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**HAPPY LABOR DAY**

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**Greetings** Brothers, Sisters and Friends, this is your Editor taking this opportunity to advise you that this edition will be a virtual photo essay seeing as how my ace photogs, Kim Sayre and Eileen Tisch, have "taken an image" of a considerable number of events over the period since our May edition—and that's putting it mildly !

Since May we have participated singly and in groups at not one but four Memorial Day ceremonies and we had the honor to march in the funerary cortege at Miramar National

Cemetery for the interment of Civil War and Indian War career veteran and Medal of Honor recipient, Sgt. Charles Schroeter. Add a few more miscellaneous photos and you're left with the age-old editorial dilemma of actually having more than enough submissions to fill this and a second edition ! I decided one edition is prescribed so what follows is my attempt to present the "best-of-the-best" — I hope you'll find it enjoyable.

*Note: Thanks to my daughter, Emily H. Allyn for contributing her photos, too !!*



### Memorial Day Fallbrook

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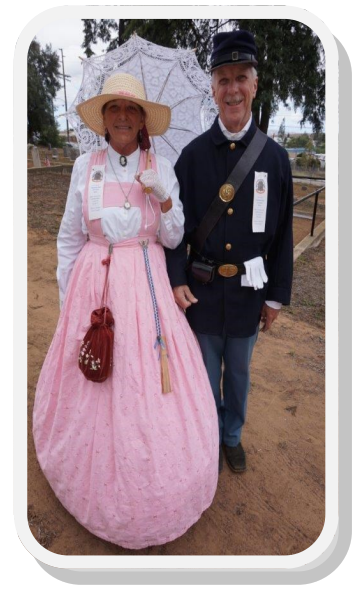
**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** should be mailed to Camp Secretary at address above. Failure to notify Camp of change of address will result in missed issues of *The General* and *The Banner*.

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

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



Memorial Day Fallbrook



Camp Calendar: Event, Location (* = SVR participation)	Time, Day, Month, Year	Contact Person(s)
Fallbrook Summer Nights, Main Ave. Downtown "A Salute to Military Heritage" (fun event !)	7 AUG 2015 Fri 5-8 PM but Come early !	Jerry Sayre PDC
Camp Meeting, Mimi's Restaurant, 10788 Westview Pkwy. San Diego	15 AUG 2015 Sat @ 3:00 PM	CC Deane Poole
2015 Nat'l SUVCW & Allied Orders Encampment, Richmond VA. Omni Hotel, 100 S. 12th St. Richmond, VA. 23219	20-23 AUG 2015	CC Deane Poole
* VMMC Memorial Service, SVR Color Guard, Co. G	Sat 22 AUG 2015 (muster 1130)	Tom Helmantoler/Will Tisch
Civil War Days, Huntington Beach, Reenactment	5-6 SEP 2015 Sat 8 am-4 pm, Sun 9 pm-4 pm	Jerry Sayre PDC CC Deane Poole
Camp Meeting, Mimi's Restaurant, 10788 Westview Pkwy. San Diego	10 OCT 2015 Sat @ 3:00 PM	CC Deane Poole
* VMMC Memorial Service, SVR Color Guard, Co. G	Sat 28 NOV 2015 (muster 1130)	Tom Helmantoler/Will Tisch
Camp Meeting, at JVC Peter & Nikki Huelsenbeck's home, 1014 S. Ridge Dr. Fallbrook - Elections and Annual Camp Party	12 DEC 2015 Sat @ Time TBD	CC Deane Poole/JVC Huelsenbeck

## Minutes of Meeting Held June 13, 2015

**Present:** Brothers Dave Allyn, Tom Helmantoler, John May, Deane Poole, Jerry Sayre, Dave Schaffer, Mike Schooling, Will Tisch, and guests Gay Allyn, John Hancock, Mary May, Kim Sayre, Jan Schaffer, and Eileen Tisch.

The meeting was called to order by Commander Deane Poole at 3:10pm at Mimi's Restaurant, 10787 Westview Pkwy., San Diego, California. The opening prayer was offered by D. Allyn and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by J. Sayre.

### I. Honored Attendees

John Hancock, author of *Liberty Inherited*, was present.

### II. Announcements

Future Memorial Day observances at Mt. Hope Cemetery in San Diego have been approved by the San Diego City Council with no charge to the Camp. The remains of Sgt. Charles Schroeter, USCAV, a Medal of Honor recipient, will be reinterred at Miramar National Cemetery on Thursday, July 9 at 9am.

### III. New Members

none

### IV. Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were approved (Sayre/Helmantoler).

### V. Program

Author John Hancock spoke about the British antecedents to our American system of republican government.

### VI. Presentations

1. W. Tisch presented a picture of Gen. Cardenas, USAF to Cmdr. Poole.
2. D. Poole presented the Al Hodges Brother of the Year award to Will Tisch.

J. Sayre was awarded the SUVCW Meritorious Service Award by CIC Tad Campbell, via Cmdr. Poole.

### VII. Officers' Reports

Treas. J. May reported an approximate Camp balance of \$2967.00, of which \$1013 is in the Minter's Ranch fund.

### VIII. Committee Reports

J. Sayre reported that there was excellent attendance at the Fallbrook Memorial Day observance and that the Odd Fellows Cemetery is now being maintained by the Masonic Cemetery Association.

D. Poole reported that the El Cajon Elks Lodge was very appreciative of our role in their Memorial Day event.

### IX. S.V.R. Report

none

### X. Upcoming Events

Reburial of Sgt. C. Shroeter, Thurs., July 9 at 9am.  
National Encampment in August.

