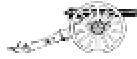




Hartranft Herald

The Newsletter of
Maj. Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
<http://www.geocities.com/hartranft15/>
Celebrating our 126th Year



Volume 11, No. 11

November 2009



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!

Veterans Day – Remembrance Day – Thanksgiving Day

Next Camp Event

Our next event will be our monthly meeting on **Sunday, November 15**, at 2pm at National Civil War Museum high atop Reservoir Park, Harrisburg. The street address is:

One Lincoln Circle **at Reservoir Park**

Harrisburg, PA 17103. You may access Reservoir Park from either State Street or Market Street. Directions available at Camp website above.

[Happy Birthday to all concerned personnel for November:](#)

John Croft	Pittsburgh, PA
Jeff Smith	Mechanicsburg, PA

If your name is missing from this birthday roster for this period, please contact the *Hartranft Herald* with corrective information!

MINUTES

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
General John F. Hartranft Camp #15
National Civil War Museum, Harrisburg, PA
Sunday, 18 October 2009

Officers Present

Sr.Vice Command... John Deppen
Jr.Vice Command...Stanley Zellers
Secretary.....Larry Sheibley
Treasure./Chaplain....David Demmy. Sr.
Patriot/Historian.....David Klinepeter
Council.....Eugene Mascioli
Guide.....Thomas Bruner, Jr.
Council.....Norman Houser
Color Bearer.....Kelly Betz

Members Present

Bruce Baker	Donald Fry
Robert Hollinger	Jeffrey Smith
David Demmy, Jr.	Robert Fuller
David Laman	Allen Spigelmeyer
Floyd Demmy	Frank Haley
Donald Messersmith	Lee Walters

Officers Absent

Commander..... . . . Gregory Kline
Council.....Donald Prye

Guests Present

Sue Messersmith and Charlotte Walters.

Camp meeting called to order at 14:04 hours.

After the opening ceremonies, Secretary Sheibley read the minutes and Treasurer Demmy, Sr., stated that the October cash on hand balance is \$996.

Duke Allen Hall, 27 of Galena, Ohio, was voted-in as the camp's 66th brother. A member of the U.S. Army, Duke is the grandson of brother Lee Walters and sister Charlotte Walters. Welcome, Duke!

By unanimous ballot, the following slate of officers was elected for 2010:

Commander..... John Deppen
Senior Vice-Commander ...Stanley Zellers
Junior Vice-Commander....Scott Debo
Secretary..... Larry Sheibley, PCC
Treasurer/Chaplain..... David Demmy, Sr.
Patriotic Instructor ...David Klinepeter, PCC
Camp Council.....Norman Houser, Gregory Kline, PCC and Donald Prye, PCC
Guide..... Thomas Bruner, Jr.
Guard..... Gregory Kline
Color Bearer.....Kelly Betz

These members will be sworn-in at the December 13th Camp 15 Christmas party.

Additional appointments and committees will be appointed by Commander-elect John Deppen.

Secretary Sheibley spoke of the Camp Curtin Descendant Brigade Organization, the Battle Cry of Freedom article, camp offices' descriptions, and the National Civil War Museum Camp 15 brick. He, also, displayed a tri-colored membership certificate which brothers can order through the National Quartermaster.

Brother Demmy, Sr., stated that the museum shall be enlarging the PA section of the Walk of Valor and camp members may wish to help re-lay bricks as a token of appreciation for the use of the museum facilities for meetings, whenever the museum schedules the work detail.

Members are reminded of the camp's participation in the 21 November Gettysburg Remembrance Day parade. We will be in the

line of march. Contact Commander Kline if you wish to participate.

Brother Baker displayed a lithograph Civil War roster of the PA 79th Division. His great grandfather Erb was a member of that group. In wonderful condition and framed, it was purchased on E-Bay. He showed two family photographs taken at Devils Den. They were taken at the same location but different generations of family members. Hopefully, he can find the exact location and photograph the present generations of his family!

