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Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War

Camp No. 17, Santa Ana  
Orange County, California

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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)



**Camp 17 Election for 2018 Officers Held November 16 – Installation on Jan. 18**

The 2018 officers for Camp 17 were elected at the November 16, 2017 meeting. The nominations for 2018 elected offices were; George Dore as Commander, Cole Zehnder as SVC, Scott McKee as JVC, and Terry Shaw as Secretary-Treasurer. The Camp Council was nominated as made up of Charles Beal, Glen Roosevelt, and recently re-joined Brother Dennis Dettmer.

The 2018 appointed officers still need to be confirmed by Commander Dore. The 2017 appointees were Glen Roosevelt as Counselor, Dan Henry as Patriotic Instructor, James Blauer as Eagle Scout Coordinator, Scott McKee as Chaplain, Charles Beal as Historian, Glen Roosevelt as Newsletter Editor and Signals Officer, Charles Beal as Historian, Graves Registration and Memorials Officer, Don Hoffer as the Guide, and the GAR Highway Officer is Glen Roosevelt. The Color Bearer and Guard were not filled during 2017, and 2018 appointees should be announced at the meeting. The newly elected 2018 Camp officers and the appointed officers will be installed at the January 18, 2018 Camp Installation meeting at the Santa Ana American Legion / VFW Hall. We will also observe the Camp’s 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with our traditional birthday cake and other refreshments.

**Please attend the Thurs., Jan. 18 meeting, at the Santa Ana American Legion/VFW Hall and help install our 2018 officers.**



**In Memory of Vern Pearson Martin**

November 6, 1922 - October 4, 2017

Camp 17 Brother Vern Pearson Martin of Fountain Valley, California passed away on October 4, 2017. He was survived by his wife Wanda, children Sherri Britton, Cyndie Getz, Vern Martin, Jr. and grandsons Patrick and Christopher Britton. Services were held October 28, 2017 at 11:00 AM, Garden Grove United Methodist Church in Garden Grove, California. Arrangements were under the direction of Westminster Memorial Park, 14801 Beach Blvd. Westminster, CA 92683.

Brother Vern was never able to make it to a Camp meeting, but he was a steady paid-up member since 2008 based on his ancestor Pvt. John G. Moore of Co. G, 15th IL Cavalry. Vern was a WW2 veteran, having served in the 14<sup>th</sup> Air Force, Army Air Force in China during 1944 – 1945. The 14<sup>th</sup> Air Force was the heir to the US Volunteer “Flying Tigers”.

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**Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17**  
**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**  
**Minutes of Meeting – Nov. 16, 2017 Tustin, CA**

7:04 Call to order by Commander George Dore

Brothers present: Charles Beal, George Dore, Scott McKee, Glen Roosevelt, Terry Shaw and guest/former Brother Dennis "Denny" Dettmer applying for reinstatement

Opening prayer by Scott McKee.

Pledge of Allegiance by Denny Dettmer.

Roll call was taken (see above for attendance).

Minutes of meeting of 9-21-17 were submitted by Terry Shaw; motion by Glen Roosevelt to approve, second by Scott McKee, motion carried.

Treasurer report - submitted by Terry Shaw:

Sept.-Oct., balance at 10/31/2017 was \$3,389.05, income for September - October was \$0.00 and expenses totaled \$20.00 (rent) for net loss of \$20.00. YTD income was \$1,114.00 and YTD expenses were \$896.88 for YTD net income of \$217.12. Motion by to approve by Glen Roosevelt, second by Scott McKee, motion carried.

Membership applications – Denny Dettmer indicated he wanted to be reinstated and would send dues for 2017 (dues subsequently received).

Brothers in distress, etc.:

Glen Roosevelt informed us that Brother Dan Henry would be moving to Nashville in December.

Charles Beal informed us that Vivian Owen, trustee with the Orange County Cemetery District, had passed away.

New Business:

Glen Roosevelt, PDC/PCC, initiated elections:

Camp Commander – George Dore nominated by Glen Roosevelt, second by Scott McKee, elected.

Sr. Vice Commander – Cole Zehnder nominated by Glen Roosevelt, second by Charles Beal, elected.

Jr. Vice Commander – Scott McKee nominated by Glen Roosevelt, second by George Dore, elected.

Secretary-Treasurer – Terry Shaw nominated by Glen Roosevelt, second by Scott McKee, elected.

