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

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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

#### **DUVCW & Sons Mark Centennial of Monument at Tri-City Memorial Day**

Elizabeth Hill-Mills Tent 88 of the DUVCW commemorated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the dedication of The Monument to the Unknown Dead in the GAR Plot of Santa Ana Cemetery during the Tri-City Memorial Day Ceremony on Monday, May 25. The Daughters' activities were under the direction of Tent President Charline Grundmann. The monument was dedicated on Memorial Day 1915 by the Mary A. Logan Tent, Daughters of Veterans from the City of Orange. Camp 17 Sons were represented by Commander Joe Hart who presented our colors along with Secretary-Treasurer Terry Shaw. Joe also laid a wreath of remembrance at the monument along with Charline. Camp 17 GRO Charles Beal has been the SUVCW representative on the Tri-City planning committee this year along with Camp 17 Chaplain Scott McKee who also headed the committee on behalf of the Santa Ana American Legion and VFW. Camp 17 Brothers Dan Henry-PCC, James Blauer, Joe Boyer, and Glen Roosevelt-PDC also participated in the ceremony.







Top L: Terry Shaw & Cmdr. Joe Hart present our Camp 17 colors. Top R: Camp Cmdr Joe Hart & DUVCW President Charline Grundmann present a wreath at the monument. Bot. L: L to R: Terry Shaw, Glen Roosevelt, Charles Beal, Henry, Dan **James** Blauer, Cmdr. Joe Hart & Scott McKee. Bot R: Terry at GG-G'father's grave. Photo courtesy of Terry Shaw, G. Roosevelt.

#### **COMMANDER'S CORNER**

Camp 17 Brothers,

Hopefully, you've all had a healthy, enjoyable Summer. As you may or may not have heard, I've had some health issues, starting with a hernia operation in June, culminating in a double by-pass coronary surgery in July- while on vacation! I entered cardiac rehab in September, but I'm doing better each day!

We're enjoyed participating in this year's Huntington Beach Civil War Days on Labor Day weekend. Thanks to those of you who had a chance to come down and sit at the table for a day, or just a few hours. It was educational, rewarding & FUN! We were very pleased to have a visit from our newly liberated PAST National C-in-C Tad Campbell and his wife, also newly liberated PAST Auxiliary National President Rachelle.

Our next meeting is Thursday the 17th of this month at 7PM- with a return engagement by our last speaker, Sarah Kay Bierle, who will present "To Save Lives: Civil War Medicine". Please don't forget to bring books for our raffle.

If you need a ride, please contact one of our officers.

See you on the 17th!

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty, Joseph L. Hart, Camp Commander

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2015 Appointed Officers:

Scott McKee - Chaplain, John Dodd - Counselor, Dan Henry - Patriotic Instructor, James Blauer - Eagle Scout Coordinator, Charles Beal - Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer - Guide, Cole Zehnder - Color Bearer / Guard, Charles Beal - Historian, Glen Roosevelt - Newsletter Editor - Signals Officer - GAR Highway Officer.

Department of California & Pacific Website <a href="http://www.suvpac.org">http://www.suvpac.org</a>
Generals Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Website <a href="http://www.suvpac.org/camp17.html">http://www.suvpac.org/camp17.html</a>
Please submit all newsletter articles, photos, and comments to Glen Roosevelt via e-mail

#### **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**

Two general Civil War reenactment schedules are at:

<u>http://www.forttejon.org/</u> Click on the "Events" button on the left of the page.

<u>HTTP://WWW.ACWS.NET/SCHEDULE.HTM</u>
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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 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month

at their new location: COCO'S, 2750 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa,CA at 7:00PM

Other Camp 17 Events and Schedules will be posted at:

http://www.suvpac.org/camp17/schedule.html

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Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Minutes of Meeting – May 21, 2015 First Christian Advent Church, Tustin, CA

7:06 Call to order by Commander Joseph Hart

Brothers present: Charles Beal, Joseph Boyer, Marcus Deemer, George Dore, Joseph Hart, Daniel Henry, Jim Hughes, Scott McKee, Glen Roosevelt, Arthur Scully, Terry Shaw and prospective member/guest Tim Garlow.

