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Camp Commanders Corner ~ by Jeff Malone

Greetings,

I wish to thank everyone who attended and participated in our Camp's observances of "Remembrance Day" at Saturday, November 19th, 2011 at Odd Fellows Cemetery in Fallbrook. Jerry Sayre, PDC, did an excellent job of organizing the event while encouraging member's to speak about their ancestor's involvement, if applicable, in the Battle of Gettysburg. Both John May and I took the opportunity to talk about our ancestors. After reciting Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address," John May reflected on the service of his ancestor who served in the 5th Battery, Massachusetts Light Artillery as part of the Artillery Brigade of the 5th Army Corps, Army of the Potomac. Following John, I discussed what I knew about my ancestors who participated in the battle of Gettysburg, including one who served alongside John's ancestor in the 5th Army Corps under Major General George Sykes. In discussing another ancestor of mine who served in the 150th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, Jerry pointed out that Deane Poole's ancestor served in the 149th Regiment, in the same Pennsylvania "Bucktail" Brigade. Dave Allyn's ancestor served in the "Iron Brigade" which was positioned on the left of the Bucktails. It is amazing to me that nearly one hundred and fifty years

later, the descendants of this one battle would be gathered together, thousands of miles removed from where the events took place, to pause and remember their sacrifice and to honor their service. A moving rendition of "Amazing Grace" was performed by Erine Powell and both the Invocation and Benediction was delivered by Tom Helmantoler, PCC. The group then adjourned to El Jardin Mexican Restaurant for food, fun and fellowship. I hope to see everyone at the next Camp Meeting in December as we wrap up the first year of the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Jeff Malone

More info on CC Malone's ancestor's units is found on pages following.

Inscription:

Army of the Potomac
First Corps Third Division
Second Brigade
Col. Roy Stone Col. Langhorne Wister
Col. Edmund L. Dana
143d 149th 150th Pennsylvania Infantry

July 1. Arrived and went into position at McPherson buildings between Reynolds Woods and the Railroad Cut and was subjected to a heavy front and enfilad-



The headquarters marker for the Second Brigade, Third Division of the First Army Corps is west of Gettysburg on Meredith Avenue.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS should be mailed to Camp Secretary at address above. Failure to notify 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 SUCVW. Uniforms are encouraged but not required. You need not be a reenactor to join. Annual dues are \$6.00. Interested SUCVW Brothers should contact the SVR Representative listed above.

Continued Information on Ancestor's Units

contributed by Jeff Malone

ing artillery fire from the right. Repulsed repeated attacks of Brig. Daniel's Brigade Major Gen. Rodes's Division from the right as well as front attacks until pressed on both flanks and in front by superior numbers. It retired to Seminary Ridge and held temporary breast works there until the Corps retired before overwhelming numbers to Cemetery Hill when the Brigade with the Division took position at the left of the cemetery on and near the Taneytown Road.

July 2. Late in the afternoon moved to left and took position previously occupied by First Division Second Corps.

July 3. Remained in the same position under the heavy artillery fire in the afternoon.

The strength of the Brigade July 1st 1315

Casualties: Killed 4 Officers 105 Men, Wounded; 35 Officers 430 Men, Captured or Missing; 8 Officers 271 Men; Total 853



5th Corps, Army of the Potomac

A monument is on the north side of Little Round Top.

Inscription:

Army of the Potomac
Fifth Corps
Major General George Sykes
First Division
Brigadier General James Barnes
Second Division
Brigadier General Romeyn B. Ayres
Third Division
Brigadier General Samuel W. Crawford
Artillery Brigade
Captain Augustus P. Martin

July 2. Arrived in the morning and went into position on the right of 12th Corps. Later crossed Rock Creek via Baltimore Pike and was massed in the field until late in the afternoon. Moved to the left between 4 and 5 P. M. Barnes' and Ayres' Divisions taking possession of Little Round Top and

reinforcing the 3d Corps line Crawford's Division in reserve. All Brigades of the Corps except Fisher's were engaged at intervals until night.