Patriotic Instructor Klinepeter gave another interesting presentation with items for sale and give-a-ways. He continually keeps the camp updated with historical dates and newspaper items and his personal stories. Thanks, Dave.

The meeting closed at 15:16.

Submitted in Friendship, Loyalty, and Charity,
Larry Sheibley, PCC, Camp 15 Secretary

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR/GAR HISTORIAN

by Dave Klinepeter

A number of years ago Hartranft Camp 15 Sons of Union Veterans had a Sons of Veterans Reserve organization (**SVR**). They were the 6th Infantry Field Music (Fife and Drum Corps) and Company D, (the Rifle Squad) of the Penna Brigade.



THE DRUM CORPS IN GAR PARADE 1936 WASHINGTON DC

The **SUV** is the main organization and the **SVR** is the quasi-military organization of the SUV. Not too long after Major John H. Runkle, leader of the Drum Corps passed away, the Drum Corps and Company D went out of existence. I was in the Fife and Drum Corps in the 1940s-1960s. Because of the number of new members I have been asked to give a talk on how things were in Camp 15 in those days. I will bring a number of pictures, not just Memorial Day ones but

other places we went. I will also bring several other items for show and tell!

While reading the June/July issue of the VFW magazine I came across a small article that upset me. In the letters to the Editor, a short one, from James Berry of Kempner, TX. "A student at Texas Tech in Lubbock said that the Japanese could not be blamed for bombing Pearl Harbor because we dropped the atomic bomb on them first, starting World War II. My daughter corrected the student, was written up as a "disturbing influence in the classroom" and given an F for a grade". God help us!

A FEW DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 6th 1860 Abraham Lincoln elected the 16th President of the United States of America

Nov 8th 1864 Abraham Lincoln was elected to a second term sealing the fate of the Confederacy.

Nov 10th 1775 U.S. Marine Corps was established.

Nov 11th 1865 Closing of CAMP CURTIN the largest military camp in the east during the Civil War. Over 300,000 men went through on the way to fight the war. It served as a training camp, as a hospital and also a prisoner of war camp.

Nov 11 1918 On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 World War I ended.

Nine million soldiers died, 21 million were wounded and at least 5 million civilians were killed.

It was the "WAR TO END ALL WARS". As far as I know there is one American Doughboy living today.

Nov 11th 1919 President Wilson proclaims the first Armistice Day with the following, "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has

Freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations". In 1938 Congress passed legislation that made Nov 11th a legal Federal holiday. A bill was pushed through Congress and President Eisenhower signed it into law on May 26, 1954 and it has been known as VETERANS DAY since.

Nov 19th 1863 Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address at the National Cemetery



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Nov 19th 2009 Dedication Day the 146th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address **9:30AM** will be a wreath laying ceremony at the Soldiers' National Monument in the Soldiers' National Cemetery followed at **10:00AM** a Dedication Day Ceremony. Speaker Richard Dreyfuss, Academy Award winning actor, Lincoln portrayer (Jim Getty, member of Camp 112) will recite the Gettysburg Address. He will be introduced by Ward Lemon, portrayed by David Klinepeter. There will be a performance by "The President's Own" United States Marine Band". There will be a Naturalization ceremony presented by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. For other information visit www.palincoln.org

Nov 21st 2009 REMEMBRANCE DAY the parade starts a 1:00pm, the Banquet and Civil War Ball at the Eisenhower in the evening are all put on by the SONS OF UNION VETERANS and I encourage our members to try and attend some of these events. --- DJK

Editor's Note: *Smithsonian* magazine, October 2008

With the passing of 108-year-old Harry Landis earlier this month in Florida, America has only one known living veteran of World War I remaining: 107-year-old Frank Buckles of Charles Town, W.Va. Buckles is reportedly in good health, exercising every day and even conducting media interviews. But the day he passes away, it will be the end of a generation that fought in the trenches of France, and advanced across the bloody nightmare of "No Man's Land," to make the world safe for democracy.

