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Department News

78th Anniversary Remembrance Day Ceremony of the Attack on Pearl Harbor December 7, 2019, Phoenix, Arizona



(Sisters front row L-R) Maura Mackowski, Past Margaret Warner Wood Tent No 1 DUVCW President; Ayla Booth, National Junior WRC President; LaVerne Reynolds, Picacho Peak Auxiliary No. 1; Judy Brown Aide to National ASUVCW President; Wanda Langdon, National ASUVCW President; Jessica Booth, National WRC President; Sandra Millin, National DUVCW President; Verna Maleski, DUVCW National Patriotic Instructor (and National WRC Inspector General); Ginger Trokey, Margaret Warner Wood Tent No 1 DUVCW President; Ellen Higgins, WRC National Chaplain (and Past National DUVCW President); Hannah Nichols, Suzie King Taylor No. 4 WRC Corps Color Bearer; Susan Burke, Margaret Warner Wood Tent No 1 DUVCW Patriotic Instructor; Brothers back (L-R) Avery Frantz, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 Graves Registration Officer; Dan Huskisson, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 Guide; Jeff Burgess, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1Commander; David Swanson, Department of the Southwest Past Department Commander; George White, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1; and Jerry Bloom Department of the Southwest Commander. (Not shown, but in David Kampf, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 Guard; and Kerry Langdon, Department of Ohio Past Department Commander)

Department of the Southwest Annual Encampment—April 17-18, 2020

The Fourth Annual Encampment of the Department of the Southwest will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with a reception to be held the evening before on Friday, April 17th between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

The location for both events is the Embassy Suites, 2630 E. Camelback Rd, Phoenix.

All of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic are also invited.

You do not have to be an officer or a delegate to attend. This is our only annual meeting and all Brothers and wives are more than welcome and encouraged to attend.

We will have a silent auction and above all we will have a nice meeting room and time for social interaction as well as a very nice reception the evening before. The reception will include an open bar, hot hors d'oeuvres and entertainment.

The cost is \$25 per person (or \$45 per couple) which includes lunch, drinks, tax, tip and the reception on the 17th!

An invitation is attached to this newsletter. Please fill it out and send it in, at your earliest convenience, to Department Secretary/Treasurer Dale Enlow—see the invitation for more information.

Hotel rooms: The Department has a block of rooms on hold at the Quality Inn/Suburban Extended Stay Hotel, 4727 E. Thomas Rd, Phoenix, for check in on the 17th. The rates are \$86.05 for a double room and \$90.56 for a King room. Phone 602-956-6500 and be sure to mention that you are with the Department of the Southwest. You *might* save some money by booking on your own online at Choicehotels.com.

Should you have any questions please contact Dept. of the Southwest Commander Jerry Bloom at 602-955-3091; Jerrybloom@q.com and he will attempt to answer them or find somebody who can!

78th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day— December 7, 2019—All five Allied Orders in attendance for the third year in a row!

Representatives from all five Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic (including three national presidents) were in attendance at the 78th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony held near the guns of the USS Arizona and the USS Missouri at the Wesley Bolin Plaza in Phoenix on December 7, 2019. (The guns represent the beginning and the end of World War II.)

Those in attendance were: National WRC President Jessica Booth, National DUVCW President Sandra Millin, National ASUVCW President Wanda Langdon, SUVCW Department of the Southwest Commander Jerry Bloom and Past Department Commander of Ohio, Kerry Langdon. Also present and representing the Department of the Southwest were: David Swanson, PDC, Jeff Burgess CC, Brothers George White, Avery Frantz, David Kampf and Dan Huskisson. Representatives from Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Lew Wallace Circle No.77 were also present with Sister Maura Mackowski being the wreath bearer. Many Sisters of the Allied Orders in Arizona were also in attendance.

As a note, of the 83 wreaths that were presented by various organizations throughout Arizona, the Allied Orders presented 9!

A special thanks to Sister Verna Maleski who has championed and organized the Allied Orders' participation in this annual event!