July 3. Barnes' Division except Tilton's Brigade north of Little Round Top with Wright's Division 6th Corps on the right, left and rear. Ayres' and Crawford's Divisions and Tilton's Brigade on the Round Tops. These positions were held during the day.

July 4. In same positions except reconnaissances from each Division were made in front during the day.

Casualties: Killed 28 Officers 337 Men, Wounded; 129 Officers 1481 Men, Captured or Missing; 1 Officer 210 Men, Total 2186

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U.S. Navy Awards Contract to Build an Iron Submarine

As many of you know, my ancestor, Acting Master Samuel Eakins, had the honor of serving as the commander of the U.S. Navy's first submarine during the Civil War. November 2011 marks the Sesquicentennial of the formal signing of the agreement that led to the construction of that first Navy submarine, the U.S.S. *Alligator*. In commemoration of this event, I would like to share with you images and a transcription of the original agreement that is located in the National Archives as part of Record Group 71, Miscellaneous Letters Sent and Received, Bureau of Yards and Docks 1861-1863, Smith, Joseph to De Villeroi, Brutus, 11/1/1861.

Editor's note: On Page 5 the actual contract with full transcription can be seen.

Godfrey Frederick William Froehlich, Member Datus E. Coon Post No. 172 G.A.R.

contributed by Jeff Malone

William Froehlich Posted by Jean Crowl 6 May 2009 From the Portrait and biographical record of Hancock, McDonough and Henderson counties, IL : containing biographical sketches of prominent and representative citizens of the county (1894) May, 1894. Lake City Pub. Co. WILLIAM FROEHLICH, pension attorney and Notary Public of Oquawka, Henderson County, Illinois is one of the worthy citizens that Germany has furnished this locality, for he was born in the Rhine Province in Prussia. The date of this event was March 21, 1835. His father, Peter Froehlich, was a tanner by trade, and lived and died in Germany. The family numbered seven children, but four of the number died in infancy, and another, Francis, is also now deceased. Joseph, a ranchman of San Diego, Cal., and Gottfried Frederick William, of this sketch, are the only ones now living. Our subject lost his mother when he was only four days old, and was reared by his grandmother. He acquired his early education in the village schools, but afterwards pursued his studies in the High School of Bonn. In 1851, he entered the chemical factory of that place, where he was employed as clerk for a year, and in 1852 he emigrated to America. The voyage was made in a sailing-vessel, and after fifty-two days spent upon the bosom of the Atlantic, anchor was dropped in the harbor of New Orleans, and the human cargo was landed in the Crescent City. Mr. Froehlich did not tarry long in the South, however, but by boat he at once proceeded up the Mississippi and located in Oquawka. For a year after his arrival, he was clerk in the store of F. Odendahl, which position he filled until he began learning the harness-maker's trade in Warsaw. There he remained from 1853 until 1856, when he went to Carthage, where he was employed as a journey-man until 1857. The following year was spent in working at his trade through Illinois and Iowa, and in 1858 he returned to Oquawka, where he engaged in harness-making and in teaching school until 1861.

