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



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*Dedicated to the Memory of Grand Army of the Republic Veterans
and the G.A.R. Posts of Orange County*

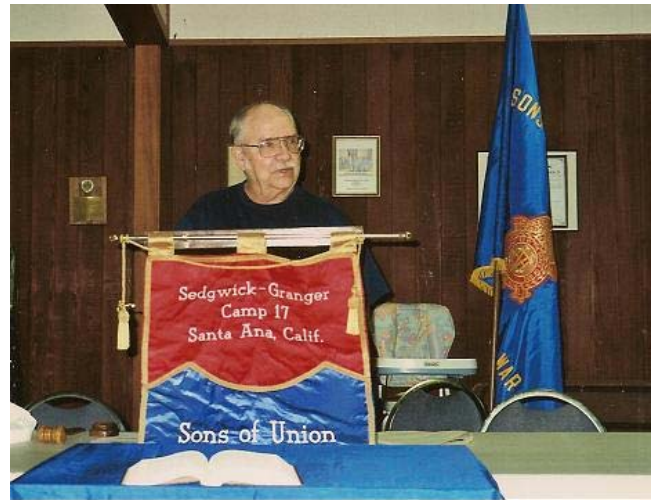
Gen. John Sedgwick (Formed in honor of Sedgwick Post 17 of Santa Ana & Granger Post 138 of Orange) Gen. Gordon Granger



Camp 17 Elects 2009 Officers at November Meeting

The 2009 elective officers for Camp 17 were selected at the November 20, 2008 meeting. The new officers are Floyd Farrar as Commander, Dan Henry as Senior Vice-Commander, and Charles Beal as Junior Vice-Commander. Brother Richard Ignatius was elected as Secretary, and Brother Terry Shaw was chosen as Treasurer. The Camp Council made up of James Blauer, Joe Hart, and Walter Davis was re-elected. Camp Commander-elect Floyd Farrar will select the appointed officers for 2009, and they will be announced at the January 15, 2009 Officer Installation meeting.

The January 2009 meeting will also be used to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the founding of Camp 17. Our Charter was signed by the National Headquarters on Dec. 31, 2003 with a date-of-rank from Dec. 17, 2003. So, we will celebrate the anniversary with a birthday cake and other snacks after the installation of our Officers by Department Commander Jerry Sayre on January 15, 2009. The January meeting will also be our annual show-and-tell social, where we encourage members to bring their favorite artifacts of the Civil War and their Civil War ancestor(s) to be viewed and shared with rest of the Camp members.



Camp SVC Floyd Farrar conducted the November meeting in place of Commander Paul Gillette, and Floyd was later elected as the 2009 Camp Commander. Photo courtesy of James Blauer.

Please attend the January 15, 2009 meeting to install our 2009 officers, and celebrate our 5th Camp anniversary by sharing your Civil War mementos.

Department Encampment Set for March 6-7, 2009 in San Luis Obispo

The 123rd Annual Encampment of the Department of California and Pacific will be held at the NCO Club of Camp San Luis Obispo on Friday March 6 and Saturday March 7, 2009. National C-in-C David Medert, Jr. will be the guest of honor of the Encampment. The Encampment proceedings include a Friday evening social “campfire” and dinner, the Saturday business meeting, and a Saturday evening dinner with the C-in-C. Detailed information for the Encampment is included on the Department website at

<http://www.suvsac.org/Resources/2009%20Encampment.pdf>



COMMANDER'S CORNER

In this time of stress and uncertainty about many aspects of our future I can only echo the words attributed to Winston Churchill during the dark days of early World War Two, ***“When you are going thru hell, your only choice is to keep on going.”*** *We could be living in the east and putting up with the ice and snow... I am personally thankful for this alone.*

From the new Camp 17 Commander-elect may I take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a warm season's greetings. I look forward to working with the camp officers in 2009 and hopefully seeing all members at the meetings.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,
Floyd Farrar, ***Camp Commander-elect***



Camp 17 Brothers,

The following National General Order is presented on behalf of National Commander-in-Chief David V. Medert. It is copied here to echo my best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, and to let you know that the next issue of ***The Banner*** will be received after the holidays.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,
Paul Gillette - Camp Commander



