



# Hartranft Herald

## The Newsletter of Maj. Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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Celebrating our 131<sup>st</sup> Year in Harrisburg

 @ Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp#15 Sons of Union  
Veterans of the Civil War



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★ 150<sup>th</sup> at Gettysburg Photos ★

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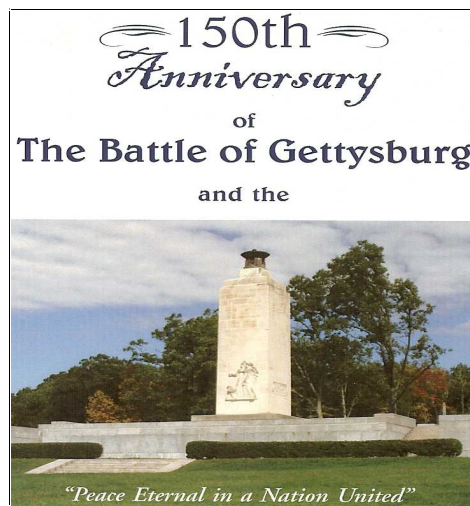


### Come to our general meetings and view central Pennsylvania from high atop Reservoir Park!

A newsletter for, about, and by the members of Camp 15 and Auxiliary 7.

Come One, Come All - Ladies and Brothers, and Family & Friends, all are welcome to our Camp meetings at the National Civil War Museum and field trips at-large -- Bring your camera!

[Camp 15's next business meeting](#) is scheduled for **Sunday, September 15, 2013**. THE THIRD WEEKEND ARRIVES EARLY IN SEPTEMBER! Hartranft camp does not have scheduled business meetings during June, July, and August. You are invited to attend **National Encampment Convention** near Milwaukee, Wisconsin August 9 and 10.



[Camp 15 Celebrates 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg](#) with Department of Pennsylvania Encampment at Gettysburg and the special commemoration at historical Peace Light.



Weekend badges from left, Delegate Badge for 2013 Department of PA Encampment. Center, Special 150 Peace Light celebration and on the right, 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary badge congratulating Brother Bud Atkinson, PCinC, for his 75 years of service with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

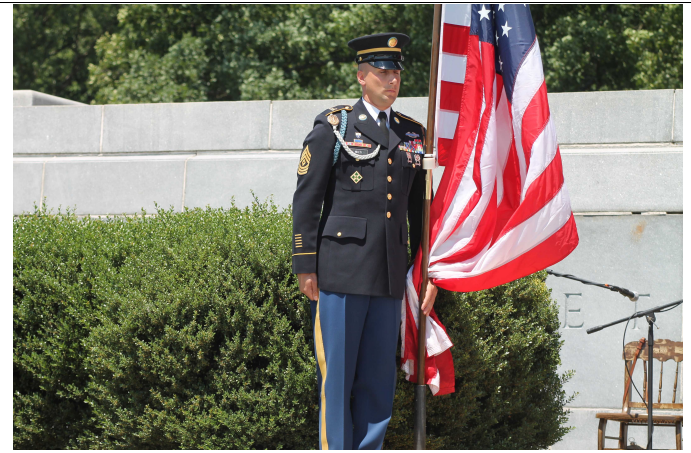


Peace Light has been burning for 75 years except during World War II years.





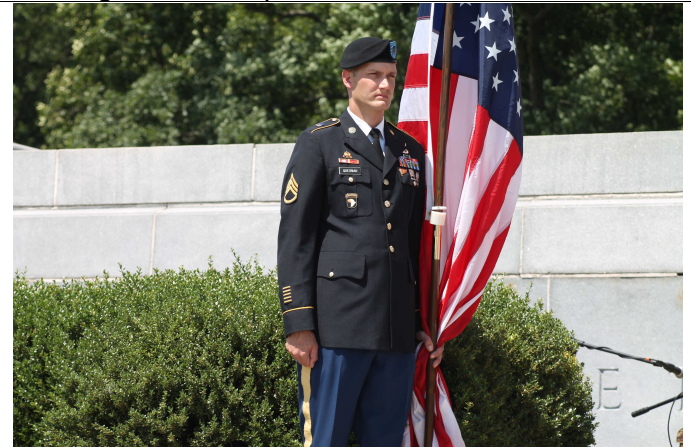
Carol Morton, DUVCW President, Perley Mellor, CinC, and Jane Graham, Auxiliary President.



