



# 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 126<sup>th</sup> Year**



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**April 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!

## No general business meeting in April.

Next Camp activity is Road Trip to Civil War Medicine Museum, Frederick Maryland, **Saturday, April 25, 2009** breakfast at Summerdale Plaza and then convoy to museum. General business meeting for April is suspended due to visiting Frederick area.  
See travel plans for road trip later in this issue\*.

## Happy Birthday to Camp 15 and Auxiliary 7 April birthday personnel:

Don Butler	Lititz
Jon Demmy	Enola
John Deppen	Northumberland
Dave Klinepeter	Colonial Park
Gloria Klinepeter	Colonial Park
Robert Shadle	Selingsgrove
Richard Cobb	Shunk
Happy wedding anniversary to the Klinepeters too!	

Ladies of the auxiliary, please share your birth month with us so you can be recognized in this publication!

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

## PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR by Dave Klinepeter

The month of April was quite important during the Civil War.

**On April 12, 1861** the Civil War began, the bloodiest four years in American history. It began when the Confederate shore batteries opened fire on Fort Sumter in South Carolina's Charleston Bay. Three days later President Lincoln called for 75,000 volunteer soldiers to quell the southern "insurrection". **On April 13, 1861** Fort Sumter surrendered and the Union garrison was allowed to leave for the north.

**On April 9, 1865** Robert E. Lee surrendered his Army of Northern Virginia, at Appomattox Court House in Virginia, to General U. S. Grant. Although there were still Confederate Armies in the field, the war was officially over.

**On April 14, 1865** Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth at Fords Theater in Washington D.C. The President died the next day, **April 15, 1865**; just six days after Robert E. Lee had surrendered.

When some of his men cheered news of Lincoln's assassination, Confederate General Pierre G. T. Beauregard became noticeably angry for the first time in the war, shouting "Shut those men up. If they don't shut up have them arrested".

When Abraham Lincoln's body was returned to Springfield, Illinois, in 1865 it was accompanied by Major General David Hunter, who as a Major in 1861. He had accompanied Lincoln on his journey from Springfield, Illinois to Washington D. C.

**On April 26, 1865** Union soldiers cornered John Wilkes Booth in a barn in Virginia and shot him. He died three hours later and was buried in the floor of the old

Penitentiary in Washington. On the same day, the Confederate forces under General Joseph Johnson, surrendered!

OTHER APRIL DATES OF INTEREST:

April 6th - Army Day

April 9th - National Former POW recognition Day

April 11th - Persian Gulf Official Cease-Fire 1991

April 12th - Easter

APRIL 15<sup>th</sup> - INCOME TAX DAY

GAR HISTORIAN by Dave Klinepeter

The Grand Army of the Republic was organized in 1866 and continued till their last Encampment in 1949 at Indianapolis, Indiana. The GAR was comprised of Honorable Discharged UNION VETERANS of the Civil War. *We the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are the legal heirs of the Grand Army of the Republic and have been given the honor and task to carry on their work and keep their memories alive.* There were numerous other Veteran organizations, after the war. In upcoming issues of the *Hartranft Herald* there will be articles about the GAR and their badges and also other Veteran groups.

These honored dead!

Dear Friends,

Last evening at a meeting of the Col. Ryerson Civil War Round Table in Newton, NJ, I sat waiting patiently to deliver my presentation as General Hancock while the group conducted a short meeting.

The CWRT offered a free membership to anyone who could recite the Gettysburg Address. One elderly stood up to take the challenge.

She began very smoothly, speaking quietly and without emotion. When she reached the part about "these honored dead," she paused, her lip trembled, and tears filled her eyes. A hushed stillness filled The room.

"I'm sorry," said. "My brother was killed in World War II. I was eleven years old." She finished the Address to resounding applause. Later, she told me that her brother was in the Army, and was killed near Luxembourg as the Allies swept toward Germany.

I've listened to an endless parade of teenagers rush through the Gettysburg Address at many ceremonies over the years. I've heard Jim Getty deliver the Gettysburg Address on the battlefield. I've delivered it myself on a few occasions.

For me, Lincoln's words never echoed more profoundly or more poignantly than they did last night, coming from the trembling lips of a woman who never forgot her big brother, or the sacrifice he made long ago on a European battlefield.

