



# 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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--- [Nomination of 2008 Camp Officers takes place this month!](#) ---

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

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

[Next general meeting](#) is at **2 pm, Sunday, October 21** at National Civil War Museum at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg.

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[December 9<sup>th</sup> Camp Annual Holiday Party](#)

You can expect a personal invitation to our annual holiday party in your US mailbox soon. Please RSVP so we can prepare properly for all who desire to break bread and fellowship with us! Quick Details:

[Date:](#) **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**. From 11:30 a.m.

[Where:](#) Doc Holliday's New Cumberland

[Meal:](#) You select & pay, yourself, for whatever you desire from the wonderful Doc Holliday menu.

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[Commander's Report](#) by Donnie Prye



Happy Halloween to all the ghosts and goblins of Camp 15. As you may have noticed, we don't have a meeting scheduled for November! How then are we to elect officers for the coming term you ask?

If no one has any objections, I would like brother John Deppen,

JVC (in the absence of Greg Kline, SVC) to present the roster of candidates for office for 2008 at the October meeting, and we can also vote to accept or deny them at the same time. I believe this will be a good idea since November is such a busy month with Veterans' Day, Remembrance Day, Thanksgiving Day, and of course, Buck Season! You know us rural folks have to get our supply of meat in for the winter! See you at the meeting --- BOO! Donnie

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[Secretary's Report](#) by Larry C. Sheibley

[SUVCW Camp 15 Minutes – Sunday September 16, 2007 at the National Civil War Museum, Harrisburg, PA](#)



[Officers Present:](#)

[Don Prye, Greg Kline, John Deppen, Larry Sheibley, David Demmy, and Frank Haley](#)

[Officers Absent:](#)

[Dave Klinepeter, Gene Mascioli, and Kelly Betz](#)

Members Present:

Don Fry, Russ Kratzer, and Stan Zellers

Commander Don Prye called the SUVCW Camp 15 meeting to order at 2:01 pm. Treasurer David Demmy reported that the camp treasury contains \$3250.

Health up-dates were given by Chaplain David Demmy. Brother Arthur Longnaker is improving from his surgery. Illnesses of other camp brothers' family members were noted.

Two rifles remain from our house-cleaning sale. Again, the price is \$650 for the public and \$600 for Camp 15 members.

Secretary Larry Sheibley read Department Order No. 1 from PA Department Commander Lee Walters. Next, the following dates and events were noted:

- October 6 Testimonial luncheon for Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr., in Gettysburg
- October 28 Camp Curtin Historical Society trip to two Antietam museums
- November 3 Department of PA mid-year meeting at Doc Holliday's, New Cumberland
- November 10 Community Free Day at the National Civil War Museum, Harrisburg
- November 17 Remembrance Day breakfast, parade and ball in Gettysburg

Any camp member interested in participating in the Remembrance Day parade should contact Senior-Vice Commander Greg Kline.

Brothers Demmy and Kline and Mrs. Demmy are in charge of the December Christmas Party and Swearing-in Ceremony. Any other brothers interested in being on this committee should contact the camp.

Our Camp Council recommended that Camp 15 donate \$50 to the Montgomery County Historical Society and \$50 to the Abraham Lincoln Endowment. Brother Fry moved and Brother Haley seconded that the entire \$100 be donated to MGHS because they tend to the cemetery where our namesake, General John F. Hartranft, (is buried in the Montgomery Cemetery). Also, the MCHS director conducted the free tour for our June field trip (see the two previous issues of this newsletter). The motion was approved. A discussion of the field trip followed.

Brother David Demmy attended the National Encampment in St. Louis. While there, he noticed a vender selling Camp 15 SUVCW belt buckles. The Commander asked the Secretary to contact Department Brother Richard Orr about this violation of our franchise rights.

Brothers Prye, Kline, and Deppen attended the August 11 General John White Geary Monument Dedication at the Gettysburg National Park.

The commander closed the camp at 3:28 pm.

