



# 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](http://www.SUVCWHarrisburgPA.org)

Celebrating our 127<sup>th</sup> Year



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## 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!

**Brothers we march into another year since Camp 15 was revitalized in 1998-1999!**

### [Celebrating our 127th year!](#)

Camp 15's January 2010 meeting will be in the Education Gallery first floor level, to your far left of the National Civil War Museum's fabulous staircase. Our usual meeting room 222 will be otherwise, occupied.

Camp 15 will be hosting the annual Lincoln Luncheon on Saturday February 6 at Doc Holliday's restaurant at New Cumberland, PA. Greg Kline will have more data at Camp meeting. Invitations will be issued next week.

For Memorial Day some of us may be visiting the grave site of General John F. Hartranft, in Norristown, other Brothers of Camp will partake breakfast together and then arrive at historical Harrisburg Cemetery to place flags upon Civil War and other veterans gravesites.

In June, Camp 15 will be assisting Pennsylvania Department encampment convention committee with some errands and duties such as providing hand-out bags,

banquet favors, center pieces and Saturday evening post-banquet entertainment!

The National encampment convention will be in Overland Park, Kansas. Happy trails to you August 12-15, 2010.

### [World War II Reenactment](#)

It is now time to plan a day to review the 2010 World War II BATTLE OF THE BULGE reenactment at FORT INDIANTOWN GAP, the 65th Commemoration is Saturday **January 30, 2010**. CORRECTED DATE FROM DECEMBER NEWSLETTER.

**"Have you HUGGED a WWII Veteran TODAY"**  
**The Day to HUG a World War II Veteran is coming in less than 15 days, 2 hrs and 38 minutes!**

Check it out at  
<http://www.wwiifederation.org/>

Or World War II Federation  
PO Box 711 - Waynesburg, PA 15370-0711  
(724) 627 8545

**Mark your social calendar now for January 30, 2010. 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM**

**No admittance fee nor are tickets required!**

**Obey parking requirements and police officers!**

**Parking in Area 14!**

**NOTE**

SOME OF US WILL BE ENJOYING BREAKFAST BUFFET AT FARMER'S WIFE AT ONO, ON ROUTE 22 JUST EAST OF INDIANTOWN GAP. IF YOU LIKE, MEET US THERE, SATURDAY 30TH AT 8:30 A.M. AND THEN IT'S OVER TO THE GAP AREA 14. DRIVE I-81 NORTH TO ANNVILLE EXIT, [NOT INDIANTOWN GAP EXIT] SHORT HOP TO ROUTE 22 EAST EXIT ON YOUR LEFT. THEN QUIK TRIP ON 22 EAST TO FARMER'S WIFE ON THE RIGHT. WE CAN LEAD YOU TO GAP AREA 14 PARKING ON LEFT. WE'LL BE PARKING IN HANDICAP AREA TO THE RIGHT! WE'LL SEE YOU IN EVENT AREA. DRIVERS PLEASE DROP OFF AT EVENT, THOSE THAT CANNOT WALK FROM AREA 14 TO AREA 15! BRING YOUR CAMERA AND MITTS TOO.

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[Camp 15 mourns lost of Brother Robert](#)

Here is his obituary dtd 28Dec2009

SELINGSGROVE - Robert L. Shadle Jr., 71, of 110 N. Market St., known as "Bobby" to his friends and family, went to be with his Lord and Savior at 6:15 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, 2009, at SUN Home Health and Hospice, Sunbury, after a long battle with cancer. Bobby was born June 29, 1938, the only child of the late Robert L. Sr. and Rachel (Snyder) Shadle. His father was a longtime teacher, athletic director and truant officer, and his mother was a longtime home economics teacher at Selinsgrove High School. Bobby was a graduate of Selinsgrove High School, Class of 1956. He attended Pennsylvania State University, and after certification as a forester, he worked in the lumber business, buying and selling lumber for 44 years.

