Campbell,
of the South Side; Capt. and Mrs. John
L. Decker of Haynes street; Mr. and
Mrs. Robert Parsons, of Walnut street;
Stephen R. Varner, of the Fifth Ward,
and his mother-in-law, Senator J. C.

Pittsburg, Oct. 23.—Friends of
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ranged. All efforts to induce him
reveal the whereabouts of the \$10
still missing have been unsuccessf

FIRE IN A GOVERNOR'S MANSION

Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 23.—
Governor's mansion at Jefferson
was damaged to the extent of \$1

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But It Is Even Bette
Judge

Judge and Mrs. Francis J. O'Co-
arrived home on the 5:46 train
morning from their trip to New-
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 Director he could not state.

SEAMER HAS BEEN LOST.

nd. Oct. 23.—Anxiety is felt
 the safety of the steamer S.
 r. owned by the Gilchrist
 tation Company, of this city,
 not been heard from since
 storm of last Friday. The
 arried a crew of twenty-three
 e should have arrived at the
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 Ford, of Mineral Point; Mr. and Mrs.
 B. F. Minnie, of Clearfield; Mr. and
 Mrs. Samuel M. Crist, of Soap Level;
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A number of others are expected to
 go down in time for the dedication,
 which takes place Wednesday.
 Mrs. Jeremiah L. Smith, wife of the
 sculptor who erected the statue for the
 war veterans, left the city over the
 Somerset & Cambria Branch Saturday
 morning for Newmarket to join her
 husband and to remain until after
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 for the Judge and his brothe-
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 supposing the season opened



Royal Honor for

Pg. 6 Thurs. Oct. 12, 1905

The Fifty-Fourth

Veterans to be Guests
of ex. Confederates

During Virginia Invasion

Have Attractive Badges

Survivors of the 54th Pennsylvania Volunteers who go to Winchester, VA later this month to be present at the dedication of the monument in memory of their famous command, are to be royally entertained according to a letter received yesterday by David R. Bryan. The commander communication is from P. W. Boyd, Adjutant of the Gen. Turner Ashby Camp United Confederate Veterans, the members of which were guests in this city last year, and states that the Johnstown veterans will on the evening of October 31 be welcomed by their former enemies in the camp room & there treated to a lot of good things to eat & some speechmaking.

The boys of the old 54th have just received a consignment of very handsome badges to be worn on their trip. These are in the form of a medallion pendant from a cross bar. One side of the medallion bears the head of the late John P. Sutor of Johnstown who was Capt. of Co. A, the original Johnstown Zouaves. The reverse side shows a bivouac scene. The ribbon on which the medallion rests bears the inscription, "Fourteenth Annual Reunion, Fifty Fourth Reg. PA Vols.

The dedication ceremonies will take place at New Market, VA on Oct. 25 & veterans intending to take the trip should notify D. R. Bryan without delay.

Sigel was driven from the field in confusion, the 54th attempting to block the pursuit several times, but it was not before the arrival of the remainder of Sigel's army that the Federals were able to regroup briefly. The army crossed the Shenandoah River, burning the bridge behind them and camped that night at Mount Jackson before retreating toward Winchester the following day. Sigel was relieved of his command several days later.

The 54th Pennsylvania would pass through New Market several months during the war, certainly evoking memories of that rainy May Sunday. After serving in the Valley for the remainder of 1864, the 54th was transferred to the Petersburg front in late December. During the Appomattox Campaign the 54th was part of a raiding party dispatched to destroy High Bridge over the Appomattox River and block Lee's line of retreat. However, this force was soundly defeated in the attempt and the 54th was captured almost intact. Thus the Pennsylvanians were present at Appomattox but had the distinction of being Confederate captives. Following Lee's surrender, the 54th was paroled and mustered out in mid-July 1865.¹⁸

Almost 41 years to the day after the battle, the Pennsylvania legislature approved a bill granting \$2,000 to the Association of the Fifty-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteer Infantry "for the purpose of erecting a monument on the battlefield of New Market, Virginia." The bill was signed May 11, 1905 by Pennsylvania Governor Samuel Pennypacker.¹⁹

The following month the Harrisonburg, Virginia, newspaper apprised its readers, many of whom were veterans of New Market, of the plan for a monument. "A Monument will be erected in memory of the 54th Pa. Regiment, U.S. Infantry, who fell there in battle, the location having been determined upon by David Bryan, Robert Parsons, and W.A. Slick, members of the Regiment, during a recent visit to the Battlefield." The point selected was on the cedar-covered knoll just west of the Valley Pike where the 54th had anchored the left flank of the Union infantry. The total cost for the monument was projected to be about \$3,000.²⁰