The National World War I Museum in Kansas City, Mo., is already making plans to commemorate the final passing of an entire generation of war veterans. By coincidence, the museum is located in the home state of Harry Landis and Frank Buckles. No doubt the museum will soon be gearing up to celebrate the centennial of World War I, which now looms just over the horizon in 2014.

Frank Buckles, born in Bethany, Mo., in 1901, had to lie about his age to join the Army, get through basic training, and make it to his overseas assignment before the war ended. At the time, men and women had to be at least 21 to enlist;

Buckles was only 16. He served as a driver in the war and remained stationed in Germany until 1920. As a civilian working in the Philippines for a U.S. shipping line, Buckles was captured by the Japanese and spent more than three years in a prison camp.

The last living American veteran of World War I, Buckles joined The American Legion in 1931 and has remained a lifetime member.

VISIT THE NATIONAL WORLD WAR I MUSEUM

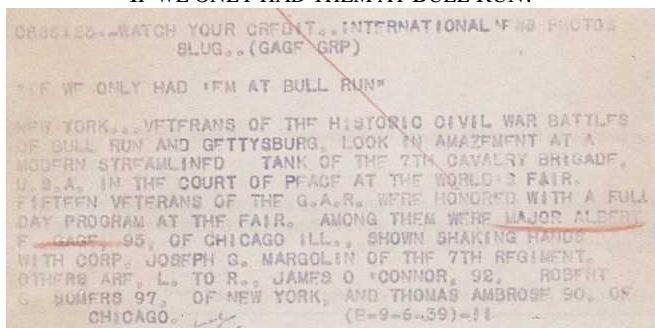
Source: <http://ourvoice.legion.org/onlineupdate/824/the-last-american-doughboy>

Likewise: "As the last of his kind, Buckles receives a lot of mail from strangers, writing to thank him for his service. He responds to all of it, with the help of his daughter, Susannah, 53. "I know that I have an obligation," he says, "to keep the [next generation] aware that we had a World War I."

Source: <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/people-places/last-doughboy.html?c=y&page=2>



GAR MEMBERS REVIEWING WWI TANK
"IF WE ONLY HAD THEM AT BULL RUN!"



For those Brothers who desire the popular 'SUV' Gold Metal Kepi Hat Badge or the Gold Threaded Blazer Pocket Patch, these may now be ordered using a downloadable order sheet available at the Department of Michigan

webpage i.e.,
<http://www.suvcwmi.org/store/>.

Brian Shumway, Department Treasurer
Department of Michigan, SUVCW

At our recent October meeting, a number of Brothers pre-paid their 2010 dues, purchased books, belt buckles and made very generous donations to our Camp.

At press time, Brother Don Fry has relocated to the sunshine state for the winter! Don and Dawn, please don't over due it in the heat down there! And we expect occasional reports: weather, southern-style SUVCW activities, and when, you may, visit with us again!

World War II Reenactment

It is not too early to think about and plan a day to review the next World War II BATTLE OF THE BULGE reenactment at FORT INDIANTOWN GAP, the 65th Commemoration is **January 31, 2010**.

"Have you HUGGED a WWII Veteran TODAY" The Day to HUG a World War II Veteran is coming in less than 80 days, 6 hrs and 25 Minutes!

Check it out at
<http://www.wwiifederation.org/>
Or World War II Federation
PO Box 711 - Waynesburg, PA 15370-0711
(724) 627 8545
Mark your social calendar now for
January 31, 2010. 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM
No admittance fee nor are tickets required!

Obey parking requirements and police officers!

IMPORTANT UPDATE: The Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge and the World War II Federation will have a Wreath Laying Ceremony at the site of the Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge Monument on 29JAN10

at 1600 hours to include a 21 Gun Salute and Taps.



FILE PHOTO OF WHAT YOU MAY EXPECT TO SEE AT THE REENACTMENT – ABOVE RE-ENACTORS, PORTRAYING GERMAN SOLDIERS, ARE PREPARING FOR THEIR ATTACK ON ALLIED LINES!

