

Hartranft Herald The Newsletter of Maj. Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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Celebrating our 134th Year serving Harrisburg Area

Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp#15 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War





Vol 18, No. 12 ~~~ Happy New Year Camp 15 ~~~ December 2016



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!

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2016 Hartranft Camp 15	Commander	Jeffery Smith 15-16
Officers and Staff	Senior Vice Commander	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 15-16
	Junior Vice Commander	Logan Swanger 15-16
	Secretary	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-09
	Treasurer	David W. Demmy, Sr. 07-16
GENERAL	Council	Tony Kline-16-18
HARTRANFT	Council	Scott Debo 15-17
	Council	Tom Bowman, 15-17
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	Guide	Tom Bowman, 11-16
	Guard	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-16
	Color Bearer	Kelly W. Betz 07-16
MELLOWED TO PLEASE SINCE 1899	Chaplain	David W. Demmy, Sr. 00-16
	GAR Highway Officer	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-16
GENERAL HARTRANFT	Graves Registration	Logan Swanger 14-16
MANUFACTURED BY C. E. BAIR & SONS, HARRISBURG, PA	Eagle Scout Coordinator	Logan Swanger 14-16
	ROTC Coordinator	Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-16
	Camp Counselor	Lee F. Walters, PCC 07-08

Camp 15 routinely meets at National Civil War Museum, at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA, 2 pm 3rd Sunday of month. The Marshall A. Hope author award was bestowed upon *HartranftHerald* for excellence of a camp newsletter by Brad Schall, Commander in Chief, 2010 - 2011. PA: www.PAsuvcw.org National: http://www.suvcw.org/

See TMI from afar!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to one and all associated with Camp 15 and the Allied Orders of the GAR! Next Camp meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 15, 2017 at 2pm, NCWM building at Reservoir Park, upper level room 222.

Camp 15 Dues time – year 2017

2nd notice

To save postage you may bring your New Year 2017 Camp 15 dues of \$35 to January Camp Meeting!

Sunday January 15th.

Camp treasurer prefers checks payable to

'Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW'.

Or mail your check to

David W. Demmy, Sr., 881 Sunny Hill Lane

Harrisburg PA 17111 - 4690

Check protects both parties!

Brothers and Sisters in Distress

By Camp Chaplain, David Demmy Please add the following to your daily prayer list:

Don Fry of Linglestown, Mrs. Robert Treat; Jeffery Smith; Mrs. Robert Manning; the family of Charlie Kuhn Jr, PCinC; Joe Long Jr, PDC at Scranton Camp 8; and Mrs. Rob Koenigsberg, spouse of PA Dept Secretary! Mrs. Bill Kuhn Jr, Marilyn Demmy, and Tony Kline.

Jim Crane, national encampment personnel, Andy Johnson, PCinC, and Logan Swanger Family, with continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters and Mary Jane Bannan!



Arlington!



Auto License Plate Aluminum - Full Color SUVCW License Plate.

Blue Lettering on White Background

with **Red** Border - very Patriotic

Send check or money order for

\$12 + \$3 S&H Payable to:

Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15

Mail to Greg Kline

205 N. 40th St. - Apt. 203

Harrisburg, PA 17111-2271

Or purchase one at Camp meeting

<u>Pork and sauerkraut on New Year's Day</u>: Why the PA Dutch believe it's your luckiest meal of the year

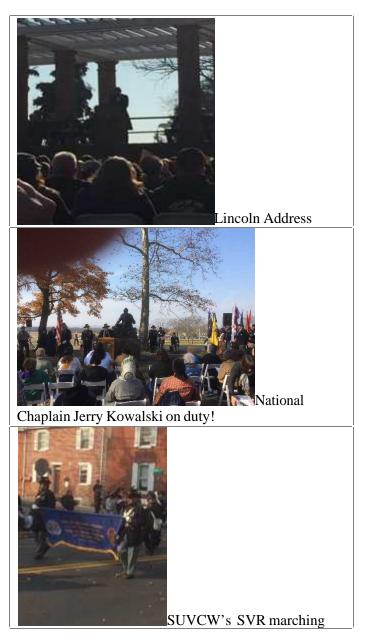
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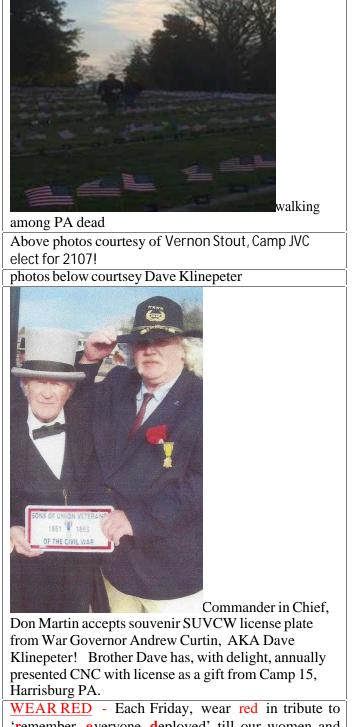
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Hartranft, John Frederick (1830-1889) — *Born* in New Hanover Township, Montgomery County, Pa.,

December 16, 1830. A Republican, he served in the Union Army during the Civil War; was Pennsylvania state auditor general, 1866-72; then Governor of Pennsylvania, 1873-79; and candidate for Republican nomination for President, 1876. He received the Medal of Honor in 1886 for action at Bull Run, Va., July 21, 1861. The General died October 17, 1889. His Interment is at Montgomery Cemetery, Norristown, PA, which Camp 15 has visited. The General, of course, is our Camp's namesake!