"...that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion -- that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain..." --- Regards, John Deppen

\* [Field Trip to Maryland on Saturday April 25, 2009](#)

Sign up NOW with Commander Greg Kline via Telephone – 717.571.6877 or E-mail – [gregsuvcw@yahoo.com](mailto:gregsuvcw@yahoo.com)

7 a.m. Breakfast at Summerdale Diner.

8 a.m. Depart for National Museum of Civil War Medicine, Frederick MD.

10 a.m. Guided Tour of Medicine Museum.

Noon Lunch period.

2 p.m. Monocacy National Battlefield guided tour of battlefield and stop at new visitor center.

5-7 Dinner at Mountain Gate Restaurant, at Thurmont MD.

Potential expenses for the road trip

meals – breakfast, lunch and dinner

**Admissions & Accessibility**

**National Museum of Civil War Medicine**

**Regular Admission Rates**

Adults: \$6.50

Seniors:	\$6.00 [60 and up]
College Students:	\$6.00 [with valid I.D.]
Military:	\$6.00 [with valid I.D.]
Children 10-16:	\$4.50
Children under 10:	Free

### Gift Shop

**Accessibility** - The National Museum of Civil War Medicine is ADA compliant.

### Editor's Note:

Thank you to all Brothers who help to take down chairs in our meeting room following our business meetings. The Museum security staff appreciates your efforts to assist in that manner. And a thank you to Brother Frank for assisting with setting up altar and the officer station banners etc.

It is a big help to all who attend our meetings and our visitors too if you can be in our meeting room at 1:50 pm to assist with any setup and preparation for the meeting.

The March meeting boasted over 2 dozen Brothers and visitors. It has been a while since we have had a nice crowd. We nearly ran out of chairs. The March meeting yielded two new members into Hartranft Camp 15 of the Capital City of Harrisburg. Logan Swanger of Middletown and Jeffrey Smith of Mechanicsburg were *inducted* in our fraternal order of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Their families were present for the ceremony. Brother Richard Cobb of Shunk was elected as a new member of Camp 15.

It is expected that all Brothers wear their membership badge to all general business meetings; and if in uniform, the SUVCW badge(s) may be worn appropriately. Many wear the immediate past encampment badge too on their uniform or vest!

### [March meeting minutes](#)

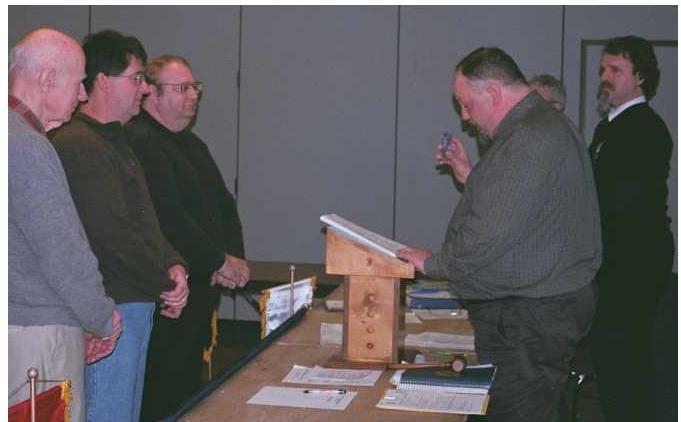
Minutes are not available at April press time.

Look for March meeting minutes in your May issue of the Hartranft Herald.

### [Member's Page](#)



BROTHER FRANK HALEY PRESENTED NEW MEMBERS LOGAN SWANGER, LEFT AND JEFFREY SMITH AT ALTAR FOR OBLIGATION.



NEW BROTHERS AT COMMANDER'S STATION. COMMANDER GREG KLINE DISCUSSES MEMBERSHIP BADGE WHILE JOHN DEPPEN AND STAN ZELLERS, SENIOR VICE AND JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS RESPECTIVELY, LOOK ON FROM RIGHT SIDE OF COMMANDERS STATION.

CONTINUED



LEFT BROTHER JOHN PINS BROTHER LOGAN AND  
RIGHT, BROTHER STAN PINS BROTHER JEFFREY, AS  
CAMP COMMANDER BROTHER GREG LOOKS ON.



TYPICAL VIEW OF ALTAR PREPARED FOR RITUAL  
DURING ROUTINE CAMP 15 BUSINESS MEETING.

Past monthly newsletters are available at our camp website,  
<http://www.geocities.com/hartranft15/index.html>

Photo gallery of past activities is also available at our website.

