

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

Rosecrans Report



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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War celebrating 140 years

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

March Camp Meeting

The Camp's March meeting was attended by 12 Brothers, and guest, Brother Glen Roosevelt.

There were reports from the Commander, and Treasurer.

Brother Roosevelt told us about the need for a new washer and drier at the Ladies of the GAR West Los Angeles Home. The Camp voted to contribute \$200 toward the purchase of the washer, and CDR Smith pledged \$50.

Brother Steve Shampine was reinstated to the Camp, and Brother Bill Cordero was granted time to pay his dues, because he was still recovering from covid-19 and pneumonia.

The Camp bid farewell to Brothers Bob Goble, who moved to Texas, and William Price, who requested an Honorable Discharge.

Upcoming events, and other matters were discussed, and CDR Smith shared his collection of John Logan collectibles with the Camp members remaining after the meeting was adjourned.

Camp 2 Auxiliary

Camp 2's Auxiliary is one of four Auxiliaries in the Department of California and Pacific. It covers all of Southern California, while Auxiliary No. 23 covers all of the northern California coastal counties; Auxiliary No. 32 covers all of the counties in north-eastern California and, Auxiliary No. 52,

covers all of the coastal counties south of San Francisco. Camp 2's Auxiliary currently has seven members, but only four are active. The other Auxiliaries have similar memberships. The Department Auxiliary, was without leadership, and in jeopardy of shutting down. Sister Melinie Caines, past Department President, attended the Department Encampment, and volunteered to be the President, again. She has since been officially elected to the post, and is working to rebuild the Auxiliary, statewide. The Auxiliary will be conducting its traditional Memorial Day celebration, at Sunnyside Cemetery, in Long Beach, on Saturday, May 28, at 2:30 PM. It will also conduct the Remembrance Day ceremony, at the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum, in Wilmington, on Saturday, November 19, at a time to be announced. All Camp 2 Brothers who are able, should support the Auxiliary by attending these events. Sister Melinie has put out the call for our assistance in recruiting new members for the Auxiliary. If vour 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: proscaines@earthlink.net



Vacant Camp Offices

Happily, Brother Phil Caines volunteered to fill the vacancy on the Camp Council, created by Brother Bob Goble's departure. HUZZAH!

Sadly, health issues have forced Brother Steve Yoss to resign as our Jr. Vice Commander. If you want to volunteer, and have the honor of serving your Camp in this very important post, please contact Brother Bill Gallagher, the Chairman of the Camp Council, at: rubinconbill@hotmail.com as the Camp Council has the responsibility of filling vacant Offices.

Department Encampment

The 136th Department Encampment, held In Bakersfield, on March 19, was a success. Camp 2 had one of the larger delegations, with CDR Smith, and Brothers Phil Caines, Steve Magoffin, and Ken Walker, plus Sister Melinie Caines, in attendance. Brother Ken Walker was appointed to the office of Department Guide, and CDR Smith was elected to the office of Camp Council Member. HUZZAH!

The other elected Officers were reelected to a second term, with the exception of the Secretary/Treasurer, Brother Owen Stiles, who resigned after 10 years in that post. Brother Randy Dhindsa was elected to replace him.

The 137th Encampment will be held in Bakersfield, in March 2023. Consider being a Delegate, as it is a great way to get to know Brothers from all over the Department.

Commander-in-Chief, Michael Paquette





Camp 2 Delegates, with C-in-C Paquette, and Dept. CDR Frank Avila



C-in-C Paquette Installing Department Officers

ROTC/JROTC Awards Program

This year, CDR Smith has received two requests for ROTC awards, and 15 for JROTC awards. Almost double the total of nine awards given last year, but far less than the 39 in pre-pandemic years. He has attended awards ceremonies at the UCLA Army ROTC Ball, Lincoln H.S., La Puente H.S., and Monroe H.S., and is scheduled to present awards at Jordan H.S., Garfield H.S., and the UCLA

Air Force ROTC ceremony. Brother James Gill attended the ceremony at Hawthorne H.S., Brother Bill Hurley attended the ceremony at Royal H.S., and Sister Cynthis Day-Elliott, attended the one at Paramount H.S. Finally, Brother Steve Magoffin will be representing the Camp at Carson H.S.



CDR Smith at La Puente H.S.



Sister Cynthia Day-Elliott at Paramount H.S.



CDR Smith at Monroe H.S.



CDR Smith at UCLA Army ROTC Ball



Membership

The inadvertent misplacement of Brother Ken Lynch's dues, on the line for Brother Don Lynch, caused us to drop Ken, and to fail to collect dues from Don. After receiving a letter from CDR Smith that he had been dropped, Ken sent us a copy of his check, and the Membership Card he received from our Treasurer. Fortunately, the new Department Secretary had not sent our Roster to National., and we were able to send a revised Roster, adding Brother Ken back, while keeping Brother Don, who paid his dues. So, we are now 43 Brothers strong.

Without a Jr. Vice Commander, work on active recruitment is not possible. However, CDR Smith did send an application to the Director of Army Instruction for the LAUSD JROTC, who expressed sincere interest in joining the SUVCW. We also still have a few good prospects, who we hope to receive applications from. The most recent inquiry was from a high school student, who is about to submit his application, and we will be presenting it to the Camp at our May meeting for approval.

Next Meeting—September 10, 2022

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Camp will be on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at 10:00 AM, conducted via Zoom. It is hoped that all other Brothers, will make an effort to attend.

Upcoming Events

- 1. Memorial Day Celebrations
 - --Inglewood Park Cemetery, on Saturday, May 28, at 11:00 AM
 - --Sunnyside Cemetery, in Long Beach, led by our Auxiliary, on Saturday, May 28, at 2:30 PM
 - --Wilmington Historic Cemetery, on Sunday, May 29, at 11:00 AM

- --Woodlawn Memorial Park, in Compton, Monday, May 30, with Br. Phil Caines and Sister Melinie Caines, 11:00 AM
- --Mountain View Cemetery, in Altadena, on Monday, May 30, at 2:00 PM
- --Cemetery Memorial Park, in Ventura, on Monday, May 30, with Br. Bill Hurley, time TBA
- --Anaheim Cemetery, Monday, May 30, with Br. Kristen Anderson, time TBA DETAILED INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS WILL BE SENT VIA E-MAIL
- 2. Orange County Civil War Round Table, in Costa Mesa, July 19, at 7:00 PM--CDR Smith will be giving his talk on Gen. John Logan.
- 3. Pasadena CWRT, August 23, at 7:00 PM—CDR Smith will be giving his talk on Harrison Gray Otis.
- 4. Huntington Beach Civil War Days, September 3 & 4, Br. Bill Gallagher will arrange a Camp social gathering—details to follow.



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 David Kidd, after the event. Send your reports to: dmkidd01@aol.com
- 5. The Camp needs a Brother to volunteer to be the Camp's Newsletter Editor. All Camps must produce a newsletter on a regular basis, and the Commander simply does not have the time to do this work properly, or on schedule.
- 6. 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



Camp Website and Face Book

Be sure to check our Camp website, at:

http://www.suvpac.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/