Additional Photos from November Activities





'remember everyone deployed' till our women and men in uniform all come home!



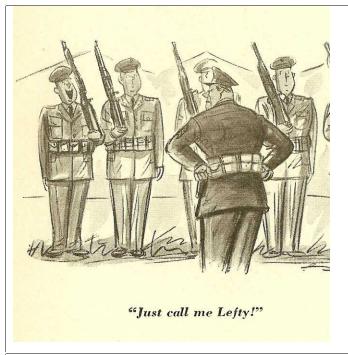
Color Guard on last leg of Remembrance Day 2016 parade! - photo courtsey Dave Klinepeter.

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Mr and Mrs Lynn

Herman, Brother Lynn, an avid living historian, is a long time member of Camp 15.



And now you know how Brother Dave Klinepeter ended up in the Navy for WWII! Brother Dave is our favorite male southpaw!

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR/GAR HISTORIAN by Dave Klinepeter

Saturday, November 19, 2016 was a very busy day in Gettysburg, Pa. Every year on that exact date the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania, with other organizations, hold special ceremonies at the National Cemetery, in honor of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. It is always held on the original day November 19th. This year I did not attend. Each year, on the closest Saturday to November the 19th the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Allied Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic have Remembrance Day. As you can see, this year they were on the same day. I decided to go with the SUVCW. It was a very busy day for the SUVCW and "Allied Orders of the GAR". In the morning there were various meetings.

At 11 am there was a wreath laying service at the Woolson Monument. They mentioned that I took part in the original dedication in 1956. After the program I had a talk with our own Mary Jane Bannan and found out she had attended the original dedication also. At 1 pm the Sons of Veterans Reserves conducted their parade. This year, due to a lack of carriages, I did not ride in the parade, but went to the end of the parade and was 5

able to stand with Abraham Lincoln and our National Officers and review the parade, which I have been honored to do for many, many years. After the parade I was able to present our Commander-in Chief Don Martin with one a SUVCW license plates, available exclusively by Camp 15. We have done this for a number of years. I have seen the parade grow larger over the years, I noted many of the Union reenactors were wearing the membership badge of the SUVCW. The ladies have taken a larger part also, there were quite a number of younger people participating and several members of Camp 15 were among the Brothers marched.

I was able to get a picture of our Brother Lynn Herman and his wife. He reenacts with the 148th Vol Inf from around Centre County (Governor Curtin's home area). There was a dinner but I was unable to attend. In the evening the SVR had a Civil War Ball at the Wyndham Hotel. Music was provided by the Philadelphia Brigade Band with the dances led by the Victorian Dance Ensemble, dance master our own Brother Larry Keener-Farley. Ball profits each year is presented to the National Military Park for preservation.

Sunday morning I went to Friendly's for breakfast. (The Gettysburg Camp pancake breakfast had been canceled) By good luck I met with Mary Jane Bannan and longtime friend, Blanche (Penny) Rittenhouse. Both ladies belong to a number of the "Allied Orders of the GAR" plus Aux 7 to Camp 15 for many years. To me it was a very special occasion.

We chatted about the past and future of the organizations, and it also happened to be Mary Jane's birthday!

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All drivers in Pennsylvania from Pennlive.com

The days are now numbered for those little registration stickers attached to the corner of Pennsylvania license plates.

The last sticker will be issued on Dec. 30 as a result of a transportation funding law that passed three years ago. But starting Dec. 31, a sticker will no longer have to be displayed.

This move - one of several changes impacting motorists in the coming months - is expected to save the state Department of Transportation \$3 million annually between the cost of producing the stickers and mailing them out to drivers.

Charles Kuhn Jr, Past Commander in Chief

As we go to press, we learned today, Friday December 16, 2016, that our beloved Brother, Past Commander in Chief, Charles Kuhn Jr., lost his long battle with cancer and earned his angels wings today!

Also remember Brother Logan Swanger and family upon the death of Logan's father-n-law last week.

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On the Road with Camp 15

Monthly Camp business meetings begin at 2 p.m. and are conducted mostly on the 3rd Sunday, at <u>National Civil War Museum [NCWM]!</u>

<u>January</u>

Next Camp meeting, is scheduled for 3rd Sunday, January 15, 2017 at NCWM bldg. 2pm.

