

Newsletter of Gen. William S. Rosecrans Camp No. 2, SUVCW – Los Angeles & Ventura Counties.

# Rosecrans Report

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

### **May Camp Meeting**

Nine Brothers attended our May meeting. Commander Smith told the Camp about things he learned at the Department Encampment, about what other Camps are doing, that we may want to focus on, as we move forward. He also reported on the wellbeing of Brother Phil Caines, and the Ventura County Brothers. The Commander is seeking volunteers, to fill the offices of: Eagle Scout Coordinator, Camp Guard, Camp Historian, and Newsletter Editor. He encouraged all Brothers to visit the Camp's website, and to send in info about their Union Ancestor(s), to the Webmaster. He told the Camp about a tour of the Bob Hope Patriotic Hall, which was given by Brother Glen Roosevelt, and that Br. Roosevelt will be retiring from his volunteer work at BHPH, in September. So, anyone wanting to take a tour, should get in touch with Br. Roosevelt. Finally, he said that, if we had a "Best New Brother" award, it would be hard to chose between Br. Ron Black, Hal Cardwell, and Jared Nathan, as they have all been very active, and made significant contributions to the Camp.

Brother Bill Gallagher gave the Treasurer's Report, and made a motion to raise the annual membership dues, to \$45, starting January 1, 2020, and an additional \$5, on January 1, 2021. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. Pursuant to our Bylaws, a formal announcement will be made via a Camp Order, at least three months in advance of the change, and dues will now be due on January 1<sup>st</sup>, of each year. Also, pursuant to Article XVII of the Bylaws, proposed amendments to the Bylaws, to reflect the change, as

well as to clean up other language in Article VI, Membership Dues and Fees, will be sent out to the membership, at least seven days before our September meeting.

A discussion of forming Camp Standing Committees, for such purposes as, Membership, Graves and Memorials, and Welfare, was postponed until the September meeting.

#### **GAR Highway Officer's Report**

Brother Ron Black sent a report, telling the Camp that he has been successful in getting the California Department of Transportation to furnish two replacement signs, to be placed on the GAR Highway—one on the south-bound 14 Freeway, in the Antelope Valley; and, one on south-bound San Fernando Road, with installation planned for August 2019. Br. Black will be coordinating with other agencies for an appropriate dedication ceremony for the sings.

#### ROTC/JROTC Recognition Program Report

Commander Smith, our ROTC/JROTC Recognition Coordinator, reported that we sent 38 SUVCW awards to Cadets at four Universities, and 34 high schools, this year. We had a record 12 Brothers, and one Auxiliary Sister, attend 29, of the 34 awards ceremonies, to present the awards, which is also a new record. The total cost of the program was \$231.49, which is about \$5.83 per award, or 11 cents less than last year. There was a carryover, of \$98.68, from last year; but, combined with a \$100 donation from CDR Smith, there was still a \$32.81

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net deficit. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote, that CDR Smith be reimbursed, from the Camp Treasury, for the \$32.81; and, that, in future years, the cost of the program be fully funded by the Camp treasury.

#### **Memorial Day Celebrations**

Camp 2 was very active on Memorial Day weekend. On Saturday, May 25, Brother Phil Caines, accompanied four Auxiliary Sisters, to the Camp 18 Memorial Day Celebration, at the Evergreen Historical Cemetery, in Riverside.

In the morning, on Monday, May 27, five members of the Auxiliary, conducted a Memorial Day Celebration, at Sunnyside Cemetery, in Long Beach.

Br. Bill Hurley, participated in an SAR Color Guard, at a Memorial Day Ceremony, on Monday, May 27, at Cemetery Park, in Ventura.

In the afternoon, on Monday, May 27, five Brothers of Camp 2, joined by Sisters from DUVCW Tent 91, as well as Department Commander Rudy Velasco, and his wife, conducted our traditional Memorial Day Celebration, at Mountain View Cemetery, in Altadena. We had Union and Confederate re-enactors present the colors, and to fire a three-volley gun salute. There was some local media coverage, and the event was attended by over 30 persons, altogether.



PCC NICK SMITH & GAR MONUMENT



At the request of PDC Al Peterson, who suggested that all Camps should conduct a Memorial Day Celebration, on May 30, the original Memorial Day, as proclaimed by C-in-C Logan, in his famous General Order No. 11, CDR Smith put together a small ceremony, in two days, that was held at 11:00 AM, on May 30, at the Inglewood Park Cemetery's GAR monument. Again, DC Rudy Velasco drove in from Cathedral City to attend. Br. Bill Hurley, and his wife, Mary, who is the President of DUVCW Tent # 91, drove down from Thousand Oaks, to be joined by Br. Phil, and Sister, Melinie Caines, Br. Steve Magoffin, and Sister Annette James-Rogers, from DUVCW Tent

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86. So, we had two Camps, our Auxiliary, and two DUVCW Tents represented by eight attendees. We also had a representative of the Cemetery, who wants to help expand the event, next year.





More photos, of these events, will be sent out via separate e-mails.

### **NEXT CAMP MEETING**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, AT 10:00 AM, AT THE SOLHEIM SENIOR COMMUNITY, IN EAGLE ROCK.

**Other Upcoming Events** 

Wednesday, June 12, Civil Warriors Civil War Round Table meeting, in Sherman Oaks. The guest speaker, CDR Dean Smith, will be giving his talk on "James Garfield—Unsung Hero and Martyred President." Dinner at 6:00 PM, presentation at 7:00 PM. He will be giving it, again, on August 20, at the Orange County CWRT, in Costa Mesa. Contact CDR Smith for details, if interested.

Saturday, June 22, "Civil War Technology Fair," at the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum, in Wilmington. From 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

### **Camp Website**

Be sure to check our Camp website, at:

http://www.suvpac.org/camp2.html

and watch it grow. Also, look at our Facebook page for recent photos, and other information.

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