Larry Sheibley, PCC, Camp 15 Secretary  
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[Deppen to appear at National Civil War Museum](#) -- for immediate news-release:

Harrisburg, PA – John Deppen of Northumberland will appear as Union Major General Winfield Scott Hancock at The National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg as part of the museum's Community Free Day on Saturday, November 10. Admission to the museum will be free for all visitors. Deppen is scheduled to perform his dramatic, first-person portrayal of General



[Hartranft deceased](#)

Hartranft, John Frederick (1830-1889) — Born in New Hanover Township, Montgomery County, Pa., December 16, 1830. Republican. Served in the Union Army during the Civil War; Pennsylvania state auditor general, 1866-72; Governor of Pennsylvania, 1873-79; candidate for Republican nomination for President, 1876. He received the Medal of Honor in 1886 for action at Bull Run, Va., July 21, 1861. **Died October 17, 1889.** His Interment is at Montgomery Cemetery, Norristown, Pa which Camp 15 visited during summer of 2007.

[Camp 15's 45.70 Rifles](#)

Camp 15 sold three rifles and traded two 45.70s for 1861 models.

5 down 2 to go! Any interested parties out there contact Commander or pose your concern at October meeting on **October 21!**

[Hartranft Herald](#) – comments from the front lines

“. . . . . Again my many thanks for keeping me in mind to receive (your) Newsletter. I still find it very informative and to the point. It was again nice to share the National Encampment with you and your wife and [I] look forward to seeing you both again”.

-- **My best, Brother Eric.**

“. . . . . Nice work on the (Camp 15) website”. -- From Bill, a history buff reader in Strawberry Square.

“Thanks as always for the terrific job on the Hartranft Herald”. (see below) for an article on the Dedication of the General Geary Monument in Gettysburg, held on August 11, 2007.

-- John Deppen.

Dear Camp members and readers of the Camp's monthly newsletter. The *Hartranft Herald* wholeheartedly thanks, Dave Demmy, Jr., my webmaster, for the time and effort he has put into reviving our website, placing all past *Hartranft Herald* news on the site, and for making the monthly *Hartranft Herald* available in two modes for reading and/or printing for the pleasure of our members and readers to enjoy. Soon, the history of Camp 15 will be updated on our website.

-- your hard-at-work or hardly-working *Hartranft Herald* interns, contributing journalists, and staff.

[Geary Monument Dedication 2007](#)

By John Deppen



FROM LEFT, GREG KLINE, SVC, JOHN DEPPEN, JVC AND DONNIE PRYE, COMMANDER.



**GENERAL JOHN WHITE GEARY**

On Saturday, August 11, officers of General John F. Hartranft Camp #15 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War participated in the dedication of the General John White Geary statue on Culp's Hill at Gettysburg National Military Park. Commander Donnie Prye, Senior Vice Commander Greg Kline, and Junior Vice Commander John Deppen laid a wreath at Geary's statue above and in the next photograph.



The ceremony was planned and orchestrated by



Mr. Sheldon Munn, President of the Harrisburg Civil War Round Table, and featured several notable speakers, including GOVERNOR EDWARD RENDELL, Dr. John Latschar, Superintendent of

GNMP, Charles Fennell, Licensed Battlefield Guide, and Dr Richard Sommers.



BATTERY PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE.

Additional photos will appear at Camp 15 Website when time permits for uploading.



CAMP CURTIN PERSONNEL IN ATTENDANCE.

In keeping with similar ceremonies that took place on the battlefield more than a century ago, the dedication of the Geary monument included musical selections and lasted close to two hours. Other participants in the ceremony included the General Meade Society of Philadelphia and the Freemasons.



COMMANDER PRYE COMMENTED that the dedication was one of the highlights of his service as Camp Commander.



GOVERNOR & CAMP 15 OFFICERS ON HONORABLE DAY.

