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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Camp No. 17, Santa Ana Orange County, California Vol. 2012 -No. 1: Dec. 2011-Jan. 2012



Gen. John Sedgwick Dedicated to the Memory of Grand Army of the Republic Veterans Gen. Gordon Granger and the G.A.R. Posts of Orange County (Formed in honor of Sedgwick Post 17 of Santa Ana & Granger Post 138 of Orange)

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## "Charles in Charge" – Beal Elected as New Camp Commander Camp Meeting, "Show & Tell", and 2012 Officers Installation on Jan. 19, 2012

The 2012 officers for Camp 17 will be installed at the January 19, 2012 meeting. The election of the November 2011 meeting selected new officers for the term of 2012. The officers-elect are Charles Beal as Commander to succeed Dan Henry, Joe Hart as Senior Vice-Commander, Greg "Doc" Lutes as Junior Vice-Commander, Terry Shaw as Secretary-Treasurer. The Camp Council is made up of James Blauer, Don Hoffer, and PCC Dan Henry. Past Camp Commander and current Department Commander Glen Roosevelt will act as the installing officer.

Commander Beal reports that the 2012 appointed officers are partially verified as; Scott McKee as Chaplain, James Blauer as Patriotic Instructor and Eagle Scout Coordinator, Charles Beal as Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer as the Guide; and Glen Roosevelt as Newsletter Editor, Signals Officer, and the GAR Highway Officer. The remaining appointed officers will be verified soon. Charles Beal will serve temporarily as Historian, and anyone interested in taking over that position should contact Charles.

The January 2011 meeting will also be used to celebrate the eighth 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 on January 19, 2012. 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.

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## Past Camp Commander Floyd Farrar Transfers Back to Camp 2

We are sorry to report that PCC Floyd Farrar has found it necessary to transfer back to his original SUVCW roots in Camp 2. Unfortunately, the nighttime drive to our Camp meetings was putting too much of a strain on Floyd's eyesight. The Camp 2 meetings are held during the daylight hours on Saturdays, and will be more convenient for Floyd's travel. Brother Farrar originally joined Camp 2 in July 2002, and he transferred to Camp 17 with our organization in July 2003. Initially the drive to the Camp 17 meetings was easier, since Floyd lives in L.A. County just over the line from Orange County. We will miss Floyd's story-telling and photo taking firsthand, but no doubt will still be able to share in his photos on-line. We thank Floyd for his service to our Camp as Secretary-Treasurer, Historian, JVC, SVC, and Commander.

## 2012 Dues payments are now payable. Please save the Camp time & expense by sending your \$40 to:

Treasurer Terry Shaw: 420 Bernard St, Costa Mesa, CA 92627-2059 \$\$ Or bring your dues payments to the January 19 meeting. \$\$

## From the Commander's Tent

Well it's the beginning of a new year and this is the last Commander's newsletter I will be sending to you. Charles will be taking command and I know he will do a great job. His work on behalf of the SUVCW and Union veterans' graves registration are well known, and he is very committed to our camp. Please give him your support as he leads us into 2012 and beyond. I encourage all our Brothers who are able to attend at least part of the National Encampment as this is a unique opportunity to be a part of the big picture in the SUVCW family on a national level. This will be an exciting way for us collectively honor our forefathers who gave so much 150 years ago. My 2X Great Grandfather Sgt. Louis Sanger of the 21st Mo. Inf. was a German immigrant who was disabled at the battle of Corinth, Mississippi on October 4th 1862. He was hospitalized for months, and discharged for disability in March 1863. He never fully recovered, and was unable to work except for short periods of time, and died penniless. Though he owned little he was a proud GAR veteran who was among the first to join his local A. W. Drips Post 74 in Maquoketa, Iowa. He did not have long to be a member and died only a couple years after joining in 1886. As I reflect on his sacrifice that lasted long after the guns were silent, I honor him as we all honor our forefathers in Yankee blue who heeded the call to save the union. Let's kick this year up a notch and make our Camp a better one yet. Support, encourage, and pass your ideas to Charles to make our meetings, outings, and projects more exciting and interesting.

Thank you for allowing me to be your Commander this last year as it's been an honor.

*In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,* Dan Henry Past Camp Commander, Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17

## Editor's Column

Please feel free to provide any comments or suggestions regarding the format or information included in *your* newsletter.

Glen Roosevelt, Newsletter Editor Please submit all newsletter articles, photos, and comments to Glen Roosevelt via e-mail

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Beal - Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer - Guide, Charles Beal - Historian, Glen
Roosevelt - Newsletter Editor - Signals Officer - GAR Highway Officer. Others to be announced.
Generals Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Website <u>http://www.suvpac.org/camp17.html</u>

#### SUVCW Camp 17 MEETINGS:

Are 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 aliments 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.

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UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

A general Civil War reenactment schedule is at: <u>http://www.forttejon.org/</u> Click on the "Events" button on the left of the page.