The General's First Sergeant holding Flag from blowing in front of speaker's stand.



Brother Charlie Kuhn Jr, PCinC, excellent planner and Master of Ceremonies.



After about 45 minutes this Staff Sergeant, also of the US War College, Carlisle, relieved the First Sergeant!



Camp 15 Patriotic Instructor, Dave Klinepeter, with Keynote Speaker MG Anthony Cucolo, III.



Kline family - Greg, Dad Tony, and Mom Dot.





Margaret and Bud Atkinson enjoying the day.



Pennsylvania State Department Commander Rich Essenwein.



Multiple Sisters of the Daughters and Auxiliary discussing the Gettysburg weather or not!



PCinC James Pahl was the official escort for our Sisters, who paid tribute, by placing a wreath upon the upper level of the Peace Light.



The US Army Old Guard provided gun salute!



The 3d U.S. Infantry Regiment (The Old Guard) is the official Escort to the President of the United States and our nation's Premier Memorial Affairs and Ceremonial Unit. Old Guard Soldiers are in Arlington National Cemetery daily rendering final honors to our fallen, both past and present!



What have you done to serve or pay tribute:

Before (2011)



After (2012)



Notice recently replaced stones for civil war veterans at historic Harrisburg Cemetery.



WWII veterans, Les McClure, Dave Klinepeter, and Floyd Demmy *among* other Brothers of Camp 15 paid tribute in honor of civil war veterans resting in historic Harrisburg Cemetery Memorial Day weekend 2013.



The Brothers of Camp 503, Sunbury, are joined by Clay Henry of the Beaver Springs American Legion and Brother Jay Rarick of Fredericksburg VA in honoring Private Getz. Courtesy of Greg Kline, PCC.

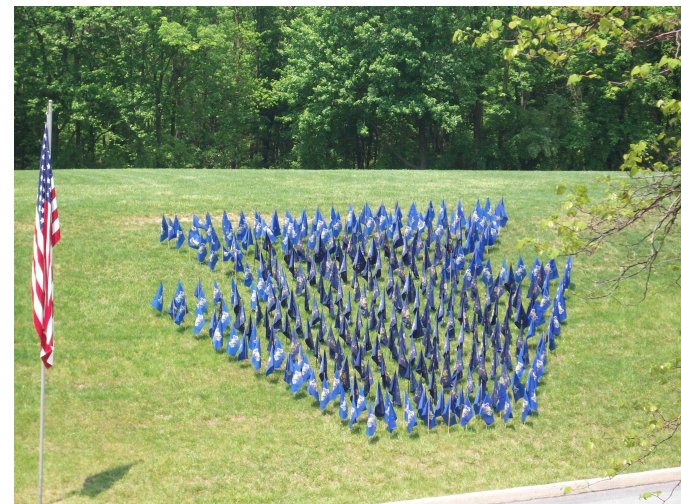


Kline family paid tribute in Gettysburg at PA 1<sup>st</sup> Artillery Battery B monument.