[Brothers and Sisters in distress](#)

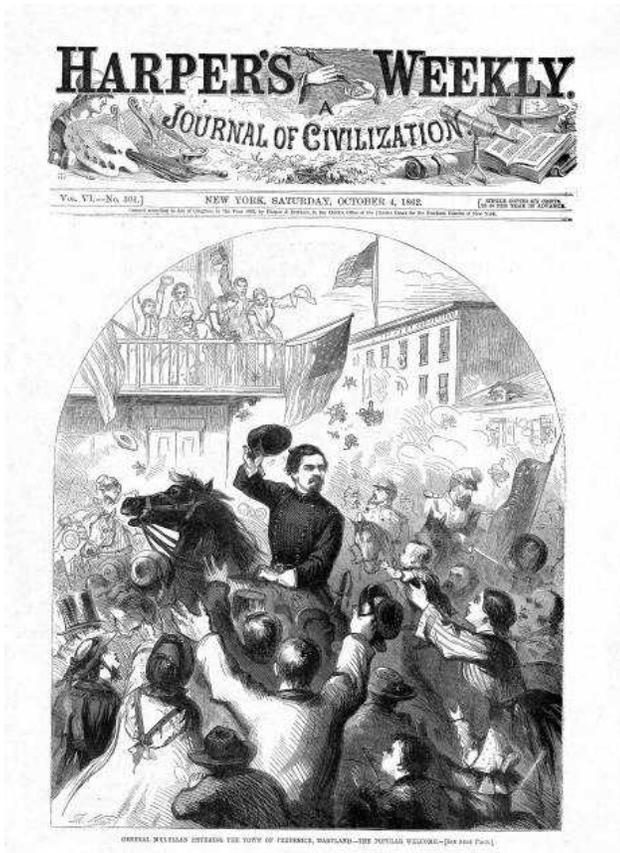
In recent weeks, the *Hartranft Herald* learned the following brothers and sisters had or continue to have health issues or other distress:

- Art Longnaker
- Mrs. Gilbert Kyle
- Mrs. Frank Haley
- Mrs. Lee Walters
- Eric Schmincke, PDC

And, some brothers who desire not to list their names. Please remember these brothers and sisters in your daily prayers and God Bless America.

[Feature from Harper's Weekly](#)

On **October 4, 1862**, *Harper's Weekly* featured a cartoon about General George B. McClellan and the Battle of Antietam.



General M'Clellan Entering the Town of Frederick, Maryland--The Popular Welcome

Artist: Thomas Nast

This cover illustration of Harper's Weekly honors the military leadership of General George B. McClellan, commander of the Army of the Potomac, who rides triumphantly into Frederick, Maryland, following the Union victory at the Battle of Antietam, Maryland, on September 17, 1862 (a week before this post-dated issue was published). The battle was one of the major turning points of the Civil War because it repelled a Confederate invasion of a Union state, where General Robert E. Lee had hoped to win a major victory, and it gave President Abraham Lincoln a suitable military pretext for issuing the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation.

George B. McClellan (1826-1885) was born in Philadelphia, the son of a surgeon and medical professor. Young McClellan attended Philadelphia prep schools, and then studied at the University of Pennsylvania from 1840 until 1842 when he accepted an appointment to West Point. Graduating second in his class in 1846, he served in the Mexican-American War (1846-1848) as an engineer constructing roads and bridges. He won three commendations for distinguished service and was raised to the rank of captain. At the war's conclusion, he returned to West Point to teach military engineering. While there, he translated and adapted a book of French regulations on bayonet exercises, which was adopted by the army in 1852.

McClellan left West Point in 1851 for a series of engineering assignments in Delaware, Arkansas, Texas, and the Cascade Mountains in the Pacific Northwest. In 1855, he joined a board of officers for a year abroad studying military systems in Europe and the Crimean War Theater, for which he wrote highly regarded reports. Based on his observations, he made several suggestions for improving the American armed forces, including a new kind of saddle. In 1857, he retired from the army to work in the railroad industry. He was chief engineer, then vice president, of the Illinois Central Railroad before accepting the presidency of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad in 1860.

When the Civil War began, McClellan was named major general in charge of the Ohio volunteers and state militia, but within a month was appointed major general in the federal army and put in charge of the Department of Ohio. His victory at Rich Mountain, West Virginia (July 11, 1861), just ten days before the Union defeat at Bull Run, brought him to the attention of the military's top echelon. As a result, he was given command of the Division of the Potomac, centered around Washington, D. C. Finding the troops in disarray, he reorganized, trained, and disciplined them, who affectionately

nicknamed him the “Young Napoleon.” He was a *reluctant fighter*, though, who continually overestimated enemy troop strength and hesitated to put his troops into action.

