

# 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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## ***Pope Takes the Helm***

**WILLIAM H. POPE** was installed as Commander of the Camp at the annual installation banquet, held on January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Old City Hall Restaurant in Gilroy, California.

Brother Bill joined the Camp in 2004 and is the great-grandson of Sgt. John R. Powell of Co. H, 58<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Militia Infantry. This unit was among the emergency troops raised by Governor Andrew G. Curtin in response to the Confederate invasion of Pennsylvania during the summer of 1863. Along with other such troops, it was organized into the Department of the Monongahela, and stationed at camps established in the vicinity of Pittsburgh. It served from July 1 to August 15, and was discharged soon after the immediate danger was over.

The other elected officers of the Camp are Senior Vice Commander **PAUL E. LAVRISCHEFF**, Junior Vice Commander **RANDALL J. SESSLER**, Secretary **TAD D. CAMPBELL PCINC**, Treasurer **THOMAS T. GRAHAM PDC**, and Councilmen **DANIEL R. EARL PCC**, **FRANK C. AVILA PCC**, and **JOHN E. STOLP PCC**.

Elected officers of the Dr. Mary E. Walker Auxiliary No. 52 are President **MARY A. SESSLER**, Vice-President **CINDI MENZIES**, Trustees **CINDI MENZIES**, **SHARON POPE PAP**, and **BROOKLYN SESSLER**, Secretary **BEVERLY GRAHAM PDP**, Treasurer **RACHELLE M. CAMPBELL PNP**, Patriotic Instructor **DIANE WETZEL**, Chaplain **EMELIA J. CAMPBELL**, and Press Correspondent **RACHELLE M. CAMPBELL PNP**.



Camp Cmdr. Bill Pope

# DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

The annual Encampment of the Department of California and Pacific for both the SUVCW and ASUVCW took place on March 17-18, 2017 in Bakersfield, California. Guests of honor were National President **DENISE OMAN** and Past Commander-in-Chief **EUGENE MORTORFF** (representing CinC Donald Martin).

The SUVCW Department Officers elected and installed were: Commander **DEAN A. ENDERLIN**, Senior Vice Commander **RUDY E. VELASCO III**, Junior Vice Commander **FRANK C. AVILA**, Secretary-Treasurer **OWEN R. STILES**, and Councilmen **STEPHEN E. DOYLE**, **DANIEL R. EARL**, and **WILLIAM E. DALEY, JR.**

The ASUVCW Department Officers elected and installed were: President **CYNTHIA L. EDDY**, Vice President **ELAINE M. CHRISTIAN**, Councilpersons **BEVERLY L. GRAHAM**, **MELINIE PROSK-CAINES**, and **ANN T. SCHLEETER**, Secretary **PATRICIA G. BURES**, Treasurer **RACHELLE M. CAMPBELL**, and Chaplain **REBEKAH THOMAS**.



Above – Standing L-R: Owen Stiles, Frank Avila, Tad Campbell, Tom Chumley, Ken Felton, Dan Earl, Andrew Brown, Bill Daley, Steve Doyle, Glen Roosevelt, Rudy Velasco III. Seated L-R: Gene Mortorff, Dean Enderlin



Above – Frank Avila at the Patriotic Instructor's station

Below – On behalf of Sgt. William Pittenger Camp No. 21, Jerry Sayre accepts the Dept. Commander's Award from DC Tom Graham for the Camp with the most new members



Left – Incoming DC Dean Enderlin takes the command from outgoing DC Tom Graham



Photos by Ryan Brown

# Riley Brown Initiated by National President



**RYAN & RILEY BROWN** with Dept. Pres. **BEV GRAHAM**.



**RILEY BROWN**, the now 11-year-old daughter of Bro. **RYAN BROWN**, was initiated by National President **DENISE OMAN** during the Department Encampment in Bakersfield in March.



She joins **EMELIA CAMPBELL** as Auxiliary No. 52's only two Juniors.

(Photos courtesy of Ryan Brown)

# 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY



The Camp and Auxiliary supported Lincoln Camp No. 10's contingent in the Independence Day Parade in Monterey, California. Participants included: **FRANK AVILA**, **EMELIA CAMPBELL**, **RACHELLE CAMPBELL**, **TAD CAMPBELL**, **RANDY HAWKINSON**, **RICK LAROSA**, **PAUL LAVRISCHEFF**, **TIM REESE**, and **MIKE SANDERS**.