<u>72nd WWII</u> - Battle of the Bulge Living History Commemoration January 2017

The World War II Federation and Fort Indiantown Gap Presents the 72nd WWII - Battle of the Bulge Living History Commemoration at Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA. Saturday, January 28th, 2017

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

I-81 North Indiantown Gap exit 85b Camp Brothers meet for breakfast at Farmer's Wife Restaurant, Ono, PA on route 22 just east of the Gap Road, about 8 a.m.

<u>February</u> February Camp Meeting Sunday 19th

March Camp meeting scheduled for 19th

National Council Meeting, of SUVCW, near Columbus, OH, Saturday March 25, 2017

Please update your social calendar now.

Camp 15 yearly calendar available upon request. Send *e*-mail or contact Hartranft Herald staff <u>DoubleD@Demmy.cc.</u>

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 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 <u>DoubleD@Demmy.cc</u>

Bring a nephew, uncle, brother, father, grandfather, neighbor and friend to a Camp meeting! Family and our sisters of Auxiliary 7 are always welcome!

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2017 Lincoln Luncheon Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

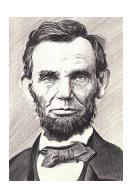
J.P. Brindle Camp #50 and J.P. Brindle Auxiliary #50

Are Pleased to Invite You to the Annual Lincoln Luncheon. This year's theme will be "President Lincoln, Admiral-In-Chief"

Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 1 o'clock, United States Army Heritage Education

Center, 950 Soldiers Drive, Carlisle, PA

Lunch will be served Buffet-style, and includes:



Garden Salad w/ Choice of Dressings Eye of Round Roast Beef in Brown Sauce Stuffed Chicken Breast Fondant Potatoes Vegetable Medley Assorted Rolls & Butter Chef's Choice Dessert Table

\$29.00 per person



Featuring as Guest Speaker, Dr Craig L. Symonds,

Professor-Emeritus, US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD.

Dr. Symonds is also the author of several books, including <u>The Civil War at Sea</u>, <u>Lincoln and his Admirals</u>, <u>Decision at</u> <u>Sea: Five Naval Battles that Shaped American History</u>, <u>The Battle of Midway</u>, and several others.

Dinner also includes admission to the Soldier Experience Gallery, dedicated to the U.S. Army soldiers of all eras. The Research Library and museum will be open from 10 AM to 5 PM. In addition, the Army Heritage Trail will be open from dawn to dusk. Banquet room will open at 12 o'clock noon.

Checks may be made out to: J.P. Brindle Camp #50, SUVCW And mailed to: Paul W. McMillin, 140 Partridge Circle, Carlisle, PA 17013

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All Reservations must be in by February 1, 2017. Continued with Directions on next sheet:

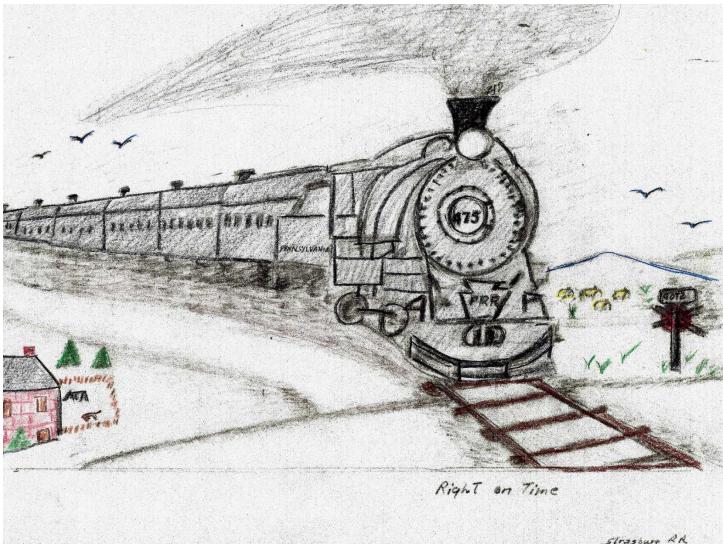
United States Army Heritage Education Center

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FROM THE NORTHEAST AND NORTH: Go southwest on Interstate 81 to Exit 49. At the bottom of the ramp, turn left onto Trindle Road. At next stoplight, turn left at the light onto Army Heritage Drive. You will cross over Interstate 81. USAHEC is located on the left hand side of the road. If you proceed to the railroad tracks, you have gone too far.

FROM THE EAST OR WEST ON THE PA TURNPIKE: From the PA Turnpike take Exit 226 to Rt.

11 South. Continue on Rt. 11 South to the second traffic light, where Sheetz is located. At this traffic light, turn left onto Harmony Hall Road. Take next right onto Claremont Road. Take first left onto Army Heritage Drive. Continue over the railroad tracks, USAHEC is located on the right hand side of the road. If you proceed to the stoplight, you have gone too far.



The old PRR Engine 475 Right on Time into Strasburg Station, PA

Last in a series of old time art work by our late Brother Floyd J Demmy!

Floyd's Other sketches and written works available upon request! Eg: *IRemember* **G**rowing **U**_p**I**_n**H**_{arrisburg}**!**

Do you know how many movie houses there used to be in Harrisburg city area? Read about em above!

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