New Members Section

Welcome new Brothers into the patriotic fraternity of Camp 15 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

So far this year, 2009, seven men have joined our Camp's ranks. Gentlemen to enable you to learn about your local Hartranft Camp 15, the Department of Pennsylvania and/or the National organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, you may read about us at the following Internet sites:

1. Camp 15
<http://www.geocities.com/hartranft15/index.html>
2. Department of Pennsylvania
<http://www.pasuvcw.org/>
3. National Organization
<http://www.suvcw.org/id.htm>

Year 2009 is the 126th anniversary of General John F. Hartranft, Camp 15 Harrisburg, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Read all about our roots in the Camp's 125th history book – yours for the asking, while supply lasts. Donations are always grateful. **Additional copies are \$12 each,**

same as a license plate for Camp members! Mail orders are \$15 each!

Contact our Camp Treasurer who is the editor too of our newsletter, the *Hartranft Herald*. His contact data is available on cover of this newsletter or e-mail at DoubleD@Demmy.cc

You can enjoy our monthly Camp newsletter, the *Hartranft Herald*. **If you have e-mail, you are expected to accept a monthly e-mail notice that the current issue of the *Hartranft Herald* is available at the Camp website:** <http://www.geocities.com/hartranft15/index.html>

Otherwise, your *Hartranft Herald* may be mailed to your home of record. Please inform your Camp secretary, Brother Larry C. Sheibley, PCC, of your personal changes such as your address, e-mail and telephone changes or upgrades. It is cheaper for us to mail your Camp news to your new address than pay the post office for your change of address order!

All known past issues of the *Hartranft Herald* have been posted on the Camp's website at <http://www.geocities.com/hartranft15/index.html> from Table of Contents select monthly newsletter. Scroll to bottom of first page of any issue on the website. Select the notice that indicates *click to view* entire news! Several members' profiles and other data are available too on our interest site. Our schedule of events is listed in each issue of your *Hartranft Herald*. The Pennsylvania website offers the Department's Officers and current annual newsletter, *the Battle Cry of Freedom*, as well as photos of a variety of Department events.

The National organization's website offers history on our Order along with other Allied Orders of the GAR, membership data, quartermaster needs and other pertinent data for all members.

Please know that the National Headquarters of the Sons is located in the National Civil War Museum rooms 240 and 241. Please stop by to visit before or after a Camp 15 meeting or call 717 232 7000 for an appointment.

Your dues cover the operating expenses of the National, Department, and local Camp. Dues include your subscription to the National Journal, *the Banner*.

You see abbreviations in everyday life including this organization too, especially on the internet sites and newsletters too. So, to help you understand our abbreviations and jargon go to list on a subsequent page in this newsletter*.

Illness and disease killed more men in both armies than wounds suffered on the battlefield. This exhibit will examine the enormous impact that illness and disease had on the armies of the North and South. The exhibit will focus on answering key questions, such as: Why did so many soldiers become sick and die? What was done to address the problem? What types of illness and diseases were prevalent and how were they treated, if at all? Lastly, the exhibit will also discuss the role of the Civil War surgeons and doctors, as well as male and female nurses.

The National Civil War Museum®

at Reservoir Park, HARRISBURG, PA

The only museum in The United States that portrays the entire story of the American Civil War! Equally balanced presentations are humanistic in nature without bias to Union or Confederate causes! Check our Events Schedule for Upcoming Living History Programs! <http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org>

Veterans Day

11-11-09 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In honor of Veterans Day, FREE ADMISSION to veterans, active-duty military service members and military retirees. For more data can 717-260-1861 ext 1108.

Nov 03 to Dec 11

Toys for Tots

For the Ninth consecutive year, The National Civil War Museum and the US Marine Corps have teamed up to bring Christmas to Harrisburg area children. The Museum will be accepting toys through December 11, 2009. Visitors who bring a new, unwrapped toy valued at \$10 or more will receive one free admission to the Museum for the day of donation or 2 coupons for 50% off a future visit (limit 2 free admissions or 4 coupons per family).

