



Hartranft Herald

The Newsletter of

Maj. Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

www.SuvcwHarrisburgPa.org/

Celebrating our 138th Year serving Harrisburg Area



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2020 is a Leap Year

January 2020



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!

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!

2020 Hartranft Camp 15	Commander	Logan Swanger 2019
Officers and Staff	Senior Vice Commander	Vernon Stout 2018
	Junior Vice Commander	Scott Debo, PCC 2018
	Secretary	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-20
	Treasurer	David W. Demmy, Sr. PCC 07-20
	Council 01	Anthony Kline 16 - 20
	Council 02.	Jeffery Smith, PCC 18-21
	Council 03	Scott Debo, PCC 15-20
	Patriotic Instructor	Jeffery Smith, PCC 18 - 20
	Chaplain	David W. Demmy, Sr., PCC 00-20
	Counselor.	Lee F. Walters, PCC since 2007
	GAR Historian.	Jeffery Smith, PCC 2020
	Graves Registration	Logan Swanger 14-20
	Guide	Vacant 2018
	Color Bearer.	Vacant 2018
	Guard	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-20
	Eagle Scout Coordinator	Vacant 2018
	Webmaster	Dave W. Demmy, Jr. since 2011
	ROTC Coordinator	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-20
	GAR Highway Officer	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-20
	Longevity Brother	Dave J. Klinepeter, PCC 1943

Camp 15 routinely meets at National Civil War Museum, at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA, 2 pm,
3rd Sunday of most months. The Marshall A. Hope author award was bestowed upon *Hartranft Herald*
for excellence of a camp newsletter by Brad Schall, Commander in Chief, 2010-2011.

Dept of PA: www.PAsuvcw.org National: <http://www.suvcw.org/> See TMI from afar!

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Reminder, dues for 2020 was increased by motion of camp councilmen and approved by camp vote at November 17, 2019 camp meeting!

Camp 15 Dues time – year 2020

2nd notice

To save postage you may bring your New Year 2020
Camp 15 dues of **\$40** to January Camp Meeting!
Sunday January 19th

Life Members' dues is \$7.00 for Pennsylvania
Department collection, only.

Life Members are exempt from Camp 15 dues and
National per capita!

See text bottom of national form 9 for specifics

Camp treasurer prefers **\$40** check payable to

'Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW'.

Or mail your check to

David W. Demmy, Sr.

881 Sunny Hill Lane

Harrisburg PA 17111 – 4690

A Check protects both parties!

Membership cards for 2020 will be issued in mass!

To become a National Life Member of our grand organization, visit national.suvcw.org website and under forms, select form 9, complete it, attach your payment for your age bracket and mail directly to national headquarters!

"Other New Year's announcements included one from The Hershey Company that, effective the end of 2019, the iconic Kiss mobiles will no longer take to the road promoting Hershey Kisses and other products.



The Hershey Company spokesman said the decision had been reached due to the aging condition of the vehicles. They've been on the road since 1992

and each logged more than 200,000 miles. Replacement

parts and just plain wear have become a problem. The Kissmobiles won't disappear, though, as one that has been on regular display under the portico at the AACA Museum out on Route 39 will now become part of the museum's permanent collection. Another one, which apparently doesn't have a permanent home yet, sits in a parking lot just off one of the traffic circles on Route 322 coming into Hershey at the Milton Hershey School. Signs make it available for photographs. So, they'll no longer be packed with their 230,000 capacity of Hershey Kisses they used to give out on their travels, but will live on in retirement!"

-- Brother Bill Jackson, Founder,
Central Pennsylvania WWII Round Table at Hummelstown PA.

Brothers and Sisters in Distress by, Brother David W, Demmy, Sr., PCC, a Kentucky Colonel, Camp 15 Chaplain, CPA, and ARNG.

Camp 15 expressions our sincere condolences to Life Member Brother Robert Manning, dual life member of camp 15, living in Idaho. Bob lost his 96-year-old mother before the holidays! Bob and his wife too are having some difficulties too with the maturing factor. Don't grow old. Elsewhere; please include the following during your prayers:

- Commander Logan Swanger recent ailment, Brother Vern safe travels below the Mason-Dixon Line; blessings for Dave Klinepeter for recent ailment. Greg Kline, Tony Kline, Scott Debo. Mrs. Betz, PCinC Rich Orr, Jim Crane of Ohio, PCinC Andy Johnson; with continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters PDP and Mrs. Dot Kline Mrs. Rob Koenigsberg, spouse of PA Dept Secretary; and Rob too. Darlene Alcorn's son; and Lowell Alcorn, Mrs. Rosemary Martin, Mrs. John Martin! and Brother John Martin. Mrs. Robert Treat and Mrs. Tom McKay!
- Mrs. Ellen Kowalski to care for Jerry!
- Chaplains Jerry Kowalski and Scott Teeters and Clark Brocht! PCinC Ed Krieser, PCinC Brad Schall, Mrs. Dick Williams of the department of Michigan among our prayer list too! God bless you and yours, and in all things, give thanx!
- If you have knowledge of our sisters and brothers in distress, drop us a line so we may pray for them!

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Camp Minutes November 2019

Nov 17 2019

Meeting was called to order by Commander Swanger.

Officers present:

Commander: Logan Swanger

Sr. Vice: Vern Stout

Jr. Vice: Scott Debo

Treasurer & Chaplain: David Demmy Sr.