On August 15, 1861, McClellan assumed command of the Army of the Potomac, the major Union force in the Eastern Theater, and in November 1861, replaced General Winfield Scott, who retired, as general-in-chief. The appointment prompted McClellan to *delay military action* further as he pondered the larger military situation he had inherited. Lincoln's exasperation with his top general's slowness to battle, as well as disputes over strategy, led the president to relieve McClellan of the post of general-in-chief on March 11, 1862, although leaving him in charge of the Army of the Potomac.

After Confederate troops pushed Union forces away from the Confederate capital of Richmond in the Seven Days Campaign (June 24-July 1, 1862) and defeated the Union at the Second Battle of Bull Run (August 28-30, 1862), General Robert E. Lee invaded the Union state of Maryland. Lee hoped that his presence would inspire Confederate sympathizers in the state, and that a major victory would strengthen the Union peace movement and undermine Union morale. As Lee moved into western part of the state, McClellan had the good fortune to be given a mislaid copy of Lee's plans, which indicated that Confederate troops were currently scattered. However, *instead of seizing the initiative*, McClellan *waited*, allowing some of the Confederates time to reassemble at Antietam Creek near the town of Sharpsburg, Maryland.

The Battle of Antietam on September 6-7, 1862, was the bloodiest of the entire war. McClellan with 87,000 men repeatedly assaulted Lee, whose 50,000 men were reinforced by Confederate troops under Stonewall Jackson. At one point in the battle, when some Union troops found themselves trapped, 2,000 men were killed in a matter of minutes. In all, nearly 23,000 men were killed--13,000 Union soldiers and 10,000 Confederates--with many others wounded. *The casualties at Antietam numbered four times the total suffered by American soldiers on the beaches of Normandy during World War II*, and more than twice as many Americans lost their lives in one day of the battle as died in combat during the War of 1812, the Mexican-American War, and the Spanish-American War combined.

While Antietam was a tactical draw, it was a strategic loss for the Confederacy because they had to forsake, for the time, their invasion of the North. President Lincoln was not pleased with McClellan's performance after Antietam. The Union commander ignored the president's orders to overtake Lee's retreating troops

swiftly and strike a deathblow against the Confederacy. Finally fed up with the excuses and procrastination, Lincoln relieved McClellan of his command on November 5, 1862. "I hate to see McClellan go," Robert E. Lee wrote to his wife.

McClellan never saw field duty again, but in 1864, the Democratic Party nominated him for president. The party platform reflected the dominant force of the Peace Democrats ("Copperheads") at the national convention. It criticized Lincoln's administration of the war effort, the suppression of civil liberties, and called for an immediate cessation of fighting and a negotiated settlement. McClellan repudiated the “peace plank,” promising, instead, to prosecute the war more effectively than Lincoln. The president defeated McClellan by a large margin in the Electoral College.

Retiring from the army on election day, McClellan spent the next three years traveling in Europe. He returned to head the construction of a newly designed warship, but the project was scrapped in 1869. He served as chief engineer of the New York City Docks (1870-1872), then as governor of New Jersey (1878-1881). McClellan died of a heart ailment in 1885.

Robert C. Kennedy for HarpWeek

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[The Gettysburg Foundation](#) presents the [John Scott Adams Seminar Series](#)

This series offers guests a more in-depth look at some aspect of the Battle of Gettysburg and supports the Foundation's commitment to education in support of its mission to honor, support, protect and enhance the resources associated with the Gettysburg National Military Park, the Battle of Gettysburg and the Eisenhower National Historic Site.

The John Scott Adams Seminar Series is made possible by the generous support of Barbara Adams in memory of her husband, John S. Adams.

The (Gettysburg) Foundation is pleased to offer these seminars to members and non-members. [Next seminar announced! November 3, 2007](#)

["Camp Letterman, Gettysburg July-November 1863" featuring Battlefield Guide Sue Boardman.](#)

**Also at Gettysburg:** November 17, Remembrance **Day Parade** and Ceremonies an annual event held in conjunction with the Gettysburg Address anniversary. A parade of Civil War living history groups begins at 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

**Fifth Annual Remembrance Illumination**, Soldiers' National Cemetery Sponsored by the Gettysburg Foundation. Luminary candles will be placed on each Civil War grave as a testament to the sacrifices made here in 1863. For information, contact the Gettysburg Foundation at (717) 338-1243.