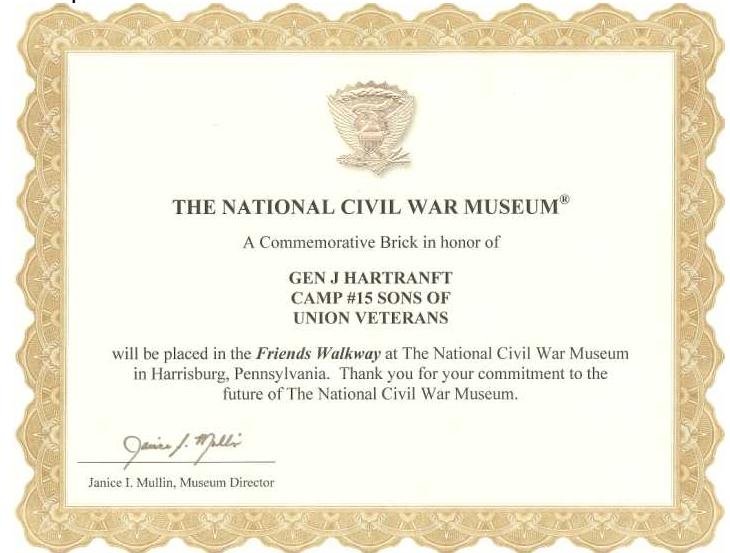
Thank you for supporting this wonderful Toys for Tots program!

Now thru Mar 01

More Deadly than Bullets: Illness & Disease in the Civil War

A New Exhibit - Presented by: Highmark Blue Shield

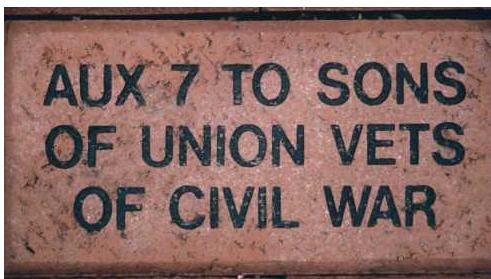
Worth displaying again for our members who do not have access to a computer to review previously shared data. Bricks on display at National Civil War Museum which are associated with Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Camp 15!



CAMP 15'S CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP AND THE BRICK:



CAMP 15 SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF CIVIL WAR



AUXILIARY #7 TO CAMP 15, HARRISBURG, PA



CAMP 15'S REAL SON, THE LATE MARTIN LANDIS
PRESENTED BY HIS FAMILY.



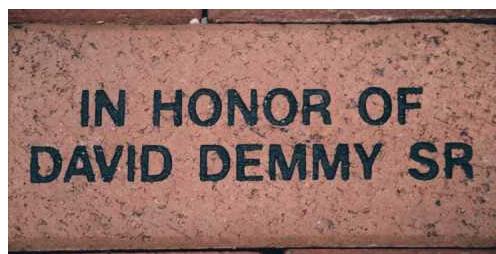
P-CINC JAMES PAHL PRESENTATION DURING THE 2006
NATIONAL CONVENTION HELD IN HARRISBURG PA.



PRESENTATION BY PCC LARRY KEENER-FARLEY AND
WIFE ANNETTE KEENER-FARLEY UPON THE OPENING
OF THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM 2000-2001.



VETERAN AND CAMP 15 MEMBER, RALPH MCLEAN



PRESENTED IN HONOR OF VETERAN DAVID W.
DEMMY, SR, UPON HIS RETIREMENT, BY HEIDI AND
PAUL STANALONIS, MECHANICSBURG.

The Lapel Button of the GAR!



Front



Reverse side

One of these old relics has been made available for our holiday party. Camp 15 will be offering five dollar tickets for opportunity to win a similar GAR Lapel button as featured in file photo above. Interested persons only!

If you are unable to attend this annual holiday Camp event and desire to participate in the above opportunity, send five dollar check payable to Hartranft Camp 15 SUVCW to our very own retired math teacher, Brother and PCC,

Larry C. Sheibley,
5 2 3 South Fourth Street
Newport, PA 17074-1316

Brother Larry will prepare a red ticket with your name upon it and place it into the opportunity at December 2009 event!