Sandra Millin, National DUVCW President and Picacho Peak Camp Guard David Kampf



Jessica Booth, National WRC President and Picacho Peak Camp Graves Registration Officer Avery Frantz



(R-L) National ASUVCW President Wanda Langdon, SUVCW Department of Ohio PDC Kerry Langdon, Maura Mackowski and Department of the SW Brother George White.



Ginger Trokey, Margaret Warner Wood Tent No 1 DUVCW President and Picacho Peak Camp Guide Dan Huskisson



Susan Burke, Margaret Warner Wood Tent No 1 DUVCW Patriotic Instructor and her father Department of the Southwest Commander Jerry Bloom



David Swanson, PDC representing the Gen U. S. Grant Camp and Verna Maleski, DUVCW National Patriotic Instructor (and National WRC Inspector General)



USS Arizona anchor at the Wesley Bolin Plaza



(L-R) guns from Battleships USS Arizona and USS Missouri—the beginning and end of World War II

Department Union Civil War ancestor videos on the website

Our tireless *Department Graves Registration Officer* David Jackson has done an outstanding job in making videos of the Civil War ancestors of each of

the three Camps. This includes pictures, burial information (if known) and service information. https://suvcw-southwest.org/picacho-peak-camp-1/ https://suvcw-southwest.org/minty-camp-2/ https://suvcw-southwest.org/grant-camp-3/

He also made a video about the history of the GAR in Arizona: § https://suvcw-southwest.org/arizona-gar/

A special "Thank You" to Brother David Jackson for all of his time and effort!

Susie King Taylor Corps No 4, Woman's Relief Corps—inaugural meeting and installation

On December 7, 2019, the inaugural meeting and installation of the Suzie King Taylor Woman's Relief Corps No. 4 was held at the Bluewater Grill, 1720 E. Camelback Rd, Phoenix, Arizona.

National WRC President Jessica Booth presided at the meeting. Representatives from the Department of the Southwest were: Jerry Bloom, DC; David Swanson. PDC; Picacho Peak Camp Brothers Jeff Burgess, CC and George White JVC.

Organizational efforts underway to form the Captain Alexander McRae Camp No 4 in Albuquerque

David Swanson PDC has received approval from National to organize the McRae Camp in Albuquerque and efforts are underway. If successful, this will be the first Camp in the state.



Camp News

Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 (Phoenix)

Chartered on May 11, 1996, as the first Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of February, May, August, and November at the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, 702 W. Deer Valley Rd, Phoenix. Contact: Commander Jeff Burgess (602) 819-0795; jeffreydavidburgess@gmail.com or Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Bloom (602) 955-3091; jerrybloom@q.com

Past Camp Commanders:

Larry Fuller 1995-2003 †
David A. Swanson 2003-2006
Robert Hannon 2006-2008 †
John R. Conrad 2008-2010
David A. Swanson 2010-2013
John R. Conrad 2013-2015
Gerald N. Bloom 2015-2016
Jim Heller 2016-2018
Jeff Burgess 2019-

In Memorial

Brother Ronald A. McCreery, a long time member of the Picacho Peak Camp passed away on December 11, 2018 in Gilbert, Arizona.

The November 16, 2019, Camp meeting was opened at Noon by camp Commander Jeff Burgess. Camp Business

Opening Comments Verna Griffith (Camp Auxiliary) was recognized in attendance.

Officer Reports

Camp Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Bloom reported that the Camp's finances are in good health.

Camp Graves Registration Officer Avery Frantz provided an update on the gravestone dedication ceremony he was planning at Tempe's Double Butte Cemetery for Union veteran Jared Riker. He will notify the Camp of the date as soon as he gets it setup. He is looking for someone to play "Taps" at the ceremony. Department JROTC Coordinator Bob Archibald reported that the U.S. Air Force had rescinded a recent regulation that no member could wear "ancestry based" medals or badges on their uniforms.

