

# Sheridan's Dispatch

*Phil Sheridan Camp 4  
Department of California & Pacific  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*

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## National Encampment Held in Kentucky, August 7-10



### Department Members Enjoy Camaraderie During Allied Orders Banquet

*Seated, L-R:* Patti Schall, Dave Allyn, Gaye Allyn, Linn Hoadley, Jean Hoadley, Rosemary Lowe

*Standing L-R:* Brad Schall, Jerry Sayre, Kim Sayre, Dan Earl, Glen Roosevelt, Rudy Velasco, Tad Campbell, Bob Kadlec, Bob Lowe

The 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held at Fort Mitchell, Kentucky on August 7-10, 2003. The Department of California and Pacific made an excellent showing and was rewarded by appointments to the following positions and committees:

National Guide  
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator  
National Aides to National Committee on Civil War Memorials  
National Aide to National Committee on Constitution and Regulations  
National Committee on Fraternal Relations  
National Committee on Graves Registration  
National Committee on History  
National Committee on Legislation  
National Committee on Membership  
National Committee on eBay Surveillance

**DAVID E. ALLYN**  
**LINN P. HOADLEY, PCC**  
**KIRBY R. MORGAN**  
**D. BRAD SCHALL, PCC**  
**DANIEL R. EARL**  
**D. BRAD SCHALL, PCC, Chair**  
**JERRY R. SAYRE**  
**BOB LOWE, PDC**  
**TAD D. CAMPBELL, PCC**  
**DANIEL R. EARL, Chair**  
**TAD D. CAMPBELL, PCC**  
**D. BRAD SCHALL, PCC**

The following National Officers were elected to serve the Order for the 2003-2004 term:

Commander-in-Chief	<b>KENT L. ARMSTRONG</b> (Dept. of Michigan)
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	<b>STEPHEN A. MICHAELS</b> (Dept. of Wisconsin)
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief	<b>DONALD E. DARBY</b> (Dept. of Ohio)
Council of Administration (3-year term)	<b>DAVID P. STEPHEN</b> (Dept. of Iowa)

The 123<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Encampment will be held at the Collins Plaza Hotel and Convention Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on August 11-15, 2004.

## Confederate Uncles in the Attic

This past August, during their trip to the National Encampment, two Camp Brothers visited the graves of their Confederate uncles, both of whom are buried in Kentucky.



**Tad Campbell**  
Cave Hill Cemetery, Louisville, KY

At the historic Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville, Bro. **TAD CAMPBELL PCC** located the last resting place of his great-great-great-granduncle, James Knox Polk Hazelwood. Pvt. Hazelwood was a member of Co. I, 25<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry, CSA, having enlisted in Lee County, Virginia on April 18, 1863. He was taken prisoner on May 22, 1864 by the pro-Union Home Guards in Claiborne County, Tennessee. He was then sent to Louisville where he died of pneumonia on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Also serving in the same company were his brother Benjamin Franklin Hazelwood and Tad's direct ancestor, Eldridge Campbell. Gravesites of the latter two have yet to be located.



Bro. **DANIEL EARL** was excited to find the grave of his great-granduncle in the cemetery at Williamstown, Grant County, Kentucky. Augustus C. Webb, who was also from Lee County, Virginia, enlisted on August 25, 1863 in Co. C, 64<sup>th</sup> Virginia Infantry, CSA. Union forces at Chestnut Ridge, near Harrisonburg, Virginia captured Pvt. Webb on November 29, 1863. He was held at both Camp Chase, Ohio and Fort Delaware, Delaware, where he took the Oath of Allegiance on June 21, 1865 and was subsequently released.

Although the hearts of these Brothers lie with the Union cause, both Bro. Campbell and Bro. Earl remain proud of their Confederate uncles in as much as they fought for ideals in which they believed.



**Dan Earl**  
Williamstown Cemetery,  
Williamstown, KY

Q: How did President Andrew Johnson learn to read?  
A: His wife taught him shortly after they were married.

## Make Plans to Attend the Department Encampment

It's that time of the year again to begin thinking about the Department Encampment this coming spring. As with the past several years, the 118th Annual Encampment of the Department of California and Pacific will again be held at the Elks Lodge in San Luis Obispo, California and has been scheduled for March 19-20, 2004. Of particular note will be the attendance of the newly elected SUVCW Commander-in-Chief **KENT ARMSTRONG** and his wife **JUDY** from Michigan. Don't miss this opportunity to meet in fraternal bonds of friendship and help steer the course of the Department. If you are interested in attending, please notify Camp Commander **ROBERT KADLEC** prior to the November Camp meeting so that you can be elected as a Delegate.

## Camp Prepares for 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Parade Practice to be held on October 11<sup>th</sup>

Phil Sheridan Camp 4 will once again participating in the annual Veterans Day Parade in downtown San José. This year's parade will refocus on the true meaning of the day, with an "Armistice Day Ceremony" for the "War to end all Wars" beginning on the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month (November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am). The ceremony will take place on Market Street at Plaza de Cesar Chavez Park. The Parade begins at noon and travels from Delmas Street, along Santa Clara Street, to Market Street, and ends at San Carlos Street.

Members of the Camp wishing to participate in the parade should be sure to come out for the Parade Practice on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am. The practice will be held at the Field Sports County Park, 9580 Malech Road in south San José. To get to the park, take Monterey Highway 1.3

miles south from Bernal Road, turn east on Metcalf Road and continue over US Highway 101. Immediately after the overpass, turn and turn right (south) onto the frontage road, Malech Road. Continue approximately one mile and the entrance to the park/range will be on the left.

Black powder musket firing will be conducted to practice the salute to be given during the Veterans Day Parade. Even if you are unable to participate in or watch the parade on November 11<sup>th</sup>, come out on October 11<sup>th</sup> and watch the show as we practice our steps!

## New Gardnerville Camp Receives Its Charter

On Saturday, August 23, 2003, the Gen. Wm. Passmore Carlin Camp 25 of Gardnerville, Nevada received its charter during a brief ceremony held at the home of Camp Commander **PAUL WASHELESKI**. Phil Sheridan Camp 4 was well represented by Brothers **TAD CAMPBELL**, **DON CAMPBELL**, **DAN EARL**, **STEVE WELCH**, and Auxiliary member **RACHELLE CAMPBELL**. The keynote speaker was Department Commander **BRAD SCHALL**. Congratulations to all the members of the newest camp in the Silver State!

## Veterans Flag Lowering Ceremony set for November 30<sup>th</sup>

As in the past two years, the Phil Sheridan Camp 4 will provide an armed color guard to perform the Veterans Flag Lowering Ceremony at Oak Hill Memorial Park. The ceremony will take place on Sunday, November 30, 2003, at a time to be announced. The ceremony includes the reading of the names of veterans whose names have been featured on the Veterans Memorial plaque at Oak Hill during the previous month. Oak Hill Memorial Park is located on Curtner Avenue in San José, between Monterey Highway and SR-87.

Q: What other tragedy stuck Ford's Theater?

A: In 1893, after the government confiscated the theater and converted it into an office building, the building collapsed, killing 28 government employees.

## Department to Participate in “The Civil War Revisited”

*The Civil War Revisited*, the largest annual Civil War reenactment and living history event in the United States, will take place on October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at Kearney Park in Fresno. Nearly 2,000 Union, Confederate and civilian reenactors from several organizations will bring the Civil War era to life.

This year’s reenactment commemorates the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. Some of the activities that visitors will experience are:

- Witness an historic Civil War battle.
- Meet Harriet Tubman, Clara Barton, or a famous general.
- Learn about a journey on the Underground Railroad or California’s role in the war.
- Talk to President Abraham Lincoln and abolitionist Frederick Douglass.
- Listen to American folk and bluegrass music.
- Shop at the Old Glory Mercantile.
- Eat at the battlefield cantinas.
- Watch American artisans practice their crafts.
- View the fashions of the day at the 19th century women’s fashion show.

The Department of California and Pacific, SUVCW will be participating with two informational/recruiting booths set up each day. Come out to help staff the booths or just enjoy the day!

**Where:** Kearney Park, 7160 West Kearney Boulevard, Fresno, California

**Dates:** Saturday & Sunday -- October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003

**Times:** Gates open at 10:00 am daily

**Admission:** \$8 Adults  
\$5 Children ages 6 to 12

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## Camp Meeting and Elections on November 8<sup>th</sup>

The next regular meeting of the Phil Sheridan Camp 4 will take place on **Saturday, November 8, 2003 at 10:00 am** and will be held at the American Legion Hall, Mission City Post 564, located at 2120 Walsh Avenue in Santa Clara.

The Camp’s annual election of officers will also take place during this meeting. If you are interested in any of the elected or appointed officer positions, please

let current Camp Commander **ROBERT KADLEC** know as soon as possible.

The next Commander-Elect will announce the appointed officers at the installation banquet in January 2004. Of particular need is the office of Camp Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator. This important position presents certificates to those Boy Scouts attaining the lofty rank of Eagle Scout.

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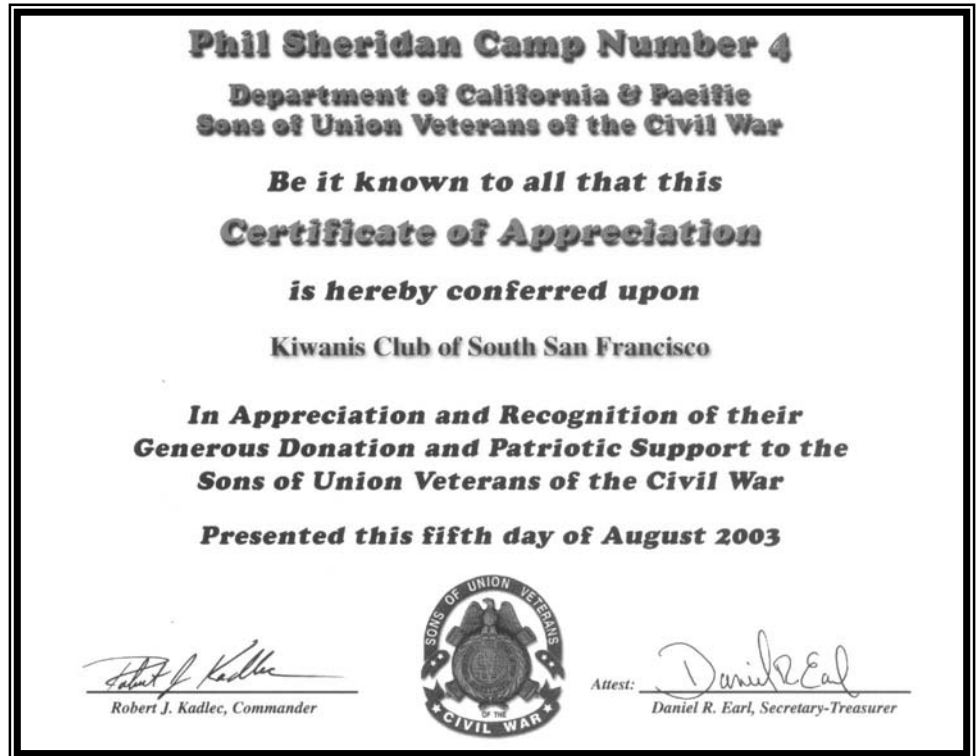
Q: What was odd about William Cain, a drillmaster of new recruits in the 25<sup>th</sup> North Carolina?

A: He was a 13-year-old cadet drillmaster from Hillsborough Military Academy.

# Thank You Kiwanis Club!

In appreciation of their recent monetary donation to our Camp, the Kiwanis Club of South San Francisco was presented with a certificate of appreciation, a facsimile of which appears to the right. The certificate was appropriately framed and given to the Kiwanis Club at their meeting on August 5, 2003 by Brother **STEVE WELCH**.

The certificate is now on permanent display at Bertolucci's Restaurant in South San Francisco.



## Camp Orders

CAMP ORDER No. 8 - Series 2003  
 PATRIOT DAY

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4, by the Camp Bylaws, Department of California and Pacific Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: With the two-year anniversary of the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon being this Thursday, Brothers are reminded to observe Patriot Day and a National Day of Prayer as proclaimed by President Bush.

Section 2: Brothers are requested to fly their flags at half-staff and to observe a moment of silence to remember those who died during the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

Section 3: The Camp Charter is ordered draped in black during the Camp meeting on Saturday, 13 September 2003 and the Camp Chaplain directed to pay tribute to those who perished in the September 11, 2001 attacks during his opening prayer.

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 9th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth, in the City of San José, County of Santa Clara, State of California by Robert J. Kadlec, Commander of the Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ Robert J. Kadlec  
 Camp Commander  
 Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Daniel R. Earl  
 Camp Secretary-Treasurer

Q: What was the 20<sup>th</sup> century occupation of Freeman Gosden, the son of Walter W. Gosden, who was a soldier in Mosby's Rangers?

A: Gosden, whose father rode with the famous "Rebel Raider," Col. John S. Mosby, became "Amos" on the "Amos 'n' Andy" radio program.

## Military Salute to Bob Hope

*Submitted by  
Dept. Secretary-Treasurer Daniel R. Earl and  
Bob Lowe, PDC*

**Brothers: An IMPORTANT reminder that tax-deductible donations are still needed for the Bob Hope monument. With a donation as little as \$20 you will receive a nice plaque in honor of Bob Hope. Please read the article below for details.**



**BOB HOPE**, the actor, entertainer and comedian, is universally known around the world for his long career as a star of stage, screen and television. Yet it is in the hearts of generations of U.S. servicemen that his most enduring legacy will reside. For over a period of fifty years, from 1943, he dedicated himself to entertaining soldiers, sailors and airmen of the armed forces in the many battle fronts and remote outposts where they've served throughout the world. His overseas USO tours, which often took place over Christmas, were deeply appreciated and well remembered by countless thousands of servicemen on protracted tours of duty, often under combat conditions, far from their homes and families.

Fifty-seven years have passed since **BOB HOPE** first entertained our country's men and women in uniform. Whenever there was a need, **BOB HOPE** was there. Thanks to him, hundreds of thousands of soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines have had their spirits lifted. Congress has honored Mr. **HOPE** five times. But, in October 1997, he received one of his greatest tributes when he was unanimously made an Honorary Veteran – the first individual so honored in the history of the United States. Ninety-nine and still making a difference. That's **BOB HOPE**. Now it's our turn to make a difference in honoring this legendary man.

Currently, Taffy III is raising funds to create a Military Tribute to **BOB HOPE** in recognition of his efforts for all our country's servicemen and women. Taffy III is a group of World War II Navy veterans who served on three ships that were sunk during the Battle for Leyte Gulf on October 25, 1944. ("Taffy III" was the code name of this task unit.) In recent years, these men have devoted their efforts toward raising money for monuments to preserve the history of this era. In the past several years they have successfully erected and dedicated four monuments. The Port of San

Diego has graciously donated almost a full acre of land on the shoreline of San Diego Bay for tribute to **BOB HOPE**. This property is worth approximately 4.9 million dollars.

One of the hardest obstacles to overcome was the agreement of **BOB**, his wife **DELORES** and daughter **LINDA** to erect this Military Tribute. After 14 months of communications and meetings, agreement was reached with certain conditions: that money raised for this project would come from the Veterans themselves and the American people. It was further agreed that corporate money would not be solicited and neither his former corporate sponsors nor professional friends be approached for funds.

Completion of this "tribute" requires the raising of 4.5 million additional dollars. All Brothers are encouraged to make a donation to this worthy tax-deductible cause. Brother **BOB LOWE** (PDC) of Pittenger Camp 21 has been designated the "collection man" for these donations. Not part of the resolution, but certainly an enticement to move forward these donations, was the following offer by publisher and fellow member **GEORGE VAN VALKENBERG**: any organization or entity thereof (such as our Department) that collects 50 or more donations of \$20 each will receive the following – a 5"x7" plaque for each donor (\$20 or more) and one for the Department. A prototype of this plaque was shown at the Encampment. Each plaque will be inscribed with the name of the donor, the SUCVW Department emblem, and a photo of **BOB HOPE**.

Please make your checks payable to "Military Tribute to Bob Hope" and mail them to Brother **BOB LOWE**, PDC at 780 Paulsen Ave., El Cajon, CA 92020-7346. More details can be found at:

<http://www.hopetribute.org/> and

[http://www.portofsandiego.org/sandiego\\_publicart/bobhopetribute.asp](http://www.portofsandiego.org/sandiego_publicart/bobhopetribute.asp)

... or by contacting Brother **BOB LOWE** via email at <cavalry21@cox.net>

Q: What famous American figure was the grandfather of Confederate General George W. Randolph?

A: Thomas Jefferson.



## Camp Participates in National POW/MIA Recognition Day

On Friday, September 19, 2003, Camp Commander **ROBERT KADLEC** presented the Camp Colors for posting during the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony. This event, sponsored by the Darwin J. Thomas Memorial Chapter 201 of the Vietnam Veterans of America, took place at the Veterans Memorial at Central Park in Santa Clara. Participants included local government representatives, military and veteran organizations, R.O.T.C., police and fire departments, and the general public.

## Vietnam Moving Wall Memorial to Visit Silicon Valley

The Vietnam Moving Wall Memorial will be coming to Santa Clara's Central Park on November 19-25, 2003. The park is located at 969 Kiely Boulevard in the City of Santa Clara.

The Moving Wall is a replica of the permanent Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. and is inscribed with the names of 58,228 Americans who gave their lives for the cause of freedom. The memorial has been touring the United States since 1984 and is booked in advance for the next three years in communities across the country.

This is a wonderful opportunity to experience this profound and moving exhibit of sacrifice and patriotism, especially for those that may not be physically or financially able to travel to Washington, D.C.



## Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



### Who is eligible for membership?

- ✓ Women who are lineal or collateral descendants, of soldiers, sailors or marines regularly mustered and honorably discharged from the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion 1861-1865.
- ✓ Mothers, wives, widows, daughters & legally adopted daughters of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in good standing (not Associates).
- ✓ Associate Memberships: Available to women who do not qualify through heredity.
- ✓ Junior Membership: For young ladies of not less than twelve (12) years of age.

If you are already a member of the Auxiliary, or know someone who would be interested in joining, please contact **RACHELLE CAMPBELL** at [brach41650@aol.com](mailto:brach41650@aol.com) or 408-842-7368.

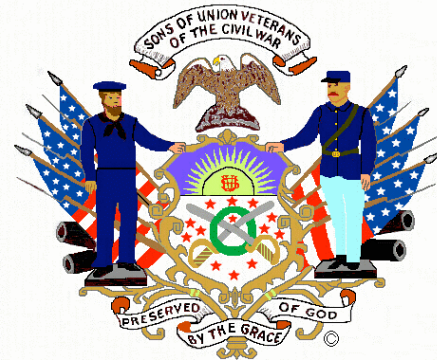
Q: Where was Andrew Johnson administered the oath of office as President of the United States?

A: On April 15, 1865, Johnson was sworn in as President in his suite at the Kirkwood Hotel on 12<sup>th</sup> Street In Washington, D.C.

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**Next Meeting:** Saturday, Nov 8, 2003, 10 AM  
American Legion Hall, 2120 Walsh Ave., Santa Clara, CA



### Camp Web Site:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~suvchw/sheridan4.html>

### Department Web Site:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~suvchw/deptca.html>

### National Web Site:

<http://www.suvchw.org>

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### Membership Eligibility:

A male descendant, whether through lineal (direct ancestor) or collateral line (uncle) and not less than 14 years of age (6 to 14 years for Juniors), who: (1) is a blood relative (descendant or nephew) of a Soldier, Sailor, Marine or member of the Revenue Cutter Service, who was regularly mustered and served honorably in, was honorably discharged from or died in the service of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps or Revenue Cutter Service of the United States of America or in such state regiments called to active service and was subject to orders of United States general officers, between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865; (2) has never been convicted of any infamous or heinous crime and (3) has, or whose ancestor through whom membership is claimed has, never voluntarily borne arms against the government of the United States.

Q: Who invented the most common hand grenade of the Civil War?

A: William F. Ketchum of Buffalo, New York, invented the most familiar Civil War hand grenade—the Kethcam grenade—which saw limited use by Union Troops.