Camp Council - Glen Roosevelt, Charles Beal and Dennis Dettmer nominated by George Dore, second by Scott McKee, elected.

Meeting turned back over to Commander Dore

Scott McKee suggested having the Camp's January 2018 meeting at the Santa Ana American Legion Post on 1/1/18 at 6:30pm. Glen Roosevelt agreed pending OK by other tenants at the hall.

Discussion took place about the new lease presented by Orange County Church prior to the start of our meeting. Glen Roosevelt proposed a permanent move to the Santa Ana Veterans Hall pending tenant approvals and further discussion at the January meeting, Charles seconded, passed.

George Dore proposed a potential speaker for the March 15 meeting with a presentation on the Union Cavalry possibly using a live horse. Scott McKee moved to have him, Glen Roosevelt seconded, passed.

For the Good of the Order:

Glen Roosevelt noted that the Drum Barracks would have their annual Remembrance Day ceremony on Nov. 18 with Camp 2 conducting a ceremony in memory of PCC Tom Chumley.

George Dore noted that the Drum Barracks would have their annual Christmas open house on Dec. 2 & 3. Charles Beal noted that the annual Wreaths Across America would take place Dec. 16 at Memory Gardens Memorial Park, Brea.

Charles Beal announced he would be conducting a cemetery tour for the Orange County Library librarians on Dec. 20 (the date was later determined to be Dec. 27) at Santa Ana Cemetery.

Scott McKee informed us that the "CSA Iron Cross" had been removed (stolen per follow-up information and clarification) from the Confederate Monument at Santa Ana Cemetery.

Closing prayer by Scott McKee.

8:04 Adjourn to January 18, 2018 meeting at Santa Ana American Legion/VFW Hall by Commander George Dore.

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

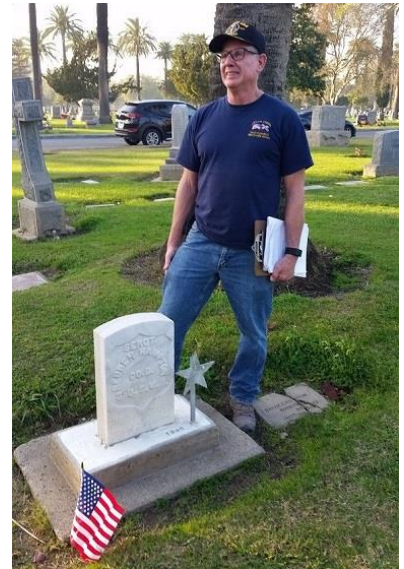


### Santa Ana Cemetery Tour

*Submitted by Charles Beal*

PCC Charles Beal conducted a two-hour walking tour of military graves at Santa Ana Cemetery on December 27, 2017. The tour was for a dozen Orange County Librarians interested in local history. The majority of the graves on the tour were related to the Civil War. There are 353 (304 Union and 49 CSA) known Civil War veteran graves at Santa Ana Cemetery.

**PCC Charles Beal during the Santa Ana Cemetery tour at the grave of Sgt. Reuben Hampton of Co. D, 3<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Volunteer Infantry. The USVI was made up of captured Confederate soldiers who took an oath of allegiance to the United States, and were willing to serve as US troops. The USVI regiments were sent to the northwest to fight or protect against Indian raids.**



### Graves Registration Report

*Submitted by Charles Beal*

In 2017, during the graves registration work that was conducted by Edna Cardinal and myself, we located 10 new Civil War Veteran graves in Orange County. We also located another 182 Spanish American War Veteran graves.

In 2009 a Civil War grave marker for Alfred Walter Hill was placed at his unmarked gravesite at Santa Ana Cemetery. New information came out last year indicating that the widow had falsely published an obituary in the local Orange News newspaper saying he was a Civil War Veteran, so she could claim his military pension. Further investigation shows that Alfred's son is buried at the Santa Ana Cemetery gravesite; and Alfred Hill is buried at Riverside Cemetery, Gas City, Indiana. Find-A-Grave.com shows a photo of his Civil War grave marker, that was published over two years after his Civil War grave marker was installed at Santa Ana Cemetery. The Orange County Cemetery District will remove the Civil War grave marker for Alfred Hill at Santa Ana Cemetery in January 2018. **Alfred Hill marker at Riverside Cemetery, Gas City, Indiana (F-A-G).**



