



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 136th Year serving Harrisburg Area



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Winter is Upon Us

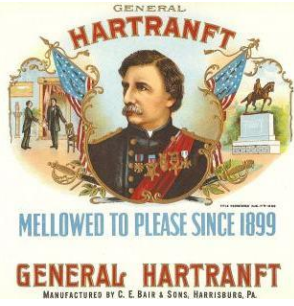
February 2019



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!

<p>2019 Hartranft Camp 15 Officers and Staff</p> 	<p>Commander Senior Vice Commander Junior Vice Commander Secretary Treasurer Council 01 Council 02 Council 03 Patriotic Instructor Chaplain Counselor GAR Historian Graves Registration Guide Color Bearer Guard Eagle Scout Coordinator Signal Webmaster ROTC Coordinator GAR Highway Officer Longevity Brother Webmaster</p>	<p>Logan Swanger 2019. Vernon Stout 2018 Scott Debo, PCC 2018 Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-18 David W. Demmy, Sr. PCC 07-18 Scott Debo, PCC 15-18 Anthony Kline 16 - 18 Jeffery Smith, PCC 18-21 Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018 David W. Demmy, Sr., PCC 00-18 Lee F. Walters, PCC 07-08 Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018 Logan Swanger 14-18 Vacant 2018 Vacant 2018 Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-18 Vacant 2018 Dave W. Demmy, Jr. 05-18. Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-18 Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-18. Dave J. Klinepeter, PCC 1943 Dave W. Demmy Jr., since 2011</p>
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Camp 15 routinely meets at National Civil War Museum, at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA, 2 pm 3rd Sunday of most months. The Marshall A. Hope author award was bestowed upon Hartranft *Herald* for excellence of a camp newsletter by Brad Schall, Commander in Chief, 2010-2011.

Dept of PA: www.PAsuvcw.org National: <http://www.suvcw.org/> See TMI from afar!

February 2019 *Hartranft Herald* Camp 15 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Awarding winning newsletter -- Marshall A. Hope award presented to Hartranft Camp 2010-2011

This issue of the *Hartranft Herald* is draped in remembrance of our late **Real Son, Frederick Fritz Upham, of Fort Collins, CO.**, who died late in December. His remembrance appears in Commander in Chief's Don Shaw's General Order Number 8 January 2019. Upham, along with several other **Real Sons**, was featured in the 2007 Book, *Civil War Fathers Sons of the Civil War in WWII*. Currently the SUVCW has only 2 remaining *known living real sons*!

Our next Camp business meeting is scheduled for Sunday February 17, 2019 at 2 pm at National Civil War Museum Building upper level room 222.

Brothers and Sisters in Distress by, Brother David W, Demmy, Sr., PCC, Kentucky Colonel and Camp 15 Chaplain

Please include the following during your daily prayer time:

- PCC Gene Mascioli, recent surgery!
- Tony Kline had a recent visit at hospital for a procedure. Please add Tony, our Department Eagle Scout officer, to your prayer listing.
- Mrs. Betz, PCinC Rich Orr, Jim Crane of Ohio, PCinC Andy Johnson; with continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters PDP and Mary Jane Bannan PDP and Mrs. Dot Kline!
- Joe Long Jr, PDC and Mrs. Rob Koenigsberg, spouse of PA Dept Secretary! Mrs. Bill Kuhn Jr, Scott Debo PCC, Mr and Mrs. David McReynolds, nat'l treasurer, Darlene Alcorn's son, Lowell Alcorn, Mrs. Rosemary Martin, Mrs. John Martin! Brother Larry Keener-Farley, PCC, and Brother John Martin.
- Mrs. Robert Treat; Jeffery Smith PCC; Mrs. Robert Manning. Brother Dave Sosnowski.
- Chaplains Jerry Kowalski and Scott Teeters and Clark Brocht!
- PCinC Ed Krieser, PCinC Brad Schall, and

PCinC Richard Partington; Mrs. Dick Williams of the department of Michigan to our prayer list too!

God bless you and yours, and in all things, give thanx!

Camp 15 Dues time – year 2019

3rd notice

To save postage you may bring your New Year 2019 Camp 15 dues of **\$35** to February Camp Meeting!

Life Members' dues is \$7.00 for Pennsylvania Department collection Only.

Life Members are exempt from Camp 15 dues and National per capita!

Sunday February 17th

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!

A mass mailing of Membership cards will take place in near future unless you attend camp meeting and obtain your card in person!

All good things take time by our volunteers, including gathering of materials for our monthly newsletter, compiling the news, production efforts, printing and mailing!

Lincoln Luncheon and Appomattox Luncheon(s)

Luncheon announcement/flyers located later in this issue of your *Hartranft Herald*.

