



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 141st Year serving Harrisburg Area

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“Camp Meeting April 21st”

April 2024



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!

2024 Hartranft Camp 15	Commander ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Vernon Stout 2021-2024
Officers and Staff	Senior Vice Commander ~ ~ ~	Logan Swanger PCC 2021-2024
	Junior Vice Commander ~ ~ ~	Scott Debo, PCC 2021-2024
	Secretary ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 2008-2024
	Treasurer ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	David W. Demmy, Sr. PCC 2007-2024
	Council 01 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Scott Debo, PCC 2015-2024
	Council 02 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018-2024
	Council 03 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner PCC 2023-2025
	Patriotic Instructor ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018-2024
	Chaplain ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	David W. Demmy, Sr., PCC 2000-2024
	Graves Registration ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Logan Swanger 2014-2024
	GAR Historian ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Jeffery Smith, PCC 2025
	Counselor ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Vacant
	Eagle Scout Coordinator ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 2011-2024
	GAR Highway Officer ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 2008-2024
	Guide ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner PCC 2024
	Color Bearer ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner PCC 2024
	Guard ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Wayne Blattner PCC 2024
	Webmaster ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Dave W. Demmy, Jr. 2011-2024
	ROTC Coordinator ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 2011-2024
	Longevity Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Late Dave J. Klinepeter PCC since 1943
	Praiseworthy Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Late Floyd J Demmy WWII Veteran
	Praiseworthy Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Late Joseph E. Long, Jr., PDC, Veteran
	Praiseworthy Brother ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	Late Lee F. Walters, PDC

Camp 15 routinely meets at the 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/>

In accordance with General Order #7, March 7, 2022: “Individuals attending events hosted by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, by virtue of their attendance, agree to the usage of their likeness in the *Banner*, any Camp or Department Newsletter, any SUVCW website and/or on any SUVCW Social Media outlet, promotional brochures, or any other SUVCW material.”

Forthcoming camp business meeting Sunday April 21st 2pm at NCWM building high atop reservoir park! The magnificent USA flag is back in service flying above The Burg.

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

Continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters PDP. Greg Kline, Tony Kline, Scott Debo. Mrs. Betz, Jim Crane of Ohio; Also, Mrs. Dot Kline; and Lowell Alcorn, Mrs. Rosemary Martin; and Mrs. Rosemary Jackson.

Mrs. Ellen Kowalski to care for Jerry, our National Chaplain and our local chaplains too: Scott Teeters, & Clark Brocht! PCinC Ed Krieser & PCinC Brad Schall. Mrs Crystal Kratzer's and Brother Russell Kratzer! God bless you and yours, and in all things, give thanx! Blessings for Klinepeter family as they continue onward. Additional blessings for our Brother Eric Ives, a trooper with Homeland Security, who has been deployed several times last couple of years, right in the USA to hotspots and troubled cities of America; and, brother Logan Swanger too with new concern!

New additions: PCinC Mark Day's wife Barbara is hospitalized. PCinC Mike Paquette has a concern. Mrs. Dave Demmy Jr, is recuperating! PCinC Gene Mortoroff is also hospitalized!

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

New Dual Brother

Camp 15 welcomes Brother Kyle Purchase into Hartranft Camp. Brother Kyle's home camp is Baker-Fisher of Hatboro PA. Kyle recently accepted employment with the Legislative Bureau of Commonwealth of PA and now lives in the Harrisburg area. Kyle desires to be active with local camp, while maintaining his status with his primary camp; thus, Kyle chose to become an active brother of camp 15.

National Civil War Museum Community FREE Day this Saturday April 20.

Thank you in advance for signing up for this event and to man table[s] for camp 15 in an effort to recruit new brothers for camp 15, department of Pennsylvania or any other camp or dept and ladies too as there are 4 ladies groups as you may notice on the page of this newsletter.

10 a.m. starting time for public. . . .