The idea was not well received at all by the New Market newspaper that August. "So the Pennsylvanians propose to monument themselves . . . with a

\$2000 or \$3000 loftiness," it began. "If they are anxious to do something honorable they can pay something on the barns and mills they burned, the horses and cattle they stole, the grain and property they despoiled this very people of," wrote an embittered J.E. Hopkins, a former Confederate cavalryman. "They had better put the memorial at the bridge," he wrote, in reference to the hasty retreat borne by Sigel's men.²¹ Six paragraphs of vitriol in the paper condemned the actions taken, not by the 54th Pennsylvania, but by other troops later in 1864 in destroying the Valley. The idea of the 54th Pennsylvania monument merely served as a convenient outlet for the author to air his bitterness. For after 40 years, most were willing to forgive.

When the unveiling of the monument took place on October 27, 1905, a crowd of about 400 was present. Ironically, rain fell throughout the day, adding a bit of historical authenticity to the affair for the several dozen veterans of the battle who were present. About 100 veterans of the 54th were present, but of these only about 30 had actually been at New Market. Col. Campbell's son C.G. Campbell was one of the leaders of the group. In the audience were numerous Confederate veterans, including David Sites, W.R. Fallis and James Dwyer, all of Charles Woodson's Missouri company, which had fought attached to the 62nd Virginia at New Market. Dwyer and Fallis had only months before erected a small monument to their comrades several hundred yards away from the 54th monument. Also present was Peter W. Roller, of nearby Mount Crawford, who had been in the Cadet Corps in the battle.

About 1 p.m. the Rev. E.L. Wessinger, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in New Market, delivered an invocation to the crowd assembled in the field alongside the Valley Pike "under a sea of umbrellas." After this Miss Miriam Mosteller, whose father had been in Company B of the 54th, removed the cloth covering the monument, revealing a fine granite sculpture of a soldier standing at "parade rest." The monument stands 17 feet tall, with the soldier standing upon a base of Pennsylvania granite. The front of the base reads "Erected to the Memory / of the Heroic Dead of the / Fifty-Fourth Regiment, P.V.V.I. / Who Lost Their Lives / In Defense of Their Country".²²

¹⁸ Bates, *History of the Pennsylvania Volunteers*, 113.

¹⁹ Charles R. Knodt, *Old Pennsylvania Monuments*, NMSP-HP.

²⁰ *Rockingham Register*, Jan. 27, 1905.

²¹ *Valley Pike*, Aug. 10, 1905.

²² *Rockingham Register*, October 27, 1905; Knodt, *Old Pennsylvania Monuments*.

Whether intended or not is not known, the monument stands upon the spot identified by several veterans of the regiment where Capt. Edwin J. Geissinger of Company H was killed.²³

In August 1911 the 54th Pennsylvania Association held its annual reunion at New Market. One former officer wrote to a former Confederate about the upcoming reunion, "I think it is safe for me to say there is very little, if any, harsh feeling toward those we met there on the 15th of May 1864."²⁴

In a ceremony September 16, 1984, title to the monument was passed from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the New Market Battlefield State Historical Park, with Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh, Jr., as keynote speaker.²⁵

Today the 54th Pennsylvania monument is one of only two monuments erected by veterans of the battle. When corresponding nearly half a century after the battle, one 54th veteran wrote to a former VMI Cadet some of his recollections about the Battle of New Market, "It has been almost 47 years since that time and as we grow older we forget these things."²⁶

The 54th Pennsylvania monument serves as a reminder for generations to come of "these things" which should never be forgotten.

23 Bryan to Colonna, March 8, 1911.

24 Gageby to Colonna, May 27, 1911.

25 Knight, *54th Pennsylvania Monument*.

26 J. J. Thompson to B. A. Colonna, January 26, 1913, NMBG-VM.

Appendix 4

The Bushong Family, George Collins, and New Market Battlefield Historical Park

Bushong, originally spelled "Boschong," is among the earliest names to appear in the land records of the central Shenandoah Valley.¹ One history of the Valley states that a John Bushong purchased land between present-day New Market and Laray as early as 1733.²

Jacob Bushong's great-grandfather, John Bushong, and his wife Barbara arrived in Philadelphia in September 1731 aboard the *Britannia*. The family settled in the heavily-German Lancaster County in rural Pennsylvania.³ In the later years of the 18th century, many Germans, the so-called "Pennsylvania Dutch," moved south with many of them eventually settling in the Shenandoah Valley. Several of the Bushongs were included in this immigration.