**November 19 144th Anniversary of the Gettysburg Address** An annual observation with brief memorial services in the Soldiers' National Cemetery at 9:45 a.m... Sponsored by the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania.

**December 1-31 An Eisenhower Christmas** the Eisenhower home is decorated in the traditions of the Eisenhower's. Some original decorations and Christmas cards will be on display. Included in site admission. (717) 338-9114.

This Calendar Will Be Updated. Dates and Events are subject to change.

For further information on park events, contact Gettysburg National

Military Park at (717) 334-1124, ext. 431. Also visit: [www.nps.gov/gett](http://www.nps.gov/gett)

For information on the Eisenhower National Historic Site, call (717) 338-9114 or visit: [www.nps.gov/eise](http://www.nps.gov/eise)

For information on community activities and attractions, contact the Gettysburg Convention and Visitor Bureau at (717) 334-6274 or 1 (800). For more go to:

<http://community.netscape.com/n/pfx/forum.aspx?tsn=1&nav=messages&webtag=ws-civilwar&tid=126404&redirCnt=1>

Gettysburg data above submitted by Brother Gene Mascioli, PCC on September 5<sup>th</sup>. While Gene will be traveling during our October general meeting on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, he is looking forward to attending the November 17<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day activities. At this time, there is no general meeting of Camp 15 scheduled for November. Plan on attending the Remembrance Day Parade and activities.

[National Civil War Museum Events](#) – Camp 15's generous host for our business meetings:

\*Schedules and times are subject to change. Inclement weather will route activities indoors. Weather information for National Civil War Museum available by calling 717 260 9573.

**Toys for Tots: November 1 - December 13, 2007**



## Harrisburg Toys for Tots

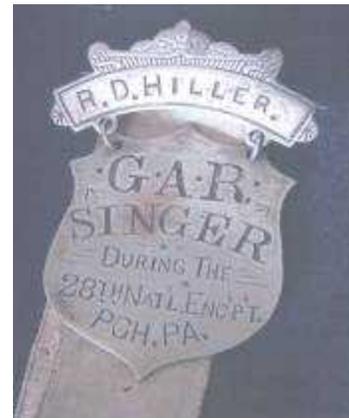
**For the Seventh consecutive year**, the National Civil War Museum and the US Marine Corps have teamed up to bring Christmas to Harrisburg area children. **The museum will be accepting toys through Dec. 13, 2007. Visitors who bring a new, unwrapped toy valued at \$10 or more will receive one free admission to the museum as a gift** for supporting the local Toys for Tots program.

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THIS WONDERFUL PROGRAM!**



**Community Free Day: Saturday, November 10, 2007, 10am-5pm**

**Admission to the Museum will be free for all visitors!**

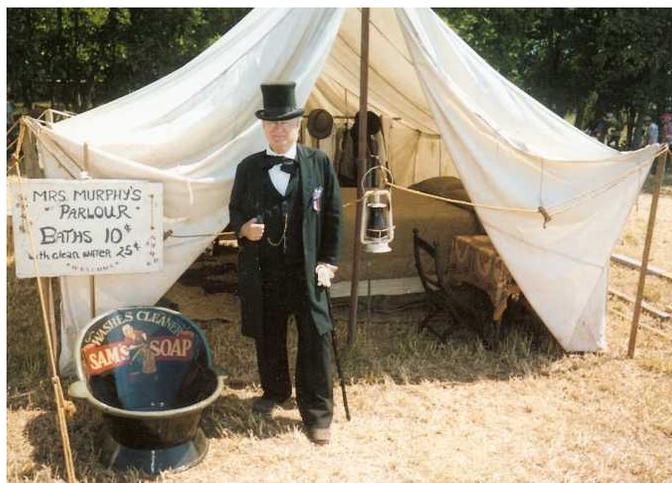


28<sup>th</sup> National Encampment badge at Pittsburgh, Pa.