**SONS OF UNION VETERANS
OF THE CIVIL WAR**

**OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
DAVID V. MEDERT
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**GENERAL ORDER #4
SERIES 2008 – 2009**

1. As this issue of the Banner will be received after the holidays, I hope that all of you and your families had a blessed Christmas and safe New Year. It is had to believe that 2008 has come and gone so quickly. As we enter the New Year, we will be faced with many challenges, both economically and within the Order. It is our duty as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to meet these challenges head on and to forge through them always remembering to assist others that are experiencing difficulty. This was one of the principles on which our Order was founded and it is incumbent upon us to carry on those principles.
2. I want to thank all the Brothers and Sisters of the Allied Orders who participated in the 52nd Annual Remembrance Day ceremonies. It was a bitterly cold day with high winds and I know many of us had numb fingers and toes. Yet participation in the parade and ceremonies were high again this year. Following the parade, some of us joined our Confederate cousins at “The Wall” and participated with them in their ceremonies. It has been expressed by them to once again join forces at the Wall for a joint ceremony. Hopefully this will come to fruition.

3. The Council of Administration held a very productive meeting in Gettysburg, of which you will read further on in this issue. I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some very important items that did arise and which may need further explanation.
4. For many years, we have had problems with new members not receiving their copy of The Banner and when the Executive Director or National Secretary have been queried regarding new member information, have discovered either the address is wrong or the member is not listed. The majority of the time the reason this occurs is the E.D. or Secretary has been unable to read the handwriting on the forms being submitted to them and enters the information as they are able to decipher them. If a street address or zip code is entered incorrectly, that member will not receive their Banner. Additionally, if a name is misspelled and you query a member's status, more than likely they will not appear as members of the Order. It was for this reason that I issued General Order #3 requiring all forms submitted to National be typed. If Camp and Department Secretaries do not have access to a computer in their home, other members of the Camp/Department should be willing to lend a hand in submitting these forms. It is acceptable to have "Assistant" secretaries at the Department and Camp levels to aid the secretary in the discharge of their duties and this would be one of them. I do believe you will find that by complying with this General Order, members will begin receiving their Banners.
5. Along those lines, the Program and Policy Committee and the National Webmaster are working diligently to develop an online tool which will be used to submit address changes of our members more rapidly. This tool will not replace Form 30 but is to be used to give the Executive Director a "heads up" of an address change. More information will be disseminated on this once it is completed.
6. Many Camps and Departments have expressed concerns that the checks they have submitted to the National Quartermaster, Executive Director, and National Treasurer are taking too long to be deposited. The National Treasurer investigated this concern and discovered that from the time the check is "written" to the time it is received by the National Treasurer and deposited is approximately 21 days which is an excepted time frame. Therefore, prior to calling and requesting the status of your check, please verify that you have allowed ample time for checks to clear.
7. If you are requesting a subscription to the Banner, please submit your requests and fees to the Executive Director not the National Treasurer. He is the one that controls the mailing list and subscriptions.
8. The National Officers are preparing to travel to the various Departments for their annual Encampments. Please submit your invites, with itineraries and addresses where the Encampment will be held as far in advance as possible in order for the Brother attending to prepare. Also, if you have an issue you wish us to address, please submit that concern early enough for us to investigate it properly.
9. As I have stated on numerous occasions, one of the biggest challenges before us is to retain our members. The Junior Vice Commander In Chief has reported a large increase in membership applications he has received through our National Website. Many of you are setting up recruiting booths and presenting the Order to the public and your efforts are to be commended. It is evident we are able to recruit new members, but what are we doing to retain new and existing members? If you know of someone that intends are allowing their membership to lapse, call or better yet, visit them and ask them what can we do to retain them as members. Many times you will find that the reason a member elects to leave is because no one has contacted them. Keep in mind, they are Brothers and

we are here to make them welcome and to get them involved. Not necessarily as officers of the Order but rather as a member of the Order.

10. This year we are celebrating the birth of one of best presidents we have ever had. I again encourage everyone to commemorate President Lincoln’s birthday during February. Have an open dinner for the public to attend. Request someone in the Camp to give a talk about President Lincoln. Display artifacts at the dinner for the public to see, especially articles and photographs of what your Camp/Department is doing for the good of the Order. This is an excellent recruiting opportunity.