Mr. Froehlich had given considerable time to the study of the

questions which brought on the Civil War, and, warmly advocating the Union cause, he at once responded to the President's first call for seventy-five thousand volunteers. On the 23d of April, 1861, he enlisted as a member of Company D, Tenth Illinois Infantry, and at Cairo, Ill., was mustered out, July 29, 1861. On the 11th of September of the same year, however, he again entered the service as a member of Company G, Tenth Missouri Infantry, and participated in the battles of Iuka, Corinth, Yazoo Pass Expedition, Raymond, Jackson, Champion Hills, the siege of Vicksburg and the battle of Mission Ridge. At Corinth, on the 4th of October, 1862, he was wounded in the forehead, and at the battle of Champion Hills was wounded in the right leg. His injuries were quite serious, but, nevertheless, he remained with his company until honorably discharged, September 29, 1864. He was then employed in the civil service in Nashville, as clerk in the Ordinance Dept. At his own expense, he returned home to vote for Lincoln, and then again went to Nashville, where he remained until Sept, 1865, when we once more find him at Oquawka, where he has since made his home. Mr. Froehlich's eye-sight having failed him, so that he could no longer follow his trade, he engaged as clerk for a time, and was then elected Constable, in 1866, filling the office for two years. He served as Deputy Assessor in 1867, '68 and '69, having half of the county in charge, and in 1868 became Deputy County Clerk, which office he filled until 1877, with the exception of one year. He was then elected County Clerk, which position he continuously filled until 1890, when he became pension attorney and Notary Public. Other offices he has filled, having served as Deputy Circuit Clerk and as Deputy Sheriff, and for five terms he has been Village Clerk, a position which he now occupies. When first elected County Clerk he received a majority of one hundred and ten. At the second election he carried the county by three hundred and seventy-nine; and at the third election by a majority of eleven hundred and twenty-five. No higher testimonial to his efficient and faithful

Camp Calendar: Event, Location (* = SVR participation)	Time, Month, Day, Year	Contact Persons
* Christmas Parade, downtown Fallbrook	Sat. 5 PM, 3 Dec. <i>Muster at 4:30</i>	Jerry Sayre/Tom Helmantoler
Annual Social & Officer Elections Meeting, DeGheri Alumni Center, USD, San Diego	Sat. 4:30 PM, 10 Dec. Set-up at 4:00	Jeff Malone, Bob Rainbolt

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING Oct 15, 2011

Present: Brothers Kevin Forrester, Tom Helmantoler, Jeff Malone, John May, Deane Poole, Bob Rainbolt, Jerry Sayre, Mike Schooling, Will Tisch, and guests Bruce Carey, Dan McLaughlin, Kim Sayre, and Eileen Tisch.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Jeff Malone at 4:30pm at the Alumni Center of the University of San Diego, San Diego, California. The opening prayer was offered by Chaplain T. Helmantoler and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by J. Sayre.

I. Honored Attendees

Bruce Carey, visiting from AZ, was introduced. Dan McLaughlin, applicant for membership, was also introduced.

II. Announcements

Br. Jerry Sayre has constructed a frame for the Camp Charter and a box to transport it. Brothers in distress include W. Tisch who has an ill sister, T. Helmantoler with an ill sister, and B. Rainbolt who is recovering from an illness. T. Helmantoler reported that he has talked to Ken Kramer about a forthcoming television spot on the Minters' Ranch project.

III. New Members

The membership application of Daniel McLaughlin, whose ancestor served in the 37th NY National guard, was approved (May/Helmantoler). Br. McLaughlin was initiated into the order by W.Tisch with J. Sayre assisting.

IV. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were not available as the newsletter was not published.

V. Officers' Reports

1) Treas. J. May reported that the Camp has \$3141.34 at present.

VI. Committee Reports

W. Tisch reported that the restoration of the carriage for the mortar is underway. A motion (May/Helmantoler) to reimburse Br. Tisch an amount not to exceed \$600 was passed.

VII. S.V.R. Report

No report was given.

VIII. Upcoming Events

Turkey Shoot, Oct. 29.
Next Camp meeting, Dec. 10.

IX. Old Business

1) Sesquicentennial coins have arrived and the Commander will present them as tokens of appreciation to those who have rendered a service to our Camp.
2) Br. Kevin Forrester was formally initiated into the order.

X. New Business

Cmdr. Malone asks that those who can make a presentation during one of our Camp meetings to please contact him.
A motion (Sayre/Helmantoler) to donate \$1000 to the Department to help with hosting the 2012 National Encampment was approved.

XIII. Members' Minutes

No Members' Minutes.

XIV. Program

The program was presented by Br. Mike Schooling who spoke on the British warship, H.M.S. Warrior.