2 Appomattox luncheons will be held in Pennsylvania, one in our western region and one in our eastern region, both notices are published herein.

On the Road with Camp 15

Next camp business meeting will be **Sunday February 17, 2019!**

April camp meeting will be conducted on **April 28** as our usual 3rd Sunday meeting day is Easter 2019

Our Brother **Greg Kline** is a 'PCC' of Camp 15 and also of the newly established Camp 503 in Sunbury. Currently he is our Camp secretary and also, the Pennsylvania Department Senior Vice Commander, which means he is on the path to become the Pennsylvania **Department Commander 'DC'** next year **2019** at the PA department encampment convention to be held at Crown Plaza at King of Prussia exit off of turnpike.

The dates for this event are June 27-29 and it was voted at 2018 encampment to go back to 2-day encampment affair with events/tours of the area.

To support Brother Greg's promotion to department Commander, one of 30 other commanders across our nation, I am making this plea to you to reserve this event and dates and to do all in your power to attend and, not only vote for Greg, but support him in his endeavors and goals for our department, the largest Department among our grand patriotic organization.

More data forthcoming when we receive it. in the meantime, you may research the **Crown Plaza at King of Prussia.**

New Readers,
for all of our past newsletters, visit
www.SUVCWHarrisburgPA.org

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 DoubleD@Demmy.cc

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

Established February 11, 1882

in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty!

Continued with other data below!

Contribution by Brother Vern Stout, Camp 15 SVC

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

1. Grateful appreciation to the Convention Committee and to the Hotel for courtesies extended for the comfort and pleasure of the delegates.
2. Support of the efforts of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War in their quest for a Congressional Charter.
3. The Per Capita Tax from Departments to National was increased to \$1.40 yearly, payable .35c quarterly per member, starting with the December quarter, payable Jan. 1, 1970.
4. The Constitutional Amendment regarding Associate Members was approved by a vote of 43 to 7. This Amendment will now be referred to the various Departments for approval. It will become effective when approved by eleven Departments.
5. The \$1000.00 bequest from the Estate of Gen U. S. Grant 3rd was ordered added to the Permanent Fund.
6. Approval was given to the action of the Astronauts in using prayer and bible readings while in space.
7. The use of the Aircraft Carrier Yorktown in making of motion pictures by private companies was condemned.
8. The deterioration of Ft. Stevens in Washington, D. C. (where President Lincoln witnessed the battle) was noted and action taken to request cooperation of the Parks Department in restoring and preserving it.
9. The action of the authorities at Gettysburg Cemetery in removing fresh flowers the same day they are placed was condemned with a request that this procedure be revised.
10. Opposition to organized anarchy was expressed, and that we condemn campus disorders that infringe upon the rights and safety of the vast majority that do not participate.
11. That we urge continued appropriations of funds necessary for the National Defense and Security.
12. Urge support of police and constituted authority in preserving law and order, and that offenders be punished by the courts to the full extent of the law.
13. That we ask the courts stop being lenient in the matter of drug addiction, and that pushers and addicts both be controlled by whatever means is necessary.
14. Insists that those in authority have the strength of purpose to uphold the principles of our forefathers and the constitution and to protect those who fight and work to preserve a just and orderly government.

Source:

The Banner
Vol. 73, No. 4
Oct. 1969
Page 3
First column

Why we miss Rodney Dangerfield

A few of Rodney's oldie one liners:

With my old man I got no respect. I asked him, "How can I get my kite in the air?" He told me to run off a cliff.

A girl phoned me and said, 'Come on over. There's nobody home.' I went over. Nobody was home!

It's tough to stay married. My wife kisses the dog on the lips, yet she won't drink from my glass!

My wife is such a bad cook, if we leave dental floss in the kitchen the roaches hang themselves.

My wife's such a bad cook, the dog begs for Alka-Seltzer.

My wife is such a bad cook. In my house we pray after the meal.

I could tell my parents hated me. My bath toys were a toaster and radio.

I'm so ugly my father carried around a picture of the kid that came with his wallet.

When I was born, the doctor came into the waiting room and said to my father, "I'm sorry. We did everything we could, but he pulled through anyway."

I'm so ugly my mother had morning sickness AFTER I was born.

Once when I was lost, I saw a policeman, & asked him to help me find my parents. I said to him, "Do you think we'll ever find them?" He said, "I don't know kid. There's so many places they can hide."

I'm so ugly, I once worked in a pet shop, and people kept asking how big I'd get.

I went to the doctor because I'd swallowed a bottle of sleeping pills.

My doctor told me to have a few drinks and get some rest!