PROVIDED BY DAVID J. KLINEPETER



CAMP 15 MEMBER, MIKE KLINEPETER, a Sutler, posing in his tent during an August Civil War re-enacting event.



CAMP 15 HISTORIAN, DAVID J. KLINEPETER, posing outside of the bath tent. Poor Mrs. Murphy had to clean up after all those boys in blue for a mere 10 cents.

Send your candid photos to *Hartranft Herald* at [DoubleD@Demmy.cc](mailto:DoubleD@Demmy.cc) or mail to address on the mailing page of this issue of your *Hartranft Herald*. Please include a description of the activity, indicate personnel displayed in the photo by name, along with date of the event!

## PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR/GAR HISTORIAN

by Dave Klinepeter

I received my latest issue of the SUVCW Banner today, (of course read it today also!)



The picture on the front was very heart warming; it was great to see ALL of the Allied Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic together. It is an honor to have a member of Hartranft Camp 15 Harrisburg, Pa serving as Commander-in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans. We need to support our brother in every way possible. Notice the beard on C in C Charlie Kuhn. If you can make it to the Remembrance Day parade on Nov 17 at Gettysburg, you will see him with that beard. Go to the SUVCW banquet that evening you will have to look very carefully because he shaves it off after the parade. I had that problem several years ago. I would like to encourage our camp members to either march in, or at least see the parade. There will be Sons of Veterans, Various Allied organizations of the Grand Army family (the ladies), reenactors, C. W. civilian groups, President Lincoln, Governor Curtin and others. I would also encourage our members to try to attend the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner in support of our Department Commander Lee Walters, (Camp 15 member), and Commander-in-chief Charles Kuhn (Camp 15 member). For full information, see inner page in the latest Banner.

### A FEW DATES TO REMEMBER

October 24 1861 First transcontinental Western Union linking east and west coast.

October 28 1886 Dedication Statue of Liberty by President Grover Cleveland.

November 10, 1865, Henry Wirz, Commander of Andersonville prison in Georgia was hanged for war crimes. Nearly a third of the 46,000 inmates died from inhumane conditions. Walt Whitman wrote, "There are deeds, crimes that may be forgiven, but this is not among them".

November 11, 1865 Closing of Camp Curtin. Over

300,000 men had passed through it on the way to war. It was a training camp, hospital, and prisoner of war camp.

November 17, 2007 Remembrance Day Parade and Civil War Ball by SUV.

November 19 2007 144<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address observance at the National Cemetery. 9:30 am Sponsored by the Lincoln Fellowship of Pa. I will be introducing President Lincoln, to make a few appropriate remarks.

Continuation of John H. Runkle information and a history of the Camp 15 Drum Corp next month.

---DJK

### [Greetings from The Historical Society of Montgomery County](#)

Just to give you advanced notice and have you think about your next trip to Montgomery County, our Round Table will be hosting a symposium in 2008 on the Lincoln Assassination. Among the speakers will be Al Gambone and his topic is "John F. Hartranft & His Treatment of Those Confined for the Lincoln Murder Conspiracy."

Additionally Michael Kauffman, David Jordan and others will be speaking--a great day is scheduled. The date is October 25<sup>th</sup> 2008 Registration information is not out yet, but will be on the Round Table's website fairly soon at <http://www.cwrtmontcopa.org/home.htm>

Best wishes...  
Michelle Harris  
Executive Director  
Historical Society of Montgomery County, PA.

### Pennsylvania Humor -

Three men were sitting together bragging about how they had given their new wives duties.

The first man had married a woman from New York and bragged that he had told his wife she was going to do all the dishes and house cleaning. He said it took a couple days but on the third day he came home to a clean house and the dishes were done.

The second man had married a woman from Florida. He bragged that he had given his wife orders that she was to do all the cleaning, dishes and the cooking. On that the first day he didn't see any results, but the next day it was better. By the third day, his house was clean, the dishes were done and he had a huge dinner on the table.

The third man married a girl from Pennsylvania. He told her that her duties were to keep the house clean, dishes washed, lawn mowed, laundry washed and hot meals on the table for every meal. He said the first day he didn't see anything, the second day he didn't see anything but by the third day most of the swelling had gone down and he could see a little out of his left eye; enough to fix himself a bite to eat, load the dishwasher and telephone a landscaper.