After the parade, a number of the participants retired to the Campbell house in Gilroy for a barbeque, where they were joined by **BOB KADLEC**, **LINN MALAZNIK**, **JOHN STOLP**, and **DIANE WETZEL**.



(Photo courtesy of Tim Reese)

# Attention to Orders!

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

None Issued

**Department Orders** — <http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html>

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 1** (22 Mar 2017)

### **Election, Appointed Officers & Department Headquarters**

*Announces Department elected & appointed officers and establishes headquarters.*

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2** (27 Mar 2017)

### **Appointment of Department Standing & Special Committees**

*Announces appointments to Department committees.*

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 3** (6 Apr 2017)

### **GAR Sesquicentennial on the Pacific Coast**

*Encourages Camps to celebrate several dates significant to the foundation of the GAR on the Pacific Coast.*

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 4** (22 Apr 2017)

### **Department Annual Dues Clarification**

*Reminds Camps that the Department annual dues are \$3.00 per capita.*

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 5** (2 May 2017)

### **Observance of Memorial Day 2017**

*Encourages participations in Memorial Day observances on both the Federal Holiday (May 29) and traditional Memorial Day (May 30).*



**General Orders** — [http://www.suvcw.org/?page\\_id=513](http://www.suvcw.org/?page_id=513)



**GENERAL ORDER NO. 6** (12 Sep 2016)

### **Legislative Awareness**

*Encourages Brothers to be vigilant for local legislation that may be of concern/interest to the SUVCW.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 7** (12 Oct 2016)

### **Passing of Real Son Ernest John Pool**

*Places Order in mourning for a period of 30 days in memory of "Real Son" Ernest John Pool of the Dept. of Illinois.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 8** (13 Oct 2016)

### **The Banner to International Camps**

*Authorizes Brothers in International Camps to have the option to receive The Banner electronically, rather than to pay a surcharge to cover additional postage for mailing a hard copy.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 9** (8 Nov 2016)**Charges Filed**

*Announces the suspension of and charges against Brother Kenneth S. Tuma of the General George Wright Camp No. 1865, Department of the Columbia.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 10** (16 Dec 2016)**Passing of Past Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn**

*Places Order in mourning for a period of 30 days in memory of Past Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. of the Dept. of Pennsylvania.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 11** (3 Jan 2017)**Bylaws Regarding Member Classes Under 18 Years of Age**

*Directs Departments to conform to G.O. No. 22, Series 2013-2014 regarding restrictions and monitoring of Members, Associates, Juniors and Junior Associates under the age of 18 when revising their bylaws.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 12** (8 Jan 2017)**Inconsistencies with Form 50**

*Clarifies naming options for new Camps, and IRS and other issues involving Form 50 (Instructions for Forming a Camp).*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 13** (27 Jan 2017)**Patriotic Instructor Reports**

*Reminds Camp and Department Patriotic Instructors of their obligation to submit reports.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 14** (1 Feb 2017)**Decision on "Virtual Camps"**

*Directs that Camps will be those authorized in the Constitution and Regulations and will not be on-line or "Virtual Camps."*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 15** (15 Feb 2017)**Replacement Charter Issued**

*Authorizes a replacement charter for Gen. James B. McPherson Camp No. 1, Dept. of Missouri.*



Commander-in-Chief Donald L. Martin

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 16** (5 Mar 2017)**C&R and General Order Consolidation**

*Clarifies conflicting information regarding the voting membership of a Department Encampment.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 17** (8 Mar 2017)**Passing of "Real Daughter" Rachel Perine**

*Places Order in mourning for a period of 30 days in memory of "Real Daughter" Rachel Perine of Parkersburg, West Virginia.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 18** (12 Mar 2017)**Passing of Past Commander-in-Chief Elmer F. "Bud" Atkinson**

*Places Order in mourning for a period of 30 days in memory of Past Commander-in-Chief Elmer F. Atkinson of the Dept. of Pennsylvania.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 19** (26 Mar 2017)**SUVCW and Personal Views**

*Brothers may not express personal opinions counter to official SUVCW policy while using any SUVCW trade-marked emblem, Camp or Department name, SUVCW title or anything that implies connection or affiliation with the SUVCW.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 20** (25 May 2017)**Memorial Day**

*The Commander-in-Chief's Memorial Day message.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 21** (31 May 2017)**Clarification of National Policies**