- Example Memorial Day activities back to 1940's
- Placement of flags upon all civil war veterans at historic Harrisburg Cemetery
- Remembrance Day annual Parade at Gettysburg
- Battle of Bulge annual re-enactment at Fort Indiantown Gap

- Profiles of camp members and their ancestors

## [Department / Camp Job Descriptions](#)

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War continued

### **Chaplain**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Chaplain is to conduct such devotional services as directed by the Camp or Department.*  
**Activities**

**Camp Chaplain.** The activities of the Camp Chaplain should include: (1) Conducting prayer at all meetings; (2) Conducting grave site services for Brothers and important dignitaries; (3) Conducting memorials for grave dedication or rededication ceremonies of veterans - especially Union veterans; (4) Serving as custodian of the Camp Bible unless assigned to another Camp officer; (5) Preparing an annual necrology of Camp Brothers and submitting the list to Department Chaplain; (6) Serving as coordinator for the Camp's Memorial Day ceremony; (7) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Rituals and Ceremonials.

### **Color Bearer**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Color Bearer is to care for the Camp/Department colors and to assist the Camp/Department Guide during the Camp/Department meeting*  
**Activities**

**Camp Color Bearer.** The activities of the Camp Color Bearer should include: (1) Placing the altar cloth and an unopened Bible on the altar prior to the opening of the Camp; (2) Placing station banners at the stations prior to the opening of the Camp; (3) Assisting the Guide in ascertaining if everyone present is entitled to remain for the Camp meeting; (4) Presenting the United States Flag during the Pledge of Allegiance by the Camp; (5) Attending to the altar and stations by removing altar cloth, Bible and station banners following the close of the Camp; (6) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

### **Guard**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Guard is to secure the door to the Camp or Department meeting and to admit only those Brothers and visitors who are qualified or entitled to enter.*  
**Activities**

**Camp Guard.** The activities of the Camp Guard should include: (1) Securing the door of the Camp meeting; (2) Checking dues receipts or cards of Brothers and admitting only qualified Brothers and authorized visitors; (3) Allowing no one to enter during the opening or closing of the Camp; (4) Allowing no one to enter during the initiation of candidates; (5) Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

### **Historian**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Historian is to collect and preserve all historical and biographical material pertaining to the Civil War, to members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to members of the Order.*

#### **Activities**

**Camp Historian.** The activities of the Camp Historian should include maintaining and cataloging all historical, biographical and/or photographic material given to or developed by the Camp regarding the Civil War, Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.), and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW). Such material would include but not be limited to the following: newspaper articles, Post/Camp membership records, Post/Camp meeting minutes, old Post/Camp financial records, photographs, and donated memorabilia.

### **Patriotic Instructor**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Patriotic Instructor is to educate and provide Brothers and the general public with information that will help to foster patriotism among the membership and the populace in general.*

#### **Activities**

**Camp Patriotic Instructor.** The activities of the Camp Patriotic Instructor should include: (1) Presenting at each Camp meeting information on such items as - (a) Civil War military, civilian and other great American leaders, (b) National and state holidays, (c) The United States Flag, (d) Duties of citizenship such as voting, (e) Great Civil War battles and battles of other wars, and (f) Great American artifacts and sites; (2) Providing public displays and orations on patriotism as called upon; (3) Providing awards of recognition to deserving individuals as deemed necessary or ordered by the Camp.

### **Secretary**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Secretary is to keep the minutes of the meetings and to carry on necessary correspondence for the Camp or Department.*

#### **Activities**

**Camp Secretary.** The activities of the Camp Secretary should include: (1) Taking minutes of each Camp meeting; (2)

Maintaining a book or file of minutes of past meetings; (3) Reading the minutes of the preceding Camp meeting; (4) Processing and responding to Camp correspondence; (5) Notifying Brothers of meeting dates and location; (6) Preparing Form 22, "Report of Camp Installing Officer", in duplicate and sending both copies to the Department Secretary; (7) Reviewing for accuracy the annual "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (Form 10) that can be prepared by a Camp's Commander, Treasurer or Secretary; (8) In conjunction with the Camp Treasurer, prepare and submit a "Camp Annual Report" (**Form 27**) in duplicate to the Department Secretary **on or before April 30** of each year, with check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of the membership application for each new Brother; (9) Preparing and submitting a "Camp Status Report" (Form 30) in duplicate to the Department Secretary by the 15th day of the next month following any change in a Camp's membership after the annual report is filed. A check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of a new Brother's membership application must be enclosed; (10) Maintaining Camp membership applications and supporting documentation; (11) Preparing credentials for those serving as Camp delegates and alternates to Department Encampments; (12) Maintaining the Camp seal and affixing it to Camp documents as needed.