Camp 15 on the Road for 2024

~~January camp meeting Sunday 21st~~

~~Potential Lincoln Luncheon February 10th~~

~~February camp meeting Sunday 18th~~

~~March camp meeting Sunday 17th~~

April camp meeting Sunday 21st

May camp meeting Sunday 19th

May Memorial Day weekend is Camp day Saturday 25th! On this date the camp gathers for 7 a.m. breakfast [*reservation already made*]; and then off to historic Harrisburg cemetery to pay tribute to veterans therein; followed up with visit to Lincoln cemetery in Penbrook just a mere couple of miles away. Penbrook is a small community next to Reservoir Park. Please RSVP to execdir@suvcw.org.

Breakfast Details: **7 a.m.** at Peachtree Restaurant [HOME | Peachtree \(peachtree251.biz\)](http://HOME|Peachtree(peachtree251.biz)) or try [Online Menu of Peachtree Family Dining, Harrisburg, PA \(menupix.com\)](http://Online Menu of Peachtree Family Dining, Harrisburg, PA (menupix.com)).

June PA Dept encampment 27th 28th 29th at King of Prussia with election of new department officers for 2024-2025. For details Visit department 2023 newsletter: [Volume 2007-2008, No 2 \(pasuvcw.org\)](http://Volume 2007-2008, No 2 (pasuvcw.org))

August National encampment 1st, - 4th at Lexington KY. For details visit: <https://suvcw.org/national-encampment>

September camp meeting Sunday 15th

October camp meeting Sunday 20th

November Remembrance Day Parade weekend 16th

Nat'l Council meeting Sunday 17th

December Camp Annual Holiday Banquet Sunday 8th.

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
- -The 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 members submit them.

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, your neighbor and all your friends to a Camp meeting! Family and our sisters of the Allied Orders are always welcome!

Camp 15 Established February 11, 1882
in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty!

God bless you and yours and God bless the USA.

To register and prepare for 2024 PA Department Encampment/Convention at King of Prussia, visit [Volume 2007-2008, No 2 \(pasuvcw.org\)](http://Volume 2007-2008, No 2 (pasuvcw.org)) for full size sheets.... Last pages of the PA newsletter. Mere samples to save space below.....

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Pennsylvania Department
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Annual Encampment

Camp No: _____ Date: _____

Brother: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I am a member in good standing in this camp and my rank in the Order is:

CluC _____ PChC _____ DC _____
PDC _____ CC _____ PCC _____

Attending as: Delegate _____ Alternate _____
Pre-Registration fee is \$7.00 by 6/8/2024
\$10.00 at Encampment
Make check payable to: PA Dept., SUVCW
And send to: Secretary/Treasurer
Rob Koehnigberg, 504 Prospect St.
Portage PA 15946
814-244-0099
rkoehnigberg2@gmail.com

CREDENTIAL CARDS

If your intention is to make either the Department Encampment in June 2024 or the National Encampment in August 2024, please make sure you obtain a signed card before making either event.

The Credential Card for the Department Encampment can be obtained from your Camp Secretary and must be filled out fully so that you have the right to participate during the business meetings and vote.

The Credential Card for the National Encampment must be filled out fully and signed by the Department Secretary before you are able to participate. No please contact your Camp Secretary or Camp Commander and he can obtain these for you from the Department.

Use this form, or find the Credential Card form on the National web site under *Forms* at www.suvcw.org

Please make every effort to have these filled out correctly as it makes it easier for those who do the registration to help you enjoy the Encampment(s).