THAT'S WHY, WE MISS, RODNEY DANGERFIELD

Minutes of January Camp meeting

Sunday January 27 2019 p.m. 38 degrees. Toasty for month of January in central Pennsylvania.

This meeting was postponed from the week before, our regular 3rd Sunday meeting date. It was rescheduled due to pending snow storm on Sunday January 20.

Following personnel were in attendance:

Wayne Blattner, former commander camp 90.

Dave Klinepeter, 'was in the house'.

Dane DiFebo, Educator at Natl Civil War Museum.

David Demmy Sr, Camp Chaplain.

Vern Stout, Sr Vice Camp Commander.

We opened meeting about 2 p.m., and discussed the following subjects.

Life Memberships

Any one interested in a SUVCW National Life Membership, please visit www.suvcw.org and select **governance and forms** and *scroll down to form 9*.

The application is an easy ½ page application, just answer all questions and review text at bottom of sheet. Submit completed form and your remittance according to your age bracket as indicated on application; and mail to address displayed lower portion of the application. In return, you will not only be added to the national rolls as a *National Life Member*, but you will be issued a color certificate and laminated ID Card. There is no authorized camp or department life member program. Only the National SUVCW organization offers a *national life membership* program.

Brother Rev Dick Partington

At 96, Brother Dick, is the oldest *known* member in the Department of Pennsylvania. Dick replied to letters, notes and cards sent to him by camp 15 and other brothers and sisters around the country.

Guest Speakers

Brother **Vern** will be in touch with brothers **Jeff and Greg and Dane**, too, about recruiting *guest speakers* for spring and fall 2019.

Field Trips

Some ideas were discussed and then tabled, for camp fields:

1 visit the Eisenhower Farm at Gettysburg

2 visit the Civil War Medicine Museum at Frederick, MD.

3 Gettysburg field tour with our recent October medical guest speakers!

Department of Pennsylvania encampment - convention in June!

We discussed supporting Department Commander-Elect, our very own, **Greg Kline**, at Crown Plaza King of Prussia in June.

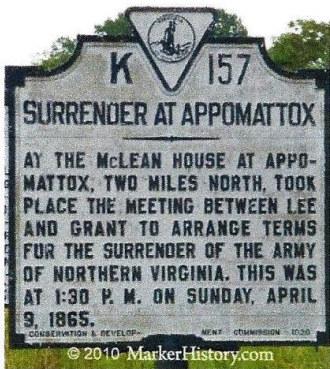
Lastly,

Brothers if you have a story to share with us regarding our Civil War Ancestor, or a related civil war story, please submit it digitally via email to us for inclusion into a future camp newsletter. Pix welcome, but provide source, name individuals in pix, where the event placed etc.

Meeting came to an end at 4:14 p.m. The brothers on duty for the meeting, *adjourned* to Longhorns Steakhouse for another 2 hours of discussions about camp 15 life, membership, employment, and some history of Harrisburg, including local railroad yards. It was agreed that more steakhouse activities, when feasible, should follow our camp meetings for all brothers interested in gathering together with other brothers for brotherhood, good food and ah good time together!



Anna M. Ross Auxiliary #1
Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 And
Anna M. Ross Camp #1
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 Philadelphia



Invite you to the Annual
Appomattox Luncheon

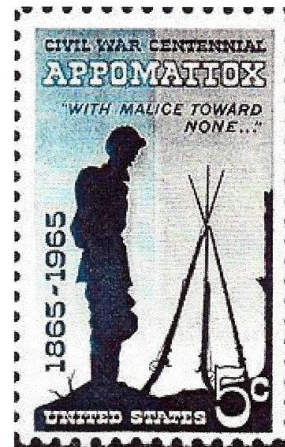
Guest of Honor
Margaret Atkinson, PNP
75-year member of ASUVCW

Saturday, April 13, 2019
 Crowne Plaza Hotel, King of Prussia, PA

Luncheon will be Buffet-Style
 Pre-set Garden Salad with choice of Raspberry Vinaigrette or
 Ranch Dressing
 Bowtie Pasta with Alfredo Sauce, Sirloin of Beef,
 Stuff Chicken, Seasonal Fresh Vegetables
 Potatoes, Rolls and Butter
 Sheet Cake, Coffee and Assorted Soda

Cost: Adults = \$36.00 ~ Children = 24.00

A tribute to Margaret by family, friends and
 Brothers and Sisters of the Allied Orders



Hotel Rooms are available on Friday and Saturday night.
 For Reservations visit www.cpvalleyforge.com

Mail this form and your check payable to Anna M. Ross, Auxiliary #1, to:
 Barbara Indan, 2629 Fillmore Street, Philadelphia, PA 19137
 Please remit by April 3, 2019