11. In closing, wish all of you a very successful year and look forward to meeting you during your Encampments.

So ordered this 10th Day of December 2008.

By order of:
David V. Medert
Commander-In-Chief

Attested:
Donald Palmer
National Secretary



Editor’s Column

More Submittals to the Newsletter Sought for 2009

Thanks to our Camp 17 members who have contributed to the Camp 17 newsletter over the past year. Your continued support of Camp events and submittals to the newsletter are greatly appreciated. Since Commander-elect Farrar will be taking on much greater Camp responsibilities in 2009, we will be depending on him less to help with preparation of the newsletter. However, we will not be letting him off the hook on being our “official” photographer. You can bet that Floyd’s camera will not be far from his side as he attends various SUVCW functions throughout the year, and his outstanding photos will be shared with everyone on the pages of the newsletter.

Glen Roosevelt, Newsletter Co-Editor

Please submit all newsletter articles, photos, and comments to Glen Roosevelt via e-mail for incorporation into OUR newsletter. Your inputs are most welcome!



2009 Camp Officers-elect addresses as follows:

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Phone: 714-404-3227, Email: H3rdmdregt@aol.com

JVC, Charles Beal: 21820 Kern St., Yorba Linda CA 92887-3719
Phone: 714-777-1013, Email: occivilwar@sbcglobal.net

Secretary, Richard Ignatius: 436 Carson Way, Norco, CA 92860-3892
Phone: 951-898-3919, Email: rich_ignatius@juno.com

Treasurer, Terry Shaw: 420 Bernard St, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2059
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Newsletter Editor, Glen Roosevelt: 1280 N. Piedmont Dr., Anaheim Hills, CA 92807
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2009 Camp Other Elected & Appointed Officers

Camp Council: James Blauer, Joe Hart, and Walter Davis (elected officers)

2009 Appointed Officers:

John Dodd as Counselor, James Blauer as Patriotic Instructor and Eagle Scout Coordinator, Dan Henry as Chaplain, Floyd Farrar as Historian, Glen Roosevelt as Newsletter Editor and Signals Officer, Charles Beal as Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer as Guide, Peter Ignatius as the Color Bearer and Guard, Glen Roosevelt as GAR Highway officer.

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CAMP & DEPT. WEBPAGES & other web links and information:

Generals Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Website

<http://www.suvsac.org/camp17.html>

Sons of Union Veterans Department of California & Pacific

<http://www.suvsac.org>

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Elizabeth Hill-Mills Tent #88

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~caehmduv/>

General W.S. Rosecrans Camp 2 SUVCW & Auxiliary Websites

<http://www.suvsac.org/camp2.html>

<http://www.suvsac.org/aux/aux2.html>

The Auxiliary serves all of Southern California

The **SUVCW Charitable Foundation Online Store** is up and running and ready to serve you. Whether it is as a gift or as an award for an out-going Camp officer you can browse our complete line of items for sale on our web page located at <http://suvcw-cf.org/merchandise.htm>.

SUVCW Camp 17 MEETINGS: Are 3rd Thursday of odd-numbered months, at 7:00 pm

Tustin First Advent Christian Church in the Fellowship Hall, 555 W. Main Street, Tustin, CA. *The Church was founded in 1881, and its congregation included members of the Gen. John Sedgwick GAR Post 17 of Santa Ana.*

The Camp elected officers and members encourage all who are able to try and attend the meetings. *A Camp is only as good as its active membership.* We are aware of the difficulties people have in attending because of physical ailments or other things. If you would like to go each month and are unable to drive for whatever reason please let us know and we will endeavor to find a way to get you a ride.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

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The Orange County Civil War Roundtable

For those who enjoy Civil War historical lectures & discussions on all aspects of the era.

