

*Newsletter of Sgt. William Pittenger Camp #21*

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## **Camp Commanders Corner ~ by Tom Helmantoler**

Brothers and Friends: Happy New Year to all and welcome to SUVCW, 2008. In addition to the regular activities we have, let us remember an old quote: "The only thing permanent in life is change." With that in mind, as I begin my time as your Commander, the first order of business is finding a place to hold our meetings, which includes both sufficient size, plus the necessary facilities to have our programs, at a nominal cost. Taking the last point first, many of you already know that our use of the NCO Club at MCAS Miramar is no longer available. This is due to the fact that the facility is to be demolished (if it hasn't been already!) in order to rebuild a newer, nicer facility. Due to the usual budget haggling in Washington, DC, the money to accomplish all this has yet to occur, according to SVC Jeff Malone, who has been investigating this. Therefore, Jeff and I looked at three other facilities, and concluded, for the time being, that our best option at present is the Coco's Restaurant in Clairemont, where we had our December meeting. The main things we considered were size and cost. The, literally, bottom line, is that no place at present is FREE! This place offered the best situation, including central location, for the best price. We will need to guarantee them a minimum of \$100 in dinner purchases

each time we meet there. This won't be difficult, I believe, based on what we spent there in December, which was over twice that amount, with a small turnout for the meeting. In addition, Jeff and I concluded that the room can easily be reorganized for a meeting, and then redone after the meeting for dinner without much effort so that the



First Lady, Sandy, congratulates her husband, our newly elected Camp 21 Commander, Tom Helmantoler at December's meeting

room will have more of a "meeting" setting. Jeff will also be investigating menu options, too. I also mentioned to the manager that we would want dinner NOT to be served until the meeting had concluded. It may not be the best situation, but it will do for the time being. Beggars can't be choosers, and I wish we had a facility like the one I visited in Peoria, IL, which is the old GAR Hall there. We're not that lucky. This also doesn't mean we have to be at Coco's for any specified amount of time. If anyone finds a better situation, please run it by Jeff and/or myself and we'll explore it as well. I hope this takes care of our most immediate problem. The next meeting will feature my brother law,

Mike Bailey, with the second half of his presentation on PTSD and Civil War Veterans. I was told several times how much people enjoyed his first presentation, so it should be enjoyable. I will also have information on the

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**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** should be mailed to Camp Secretary at address listed above. Failure to notify the Camp of change of address will result in missed issues of *The General* and *The Banner*.

**CAMP EMAIL DIRECTORY.** If you wish to be included in the Camp Email Directory, send your permission & email address to Dave Allyn at: svrsuvcw@yahoo.com

**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE (SVR)** is the uniformed contingent of the SUVCW. Uniforms are encouraged but not required. You do not have to be a reenactor to join. Annual dues are \$6.00. Interested Brothers should contact the SVR Representative listed above.

**SUVCW Dep't. Encampment Information from the Dept. web pages**

*For All Forms go to* <http://home.earthlink.net/~suvcw/deptca/EncampForm08.pdf>

The Department of California and Pacific is proud to announce the 122nd Annual Encampment, to be held on March 14-15, 2008, at the NCO Club, Camp San Luis Obispo. We are honored to be joined by National Commander in Chief, Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., who will be in attendance. 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. Here is a link to their website:

<http://www.calguard.ca.gov/cslo/Pages/default.aspx>

The National Guard requires that a Vehicle Registration form is completed and presented at the time of arrival at the base. A copy has been attached for your convenience. On Friday, we will have a short, late-afternoon work party at the GAR plot (Odd Fellow's Cemetery), to "spruce up" the cannon and plaque in honor of Ed Strobridge and in preparation for Saturday's memorial service. On Friday evening, we will have our traditional "campfire" gathering at the NCO club. A catered tri-tip and chicken BBQ dinner will be available for those who are interested. The cost of Friday's dinner is \$25 per person. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE OPTIONAL DINNER IS OFFERED AS A CONVENIENCE TO THOSE IN ATTENDANCE AND IS NOT MANDATORY FOR ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION AT THE "CAMPFIRE." On Saturday morning, we will have our business meeting at the NCO Club. The cost of the Encampment has increased by \$5 to \$30 per member, which includes a deli-style buffet lunch, as well as the usual accouterments of the day (lunch for guests is \$20). At the completion of the business meeting, we will have our memorial service at the Odd Fellow's Cemetery (7 miles, approximately 11 minutes travel time...see attached map). The Saturday CinC dinner will be held at the NCO club. There is no increase over last years cost and remains at \$30 per attendee. The tentative menu is as follows: Mixed Green salad with Diced Pears, Gorgonzola, and Toasted Almonds; Line Carved New York Steak; Lemon-Caper Chicken Breast; Roasted Onion and Garlic mashed Potatoes; Fresh Squash medley; Rolls and Butter; Dessert. All applicable forms and maps have been attached to this packet for your convenience. **PLEASE NOTE THAT CAMP SAN LUIS OBISPO IS AN ACTIVE MILITARY INSTALLATION, AND THAT ALL DRIVERS MUST COMPLETE THE ATTACHED VEHICLE SECURITY FORM.** Please respond early, as we need to plan for meals, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

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*Editor's Note: it is hoped brothers have InterNet access. For those who do not, copies of all forms will be available at the Feb. meeting; or you may call me at 619-561-8581 if you need a set of forms and maps mailed to your home.*

**Camp Commanders Corner Con't.**

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 Dept. Encampment in March as will Dept. Commander, Jerry Sayre. I hope to see everyone there !  
 Yours in F, C, and L,  
 Tom Helmantoler

## MINUTES OF LAST MEETING December 8, 2007

**Present:** Brothers Jack Bruzas, Jerry Cady, John Finch, Tom Helmantoler, Bob Lowe, Jeff Malone, John May, Monroe McBride, Deane Poole, Jerry Sayre, Mike Schooling, Dave Shaffer, Will Tisch, and guests Julie Aitzen, Brenda Boucher, Mary Bruzas, Gabreal Forsythe, Zach Forsythe, Sandy Helmantoler, Rosemary Lowe, Charmaine Malone, Kim Sayre, Janice Shaffer and Eileen Tisch.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Will Tisch at 4:45pm at Coco's Restaurant, 5955 Balboa Ave., San Diego, California. The opening prayer was offered by Chaplain D. Poole and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by J. May.

**I. Honored Attendees**

Dept. Cmdr. and Mrs. Sayre welcomed along with Zach Forsythe, USMC.

**II. Announcements**

- 1) Br. Ed Strobbridge of San Luis Obispo, has died. Cmdr. Tisch read his obituary. A sympathy card was sent from the Dept. and a reply was received from Mrs. Strobbridge. A picture was displayed of Br. Nate Dorn at the funeral.
- 2) The uniform of deceased Br. Al Hodges has been donated to the Veterans' Museum & Memorial Center in Balboa Park.

**III. Presentations**

- 1) Cmdr. Tisch presented Br. D. Shaffer with an Appreciation Award for his efforts on the Flagpole Replacement Project. This replaces the award that was lost in Br. Shaffer's house fire.
- 2) Cmdr. Tisch presented Certificates of Appreciation for their work as Camp Officers to M. McBride, D. Shaffer, and J. Bruzas.
- 3) Cmdr. Tisch presented John Logan Medals to J. Malone, D. Poole, J. Finch, and J. May for their work as

Camp Officers.

- 4) Cmdr. Tisch presented special gifts to B. Lowe, T. Helmantoler and J. Sayre for their accomplishments serving as Camp Officers.
- 5) Cmdr. Tisch presented the Al Hodges Memorial Brother of the Year Award to J. May.
- 6) T. Helmantoler presented Eileen Tisch with flowers as a token of the Camp's appreciation for her hard work during the year.
- 7) Kim Sayre presented Eileen Tisch with flowers from the Department as a thank-you for all of the work she has done to benefit the Department of California and Pacific.
- 8) Cmdr. Tisch presented First Lady Eileen Tisch with flowers for her support during his tenure as Camp Commander.