*Restates the SUVCW's existing policies regarding the flying of flags of the Civil War era and the interpretation of Civil War Battlefields for the National Park Service, and applies the same to state and local parks.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 22** (8 Jun 2017)**National Award Deadlines**

*Announces the renaming of two existing awards and reminds Brothers of the available awards and their respective requirements and submission deadlines.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 23** (8 Jun 2017)**Banning Camp Charter Revoked**

*Revokes the charter of the Gen. Henry B. Banning Camp No. 207, Dept. of Ohio.*

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 24** (15 Jun 2017)**Department of Vermont Reinstated**

*Lifts the suspension of the Department of Vermont.*



## National Encampment Returns to Lansing!

After 17 years, the National Encampment will be returning to Lansing, Michigan on August 10-13, 2017.

For well over a decade now the Department of California and Pacific has consistently sent 10-15 Delegates to each National Encampment. However, that was not always the case. The photo to the left shows our Department's only two Delegates in Lansing back in 2000, namely Camp No. 21's **BOB LOWE** and Camp No. 4's own **BOB KADLEC**.

For more information on this year's Encampment, visiting the following link:  
<http://www.suvcwmi.org/2017NatEncampment/2017Encampment.php>

# Four Chaplains Interfaith Memorial Service



Michael Sanders & Linn Malaznik



Emelia & Rachele Campbell



Emelia Campbell

The Camp and Auxiliary again participated in the annual Four Chaplains Interfaith Memorial Service on February 4, 2017 at St. Frances Cabrini Church in San José, California. The moving ceremony honors four military chaplains of different faiths who assisted their fellow soldiers and gave up their own lives so that others could survive the sinking of the USS *Dorchester* during World War II. *(Photos by Tad Campbell)*



## Lincoln's Birthday

On February 25, 2017 the Camp and Auxiliary celebrated the 208<sup>th</sup> birthday of President Abraham Lincoln with dinner, cake and camaraderie at the Cup and Saucer Restaurant in San José, California

Those in attendance were Brothers **FRANK AVILA, RYAN BROWN, TAD CAMPBELL, DAN EARL, KEN FELTON, TOM GRAHAM, JOHN JENSEN, BOB KADLEC, PAUL LAVRISCHEFF, DON MENZIES, BILL POPE, and JOHN STOLP**, Sisters **EMELIA CAMPBELL, BEV GRAHAM, CYNTHIA MENZIES, SHARON POPE, and DIANE WETZEL**, and guests **RILEY BROWN and DEBRA EARL**.

*A. Lincoln*

# MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES



UVC Memorial Day Ceremony, Oak Hill Memorial Park in San José, California *(Photos by Ryan Brown)*

- **Top Row – Left Photo:** Rick LaRosa, Rachele Campbell, Rachele Campbell, Frank Avila, Dan Earl & Riley Brown before the ceremony. **Right Photo:** Riley Brown helps distribute programs.
- **Middle Row – Left Photo:** Dan Bunnell & Linn Malaznik carry the Civil War wreath. **Right Photo:** Riley Brown & Emelia Campbell carry the Auxiliary colors.
- **Bottom Row – Left Photo:** Paul Lavrischeff & Rick LaRosa carry the Spanish-American War wreath. **Right Photo:** Riley Brown, Richard Staley & Emelia Campbell present the Dedication Day wreath.



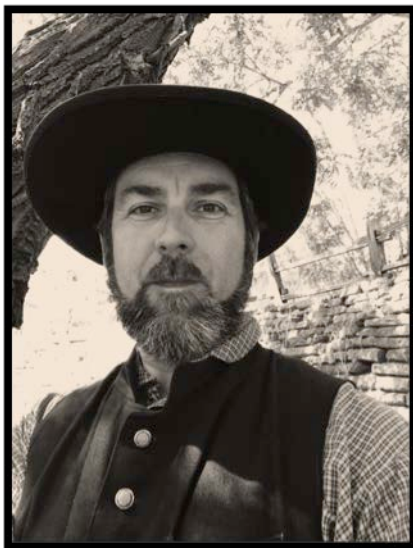
# MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES



Allied Orders Memorial Day Ceremony, Oak Hill Memorial Park in San José, California (Photos by Ryan Brown)

- **Top Row – Left Photo:** CC Bill Pope serves as Master of Ceremonies. **Right Photo:** Richard Staley reads Gen. John A. Logan's General Order No. 11.
- **Middle Row – Left Photo:** Diane Wetzel & John Stolp carry the Civil War wreath. **Right Photo:** Mary & Randall Sessler carry the Spanish-American War wreath.
- **Bottom Row – Left Photo:** Paul Lavrischeff & Frank Avila render a salute after raising the flag to full staff. **Right Photo:** L-R: Paul Lavrischeff, Rachele Campbell, Dan Bunnell, Rick LaRosa, Richard Staley, Emelia Campbell, Diane Wetzel, John Stolp, Bill Pope, Riley Brown, Frank Avila, & Linn Malaznik.

# MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES



Annual Civil War  
Battles & Encampment  
Roaring Camp Railroad  
Felton, California

**Top Photo:** Rachelle & Emelia Campbell with two Bro. Joseph Marti's daughters.  
(Photo by Joseph Marti)

**Bottom Photo:** Emelia Campbell & Riley Brown take a tea break.  
(Photo by Ryan Brown)



**Middle Photo #1:** Tad Campbell.

**Middle Photo #2:** Tad Campbell is dwarfed by the redwood trees.

**Middle Photo #3:** Emelia Campbell waits for the steam locomotive to pass.

(Photos by Tad Campbell)

# Event Schedule

## **January 21, 2017**

Installation Banquet  
Old City Hall Restaurant, Gilroy, California

## **January 28, 2017**

Fort Point Open House  
San Francisco, California

## **February 4, 2017**

Four Chaplains Ceremony  
St. Frances Cabrini Church, San José, California

## **February 25, 2017**

Lincoln Birthday Dinner  
Cup and Saucer Restaurant, San José, California

## **March 17-18, 2017**

Department Encampment  
Bakersfield, California

## **May 13, 2017**

Camp & Auxiliary Meeting  
Oak Hill Memorial Park, San José, California

## **May 27-28, 2017**

Information Booth  
36<sup>th</sup> Annual Civil War Battles &  
Encampment  
Roaring Camp Railroads, Felton, California

## **May 29, 2017**

Memorial Day & Decoration Day  
Ceremonies  
Oak Hill Memorial Park, San José, California



## **June 24, 2017**

Camp & Auxiliary Meeting  
Oak Hill Memorial Park, San José, California

## **July 4, 2017**

Independence Day Parade  
Monterey, California

## **July 30, 2017**

UVC Flag Lowering Ceremony  
Oak Hill Memorial Park, San José, California

## **August 10-13, 2017**

National Encampment  
Lansing, Michigan

## **September 9, 2017**

Blue-Gray Banquet  
Sacramento, California

## **September 16, 2017**

Camp & Auxiliary Meeting  
*Location TBA*

## **November 4, 2017**

Camp & Auxiliary Election Meeting  
*Location TBA*

## **November 11, 2017**

Veterans Day  
*Activities TBA*

## **November 19, 2017**

Remembrance Day  
*Activities TBA*

***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)

***NEXT MEETING:*** Saturday, September 16, 2017 at 10:00 am  
***LOCATION:*** To be announced

## *Officers for 2017-2018*

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

Commander ..... William H. Pope  
 Senior Vice Commander ..... Paul E. Lavrischeff  
 Junior Vice Commander ..... Randall J. Sessler  
 Secretary ..... Tad D. Campbell, PCinC  
 Treasurer ..... Thomas T. Graham, PDC  
 Council ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC  
 Council ..... Frank C. Avila, PCC  
 Council ..... John E. Stolp, PCC

Patriotic Instructor ..... John G. Jensen  
 Chaplain ..... Daniel M. Bunnell, PDC  
 Historian ..... John E. Stolp, PCC  
 Counselor ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC  
 Guide ..... VACANT  
 Guard ..... Michael C. Sanders  
 Color Bearer ..... Frank C. Avila, PCC  
 Graves Registration Officer ..... Kenneth G. Felton  
 Civil War Memorials Officer ..... John E. Stolp, PCC  
 Eagle Scout Cert. Coord. .... VACANT  
 Legislative Officer ..... Daniel R. Earl, PCC  
 Newsletter Editor ..... Tad D. Campbell, PCinC  
 Signals Officer ..... Tad D. Campbell, PCinC  
 Musician ..... Christopher C. Avila  
 Musician ..... James M. Welch

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

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

Counselor ..... Tad D. Campbell, PCinC  
 Signals Officer ..... Tad D. Campbell, PCinC

#### ***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***  
<http://www.suvcw.org/aux/aux52.html>

***SUVCW National Organization***  
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