By 1785, the family had established itself in the central Valley in what is now Shenandoah County. A county census conducted in 1785 records a "John Bushong Sr." living in the area near Strasburg, with a family of seven.⁴ Another

1 "The 'Bushong' spelling will be used here simply for continuity.

2 Wayland, *History of Shenandoah County*, 174.

3 Bushong genealogical records, NMBSHIP. A good number of Bushongs still inhabit the Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, area.

4 Wayland, *History of Shenandoah County*, 174.

GRANT REQUEST 2010-11-06

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL FUND REQUEST

(FORM CWM #62)
Requester Information

CAMP AND DEPARTMENT NAME: Colonel Jacob M. Campbell Camp #14, Department of Pennsylvania
(Please print or type)

ADDRESS: Camp Commander Randy Beisel
450 Stonehedge Ct.

CITY: Johnstown

STATE: Pennsylvania ZIP CODE: 15904

NAME OF CONTACT PERSON: Karl D. Jensen

ADDRESS: 118 Carol Drive

CITY: Hackettstown

STATE: New Jersey ZIP CODE: 07840

PHONE(S): [REDACTED] E-MAIL: [REDACTED]

Memorial or Monument Information

NAME OF MEMORIAL: 54th PWVI Monument at New Market Battlefield, VA

LOCATION: (Name and address of cemetery or other location description, such as, corner of 3rd and Lincoln Street) Route 11 "Old Valley Turnpike" New Market Battlefield State Historical Park, New Market, Virginia 22844

WHEN WAS IT BUILT: 25 October 1905

WHO OWNS IT: New Market Battlefield State Historical Park under the jurisdiction of the Virginia Military Institute

WHO IS FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR IT: Virginia Military Institute

ARE MATCHING FUNDS AVAILABLE: NA FROM WHERE: NA

ARE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE: Yes FROM WHERE: Virginia Military Institute budget
plus donations by members of the SUVCW and members of Company A, 54th PVI Re-enactors of Johnstown, PA.

AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED: \$3,876

DESCRIBE WORK THAT THESE FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR: (Be specific, use back if necessary)

Replacement of four missing granite cannonballs that originally surrounded feet of granite union soldier on top of granite pedestal.

Work will include the removal of broken off mortared bronze pins that held on the original missing cannonballs that were perhaps stolen. Not anyone knows where the original cannonballs are. New cannonballs calculated to be 8 inch in diameter from old photos.

New cannonballs will be polished gray granite and will be attached with stainless steel pins in epoxy.

The 54th PVI Monument is covered with dirt and organic growth. Professional supervised power washing will be done to clean the Monument without damaging it. Additional grounds work and painting of enclosure railing will be done.

WHO EVALUATED THE NEED FOR THE WORK AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: _____

Mr. Gary Casteel, Casteel Sculptures, LLC P.O. Box 246 Cashtown, PA 17310

WHO WILL DO THE WORK DESCRIBED AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: Mr. Gary Casteel

Casteel Sculptures, LLC P.O. Box 246 Cashtown, PA 17310

WHO WILL RECEIVE THE FUNDS IF GRANTED: Mr. Scott Harris, Director of New Market Battlefield State Historical Park

P.O. Box 1864, 8895 George Collins Parkway, New Market, VA 22844

Casteel Sculptures 54th PVVI Monument Condition Appraisal

Brother Karl;

We were in Charlotte, NC last week on business and since we were returning to Pa. on I-81, this gave us the opportunity to stop by New Market and visit the 54th Pa. monument for restoration review purposes. We arrived after the park office had closed and therefore were not able to speak with anyone on staff. However, we went to the monument and I took some measurements for estimating the original cannonball size.

By measuring the flat edge surface between the angled corners with the stars, and then scaling that against the cannon ball in the photo of the monument you supplied, the ball appears to be approximately 8" in diameter. I feel confident that this size granite ball can be used.

After investigation of the monument, I found the following:

1. The monument foundation appears to be in good condition with no sign of fracturing, etc.
2. The monument stones and joints are in good condition with no sign of stone / joint separation at any level. The mortar joints and sealing is in good condition with no sign of mortar or seal loss.
3. The monument stones appear to not have any stone vandalism destruction at all. All the raised carved details are in place as originally sculpted. The stone figure on top appears to be in good condition.
4. Covering various areas of the monument from top to bottom is a growing layer of which is not uncommon for stone monuments considering its age. The figure contains the more advanced growth represented by the black splotches on the underside of particular carved areas. To correct the problem and clean the stone, a pressure washer needs to be used to totally remove the growth and clean the stone surface.
5. All four original cannon balls have been removed. Upon inspection, I found that the anchor system was a 3/8" dia. bronze rod fitted into the monument capstone and then into the ball itself. The rods have been twisted or wrenched off with approximately 1/2" of the original rod exposed. Around the rods at each corner, mortar was apparently applied as a bed under the balls to create a more solid attachment. In order to replace the balls, the original rods would have to be removed and replaced with new stainless steel rods, if the park administration would agree to depart from using the original material of bronze rod. Once the original rods were removed and the length known, new granite balls could then be attached with the stainless rods and an epoxy mixture for better control against future vandalism.