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The Orange County Civil War Roundtable Web Site is <u>http://www.cwrtorangecounty-ca.org</u>

Abraham Lincoln Birthday Remembrance at Los Angeles National Cemetery Saturday, Feb. 12, 2012 at 12:00PM

★★★<u>126<sup>th</sup> Annual SUVCW Department Encampment</u>★★★ Friday & Saturday, March 9 & 10, 2012 <u>NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo</u> <u>http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html</u>

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## **Christmas at Drum Barracks Museum**

The Drum Barracks Civil War Museum in Wilmington hosted its annual Civil War Christmas event on Saturday and Sunday, December 3 &4, 2011. Members of SUVCW Camp 17, 18 & 2 participated in the event along with Auxiliary 2 and DUVCW Tent 88 Sisters. Brother Glen Roosevelt of Camp 17 collaborated with Camp 18 Brother Larry Duncan (as Dr. Malarkey) to form a recruiting booth that enlisted young recruits (all sworn to be "over 18"), and gave them a quick medical examination. All the recruits left with period-authentic enlistment form to keep as their personal record of the event.

The highlight of the event was the receipt of a gift photo book by Camp 17 from the Drum Barracks staff for our participation in the "Civil War on the Homefront – September 1861" Sesquicentennial Event sponsored by SUVCW Camp 2. The photo book is a compilation of photos taken by Ms. Simie Seaman for the Drum Barracks. The book will be on display at the January 19 Camp 17 meeting.



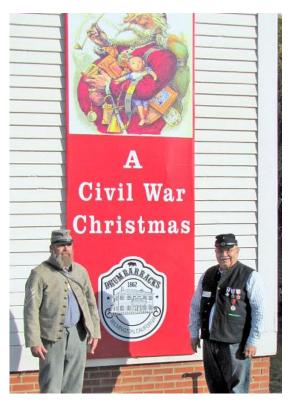


**Top left:** Camp 17 PCC Glen Roosevelt and Camp 18 Brother Larry Duncan (as Dr. Malarkey) team up to enlist some "young" recruits.

**Top right:** Camp 2 member Nick Smith discusses his "Story Teller" role with Museum Director Susan Ogle.

**Bottom left:** Auxiliary National Secretary Tricia Bures (left) and Department President Melinie Prosk-Caines are set up to exercise their millinery talents at the ladies hat making table. **Bottom right:** PCC Floyd Farrar shares some Christmas pleasantries with CSA re-enactor Norm Braley. *Photos courtesy of Floyd Farrar.* 





## Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Minutes of Meeting – November 17, 2011 Tustin, CA

7:05 Call to order by Commander Dan Henry

Brothers present: Charles Beal, Walter Davis, Joe Hart, Dan Henry, Don Hoffer, Greg Lutes, Edward McKee, Scott McKee, Glen Roosevelt, Terry Shaw, Fred Whitaker, and guest/membership applicant DeLoy Baker.

Opening prayer by Scott McKee.

Pledge of Allegiance by Joe Hart.

Roll call was taken on a visual basis (see above for attendance).

Minutes of meeting of 9-15-11 submitted; motion by Walter Davis to approve, second by Joe Hart; motion carried.

Treasurer report – by Terry Shaw: balance at 10/31/2011 was \$2,064.84, income for September/October was 0.00 and expenses totaled \$20.00 for a net loss of \$20.00. Motion by Walter Davis to approve subject to audit, second by Glen Roosevelt, motion carried.

Report on Brother's health/in distress – no local reports; Commander Henry mentioned the following passings:

GO-4: the passing of Past National President Eileen Coombs of the ASUVCW GO-8: the passing of Past National President Mary Scofield of the ASUVCW DO-6: the passing of Lynn R Owens, Past Camp Commander, Camp 24 The passing of Thomas J Brown, Past Camp Commander, Camp 10

Applications: DeLoy Baker presented his application for membership consideration at the January meeting.

National Encampment Update: Dept. Commander Roosevelt discussed preparations including: the LAX Marriott Hotel, possible shirt and medal sales, 12/1 deadline for placing forms in the Banner, Dept. website link to hotel added, financing next big challenge including drive to solicit from Camps and Brothers for sponsorships, and delegate count issues per camp. The Encampment is to be held 2<sup>nd</sup> week in August (9-11).

Glen highlighted annual reporting deadlines formalized at National Encampment.

Committee reports: Charles received picture of GAR monument from Phil Brigandi (former OC Archivist) that was at Santa Ana Cemetery.

Charles & Glen discussed GAR monument at Santa Monica Woodlawn Cemetery erected by LGAR and Women's Relief Corps in 1917/18.

Glen reminded us of Remembrance Day on November 19 including event taking place at Drum Barracks that Saturday.

Glen reported that Will Tisch has been appointed District Commander of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Good of the Order:

DeLoy Baker introduced himself and discussed his ancestor.

Glen and Charles reported that they had attended the Fullerton American Legion Post meeting to give a presentation on the SUVCW. The Fullerton Post had previously worked with Charles on Civil War veteran graves at the Loma Vista Cemetery.

Glen attended City of Anaheim Veterans Day ceremony featuring the Marine Corps Birthday.

8:00 – Break 8:15 – Reconvene

approved.