He retired in 2005 and spent his recent years pursuing his favorite passions of studying history, especially the Revolutionary War and Civil War, working on genealogy, performing volunteer work in his church, Sharon Lutheran Church, Selinsgrove, and kayaking with the Selinsgrove group known as the "River Rats." His recent achievements included volunteering at the Snyder County Historical Society, where he cataloged and organized the society's extensive military history holdings. He served there in various capacities, including vice president, until recently when his health

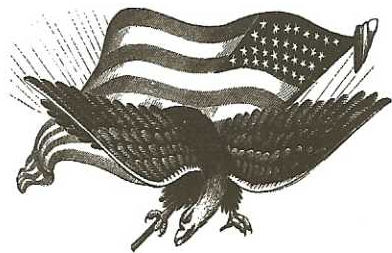
failed. He compiled the Shadle and related family genealogies and served for many years as the president of the Shadle family association. He was deeply devoted to his church and community, serving as a member of the Stewardship Committee and serving on a variety of community service projects with his close friends, Rich Young and Bob Soper. Bobby served as an election officer in Selinsgrove for several years during local, state and national elections. Bobby acquired his love for family, church and history naturally because of his family's prominence in Snyder County history since the Revolutionary War, evidenced by the fact that several colonial members of his family are buried in Grubb's Church Cemetery. Perhaps one of his greatest joys was that his great-great-grandfather, Daniel Snyder, was a veteran of the Civil War. Bobby traveled extensively throughout the Civil War battlefields, learning as much as he could about his family's involvement.

Bobby belonged to many organizations, including the Sons of the American Revolution, [Camp 15] Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, Society of the Old Greek Cross, life member of the Snyder County Historical Society, a member of the Susquehanna Valley Civil War Roundtable, the Susquehanna Valley German Heritage Society and the American Red Cross. Bobby is survived by his wife of 33 years, Judith Ann (Hagan) Shadle, of Selinsgrove; and three children, daughter, Jennifer Shadle Miller, son-in-law, William T. Miller, and grandson, Jeremiah T. Miller, all of Baltimore, Md.; son, Thomas William Shadle, daughter-in-law, Anne Theiss Shadle, and granddaughters, Marlena and Greta Shadle, of San Antonio, Texas; and son, Michael Joseph Shadle, of Westminster, Md., and his fiancée, Grace Greene, of Frederick, Md.

A date for a memorial service will be announced by the family and will be held in Sharon Lutheran Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to either Sharon Lutheran Church, Selinsgrove, or SUN Home Hospice, Northumberland, or the Boy Scouts, Selinsgrove. Arrangements are by the V.L. Seebold Funeral Home, 601 N. High St., Selinsgrove.

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## Time to Reenlist Boys!

2010 Dues remain at \$25.00 rate!

Camp 15 makes no profit from our dues!

96% is forwarded to Pennsylvania

Department and National organization in per capita dues to operate those entities and to provide the Battle Cry of Freedom and quarterly Banner magazine to you!

Our fund raisers and other nominal remittances keep Camp 15 'in the black'!

2010 Camp Dues are due now!

Check preferred – made payable to Hartranft Camp 15 – SUVCW.

Please bring remittance to January meeting or pop your dues into the mail at:

David W. Demmy  
881 Sunny Hill Lane  
Harrisburg PA 17111-4690

If you have paid, we kindly thank you!  
Please do not remit again, unless you are making a donation to our Camp efforts to keep green in our minds the sacrifices of our Civil War ancestors.

[Hartranft Herald thank you to all who contribute!](#)

A heartfelt and hardy thank you to all contributors to the *Hartranft Herald* and to those of you that make monetary contributions and help with the assembling of the *Hartranft Herald* for mailing purposes! The staff kindly thanks you for your gifts and volunteered services.

