

# CARLIN CAMP 25 DISPATCH

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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

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# NEXT CAMP 25 MEETING

Our next meeting will be held after the DAR's Lone Mt. Cemetery event in Carson City on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at approximately 15:00 Hrs. and our meeting is planned to be 30 to 45 minutes in duration. The DAR has planned for their event to last from 1300 hours to 1445 hours on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Lone Mtn Cemetery is located at **1044 Beverly Dr, Carson City, NV 89706** 

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## <u>ORDERS</u>

## CAMP ORDERS

No new Camp Orders were issued since the last issue of the Carlin Camp Dispatch was posted. For a complete list, see the Camp website: http://www.suvpac.org/camp25/rules/ordersindex. html for orders.

# DEPARTMENT ORDERS

No new Department Orders have been received since the last issue of the Carlin Camp Dispatch was posted. For a complete list, see the Dept. website:

http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html.

### **GENERAL ORDERS**

Three orders have been received from Commander-in-Chief Michael A. Paquette since the last issue of the <u>Carlin Camp Dispatch</u> was posted. The General Orders are summarized below. (For full text and a complete list of General Orders back to 1994, please see at National http://www.suvcw.org/?page id=513

Order No. 4 2021-2022 – Passing of Real Son John Wilson Oliver Jr. on 15 November 2021 at the age of 96.

Order No. 5 2021-2022 – Installing Officer Reports (Form 22) Due to National Headquarters by 15 March Annually.

Order No. 6 2021-2022 – Department Commanders Authorized to Lobby in Support of H.J. Res. 58 and S.J. Res. 26, which would elevate Lt. General Ulysses S. Grant to the Rank of General of the Army.

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# **UPCOMING**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Federal, state, and local recommendations and restrictions on gatherings, events are being rescheduled or cancelled outright. Please check the latest schedule of a particular event.

# CAMP EVENTS April 10th

Participate in DAR Ceremony at Lone Mtn. Cemetery on April 10<sup>th</sup> (for details see DAR Annual Nevada State Convention to the right)

#### DEPARATMENT EVENTS

Department Encampment

March 19, 2022

The 136<sup>th</sup> Annual Department Encampment will be held in Bakersfield, California at the Four Points by Sheraton. See

http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html for the details and to register.

#### NATIONAL EVENTS

National Encampment August 11-14, 2022 The 2022 National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (141st), the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Daughters of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be hosted by the Department if Michigan on August 11-14, 2022, at the DoubleTree, by Hilton Grand Rapids Airport, located at 4747 28th Street SE, Grand Rapids, Michigan. For more information, visit: https://www.suvcwmi.org/2022NatEncampment/2 022Encampment.php

# LOCAL/OTHER EVENTS

## DAR Annual Nevada State Convention April 9 & 10th

The DAR Nevada State Convention will be held in Carson City on the weekend of April 9<sup>th</sup> and they are planning an event at the GAR Custer Post 5 plot and statue at the Lone Mtn. Cemetery on April 10<sup>th</sup> between 1 and 2:45. (1044 Beverly Dr, Carson City, NV 89706). The local SUVCW and SAR chapters are planning to attend, and the Camp is planning a musket salute (Camp members may coordinate with commander David Davis on bring their muskets and participating).



#### Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War 2022 Johana Shine Tent 96 Meetings

Johana Shine Tent 96 is the Northern Nevada Tent (Organization) of the Daughters of Union Veterans and they hold quarterly meetings and publish a very nice newsletter several times a year. contact johanashineduvcw@gmail.com, website https://johanashineduvcw.wordpress.com/

> 2022 Meetings May 15<sup>th</sup> August 21<sup>st</sup> November 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Las Vegas Civil War Round Table

March 22, 2022 - 1900 Hrs.

The Las Vegas Civil War Round Table meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 PM in the meeting room of Charlie's Lakeside at the corner of Durango and Sahara, Las Vegas, NV. Call Kay Moore 702-645-5209 or email at lavenderlady@hotmail.com for additional information.