Dan deferred to Glen for annual officer elections. Dan announced he was stepping down as Commander for other pursuits. Glen turned meeting back over to Dan, since he would not be among the elected officers. Officer elections were as follows: Camp Commander – Charles Beal nominated by Walter, seconded by Glen, approved. Sr. Vice Commander – Joe Hart nominated by Walter, seconded by Glen, approved. Jr. Vice Commander – Greg Lutes nominated by Glen, seconded by Walter, approved. Secretary-Treasurer – Terry Shaw nominated by Walter, seconded by Glen, approved. Camp Counsel – no change recommended by Walter, seconded by Joe, approved to retain James Blauer, Don Hoffer and Glen Roosevelt. Glen declined, and Dan Henry was nominated by Walter, seconded by Charles,

8:20 – closing prayer by Scott McKee Adjourn to January 19, 2012 by Dan Henry

Submitted in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty, Terry Shaw Secretary-Treasurer Reviewed by and edited by PCC Glen Roosevelt-Newsletter Editor

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## If each Brother recruits one new member each year, the Camp membership would roughly



Brothers, in the past year we have sadly lost members to the passing of time, and we have had members transfer from our Camp to help build a new Camp that has prospered. From our beginnings in 2003 with 19 members we have been able to grow and maintain our membership of at about 50 Brothers with losses and gains each year. In order to plan for a viable future for our Camp it is natural that we must maintain and increase our membership. We encourage each of you to work to bring one new member onto our rolls during this second sesquicentennial year of the Civil War. Helping to find others like yourselves who share a common bond with our ancestors who fought to preserve our Union would be a fitting tribute to your ancestor and all those who sacrificed so much for our Country. Please set a goal for yourself to find and recruit *one* new member for our Camp this year.

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#### GENERAL ORDER #13 SERIES 2011-2012 07 January 2012

- 1. It is with deep regret that I report the passing of Past National President Isabelle Roberts. Sister Roberts passed away on 05 January 2012 at the age of 87. She was a member of Auxiliary #49, Department of New York. She also served as ASUVCW National President in 1985-1986.
- 2. Sister Roberts was also the wife of the late Donald Roberts, who served as SUVCW Commander-in-Chief in 1985-1986. Together, they presided over their respective Orders' National Encampments at Lexington, KY in August 1986.
- 2. I am requesting that all membership badges, Camp and Department charters and the National website be draped in black until 07 February 2012 in remembrance of Sister Roberts.

Ordered this 7th day of January 2012

Donald D. Palmer, Jr. Commander-in-Chief Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest: Eugene G. Mortorff National Secretary Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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## **126<sup>th</sup> Annual Department Encampment Information**

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Department of California and Pacific is proud to announce the 126th Annual Department Encampment, and the 101st Annual Encampment of the Department Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, to be held on March 9-10, 2012 in the NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo.

On Friday evening, we will have our traditional "Campfire" gathering at the NCO Club. Saturday morning, we will have our business meeting at the NCO Club. At the completion of the Saturday business meeting, we will have a memorial dedication service at the graves of Union Civil War veterans at a cemetery in San Luis Obispo.

We are honored to be joined by SUVCW National Commander-in-Chief, Donald Palmer, who will be in attendance. The Saturday C-in-C dinner will be held at the NCO Club.

During the Encampment there will be opportunities for delegates and guests to participate in fund-raising for both the SUVCW and Auxiliary Departments. Items donated by our various Camps will be available for bidding, there will be a 50-50 opportunity, and we plan to have one Premium item available for your bidding with proceeds going to the 2012 National Encampment Fund.

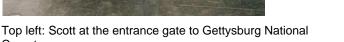
Camp San Luis Obispo is "the original home of the California National Guard." Established in 1928 as a California Army National Guard training camp, it originally totaled 5,800 acres, and was known as Camp Merriam. Camp San Luis Obispo offers some limited rental housing (billeting) and RV facilities. A separate sheet will be made available that gives the rental guidelines and contact information. You must make your own rental arrangements with the CSLO billeting representative. A link to the Camp San Luis Obispo website is: <u>http://www.calguard.ca.gov/cslo/Pages/default.aspx</u>. All applicable forms and maps and other Encampment documents will be made available to you on the Department Encampment website at: <u>http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html</u>.

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Brother Scott McKee and son Eddie traveled to the east earlier this year, and took advantage of the trip to visit some of our most cherished Civil War and National sites. Here are just a few of their snapshots. We trust that they will share more photos and stories of their trip with you at the January 19 meeting.







Cemetery. Top right: Eddie at the Masonic Memorial in Gettysburg. Bottom right: Scott has a chat with President Lincoln. Bottom right: Eddie mans a howitzer at Gettysburg, then decides that "Bigger is Better" at Ft. McHenry.



# Next Camp 17 Meeting Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012 at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall, First Advent Christian Church 555 W. Main St. (corner of Main & Pacific), Tustin, CA

# Camp Officer Installation for 2012 Annual Brothers' Show & Tell 8th Camp Anniversary Celebration Cake



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.

*DO NOT* park between the two "No Parking" signs next to the driveway of the Pastor's garage....Thank You.



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