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Remembrance Day 2015



Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 and Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52 held their annual Remembrance Day Ceremony at Oak Hill Memorial Park in San José, California. The event commemorated the 152nd anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, which was delivered at the dedication of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania in 1863. During the ceremony, held on November 21, 2015, special recognition was given to those veterans in the G.A.R. plot who had participated in the Gettysburg Campaign.

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Remembrance Day 2015



The Color Guard presents the colors

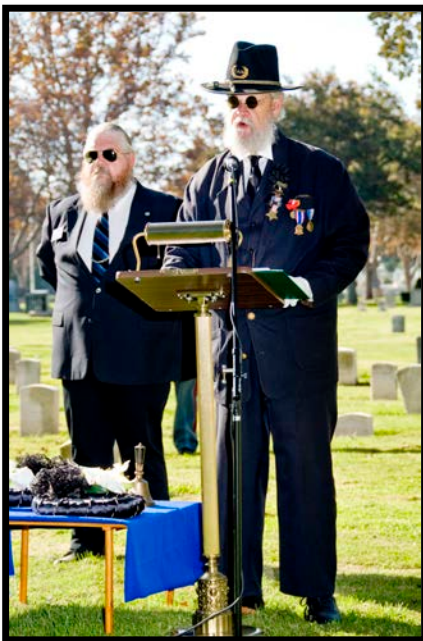


The Color Guard consisted of (L-R) Mike Sanders, Frank Avila, Joseph Ferman, and John Sanders.



Bro. Bob Kadlec

Oak Hill Memorial Park



CC John Stolp looked on as Bro. Richard Staley recited the Gettysburg Address



Sis. Emelia Campbell rang the bell



DC Tom Graham and DP Bev Graham presented the wreaths

Attention to Orders!

Camp Orders — <http://www.suvpac.org/camp4/rules/ordersindex.html>

NONE ISSUED



Department Orders — <http://www.suvpac.org/rules/orders15-16.html>

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General Orders — http://www.suvcw.org/?page_id=513



GENERAL ORDER NO. 6 (9 Nov 2015)

Resignation of CofA Member and New Appointment

Announces the resignation of Council of Administration member John McNulty and the election of Jonathan Davis to fill the vacancy.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 7 (3 Dec 2015)

Establishment of the Department of the Southwest

Establishes the Dept. of the Southwest, to include the states of Arizona and New Mexico.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 8 (17 Dec 2015)

Passing of Real Son Charlie Brock

Places Order in mourning for a period of 30 days in memory of "Real Son" Charlie Brock of the Fort Duffield Camp No. 1, Dept. of Kentucky.



DEPARTMENT OF THE SOUTHWEST

Congratulations are extended to our Brothers in Arizona and New Mexico on the re-establishment of the Department of the Southwest! While no Camps currently exist within New Mexico, the Department includes the three Camps in Arizona, namely the Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 of Phoenix, the Gen. R. H. G. Minty Camp No. 2 of Tucson, and the Gen. U. S. Grant Camp No. 3 of Flagstaff. We wish the new Department the best of luck!

With the formation of this new Department and last year's establishment of the Department of the Columbia, the Order no longer has any Camps-at-Large, with all existing Camps belonging to a Department!

Captain Ingram's Partisan Rangers

Captain Ingram's Partisan Rangers was the name given by the *Sacramento Union* to a band of about fifty Confederate bushwackers organized from local Copperheads and members of the Knights of the Golden Circle in 1864 by Rufus Henry Ingram in Santa Clara County, California. They committed the Bullion Bend Robbery and planned other raids before being broken up by the Union authorities. Members included:

Rufus Henry Ingram, Captain
 Thomas Bell Poole, Lieutenant
 George Baker
 John Creal Bouldware
 John Clenndenning
 Wallace Clenndenning
 George Cross
 James Frear
 Thomas Frear
 Joseph W. Gamble

John Gately
 Alban H. Glasby
 Jim Grant
 Preston C. Hodges
 John Ingram
 Henry I. Jarboe
 Washington Jordan
 John A. Robinson
 James Wilson



*The Virginia City stage in the 1860s.
 This was the stage held up by Ingram's Rangers.*

In 1863, Rufus Henry Ingram met George Baker from San José, California, who had just come east to join the Confederate Army. Baker complained because the secessionists in California had no experienced leaders. Ingram claimed to have been with Quantrill's Raiders during the Lawrence Massacre and became interested in going back with Baker to recruit soldiers for the Southern cause.

In early 1864, Rufus Henry Ingram arrived in Santa Clara County with a Confederate commission as captain and with a former undersheriff of Monterey County, Tom Poole, organized about fifty local Knights of the Golden Circle and commanded them in what became known as Captain Ingram's Partisan Rangers. Finding difficulty in raising funds to purchase supplies for his unit, Ingram first planned a raid on San Jose to rob its banks and stores in the manner of Quantrill's raid on Lawrence. A quarrel within the band, however, led to the exposure of the plan to the local sheriff and it was abandoned.

Soon after, Ingram decided to rob shipments of silver from the Comstock Lode to Sacramento. On June 30, Ingram, along with a small detachment, robbed two stagecoaches eleven miles east of Placerville of their gold and silver, leaving a letter explaining they were not bandits but carrying out a military operation to raise funds for the Confederacy. During the pursuit of his fleeing band, the posse had a gunfight with two lawmen at the Somerset House. One of the posse was killed, while Poole was wounded and left to be captured. After a two-day chase the Placerville posse lost their trail and they managed to get to Santa Clara County a week later. Tom Poole gave a complete confession, the bullion was recovered and he exposed his companions' identities. Regardless, they evaded the search for them in Santa Clara County.