Edna Cardinal and myself have created a new graves registration project for Orange County. We now are documenting and locating all war era veteran graves from the War of 1812 to the Spanish American War. The breakdown of the graves that we have documented through 2017 is:

- War of 1812: 1
- Mexican War: 12
- Indian Wars: 6
- Civil War: 853 (752 US and 101 Confederate veterans)
- Spanish American War: 443
- Total War Veteran Graves located: 1,315



### Wreaths Across America

*Submitted by Charles Beal*

PCC Charles Beal, Chaplain Scott McKee, and Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator Jim Blauer of Camp 17 participated in Ninth Annual Wreaths Across America ceremony held at Memory Garden Memorial Park and Mortuary in Brea on December 16, 2017. About 200 -300 participants were in attendance for this event. For some unknown reason, most of the cemeteries in California did not receive their shipments of wreaths. Fortunately, Pacific View Memorial Park in Corona Del Mar donated 3 of their boxes of wreaths to the Brea event. So, there were the minimum number of wreaths available for the attending groups. The Los Angeles Police Department Fifes & Drums provided the music, and a Saber Arch was conducted by the Sonora High School Army JROTC under the direction of Lt. Col. Hans F. Hunt, U.S. Army (retired), Senior Military Instructor.

Charles Beal represented the SUVCW Generals Sedgwick - Granger Camp 17. Scott McKee stepped in to represent the U.S. Navy, as the Navy Veteran representative was missing. Jim Blauer led in the singing of "God Bless America". The California Society SAR Lee's Legion Color Guard, led by Camp 17 PCC Brother Dan Henry presented the colors. This was Dan's last official SAR/SUVCW act before moving with his family to Nashville, Tennessee on Christmas Day.



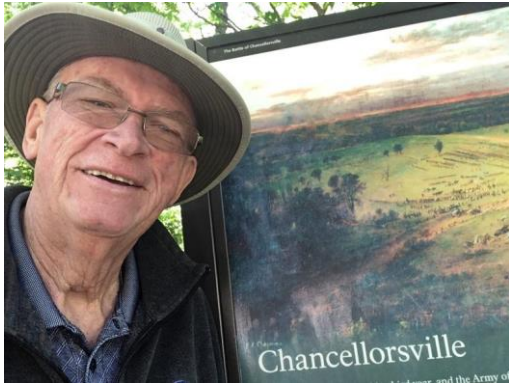
**Left above:** Camp 17 PCC Charles Beal presents a wreath honoring the memory of Civil War veterans. **Right above:** PCC Charles Beal & Camp 17 Chaplain Scott McKee place wreaths at Veterans Memorial.



**Left:** Lee's Legion Color Guard at Wreaths Across America. Camp 17 PCC Dan Henry (far left) was in charge the of Color Guard for the event. **Right:** Camp 17 Bro. Jim Blauer holds mic for Gen. George Washington after singing "God Bless America".

## Where in The World is Camp 17 PCC Joe Hart?

As reported in previous newsletters, PCC Joe Hart has relocated to Alexandria, Virginia in November 2016; and apparently, he has a lot of time on his hands .... and a lot of places to go. The following is a rundown of photos and messages from Joe since our March 2017 newsletter.



**5/9/2017:** Chancellorsville & Spotsylvania on the anniversary of the battle at Spotsylvania where Gen. John Sedgwick was killed. "They couldn't hit an elephant at this range!"



**6/18/2017:** At Frederick, MD on Father's Day at the National Museum of Civil War Medicine.

**7/18/2017:** At Dorchester Heights, South Boston, where Henry Knox brought cannon from Ticonderoga in March 1776 for Boston siege.



**7/29/2017:** Statue at Stonewall's grave in Lexington. "Good he got whacked early, might have been uncomfortable at Gettysburg with him there."

**9/8/2017:** Was in the neighborhood, so stopped by to see Iron Mike and visit USMC Museum. Semper Fi.

**11/23/2017:** Hanging with "Sam" Grant in front of Capitol today, Thanksgiving.

**2018 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**

## Where in The World (Version 2.0) is Camp 17 PCC Dan Henry?

As reported in this newsletter on page 6, PCC Dan Henry's last official SAR/SUVCW act was to command the SAR Color Guard at Wreaths Across America. Perhaps that beautiful cool day was a bit uncomfortable for Dan, so on Christmas Day he piled Annette and family into their cars, and they headed to Nashville, Tennessee ... just in time to experience three successive winter storms that have battered the eastern half of the country. Despite the weather, first reports are favorable, and we expect to get regular "WITW" updates from Dan as he hunts down a job, an SAR Chapter, an SUVCW Camp, and maybe an American Legion Post.

