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Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War  
Camp No. 17, Santa Ana  
Orange County, California

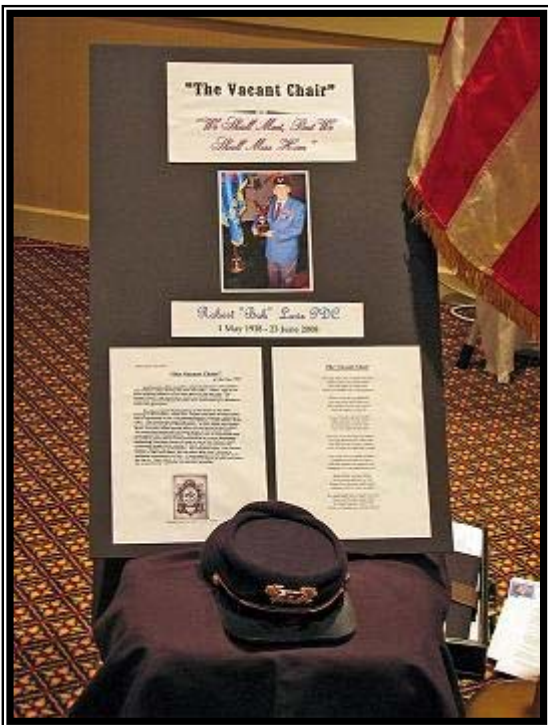
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and the G.A.R. Posts of Orange County*

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### SUVCW National Encampment Pays Tribute to Loss of Past Department Commander Bob Lowe



The 2008 SUVCW National Encampment at Peabody, Massachusetts joined with the California delegation in observance of the passing of PDC Bob Lowe by allowing the delegation to place a memorial placard to Bob in the “Vacant Chair” throughout the two-day Encampment. C-in-C Charles Kuhn, Jr. and National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski both spoke in tribute to PDC Lowe during their remembrances of Brothers who have answered the final roll call since the last Encampment.

Robert (Bob) Lowe joined the legion of angels on June 23, 2008. A long-time resident of El Cajon Valley, he is survived by his loving wife Rosemary Ryan Lowe. He was also blessed with five children; Robert Lowe of Virginia, Laura Shanley of Mississippi, Roger Lowe of California, Karyn Wochaski of California and Nancy Snyder of Italy and fourteen grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Gail Craig, aunt Elva Maybee and cousins Maureen Morley, Jack Lowe, Jane Mead, Lorn MacUmbert, Harriette Rooney and Ann Wilton, brother-in-law Edward Ryan and nephews Scott and Matt Ryan.

Brother Lowe was born at Rochester, New York on May 1, 1938. Bob was an active member of El Cajon Elks Lodge 1812, where he chaired and served on several Veterans and Americanism committees and was named Citizen of the Year in 2000 and Elk of the Year in 2001. He was a Past Commander of the Sgt. William Pittenger Camp 21 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, where he was named Brother of the Year in 2006. He was also Past Department Commander of the Department of California and Pacific and National Graves Registration Officer awarded the *Cornelius F. Whitehouse Outstanding Brother of the Year* in 2005. He unselfishly dedicated himself to his country, American Veterans and his community.

Bob loved cross-stitching and created many projects for family members and various organizations. He was an avid reader and a dedicated San Diego Charger football fan. He was a dedicated 32-year employee of the Eastman Kodak Company. He was a true friend and confidant for his friends and family, and he was a true gentleman. For those who knew him, life will never be the same.

A Memorial Service was held at the El Cajon Elks Lodge 1812, 1400 East Washington Avenue, El Cajon, CA on Wednesday, July 2, 2008 at 1:00pm. Department Commander Jerry Sayre and SVR District Commander Dave Allyn both provided stirring eulogies and tributes to Brother Bob.

The delegates sorely missed Bob’s camaraderie at the Encampment, but we held his spirit in our hearts.