### **Treasurer**

#### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the office of Treasurer is to serve as custodian of Camp or Department monies and property, to keep accurate financial records and to prepare periodic financial reports.*

#### **Activities**

**Camp Treasurer.** The activities of the Camp Treasurer should include: (1) Keeping the financial records of the Camp; (2) Preparing a financial report to be presented at each Camp meeting; (3) Preparing and sending dues notices to Brothers at least one month before the end of the Camp's fiscal year; (4) Issuing membership cards to Brothers upon receipt of annual dues; (5) Serving as custodian of Camp property not otherwise provided for; (6) Maintaining a bank account in the Camp's name for Camp funds; (7) Preparing a report on the financial condition of the Camp for review and approval by the Camp Council; (8) In conjunction with the Camp Secretary, prepare a "Camp Annual Report" (**Form 27**) with check for per capita and application fees, to be submitted to the Department Secretary **on or before April 30** of each year; (9) Preparing and submitting a "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (for those Brothers who qualify) before March 31 of each year; (10) Notifying a Brother who is in arrears for dues or fines, no later than March 31 of each year; (11) Preparing and transmitting any and all financial reports as may be required by applicable state law.

## **Graves Registration Officer**

### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the Graves Registration Officer is to locate record, ascertain the condition of and bring to the attention of proper authorities the need for repair or replacement of the grave markers/memorials of Civil War veterans buried in the jurisdiction of the Camp or Department.*

### **Activities**

**Camp Graves Registration Officer.** The activities of the Camp Graves Registration Officer should include: (1) Conducting an inventory of the cemeteries located within the confines the Camp's geographical boundaries and documenting the presence of Civil War veteran grave markers and memorials; (2) Bringing to the attention of appropriate governmental agencies the existence of grave markers/memorials in need of rehabilitation or replacement; (3) Assisting private parties and governmental agencies in the completion of applications for new federal grave markers for Civil War veterans; (4) Providing documentation of location and condition of Civil War veteran grave markers/memorials to the Department Graves Registration Officer.

## **Signals Officer**

### **Purpose**

*The purpose of the Signals Officer is to serve as the senior advisor on electronic communication technology and manage the assigned resources in such a manner as to reflect positively on the accomplishment of the goals and objectives of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.*

### **Activities**

**Camp Signals Officer.** There is no provision in the Order's Regulations for a Camp Signals Officer. However, Camps may establish such a position. The activities of the Camp Signals Officer should include: (1) providing the Commander and the Camp Council with advice and assistance relative to matters involving communication and technology; (2) supervise or serve as the Camp Webmaster if the Camp has an Internet home-page or Web site; (3) be familiar with and comply with the National Communication Technology policy.

*Attention all Camp Officers and potential officers:*

These job descriptions maybe adjusted by language as provided by Camp council within the Camp's Bylaws, which require Camp approval upon submission of amended or newly written revised bylaws.

Officers and staff personnel: you may purchase the blue book of R&C - Rituals and Ceremonies which will provide how a meeting is structured what events and what you need to participate in the events of a Camp meeting or other activities by the Camp.

During your time as an officer or staff personnel, you should keep a loose-leaf binder or other suitable file of your duties and activities for the position you hold. When your time in office is completed, you should forward your office notes, obligations, and activities, and Camp assets entrusted to you, onto your successor.

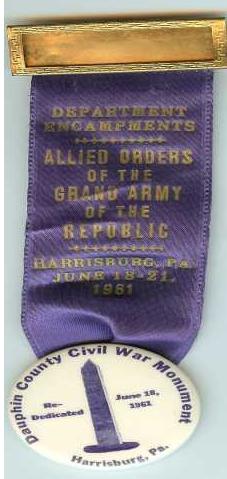
Encampment pins and ribbons available for purchase



Above, 1932 Pennsylvania Encampment at Camp Curtin. Ribbon on *left* is Sons badge; *right* side is the Auxiliary badge during 1932. Next, is the 1961 Pennsylvania encampment badge at Harrisburg (2 available)! All 4 are \$10 each COD in person or \$15 each with S&H.