**III. Committee Reports**

- 1) Dept. Cmdr. J. Sayre presented the Camp with a banner for our participation in Remembrance Day activities at Gettysburg. He also reported that the Department is doing well and singled out the Las Vegas Camp as doing an exceptionally good job in recruitment and publicity. Fundraising efforts are taking place and there is a desire to host the 2012 National Encampment.
- 2) J. Sayre reported that participation at the Fallbrook Christmas Parade was appreciated.
- 3) B. Lowe reported that the Massing of Colors at Balboa Park went well. Additionally, there have been four Eagle Scout presentations in the last two months, but not too many requests have been coming in.
- 3) T. Helmantoler reported that the Mother Goose Parade had about 150,000 spectators and the Veterans'

Camp Calendar: Event, Location (* = SVR participation)	Time, Month, Day, Year	Contact Persons
* Boy Scouts "Lincoln Pilgrimage," Redlands, CA.	10 AM, Feb. 9, 2008	Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch
Regular Camp Meeting, Coco's, 5955 Balboa Ave. San Diego, CA.	4:30 PM, Feb. 9, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone
* "Massing of Colors" Burbank, Forest Lawn Cemetery	3 PM, Feb. 17, 2008 Muster at 2 PM	Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch
* Honor Guard, Memorial Service, VMMC, Balboa Park, San Diego	11 AM, Feb. 23, 2008	Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch
Reenactment, Antique Tractor & Steam Engine Museum, Vista, CA Information & Recruitment table	March 8-9, 2008 Set-up at 8 AM	Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone
Dept. Encampment, NCO Club, Camp San Luis Obispo <u>DC Jerry Sayre Presiding - Maximum Effort Event for Camp 21</u>	Mar. 14-15, 2008 Begins 7 AM, Both Days	Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone
Reenactment, Prado Park, Chino, CA Information & Recruitment table with Camps 2 & 17	8 AM - 4 PM, Apr. 5-6, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone
Regular Camp Meeting, Coco's, 5955 Balboa Ave. San Diego, CA.	4:30 PM, Apr. 12, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone
* Armed Forces Day Parade, Torrance, CA	9 AM, May 17, 2008	Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch
* Memorial Day Service, Oddfellows Cemetery, Fallbrook	Time TBA, May 24, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Jerry Sayre
* Memorial Day Service with Elk's Lodge 1812, El Cajon, CA.	Time TBA, May 25, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Bob Lowe
* Memorial Day Service, Mt. Hope Cemetery, San Diego, CA	Time TBA, May 26, 2008	Tom Helmantoler, Jerry Sayre
* Honor Guard, Memorial Service, VMMC, Balboa Park, San Diego	11 AM, Jun 28, 2008	Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch

## **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING December 8, 2007 Cont.**

Day Parade went well and Br. N. Dorn came down from San Luis Obispo to participate.

- 4) W. Tisch reported on the successful Remembrance Day event in Fallbrook that included participation by the Eagle Young Marines.

### **IV. Upcoming Events**

- 1) VMMC service, Saturday, Dec. 22, in Balboa Park.
- 2) Lincoln Pilgrimage, Sat., Feb. 9, Redlands.
- 3) Massing of the Colors, Sun., Feb. 17, Forest Lawn Cemetery.
- 4) Pittenger Prize Speech Contest, Tues., Feb. 19, 7:30 pm, at the Escondido Masonic Hall.

### **V. Minutes of Last Meeting**

A motion (Lowe/McBride) to approve the minutes of the last meeting, as published in The General, was passed with the addition of the Secretary's Report, which was only partially printed.