Best of luck to Dan and his family, and we look forward to reports and photos to rival those of PCC Joe Hart.



**12/25/2017:** Pulling out of California.

**12/31/2017:** Well, we are moved in and planted in Nashville now. I'll write more after I launch my country music career and star at the Grand Ole Opry. Well, maybe not, but so far so good, but pretty chilly.  
**Editors note:** and then the winter storms hit!



## Welcome Back to (New) Member Denny Dettmer

A hearty "Welcome Back" to Camp Charter Member Dennis "Denny" Dettmer who joined the Camp originally when it was officially formed in July 2003. Denny had been active in all the Camp meetings and events, including the uniformed SVR, for several years before he got more involved in other far flung interests. He and his family spent a great deal of time in the Sierra mountains, and at their getaway home in Mammoth Mountain. Denny also journeyed to Alaska on an annual outing to witness the Iditarod dog sled race.

Denny rejoined the Camp at the November 2017 meeting, and immediately stepped up to fill one of the seats on the Camp Council. Denny's membership in the SUVCW is based on the service of his ancestor Private Jacob G. Haller of Co. I, 149<sup>th</sup> Illinois Infantry.

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**Or bring your dues payments to the January 18 meeting.**



# 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Lincoln Pilgrimage Parade & Lincoln Shrine 46th Open House February 10, 2018

Parade 9am-11am, Open House 11am-3pm



*SVR Color Guard - Lincoln Pilgrimage photo by Debbie Kacynski*

Commemorate Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War at the annual Lincoln Shrine Open House on Saturday, February 10, 11am-3pm. For the third year, the Open House will join forces with the Lincoln Pilgrimage for a combined grand Lincolnpalloza! The day will include music, reenactor presentations, and activities for the whole family. Renowned Lincoln presenter Robert Broski will be on hand to greet visitors, along with the 7th Michigan Cavalry on horseback and the 1st Pennsylvania Light Artillery with their ever-popular cannon demonstrations. This is an event you won't want to miss!

**Lincoln Memorial Shrine**  
**125 West Vine Street, Redlands, CA**



## 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Massing of the Colors & Salute to Our Armed Forces

The largest celebration of its kind in the western United States, 2018 will be the 36th annual celebration of George Washington's birth sponsored by the Sons of Liberty Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution! This upcoming event will be held at **3:00 PM, Sunday, February 18, 2018, at Hall of Liberty, Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills, 6300 Forest Lawn Drive, Los Angeles.** Previous Massings of the Colors have been a great success. Over 600 people and fifty color guards participate each year, including over ten of our Brother SAR Chapters. Many greater Los Angeles area high school and college color guards take part in this celebration.



Forest Lawn might initially seem a strange place for our event, but it offers an area that showcases a collection of American architecture and artworks that honor our country. There's the world's largest historical mosaic, The Birth of Liberty, a faithful reproduction of Boston's Old North Church, and larger-than-life-sized bronze statues of Washington and Lincoln. You can watch a free 26-minute movie about the American Revolution as well.

**Sons & Daughters of  
Union Veterans of the Civil War**

**Santa Ana Veterans Hall**

**1404 N Grand Ave Santa Ana, CA 92701 Phone: [714.884.4082](tel:714.884.4082)**

**Invite You to**

**A GAR Dinner Special Night**

**Thursday January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**

**No Host Bar in Bunker 131 Opens at 5:30 pm**

**For your Beverage Pleasures**

**Dinner Served around 6:15 pm**

**Menu: Actual Recipes from History**

**1<sup>st</sup> Course**

**Noah Webster-New England Clam Chowder**

**Spring Mix Salad**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Course**

**Entree**

**Southern Fried Chicken with Gravy-Daniel Boone Style**

**Potato Puffs on the Old Plantation**

**Hot Buttered Corn on the Cobb**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Course**

**Dessert**

**Apple Fritter-Favorite of Rufus King**

**All this History for \$10.00**

**Please RSVP Scott at [714.325.7072](tel:714.325.7072) by Wed January 17<sup>th</sup>**

**to have enough food for all**

**Sons and Daughters of Union Veterans**

**Meeting to Follow after Dinner**

**\*(Non-Members to Retire to Bunker 131 please after Dinner)**

**This is OPEN to All Veterans, Military-Active, Reserve, Guard, Sons,  
Daughters, & their Guests.**

**Home to American Legion Post 131**

**Established 1919**

# 2018 Department Encampment

January 14, 2018

Department Brothers and Sisters,

We are pleased to announce that the California and Pacific Departments of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans will hold their 132<sup>nd</sup> and 107<sup>th</sup> respective annual Department Encampments on Friday and Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Four Points by Sheraton, 5101 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93309. The hotel is conveniently located for both our Northern and Southern California members. The following amenities are included:

- Free Hot, Full “All American Breakfast”
- Hotel Shuttle from Meadows Field Airport (BFL) (please contact the hotel for Shuttle hours)
- Convenient access from US-99 and I-5
- Free Guest Parking
- Free Wi-Fi in Guest Rooms
- 24-hour Business Center
- Outdoor Heated Pool/Whirlpool/24-hour Fitness Center

----- IMPORTANT -----

We have the following special discounted room rates for members: **King Bed = \$100.00 per night; Two Queens = \$100.00 per night** (excluding taxes). To reserve a room at this rate, please contact the Four Points by Sheraton Bakersfield directly at **(661) 862-7423** before **Thursday, March 1, 2018** and mention you are with the “*Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*”. Reservations can also be made using our customized reservations page at the following link;

<https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1705027913&key=2C607B54>

**To GUARANTEE a room, it is recommended that you reserve early!**

We also have a very special reduced rate for our banquet meals and meeting rooms, a savings we are able to pass along to you! Our meals selections are:

**LUNCH** - \$25.00 (included in the registration fee) with dessert, coffee, decaf, tea and lemonade. Lunch choices are;

- Cashew Chicken Salad Croissant – Breast of chicken blended with cashews, green onions and mayo; served with potato salad.
- Smoked Turkey Breast Croissant – Thinly sliced turkey breast, Swiss cheese, lettuce & tomato; served with potato salad.

- Cobb Salad – Diced chicken, diced tomatoes, gorgonzola, chopped bacon, baby mixed greens, balsamic or ranch dressing, rolls and butter.

DINNER - \$35.00 per person which includes salad, baked rolls, dessert and coffee, decaf and ice tea. Your choices are:

- Grilled Beef Tips – Rosemary Demi Glaze, Garlic Mashed Potatoes and vegetables.
- Chicken Zinfandel – lightly breaded chicken breast with caramelized shallot cream sauce, garlic mashed potatoes and vegetables.
- Wild Mushroom Pasta (vegetarian) – Forest mushrooms, pasta goat cheese and roasted shallot cream sauce.

**We also have available** a “Kid’s” dinner meal of Chicken Tenders and fries with soft drink for Jr Members attending for \$18.00.

***Honored Guests for the Saturday Night VIP Banquet will be Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War National President Ramona Greenwalt and SUVCW Commander-in-Chief Mark Day. What Great Company!***

All Encampment documents and forms are available at the Department Encampment web page at: <http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html>

Please return your completed ***“Encampment Registration / Banquet Meal Reservation”*** form by Thursday, **February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018** to receive the ***early bird discount***.

**FINAL DEADLINE** to submit all forms is Thursday **MARCH 1, 2018.** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Dept. Sr. Vice Commander Rudy Velasco.

**Please remember** to bring ***Civil War related items*** to donate for the Saturday night raffle/auction. This is our opportunity to raise much needed funds for both the Sons and the Auxiliary Departments. We are looking forward to seeing you soon!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Rudy Velasco PCC  
Senior Vice Commander  
Dept. of California and Pacific  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
Email: rev03@dc.rr.com  
phone: (760)770-9237

# SUVCW Camp 17 Meeting

**Thursday, Jan. 18, 2018 at approx. 7:00pm**

**Santa Ana Veterans Hall**

**1404 N Grand Ave., Santa Ana, CA**

***On Grand, just north of I-5 or a block and a half south of 17<sup>th</sup> Street.***

**On the west side of the street. Look for the service flags atop the building.**

***Limited parking in the lot behind the building via the driveway on north side of the building. Additional parking in the neighborhood to the north on 15<sup>th</sup> Street.***



## ***Camp Officer Installation for 2018***

**Please come out and help install your 2018 Camp officers!**



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

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**Postage**  
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### **Camp 17 Fund-Raising Raffle at Jan. Meeting!**



***Bring your dues payments to the January 18 meeting.***