## [Our Brother Duke Hall far from home](#)



DUKE IS IN THE MIDDLE ROW ON THE FAR RIGHT CHARLIE COMPANY IS DUKE'S COMPANY AND FOLLOWING E XPLAINS WHAT'S GOING ON.  
[http://www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/army\\_afghanistan\\_mixed\\_signals\\_122109w/](http://www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/army_afghanistan_mixed_signals_122109w/)

Duke is among pictures at link below. Great pictures showing exactly what they do every day!  
[1-17 Infantry / Afghanistan](#)

Our continued prayers are with Brother Duke and his group of troopers.

Camp 15 will continue to collect specialty items for Duke and his brothers in arms, until he rotates [*back to the world*], home in the USA.

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## [PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR/GAR HISTORIAN](#)

by Dave Klinepeter

During and after the Civil War there were many organizations formed by the Union Veterans. In up coming issues of the Hartranft Herald I will be writing articles and try to show membership badges of a number of these organizations. The largest veteran organization was the Grand Army of the Republic. They are the *father organization* of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It is we, they passed the torch to, and we must keep alive the memories of how the United States of America survived the Civil War. Following is a list of some Military Societies formed by Union Veterans of the Civil War:

1. Third Army Corps Union formed March 16, 1862.



2. Society of the Army of the Tennessee formed April 14, 1865
  3. Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the US formed April 15, 1865 (still exists)
  4. United States Veteran Signal Corps Association formed November 14, 1867
  5. Society of the Army of the Cumberland formed February 6, 1868
  6. Society of the Army of the James formed September 2, 1868
  7. Society of the Army of the Ohio formed December 15, 1868
  8. Society of the Army of Georgia formed December 15, 1868
  9. Pennsylvania Reserve Association formed December 15, 1868
  10. Society of the Burnside Expedition and the Ninth Corps formed February 8, 1869
  11. Society of the Army of the Potomac formed July 5, 1869
  12. Society of the Army and Navy of the Gulf formed July 8, 1869
  13. Society of the Army of West Virginia formed September 22, 1870
  14. Union Ex-Prisoners of War (reformed into the National Andersonville Survivors) April 1874
  15. Cincinnati Society of Ex-Army and Navy Officers formed October 2, 1874
  16. Veterans Right Union formed October 13, 1882
  17. Union Veteran Union formed March 1884 (restricted to veterans who served at least three years or were wounded)
  18. Union Veterans Union formed June 18, 1886 (restricted to veterans who served at least six months, and spent some time in the front lines)
  19. Union Society of the Civil War
  20. National Association of Civil War Musicians
  21. National Association of Naval Veterans formed January 13, 1887
- There were other smaller Veteran organizations but very little can be found of their records!

### **Two very important dates to recall**

**January 1, 1863 President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation**

calling for liberation of black slaves in rebellious states.

**January 31, 1863** The first Negro infantry regiment is mustered into U S Army at Beauford, South Carolina. In the summer of 1863, Governor

Andrew Gregg Curtin, received official word the U. S. Army was accepting colored troops. Camp Penn was established in Philadelphia to train these troops. --- DJK

### Brothers and Sisters in Distress

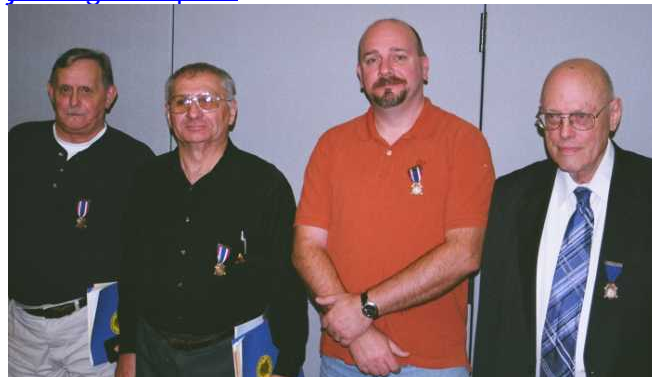
Brother Scott Debo's daughters continue to recuperate from their medical traumas.  
GOD BLESS, FROM SCOTT, DIANE, ASHLEY & LYNSDAY

John Deppen reports stress related concerns for Staff Sergeant Veteran, who recently returned from war zone.