The closing prayer was offered by Chaplain T. Helmantoler and Cmdr. Malone adjourned the meeting at 6:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John May, Secretary

Continued Information on Ancestor's Units

contributed by Jeff Malone

This Agreement
 Made and entered into this first day of November, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty one, between Martin Thomas of the one part and the United States by Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy, of the other part, Witnesseth:-

Indemnity party of the first part will construct and deliver to the party of the second part within forty (40) days from the date of this agreement, an Iron sub-marine Propeller of the plan of M. de Villeroi, at least fifty six (56) inches in width and sixty six (66) inches in height and forty five feet in length, for the sum of fourteen thousand dollars, to be paid when completed and delivered, ready for use, within ten days after delivery and certificate of M. de Villeroi that the propeller is properly constructed, and is in all respects ready for service.

Second:- The government of the United States will employ said M. de Villeroi to superintend the construction of said propeller, as well as in its employment for actual service when required, and agrees to pay him for his full services at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum, whilst thus employed, his pay to commence with the date of this agreement; also to pay reasonable wages to the crew of said propeller, and to transport it from Philadelphia to the place or places where the Secretary of the Navy may direct it to be used.

Third:- In case the said de Villeroi shall perform valuable service with said propeller for the United States by the destruction of an enemy's ship or vessel by direction of the Secretary of the Navy and to his satisfaction, then the government of the United States shall pay to the party of the first part a further sum of eighty six thousand dollars (\$86,000) subject to an appropriation by Congress.

Fourth:- In case the said de Villeroi shall perform valuable service with said propeller for the United States by the destruction of an enemy's ship or vessel by direction of the Secretary of the Navy and to his satisfaction, then the government of the United States shall pay to the party of the first part a further sum of eighty six thousand dollars (\$86,000) subject to an appropriation by Congress.

Fifth:- The secret of said invention shall be divulged by the inventor, M. de Villeroi, under his solemn oath or affirmation in a written paper subscribed by him to be sealed and deposited with the Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks, with the certificate thereof of Mr. W.L. Hirst that he has carefully examined the paper and firmly believes it to be a true, full and faithful description and disclosure of the secret of said invention, not to be opened until after the payment of said eighty six thousand dollars, or the death, disability or dereliction of duty of the inventor, shall occur.

Sixth:- The said invention shall not be used by, or the secret divulged to any government, power or individual without the consent in writing of both parties to this agreement.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of S. Gough - Martin Thomas
 Gideon Welles, Sec'y Navy.

This is the transcript of the contract:

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In the presence of S. Gough
 /s/ Martin Thomas
 /s/ Gideon Welles"

PITTENGER CAMP SCRAPBOOK



L-R, Fallbrook Remembrance Day Dan McLaughlin initiation Kevin Forrester initiation Camp Charter in new display case built by Jerry Sayre. The Camp thanks Jerry for his work in protecting our invaluable Camp property



L-R, Will Tisch Deane Poole and Will Tisch Ernie Powell D. Smith & K. Sayre Learning from an expert Photos from the annual Blue-Grey Turkey Shoot—the best yet. Thanks to all who organized and participated in this fun event !



Above, photos by Kim Sayre of the Ft. Mervine SUVCW Sesquicentennial event, Oct 7-9, 7 camps were represented at this historic Monterey location. Jerry Sayre is seen at left and center. At Rt, a beautiful replica of a US Army Med. Corps ambulance



Will and Junior Brother Eileen and Colt 44 Deane and Brenda ASUVCW Sisters of Camp 2 Photos by Eileen Tisch and Kim Sayre from the Huntington Beach Labor Day Reenactment



Welcome New Brother!

Daniel McLaughlin of San Diego whose ancestor served in the 37th NY National guard

HUZZAH !!!