Auxiliary badge above was recently available on ebay with opening bid of \$19 plus S&H. [If

viewing this on Camp website, click on any photo



[to enlarge image].

Below are Scranton and Gettysburg pins:



Scranton 2007 Memorial Day ribbons on left. The 113<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania encampment badge at Gettysburg 1993.

Scranton and Gettysburg items are \$5 each, total.

Contact *Hartranft Herald* at DoubleD@Demmy.cc for payment details!

In conjunction with the Bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's Birth, The department of Kentucky invites all of our brothers and sisters in the Allied Orders to join us at the 2009 National Encampment in Louisville, Kentucky, August 13-15, 2009.

The newly renovated [Crowne Plaza \(formerly the Executive West\) Hotel](#) will be the site of the 2009 Encampment. Located in the Heart of Louisville. The [Crowne Plaza](#) is a Louisville hotel that delivers lifestyle enhancing services and features that include world-class meeting space, high-speed internet, Willie's Gift Shop, airport shuttle, delightful dining and a lounge. Catch some rays on their sun deck, swim in their indoor/outdoor pool or get a full workout in their fitness facility. Spacious 680 guest rooms and suites to make your stay all that more memorable. The Crowne Plaza combines old-fashioned Southern Hospitality with 21st Century conveniences. And it's just across the interstate from Louisville International Airport. Call now for reservations at 800-626-2708 and make sure you Mention that you're with the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. room rates are \$91 a night. Watch for more information to appear in up-coming issues of the *Banner*.

## TWO LINCOLNS FOR TWO LINCOLNS

Fort Duffield Camp #1 will offer 2 Lincolns For 2 Lincolns. We've paired a numbered (001), signed, matted and framed Lincoln portrait with a limited-edition, numbered (001) Lincoln Birth Bicentennial Medal for a prize drawing. A \$10.00 chance (2 Lincolns) and in commemoration of Lincoln's 200th birthday, only 200 chances will be sold, and only at the Encampment. Drawing will be held at the Allied Orders Banquet Saturday evening.

## PRE-REGISTRATION

**Pre-register at \$7 per Brother, using the form available at National website!** The fee helps defray the cost of the 2009 Encampment, Friday evening's Campfire program with entertainment

[2009 National Encampment at Louisville, KY](#)  
[August 13-15, 2009](#)

and Saturday evening's hospitality room(s). Registration after July 29th, 2009 will be \$10.

## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

**Thursday, Aug. 13th – 12 Noon to 5:00 PM:** In celebration of the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth, we will be hosting a Tour to the Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Shrine and the newly renovated Lincoln Museum in Hodgenville, KY. The tour will leave the hotel at 12:00 pm and return by 5:00 pm. **Seating is limited to the first 110 people.**

**Friday, Aug. 14th – 7:00 PM: Annual Campfire and Courtesy Hour** – Speeches, greetings and entertainment, followed by friendly roasts, skits and gifts to honor the Commander-in-Chief and Auxiliary National President.

**Saturday, Aug 15th – 6:00 PM: Allied Orders Banquet** — Formal Evening meal and entertainment. Two entrée choices available.

To sign up for encampment, tours, meals etc go to

<http://www.suvcw.org/encampment/2009/index.html>

Then *scroll* to bottom for variety of forms needed to pre-register.

### Did You Know?

PA is home to more than 63,000 farms that produce safe, quality ag commodities valued at \$5.8 billion annually. Milk and dairy products make up 38% of PA's ag income, with poultry and eggs (15%), field crops (14%), meat animals (12%) and nursery and greenhouse products (9%) rounding out the top five economic contributors.

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture weekly newsletter  
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The National Archives' Philadelphia based Regional Archives announces the publication of new commissioned work by Lincoln scholars Harold Holzer and Edward Steers, Jr.

The Lincoln Assassination Conspirators: Their Confinement and Execution, as recorded in the **Letterbook of John Frederick Hartranft**, just published by Louisiana State University Press, is an edited version of Hartranft's handwritten, eye-witness diary. Hartranft was the Special Provost Marshall in charge of the Washington, D. C arsenal, which held the eight civilians, charged with complicity in the Lincoln assassination. He describes in meticulous detail the day-to-day activities and decisions involving the prisoners.