Council: Tony Kline

Approval of last minutes

Tony Kline, 2nd. David Demmy, Sr

Treasurer's Report:

Brother David discussed the annual donation that we provide to the Civil War Museum for the use of our meeting room.

RSVP's are slow in coming for our annual banquet.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion was held over the museum donation. In keeping with prior years donation amounts the sum of two hundred dollars was put before the Camp and approved.

1st Vern Stout

2nd David Demmy

Applications: No new applications

New Business:

A discussion was held over the increase of the Camp's annual dues. Currently the dues do not cover the Camp's annual expenses. The sum of forty dollars was put forward by the Camp Council. This sum will allow our expenses to be met and is in keeping with other Camps in the Department.

1st Scott Debo

2nd David Demmy

Brother Wayne offered to write an article for "The Battle Cry of Freedom" on behalf of the camp.

Plans were discussed for Department Commander Greg Kline's testimonial. The event will take place Spring of 2020, the exact date will be determined.

Brother Vern suggested a possible spring outing to "A night with the painting." This would be a private tour at the Gettysburg Cyclorama and an up-close visit with the painting itself.

Meeting was closed 2:15 PM

The camp adjourned to Longhorn Steakhouse for discussion all things civil war.

I serve 3 meals a day

Frozen! Microwave! And Take Out!

Valentine Day will be here soon. Here is an image from the roaring 20s of an puppy looking for some love!



Happy

♥Valentine Day♥

to you and yours!

On the Road with Camp 15

New Readers, for all of our past newsletters, visit

<https://www.SUVCWHarrisburgPA.org>

January 19, [2020 already] next camp meeting at 2pm.
At NCWM.

The National Civil War Museum will be closed **Monday, February 10, 2019 through Friday, 14, 2020** for upgrades, maintenance, and repairs and will reopen on **Community Free Day Saturday, February 15, 2020** at 10:00 a.m. camp 15 camp 503 volunteers needed to man [SUVCW information tables](#).....

Sunday, February 16, 2020 Camp meeting at NCWM
2pm

Saturday **March 7, 2020**, Camps 503 and 15 will jointly host a testimonial luncheon for Pennsylvania Department Commander, Gregory Kline

This event is scheduled for ballroom at National Civil War Museum Harrisburg. Invitations to be available Spring time.

Sunday March 15, 2020 camp meeting at NCWM 2pm

Sunday April 19, 2020 camp meeting at NCWM 2 pm

Hartranft Herald Editor, David Demmy, will be attending National Council of Administration of the SUVCW, in Springfield Illinois this weekend! Carry On!

May:

17th regular camp meeting at NCWM 2pm.

23rd camp meets for breakfast and then proceed to historic Harrisburg Cemetery to pay tribute to those veterans within, at 13th and State Streets, Hbg.

25th **Memorial Day** parades and other cemeteries to visit.

Follow us on Facebook at:

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

Be Proud - Wear the Badge



Come out to a meeting and engage with us!

- The Allied Orders of the GAR:
- -Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to GAR,
- -Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
- -Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War,
- -Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and
- -Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans 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 125th 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, cousin, neighbor, and friend to a Camp meeting! Family and brothers and sisters of the Allied Orders are always welcome!

Established February 11, 1882. 138 years and marching onward! Route Step March!

in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty!

Continued with other data below!

National Civil War Museum Event

Special Member Event!



Nicknames and Sobriquets of Commanders in the Civil War

Saturday, January 25, 2020 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Members will be given a preview of the exhibit before it opens to the general public.

This exhibit will recall the names by which Commanders are remembered. Whether as a term of endearment given by their troops, a label from the press based on battlefield performance. Some where known for their temperament or physical appearance. Others were even known by nicknames from their pre-war life. In jest, endearment, admiration or derision, these leaders often became famous along with their newly assigned sobriquet. The stories of how they received these, run the range of emotions but all are enlightening and entertaining.

This preview is for members only!
Please contact Mary Beth before 4:00 p.m., January 24, 2020.

Click the button below or call 717-260-1861 ext. 1108

RSVP HERE

Renew your membership here!

You can join today for monthly payment program; make automatic payment and be member forever with xtra benefits!

Contact Mary Beth today!

APPOMATTOX LUNCHEON

Pennsylvania Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

When - Saturday, April 18, 2020 12:00 Noon

Where - 'My Brothers Place' restaurant

2058 Leesburg Grove City Road

Rt. 208 next to Grove City Outlet

Grove City, Pa 16127

Hosted by Isaac Eaton Camp No. 504 and Davis *(Star) Camp

Lunch Buffet of roast beef and chicken, potatoes and vegetables, salad, rolls, desserts with non-alcoholic beverages included. Price of the luncheon is \$23.00 per person.

Program: Michael Kraus Curator/Historian Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum Trust, Inc. - 'Pittsburgh During the Civil War'

Door prizes and drawings; A great opportunity to meet and socialize with old and new friends of the Allied Orders.

Reservations: Please remit payment no later than Monday April 13, 2020.

Payment *payable* to:

Isaac Eaton Camp No 504

Mail Payment & form to Timothy Bennett,

117 George Jr. Rd., Grove City, Pa 16127

Directions to 'My Brothers Place' Restaurant

From the South: I 79 North to Grove City Exit 113, turn Left on Route 208 W approx. 1 ½ miles, Restaurant will be on the right side past 9 Days Inn motel.