## Department Delegation Attends 127<sup>th</sup> Annual SUVCW National Encampment



A delegation of 9 Brothers from the Department of California & Pacific provided representation to the 127<sup>th</sup> Annual National Encampment in Peabody, Massachusetts that took place on August 7 – 10, 2008. The delegation was headed by Commander Jerry Sayre, and the other representatives were: Frank Avila, Tad Campbell, Floyd Farrar, Dan Bunnell, Phil Caines, Charles Mabie, Glen Roosevelt, and Brad Schall who is also a member of the National Council of Administration. The delegation was the fifth largest of the 26 Departments in attendance.

David V. Medert of Ohio was elected C-in-C, marking the first time in SUVCW history that a son had followed in the footsteps of his father, David R. Medert (C-in-C

1995) to hold the office. Leo Kennedy of Rhode Island was elected SVC, and James R. Hanby, Sr. of Delaware was selected as the JVC. Our own Department Commander Jerry Sayre was appointed as the National Patriotic Instructor.

Our delegation Brothers had an excellent opportunity to tour many of the historical sites of the Boston area on Thursday and Sunday, while the business meetings took place on Friday and Saturday. A social “Campfire” took place on Friday evening, where the delegation had the pleasure of saluting and roasting outgoing C-in-C Charles Kuhn, Jr. The “Campfire” also provided Camp 2 PCC Phil Caines with the opportunity to present the SUVCW postcard that had been “delivered” on the Odd Fellows float in the January 2008 Rose Parade to the National headquarters as a keepsake. The formal Allied Orders dinner was enjoyed by all on Saturday evening. Challenges of severe rainstorms allowed Brothers Roosevelt and Farrar plenty of extra time to “enjoy” the luxury of Logan Airport while trying to depart Boston.

### Rosecrans Auxiliary No. 2 Receives Charter at National Encampment



One hundred years after the original Rosecrans Auxiliary No. 2 was chartered in Los Angeles, the new Auxiliary No. 2 received its charter at the National Encampment in Peabody, Mass. The charter was accepted by California & Pacific Department President Rachelle Campbell who transported it to California for the official installation of the new Auxiliary.

The installation took place on Saturday, August 30 at the Huntington Beach display booth when the charter was handed over to new Auxiliary No. 2 President Melinie Caines. The ceremony was well attended by Sisters of the new Auxiliary, and supported by SUVCW Brothers including Department Commander Jerry Sayre. The original 1908 charter of the old ASUVCW No. 2 and a 1928 transcription of the charter were presented to President Caines along with an original Auxiliary banner that had been stored at Los Angeles Bob Hope Patriotic Hall since the old Auxiliary ceased operations.

The new Auxiliary will serve all of Southern California, and new members include ladies who are associated with Camps 2, 17 and 21.

SUVCW Department Commander Jerry Sayre gives greetings to the new Rosecrans No. 2 ASUVCW during the installation ceremony at Huntington Beach. To the right of Commander Sayre is Camp 2 PCC Phil Caines, ASUVCW No. 2 President Melinie Caines, and ASUVCW Department President Rachelle Campbell. The original ASUVCW No. 2 banner shown was returned to the Auxiliary.

## MAY - AUGUST EVENTS PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

### Memorial Day



**Top left:** Camp 17 members and Tent 88 Sisters at the Santa Ana GAR monument. **Top right:** SUVCW Camp 17 colors are presented at Santa Ana. **Bottom: Left;** Battery B, 1<sup>st</sup> Pennsylvania Light Artillery fires a salute at Santa Ana. **Right;** SUVCW friend Stephen Schmitt provides his fife and drum expertise during the ceremony at Santa Ana.



Camp 17 Commander Paul Gillette delivers his Memorial Day speech at Magnolia Memorial Park in Garden Grove.