### **VII. Officers' Reports**

- 1) JVC J. Malone presented Michael N. May, whose ancestor served in the 13<sup>th</sup> OH INF, for membership. A motion (Malone/May) to approve his application was approved.
- 2) Dept. Chaplain T. Helmantoler reported that a sympathy card has been sent to the widow of Br. Ed. Strobridge. He also thanked Br. N. Dorn for attending the funeral.
- 3) Sec. J. May reported on correspondence from a) The Civil War Preservation Trust, informing us of their recent successes, and b) the Jr. Vice CinC, who sent an application submitted through the National SUVCW web site.
- 4) Treas. J. May reported that since the last meeting, the Camp had expenses of \$2457.15 and income of \$2229.50. The balance is \$2810.90, of which \$1325.45 is in the Flagpole Replacement Fund and \$40.00 is in the Minter's Ranch Fund.

### **VIII. Old Business**

- 1) W. Tisch reported that the Minter's Ranch Project is still moving ahead.
- 2) M. McBride reported that the Speech Contest is scheduled for Tues., Feb. 19, at 7:30 pm at the Escondido Masonic Hall. Invitations have been sent to 15 North San Diego County High Schools.
- 3) B. Lowe mentioned that an insert for a ceremonial bugle can be purchased for \$175.
- 4) J. May remarked that the Last Soldier Project needs to be finalized. We are waiting for the headstone and have tentatively scheduled dedication for Memorial Day, 2008.
- 5) J. May reminded the Camp that the 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Abraham Lincoln is fast approaching. A motion (Lowe/McBride) was passed to ask the incoming Camp Commander form a committee to come up with some ideas for the Camp to appropriately mark the occasion and to present these ideas at the next meeting.

### **IX. New Business**

- 1) Next scheduled Camp meeting conflicts with Lincoln Pilgrimage in Redlands. Meeting is tentatively set for

Feb. 16. Place and time will be published in the newsletter.

- 2) Br. Paul Davis will be present at the next meeting. He is celebrating his 50<sup>th</sup> year of membership in SUVCW.
  - 3) J. Malone can get the Officer's Club for meetings, if needed.
  - 4) A discussion of possible meeting places took place. A motion (Sayre/Lowe) was made and passed to have a standing committee formed to look for appropriate meeting locations.
- ### **X. Members' Minutes**
- 1) M. McBride mentioned that the book, Stealing the General makes mention of our Camp.
  - 2) B. Lowe reported that a copy of Rituals and Ceremonies as well as the Officer's Reports from the Gettysburg encampment are available if anyone would like to see them.
  - 3) Guest Zach Forsythe said that he is starting a Civil War Round Table at Camp Pendleton. He is also attempting to start a Civil War-era U.S. Marine reenactment group. It was suggested that he talk to Br. Glen Roosevelt.
  - 4) J. Sayre and B. Lowe attended a "special encampment" at Gettysburg to bring a vote on a Constitutional amendment to the Department Encampments.

### **XI. Raffle**

No raffle was held.

### **XII. Program**

There was no formal program due to the election of Officers.

A motion (Lowe/Sayre) was passed to make all unopposed positions elected by acclamation.

T. Helmantoler, nominated by M. McBride, was elected Commander.

J. Malone, nominated by J. Sayre, was elected Senior Vice Commander.

M. McBride, nominated by B. Lowe, was elected Junior Vice Commander.

J. May, nominated by T. Helmantoler, was elected Secretary/Treasurer.

W. Tisch, nominated by B. Lowe, J. Sayre, nominated by T. Helmantoler, and J. Churchyard, nominated by W. Tisch, were all elected to Camp Council.

New Camp Officers were installed by Dept. Cmdr. J.

Sayre.

New First Lady Sandy Helmantoler pinned the Camp Commander badge on Cmdr. T. Helmantoler.

Former First Lady Eileen Tisch pinned the Past Camp Commander badge on W. Tisch.

Delegates to the Dept. Encampment were elected by approving a motion (Sayre/Poole) to elect the entire slate.