On July 15, an attempt by Ingram to rob the New Almaden Quicksilver Mine payroll failed, ending in a shootout with the posse of Santa Clara County Sheriff John Hicks Adams a mile and a half outside San Jose on the Almaden road. Two of Ingram's men were killed, while one of his men was wounded. The sheriff and his deputy were also wounded in the shootout. Ingram fled California for Missouri and was never captured afterwards.

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rufus_Henry_Ingram

Holiday Social a Rousing Success!

On December 5, 2015, the Camp and Auxiliary engaged in a holiday social event at the Garret Station in Los Gatos, California. The event was a very informal "pizza party" with no official business conducted, and was very well attended.



Bro. Ryan Brown



Bro. Bob Kadlec (left) and Bro. Bob Soria (right) engage in a lively discussion



Brothers and Sisters enjoyed an evening of camaraderie



Bro. Frank Avila

2016 OFFICERS-ELECT

At the November 7, 2015 election meeting the following officers were elected for the Camp and Auxiliary. These officers will be installed at the Installation Banquet on January 15, 2016.

Commander – John Stolp
 Senior Vice Commander – Paul Lavrischeff
 Junior Vice Commander – William Pope
 Secretary – Richard Ferman
 Treasurer – Thomas Graham
 Council – Frank Avila, Dan Earl, and Richard Staley

President – Mary Sessler
 Vice President – Cindi Menzies
 Trustees – Cindi Menzies, Sharon Pope, and Brooklyn Sessler
 Secretary – Beverly Graham
 Treasurer – Rachelle Campbell
 Patriotic Instructor Diane Wetzel
 Chaplain – Emelia Campbell
 Press Correspondent – Rachelle Campbell



Dr. Walker's Remedies

GERTRUDE JANEWAY: LAST UNION WIDOW

Gertrude Grubb was born in Blaine, Tennessee in 1909, and was courted by John Janeway beginning when she was 16. Her mother, widowed when Gertrude was only 13, would not allow her to marry until she was 18. She married John Janeway, a veteran of the 14th Illinois Cavalry, in 1927 when she was 18 and he 81. The marriage ceremony took place in the middle of a dirt road with family and friends in attendance. They lived together in a log cabin in Blaine, Tennessee, until John Janeway's death in 1937. She was a member of the Green Acres Missionary Baptist Church. Gertrude continued to live in the cabin for nearly 70 years after her husband's death. She received a \$70 pension check for veterans' benefits from the government every two months until her death in 2003.



Note: The Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 proudly provided Gertrude with a small annual monetary gift during the last years of her life.

Event Schedule

November 7, 2015

Camp & Auxiliary Election Meeting
American Legion Post, Santa Clara, California

November 11, 2015

Veterans Day Parade
Downtown San José, California

December 5, 2015

Camp Social Event
The Garret Station, Los Gatos, California

January 15, 2016

Installation Banquet
Three Flames Restaurant, San José, California

January 30, 2016

Fort Point Open House
Fort Point National Historic Site
San Francisco, California

March 4-5, 2016

Department Encampment
Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham
Sacramento, California

August 10-14, 2016

National Encampment
President Abraham Lincoln Hotel
Springfield, Illinois

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

www.suvpac.org/camp4/schedule.html

Did You Know?

Mourning Rituals



Wartime convention decreed that a woman mourn her child's death for one year, a brother's death for six months, and a husband's death for two and a half years. She progressed through prescribed stages of heavy, full, and half mourning, with gradually loosening requirements of dress and behavior. Mary Todd Lincoln remained in deep mourning for more than a year after her son Willie's death, dressing in black veils, black crepe and black jewelry. Flora Stuart, the widow of Confederate General J.E.B. Stuart, remained in heavy mourning for 59 years after the 1864 death of her husband, wearing black until she died in 1923. By contrast, a widower was expected to mourn for only three months, simply by displaying black crepe on his hat or armband.

Source:

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/8-obs-cure-facts-you-didnt-know-about-the-civil-war-178230/no-ist>

NEXT MEETING: Friday, January 15, 2016 - 5:30 pm
LOCATION: Installation Banquet, Three Flames Restaurant, 1547 Meridian Ave., San José, Calif.

Officers for 2015-2016

Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 Camp Officers

Commander John E. Stolp
 Senior Vice Commander Paul E. Lavrischeff
 Junior Vice Commander William H. Pope
 Secretary-Treasurer Thomas T. Graham, PCC
 Council Rick T. LaRosa
 Council Frank C. Avila, PCC
 Council Daniel R. Earl, PCC

Patriotic Instructor John G. Jensen
 Chaplain Daniel M. Bunnell, PDC
 Assistant Chaplain Richard J. Ferman
 Historian John E. Stolp
 Counselor Daniel R. Earl, PCC
 Guide Joseph R. Ferman
 Guard Rick T. LaRosa
 Color Bearer Frank C. Avila, PCC
 Graves Registration Officer John E. Stolp
 Civil War Memorials Officer John E. Stolp
 Eagle Scout Cert. Coord. Stephen P. Aguirre, PCC
 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

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 Vice President Cindi Menzies
 Trustee #1 Cindi Menzies
 Trustee #2 Sharon Pope, PAP
 Trustee #3 *Vacant*
 Secretary Beverly Graham, PAP
 Treasurer Rachele M. Campbell, PDP
 Patriotic Instructor Diane Wetzel
 Chaplain Emelia J. Campbell
 Press Correspondent *Vacant*
 Guide *Vacant*

Counselor Daniel R. Earl, PCC
 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



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