The Roundtable meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month

at Carrow's Restaurant in Fountain Valley, CA on Magnolia south of the 405 Freeway at 7:00PM

Web Site is <<http://www.cwrtorangecounty-ca.org>>

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📅 Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday 📅

Monday, Jan. 19, 2009

📅 Inauguration Day 📅

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009

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**Cornelia Hancock DUVCW Tent 91 First Anniversary Celebration
and President Abraham Lincoln 200th Birthday Observance**
Saturday, January 31, 2009 at 09:30
Andres Pico Adobe – 10940 Sepulveda Blvd., Mission Hills, CA
Contact: Tent Pres. Carole Morton at 818-368-4634 or notrom@yahoo.com
www.corneliahancockduvcw.org
RSVP by 1/26/09 for meeting and luncheon for \$25.00

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Lincoln Pilgrimage Parade – SVR Color Guard & ASUVCW Escort
Saturday - Feb. 7, 2009, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Redlands High School to Redlands Bowl, Redlands, CA
<http://www.lincolnshrine.org/>
Lincoln Shrine Open House – SUVVCW Display Booth
Sunday - Feb. 8, 2009, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Lincoln Shrine, Redlands, CA

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🏠 President Abraham Lincoln’s 200th Birthday 🏠
Thursday, February 12, 2009

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Grand Civil War Encampment at Knott's Berry Farm
Saturday and Sunday of Presidents' Day Weekend, February 14-15, 2009
More info to follow. Contact Ed Mann at <Howitzers1@aol.com>
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🏠 George Washington Massing of Colors – SVR Color Guard 🏠
Sunday, February 22, 2009, 2:00 PM
Forest Lawn – Hollywood Hills, 6300 Forest Lawn Dr. Los Angeles, CA 90068
<http://www.sons-of-liberty-sar.org/massing.php>
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St. Catherine’s Military Academy Civil War Re-enactment
Combined SUVVCW-DUVCW-ASUVCW Display Booth
Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 28 & Mar. 1, 2009
215 N. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92805
<http://www.stcatherinesmilitaryacademy.org/events/civilwar.aspx>
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Grave Markers Ordered for 8 Veterans at Santa Ana Cemetery

By Charles L. Beal, Graves Registration & Monuments Officer

Graves Registration Officer Charles Beal has requested 8 Government grave markers for veterans buried in unmarked graves at Santa Ana Cemetery. The requests have been coordinated with and approved by Cemetery District General Manager Tim Deutsch. It is planned to have the grave markers in place and available for dedication during the Tri-City Veterans Memorial Day Ceremony on May 25, 2009.

Civil War:

Jesse D. Bowley: Served as a Private in Company I, 46th Massachusetts Infantry. Born 1820 and died September 26, 1887. Los Angeles Times newspaper article (dated March 19, 1896) reported his partial remains were uncovered while digging a grave for Civil War Veteran, Oliver Oberr. Jesse had previously occupied this gravesite and was later re-interred in the San Francisco area. His found remains were reburied at the foot of the same grave with Oliver Oberr per this newspaper article.

Halsey Healey Harthorn: Served as a Ordinary Seaman in the United States Navy on the U.S.S. Sabine. Born June 6, 1843 in Maine and died August 31, 1924. He was a resident of City of Orange. He was a sea captain and later when he came to California, he was a street car operator, drilled for Union Oil, a grocer and local justice of the peace. He also did some mining in the Santa Ana Mountains and other parts of California. Halsey is a descendant of Chief Justice John Harthorn of the Salem, MA witch trials.

James M. Henderson: Served as a Private in the 9th Battery, Indiana Light Artillery. Born August 1845 and died November 19, 1922.

Alfred Walter Hill: Served as a Private in Company K, 179th Ohio Infantry. Born 1842 in Bulter County, Ohio and died April 30, 1937. He was resident for a year in the City of Orange.

Joseph R. Hodges: Served in the Confederate States Army as a Private in Company D, 1st Arkansas Cavalry. Born 1835 and died December 8, 1912. His obituary said he came to California 60 years ago, and lived at Bolsa (now in the City of Garden Grove) for the past 40 years.

Charles Horner: Served as a Private in Company B, 7th Ohio Infantry. Born 1835 and died January 26, 1903.

James Elbert McGowen: Served in the Confederate States Army as a 2nd Lieutenant in Company D, 25th Louisiana Infantry. Born July 1, 1836 at Mississippi and died July 3, 1918.

Indian Wars:

John Edward Hajek: Served as a Private in 9th United States Army Infantry during the Indian Wars. Born July 18, 1852 at Burgess, Bohemia, immigrated to the United States in 1867. He joined the Army in 1876 for 5 years and died December 5, 1917. He was a resident of Huntington Beach. He became a U.S. citizen in November 1910. A local newspaper article says he served in the Ute and Cheyenne campaigns during the Indian Wars.