**Department of Pennsylvania
Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic**

Make plans now to attend the annual Convention/Encampment
JUNE 27-30, 2024
Crowne Plaza Philadelphia at King of Prussia
King of Prussia, PA

When making reservations mention:
Grand Army of the Republic



Call the hotel directly at 610-265-7500
For online reservations visit Department Websites for the online reservation link
Cut off date for reservations is May 27, 2024

Room Rate is \$124.00 plus 6% sales tax and 4% occupancy rate
Total cost = \$136.40 per night
Room rate includes full breakfast buffet for up to 4 occupants per guest room

The hotel is directly across the street from the King of Prussia Mall and is about a 30-minute ride into center city Philadelphia



Make plans now to attend the weekend.
Come early, or stay a little longer, relax
and enjoy the City of Philadelphia

- Liberty Bell
- American Revolution Museum
- Constitution Center
- Independence Hall
- Ben Franklin's Post Office



**ALLIED ORDERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC
DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA**
June 27-30, 2024

Meal Order Form

(Total meal cost includes; entrée, desert, tax and service charge)

FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 2024 LUNCH

All choices come with coffee, hot tea and soda station, pasta salad and Apple Crumb pie for dessert

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad number of meals _____ x \$26.00 = _____
Grilled julienne strips of chicken served on top of Romaine lettuce with freshly grated Parmesan cheese and Caesar dressing

Chicken Salad Sandwich number of meals _____ x \$27.00 = _____
Served on Kaiser roll with side salad and potato chips

Italian Hoagie number of meals _____ x \$26.00 = _____
Popular South Philly sandwich prepared with traditional Italian meats & cheeses served on a long hoagie roll with side salad & potato chips

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024 LUNCH

All choices come with coffee, hot tea and soda station, pasta salad and Ice Cream station for dessert

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad number of meals _____ x \$26.00 = _____
Grilled julienne strips of chicken served on top of Romaine lettuce with freshly grated Parmesan cheese and Caesar dressing

Chicken Salad Sandwich number of meals _____ x \$27.00 = _____
Served on Kaiser roll with side salad and potato chips

Italian Hoagie number of meals _____ x \$26.00 = _____
Popular South Philly sandwich prepared with traditional Italian meats & cheeses served on a long hoagie roll with side salad & potato chips

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2024 EVENING BANQUET

*All choices come with coffee, hot tea and soda station
Dinner includes rolls and butter, seasonal fresh vegetables, and starch accompaniment
Appetizer will be House Salad of assorted greens, dried cranberries with crumbled goat cheese.
Walnuts and Raspberry Vinaigrette dressing will be provided on the side.
Dessert will be a slice of Salted Caramel Cake*

Roasted Chicken Breast number of meals _____ x \$50.00 = _____
Boneless breast of chicken pan roasted with citrus and herb

Portabella Mushrooms number of meals _____ x \$40.00 = _____
Stuffed with goat cheese and spinach

Boneless Short Rib number of meals _____ x \$54.00 = _____
Served with a peppercorn demi-glace

Make checks payable to Department of Pennsylvania – SUVCW
Mail check & order form to: Barbara Indan, 2629 Fillmore Street, Philadelphia, PA 19137

Number of meals - _____ Total enclosed - _____

**Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic
Department of Pennsylvania**

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861 – 1865
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
Woman's Relief Corp**

Please support the 2024 Pennsylvania Encampment/Convention by purchasing an AD in the Encampment Program Booklet. Your support helps to ensure that the Site Committee will be able to provide a wonderful experience for all to enjoy.



Suggestions for your AD can be to honor your Civil War ancestor, honor a Department or National Officer, or best wishes to a friend or fellow Allied Order member.

An order for an AD with a check, payable to "PA SUVCW" and artwork are to be sent to:

Ellen Higgins
PO BOX 405, MARMORA, NJ 08223-0405
SquirrelOCNJ@aol.com

Deadline for submission is May 28, 2024

AD orders can be sent by USPS mail or email (preferred method). If emailing please send in word doc (please no pdf's) and photos or artwork in jpg format. If you would like a booklet sent to you in the mail, after the Encampment, please include \$2.00 for shipping.

All AD's will be one price, per size, and will be printed in your choice either – black/white or color

Cost of AD's
Full Page - \$60.00
Half Page - \$35.00
Quarter Page - \$25.00
Eighth Page - \$15.00
Patron – one line - \$5.00