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General Alfred Pleasonton – Camp 24
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Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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First Meeting 2013

We shall gather for vittles at Luka's Restaurant in Oakland at about 5:30 pm on Wednesday January 16th, 2013. Our guests will be National Junior Vice Commander and Chief Tad Campbell and his wife Rachelle Campbell who is the National Chaplain for the Auxiliary. After the meal we will adjourn for our regular meeting at 7:00 at the California Genealogical Society which is at 2201 Broadway (the old Brueners Building) in the Lower Level and only a few steps from the BART station at 19th and Broadway.

Luka's Restaurant
2221 Broadway @ West Grand Avenue, Oakland
www.lukasooakland.com

Please confirm your attendance with Commander Vaillant (jeffreyvaillant@hotmail.com) or Secretary Brad Schall, (bradsuvcw@wavecable.com) We need to give them a head count at the restaurant. They do not provide individual bills, only one bill per table. Bring cash.

We are meeting for the initiation of officers for 2013 to be done by the National Junior Vice Commander Tad Campbell.

February newsletter information should be sent to Brad Schall at bradsuvcw@wavecable.com by February 4, 2013.

Camp 24 January 2013 Agenda

Call to Order - Commander Vaillant

Introduction of Guest

Roll Call - Secretary Brad

Opening prayer – Chaplain James

Pledge - All

Committee Reports

Alcatraz Living History Day – Brad Schall, Jeffrey Vaillant and John Gay

Treasurer Report - Treasurer Bob Ebert

Secretary Report – Brad Schall

- Gettysburg
- Department Encampment
- Ad for program
- Items for drawing
- Museum Day – California Military Museum

Membership Report - JVC Ken

Discussion Items:

Annual dues to remain the same for 2013. Please send you dues to Brother Bob Ebert.

Fort Point Living History Day – Saturday January 26th

Museum Day, California Military Museum, Sacramento - February 2nd

February Meeting – February 20th

Department Encampment – March 8 and 9

March meeting – March 20th

Alcatraz Living History Day – Saturday March 23

Meetings are open to members and guests. Please come and join us in honoring the Boys in Blue.

Initiation of officers – JVC Tad Campbell

What’s going on at National – Tad Campbell

Your Auxiliary – Rachell Campbell

Camp #24 services the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa and shares the county of San Francisco with Camp #4.

Annual Dues are \$26.00 and can be sent to Brother Bob Ebert at 2873 Ptarmigan Drive #3, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.

Company B annual dues are \$6.00 and can be sent to Brother Fred Bohmfalk, 8517 Annette Engle Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628.

Activities for 2013

Camp meeting – Wednesday January 16, 2013

Fort Point – Saturday January 26, 2013

Museum Day at the California Military Museum. We will have a recruiting table. Saturday February 2, 2013

Camp meeting – Wednesday February 20, 2013

127th Department of California and Pacific Encampment in San Luis Obispo – March 8 & 9

Camp meeting Wednesday March 20, 2013

Alcatraz Living History Day – Saturday March 23, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday April 17, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday May 15, 2013

Memorial Day at Lone Tree Cemetery – Monday May 27, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday June 19, 2013

No July Camp meeting

No August Camp meeting

National Encampment in Milwaukee, Wisconsin August 8-11, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday September 18, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday October 16, 2013

Camp meeting Wednesday November 20, 2013

General Order #14

SERIES 2012-2013

8 January 2013

Below I have attached General Order 2013-01 issued by Major General Robert Grim, SVR to the SVR. I am sending out my own General Order to the entire SUVCW because I believe everyone in our Order needs to be aware of these changes to the Remembrance Day Parade and weekend as quickly as possible.

Please ensure General Grim's General Order has the greatest dissemination throughout the Order (following):