### XI. Old Business

none

### XII. New Business

- 1) A display of G.A.R. memorabilia is desired for the interment of Sgt. Schroeter at Miramar National Cemetery on July 9. J. May will have a membership badge for display. Someone needs to coordinate with the cemetery.

### XIII. Members' Minutes

none

The closing prayer was offered by D. Allyn and Cmdr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John May, Secretary

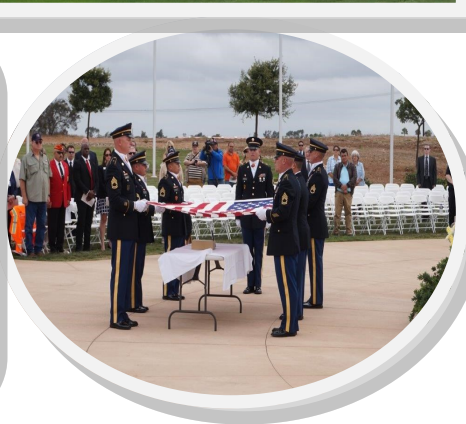
# Memorial Day Mt. Hope Cemetery San Diego



Memorial Day El Cajon Cemetery



Sgt. Charles Schroeter Interment, Miramar National Cemetery





No New Members have been reported since our last edition. Please do all you can to assure the continuance of our Order by talking it up to relatives and friends.

We have a "Recruiting Newsletter" version of *The General* available to aid you in recruitment. Contact any officer for a copy - or several copies.

### Civil War Slang

**Zu Zu** - Zouaves, soldiers whose units wore colorful uniforms in a flamboyant French style with baggy trousers, known for bravery and valor

**Traps** - equipment, belongings

**Toe the Mark** - do as told, follow orders

**Take an Image** - have a photograph taken

**Somebody's Darling** - comment when observing a dead soldier

**Spundulix** - money

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](http://www.sdcwrt.org)

## This Day In The Civil War

Friday July 26 1861

### FEDERALS FAIL; FORT FILLMORE FALLS

It is often forgotten that Civil War battles occurred far from Virginia, Georgia and even the Mississippi River. One such action took place today in the wild and barely explored area near Texas then known as Indian Territory. Fort Fillmore, as this outpost was known, was under threat by about 250 Confederate forces under Capt. John R. Baylor. Despite having twice as many soldiers, and a fortified position, Major Isaac Lynde of the 7th US Infantry decided the position was indefensible and pulled out for Ft. Stanton overnight. There were those in Washington who would feel he should have put up a bit more resistance.

Saturday July 26 1862

### SKIRMISHES SABOTAGE SATURDAY SILENCE

Orange Court House, Virginia was the scene of a minor activity today. Other small disturbances of the peace took place at Tazewell, Tenn.; Mill Creek, near Pollocksville, N.C., and Spangler's Mill near Jonesbrough, Ala. An "operation", which was more of an exploration expedition than an excursion intended to lead to battle, began today in southeastern Missouri.

Sunday July 26 1863

### MORGANS MAURAUDERS MADE MISERABLE

Today was the end of the road for John Hunt Morgan. He had set forth with 1200 troopers on July 8 on a raid into southern Indiana and Ohio, hoping to be supported by Confederate sympathizers, and raise morale in the South after the fall of Vicksburg and loss at Gettysburg. Support did not materialize, his retreat was blocked by Union gunboats, and he had had to flee, losing men every day. Finally trapped near Salineville, Ohio, he and his remaining 364 officers and men surrendered today.

Tuesday July 26 1864

### SHERMAN SENDS STONEMAN SOUTH SKIRMISHING

The effort to bring the realities of war home to the civilians of the South continued in full force today. Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman sent Gen. George Stoneman on an expedition which would become known to history as Stoneman's Raid. His assignment was to tear up railroad tracks and otherwise wreak whatever havoc on the transportation system he could. He was pointed in the direction of Macon and turned loose.

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May 12 1865 - Skirmish at Palmito Ranch, Texas - the last engagement of the Civil War

Jun 23 1865 - General Stand Watie surrenders Confederate forces in the Indian Territory (OK)

Jul 7 1865 - Conspirators in the assassination of Lincoln are executed

The Civil War Trust is the largest nonprofit battlefield preservation organization in the United States. Its mission is to preserve our nation's endangered Civil War battlefields and to promote appreciation of these hallowed grounds. To date, the Trust has preserved more than 38,500 acres of battlefield land in 20 states. Learn more at [www.civilwar.org](http://www.civilwar.org), the home of the Civil War sesquicentennial.

**OUR NEXT MEETING: Saturday August 15, 2015 3:00 pm**

**SAT 15 AUG, 2015 3:00**

***LOCATION***

**Mimi's Restaurant  
10788 Westview Pkwy.  
San Diego, California.**

***Our Program***

**At press time we do not have a formal program announced. Come and participate with us in the meeting and stay to enjoy a meal at Mimi's which is how we show our appreciation for their allowing us the use of the room**

**DIRECTIONS TO MEETING LOCATION:**

From the North: take I-15 South to Mira Mesa Blvd, turn right, take first left, Mimi's is visible from Mira Mesa Blvd.

From the South: take I-15 North to Mira Mesa Blvd, turn left go under freeway, Mimi's is visible from Mira Mesa Blvd.

From anywhere in San Diego County: take whatever road will get you to the Mira Mesa Blvd exits off I-15, then follow above directions.

Restaurant phone number: **858-566-6667**

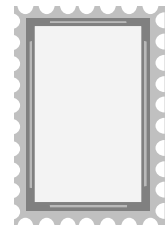
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