"This book project is a unique opportunity for the National Archives to bring national attention to an important Pennsylvanian and, at the same time, reveal new details about the Lincoln assassination," says V. Chapman-Smith, Mid Atlantic Regional Administrator, who was appointed to the Pennsylvania Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission by Governor Edward Rendell. Two leading Lincoln scholars came together for this project. Harold Holzer is co-chair of the National Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and one of the nation's leading authorities on Lincoln and the political culture of the Civil War era. Edward Steers, Jr., a recognized authority on the Lincoln assassination, is well-known for his 2001 book, *Blood on the Moon*. Their combined expertise enlightens the details in this official federal record for the general reader.

The Foundation for the National Archives is helping to launch the book with a special public event featuring the two scholars and moderated by Presidential historian and Foundation board member Michael Beschloss at the National Archives' McGowen Theatre at the National Archives Building in Washington, D.C., on April 17th. The program is part of the National Archives' continuing commemoration of the 200th anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's birth. This year also marks the National Archives 75th Anniversary. A book signing will

The publication project is also collaboration with the Abraham Lincoln Foundation of the Union League of Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania State Archives.

"We are so pleased that the National Archives decided to include the legacy of a great Pennsylvanian and native of

### Newly Released Book Reveals New Details on the Lincoln Assassination

the Philadelphia region in its Lincoln 200 commemoration," says John Meko, Executive Director. The State Archives also collects papers of private citizens and organizations relevant to Pennsylvania history. John Hartranft's personal papers and family photographs (Manuscript Groups 44 and 461) are among the State Archives private collections.

#### Background

On May 1, 1865, two weeks after Abraham Lincoln's assassination, President Andrew Johnson appointed General John Frederick Hartranft as Special Provost Marshall to command the Washington Arsenal military prison, which held eight civilians accused of complicity in the assassination and would also be the site for their trial. Hartranft was responsible for the most notorious prisoners in American history and kept a meticulously official detailed account of his duties. This fascinating National Archives record provides a remarkable glimpse behind the scenes of the assassination's aftermath and of the nation's history using military tribunals for civilians.

The handwritten letterbook, passed down through the Hartranft family, is held in the Pennsylvania State Archives, under an Affiliated Archives agreement with National Archives Mid Atlantic region in Philadelphia (NARA Record Group 393; ARC Identifier 586119).

Camp 15 of Harrisburg is named for General John F. Hartranft.

Shared by John Deppen, SVC .

March Camp meeting yield:

Last of 2009 dues were received.  
A membership badge was purchased.  
Several books were purchased.  
Subsequent bank total was \$53.

One member, after several contacts by our Camp secretary, failed to renew his SUVCW Membership for 2009. The Camp's annual report to Department of Pennsylvania is now due and the individual will be reported as being 'dropping'. Our membership to Pennsylvania will be reported as 61 brothers in good standing, including  
2 dual members  
4 associates  
3 junior members

The National Site Committee has awarded the privilege of hosting the 2011 National Encampment to the Department of Maryland. They plan to hold the Encampment in northern Virginia in the vicinity of the Manassas Battlefield and Dulles International Airport.

#### National Eagle Scout Award Program:

As of March 29, 2009 I have received requests for 577 Eagle Scout certificates. As National coordinator I handed out 37 or 6% of the requests for certificates while the Departments handed out the remainder of the requests which was 540 or 94% of the certificates. Executive Director David Demmy still receives requests for certificates that he forwards to me.

*This is the best public relations program that the Sons have. If more Brothers would get involved we can double the amount of certificates that we give out and also possibly get new members.*

Here is breakdown by Departments of certificates that were sent out.

<b>National Coordinator</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>Arizona</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>California &amp; Pacific</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Colorado &amp; Wyoming</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Connecticut</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Florida</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Georgia &amp; S. Carolina</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Illinois</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Indiana</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Iowa</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Kansas</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Kentucky</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Maine</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Maryland</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Massachusetts</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Michigan</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Missouri</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>New Hampshire</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>New York</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>N. Carolina</b>	<b>22</b>

#### 2011 Encampment, Northern Virginia – August 2011 (Dates to be determined)

**Ohio 17**  
**Pennsylvania 53**

**Oklahoma 2**  
**Rhode Island 0**

**Tennessee 23**

**Texas 19**

**Vermont 0**

**Wisconsin 13**

### **Yours in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty**

**Robert M. Petrovic, PDC**

### [National Civil War Museum Page](#)

New Box Car War Logistics of the Civil War Exhibit:

04/01/2009 - 08/30/2009. This exhibit will examine the tremendous efforts on both sides to supply and maintain their armies in the field. The exhibit will follow the process of raising massive wartime armies from small peacetime militia, the administrative burden of mustering in soldiers, as well as the process of providing orders on each level of the armies and navies from companies to corps, and from ship to fleet. This exhibit will examine the tremendous efforts on both sides to supply and maintain their armies in the field. The exhibit will follow the process of raising massive wartime armies from small peacetime militia, the administrative burden of mustering in soldiers, as well as the process of providing orders on each level of the armies and navies from companies to corps, and from ship to fleet. What it took to keep these armies in the field and navies on the sea will be discussed, as we look at the supply chain: from the need, ordering, manufacturing, delivery, requisition, and issuing. The exhibit

will also examine this supply cycle in other areas, such as transportation, food, medicine, and more. **Entrance to the temporary exhibit is included with the purchase of your museum admission ticket.**

The Abraham Lincoln: Self-Made in America Tour

05/22/2009 – 05/25/2009 10am – 5pm

This is a mobile museum exhibit that was developed by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum (ALPLM) in Springfield, Illinois. The only exhibit of its type in the country, the mobile museum uses a mixture of interactive elements, graphics, facsimile documents and artifacts inside a 53-foot long, double expandable trailer. It examines Lincoln's life from his humble beginnings to his ascension to the presidency and his assassination. The exhibit will be free of charge to the public and will travel the United States over the next two years. James Hayney will be at the Museum on Saturday, May 23rd from 12pm-4pm portraying Abraham Lincoln. For information call 717-260 1861.

### [Members Only: Journey to the Centre of the Museum](#)

Jun 05, 2009

01:30 PM - 04:00 PM

~For Your Eyes Only~ Join us for a MEMBERS ONLY guided tour deep into the underbelly of the Museum. Brett Kelley, Collections Curator, will answer your questions and bring light to many amazing treasures. Just one more reason to be a member of this fine museum. The free tours, for members only, are well worth the membership fee to this grand institution!

## [2009 Camp Meeting and Event Schedule](#) please *update* your calendar accordingly.

Monthly Camp Meetings, begin at 2 p.m. and are held at National Civil War Museum unless otherwise, indicated!

Details to be announced about April 25 road trip

April 19, Sunday - *No general Camp meeting today*

### **April 25, Saturday - Road trip to Civil War Medicine Museum and surrounding area**

May 16, Saturday, Armed Forces Day celebration by City of Harrisburg at City Island grounds

May 17, Sunday - General Camp meeting and preparation for Memorial Day activities

May 23, Saturday – Group 1 - Decorate graves at historic Harrisburg Cemetery at 13<sup>th</sup> and State Sts. Group 2 – Place wreath upon Hartranft gravesite at Norristown Cemetery

May 25, Monday - **Memorial Day** parade participation

June 25, 26, 27 - Pennsylvania Department encampment convention New Oxford, PA

July 19, Sunday - Annual Camp picnic at Colonial Park Campus Pavilion of † CrossPoint UM church

August 13, 14, 15 - National encampment convention, Louisville, KY

September 20, Sunday – Nominations for officers for 2010 at General Camp meeting

October 18, Sunday - Elections for 2010 and *guest speaker Sue Boardman!*

November 15, Saturday – General Camp meeting and installation of Camp officers for 2010

November 21, Saturday - **Remembrance Day** parade and activities, Gettysburg, PA

December 13, Sunday - Annual Camp **Holiday Party** at Doc Holliday's, New Cumberland

**Be Proud Wear The Badge**



Come out to a meeting and join us!  
**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 Civil War,
- Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
- Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Camp Officers and other authors, the Deadline for submission of stories, events, articles, and photos to be published in our monthly *Hartranft Herald*, is the first Friday of each month; otherwise, we go to press without the item.

### **Looking Ahead into Spring 2009:**

- Membership Bio Profiles will continue to appear as they are submitted by members.
- Worksheets were inserted in Camp 15's 125<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:DoubleD@Demmy.cc)

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

Family and our sisters of Auxiliary 7 are always welcome!