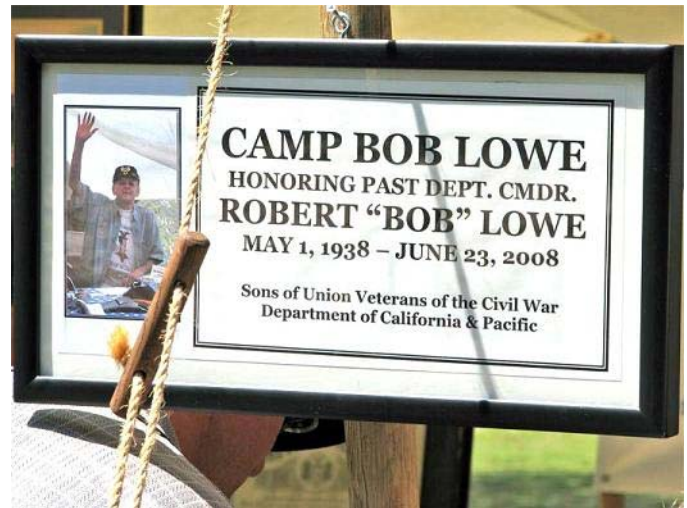
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PCC Roosevelt assists Cub Scouts of Santa Monica Pack 95 in placement of flags for veterans at Pierce Brothers Westwood Village Memorial Park. The Park was founded in 1905 as Sunset Cemetery by GAR veterans of Burnside Post 188 of Sawtelle.

### Fort MacArthur & Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend



The Fort MacArthur combined Camp 2 & 17 display in July. The Huntington Beach display was dedicated to the memory of PDC Bob Lowe.



Left: Sisters Lynn Johsz, Dotty Wilson & Joann Knowles at H.B. Right: The Ed Ord family turned out in force to support the H.B. display.

## Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend



The overall SUVVCW/DUVCW displays from the nearby hill. Camp 17 Brother Rich Raver & DUV Marianne Raver at Rich's drummer display.



PDC Tad Campbell, Camp 2 PCC Phil Caines & Cmdr. Jerry Sayre. PCC Roosevelt & Camp 17 member Quay Terry at the Marines display.



Two DUV's escort Bill Peck as President Abraham Lincoln.



After the smoke cleared from the last battle, the Union still prevailed.

Photos courtesy of: Kim Sayre, Floyd Farrar, Joann Knowles, Dotty Wilson, and Lynn Johsz.

**Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17**  
**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Tustin, CA**  
**Minutes of Meeting – May 15, 2008**

The meeting was opened by Commander Gillette at 7:05 pm. Dan Henry opened the Bible and gave the invocation. Patriotic Instructor, Jim Blauer, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commander Gillette read General Order #17 (dated May 5, 2008) by Commander in Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr. concerning SUVCW Camps to participate in the observation of Memorial Day.

Secretary Charles Beal took the roll. Those in attendance included; Charles Beal, Jim Blauer, Walter Davis, Floyd Farrar, Dan Henry, Glen Roosevelt, Don Hoffer, Robin Bowers, John Heckman, Marcus Deemer, Paul Gillette, Richard Ignatius and Terry Shaw.

Guests included Dianna and Kirk Illian.

The Minutes from 3-27-08 having been passed out, Walter Davis moved that we accept them as printed in the current Camp Newsletter. This was seconded by Dan Henry and the motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Charles Beal. As of March 27 we had \$1,458.84 in the bank account. We had income of \$115.00 and expenses totaled \$40.00. This gives a balance of \$1,533.84. It was moved by Walter Davis and seconded by Richard Ignatius, subject to audit, that this report be approved. The motion passed. DUV Tent contributed \$20.00 towards the Hall Rental (which is \$40.00), so Charles Beal will deposit \$20.00 back into the Camp treasury.

Glen Roosevelt reported that Bob Lowe (Camp 21 and National Graves Officer) has been in the hospital for a month and our prayers are with him for a speedy recovery. Brother Quay Terry reported through Glen that retired USMC Master Sgt. Arthur Jaenichen's daughter Mary Jaenichen was recently killed in a non-combat related death in Iraq. Walter Davis said that he might have to have a kidney removed but he is still debating the surgery.

Glen Roosevelt reported on Patriotic Hall that the \$47 million renovation project is moving slowly forward. The tenants are waiting for an updated renovation schedule. The completion date is April 2012.

