



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 139th Year serving Harrisburg Area

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Veterans Day USA

November 2021

Remembrance Day month



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!

2021 Hartranft Camp 15	Commander ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Vernon Stout 2021
Officers and Staff	Senior Vice Commander ~ ~ ~	Logan Swanger PCC 2021
	Junior Vice Commander ~ ~ ~	Scott Debo, PCC 2021
	Secretary ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-21
	Treasurer ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	David W. Demmy, Sr. PCC 07-21
	Council 01 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Anthony Kline 16 - 21
	Council 02 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Scott Debo, PCC 15-21
	Council 03 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 18-21
	Patriotic Instructor ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 18 - 21
	Chaplain ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	David W. Demmy, Sr., PCC 00-21
	Counselor ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Lee F. Walters, PCC since 2007
	GAR Historian ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 2021
	Graves Registration ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Logan Swanger 14-21
	Guide ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner 2021
	Color Bearer ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner 2021
	Guard ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-21
	Eagle Scout Coordinator ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner 2021
	Webmaster ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Dave W. Demmy, Jr. since 2011
ROTC Coordinator ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-21	
GAR Highway Officer ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-21	
Longevity Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Dave J. Klinepeter, PCC since 1943	
Praiseworthy Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Late Joseph E. Long, Jr., PDC	

Camp 15 routinely meets at National Civil War Museum, at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA, 2 pm, 3rd Sunday of most months. PA Dept: www.PAsuvcw.org National: <http://www.suvcw.org/>

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Camp Birthdays thru end of year

Gearhart, John Gregory
 Smith, Jeffery Joseph
 Treat, Robert Francis
 Betz, Kelly Wayne
 Blattner, Wayne B
 Kratzer III, Russell E
 Motts, Wayne E

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

Blessings especially for **Dave Klinepeter** and **Lee Walters!** Greg Kline, Tony Kline, Scott Debo. Mrs. Betz, Jim Crane of Ohio, PCinC Andy Johnson; with continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters PDP. Also, Mrs. Dot Kline; and Lowell Alcorn, Mrs. Rosemary Martin; and Mrs. Rosemary Jackson. Mrs. Ellen Kowalski to care for Jerry!

Chaplains Jerry Kowalski, Scott Teeters, & 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!

Mrs Crystal Kratzer's condition continues to improve, as well for Brother Russell Kratzer! As we go to press, we learned Brother Duke Hall has completed his latest deployment and has been assigned to Fort Irwin, CA. **Welcome home Duke**



we salute you brother Veteran...

Commander Vern Stout has experienced another illness and Brother Jeff Smith has undergone a recent event too.

If you have knowledge of our sisters and brothers in distress, drop us a line so we may pray for them!

DoubleD@Demmy.cc

Tis the Season of Remembrance and Thanksgiving



And thank a teacher too if you can read this patriotic newsletter in English!

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SUVCW Last Veteran in each county project at

[Last Soldier by PA County | Pennsylvania Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War \(pasuvcw.org\)](#)

Brothers and sisters take a peek at above site, it is finally growing. A *Well Done* to our camps across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania Department Mid-Year Meeting at Greensburg.

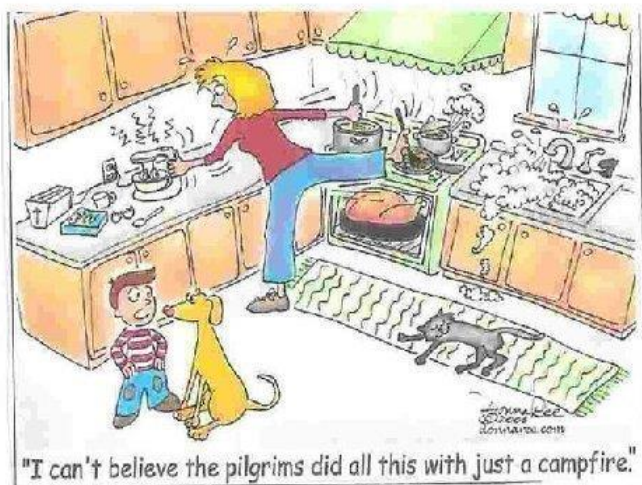
A mid-year meeting follows our annual June department encampment. Mid-year would be end of December into January; however, and historically, due to potential hazardous weather in our Commonwealth, during the winter months, our Department holds mid-year in October to avoid bad weather for brothers traveling to such a meeting.

2021 mid-year was conducted in Greensburg, PA with 7 brothers representing 700 membership in our PA Dept.

Some items among the discussions were:
1) recent correspondence submitted to the Department;

2) Department missing a number of flags. Suggestion was to contact a State Rep and ask for a donation, especially of a Flag that has flown over the Capitol Building.

3) Potential site for PA 2022 annual encampment: The Genetti Hotel, downtown Williamsport.



2021 Camp 15 Annual Holiday Banquet

We are back to the Museum Ballroom for 2021

You and yours are invited to break bread with General John F. Hartranft, Camp 15, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at our annual Holiday Banquet gathering.



When **Sunday, December 12, 2021**

All participants: please bring 2-4 items for the gift table with value of about \$15 each! ITEMS SHOULD BE **UNWRAPPED** FOR VIEWING! Each time you win at Bingo, move to the gift table and select an item. Return to your seat and play again – good luck! Items may be, e.g.: nice old book, new book, relic tree ornament, CD music, DVD, gift certificate, other ideas may be Civil War related or not, veteran related or not, family related or not; e.g.: candles, stationery, teddy bear, puzzles, games – *you may make it interesting* for all of us by making **unusual choices!** see photo next page for ideas ☺

Where: National Civil War Museum at Reservoir Park Hbg – upper-level banquet room!

GPS = 1 Lincoln Circle at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA 17103

Cost: \$ 28.00 per person, same rate as our 2019 event! Prepaid;

Payable to: Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW

Payment: Please submit your check to camp Treasurer no later than 11/26/21

Fellowship hour: 11:30 – 12:30 ~~~~ Mealtime approximately 1:00 pm.

Activities: Good food and fellowship; appointment of officers for the New Year!

Entertainment: Holiday Bingo



Don't fall asleep, RSVP now

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Preferred RSVP by email at DoubleD@Demmy.cc or call David W. Demmy, telephone 717 545 5174. Please leave your full name and *number of persons attending!* Please remit full payment no later than November 26th for a full accounting to the cater for preparation of our annual event.

Send remittance of \$28 for each individual Payable to Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW

David Demmy

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Likewise, if you are interested, bring some cash to engage in the Camp's 50/50 opportunity! 50/50 Tickets are \$.50 each; or **12 for \$5.00** – that's 2 free.

Driving Directions to National Civil War Museum

VISIT NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM WEBSITE AT

www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org

SCROLL DOWNWARD FOR APPROPRIATE SET OF DIRECTIONS

To save postage you may bring your New Year **2022** Camp 15 dues of **\$40** along!

Still \$40 and Camp treasurer prefers checks payable to 'Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW'.



Circa 1955

God bless you and yours!

Have a safe trip!

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