Ya Gotta love those Pennsylvania girls!!!

{\o/} Sending an Angel to watch over you!  
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:} A smile is the universal symbol for happiness!

[Camp 15's Calendar of Events for 2007](#)

October – Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	General Meeting at National Civil War Museum.
	Selection of Camp officers for 2008.
November	No general meeting scheduled at this time.
November – Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Free admission to Veterans day events at National Civil War Museum, Reservoir Park Harrisburg.
<b>Veterans' Day 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thank a Veteran today for your freedoms.</b>
November – Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Annual <b>Remembrance Day</b> at Gettysburg.
December – Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Annual <b>Holiday Party</b> at Doc Holliday's Restaurant, Limekiln Road, <b>Exit 40A</b> , New Cumberland, Pennsylvania. Celebrate the Installation of Officers for 2008 at this annual event. TIME: social hour 11:30 to 12:30; 1 pm mealtime and fellowship into afternoon. 
	<b>Next Year</b>
<b>January – Saturday 26, 2008</b> More about this road trip in a forthcoming issue of your <i>Hartranft Herald</i> . Breakfast buffet at The Ono Farmer's Wife Family Restaurant 8:30 a.m., along Route 22 East at Ono, just east of the GAP exit.	The World War II Federation and Fort Indiantown Gap Presents the 63d Commemoration of the Battle of the Bulge, January 26th, 2008  10:00 AM – 2:00 PM  Area 12 - Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA  See WWII period re-enacting and vehicles and the inside barracks!  <a href="http://www.wwiifederation.org/">http://www.wwiifederation.org/</a>

## 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 the Civil War,
- ❑ Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and
- ❑ Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

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#### Looking Ahead into November:

- Photos of recent Camp activities as they become available.
- Membership Bio Profiles will continue to appear as they are submitted.
- Keep a copy of your schedule of events and calendar handy for reference.
- Look for personal invitation to our annual holiday event in your post mailbox.

Bring a nephew, uncle, brother, father, grandfather, neighbor and friend to a Camp meeting!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty!

Contact *Hartranft Herald* at [DoubleD@Demmy.cc](mailto:DoubleD@Demmy.cc)

--- End of October 2007 Hartranft Herald ---

# Pennsylvania Department Encampment Committee

Brothers and Sisters,

You are cordially invited to attend the 2008 Department Encampment / Convention of the Allied Orders, which includes the Sons of Union Veterans, Auxiliary to the Sons and the Daughters of Union Veterans. The Encampment / Convention will be held -



**June 19, 20, and 21, 2008**

at the

**Ramada Inn Historic Ligonier  
216 West Loyal Hanna Street  
Ligonier, PA 15658**

(walking distance to over sixty (60) specialty shops and Fort Ligonier)

Room rates are:

**One queen bed (\$89.00 plus tax); two double beds (\$94.00 plus tax)**

**Check-in time: 4:00 P.M.**

Reservations are to be made under

**“Grand Army of the Republic”**

Please contact the Ramada Inn directly at 724-238-9545.

Internet address: [www.ramadainnligonier.com](http://www.ramadainnligonier.com)

(Please call by May 25, 2008 to reserve your room within the block.)

Meeting facilities are located on the Lobby Level of the hotel.



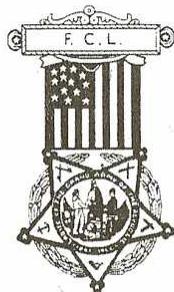
**Driving directions are as follows:**

**From points South - PA Turnpike to Exit 9 (Donegal). Follow Route 711 to Ligonier (12 miles).**

**From points North and North East - Route 80 to Route 220 to Route 99 to Route 30; or Route 80 to Route 220 to Route 99, to Route 22 to Route 219 to Route 30 W.**

**From points West - PA Turnpike to Exit 9 (Donegal). Follow Route 711 to Ligonier (12 miles), or Route 30 from Greensburg.**

**From points East - PA Turnpike to Exit 9 (Donegal). Follow Route 711 to Ligonier (12 miles).**



Make plans now to attend this Pennsylvania Convention in June 2008.  
More data forthcoming.