2020 Department Encampment

Attendees were reminded of the Department's April 17-18 annual encampment at Embassy Suites, 2630 E. Camelback Rd, in Phoenix.

Old Business

The new Dept. of the SW business cards, designed by Camp Council Kenneth Hooker, is still undergoing review by the national office, per brother Bloom.

New Business

Department Graves Registration Officer David Jackson reported that he had completed multiple videos for the Department's website. He has made a video about the ancestors of all three camps: https://suvcw-southwest.org/picacho-peak-camp-1/ https://suvcw-southwest.org/minty-camp-2/ https://suvcw-southwest.org/grant-camp-3/

He also made a video about the history of the GAR in Arizona: § https://suvcw-southwest.org/arizona-gar/ Verna Griffith discussed the details of the December 7th Pearl Harbor memorial ceremony at the state capitol and encouraged everybody to attend. She received commitments to attend from multiple attendees.

Election and installation of Officers

The following officers for 2020-2021 were elected and installed by Department Commander Jerry Bloom:

Commander: Jeffery D. Burgess

Senior Vice Commander: Jim Heller PCC Junior Vice Commander: Todd Hoffay Secretary/Treasurer: Jerry Bloom PCC Assistant Secretary/Treasurer: Ronald Gray

Camp Council: John Conrad PCC,

David Swanson PCC, and Kenneth Hooker

Officers appointed:

Patriotic Instructor: John Conrad PDC

Chaplain: Jim Heller PCC Historian: David Swanson PCC

Counselor: Jan Huber
Guide: Dan Huskisson
Color Bearer: David Vessels
Charles David Vessels

Guard: David Kampf

Delegates elected to 2020 Department Encampment

Brothers Dan Huskisson and Ken Hooker were elected as delegates to the 2020 Department

Encampment.



2020 officers (L-R) Ken Hooker, Todd Hoffay, Ron Gray, Jerry Bloom, Jim Heller, Jeff Burgess, Dan Huskisson and Dave Kampf

New Camp Brothers

Department Commander Jerry Bloom conducted the initiation ceremony for new members John Kind, and his nephew Richard Kind. New brother John Kind spoke movingly about his ancestor's service and death in the Civil War.

<u>The following five family members</u> are now Brothers in the SUVCW and our Camp! Their Union Civil War ancestor is William Templeton Campbell, Co. M, 2nd Pennsylvania Cavalry

John A. Kind of El Paso, Texas (G-G-G grandfather)

Richard E. Kind of Chandler, AZ (G-G-G grandfather)

Michael A. Kind of El Paso, Texas (G-G-G-grandfather)

William C. Kind of El Paso, Texas (G-G-G-grandfather)

And 8 year old Junior Brother Athan D. Kind (G-G-G-G-grandfather)



(L-R) Richard Kind, John Kind and Dept Cmdr Jerry Bloom

Featured Speaker—Brother John Rogers discussed his research about Millard Lyon(s) (Kuh chu), a private in Company C, 1st Arizona Infantry, and the importance of Pima volunteers in the Union Army.

Upcoming Events

2020 Camp meetings:

All Camp meetings will take place at the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, 702 W. Deer Valley Road, Phoenix at noon on the third Saturday of the following months: February (15th), May (16th), August (15th) and November (21st).



General R. H. G. Minty Camp No. 2 (Tucson)

Chartered on July 15, 2015, as the second Campat-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of January, April, July, and October at the Kettle Restaurant, 748 W. Starr Pass Blvd, Tucson. Contact: Commander Robert Irwin; phone 520-743-9983; email: rbirwin@cox.net

Past Camp Commanders: Robert McCord 2015-2016

Randy McNally 2016-2017 Robert Haley 2017-2020

January 18, 2020, Camp Meeting Information

The Camp met at the Kettle Restaurant in Tucson with 18 in attendance, including past Department Commanders Conrad and McCord, Department Commander Bloom, and 3 guests.

Commander Haley opened the camp and minutes from October's meeting were read and approved.