GENERAL ORDER 2013-01

Sons of Veterans Reserve

January 2013

1. The 57th Annual Grand Army of the Republic Remembrance Day Parade sponsored by Sons of Veterans Reserve Military Department of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be held on Saturday 23 November 2013 and not on Saturday 16 November 2013 as previously published. We apologize for any inconvenience this date change may cause.
2. The SVR/SUVCW headquarters hotel has also changed. Our headquarters hotel is now the Wyndham Hotel 95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA, phone 1-717-339-0020 1-717-339-0020 FREE . There is a 2 night minimum and we have a special daily room rate of \$113.00. They also own the Courtyard Marriott which is right next door within walking distance and the rate there is also \$113.00. In addition to the hotel room rate the local and state governmental authorities will impose their customary tax on hotel guests. Hotel reservations can be made any time after 15 January 2013. It is suggested that you make your reservation early as this will be the 150th anniversary of President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address which may result in a large number of visitors to Gettysburg for Remembrance Day weekend. The special hotel rate is available to all those identifying themselves as participating in the SVR/SUVCW Remembrance Day activities.
3. The annual SVR breakfast will be held at the Wyndham Hotel at 8:00 a.m. 23 November 2013. Reservations should be made with Colonel Donald E. Darby, Adjutant General of the SVR.
4. The annual Grand Army of the Republic memorial ceremony will be conducted at the Woolson Monument in Ziegler's Grove on 23 November 2013 at 11:00 a.m.
5. The Original Civil War Ball sponsored by the SVR/SUVCW will be held at the Wyndham Hotel on the evening of 23 November 2013. Tickets are available from Brigadier General Henry E. Shaw, Jr., Deputy Commander of the SVR. Music will be by the Philadelphia Brigade Band with dance instruction by the Victorian Dance Ensemble Performing Troupe of the Civil War Dance Foundation. The net proceeds from this ball are donated to the Gettysburg National Military Park for monument preservation.

Robert E. Grim
Major General
Commanding

Attest:
Col. Donald E. Darby
Adjutant General

FORT POINT - Jan 26th 2013 and Overnighter

The next Fort Point Living History event will be Saturday Jan 26th 2013. If you are only interested in attending for the day, you do not need to RSVP (unless you have a special demonstration you want to present).

If you want to stay overnight on Saturday Jan 26th, please email Mike Musante (mikemusante@hotmail.com) the following info by Wednesday January 16th:

- 1) name (or names if multiple people)
- 2) unit and club
- 3) cell / home phone
- 4) email address
- 5) are you bringing a car (we need to get an estimate of how many cars will be parked at the fort overnight)
- 6) let us know if you are under 18 years of age. If so, and not attending with your parent, you will need to provide your parent's names and cell phones, the name of a temporary guardian, and complete a temporary guardian form

For those staying the night, we will probably just have a pizza dinner unless someone wants to volunteer to set up a battalion mess. We will need some help setting up a simple breakfast (oatmeal, coffee, fruit, etc). The total cost for both meals will need to be worked out, but may be around \$7 per person. Reenactors will need to provide their lunch on Saturday and Sunday (bring a cooler or secure place to keep food).

Mike Musante will only be present on Saturday. But Mace Gjerman, Tom Starr and Jordan Koplwicz will be there for the entire weekend to help coordinate the evening and Sunday activities. Reenactors are welcome to stay until 5pm on Sunday Jan 27th if they want. The activities on Sunday will be informal and ad hoc, depending on public and reenactor turnout.

Since we can not have open flame (fire pits OR candles), you will need to bring battery operated candles for the overnighter. In the past I found some at T J Maxx (Homegoods), Costco, or Walgreens.

General Activities and Rules for the Living History Event

- Musician demos, artillery drill and school of the company (infantry) will be held throughout the day
- No caps, no powder
- No alcohol
- proper Union or civilian impressions required (confederates can galvanize)
- Please arrive between 8am-9am on Saturday to set up. The Fort opens to the public by 10am.
- Unfortunately, sutlers can not attend due to NPS rules and the lack of space.
- Please try to carpool. Parking is very limited.
- The overnighter is only on Saturday night.
- More details can be found at www.20thmaine.net.

Dress warm, Fort Point is cold.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us!

Regards,

Mike Musante (mikemusante@hotmail.com)
Jordan Koplwicz (Jordan@Koplwicz.com)

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC

Office of the Senior Vice Commander Timothy P. Reese, PCC

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December 29, 2012

Dear Department Brothers

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Department of California and Pacific is proud to announce the 127TH Annual Department Encampment . to be held at the NCO Club/Parker hall in Camp San Luis Obispo on March 8th & 9th, 2013.

Friday evening we will be having the “CAMPFIRE” Gathering at the NCO Club The ASUVCW will be in charge of the dinner, cost will be \$10.00. Please note*: the optional dinner is offered as a conveyance to those in attendance and is not mandatory for attendance or participation at the Campfire”.

On Saturday Morning, we will have our Camp/Auxiliary Memorial Service and then the day long business meeting

At the NCO club:. The Registration fee for the encampment will be \$31.00 which will include a Deli-Style buffet lunch as well as the usual accouterments of the day (lunch for guest is 15.00). After the completion of the Saturday business meeting, we will have a Memorial dedication service at the Graves of Union Civil War Veterans at the IOOF cemetery off of Elks Lane (Across from the Elks Lodge in the GAR plot & Big Bill Cannon area – an estimated 7 miles – 11minute drive, see separate map).