And if you are cold, here is a photo from a recently newly gained Brother living in Florida:



### Recent new members who have or will be joining Camp 15



NOVEMBER 2009 PICTURED L TO R, DAVE LAMAN, ALLAN SPIGELMEYER, BOB HOLLINGER AND ROBERT FULLER. MICHAEL PROPER AND CHARLES RIEGLE ARE OR HAVE BEEN RECENTLY VOTED UPON.

Remembrance Day 2009 at Gettysburg



CAMP 15 BROTHERS BOB HOLLINGER, GREG KLINE, KELLY BETZ, JEFFREY SMITH, AND STAN ZELLERS.



SUVCW MEMBER JAMES GETTY AS ABE LINCOLN, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF LEO KENNEDY, CENTER, AND FAR RIGHT, CAMP 15'S PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR, DAVID J. KLINEPETER, AS WAR GOV. A. CURTIN.



CAMP 15 BROTHER JOHN MARTIN (FAR RIGHT) AMONG BUCKTAILS.



VARIETY OF NATIONAL OFFICERS FROM LEFT CHAPLAIN JERRY KOWALSKI, *BANNER* EDITOR STEPHEN MICHAELS, COUNSELOR JAMES PAHL, ERIC SCHMINCKE, AND HENRY SHAW!



CAMP 15'S 2010 COMMANDER JOHN DEPPEN, AS GENERAL HANCOCK, WEARING RED POPPY!



CAMP 112'S GETTYSBURG'S BLUES LIVELY STEPPING ALONG!

Photos shared by Hartranft Herald staff.

[Member's Profile](#)

One of our newest members, Brother Dave, provided his personal data below:

Name	<a href="#">David R Laman</a>
Nickname	Dave
Age	68
Address	606 Lansvale St
City	Marysville, PA
Telephone	( 7 1 7 ) 9 5 7 9 4 0 9

E-mail	Dlaman41@live.com		
High School	Susquenita		
Occupation(s) And Companies	Communications Manager Facilities Manager Former Navy Ships Parts Control Ctr, Mechanicsburg October 1959 – January 1994 US Army February 1960 – February 1963, 269 <sup>th</sup> Signal Co Orléans, France, July 1960 – February 1963 Automotive Coordinator PA Board of Probation and Parole July 1995 – June 2002		
Organizations	Perry Historians Wesley United Methodist at Marysville		
Hobbies	Reading mystery books and local history Family Genealogy Stamp Collecting Gardening		
Children's Names ages	David L. 44 Matthew R. 38 Steven W. 37		
Grandchildren's Names and ages	Matt 21 Tony 21 Angi 19 Kaitlin 14	Nicolas 10 Briana 10 Tia 5	
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My Civil War Ancestor's Name	David Hayes Johns
Relationship to me	My Great, great-grandfather
Rank	Mustered out as a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant
Company and Regiment	E, 49 <sup>th</sup> Pa Vol
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Wounded at Spotsylvania Courthouse, May 1864
Continued	Mustered in September 1861
	Mustered out July 1865
Another ancestor	Benjamin Franklin Johns
Relationship to me	Great, great, great Uncle
Rank	Corporal
Company and regiment	A, 49 <sup>th</sup> PA Vol
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Wounded at Spotsylvania Courthouse, May 1864
Continued	Mustered in September 1861
	Mustered out July 1865
	Member of Housum Post #309 GAR
	Captured at Sailors Creek, VA April 1865
	Wrote a series of articles for the national tribune in the late 1800's early 1900's. I was able to retrieve 3 of them from the national archives. These are the soldier's stories of events that happened to them and the national tribune was the predecessor of today's Stars and Stripes!
Another ancestor	Samuel A Johns
Relationship to me	Great, great, great Uncle
Rank	Pvt
Company and regiment	H, 49 <sup>th</sup> PA Vol
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Mustered in February 1864
Continued	Mustered out July 1865
Another ancestor	Joseph A Johns
Relationship to me	Great, great, great Uncle
Rank	Pvt
Company and regiment	E, 29 <sup>th</sup> PA Vol
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Mustered in December 1864

