

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

### ATTENTION—NEXT CAMP MEETING SATURDAY, 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 Brothers, will make an effort to attend.

#### **May Camp Meeting**

The Camp's May meeting was attended by 9 Brothers, and membership candidate, Grant Cobos.

There were reports from the Commander, and Treasurer.

Secretary, Br. Gordon Seyffert, read the application of Grant Cobos, and recommended his acceptance into the Camp, pending receipt of his revised application. The motion for approval was passed unanimously, and Brother Cobos will be inducted at our next meeting.

Upcoming Memorial Day events were discussed, and everyone was encouraged by our Patriotic Instructor, Br. David Kidd, to attend a celebration near them.

Cdr. Smith brought up the need for Officers to send our Treasurer, Br. Steve Magoffin, reports about their expenditures on Camp business, and events, so that a Camp budget can be developed, and a process for reimbursing the Officers can be created.

For the Good of the Order—Br. John Richardson provided information about a new, easy to use, data base of Civil War veterans; and, Br.

Phil Caines showed us the original Camp banner, which once hung in Bob Hope Patriotic Hall.

#### Camp 2 Auxiliary

Led by Sister Melinie Caines, the four most active members of Camp 2's Auxiliary conducted a Memorial Day celebration, at Sunnyside Cemetery, in Long Beach on May 28. It will be conducting 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 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: proscaines@earthlink.net



#### **Memorial Day Celebrations**

Camp 2 did an excellent job of celebrating Memorial Day, as is prescribed by General Order No. 11, issued by C-in-C John Logan, in 1868. Cdr. Smith conducted ceremonies at Inglewood Park Cemetery, and Wilmington Cemetery, while Sister Caines Conducted one at Sunnyside Cemetery, in Long Beach, and Br. Nick Smith conducted one at Mountain View Cemetery in Altadena. In addition, Brs. Kidd, and Phil, with Sisters Melinie, and Cynthia, represented us at Woodlawn Cemetery, in Compton, while Brs. Hurley, and K. Lynch, represented us a Cemetery Memorial Park, in Ventura, and Br. Anderson, was part of a cannon salute at Santa Anna Cemetery. In addition, Br. Kidd managed to visit Woodlawn Cemetery, in Santa Monica, and the National Cemetery, in Westwood, to decorate graves with his wife, Nina. In all, 12 Brothers—D. Smith (4,) Caines (3,) Kidd (3,) Richardson (1,) Anderson (1,) Hurley (1,) K. Lynch (1,) B. Villardi (1,) N. Smith (1,) Seyffert (1,) Gill (1,) and our newest Brother, Cobos (1,) attended events at 8 cemeteries. Also, Auxiliary Sisters Melinie (3,) Maryanne (3,) Jeanette (3,) and Cynthia (2,) attended ceremonies at 4 cemeteries; and, 5 Sisters from DUVCW Tents 86, and 91, attended events at 6 cemeteries. HUZZAH!



Inglewood Park Cemetery—May 28, 2022



Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach—May 28, 2022



Wilmington Cemetery—May 29, 2022



Mountain View Cemetery—May 30, 2022



Memorial Park Cemetery—May 30, 2022



#### Civil War Technology Fair

On June 25, the Drum Barracks Civil War Museum's Technology Fair was attended by Cdr. Smith, and Brs. Richardson, Villardi, and Anderson. We talked to many visitors about the SUVCW, and the C.W, in general, and are waiting for applications from two promising recruits.



Br. Villardi, Br. Richardson, Br. Anderson, and Cdr. Smith



Cdr. Smith, Br. Anderson, and Br. Villardi

#### **Vacant Camp Offices**

The Camp is in need of filling the office of Jr. Vice Commander, as well as the third seat on the Camp Council. If you want to volunteer, and have the honor of serving your Camp in these very important posts, please contact Brother Bill Gallagher, the Chairman of the Camp Council, at: <a href="mailto:rubinconbill@hotmail.com">rubinconbill@hotmail.com</a> as the Camp Council has the responsibility of filling vacant Offices.

#### **Logan's Brigade National Coventnion**

On August 6, Cdr. Smith was of ten members of the newly-formed Logan's Brigade who attended the first National Convention of the Brigade. PDC Dean Enderlin was the only other member from California in attendance. New officers, and there was a discussion of the Constitution and Regulations. Most matters were referred to the new officers for resolution.

#### **Graves Registration**

PCC Nick Smith was contacted by PCC Loran Bures, who is now the Commander of the Department of the Columbia, as he needed some help with Graves Registration work he is doing on Union Veterans, who once were members of GAR Posts in Washington, and Alaska, but who ended up in Los Angeles. Br. Bures also asked Cdr. Smith to take photos of the headstones of 8 Union Veterans buried in the Los Angeles national Cemetery, which he did. Br. Bures has posted those photos to the SUVCW Graves Registry, to complete the entries on the 8 soldiers involved.

#### Br. Bill Nelson's Reenactors Gear

After Br. Bill Nelson's passing, Cdr. Smith visited Bill's wife, Ruth, and she gave him four boxes of books, and one box of reenactors gear, for disposition to benefit the Camp. Recently, Brs. Brandon Villardi, and John Richardson, have decided to take up reenacting, and Cdr. Smith asked

if they had any interest in purchasing the gear that had been donated to the Camp. The value of the gear was determined by current retail for the items, discounted because they were in "used" condition. Br. Richardson bought 11 of the items, and Br. Villardi bought the remaining items, generating a total of \$298 for the Camp's treasury. HUZZAH!



#### **Membership**

Congratulations, and a warm welcome, to Grant Cobos, our newest Brother, who was voted in at the May meeting, and whose revised application was accepted, and forwarded to the Department and National. Although still in high school, Br. Grant has already become an active member of the Camp, by attending our Memorial Day ceremony at Mountain View Cemetery, bringing four of his family members with him.

We are still waiting for applications from three prospects, and have one new inquiry that has not been responded to. If you have a family member, or know someone, who has a Union ancestor, mention the SUVCW to them, and become a recruiter for the Camp. Send the contact info for any potential recruit to Cdr. Smith, who will send out the application form immediately.

#### **Civil War Rlound Table Talks**

Cdr. Smith gave his talk on Gen. John A. Logan to the Orange County CWRT on July 19. Br. James Henkel, and PDC Glen Roosevelt were in attendance, with about 15 members of the Round Table. Not one of the members knew who John Logan was, but they all thanked Cdr. Smith for enlightening them with his presentation.

On August 23, Cdr. Smith gave presented his talk on Harrison Gray Otis, to the Pasadena CWRT. There were about 35 people in attendance, including PCC Nick Smith, who is the Round Table's President, and Br. James Henkel, as well as two members of a Round Table in Pennsylvania, and a visitor from Australia. This presentation was captured on video, and can be viewed by clicking the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KdXIClak9Lg

#### **Upcoming Events**

1. Huntington Beach Civil War Days,
September 3 & 4. This is the premier Civil
War reenactment in Southern California.
Cdr. Smith will be there on Sunday. Look
for him in the information booths (Camp 17,
Drum Barracks, or the SoCal CWRT
Alliance) on the way to the battle field.
Also look for Brs. Kristen Anderson, Hal
Cardwell, and Brandon Villardi, who may
be on the battlefield, or in the camps. Here
is a link to more info:

https://www.hbhistory.org/civilwar

Directions—from the 405 freeway, take Goldenwest St. south to Talbert Ave. Turn left on Talbert to enter the Park. Follow Talbert to the left, around the Library, and park in the lot behind (east) of the Library. Then, follow the path on the east edge of the parking lot, to the north, until you find the reenactment site. Admission and parking are free, and there is food for sale. Wear good walking shoes, and bring a folding chair to watch the battles.



#### **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: <a href="mailto:dmkidd01@aol.com">dmkidd01@aol.com</a>
- 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/