Also, Brother Larry will have 50/50 blue tickets. Two top participants will share 50 and 50 to Camp.

Fifty cents each or 12 for Five bucks! That's 2 free!



Count your blessings
God bless you and yours!

December 2009 Camp Event

Camp 15 Annual Holiday Party

Sunday, December 13th
at Doc Holliday's

New Cumberland I-83 exit 40
You select your meal from the menu
and pay as you go!

Brothers, time to reenlist!

If you enjoyed your monthly Hartranft Herald, field trip to Frederic Maryland, Memorial Day activities, Camp picnic fellowship, Department encampment, National encampment, Remembrance Day, then Brothers it is time to renew your commit to your ancestor or to a veteran of the Civil War.

Camp Dues

2010 Camp Dues are due now!
Check preferred – made payable to
Hartranft Camp 15 – SUVCW.

Still \$25.00 for year 2010!
Camp 15 makes no profit from your \$25.00
remittance.

96% is forwarded to Pennsylvania
Department and National organization in per
capita dues to operate those entities and to
provide the Battle Cry of Freedom and
quarterly Banner magazine to you!

Our fund raisers and other nominal
remittances keep Camp 15 'in the black'!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty
Let's help our servicemen and women in
Afghanistan!

Our newest Brother in Camp 15 is Duke Hall
who is on station in Afghanistan!

Notice: There is no PX in Afghanistan! No
chuck wagon! No Sutler! Just dirt and dust
and fleas! The few times the troops get back
to a rest area to clean up, recuperate, and
restock, whatever items were available are
depleted. Brothers and sisters of camp 15,
lets roll out the charity part of our Order's
Principles: Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
and bring donations to camp meeting for our
men and women on the ground far from
home.

Here is a list of things our troops need and desire: (note No Lotions due to climate)

Shaving needs - disposable razors, shave crème

Deodorant, Shampoo (especially the ones combined with conditioner like Pert), toothpaste and toothbrushes, small bottles of mouthwash

Foot powder and salve for all foot problems (no liquids, powders, sprays or quick dry gels/crèmes)

Flea Collars (large sizes), flea powder and spray (the sand over there is loaded with fleas and they wear these around their legs, arms and necks)

White cotton socks - Some of the light haired/skinned guys need sun block (the daytime temperature there is often 120 degrees with night temperatures dropping into the high 50's.

Sports and game magazines (no xxx)

Hand wipes (individually packaged) they need a lot of these!

Cards, games, puzzles, and any kind of entertainment that can be used in confined spaces!

Envelopes, writing paper and pens
Pens and paper to give to the Afghan children (they prize these greatly)

Beef Jerky (a big favorite) and other salty snacks
Dried fruit snack packs, breakfast, and snack bars
Throat lozenges and hard candies

Do not send liquids of any kind. Sometimes it is possible to sneak a few pork rinds through

that they like, but they are not on the acceptable list (because Muslim's do not approve of pork). Nothing containing alcohol except very weak mouthwash in the small bottles.

Duke is grandson of Past Pennsylvania Department Commander Lee Walters and Past President of the DUVCW, Charlotte Walters.

Here is Duke's address for you to send items and a note of good cheer and blessings to him and his fellow troopers.

SPC HALL, DUKE A.
5/2 ID (SBCT)
C Co, 1-17 IN BN 1st PLT
FOB Frontenac
APO AE 09355

The post office has overseas boxes already available and free to anyone who wants them. Just make sure to ask for the APO flat fee mailing box.

You can fill them (up to 70 lbs) for a flat fee of \$11.95. They will give you as many as you want and will even send them to your home at no added cost. **Each box must be accompanied by a USPS - Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note - CP72, PS Form 2976-A.** These are also free and can be ordered on the internet to be delivered to your home free.