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You can search the SUVCW National Graves Registration Database at:
<http://www.suvcwdb.org/home/>

Fall & Winter 2008 Photo Highlights

Also: Catching Up with Some Earlier Events



Above: New Brothers Bob Drennan (left) and Greg "Doc" Lutes (right) receive their member certificates from Commander Paul Gillette at the Sept. 18, 2008 meeting. *Photos courtesy of James Blauer.*



Photos courtesy of: Kathy Mauzey, Lynn Johsz & Eilleen Tisch.

Left: Brother Darrell Rivers performs "Taps" at the El Toro Memorial Park observance of Memorial Day on May, 26, 2008. Darrell could be the only Colonel to ever play "Taps". **Center:** DUVCW Tent 88 Sisters Lynn Johsz, Dottie Peterson, and Joann Knowles adorn the SUVCW-DUVCW display at the Drum Barracks Christmas on Dec. 4 & 5, 2008. **Right:** New banners were hung on the Barracks wall and fence to announce the Christmas event. **Below:** Camp 21 & 17 SVR Color Guard along with Eilleen Tisch and Brenda Boucher of the ASUVCW at the Christmas Parade in Fallbrook.



Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Minutes of Meeting – November 20, 2008 Tustin, CA

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Senior Vice-Commander Floyd Farrar. Chaplain Dan Henry opened the Bible and gave the opening prayer. Patriotic Instructor Jim Blauer led the Pledge of Allegiance. It was reported that Commander Paul Gillette is on vacation.

Secretary Charles Beal took the roll call for attendance. Those attending were; Charles Beal, Jim Blauer, Danny Cox, Walter Davis, Robert Drennan, Floyd Farrar, Bob Harris, John Heckman, Dan Henry, Richard Ignatius, Bill LaConte, Greg Lutes, Bill Nelson, Glen Roosevelt, Terry Shaw, Loren Bures (Camp 2), Don Hoffer, and Marcus Deemer. Members then introduced themselves and told about their ancestor.

The minutes from the September meeting were in the newsletter. Walter Davis moved that they be approved as written. The motion was seconded by John Heckman and passed.

Charles Beal gave the treasurer's report. As of September we had \$1,756.84. Our income was \$25.50 for dues which brought us to \$1,782.34. Expenses for mailing, dues to National, refund and the Hall rental came to \$103.48. That leaves us with a balance of \$1,678.86. Walter Davis moved that the report be approved subject to audit. This motion was seconded by Dan Henry and passed.

The following slate was presented by the Nominating Committee for our 2009 officers: Commander-Floyd Farrar, Senior Vice-Commander-Dan Henry, Junior Vice-Commander-Charles Beal, Secretary-none, Treasurer-none, 3 Council seats-Walter David, Jim Blauer and Joe Hart.

Nominations were opened to the floor. Each office was handled one by one. Nominations for Commander were opened to the floor. Being none Floyd Farrar was elected Commander. Nominations for Senior Vice-Commander were opened to the floor. Being none Dan Henry was elected to Senior Vice-Commander. Nominations for Junior Vice-Commander were opened to the floor. Being none Charles Beal was elected Junior Vice-Commander. Glen nominated Richard Ignatius for Secretary. Richard agreed to serve. There were no further nominations from the floor. Richard Ignatius was elected Secretary. Glen nominated Terry Shaw for Treasurer. Terry agreed to serve. There were no further nominations from the floor. Terry Shaw was elected Treasurer. Joe Hart, Walter Davis and Jim Blauer were nominated to serve on the Council. There were no further nominations from the floor. They were elected members of the council. Installation of officers will be conducted at our January meeting.

There was no report of any illnesses in the Camp.

We had one new member to vote on, Davis R. Winsor for Junior Membership. He is 7 years old. His fourth great grandfather was John F. Angle of the Missouri Volunteers and Cavalry. Glen moved that we accept his application. This was seconded by Dan Henry. The Motion passed. Davis is our only Junior Member.