Opening prayer by Chaplain Scott McKee Pledge of Allegiance by Dan Henry Roll call was taken (see above for attendance)

Minutes of meeting of 3-19-15 submitted; motion by Charles Beal to approve as amended, second by Dan Henry, motion carried.

Treasurer Report - by Terry Shaw: balance at 4/30/2015 was \$3,297.66, income for March-April was \$381.00 (295.00/dues, 50.00/donation, 36.00/raffle) and expenses totaled \$909.00 (889.00/annual per capita dues) for net loss of \$528.00. YTD income was \$1,426.00 and expense was \$934.00 for YTD net income of \$492.00. Motion to approve by George Dore, second by Dan Henry, motion carried.

#### **Ongoing Business:**

Report on Brother's health/in distress:

Greg "Doc" Lutes' wife had surgery today.

Dan reported that Walter Davis is confined now and no family is close by.

Scott reported that Ed's mother Mary is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Charles' mother-in-law passed away in March, she was 74.

Membership applications: none. Jim Hughes was presented his membership certificate by Commander Hart based on his gg-g'father Conway Hughes' service in the US Navy on the USS Prairie Bird from 12/19/63-1/2/65. *Photo by T. Shaw* 



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Dan reported that efforts continued at Bob Hope Patriotic Hall to rotate displays, catalogue and preserve collections. Glen reported that the Friends of BHPH were having a membership promotion.

Joe Hart reported that JROTC ceremonies were attended by Glen, George and himself where they awarded certificates to cadets.

#### **New Business:**

Charles reported on preparations for Memorial Day on 5/25 at Santa Ana Cemetery, including flag placement on 5/23 and retrieval on 5/27; the Daughters involvement with the Eagle Monument plot would be recognized.

Motion made by Glen and seconded by George to reimburse Charles for Memorial Day related expenses, motion carried (\$62.50 wreath; \$50.00 Tri-City Memorial Day Committee).

Scott announced that a BBQ would be held at the Veterans Hall at 1404 Grand Ave. Santa Ana after the Memorial Day ceremony.

Joe Hart reviewed upcoming events in the newsletter.

George moved and Dan seconded a motion to donate \$50.00 for booth space at the Huntington Beach Civil War reenactment Labor Day weekend, motion carried.

Charles mentioned that he had been interviewed for an article that recently appeared in the Orange County Register about his involvement with tracking/documenting Civil War veteran burials in Orange County, etc. It was indicated that a retirement party/ceremony would be held for Susan Ogle, Director of the Drum Barracks, on July 18.

7:44 closing prayer by Chaplain Scott McKee

7:45 Adjourn to Sept. 17, 2015 meeting by Commander Joe Hart

Following the meeting, a presentation was given to both the Brothers and Daughters by author/historian Sarah Kaye Bierle on the Battle of Gettysburg from the civilian viewpoint. Her research into this led her to write the fictional novel, "Blue, Gray & Crimson".

Also, a raffle was conducted. A total of \$24.00 was collected.

Submitted in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty, Terry Shaw, Camp 17 Secretary-Treasurer

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unique and interesting presentation based on her newest novel set during the summer of 1863, as the Confederate Army invades Pennsylvania. From the perspective of fourteen year old Betsy Westmore, she realizes her secure and happy world is not as safe as she once imagined. To her dismay, two large armies of the American Civil War arrive near her home and the small town of Gettysburg. A three day battle results in over 50,000 casualties and a Union victory. Then the armies leave and only the

destruction of war and questions remain. Sarah presented these

Historical fiction writer Sarah Kaye Bierle of Temecula gave a

questions, and provided answers in a very unusual and thought provoking manner. Her entertaining presentation style was a hit with both the Sons and Daughters. Information about her book can be found at:

http://gazette665.com/blue-gray-crimson/the-book/



Photo courtesy of Terry Shaw.