Or you may bring your items to Camp meeting, Camp Christmas Party or you may provide a donation for items, payable to

Charlotte Walters

Terms and abbreviations of our Order – the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

GAR	Grand Army of the Republic
Allied Orders	During its existence the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) was aided in its work by five organizations, known as the Allied Orders* of the GAR.
Order	Any one of the 5 Allied Orders of the GAR
SUVCW	Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
ASUVCW	Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
WRC	Woman's Relief Corps
LGAR	Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
DUVCW	Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Sister	A member of the other Allied Orders – LRC, LGAR, Daughters, and/or Auxiliary
Sons	Another name for us – the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Brother	A male who is either a Member, Associate, Junior, Honorary Member, Life Member or Real Son of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Camp	Local organization of the Sons
Department	A state or alliance of states of the United States of America formed to peruse local camps within its purview; eg: Department of Pennsylvania
CC	Camp Commander – elected leader of a camp
PCC	Past Camp Commander
DC	Department Commander – elected state/Department leader
PDC	Past Department Commander
CinC	Commander in Chief – elected national leader of SUVCW
PCinC	Past Commander in Chief
Rituals	A series of activities for opening, closing and operating the meetings and Encampments of the Order
Encampment	(A convention of) The official body of the National Organization of each of the Allied Orders and of their Departments. Also a Departmental encampment!
BIGS	Brother(s) in Good Standing with our Order
FCL	Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty - The principles upon which the Grand Army of the Republic and its Allied Orders were founded, and under which the Allied Orders currently operate
Charter	A document issued by the Commander-in-Chief giving a Department or Camp the right to exist within the Order and under its regulations
MAL	Members-at-large - as in Pennsylvania's Camp 300; HQ at Harrisburg!
SVC	Senior Vice Commander – first officer after Commander
JVC	Junior Vice Commander – second officer after Commander

Remembrance Day 2009 activities

If you may be in Gettysburg on Thursday evening November 19, 2009 stop by and help:



Gettysburg Camp #112 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War annually raises money for Operation Ensuring Christmas. This is a charitable organization that provides Christmas gifts and other services to the orphans of U.S. Soldiers killed while serving their Country. In doing this we not only let the children that have suffered this terrible loss know that a grateful nation has not forgotten them, but allows them to know that they are not alone.

Since Camp #112 began supporting this charity two years ago they have raised over \$2,250 for this cause. This year Camp #112 asks that you help us support these children by coming out to Friendly's restaurant in Gettysburg on Thursday, November 19th (Dedication Day). During the dinner hours that evening, Friendly's is donating 20% of their proceeds to Camp #112 who in turn is donating the full amount to Operation Ensuring Christmas.

Please come out for dinner at Friendly's in Gettysburg when you come to town on the 19th to help support this worthy cause.

Many thanks,

Gettysburg Camp #112 SUVCW



Visit us on the web at:

www.suvcw.org

www.opchristmas.org

Banquet Saturday night after the Parade

**PAST COMMANDERS AND PAST PRESIDENTS
ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA
SONS OF UNION VETERANS AND AUXILIARY**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.

We cordially extend to you, your family and friends a warm invitation to attend the **79th ANNUAL DEDICATION DAY DINNER** of the Association, commemorating the dedication of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg on November 19th, 1863 by President Abraham Lincoln.

The dinner will be held **Saturday, November 21st at 6:30 P.M.** in the **Schwarzkopf-Powell Room** (please note the new room location) of the **Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center** on Business Route 15 (Emmitsburg Road) south of Gettysburg. Before and after dinner you will have a chance to visit with the various organizations fund raising officers in the Edwardian Room. Cost of the dinner will be **\$27.00 per person**. The entrée will be roast tom turkey with stuffing and gravy, mashed potatoes, and corn.

PLEASE NOTE - ALL members of the Sons of Union Veterans, Auxiliary, Daughters of Union Veterans, Ladies of the GAR, and Womans Relief Corps and their families are welcome to attend !!!!!!!