Senior Vice-Commander Farrar noted that we have 63 members in our camp. This makes our Camp one of the largest in the country. There are about 6,500 members nationally, so we have 1% of the membership in our Camp. Senior Vice-Commander Farrar noted that hopefully this next year we can get some publicity. Brother Walter Davis noted that the Tustin News likes to print up stories about groups like ours, so we might want to get in touch with them about our meetings and activities. Brother Farrar noted that we get a lot of response from the Huntington Beach reenactment. We plan to dedicate eight graves (currently unmarked) on Memorial Day at the old Santa Ana Cemetery. Five are Union; two are Confederate and one veteran from the Indian Wars era. Brother Farrar noted that publicity is the job of the Senior Vice-Commander. He also

noted that the Genealogical Jamboree has a booth where information is distributed on all the Camps here in Southern California. He is hoping we might be able to get the three genealogical societies here in Orange County involved with our group in an effort to get new members. Jim Blauer noted that the Civil War Project with the Orange County (Huntington Beach based) Genealogical Society has a new Chair and that we should contact Joan Rambo for that contact person. Jim Blauer also suggested that with all the events where we are present we might want to try and get Huell Howser to do a show or a series of shows around these events.

As noted in our newsletter, it was reported that Brother Ormand Eckley had passed away, so our charter was draped this evening. It was also reported that Marion Spencer, wife of Commander Jim Spencer (Camp 16) passed away.

Under unfinished business, it was announced that on December 13th there will be the Civil War Christmas play in Corona. The Drum Barracks will have their Christmas Open House on December 6-7 from 11am-4pm. Reenactors will have a table display, as will Camp 17 along with the Tent 88 of the DUVCW. The Banning House will also be open with a carriage running back and forth to Drum Barracks.

Brother Walter Davis thanked the newsletter crew for a great newsletter.

It was reported that the L.A. County Armor Museum has Korean War Field pieces. It is located in Rosemead and has over 100 armored vehicles.

Under new business Charles Beal reported that there was an unmarked Union grave for Henry Dawson at Loma Vista Memorial Park in Fullerton. It costs \$25 per grave for monument preservation. Brother Davis moved that we spend the \$25 on the unmarked grave. The motion was seconded by Glen Roosevelt and passed. Note: The form to order the Civil War Monument was mailed to the VA on November 21, 2008.

Glen reported that Patriotic Hall is moving forward with its planned renovation. There was a meeting earlier today with the project manager and the Historic Preservation people. The restoration is fully funded at \$43 million dollars. Last month they had the pre-qualification meeting for vendors. There are three potential bidders to be announced. The proposals are due in 6 months. They are expecting a completion date of June 2012, though there is a possibility at this time that if all goes well it will be completed by 2011. They have had meaningful progress according to Glen.

Brother Glen also reported that in 2012 the Department is attempting to get the National Encampment in Los Angeles for the 100th anniversary of the GAR Encampment that was held there. There is to be a formal proposal that will be put together by August 2009, and the selection for that year will be announced in 2010.

Brother Farrar noted that the Civil War Round Table continues to meet at Carrow's Restaurant on Magnolia in Fountain Valley.

Brother Farrar reported that we will have a show and tell in January when we have our Installation. Anyone having something they would like to bring may do so for that meeting. He also hoped that we could reinstate the raffle. Jim Blauer who started it says that would be fine, but members need to bring in prizes to raffle off. No more than \$10 for any item. It was noted that speakers for our meeting is the job of the Senior Vice-Commander, it was suggested that a Brother could talk about his Civil War ancestor for one-half hour. Brother Farrar wants to do the installation early on in the meeting as we will have Commander of the California & Pacific Department, Jerry Sayre from San Diego to do the installation. We will need to get him out as early as possible so he can get home at a decent time. The meeting will be on January 15, 2009.

Brother Beal announced that Orange County Archives will have an exhibit open to the public in 2010 (for 30 days) when there will be an exhibit on loan by the Smithsonian for Abraham Lincoln at the Old Orange

County Courthouse. The Orange County Archives have also asked us to display some of our local GAR artifacts.

