



GEN. W.S. ROSECRANS



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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Celebrating 142 Years



Preserving the Memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and our Ancestors who Fought to Preserve the Union 1861 - 1865

ATTENTION—NEXT CAMP MEETING SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024

The next meeting of the Camp will be on Saturday, **November 16, 2024, at 11:30 AM, in-person at the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum, in Wilmington, as well as via Zoom.** This is a very important meeting, as we will be electing our officers for 2025, and inducting some new members. Following the meeting we will participate in the Auxiliary's annual Remembrance Day observance, featuring President Lincoln giving his Gettysburg Address. It is hoped that all Brothers will make an effort to attend.



September Camp 2 Meeting

Our Camp meeting, on September 14th, was held in-person at the American Legion Post 46, in Culver City, and attended by 15 Brothers, with 4 Brothers attending via Zoom. Sister Melinie Caines, representing our Auxiliary also attended.

Our JVC, Brandon Villardi, presented applications from Andreas Koch, John Ferris,

and Bruce Wearda, and all three were voted into the Camp. **HUZZAH!**

Br. John Richardson, the Camp's Historian, asked if any Brothers had documents, or Camp property, that should be either given to him, or recorded in the Camp's Property Inventory. Br. Phil Caines said that he has the Camp's Drum, Ballot Box, and that he will bring them to the Drum Barracks for our November meeting.

The Camp voted to donate \$50 to the Auxiliary to help pay for the President Lincoln reenactor.

Br. Bill Harrington gave an excellent presentation on his work at Angelus-Rosedale Cemetery, locating the Union Veterans buried in the Stanton Post's GAR Plot, as well as in the Rosecrans Camp's Plot. He also proposed a project to clean the headstones, reset those that have fallen over, replace those that are broken, and acquire them for graves where they are missing. In addition, there was a discussion of holding a Memorial Day ceremony there in 2025, as it will be the 160th anniversary of the end of the Civil War in 1865. Finally, it was noted that Br. Don Lynch has spent years compiling a list of ALL of the Union Veterans who are buried in the cemetery. **HUZZAH!**

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Welcome New Brothers

A hearty welcome to new Brothers John Ferris, of Coto De Caza, and Bruce Wearda, of Bakersfield, who chose Camp 2, over Camps 17, and 32, respectively. Also, Andreas Koch, of Manhattan Beach, and Jim Olds, of Torrance, were voted in. Thanks to their joining, our Camp's strength is now 55. ***HUZZAH! HUZZAH!***

Huntington Beach Civil War Days

On Saturday, August 31st, Cdr. Smith and Brothers Peter Green, Jim Lybolt, Phil Caines, Bill Harrington, and James Gill, joined our Auxiliary Sisters (Melinie Caines, Barbara Kishiyama, Erni Olson, and Cynthia Day-Elliott) who hosted a booth for the weekend at the Huntington Beach reenactment. Brs. Kris Anderson, and Hal Cardwell were there as reenactors. On Sunday, Br. Brandon Villardi joined the reenactors. Camps 17, and 21 also had booths. PC-in-C, Tad Campbell, from Camp 4, came all the way from Gilroy to help Camp 21 staff its booth, and Camp 18 was represented by DC Steve Doyle, and PDC Rudy Velasco. There was quite a turnout for the SUVCW.



SUVCW Brothers at Civil War Days, Huntington Beach Central Park, Huntington Beach, California — August 31, 2024
L-R: Terry Shaw, PDC (Camp 17); Phil Caines, PDC (Camp 2); Dean Smith, PDC (Camp 2); Rudy Velasco, PDC (Camp 18); Charles Best, PDC (Camp 17); Scott Wilson, PDC (Camp 17); Tad Campbell, PCIC (Camp 4); George Dorn, PDC (Camp 17); Jerry Sayre, PDC (Camp 21); Dean Rosecrans, PDC (Camp 17)



Sister Melinie and Br. Phil Caines

Battle of Dominguez Hills

On Saturday, October 5th, Cdr. Smith, and Brs. Bill Harrington, Jim Lybolt, Kris Anderson, and Bill Gallagher, attended the reenactment of the 1846 Battle of the Old Woman's Gun, between U.S. Marines, and Californios, at the Dominguez Adobe Rancho, in Carson. The Brothers talked to many of the visitors, and participants, about the Civil War, the GAR, and their Union ancestors.