Delegates are: B. Lowe, D. Poole, J. Sayre, W. Tisch, T. Helmantoler, N. Dorn, J. Malone, M. McBride and, D. Allyn. Former First Lady Eileen Tisch presented incoming First Lady Sandy Helmantoler with a gift.

The closing prayer was offered by D. Poole and Cmdr. Helmantoler adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
John May, Secretary



## A Little History Lesson on Valentine's Day in the Mid 19th Century

Valentine's Day is upon us. I thought it might be of interest to find information about the impact it had during our era of interest. The following was excerpted from the InterNet at:

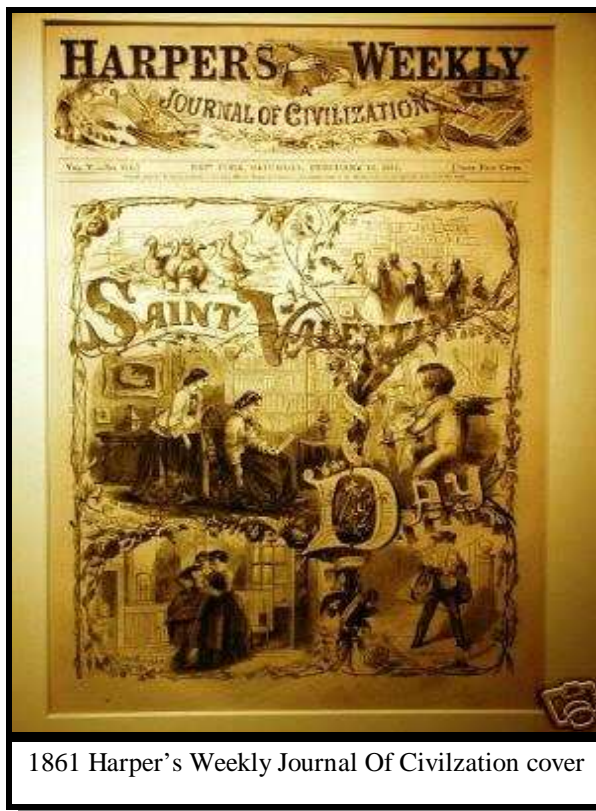
<http://www.linguatics.com/StValentine.html>

During the Civil War in the States between the North and the South, many a lonely, crestfallen soldier had Valentines made with a heart split in two, reflecting their loved one's absence and their longing for home. For troops encamped in tents, flaps were made onto the Valentine to reveal a soldier inside (the tent) awaiting his sweetheart with open arms. This became the window Valentine. During times of peace, the window opened instead into a church with a smiling bride and groom within! Another Civil War novelty Valentine, circa 1862, included a real lock of hair from the distant girlfriend, which the military man proudly treasured and shared with his fellow soldiers. Other Valentines to have survived the Civil War were the paper doll variety and elaborate white lace embroideries. Then, Puzzle Purses appeared on the Valentine's Day scene: They were square envelopes, the four flaps of which were folded one inside the other. Each flap was doubled over and oftentimes artistically decorated on both sides. Many times the puzzle contained a ring, a piece of jewelry, or even a lock of the lover's hair within. When the contented receiver opened this type of Valentine, the trick was not only to be able to read the messages in their correct order, but also to fold all of the flaps back up correctly too! Then, late during Queen Victoria's reign, an Englishwoman named Kate Greenway began to design beautifully artistic Valentines, eventually evolving into a career in writing children's books for her. Yet it was to be another

fellow countryman named Walter Crane who would rival her in design and uniqueness as well with his colorfully outstanding Valentines. Kate Greenway had sold her first Valentine design for U.S. \$15.00 when she was only twenty-two years of age by selling over 25,000 copies within the first month of their distribution! Yet the cost of British postage remained high, thus preventing trans-Atlantic Valentines from becoming a yearly ritual. But today, both Greenway and Crane's Valentines are true collector's items that carry hefty investment price tags. Then in 1848, precisely on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean, an Esther Howland of Worcester, Massachusetts, while working in her father's stationery store, became intrigued with some beautifully laced white and pink