With no further business, the chaplain closed the Bible and gave the closing prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
January 15, 2009.
James F. Blauer
Patriotic Instructor
Reviewed by Charles Beal, Secretary-Treasurer



DEPARTMENT ORDER No. 9
Series 2008-2009

PASSING OF BROTHER Marvin McPherson Shaw

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, by the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is my sad duty to report: On November 29, 2008, Brother Marvin McPherson Shaw, of the Abraham Lincoln Camp 10, passed away. Brother Shaw served this Order since 2002, and had been Camp 10's Patriotic Instructor for the past 3 years. His ancestor was Capt, Columbus Dillon of the 7th Iowa Infantry. All that knew him know he leaves a void that can never be filled both in our Order and our lives.

Section 2: The Department and all Camp Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 3: All Department Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge (pursuant to C&R, Article III, Sec. 9) for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 4: The Department of California and Pacific extends its sincere condolences to the family of Brother Shaw and to the Brothers of his Camp.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 6th day of December in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second, in the Town of Fallbrook, County of San Diego, State of California by Jerry R. Sayre, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Jerry R. Sayre
Department Commander
Department of California and Pacific

ATTEST:
By: /s/ Phillip Caines
Dept. Secretary-Treasurer



The Passing of Marcey L. Bunnell

Brothers,

It is my sad duty to inform you of the unexpected passing of Marcey L. Bunnell, wife of SUVCW Past Camp Commander and Past Department Commander Daniel M. Bunnell. Marcey passed away quietly in her sleep on December 7, 2008 at the age of 53 years.

Marcey was a vital member of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, being a charter member of both the Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary and the newly-formed Ivy Stiers Auxiliary No. 23. She was a current Trustee of both Auxiliary No. 52 and the Department of California and Pacific.

The memorial service for Marcey Bunnell was held on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 in Magalia, California (in Butte County near the town of Paradise). The service took place in the same church, built in 1896, in which Dan and Marcey were married in 2005. Marcey was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery.

Cards and well wishes may be sent to:

Daniel M. Bunnell, PDC
P.O. Box 2813
Paradise, CA 95967

In F, C, & L,
Tad D. Campbell, PDC
Department of California & Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



More Department Encampment Information

Dear Camp Commanders and Department Officers:

At the upcoming Department Encampment in San Luis Obispo we will again have a raffle of donated items. As in the past, the revenue that is generated from this fund-raiser helps to supplement the Department's overall budget (the Department only receives \$3.00 per member out of the total annual dues paid each year).

The Department is asking Camps and individual members to donate items for the raffle. If you are unsure of what to donate; here is a partial listing of suggested items: Books, videos, reenacting equipment, historic reproductions, antiques, patriotic/Civil War themed art; gift certificates and gift cards, tickets to attractions, gift baskets, handicraft items, wine and spirits, etc. Items can be new or gently used. Since the SUVCW is tax exempt under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, all donations received are tax deductible.

If your Camp or individual member(s) would like to make a donation but will not be in attendance at the encampment, please feel free to contact me via phone or email to arrange delivery.

I thank you in advance for your support of his worthy cause.

Also, a keepsake booklet/program will be provided to all attendees at the Department Encampment. It will have a page for Dept. officers and each Camp in the Department, etc, which will mirror the information on the Department website. If you have not updated your camp information with the Department webmaster,

please do so immediately so that the program contains the correct information. The printed booklet format will be 1/2 page size (approximately 4 1/4 by 5 3/4).

Personal and in-memoriam ads can also be purchased by individuals, SVR Units, or camps. Full page ads are \$20 (approximately 4 1/4 by 5 3/4), and half page ads (approximately 2 by 2 1/2) are \$10. All you need to do is send me the text (and artwork) you want, and remit payment to Phil Caines. If you do not specify any artwork, an appropriate civil war type graphic will be placed in your ad. Got something to advertise? Let me know. I need to receive all ad information by February 15, 2009 for inclusion in the brochure.

The following are other key points that will need your attention:

- 1) If you plan to attend the Encampment but have not yet sent your registration in to Phil Caines, please do so or send him an email letting him know that you will be attending, as well as what meals you will have. We need to have an approximate count for the caterer. Phil's email is proskcaines@earthlink.net
- 2) If you have a guest attending the encampment, please email their name to Phil so that a name tag can be made (this was inadvertently left off of the registration form).
- 3) You must complete a Camp San Luis Obispo vehicle registration form in order to enter the base (it is in the packet). Under the CSLO contact person, just write NCO CLUB.