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Brs. Harrington, Lybolt, Smith, Anderson, and Gallagher

Camp Outing to Fort Tejon State Historic Park

On Saturday, October 19th, Cdr. Smith, and Brothers Bill Harrington, Steve Magoffin, Jim Lybolt, Lowell Harris, Kris Anderson, and Bruce Wearda, visited Fort Tejon, where they were given an outstanding 2 ½ hour tour of the entire site. The Park Interpreter, Michael Deagon, talked about the history of the area, the 11 Native American tribes that lived in the area, the life of the Dragoons stationed there, their uniforms, and weapons, as well as their participation in the Civil War. Several of the Brothers helped raise the very large U.S. Flag, and Brothers Lybolt, and Harris, volunteered to fire the mountain howitzer, while our own artillery expert, Kris Anderson, chose to quietly critique the demonstration. A good time was had by all, and hopefully there will be another visit for Brothers unable to attend this one.



Brs. Magoffin, Harris, Harrington, Smith, Anderson, Warda, and Lybolt + Michael Deagon



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Br. Lybolt Firing the Cannon



Br. Harris Fires the Cannon

Camp 2 in “The Banner” For the First Time

Congratulations to our own Br. Bill Harrington, who took the initiative to learn the “rules” for getting a story published in the magazine, and submitting it. Br. Bill went to Mississippi to witness a reenactment of the Battle of Brice’s Crossroads, which his g-g-grandfather fought in. Bill also participated in the dedication of a monument to the USCT, and donated a 36-star U.S. flag to cover the monument. You will find it on page 25.

Reminder, “The Banner,” newsletter published quarterly by the National SUVCW HQ. This is the only notice that you receive from the SUVCW that you have been added to the organization’s membership role. **If you have not received an issue of “The Banner,” please contact Cdr. Smith, so we can contact the HQ.**



Upcoming Events

1. **Veterans Day, Monday, November 11th**—all Brothers are encouraged to attend an event in their local area. The Camp will have a table at the large celebration in Veterans Park, in Redondo Beach.
2. **Saturday, November 16th, at 2:00 PM—Remembrance Day Observance**, at the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum, conducted by our Auxiliary, featuring President Lincoln giving his Gettysburg Address.
3. **Saturday, December 7, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM--Civil War Christmas** at the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum. An excellent time to visit the Drum Barracks, and also the nearby Banning House Museum, with a free, horse-drawn carriage ride in between the two museums.



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4. **Friday and Saturday, March 7 & 8, 2025--
Department Encampment, returning to the Four
Points by Sheraton Hotel, in Bakersfield, CA.
HUZZAH!**



Newsletter Content

Anyone with an event to report, a story to tell, and photos to share, should send them to our courageous, and dedicated Editor, Brother Jim Lybolt, at:

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REMINDERS FROM THE COMMANDER

1. Brothers with ideas for a Camp social gathering, should develop a plan, and present it to Cdr. Smith for announcing to the Camp.
2. Brothers with objects, or stories, to share after Camp meetings, should contact CDR Smith.
3. CDR Smith is still looking for two Brothers to volunteer to be on the Camp's Welfare Committee, to make a few phone calls, before each Camp meeting, for the Good of the Order.
4. Report your Patriotic Activities to Brother Derek Gould, after the event. Send your reports to: derekgould405@yahoo.com
5. If you are in possession of any Camp documents, awards, or artifacts, that should be passed on to the Camp **Historian**, please contact Br. Richardson, at: jvrjvr@att.net

6. **Camp 2 Auxiliary**—Sister Melinie Caines has asked for our assistance in recruiting new members for the Auxiliary. **If your wife, daughter, granddaughter, or any other woman that you know, might be interested in belonging to our Auxiliary, please have her contact Sister Melinie Caines, at:**

proskcaines@earthlink.net

Camp Website and Facebook

Be sure to check our Camp website, at:

<http://www.suvsac.org/camp2.html>

Also, visit our Facebook page for recent photos, and other information, at:

<https://www.facebook.com/Sons-of-Union-Veterans-Gen-WS-Rosecrans-Camp-2-Los-Angeles-245666382222205/>