"DECADERS"

Paul Champlin 04-01

Will Tisch 12-01

Congratulations on attaining 10 years of membership in the SUVCW

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

The San Diego Civil War Roundtable meets the Third Wednesday of each month, 7 PM at Palisades Presbyterian Church 6301 Birchwood St., San Diego & is open to the public. For further information, contact Pres. Dave Tooley 858-672-2593 or on the Web at www.sdcwrt.org

**Godfrey Frederick William Froehlich, Member
Datus E. Coon Post No. 172 G.A.R. contributed by Jeff Malone**

service could be given. The prompt and able manner in which he discharged his duties has gained him the confidence and trust of the entire community and, feeling that no better officer could be secured, many of the opposing party gave him their votes. Mr. Froehlich was married November 21, 1865, to Mrs. Margaret Herbertz, who was also a native of Germany. There are four children by Mrs. Froehlich's former marriage, namely: Charles Herbertz, a miner in Colorado; Sophie, residing with her mother; William P., a traveling insurance and building association agent; and Herman J., editor of the Times at Roseville, Warren County, Ill. Our subject has never had occasion to regret the fact that he sought a home in the New World about the time he started out in life for himself, for here he has made for himself a good living, and has won many friends, who give him their high regard. In politics, he has been a staunch Republican since casting his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln. He belongs to Ellsworth Post No. 172, G.A.R., and has served as its Commander, as Adjutant, Quartermaster, Sergeant-Major and as Quartermaster-Sergeant.

**Godfrey Frederick William Froehlich
Birth: Mar. 21, 1835, Prussia (defunct)
Death: Oct. 27, 1914, USA**

**Company D
10th Regiment
Illinois Infantry
Civil War**

**Company B, G & H
10th Regiment
Missouri Infantry
Civil War**

**Company C
19th Regiment
Missouri Infantry
Civil War**

**Burial:
Mount Hope Cemetery,
San Diego, California
Plot: Grand Army of the Republic,
Section 3, Lot 53, Grave 3-A**



Mount Hope Cemetery, San Diego, CA
Photo by D. Meserole © 2010

150 Years Ago Today,

◆ **Tuesday Nov. 26 1861
TRIUMPHANT TRENT TAKER TOASTED**

Eleven days ago Captain Charles Wilkes committed the most famous act of his career: his USS San Jacinto waited until Her Majesty's mail packet Trent left Havana, Cuba. Once they were in international waters Wilkes had ordered the ship to heave to, under threat of arms, and had removed four passengers, the Confederate commissioners to London and Paris, Mason and Slidell, and their secretaries. Tonight, having dropped the prisoners into confinement on an island in Boston Harbor, Wilkes was guest of honor at a huge banquet in Boston. Tomorrow the Trent would dock in London and the story of her voyage made known. The reaction would be quite different there.

OUR NEXT MEETING: Saturday Dec 10, 2011, 4:30 pm

Dec 10, 2011 4:30 PM

LOCATION

**Degheri Alumni Center
Board Room
University of San Diego
5998 Alcalá Park
San Diego, CA 92110**

Our Program

Annual Election and Installation of Officers for 2012. Our meeting is open to all spouses, significant others, family and friends

DIRECTIONS TO MEETING LOCATION:

From the North: Use I-5 South, exit Sea World Dr. and Tecolote Rd. and proceed left at stoplight toward Morena Blvd. Turn right on Morena, left on Napa, and left on Linda Vista Rd. Travel to the second stoplight to USD's Main entrance, turn left and enter campus.

From the South: Use I-5 North, exit Morena Blvd. (signs will say: Morena Blvd. use I-8 East) Stay to the right and follow the signs for Morena Blvd. Take the first right onto Linda Vista Rd. Travel to the third stoplight to USD's Main entrance, turn left and enter campus.

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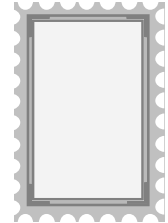
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“One Nation Under God”



Preserving the memory of the G. A. R. & “The Boys in Blue”