English Valentines that her father had imported from overseas. Esther, having fallen 'in love' with them, cut out some red paper and pasted some lacy designs onto the sheets thus creating a kind of envelope. She then attached some pictures, penciled in her own artwork, and before too very long she had developed some rather handsome Valentines. She then finished them off with yellow flowers adorned in crêpe paper. Her father was so taken aback with his daughter's artistic skill that he deliberately ordered more pink, red, and white lace paper, some more crêpe paper, more ink bottles and fountain pens, and some specially designed paper flowers for further ideas. Esther continued on with her Valentine-inspired endeavors and, as Fate would have it, her brother who traveled in his horse and buggy advertising and selling for his father's stationery business requested of her if he could take along with

him any extra Valentines she had made that she wouldn't mind parting with. Thinking along the lines of maybe earning U.S. \$100-\$250, Esther was stunned beyond belief when her brother returned with orders of up to U.S. \$5,000-\$6,000! Once the supply of paper her father had ordered finally arrived from England, Esther hired some of her girlfriends to assist her with the drawing and copying of Valentine designs that she would drum up. She set up an assembly line wherein one young lady would paste the background, another would glue the lace, and yet another would cut out the pictures, thus completing an amply full Valentine by the end of the "line". As orders increased with alacrity, Esther hired more women and, before too very long, her "factory of Valentines" grew so much that she had to move out to larger and more profitable quarters. By 1862, one New York card company bought over U.S. \$30,000



1861 Harper's Weekly Journal Of Civilization cover

worth of her lacy Valentines, insuring Esther Howland for all time to come a place in America's history in Valentine making and production. Like all holidays born of ancient world traditions, St. Valentine's Day has come to represent a day of sharing, of giving, of loving, and of thinking about dear ones, romantically or platonically. With springtime just around the corner come Februarytide, the mating season between hundreds of thousands of species, among birds, amidst mammals and amphibians, as well as amongst us humans who continue to fall in and out of love, will once again be in full bloom. May St. Valentine's Day truly continue to be a day of Love and Light for us all. *I say "Amen and Happy Valentine's Day!" to all of the wives and sweethearts ~ The Editor*



PITTENGER CAMP SCRAPBOOK



L-R, Rosemary Lowe, Eileen Tisch, Jerry Sarye, Will Tisch, Deane Poole, Bob Lowe, Brenda Poole, & Julie Atzen ready for Fallbrook's Christmas Parade, 2007



L-R Below, John Finch, Jeff Malone, Deane Poole, John May receive Lincoln Medals from Will Tisch

At Left, Color Guard of Jerry Sayre, Will Tisch, Deane Poole & Bob Lowe before Christmas Parade, Fallbrook



Above, Former First Lady, Eileen Tisch congratulates New First Lady, Sandy Helmantoler



Eileen receives flowers from Dept 1st Lady Kim Sayre



Below, Dave Allyn, Will Tisch, Marc Moniz, Tom Helmantoler, Bob Lowe with Rosemary Lowe and Eileen Tisch participated in the December 26 Memorial Service, VMMC, Balboa Park.



Then Camp Cmdr Will Tisch presents John May with the Al Hodges Brother of the Year Award



Former 1st Lady, Eileen, pins Past Camp Commander's Badge on Will



Above, The uniform of our dear departed Brother Al Hodges is now prominently displayed along with uniforms of different branches and eras at the Vets Museum and Memorial Center, Balboa Park. Members of the Color Guard were photographed (at left) with the uniform display during the Dec 26 Memorial Service





## Welcome New Brother!

- Michael N. May, whose ancestor served in the 13th Ohio Infantry

## "DECADERS"

**Congratulations on attaining 10 years of membership in the SUVCW**

- ◆ Dave Shafer 02-98
- ◆ Dan Nation 05-98
- ◆ Daniel Redmond 05-98

**Thank you Brothers for your continued commitment to the objectives of our Order !**

In February, we remember two of our greatest Presidents  
**George Washington**  
 Feb. 22, 1732 - Dec 14, 1799  
**Abraham Lincoln**  
 Feb 12, 1809 - Apr 15, 1865