Department Commander Bloom informed the Camp of the April 17 &18 Department Encampment in Phoenix, with a reception on the evening of the 17th and business meeting on the 18th. He also told us of a memorial ceremony he had been invited to attend in what used to be Adamsville, AZ, for Captain Grandville Oury, late of the CSA and one of the 1st Congressmen of the State of Arizona. Adamsville no longer exists only the small cemetery is left.

Commander Bloom also informed of a World Canal Conference being held in Maryland at the end of August celebrating the C&O Canal.

New Brothers

Two transfer members were introduced to the Camp. Ron Hyer from John Auten Camp #8, Department of Indiana (in attendance) and Wesley Sainz from L. L. Mitchell Camp #4, Department of Florida.

A new member was initiated into Minty Camp, Kenneth Virgil of Tucson.



Brother Kenneth Virgil and Camp Commander Robert Haley

Officers installed for 2020-2021

The following Camp Officers were installed to serve for 2020-2021:

Camp Commander – Robert B. Irwin

Sr. Vice Commander – John Lyons

Jr. Vice Commander – Albert Niemeyer

Council Member 1 – Robert D. McCord, PCC, PDC

Council Member 2 – Robert Haley PCC

Council Member 3 – David R. Jackson

Camp Secretary - Randy D. McNally, PCC

Camp Treasurer – Randy D. McNally, PCC

Camp Chaplin – Nicholas P. Farmer

Historian – John Conrad, PDC



2020-21 Officer installation (R-L) Camp Commander Bob Haley, Jim Irwin, John Lyons, Al Niemeyer, Randy McNally, John Conrad (hidden) and Bob McCord

Robert Haley was presented with his Past Camp Commander badge.



(L-R) Newly installed Camp Commander Jim Irwin, Bob Haley PCC and Bob McCord, PCC, PDC

The Camp Meeting was closed by Commander Irwin with the reminder that the next meeting will be 11 April, 2020, 1:00 PM at the Kettle Restaurant.

Upcoming Events

2020 Camp Meeting Dates

All meetings take place at 1:00 p.m. at the Kettle Restaurant, 748 W. Starr Pass Blvd, Tucson. April 11th

Dates for the July and October will be posted at a later date:



General U. S. Grant Camp No. 3 (Flagstaff)

Chartered on September 11, 2015, as the third (and final) Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of January, April, July, and October at the Sizzler Restaurant, 3540 E. Historic Route 66, Flagstaff. Contact Commander Dale Enlow (928) 715-5109; dale_enlow@hotmail.com or Secretary/Treasurer Tim Prater 928-533-1478; timprater86323@gmail.com

Past Camp Commanders:

David A. Swanson 2015-2017 Mark J. Haynes 2017-2019 Dale Enlow 2019-

January 4, 2020, Camp Meeting Information

On January 4, 2020, the General U. S. Grant Camp #3, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War quarterly

meeting was held at Sizzler Restaurant, Route 66, Flagstaff, AZ. The meeting was called to order by Camp Commander Dale Enlow and acting Chaplain Jim Heller invoked the Devine Blessing followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, Statement of the Principles of the Order, and recitation of the Americans Creed.

We were blessed with beautiful, sunny weather and twelve (12) Brothers were present. In attendance: Brothers Dr. Paul Sangster, Rick Stephens, Keith Knotek, Jim Heller, Bill Smith, David Jackson, Department Commander Gerry Bloom, Camp Commander Dale Enlow, Doug Evans, Frank Baker, S/T Tim Prater, and new Brother Jack Berry.

Reports/Announcements/Business

Secretary / Treasurer Brother Tim Prater reported that the Camp treasury is in excellent shape and collection of 2020 Camp dues is 100% complete. What an accomplishment!! He announced the January birthdays of Frank Baker, Keith Knotek, and Jim Laursen. Brothers Dave McCormick and Bob Archibald have been ill and are in need of prayers and well wishes. Tim presented copies of the 2019 quarterly and annual financial reports for review. Well Done!