We will be honored to be joined by SUVCW National Commander-in-Chief: Perley Mellor and his wife Diana. who is the National Aux. Vice President.

National Aux. President: Jane Graham

DUVCW President Carole Morton,

JR. Vice Commander-in-Chief: Tad D. Campbell

The Saturday C-IN-C dinner will be held at the NCO Club/Parker Hall. The cost will be \$33.00. The menus for the three meals are provided with the registration/meal reservation form.

During the encampment there will be three opportunities for delegates and guests to participate in fund raising for both the SUVCW and Auxiliary departments. Items donated by our various Camps will be available for bidding.

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”. The link to the Camp San Luis Obispo website is:
<<http://www.calguard.ca.gov/cslo/pages/default.aspx> >Please note that camp San Luis Obispo is an active military installation, and the California National Guard requires that all drives must complete a vehicle registration application form prior to entering the facility. Please have the form completed and ready to hand to the sentry at the main gate. (The on-line form is available on the Departments events web page or accessible at <<http://www.calguard.ca.gov/cslo/Documents/Camp San Luis Obispo.htm>)

All info regarding RV facilities and housing availability will be handled through the CSLO Billeting representative. At (805)594-6500 8am to 4:30pm.

All Encampment documents & forms are available at the Department Events webpage: www.suvpac.org/encampment.html>

Please respond as soon as possible, as we need to plan for meals, etc. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Timothy P. Reese, - DSVC
Dept. of California & Pacific
(831) 596-8056 Cell

Department of California and Pacific

SUVCW 127th Annual Department Encampment March 8th & 9th, 2013
Camp San Luis Obispo, Calif.
[Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War](#)

Department Encampment Registration / Meal Registration form

Name: _____ Camp : _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Phone#: _____ EMAIL: _____

Event Quantity Total Amount
Friday Night Dinner: _____ @ 10.00 = \$ _____
Encampment (Members) _____ @ 31.00 = \$ _____
(Registration & Sat Lunch)
GUESTS (Sat Lunch) _____ @ 15.00 = \$ _____
C in C Dinner: _____ @ 33.00 = \$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

Name of Guests: _____

Make checks payable to: **SUVCW Dept. of Calif. & Pacific**

Please remit to: **Dept: S&T: Phillip L. Caines, 704 Virginia st. El Segundo, Ca. 90245**

This years catering service is “Popolo’s of San Luis Obispo”

Prepare for a request by the guard to temporarily park to in parking area to submit paperwork.
WWW.calguard.ca.gov/cslo/Documents/camp%20San%20Luis%20Obispo.htm

** FRIDAY NIGHT CAMPFIRE DINNER MENU **

Bake Potato Bar with all the fixings , such as, Chicken , Steak, Chile, with tossed garden Salad. Soda and water.

Museum Day in California.

The first Saturday in February the Museum in Sacramento is open to the general public and the admission are free.

This will be the third year that the SUVCW has participated and each year we have gotten at least one new member.

The Sons of Union Veterans and the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans will have display tables and recruiting information on display Saturday February 2nd in front of the California Military Museum. Set up time will be before 9:00 am and will continue throughout the day till 4:00 pm.

Last year the California Military Museum had 8,000 visitors on Museum Day.

All camps, SVR units and Allied Orders are encouraged to participate.

Please contact Brad Schall at dschall@starstream.net if you wish to participate.

Our Camp is included in Company B, 8th California Volunteer Infantry unit and information on it's activities can be found on www.camp22.org website.

Camp #24 is an active participant in the Friends of Civil War Alcatraz. One of our project was raising money for uniforms for volunteer at Alcatraz and our former Camp Commander Corky Reed uniform is on display at Alcatraz. We have raised about \$1,000.00 on the past 5 years for Alcatraz activities. Camp #24 and Company B is the Headquarters Company for Alcatraz Living History days.

General Alfred Pleasonton Camp 24 Officers for 2013

Commander: Jeffrey Vaillant

Senior Vice Commander: Charlie Mabie

Junior Vice Commander: Ken Felton

Secretary: Brad Schall, PCinC

Treasurer: Bob Ebert

Council: Paul Hiller, Bruce Hevelin, vacant

Chaplin: Douglas James

Color Bearer: Charles Mabie

Guard: Ben Mabie

Graves Registration: Ken Felton

Memorials Officer and Counselor : Brad Schall, PCinC

Eagle Scout: Charles Mabie

Newsletter Editor: Brad Schall, PCinC

Honoring the Boys in Blue every day of the year.