The San Diego Civil War Roundtable meets the Third Wednesday of each month, 7 PM at Palisades Presbyterian Church 6301 Birchwood St., San Diego and is open to the public. For further information, contact President Dave Tooley at 858/672-2593

## Unusual Original Item Donated to Camp

Pat, a friend of Cindy Hodges, found this unusual item in her attic and doesn't believe it is an item from her family. She donated it to our Camp and it will be on display at our next meeting. At that time, we will discuss options. It is printed on some kind of fiber board. Framed like a photograph, it is roughly 3 feet high by 2 feet wide. The text of the central panel reads, "Know ye that Seymour H. Hogle enlisted from Coldwater, Branch County, Mich. Jan 20, 1862 and was mustered into the U. S. service at Detroit, Mich. 10. as a private of Co. M. 5th Regt. Mich. Vol. Cavalry under Capt. F. A. Copeland and Col. Joseph F. Copeland to serve three years or during the war. He was honorably discharged June 15, 62 at Detroit, Mich on account of disability. He re-enlisted Jan. 2, 63, as a private in Batt. C. 1st Regt, Mich. Vol. Light Artillery, under Capt. Geo. Robinson and Col. Cyrus O. Loomis to serve three years or during the war. The Regt was assigned to the Army of the Tennessee. Said Seymour Hogle. took part in battles at Decatur, Ala. Resaca, Ga. Dallas, Ga. Big Shanty, Ga. Kenesaw Mt. Ga. Nickajack Creek, Ga. Chattahoochie River, Peach Tree Creek, Siege of

Atlanta, Ezra Church, Jonesboro, Lovejoy Station, Snake Creek Gap, March to the Sea, Savannah, Ft. McAlister, Campaign of the Carolinas including Pocotaligo, S. C. Comtahee River, Orangeburg, Cheraw, Fayetteville, N. C. Bentonville and Raleigh including Lee's surrender. Also took part in Grand Review at Washington D. C. May 24, 1865. He was wounded in hand by a piece of shell. Was rendered blind for some time and his shoulder paralyzed by a cannon ball passing close to his head. He was at Decatur, Ala. and Atlanta, Ga. building fortifications. Received his Final Discharge June 21, 1865 by reason of close of the war at Detroit, Mich" Below the main panel a smaller panel reads, "This picture of the (illegible) Monument bearing the Personal Army Record of Seymour Hogle was presented by him June 1<sup>st</sup> 96 to his wife Belle and dedicated to his son Clifford as a tribute to loyalty." A



check of the InterNet for "Seymour Hogle" reveals he was born in 1845, was age 19 when he re-enlisted in the 1st Mich Light and is buried at Burr Oak Cemetery, St. Joseph County, MI, having reported to The Final Muster in 1929.

## OUR NEXT MEETING (NOTE DATE CHANGE & LOCATION)

February 16, 2008 4:30pm

### Meeting Location

Coco's Restaurant  
5955 Balboa Ave.  
San Diego, CA. 92111  
858-279-5363

### Our Program

Dr. Mike Bailey, USN (Ret) will return to give us the second-half of his most interesting presentation on "Post Traumatic Stress Disorder from the Civil War to the Present." Mike is the brother of Camp First Lady, Sandy Helmantoler.

### DIRECTIONS to COCO's

From the North: South on the 805 to Balboa exit, West to Coco's - or South on the 163 to Balboa and West to Coco's.

From the South: North on the 805 to Balboa and West to Coco's.

From the East: West on the 52, South on the 163 to Balboa, West to Coco's.

Call Tom Helmantoler  
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if you need assistance

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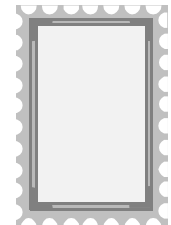


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