#### Sacramento Civil War Round Table

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month

The Sacramento Civil War Round Table has resumed in-person meetings. The meetings are open to the public. The Sacramento Civil War Round Table (SCWRT) meets 12 times each year on the second Wednesday of each month. The meeting is open to the public and members and honored guests are invited to gather for dinner and informal discussion at 6:00 p.m. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends before 8:30 p.m. The Sacramento Civil War Round Table also publishes a newsletter called the <u>Battle Cry</u>. See the website at http://www.sacramentocwrt.com for more information and the newsletter.

#### Elk Grove Civil War Round Table

All meetings of the Elk Grove Civil War Round Table have been cancelled until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Elk Grove Civil War Round Table normally holds its meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at Denny's Restaurant at 8707 Elk Grove Road, Elk Grove south of Sacramento. The meeting is open to the public. A no host dinner starts at 5:30 pm, and Grand Review-Guest Speakers-Program starts at 6:45 pm. See the website at http://www.elkgrovecwrt.org for when meetings may restart.

## National Woman's Relief Corps, Logan's Brigade, And Grant's Guards

No Events Scheduled to Date

The <u>National Woman's Relief Corps</u> (WRC) served as the official ladies' auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, and still exists as one of the five allied orders. For more information or for Ladies to join see https://womansreliefcorps.org/.

Logan's Brigade was created by the National Woman's Relief Corps as an honorary organization of men who support the WRC and is open to adult Men who are 18 years of age and US citizens. The application fee is \$15, and the annual dues are \$35. For background information and the on-line application, see https://logansbrigade.org. Commander/Camp Historian David A. Davis, PCC, is a member.

<u>Grant's Guard</u> is the Cadet Corps to the Logan's Brigade and is the for young men between 8 and 16 years old who are US citizens. The application fee is \$5.00 plus first year's dues in the amount of \$5.00. To join see https://logansbrigade.org/?page id=380.

#### Virtual Lecture Series – History Talks

Virtual lectures held monthly on the 15th (normally) at 7 PM EST \$6/session vial Zoom.series focused on leaders and leadership in the Civil War. The event will be 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. via Zoom. For info schedule and to RSVP see https://www.civilwarseminars.org/lectures

<u>Thu, Apr 14</u> - Armistead and Hancock --Behind the Gettysburg Legend of Two Friends at the Turning Point of the Civil War by Tom McMillan

<u>Sun, May 15</u> – Sigel (Franz) in the Shenandoah by David Powell

# **Battle Born Patriots Chapter Sons of American Revolution**

May 5th, 2022, 1800 Hrs.

The Battle Born Patriots Chapter of Sons of American Revolution meets the <u>first Thursday</u> <u>of odd months</u> (January, March, etc.) at Skipolini's Restaurant at 1800 Hrs. For more information see their website at http:// www.sar-nevada.com/northern/north.html.

# Annual Northern Nevada Celtic Celebration

https://www.nvssc.org/general-9

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Tartan Day Gathering - High Mark Distillery

May 21, 2022 Northern Nevada Celtic Celebration - Bartley Ranch Regional Park

# Sons & Daughters of Erin

https://irishnevada.org/events-2/

Nothing on calendar in near term

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# CAMP 25 NEWS

# Several Camp 25 Positions Remain Vacant

Several positions remain vacant and volunteers are needed to fill them; the **Patriotic Instructor** who provides leadership in promoting patriotism within the Camp and to inform, educate and promote patriotism among the populace in general, the **Color Bearer**, who cares for the Camp Colors and assists the Camp Guide during Camp meetings and outside activities, and the **Eagle Scout Coordinator**. Talk to the Commander, Senior Vice Commander or Secretary if you would be interested.

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# CIVIL WAR NEWS AND VIEWS

160 Years Ago, This Month in Civil War History

March 3 - The Union	March 14 - Union
Army arrives at New	forces capture New
Madrid, Missouri	Madrid, Missouri
March 6 - Lincoln asks	March 18 - George W.
Congress to provide	Randolph appointed
funds to states willing	Confederate Secretary
to begin the gradual	of War
abolition of slavery	
March 7/8 - Battle of	March 23 - Battle of
Pea Ridge (Elkhorn	First Kernstown,
Tavern), Arkansas	Virginia
March 8 - CSS	March 24 - Riot at
Virginia engages and	abolition meeting in
destroys the USS	Cincinnati, Ohio
<i>Cumberland</i> and the	
USS Congress	
March 9 - USS	March 26 -
Monitor and CSS	Engagement at Apache
Virginia battle at	Canyon, New Mexico
Hampton Roads,	Territory
Virginia	
March 11 - Lincoln	March 28 - Battle of
relieves McClellan as	Glorieta Pass, New
general-in-chief of the	Mexico Territory
Federal Armies	, ,
March 14 - New Bern,	
North Carolina	
captured	
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-Courtesy American Battlefield Trust https://www.battlefields.org/learn/articles/day-civilwar

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"My God, is it possible that all the people have gone mad? This Civil War now being inaugurated will be as horrible as his Satanic Majesty could desire." Sam Houston

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The Territory of Nevada came about on 2 March 1861

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Reno Evening Gazette, Friday March 8,1918

# <u>RITUALS, CUSTOMS AND</u> <u>TRADITIONS</u>

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# GAR

The GAR uniform was a doublebreasted, dark blue coat with bronze buttons, and a black wide-brimmed slouch felt hat, with golden wreath insignia and cord. A bronze star badge hung from a small chiffon flag. The star in relief depicted a soldier and sailor



star in relief depicted a soldier and sallor clasping hands in front of a figure of Liberty. Members wore these insignia in their lapels, so they could be easily identified. This led to them being sarcastically termed "bronze button heroes." They referred to each other as "comrade."

(https://www.loc.gov/rr/main/gar/garintro.html)

## SUVCW

<u>Saluting:</u> Whenever the United States Flag is passing or being passed in a formal manner, as on parade, members of the Sons of



Union Veterans of the Civil War not in military uniform will salute the flag by removing their hats or caps. The head cover will be held in the right hand opposite the left shoulder; right forearm against the breast. When not wearing a head cover, the right hand will be placed over the heart. This will not apply when the Flag is flying from a staff, but only when supported by a color bearer. When giving the pledge of allegiance, stand with the right hand over the heart. As an alternative in either situation, members of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War who are United States Armed Forces servicemen or veterans may render a hand salute. On all occasions when the National Anthem, the "Star Spangled Banner", is played or sung, members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War should stand at attention, with hat or cap removed. Members of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War who are United States Armed Forces veterans may render a hand salute. (SUVCW-Ritual-Ceremonials)

# HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT

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February 13, 2022 David A. Davis, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 Camp Historian/Civil War Memorials Officer.

## OFFICERS OF THE FIRST NEVADA VOLUNTEERS

I have the list of about 1,100 men who served in the First Nevada Cavalry and Infantry during the Civil War from the Adjutant General's Report of 1865. The cavalry contained six companies and the infantry three companies. At least 38 men served as officers with ranks ranging from second lieutenant to lieutenant colonel. Documents of all of their military careers are available through Fold3. I have started collecting other information through the usual genealogical means and Newspapers.com to piece together biographies. To date, a few interesting details have emerged. So far only one appears to have remained in Nevada after mustering out and is buried in the GAR plot in Carson City – Elias Zabriskie. A second one might be buried in Winnemucca, but it's not clear. Most went on to lead mundane lives, but others were more interesting. Several officers served in units back east during the Rebellion

before coming to Nevada. One was given a leave of absence to go to San Francisco and never returned. One who had served in a New York artillery regiment before coming to Nevada had drinking problems and resigned. He was a doctor and for a few years afterwards he still drank, was depressed, and attempted suicide. It appears he was finally getting life into order by getting married. His wife was pregnant when he died from typhoid. One, who became a lieutenant colonel, was "asked" to resign when he was found drunk in a Salt Lake City saloon and refused to return to his command. Several others were reprimanded for drinking. After mustering out, a few met their Maker in interesting ways. One Pennsylvania somehow became from the president of a railroad in Texas. When the company officers found out they were shorted on a supply of ties and refused to give full payment, he was ambushed and shot on a street in Dallas. Another met his end after playing cards and his opponent shot him dead after the game. So far, no cheating was proven. Another was found in a corral in Bodie and died from exposure a short time later. Still another died when he was run over by a truck.

#### THE MISSING LINCOLN STATUE

A slightly than life-sized plaster of paris statue of President Abraham Lincoln seated in a "pensive mood" was created for the 1937 Nevada Day celebration. The statue was created by local Reno sculptor Patrick Joseph O'Brien, who worked for the WPA and had a studio in the California Building. O'Brien studied under Gutzon Borglum who cast the John Mackay statue at UNR. The statue was two months in the making. The newspaper articles are a bit unclear with one saying the statue was in Powning Park and another saying it was on the courthouse lawn, but it was dedicated at 4 pm. Senator Key Pittman and former Governor Roswell Colcord unveiled the statue and presented it to Governor Richard Kirman, Sr. (Roswell Colcord was governor when the statue of the Civil War soldier in the GAR plot at the Lone Mountain Cemetery in Carson City was dedicated in 1891.) Of course, a series of speeches followed. Governor Kirman stated it would be "maintain(ed) forever in the state of Nevada". After the unveiling, 8-year-old Shirley Van Fluee took a silver star from a cradle supported by guns and bayonets representing

"Battle Born". She pinned the star to a shield of stars wreathed in sage brush.

The plan was to place the statue in one of the area parks and would be later cast in bronze. However, during the night after the unveiling, four fingers were broken off by "Hallowe'eners". The statue was then stored away for "safe keeping", and appears to have disappeared into history. In 2009, Dennis Myer of the Reno News and Review looked into it and contacted former State Archives Director Guy Rocha and other historians. No one knew anything about let alone where it might've ended up at. While brittle, plaster of paris is durable if properly sealed and cared for. Otherwise, it will disintegrate.

# MAP OF THE G.A.R. CEMETERY AT HILLSIDE

For the last meeting, I had created a map of the Gen. Mitchel Post 69 cemetery at Hillside on graph paper with a scale of 0.25 inch = 1 foot using the old cemetery plot map measurements. The map is set aside until time is available for more detailed measuring and bettering inventorying of the tombstones and possible subsidence features.

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# MINUTES OF THE CAMP MEETING

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021 AT 1300 HOURS

# VFW HALL, 255 VETERANS HISTORIC WAY RENO, NV, AND VIA TELECONFERENCE

# I. Opening

- A. The meeting was called to order by Commander David Davis at 1305 hours.
- B. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by JVC Frank Wood.
- C. Invocation was led by Chaplain Donn Dalton.
- D. PRESENT: David Davis, Donn Dalton, Jay Dickey, Cody Ehlers, David Hess, Roger Linscott, David Perdue, Rob Stoecklin, Frank Wood.

Guest: Jenny Davis Guest via Zoom Monica Moriarity

II. Camp Commander's Report-- Camp Commander Kurt Dietrich

- A. Happy Birthday Abe 213 years old Huzzahs all around.
- B. Introduction of guests. Jenny Davis and Monica Moriarty who is the leader of the DUVCW.
- C. Potential new member Courtney D. Smith of Sparks. He was steered our way by Wayne Eder. He is also applying for membership with the SAR.
- D. Thanks to David Perdue for taking over and producing a wonderful newsletter.
- E. We still need a Patriotic Instructor. No volunteers so far.
- F. Guard—Cody Ehlers volunteered to assume those duties.
- G. Encampment
  - 1. Bakersfield, March 18-19, 2022, business meeting conducted on the 19th.
  - 2. Anybody going? No response. D. Davis may go if they lift mask requirements. Don Huffman may also attend.
  - 3. Camp Ad, full page \$25 deadline March 1, Commander Davis will follow-up. *It was Moved (Hess) and Seconded (Dickey) to purchase a full-page ad in the Encampment Program for \$25—Passed unanimously.*
- H. Past Camp activities:
  - 1. Various grave marker dedications
  - Various Virginia City parades Memorial Day, Veterans Day, July 4
  - 3. Booth/tent at various Civil War Reenactments

- Confederate Memorial Day, (SCV) Mountain View Cemetery, Reno -April
- 5. Opening Bower's Mansion May
- 6. Memorial Day Event, GAR Cemetery, Reno - May
- Memorial Day Event, Lone Mtn. Cemetery, Carson City - May
- Memorial Day Camp Wreath Laying, GAR Cemetery, Carson City – May
- 9. Nevada State Fair (formerly the Rendezvous), Carson City June
- 10. Carson Valley Days, Gardnerville June
- 11. American Roots Celebration July
- 12. Ringing of Liberty Bell at State Museum – July 4
- Dayton Valley Days, Dayton -September
- 14. Closing Bower's Mansion October
- 15. Nevada Day Parade, Carson City October
- 16. Veterans' Day Parade, Reno November
- 17. Wreaths Across America December

# III. Secretary's Report—-Secretary David Hess.

The Minutes of the December meeting were previously reported to all members of Camp 25 via the Camp newsletter. Secretary Hess asked if there were any additions or corrections. Being none, *it was moved (Perdue) and seconded (Linscott) to approve the minutes of the October meeting as submitted. the motion passed unanimously.* 

# IV. Treasurer's Report—Treasurer David Hess.

Brother Hess presented the Financial Statement for Camp 25 for the period ended January 31 which was previously mailed to members. Hess asked if there were any questions/additions/corrections. Hess reported

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that the dues collection process was almost complete. Hess reported, with regrets, the resignation of Brother Richard Dalton. *It was moved (Perdue) and seconded (Linscott) to accept the financial statement for the period ending January 31, as submitted. the motion passed unanimously.* 

#### V. Senior Vice Commander's Report— Brother David Perdue: Nothing to report.

#### VI. Historian's & Memorials Report— Commander David Davis.

Commander Davis brought a bag of pins that had been collected by John Riggs. Davis offered them to the brothers if they want them.

A. The balance of this report is attached. [See EXHIBIT 2]

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VII. Junior Vice Commander's Report— Brother Frank Wood: Nothing to report.

VIII. Patriotic Instructor's Report— Nothing to report.

# IX. Grave Registration Officer Report— Brother Donald Huffman

Davis contacted Don Huffman and he reported the following: G.A. Hussey marker mystery - \$25 to send for marker application record.

# X. Other Officers Reports.

Nothing to report.

## XI. New Business--All.

New magnetic signs – last "new" ones have disappeared and had cost about \$150. Commander Davis would like to order new ones. After a brief discussion, the matter was tabled until next meeting to see how much money we have after expenses.

- What are we doing for ROTC/JROTC. David will call Kurt to see if he needs help with presentations or medal orders.
- B. Monica Moriaty says that she and Billie Conover have discovered Womens Relief Corps (WRC) records for nurses who served during the Civil War. They are in the process of documenting and

cataloging their findings. She asked that if we come across any information regarding nurses who served in the Civil War to forward it to her.

# XII. Old Business.

GAR Cemetery fence? Installing the fence is on hold because materials for the fencing, like many items, are hard to get.

- A. Meeting with Congressman Amodei about GAR? Donn Dalton will work on this.
- B. Commander Davis and Brothers Dickey, Perdue, Linscott and D.
  Dalton will plan to meet with American Legion to discuss the future management of the GAR cemetery.
- C. Really old business on back burner may never be off the back
  - 1. Unionville updated us on the status of the unidentified remains.
  - James Reid, Medal of Honor (to correct site of action from Arizona to Nevada)
  - 3. Kane/Keenan Medal of Honor

XIII. Next meeting—Sunday, April 10, 2022, 1300 hours

# XIV. Closing Prayer.

The closing prayer was offered by Chaplain Donn Dalton.

# XV. The meeting was adjourned at 1513 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

David Fredric Hess, Secretary/Treasurer General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 Department of California and Pacific Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War