You must update your website information by this date also. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Charlie Mabie, Department SVC



2009 Dues Are Now Payable

Just a friendly reminder to all members, 2009 Camp 17 dues are now payable. They are \$35.00 per calendar year, January thru December. We kindly ask that you remit your dues payment back to Treasurer Terry Shaw by February 16th 2009, so we can submit our dues and Annual Report to the Department by March 1, 2009. We need to make this date so our Camp will be in good standing for the Department Encampment. Please make your check payable to: Sons of Union Veterans Camp 17, and note that it is for the 2009 dues. If you will be attending our January meeting on the 15th, please bring them with you and submit at that time. Many thanks in advance and I look forward to seeing you all this Thursday. *Treasurer-Elect Terry Shaw*

145 Years Ago: December 21, 1863 President Abraham Lincoln Approves a Medal for General Grant

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 398.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, December 21, 1863.

The following joint resolution by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States is published to the Army:

JOINT RESOLUTION of thanks to Major-General Ulysses S. Grant and the officers and soldiers who have fought under his command during this rebellion, and providing that the President of the United States shall cause a medal to be struck, to be presented to Major-General Grant in the name of the people of the United States of America.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the thanks of Congress be, and they hereby are, presented to Major-General Ulysses S. Grant, and through him to the officers and soldiers who have fought under his command during this rebellion, for their gallantry and good conduct in the battles in which they have been engaged; and that the President of the United States be requested to cause a gold medal to be struck, with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions, to be presented to Major-General Grant.

SEC. 2. *And be it further resolved,* That when the said medal shall have been struck the President shall cause a copy of this joint resolution to be engrossed on parchment, and shall transmit the same, together with the said medal, to Major-General Grant, to be presented to him in the name of the people of the United States of America.

SEC. 3. *And be it further resolved,* That a sufficient sum of money to carry this resolution into effect is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

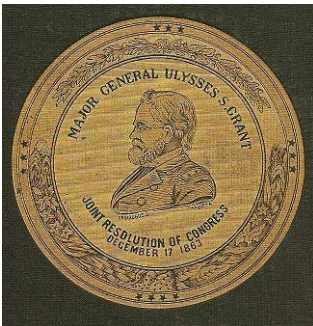
H. HAMLIN,
Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.

Approved, December 17, 1863.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

By order of the Secretary of War:

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant-General.



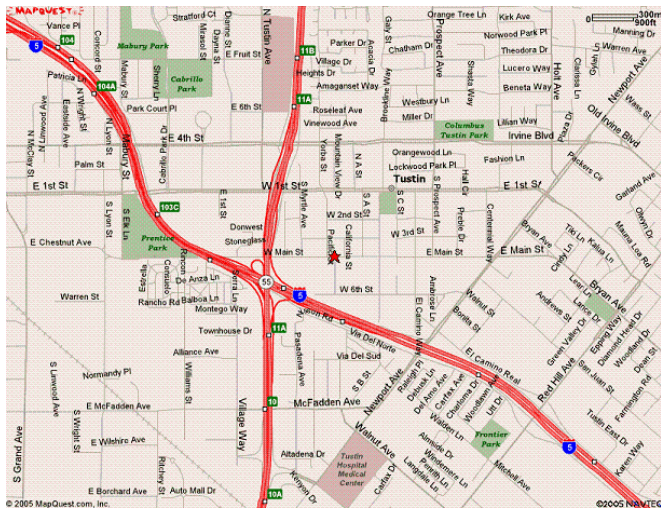
The Congressional gold medal approved for General Grant in December 1863. The face of the medal is shown at the left, the obverse that highlights Grant's achievements on the Mississippi River, Vicksburg, and Chattanooga is in the middle. The actual medal and its gold and ebony presentation case were finally given to General Grant on March 7, 1865. The original is in the collection of the Smithsonian Institute.

SUVCW Camp 17 Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 15, 2009 at 7:00pm

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

**Main Topics: 2009 Officer Installation
Camp 5th Anniversary Celebration
Show & Tell Your Civil War Mementos**



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 4th 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.

DO NOT park between the two “No Parking” signs next to the driveway of the Pastor’s garage....Thank You.



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