Charles Beal reported one new application for membership. Kirk Illian's 2nd great-grandfather, Pvt. Joseph H. McAfee was in Company G of the 16th Ohio Infantry. It was moved by Walter Davis that Kirk be admitted to the Camp and was seconded by Glen Roosevelt. The motion carried and the application was accepted. Kirk and his wife, Dianna were present at the meeting. Kirk was presented his membership Certificate by Commander Paul Gillette.

Commander Gillette read Department Order 11 by Commander Jerry Sayre (Observance of Memorial Day 2008) which is printed on page 2 of 9 in the May 2008 Camp newsletter.

**Old Business:**

The current Camp newsletter has a write-up and photo display for St. Catherine's Academy Civil War weekend. Larry Duncan was there with his hospital display. Brothers Roosevelt, Farrar, Hart, Gillette, King, Quay Terry, DUV Elizabeth Mills Tent #88 and Department Commander Sayre were in attendance. Also included in the newsletter are photos from Prado Regional Park with the above same brothers and DUV Camp in attendance. A special mention to Robin Bowers for helping Glen Roosevelt set up the tent the day before the event started. A low turnout was reported for the Prado event. Glen Roosevelt reported that he came across some information that the Upland Municipal Museum was planning a future GAR exhibit (Riverside & Ontario GAR Posts) that Glen will investigate.

**New Business:**

Glen Roosevelt is seeking volunteers to help place flags at the Veteran graves at Santa Ana Cemetery on Saturday, May 24th. Glen is also on the Santa Ana Cemetery Memorial Day committee along with other allied Veteran groups. A new banner was posted near the entrance to the cemetery to announce the Memorial Day services on May 26th. A Civil War cannon will be fired during the ceremony to honor the Civil War Dead by Battery B, 1st Pennsylvania Light Artillery (Cooper's Battery) re-enactors. Glen will read the Gettysburg Address during the ceremony.

Commander Gillette took a poll as to which Memorial Day services were going to be attended by the Camp Brothers. Four Brothers committed to Santa Ana Cemetery; 4 Brothers committed to Magnolia Memorial Park; 1 Brother committed to Evergreen





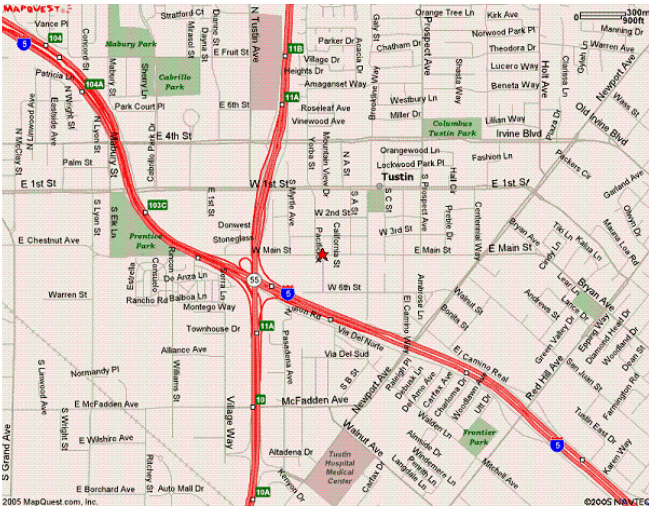


# SUVCW Camp 17 Meeting

**Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008 at 7:00pm**

**in the Fellowship Hall, First Advent Christian Church  
555 W. Main St. (corner of Main & Pacific), Tustin, CA**

***Main Topics: New Members &  
Nominations for 2009 Officers***



The Church is located at the corner of Main Street and Pacific Street in “old” Tustin. The Fellowship Hall is located behind the Pastor’s residence that is just east of the Church. Parking is in the small lot just east of the Pastor’s residence. Entry to the Fellowship Hall is through the gate in the chain-link fence at the back (north) side of the parking lot. The meetings normally start at 7:00 pm, and the doors to the Hall are opened at 6:30.

From the 55 Freeway: exit 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Irvine Blvd, go east to Yorba, south across First St., south on Pacific to Main. From I-5: exit at Newport, north to Main, left on Main, west on Main to Pacific.



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