Continued	Mustered out July 1865
Another ancestor	Rueben Scott Johns
Relationship to me	Great, great, great Uncle
Rank	Pvt
Company and regiment	I, 9 <sup>th</sup> PA CAV
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Served under General Sherman on the march to the Sea and was present when Confederate General, Joseph Johnston surrender in North Carolina – April 1865
Continued	
	Mustered in February 1863
	Mustered out July 1865
Another ancestor	Levi Harren
Relationship to me	Great, Great-grandfather
Rank	Pvt
Company and regiment	D, new 101 <sup>st</sup> PA Vol Regiment
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Enlisted at age 40
Continued	
	Mustered in February 1865
	Mustered out July 1865
Another ancestor	John Morland
Relationship to me	Great, great, great Uncle
Rank	Pvt
Company and regiment	D, conceived in Westmorland county vice regiment
Special Information on My veteran ancestor	Regiment was conceived in Westmoreland County
Continued	Mustered in September 1864
	Mustered out July 1865

How did you learn about our organization? I knew of the organization a long time, but only recently verified my ancestor's military records for eligibility for membership in Sons.

Brother Dave, we thank you very sincerely for sharing your family life and ancestor(s) with the readers of Camp 15's monthly newsletter, the Hartranft Herald.



Announcement of 2010 annual Pennsylvania Department Encampment



*Pennsylvania Department Encampment Committee*

**2009 Report on New Oxford Encampment**

Pennsylvania Department Encampment Committee Budget  
and Upcoming Encampment Report

October 24, 2009

To The Officers, Brothers and Sisters:

The seed money for the 2010 Encampment will be \$1500.00

Thanks to the members of the site committee for keeping the cost down,  
also to Faye Carlisle who made \$400.00 on a raffle for the site committee.

We would like to thank the Daughters in Western Pennsylvania for their  
increased support of the Encampment Book and attendance at the En-  
campment.

Our thanks to the Members of Camp 112 and Auxiliary 112 of Gettysburg  
for all their help in making the Encampment a success.

The 2010 Encampment will be held June 24 thru 26 at the Harrisburg  
Holiday Inn, New Cumberland, PA 17070.

The 2011 Encampment will be held in Scranton, PA.

The 2112 Encampment could possibly be held (negotiations are  
underway) at Ligonier, PA. The last Encampment at Ligonier was in  
2008.

Yours in F.C.L.

Joseph Long, Jr.  
Encampment Chairman

## [Schedule of events for 2010](#)

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

January 17, Sunday general Camp Meeting

February 6<sup>th</sup> Lincoln Luncheon

February 21, Sunday general Camp meeting

March 21, Sunday general Camp meeting

[April 17, The 54th Annual Lincoln Tomb event at Springfield Illinois](#)

April 18, Sunday general Camp meeting

Mothers Day – 9

May 16, Sunday Camp Meeting preparation for May 29 Memorial Day events!

Fathers Day 20

[June 24 - 26 - Pennsylvania Department encampment convention New Cumberland.](#)

July 18, Sunday – noontime Annual Camp picnic at Colonial Park Campus Pavilion of ☩ CrossPoint UM church at Corner of Colonial and Valley Roads Colonial Park – use Valley Road entrance.

[August 12 - 15 - National encampment convention, Overland Park, Kansas](#)

September 19, Sunday – Nominations for officers for 2011 at General Camp meeting.

October 17, Sunday - Elections for 2011

[November 20, Saturday - Remembrance Day parade and activities, Gettysburg, PA.](#)

[December 12, Sunday - Annual Camp Holiday Banquet 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 & 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 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

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

Family and our sisters of Auxiliary 7 are always welcome!

End of January 2010 Hartranft Herald monthly news

GENERAL JOHN F HARTRANFT, CAMP 15 HARRISBURG, PA, SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

ESTABLISHED FEBRUARY 11, 1882

IN FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY