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#### SVR Color Guard at Long Beach Lincoln Statue Rededication, Aug. 29, 2015

Camp 17 Brother Glen Roosevelt and Camp 18 Brother Rudy Velasco III served as SVR Marine Corps color bearers, Camp 2 Brother Andrew Brown marched in Navy uniform, and Brother Rudy Velasco IV of Camp 18 served as an infantry color guard for the 100th Anniversary Rededication of the GAR Lincoln statue in Long Beach on Saturday, August 29. The SUVCW Brothers joined Auxiliary and DUVCW Sisters, and Scouts from Cub Pack 206 to pay honors to our 16<sup>th</sup> President at the event coordinated by Camp 2 PCC Tom Chumley. Long Beach City Prosecutor Hon. Douglas Haubert gave the keynote remarks on "Lincoln the Lawyer". Other Long Beach officials and dignitaries also attended the event.





Photos: Left; Brothers Rudy Velasco IV, Rudy Velasco III, Glen Roosevelt & Andrew Brown with Scouts from Cub Pack 206. Right; The Allied Orders of SUVCW Camps 2, 17 & 18; Auxiliary No. 2, and DUVCW Tents 86 & 88 gather around PCC Tom Chumley who organized & emceed the rededication. Photos courtesy of Tom Chumley & Rudy Velasco III

#### **Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend Display Booths**

The Allied Orders of SUVCW Camps 2, 17 & 21; Auxiliary No. 2, and DUVCW Tent 88 gathered with their display tents again for the fifteenth time at the Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend in Central Park on Sept. 5 & 6.. This year we were also pleased to have Sheridan Camp 4 and Auxiliary 52 represented by immediate Past National C-in-C Tad Campbell and his wife immediate Past National Auxiliary President Rachelle Campbell, along with their daughter Emmie. Tad and Rachelle bivouacked with Camp 21's Jerry & Kim Sayre in their display booth. The event also introduced a new President Lincoln portrayer in name of Robert Broski who was a protegy of, and took over Presidential duties for the retired Bill Peck.

Thanks to Camp 17 Brothers Joe Hart, George Dore, Terry Shaw, Charles Beal, Joe Boyer, and Art Sculley with his son who came out and helped staff the booth or visited.

Photos below by Kim Sayre.





L: Camp 17's Dore, Hart, Beal & Shaw with PCinC Campbell. R: Rachelle, Tad & Emmie Campbell with Jerry Sayre.

#### **Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend (Contd.)**



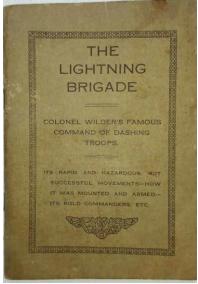


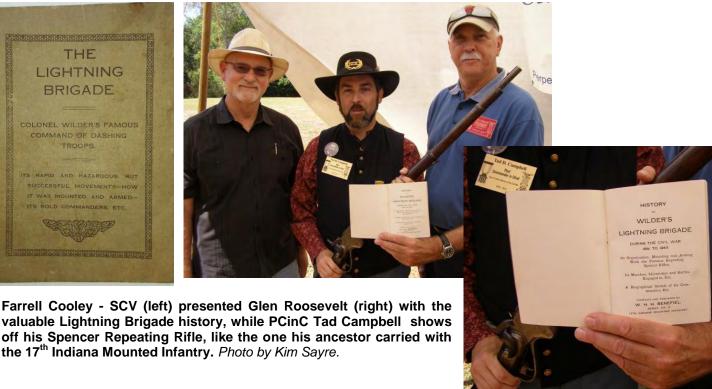
L: Camp 2's Tom Chumley & Dean Smith. R: Aux. 2's Melinie Caine chats with new the Drum Barracks Museum Director along with Kathy & Bob Ralston of the Drum Barracks Garrison & Society.

#### SCV Presents a Gift at Huntington Beach Weekend

Thanks to the generosity of Past California Division Commander Farrell Cooley of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, PDC Glen Roosevelt was presented with an outstanding gift at the Huntington Beach Weekend. Farrell very kindly gave Glen a 100-year old booklet of "The Lightning Brigade - Colonel Wilder's Famous Command of Dashing Troops". The small history was published in 1914 in preparation for the reunion of the Brigade veterans, and was authored by one of the veterans, W.H.H. Benefiel who served in Company G, 17<sup>th</sup> Indiana Mounted Infantry. The brigade got its "Lightning" nickname in part due to the "thunder and lightning" they could unleash from their Spencer Repeating Rifles that were designed with a seven-shot tubular magazine fitted into the stock. The .52 caliber Spencer was one of the first Civil War era weapons to fire self-contained rimfire metallic cartridges. Coincidentally, PCinC Tad Campbell was in attendance with his Spencer Rifle on display. Tad's ggg-grandfather John Henderson Appleton served in Co. E, 17th Indiana Mounted Infantry. PDC Roosevelt has requested that Tad scan the booklet to .pdf, and post the scan on the Internet so that it will be available for for Wilder Brigade researchers to use.

Great thanks to Farrell for this outstanding gift and valuable piece of history.





#### More Huntington Beach Civil War Weekend (Contd.)









**Top Left:** Glen Roosevelt explains the differences between the Spencer Repeater and muzzle-loading Springfield musket-Rifle at the Camp 17 display. **Top Right:** George Dore and Terry Shaw try to convince a Confederate reenactor couple to switch sides. **Bottom Left:** Jerry Sayre at the Camp 21 booth, no doubt extolling the merits of his Henry Repeating Rifle. **Bottom Right:** Camp 2 PCC Tom Chumley visits the Camp 17 booth with PDC Roosevelt. *Photos by Charles Beal – Camp 17 & Dean Smith – Camp 2.* 

#### **Commander Presents Delayed Camp Brother of the Year Award**

Due to several unforeseen circumstances and schedule conflicts, the Camp 17 Walter Davis Brother of the

Year Award was not announced or presented at our January 2015 meeting. Well, in May the schedules finally aligned, and we were able to get Camp Commander Joe Hart and recipient PCC Dan Henry in the same room together. In this case we actually got them in the same room together twice.

Since award namesake Camp 17 Brother Walter Davis has been home-bound for health reasons, we first goe Joe and Dan together at Walter's home, where

Dan has been providing care for Walter several days a week. This meeting with Walter was especially necessary since Dan's devotion to the care of his Brother veteran was the prime reason for the award. Secondly, Commander Hart was able to officially make the award presentation at our may meeting. Congratulations and thanks to Dan for his kindness to Walter.



Photos by G. Roosevelt

#### **Some Tri-City Memorial Day Highlights**









**Top L:** Camp 17 Chaplain Scott McKee acted as Emcee for the ceremony. **Top R:** DUVCW Tent 88 President Charline Grundmann presented the history and rededication of the *Monument To The Unknown Dead* that was originall dedicated by the Daughters of Veterans on Memorial Day in 1915.

**Bottom L:** The SAR contingent includes our own Camp 17 members: former member Jim Fosdyck (far left), Jim Blauer (3<sup>rd</sup> from left), PCC Charles Beal (4<sup>th</sup> from left), PCC Dan Henry (right of G. Washington actor), and Joe Boyer (3<sup>rd</sup> from right). Bottom R: The U.S. Marine Corps Honor Guard from First Marine Expeditionary Force – Camp Pendleton prepares to fire the final rifle salute of the ceremony.

Thanks to all our Camp 17 Brothers and DUVCW Sisters who helped out so much with the planning of the ceremony and the individual gravesite flag placements on Saturday before Memorial Day. Thanks also to the American Legion and VFW Posts, and all the veteran and service organizations from the Tri-City area who provide their time and effort to help us remember our fallen veterans and their service. Special thanks to the Orange County Cemetery Distric Board and staff who maintain the monument and the cemetery, and allow us to to carry on the tradition of paying honors to the veterans.

The Orange County Cemetery District records the Memorial Day ceremonies at the three OCCD sites (Anaheim, Santa Ana & El Toro), and they post the videos for viewing via YouTube. The link below will take you to the video for the Santa Ana Cemetery Tri-City ceremony video. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EMR82xioYWg&feature=youtu.be

# **SUVCW Camp 17 Meeting**

# Thursday, Sept. 17, 2015 at 7:00pm

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

### **Presentation:**

## To Save Lives - Civil War Medicine

Historical fiction writer **Sarah Kaye Bierle** returns to follow up her May meeting presentation with another outstanding program about the facts on Civil War medicine.



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.



General Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Newsletter Editor / Publisher

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Camp 17 Fund-Raising Raffle Continues at Sept. Meeting!