Number of Adult meals _____ x \$36.00
 Number of Children meals _____ x \$24.00

Name _____ Amount enclosed _____

APPOMATTOX LUNCHEON – western region

Annual Luncheon: Saturday, April 6, 2019 12:00 Noon Oakhurst Grill – Upstairs Banquet Hall, access, rear parking lot, 2400 Glades Pike (Route 31), Somerset, PA 15501

Hosted by Mt Union Church Camp #502 & Auxiliary & Susanna Cook Tent 61

Lunch buffet of chicken, turkey, ham, assorted potatoes and vegetables, salad, rolls, desserts with beverage included. Price of the luncheon is \$22.00 per person.

Program: Music of the Civil War Era: From Battlefield to the Homefront

Presented by Jerry D Clark, a retired Band Director for Albert Gallatin Area School District, Uniontown, Pa. Jerry is a graduate from the West Virginia University School of Music with degrees in Percussion Performance, Music Education and Wind Band Conducting; Jerry now performs with the VFW Post 8543 Band and the American Legion Band Post 400, both in Fayette County, Pa, is a percussionist for a Swing band, and also plays for several local high school musicals in the area each year. He serves on the Board of Directors of the WVU Alumni Band and the Friendship Hill National Historic Site Association. Jerry is also Junior Vice Commander of Camp #502 this year.

Reservations: Please remit payment no later than Monday April 1,

2019 Payment payable to: Mt Union Church Camp 502

Mail payment & form to Tim Bell, 174 Bellview Lane, Somerset, PA 15501

Directions to Oakhurst Grill, Somerset, Pa

From East: Exit Pa Turnpike 110 (Rt 219 Somerset/Johnstown). Access road to 3rd right on to N.

Center Ave then right on W. Main St (Pa 31/281). Continue on Pa 31 West for about 6 miles to Oakhurst Grill on left. From West: Exit Pa Turnpike 91 (Pa 711/Donnegal) then left on to Pa 31 East for 12.8 miles to Oakhurst Grill on right. Contact: Bob Wrigley 717-475-5451, email rwrigley@frontiernet.net Please mail the Reservation form below with check.

Appomattox Luncheon Sat April 6, 2019. Mail to Tim Bell, 174 Bellview Lane, Somerset, Pa 15501

Name(s) _____

Pay \$22.00 x ____ = Total _____ Check # _____ Phone _____



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

Make plans now to attend the annual Convention/Encampment
June 27-30, 2019
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
Cut off date for reservations is May 28, 2019



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

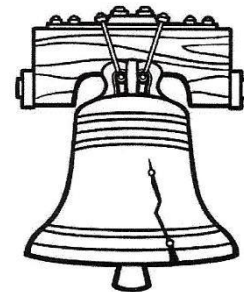
There will be a tour on Thursday, June 27 to Valley Forge Park

Details on the tour and meals are available on separate flyers



*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, 2019

Meal Order Form

Friday, June 28, 2019 Lunch

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

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad number of meals _____ x \$22.00 = _____
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 \$21.00 = _____
Served on Kaiser roll with side salad and potato chips

Italian Hoagie number of meals _____ x \$22.00 = _____
Popular South Philly sandwich prepared with traditional Italian meats & cheeses served on a long hoagie roll with side salad & potato chips

Saturday, June 29, 2019 Lunch

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

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad number of meals _____ x \$22.00 = _____
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 \$21.00 = _____
Served on Kaiser roll with side salad and potato chips

Italian Hoagie number of meals _____ x \$22.00 = _____
Popular South Philly sandwich prepared with traditional Italian meats & cheeses served on a long hoagie roll with side salad & potato chips

Saturday, June 29, 2019 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

Chicken Calvados number of meals _____ x \$43.00 = _____
Panko crusted boneless breast of chicken served with an apple brandy sauce

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


Roasted Prime Rib of Beef number of meals _____ x \$48.00 = _____
Slow roasted choice cut beef served with herb au jus and a horseradish cream sauce

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

Please support the 2019 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 "PASUVCW" and artwork are to be sent to (please note new USPS mailing address):

Ellen Higgins
PO Box 405
Marmora, NJ 08223-0405
SquirrelOCNJ@aol.com

Deadline for submission is May 20, 2019

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.

NEW this year – have your page in **COLOR**. See additional fee

Cost of AD's

Full Page - \$40.00 Black - \$50.00 Color
 Half Page - \$25.00 Black - \$30.00 Color
 Quarter Page - \$15.00 Black - \$20.00 Color
 Eight Page - \$10.00 Black - \$15.00 Color
 Patron – one line - \$5.00