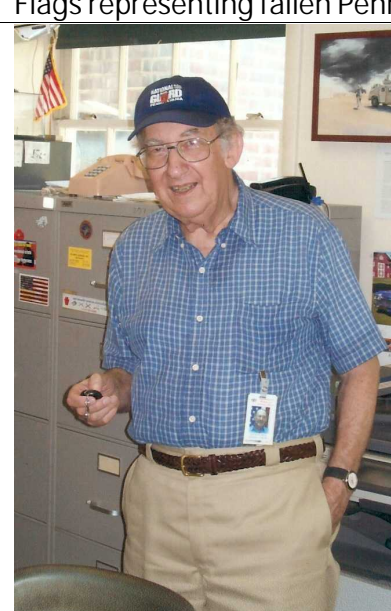




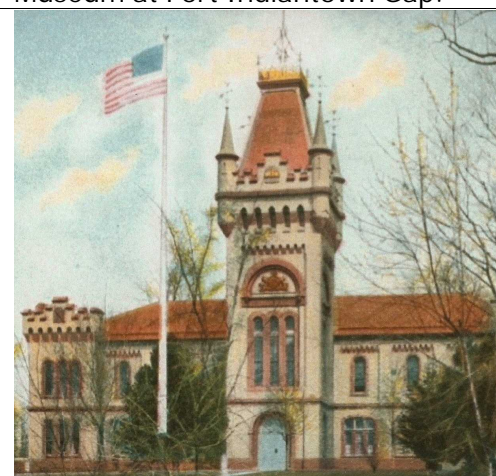
2013 Memorial Day celebrations shown at entrance to Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville, PA.



Flags representing fallen Pennsylvania veterans.



Charlie Oellig, curator of 28<sup>th</sup> Army National Guard Museum at Fort Indiantown Gap.



Old Harrisburg arsenal on Herr Street Harrisburg.

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PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR and GAR  
HISTORIAN by Dave Klinepeter

The 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg is over. There were reported to be over 400 events taking place over that two week period, covering many communities. To my way of thinking, this encouraged many people to realize their area had a history that should be recalled and to teach the younger generations a little of our great American history. Is that not part of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to encourage people to study the past, research the ancestor, support preservation, preserve the artifact, encourage the children! I participated in a number of events and had an opportunity to hand out information about the Sons of Union Veterans and also our Camp tri-fold revealing where researchers may check records of their ancestors. Always making the very strong point --YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A DIRECT DESCENDENT OF A VETERAN, YOU CAN JOIN AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER. Most of the people I chatted with were not from around here but it was suggested they use the internet and contact the SUV Dept where they live or go to the National SUV website for more information.

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A number of our camp members were involved in some activities over that two week period. Why not send in an article (surprise David D.) and leave the rest of us know what you were doing. I will send in information and pictures of some of my activities over the Battle of Gettysburg period for the next issue of the Hartranft Herald.

I am proud to say I received the three medals pictured on the front page of this issue. It was interesting being a delegate, also very impressive attending the special 75th Anniversary of the Peace Light Dedication, and than attending the special presentation of the PCinC Bud Atkinson 75 years medal. His wife,

PNP Margaret, received the new special Mary Walker award for long outstanding dedication and service. DJK



David Demmy and David Klinepeter manning recruiting table at National Civil War Museum Free Community day.





Come out to a meeting and join us!  
The Allied Orders of the GAR

- ❑ Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to Grand Army of the Republic,
- ❑ Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
- ❑ Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War,
- ❑ Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
- ❑ Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Camp Officers & authors, the first Friday of each month is the Deadline for submission of stories, events, articles, and photos for Hartranft Herald.

- Membership Bio Profiles will continue to appear as they are submitted by members.
- Worksheets were inserted in Camp 15's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary history book. If you prefer, [and your Hartranft Herald wishes you would], complete an e-worksheet, please ask for one – send e-mail request to DoubleD@Demmy.cc
- BRING A NEPHEW, UNCLE, BROTHER, FATHER, GRANDFATHER, NEIGHBOR AND FRIEND TO A CAMP MEETING!

Family and our sisters of Auxiliary 7 are always welcome!

GENERAL JOHN F HARTRANFT, CAMP 15  
HARRISBURG, PA,

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 11, 1882  
IN FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY

Monthly Camp business Meetings begin at 2 p.m. and are conducted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, at National Civil War Museum unless otherwise, indicated!

No camp meeting July and August!

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National Encampment August 9 and 10, Milwaukee, Wisconsin! Obtain your credential card from Department Secretary, Brother Charlie Kuhn.

Sunday, September 15, 2013 camp business meeting!

### Remembrance Day at Gettysburg 2013

Change of date: Saturday, November 23, 2013, SUVCW Headquarters will be at Wyndham Hotel at Gettysburg!

December camp annual party  
Scheduled for Sunday December 8, 2013 at National Civil War Museum ballroom!

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