All reservations are to be sent to **PAST COMMANDERS DINNER, 1126 HANOVER ROAD, YORK, PA. 17408** with checks made payable to PAST COMMANDERS. The **final date for reservations to be received is November 13th, 2008.**

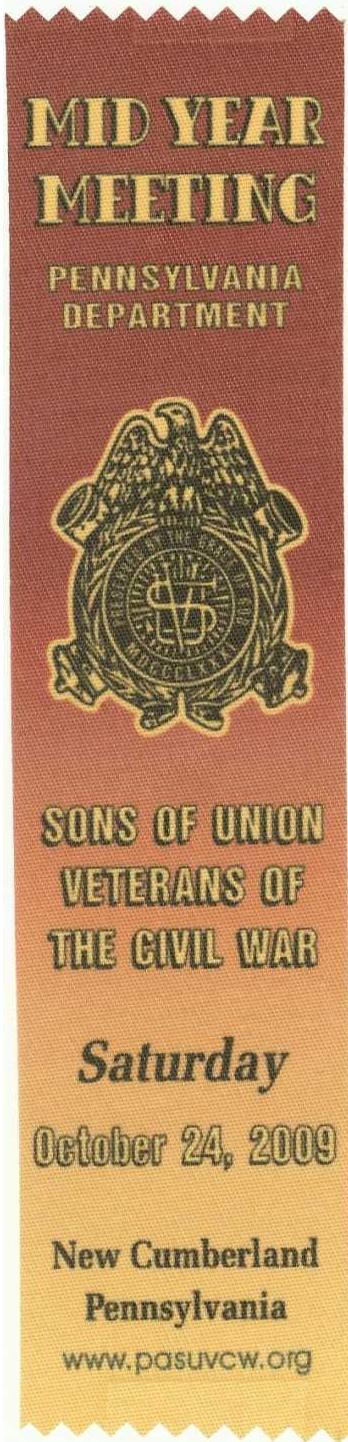
The Committee

Dinner Committee 2009,

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$ _____ for _____ reservations for the 79th Annual Dinner to be held in Gettysburg on November 21st, 2009. Make check payable to PAST COMMANDERS and mail to PAST COMMANDERS, 1126 HANOVER ROAD, YORK, PA. 17408. Please list the names of persons making reservations.

If you desire confirmation of your reservation please provide the following:
Email - _____ phone - _____

Friday Night Fellowship – November 20 at Cross Keys Motor Inn



If you are attending Remembrance Day on November 21, 2009
and would like to join the members of the Allied Orders
for an evening of conversation and friendship,
they will be meeting at the Cross Keys Motor Inn,
corner of Routes 94 and 30
New Oxford, PA, 17350, Phone: 717-624-7778
on Friday night, November 20, 2009
at 6:00 p.m. for dinner.

Please contact Joe Long: Phone 570-457-8438
limited rooms are available under his name
at a cost of \$74.12 per night.

Announcement of 2010 annual Pennsylvania Department Encampment
And wrap-up of 2009 encampment



Pennsylvania Department Encampment Committee

2009 Report on New Oxford Encampment

Pennsylvania Department Encampment Committee Budget
and Upcoming Encampment Report

October 24, 2009

To The Officers, Brothers and Sisters:

The seed money for the 2010 Encampment will be \$1500.00

Thanks to the members of the site committee for keeping the cost down, also to Faye Carlisle who made \$400.00 on a raffle for the site committee.

We would like to thank the Daughters in Western Pennsylvania for their increased support of the Encampment Book and attendance at the Encampment.

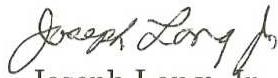
Our thanks to the Members of Camp 112 and Auxiliary 112 of Gettysburg for all their help in making the Encampment a success.

The 2010 Encampment will be held June 24 thru 26 at the Harrisburg Holiday Inn, New Cumberland, PA 17070.

The 2011 Encampment will be held in Scranton, PA.

The 2012 Encampment could possibly be held (negotiations are underway) at Ligonier, PA. The last Encampment at Ligonier was in 2008.

Yours in F.C.L.


Joseph Long, Jr.
Encampment Chairman

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