Brother David Jackson gave a report of the work of he, Avery Frantz, and Tim Prater in researching and obtaining headstones for Union Veterans buried in Arizona. Several headstones have already been installed at the Citizens Cemetery in Prescott and we will plan a dedication of those markers sometime in the spring.

New Brother initiated—Jack Berry, of Prescott, was initiated as a new Brother of US Grant Camp #3, by Commander Enlow and acting Chaplain Jim Heller. Jack was presented his membership certificate, badge, a rosette, and a name tag. He gave a brief introduction to his Union ancestor, Pvt. Abraham Chandler of the 3rd Missouri State Militia Cavalry.



(L) Brother Jack Berry and Camp Commander Dale Enlow

Old Business

Department Commander Gerry Bloom gave an update on the 2020 Department of the Southwest Encampment to be held April 17-18, 2020 at the Embassy Suites Phoenix at Camelback and 24th St.

New Business

Dept. Cmdr. Bloom installed the elected and appointed

Gen'l US Grant 2020 Officers:

Commander: Dale Enlow, Sr. Vice Cmdr: Bill Smith, Jr. Junior Vice Cmdr: Rick Stephens,

Sec/Treas: Tim Prater, Assistant S/T: Keith Knotek, Color Bearer: Bill Smith, Historian: dale enlow,

Memorials officer: David Jackson,

Patriotic Inst: Jim Heller

Council members: David Swanson, Bob

Archibald and David Jackson Chaplain: Gene McCarthy, Counselor: Jim Cates, Guard: Dave Palmateer, Guide: John Ruggles



(L-R) Bill Smith, Rick Stephens, David Jackson, Dale Enlow, Tim Prater, Keith Knotek, and Jim Heller

50th Anniversary Vietnam lapel pins presented

Department Commander Jerry Bloom presented commemorative 50th Anniversary Vietnam War lapel pins to Jack Berry, Frank Baker, Jim Heller, and Tim Prater. Other Camp Brothers not present and awarded pins were: Bob Archibald, John Spencer, Ken Dusenberry, Gene McCarthy, John Ruggles, and David Swanson. The lapel pin gives recognition to Vietnam era Veterans who served in our nation's defense.

Department Commander Jerry Bloom recognized

Tim Prater presented a large book of Civil War photographs to Dept. Cmdr. Jerry Bloom for all of his contributions to our Camp—among which was his dedication as our Camp's first secretary/treasurer, a position he held for many years.



Department Commander and past Camp Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Bloom

Secretary Treasurer Tim Prater recognized

Brother Tim Prater was given a Certificate of Appreciation for his exemplary work as a recruiter of new members and his work in obtaining Civil War veteran headstones for Union veterans buried in the Citizens Cemetery



(L-R) Brother Tim Prater and Dept Cmdr Bloom

Patriotic Instructor Jim Heller gave a presentation about the perseverance of Union drummer boy John Clem.

Presentation



Brother Dr. Paul Sangster was introduced and gave an interesting presentation about his ancestor, Lt. Noah Yoder, 51st OH Vol., who was seriously wounded at the Battle of Stones River.

Closing

Camp Commander Dale Enlow announced the next meeting would be April 4th, 2020. Jim Heller delivered the closing blessing.

Upcoming Events

April 4, 2020, Camp meeting program:

Brother Jim Gates of our Camp will give a talk about: "POW's in the American Civil War; No One's

Finest Hour." Brother Gates is an incredible speaker and this certainly is not a meeting to miss!

2020 Camp Meeting Dates

The 2020 Camp meetings will take place at 1:00 p.m. at the Sizzler Restaurant, 3540 E. Historic Route 66, Flagstaff as follows: April 4th, July 11th and October 3rd. Please mark your calendars!

General News and Information

The Civil War in the Southwest and Captain Alexander McRae

By David A. Swanson

Two of the three Camps composing the Department of the Southwest are named for generals who were conspicuous in their actions during the Civil War: General U. S. Grant (Flagstaff) and General R.H.G. Minty (Tucson). Our Phoenix Camp is named after the skirmish at Picacho Peak (or pass) which occurred in 1862. But, the actual fighting during the Civil War in the Southwest mainly occurred in the territory of New Mexico along the Rio Grande River from Mesilla in the south to Santa Fe (and Glorieta Pass) in the north. Did you know that Mesilla was the capitol of the shortlived Confederate Territory of Arizona? (That's for another time.)

Anyway, in October 1861 Confederate General Henry Sibley and 3,200 Texas troops left San Antonio heading toward El Paso. Once at El Paso the immediate plan was to invade and occupy New Mexico (held by Union forces) by living off the land and following the Rio Grande River north to capture Fort Union in northern New Mexico (with its many supplies). Once that was accomplished it was on to seize the rich mines in the Colorado Territory, head west to Salt Lake City and then take over the ports in San Diego and Los Angeles.

In January 1862 he marched 2,500 of his troops to Mesilla, New Mexico and in February started up the Rio Grande toward Fort Craig (a Union fort some 70 miles north) which he hoped to take over and replenish his army with the supplies held there. Finding the fort unassailable (manned by some 3,800 soldiers—Union troops and New Mexico Volunteer regiments) he decided to draw the troops out by moving around the fort to the north and occupy the Rio Grande ford at Valverde—hoping to draw General Canby out to defend his supply lines—which he did.

On February 21st the battle started. The Union troops had the advantage with artillery, mainly the six guns under the command of Captain Alexander

McRae, but in the afternoon his battery became exposed and with little to no infantry support the Confederates charged killing McRae and seizing the battery. The tide thus turned, Canby retreated back to the fort.

Let's see what Wikipedia has to say about this. "At the beginning of the American Civil War, McRae's father wrote urging him to change sides. Nevertheless Captain McRae retained his commission as a U.S. Army officer and served in the Union Army, while his four brothers fought for the Confederacy. In operations of Colonel Edward Canby in the New Mexico Territory, he was given command of an artillery battery of six guns. On February 21, 1862 he was engaged in the Battle of Valverde, where he was wounded twice then killed defending his guns as they were overrun by Confederate Army troops of the 5th Texas Mounted Rifles Regiment. He died at the age of 32, and was buried at Fort Craig

"In his official report of the Combat of Valverde, Colonel Canby, wrote:

"'Among the killed is one, isolated by peculiar circumstances, whose memory deserves notice from a higher authority than mine. Pure in character, upright in conduct, devoted to his profession, and of a loyalty that was deaf to the seductions of family and friends, Captain McRae died, as he had lived, an example of the best and highest qualities that man can possess.'

"In 1867 his body was exhumed from its grave in New Mexico Territory and carried across the country from Army post to Army post with a hero's escort to be interred at the United States Military Academy Post Cemetery at West Point."

The Union losses were 68 killed and 160 wounded. Confederate losses were 36 killed and 150 wounded.

General Sibley's troops then went on to occupy Albuquerque and Santa Fe but met their Waterloo at the Battle of Glorieta Pass (some 20 miles southeast of Santa Fe) a month later, forcing their retreat back to Texas and ending the Confederate version of "Manifest Destiny."

Past Department Commanders

John R. Conrad 2016-2017 David A. Swanson 2017-2018 Robert D. McCord 2018-2019



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Department of the Southwest Arizona & New Mexico





Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Issues a special Invitation for attendance to its

Fourth Annual Department Encampment to be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020, between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (which includes lunch). Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Embassy Suites, 2630 E. Camelback Rd, Phoenix, Arizona

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All Department Brothers and their spouses are invited along with the all of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Our guest for the Encampment is our old friend Past SUVCW Commander-in-Chief Tad Campbell.

The registration fee is \$25 per person or \$45 per couple which includes the reception on the 17th, and lunch, beverages & dessert during the meeting on the 18th.

Your reservation along with your check must be received on or before Friday, April 10, 2020.

	Please detach and mail
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