With this information, I will begin researching the cost of the granite balls to better determine the project cost. You may wish to consider the parks involvement and the possibility of keeping the project cost down with the park maintenance staff possibly doing some of the work. I do this on a regular basis with the Gettysburg National Park and others. By the way, we are in the process of replacing the cannon balls on the 7th WVA Inf. at GNP on Cemetery Hill, same problem, vandalism!

I hope this helps with your restoration plan.

Stay in touch and I will be back to you shortly with some cost figures.

Gary

Casteel Sculptures, LLC
PO Box 246
Cashtown, Pa. 17310

Casteel Sculptures 54th PVVI Monument Restoration Quote

Col. Keith Gibson & Scott Harris,

The following restoration quote for the 54th Pa. Monument at New Market is to cover, travel, hotel, meals, labor and equipment rental. I expect for the project to take no more than 3 days including the power wash by park staff. I will work with Scott Harris on scheduling so that both the ball replacement and the power wash can occur in one site visit.

To provide and replace 4 granite cannonballs that match the original pieces and be on site during the monument power wash.....\$3876.00

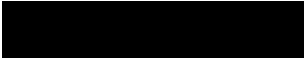
My terms would be \$3488.40 at time of contract signing with 10% held until project completed and accepted by New Market Battlefield Park and Committee Chair Karl Jensen. After project completion acceptance, the balance of \$387.60 will be due.

If this meets with your approval, let me know and I will forward the contract to you for signing.

Thank you for you hard work in preserving our American heritage.

Gary

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Cashtown, Pa. 17310



From: Karl Jensen [REDACTED]

To: cofa5@suvcw.org

Cc: [REDACTED] Keith Gibson [REDACTED] Scott Harris [REDACTED]

Subject: Form CWM #62, 54th PVVI Monument Restoration

Date: Sun, Sep 19, 2010 9:38 am

Attachments: 54th_PVVI_Monument_Form_CWM_#62.pdf (972K), Casteel_Appraisal_54th_PVVI_Monument.pdf (61K), Casteel_Quote_54th_PVVI_Monument.pdf (57K)

Mr. Robert M. Petrovic, PDC, Chair
Natl. Committee on Civil War Memorial Grant Fund

Dear Brother Petrovic,

Please find attached Form CWM #62 for the 54th PVVI Monument at New Market Battlefield, VA restoration project. I have also attached a professional monument condition appraisal and quote for restoration repair form Mr. Gary Casteel of Casteel Sculptures, LLC.

Form CWM #61 for the 54th PVVI Monument is on file with the National Civil War Memorials Officer.

The Jacob M. Campbell Camp #14 of Johnstown, PA look forward to assisting New Market Battlefield to return this important 54th PVVI Monument to its original glory with your help.

Please let me know if what I have submitted is in order. Your consideration is very much appreciated.

Best wishes my Brother,

Karl Jensen
Col. Jacob M. Campbell Camp #14
SUVCW Johnstown. PA
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SUVCW MEMORIAL GRANTS REQUEST
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GRANT REQUEST # 2010-2011-06

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Monument Location: Route 11 "Old Valley Turnpike" New Market Battlefield State
Historical Park, New Market, VA 22844

Contact Person: Karl D. Jensen

Check Payable to: Mr. Scott Harris, PO Box 1864, 8895 George Collins Parkway, New
Market, VA 22844

Amount Requested: \$3,876.00

Total cost of project: \$3,876.00

Amount Approved: \$500.00

Existing Monument X New Monument Last Soldier Project

Please initial your vote next to your name, then sign and date below, once completed,
fax or email to Bob Petrovic, Fax# [REDACTED], Email; [REDACTED] who will
send it to Richard Orr, National Treasurer for payment.

Approved Denied Tabled

Robert M. Petrovic, PDC

RMP

Tad D. Campbell, PDC

TDC

Bill Vierra, PDC

Signature Robert M. Petrovic Date 5/6/11

Signature [Signature] Date 5/15/2011

Signature _____ Date _____

Comments:

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Signature *Robert M. Petrovic* **Date** *5/6/11*

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Signature *[Signature]* **Date** *5/23/11*

Comments: