

# SHERIDAN'S DISPATCH

*Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4*

*Department of California & Pacific*

*Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*

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*Abraham Lincoln Award (Best Camp in the Nation) • Marshall Hope Award (Best Camp Newsletter in the Nation)*

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## National Encampment

The 2013 Annual National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R. took place August 8-10 in Brookfield, Wisconsin, just west of Milwaukee. The weather was very cooperative and the Encampment was well attended. Here are some of the highlights:

Attendees from the Dept. of California and Pacific included:

**PHILLIP CAINES, PCC** (Camp 2); **FRANK AVILA, PCC** (Dept. PI, Camp 4); **TAD CAMPBELL, PDC** (JVCinC, Camp 4); **THOMAS GRAHAM, PCC** (Dept. SVC, Camp 4); **LINN MALAZNIK** (Camp 4); **TIMOTHY REESE, PCC** (Dept. Cmdr., Camp 10); **GLEN ROOSEVELT, PDC** (Camp 17); **MICHAEL ROOSEVELT** (Camp 17); **JERRY R. SAYRE, PDC** (Camp 21); **MICHAEL DROUIN** (Camp 22); and **DEAN ENDERLIN, PCC** (Dept. JVC, Camp 23). Also present were **LORAN BURES** (dual member of Camp 2, but representing the Gov. Isaac Stevens Camp-at-Large); and **ADAM GAINES** (dual member of Camp 4, but representing the NMAL).

Attendees from the Auxiliary's Department included:

**TRICIA BURES** (Dept. & Natl. Secretary, Aux. 2); **MELINIE CAINES, PAP** (Dept. President & Natl. Council, Aux. 2); **RACHELLE CAMPBELL, PDP** (Dept. Treasurer & Natl. Chaplain, Aux. 52); **CYNTHIA EDDY, PAP** (Dept. Chaplain, Aux. 23); **BEVERLY GRAHAM, PAP** (Dept. Vice President, Aux. 52); and **ROSEMARY MARTIN** (Aux. 52).



**"The Vacant Chair" — The Encampment opened with a joint memorial service and opening ceremony.**

*Photo courtesy of Bro. David Sosnowski*

### Synopsis of the SUVCW Business Sessions:

Job descriptions for the following officers and committees were established or revised and approved: Civil War Memorials Officer, Civil War Memorials Committee, Communications and Technology Committee, GAR Records Committee, and Encampment Credentials Committee.

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A Special Committee on Government Headstone Applications was formed to assist Brothers with obtaining military headstones for Civil War veterans. The committee will expire at the close of the 2016 National Encampment, unless continued or made a standing committee.



**Above: The Department Delegation at the Courtesy Hour.**

L-R: Tim Reese, Jerry Sayre, Rachelle Campbell, Tad Campbell, Cindy Eddy, Frank Avila (behind Cindy), Tricia Bures, Tom Graham, Bev Graham, Melinie Caines. Seated: CinC Perley Mellor & NP Jane Graham. *Photo courtesy of Bro. David Sosnowski.*



**Above: DJVC Dean Enderlin leads the Delegation during the Courtesy Hour.**

**Right: CinC Perley Mellor displays the GAR Banner presented to him by the Department.**

*Photos courtesy of Bro. David Sosnowski.*



The Promotion and Marketing Committee and the Vision and Planning Committee were made standing committees.

The authority of the Commander-in-Chief to remove any appointed officer or committee member as he deems necessary was re-affirmed.

An expenditure of \$500.00 from the General Fund was authorized for the Order's participation in the National Genealogical Society Conference in Richmond, Virginia in 2014.

A policy on Grand Army of the Republic Records was approved, as well as a mission statement for the Fund Development Committee.



## Encampment Business Session Continued



The following new awards were approved:

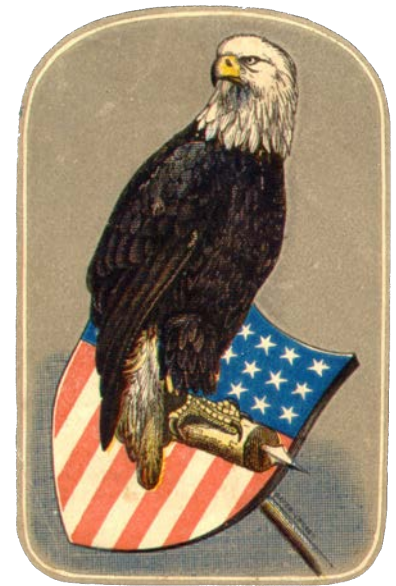
- Corby-Moody Chaplain's Award
- Lifetime Achievement Award

The substantial monetary bequest to the SUVCW Scholarship Program by the late Clifford Henke, PDC, Department of New York was approved for acknowledgement in a future issue of *The Banner*.

A requirement was passed that approval or rejection of applications for Sesquicentennial Signature Events must be made at least thirty days before the event.

A proposal to authorize the addition of a symbol of a member's department to the membership badge failed.

A policy was adopted that when a Department fails to file its annual report on time for five consecutive years, the Department shall lose its right to representation at the National Encampment for that year.



**Clockwise:**

1) Department members enjoy a meal and camaraderie at the well-attended annual SVR Breakfast.

2) "Old Abe", the mascot of the 8th Wisconsin Infantry.

3) Tad & Rachelle Campbell during the Department of Pennsylvania Luncheon.

*Photo courtesy of Bro. John Gipson*



## Awards Presented at the National Encampment

**Founder's Award** (Outstanding service in memory of Union Soldiers by non-member of Allied Orders)

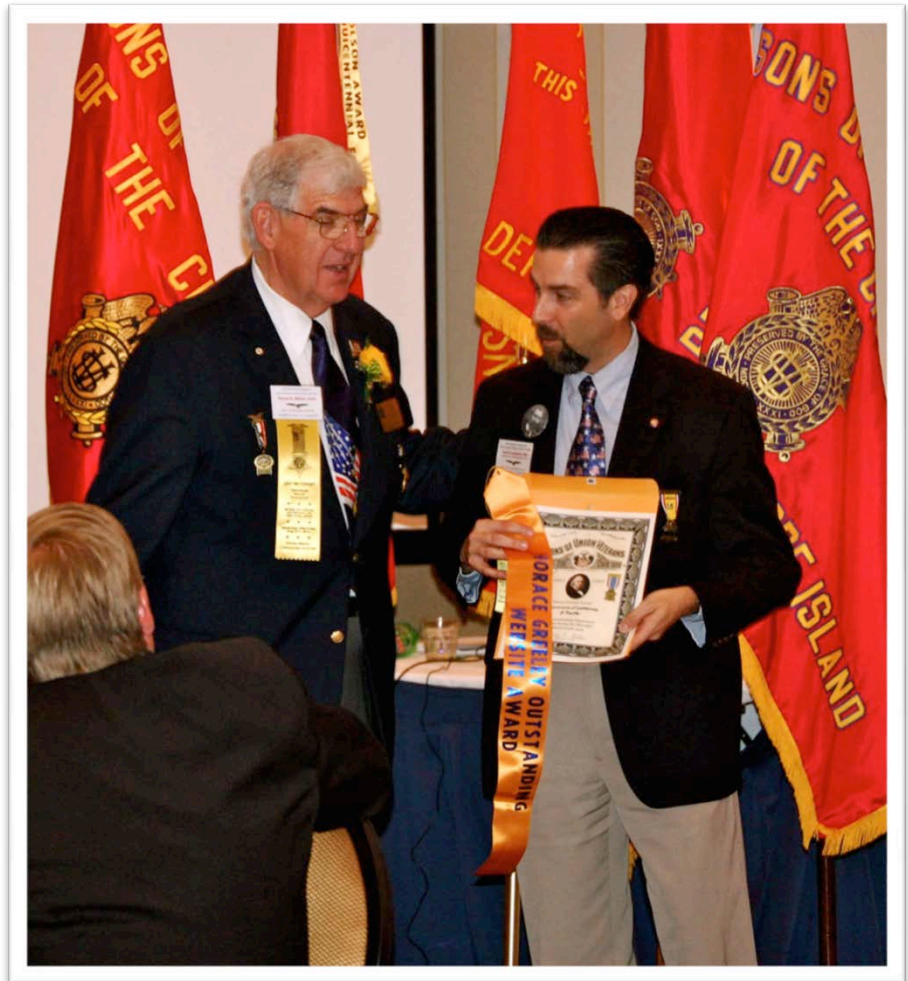
- Allan Eric Nicholls & Terry Hopgood of London, England

**National Aides** (Recruiting three or more new Brothers)

- Gary Sheel, Dept. of Missouri (13)
- David Labrot, Dept. of Texas (10)
- James Ludlam, Dept. of New Jersey (10)
- Frederick Lynch, Dept. of Ohio (8)
- Douglas Fidler, Dept. of Tennessee (7)
- John France, Dept. of North Carolina (5)
- Jeff Heagy, Dept. of Pennsylvania & Dept. of New Jersey (5)
- Timothy Murphy, Dept. of New Jersey (4)
- David Hann, Dept. of New Jersey (3)

**Meritorious Service Award**

- David Lamb, Dept. of Iowa
- Thomas Gaard, Dept. of Iowa
- Steven Boggle, Dept. of Iowa
- William Stark, Dept. of Ohio
- George Weinmann, Dept. of New York
- Chris Czopek, Dept. of Michigan
- Allan Howey, Dept. of Ohio



**Department Signals Officer Tad Campbell accepts the Horace Greeley Award for Most Outstanding Department Website in the nation from CinC Perley Mellor**



**Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star**

- Charles Kuhn, PCinC, Dept. of Pennsylvania
- James Houston, PDC, Dept. of Ohio
- Lee Stone, PDC, Dept. of the Chesapeake

**Corby - Moody Chaplain's Award** (presented by the National Chaplain)

- Skip Whitlam, Dept. of Florida
- Dave Atcheson, Dept. of Florida
- Kerry Langdon, Dept. of Ohio





Marilyn and Ron Rittel of the Department of Iowa. Ron received the Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award for most outstanding Brother.

**B. F. Stephenson Award** (Recruiting Most New Members)

- David Rish, Dept. of Ohio (17 new members)

**John L. Clem Award** (Most Outstanding Junior)

- Payton Seats, Dept. of Ohio

**Horace Greeley Award** (Most Outstanding Website)

- Department of California and Pacific
- Lincoln-Cushing Camp No. 2, Dept. of the Chesapeake

**Albert Woolson Award** (Most Outstanding Sesquicentennial Event)

- Bentonville Battlefield Union Monument Dedication, Dept. of North Carolina

**Marshall Hope Award for the Best Newsletter**

- *We Will Not Be Forgotten*, Col. Hecker Camp 443 Dept of Illinois
- *Missouri Unionist*, Department of Missouri

**Joseph S. Rippey Award** (Most Outstanding New Camp)

- George J. Stannard Camp No. 2, Dept. of Vermont

**U. S. Grant Cup** (Greatest Percent Gain in Membership)

- Department of Georgia and South Carolina (27% increase)

**Augustus P. Davis - Conrad Linder Award** (Greatest Number of New Members)

- Department of Ohio

**Abraham Lincoln Commander-in-Chief's Award** (Camp of the Year)

- Gen. Frederick Lander Camp No. 5, Dept. of Massachusetts

**Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award** (Brother of the Year)

- Ronald F. Rittel, Dept. of Iowa

**Under Forty Award** (most new members under 40 years of age)

- Department of Wisconsin

**Life Time Achievement Award**

- Bro. Joseph Long, Jr., PDC, Dept. of Pennsylvania

**Members of the Department Delegation pose for a picture.**

L-R: Linn Malaznik, Dean Enderlin, Jerry Sayre, Glen Roosevelt, Tad Campbell, Tom Graham, Tim Reese, Michael Roosevelt, Frank Avila and Phil Caines



## National Officers Elected



**The new National Officers take the Oath of Office**

**Front, L-R: SVCinC Tad Campbell, CinC Ken Freshley, JVCinC Eugene Mortorff.**

**Back: National Patriotic Instructor John Bates & Council of Administration Member Ed Norris**

*Photo courtesy of Bro. Tim Reese.*

The following officers were unanimously elected and installed:

- Commander-in-Chief **KEN FRESHLEY, PDC**, Dept. of Ohio
- Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief **TAD CAMPBELL, PDC**, Dept. of California and Pacific
- Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief **EUGENE MORTORFF, PDC**, Dept. of the Chesapeake
- National Secretary **ALAN RUSS, PDC**, Dept. of Kansas
- National Treasurer **RICHARD ORR, PCINC**, Dept. of Pennsylvania
- National Quartermaster **DANNY WHEELER, PCINC**, Dept. of New York
- Council of Administration (three year term - two seats open):
  - **EDWARD NORRIS, DC**, Dept. of Massachusetts
  - **WALTER BUSCH, PDC**, Dept. of Missouri



## Future National Encampments

**2014 — Atlanta Hilton, Marietta, Georgia**

**2015 — Omni Richmond Hotel, Richmond, Virginia**

**2016 — Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, Illinois**

Both the Department of Michigan and Department of Vermont have expressed interest in hosting a National Encampment after 2016.



## Dr. Walker's Remedies

*News from Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52*

### Summary of the Auxiliary National Encampment

Many first timers attended this year's National Encampment in Brookfield, Wisconsin and much good work of the Order was conducted. Here is a brief summary:

National per capita dues were raised from \$6.00 to \$9.00 per year and, beginning in April 2014, they will be collected once per year, rather than three times per year. The application fee for new members was raised from \$5.00 to \$10.00.

PCinC **RICH ORR** presented an update on SUVCW efforts to attain 501(c)3 status with the IRS and answered questions from delegates about possible similar actions by the Auxiliary. No decisions were made in this regard.

A new committee will be formed to work on activities for the Junior Members to help keep them active at the Auxiliary and Department levels.

The Girl Scout Committee presented a new certificate and letter, both of which were approved. Sister **BEVERLY GRAHAM** will retain chairmanship of this committee.

The creation of a new official National ASUVCW Facebook page was approved, to assist with dissemination of information and recruiting.

New Ritual books are being produced but do not yet have a release date.

Sister **RACHELLE CAMPBELL** was elected National Vice President and Sister **TRICIA BURES** remains in the middle of her 5-year term as National Secretary. Unfortunately, Sister **MELINIE CAINES** was unsuccessful in her run for reelection to the National Council. Sister **ELLEN HIGGINS** of the Department of New Jersey has agreed to be our new National Webmaster.

Sister **RACHELLE CAMPBELL** was surprised and honored to receive the SUVCW's National Doctor Mary Edwards Walker Award. This award, bestowed by Commander-in-Chief **PERLEY MELLOR** during the Allied Orders Banquet, is presented to a female member of one of the Allied Orders that has performed exemplary service in support of the SUVCW.



**PDP Rachelle Campbell received the Dr. Mary E. Walker Award from SUVCW**

- *The next meeting of the Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52 will be at 10:00 am on September 7, 2013 at the American Legion Hall, Mission City Post 564, 2120 Walsh Avenue in Santa Clara, California.*



# Event Schedule

**August 8-11, 2013**

National Encampment  
Brookfield, Wisconsin

**August 17, 2013**

Fort Point Open House  
San Francisco, California

**September 7, 2013**

Camp & Auxiliary Meeting  
Santa Clara, California

**September 28, 2013**

Alcatraz Living History Day  
San Francisco, California

**September 29, 2013**

Flag Lowering Ceremony  
Oak Hill Memorial Park  
San José, California

**October 11-13, 2013**

Civil War Encampment  
Fort Mervine  
Lower Presidio of Monterey  
Monterey, California

**Be sure to check the Camp website  
for additional events and updates**

[www.suvpac.org/camp4/schedule.html](http://www.suvpac.org/camp4/schedule.html)

## Did You Know?

### 150 Years Ago — 1863

**August 8** – Desertion from the Confederate ranks has reached such huge proportions that President Davis issues an appeal to all absentee soldiers to return to their regiments, promising no punishments will be inflicted. It is estimated that eventually 1 in 8 Confederates will desert.

**August 5** – Rose O'Neale Greenhow, notorious Confederate spy boards the Confederate blockade runner *Phantom*; her mission is to cross the Atlantic and convince England to recognize the Confederacy.

**August 17** – In Charleston, South Carolina, Union batteries and ships bombard Confederate-held Fort Sumter (the bombardment does not end until December 31).

**August 21** – Confederate guerillas led by William Quantrill attack the pro-Union town of Lawrence, Kansas, murdering between 185 to 200 men and boys and destroying most of the town. The raid becomes notorious in the North as one of the most vicious atrocities of the Civil War. Among the raiders are the Younger boys and a young man named Jesse James.

**August 29** – The Union Army of the Cumberland begins the Chickamauga Campaign in southeastern Tennessee and northwestern Georgia, with one major objective being to capture Chattanooga.



***NEXT MEETING:*** Saturday, September 7, 2013 - 10:00 am  
***LOCATION:*** American Legion Hall, Mission City Post 564, 2120 Walsh Ave., Santa Clara, Calif.

## *Officers for 2013-2014*

### **Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 Camp Officers**

Commander ..... Stephen P. Aguirre  
 Senior Vice Commander ..... John E. Stolp  
 Junior Vice Commander ..... Paul E. Lavrischeff  
 Secretary ..... Richard J. Ferman  
 Treasurer ..... Thomas T. Graham, PCC  
 Council ..... Rick T. LaRosa  
 Council ..... Frank C. Avila, PCC  
 Council ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC

Patriotic Instructor ..... Lorne A. Marmet  
 Chaplain ..... Daniel M. Bunnell, PDC  
 Historian ..... John E. Stolp  
 Counselor ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC  
 Guide ..... Joseph R. Ferman  
 Guard ..... Frank C. Avila, PCC  
 Color Bearer ..... Frank C. Avila, PCC  
 Graves Registration Officer ..... John E. Stolp  
 Civil War Memorials Officer ..... John E. Stolp  
 Eagle Scout Certificate Coord. .... *Vacant*  
 Legislative Officer ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC  
 Newsletter Editor ..... Tad D. Campbell, PDC  
 Signals Officer ..... Tad D. Campbell, PDC  
 Musician ..... Christopher C. Avila  
 Musician ..... James M. Welch

### **Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52 Auxiliary Officers**

President ..... Sharon Pope  
 Vice President ..... Beverly A. Ferman  
 Trustee #1 ..... Beverly Graham, PAP  
 Trustee #2 ..... Debra R. Earl  
 Trustee #3 ..... Gail Marmet  
 Secretary ..... Beverly Graham, PAP  
 Treasurer ..... Rachelle M. Campbell, PDP  
 Patriotic Instructor ..... Gail Marmet  
 Chaplain ..... Debra L. Earl  
 Press Correspondent ..... Rachelle M. Campbell, PDC  
 Guide ..... Diane Wetzel

Counselor ..... William H. Pope  
 Signals Officer ..... Tad D. Campbell, PDC

#### ***SUVCW 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



## *Websites*



***Phil Sheridan Camp 4***  
<http://www.suvcw.org/camp4.html>

***SUVCW Department of Calif. & Pacific***  
<http://www.suvcw.org>

***Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52***  
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