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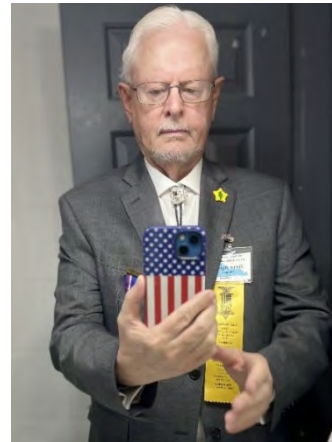
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## Department News

### SUVCW NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY AUGUST 1-3, 2024



(L-R) Department of the Southwest Delegates Brothers Scott Bouchard, PCC W. Mark Clark, and Steve Bigelow (with his very patriotic iPhone!)

### DUVCW NATIONAL CONVENTION SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA JULY 30-AUGUST 4, 2024



30 of our DSW Brothers served as escorts at the convention, including the DC, 6 PDCs, and all 3 current CCs!



(L-R) PDC Ken Hooker, DC Tim Prater, PDC Jerry Bloom, CC Todd Hoffay, PCC Rick Stephens



(L-R) DUVCW National President Verna Maleski and PDC John Conrad

## 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.

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#### 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  
James M. Heller 2016-2018  
Jeffrey D. Burgess 2018-2020  
Kenneth J Hooker 2020-2022



### Picacho Peak Camp Meeting Minutes August 17th, 2024, 11:30am-2:00pm

#### Location:

Mustang Rm. Scottsdale City Library,  
10101 N. 90<sup>th</sup> Street Scottsdale, AZ 85258

#### PPC1 Brothers in attendance:

Scott Martorano, CC Todd Hoffay, PDC Ken Hooker, PDC Jim Heller, Stephen Miller, Dan Huskisson, David Kampf, Joel Normand, Bob Cox, John Rogers, Dominic Cuffel, Doug Krause, Bob Chavez, Bill Orr (Zoom), Randy Owen (Zoom), PDC John Conrad (Zoom), PDC David Swanson (Zoom). A total of 17 Brothers were present meeting the quorum requirement of 6.

#### Guests in attendance:

Jacqueline Miller, Verna Miller (DUVCW), Ginny Smith (DUVCW), Sarah Chavez, Ann Curry (DUVCW), Jeanne Winland (DUVCW), Ginger Trokey (DUVCW), Lorrie Normand.

#### Opening:

Commander Hoffay opened the Joint Meeting of the Picacho Peak Camp No. 1, SUVCW and the Margaret Warner Wood Tent No. 1 DUVCW at 11:28am and Chaplin Heller provided the Invocation followed by all reciting the American's Creed lead by Commander Hoffay and Pledge of Allegiance lead by President Verna Miller.

Commander Hoffay declared the meeting officially open and members of Margaret Warner Wood Tent No. 1, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. On behalf of the DUVCW, President Miller thanked the SUVCW for their support at the recent DUVCW national convention. SVC Hooker followed with a brief overview of the convention and the Camp's participation.

#### Officer Reports:

##### Secretary / Treasurer Martorano (ST):

ST Martorano provided the quorum report announcing that 17 brothers were present (13 in person and 4 via Zoom). He made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from our last meeting as they were published in the department newsletter. The motion was seconded and approved by a voice vote. He detailed the Camp's membership as 59 total members, with 57 regular members, 2 associate members, and 6 life members. The Camp welcomed two new members, Robert G. Chavez and Joel J. Normand to the meeting.

ST Martorano also announced that Brother Jeffrey Burgess had received approval for three supplemental ancestors, and Brother Michael Booth had received approval for two additional supplemental ancestors.

Brother Booth now has 15 Civil War ancestors now listed on the Department of the Southwest Roll of Honor.

Unfortunately, neither Brother Burgess nor Booth were in attendance and the supplemental ancestor certificates were mailed.

Additional announcements included that 2025 dues notices will be sent out in September or October with payments accepted by check or Zelle and that the Camps monthly trivia program has been well received. ST Martorano reported the Camp's current checking account balance of \$2,893.26.

*Senior Vice Commander Hooker (SVC):*  
SVC Hooker provided updates on Brother Burgess's efforts to provide formal and secure email for the Camp and Department Officers. He also discussed changes to the Department newsletter since taking over from Brother Swanson, including a new "Know Your Brother" section featuring member bios which was well received.

*JROTC Coordinator Huskisson:*  
Brother Huskisson provided an overview of the plans for the Camp's 2025 JROTC awards in area high schools, with awards being presented in April and May of 2025. Volunteers to present the awards are welcome and should contact Brother Huskisson.

#### *Old Business:*

Brother Hooker provided an overview of the bench ceremony led by former Brother David Jackson at the Pioneer and Military Memorial Park in Phoenix Arizona, which received local media coverage. Brothers Cox, Hooker, Huskisson, Kampf and Martorano were in attendance.

Commander Hoffay described the supplemental ancestor process and encouraged members to submit applications.

The Camp discussed the eligibility requirements for the SUVCW Military Service badge, with clarification that both members and associates are eligible.

#### *New Business:*

Commander Hoffay shared details of a Patriot's Day parade on September 14th in Williams, Arizona, inviting members to

participate. DUVCW President Maleski updated the Camp on the auxiliary's status, noting it is on the verge of closing due to lack of participation. She encouraged the Camp to help recruit new members. DUVCW President Maleski provided some additional details about the ceremony's held at the DUVCW convention, where Brother John Conrad gave a presentation and presented President Maleski a plaque that was displayed to the group (*see photo above*).

PDC Conrad received the Joshua Chamberlin award from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

#### *New Member Induction:*

Brothers and Joel Norman and Robert Chavez were formally inducted into Picacho Peak Camp and each gave a short presentation on their ancestor.



(L-R) S/T Martorano, Brothers Norman and Chavez, and CC Hoffay

#### *Presentations:*

Brother Bob Cox provided a presentation of his recent trip to New York, Maryland and Winchester, Virginia, sharing his experiences and photos, saying he, in New York, was able to visit Grant's Cottage, the President's home of his last six weeks where he completed his personal memoirs. While visiting family in Maryland, Brother Cox had the opportunity to visit Winchester National Cemetery, Virginia, and the grave of his 2G-uncle, Private F.F. Rice, 28th Iowa Infantry, who died as a result of severe injuries at the Battle of Cedar Creek, Virginia, fought on 19 Oct 1864. Brother Cox has been doing extensive research into Private Rice as well as his half-brother, also killed in the War. Brother Cox will be doing a more in-depth presentation about Private Rice at our November meeting.

Brother David Kampf provided an outstanding presentation on the Ninth Vermont Regiment. Brother

Kampf's presentation was thoroughly researched and provided the details of the regiments' complex and sometimes troubled history. Brother Kampf, an avid collector, supplemented his presentation with the Regiments original handwritten records and artifacts. Brother Kampf detailed the Regiments actions from Harpers Ferry, its assignment to the Camp Douglas prison facility in Chicago, and ultimately its service at the Battle Gettysburg. The membership appreciated this impressively researched presentation.



Commander Hoffay looks on as Brother David gives a passionate, detailed presentation

*Closing of the Camp Meeting:*  
 Brother James Heller, PPC1 Chaplain provided the closing prayer.

*“Our Father in Heaven, we pray You will deal with the events of this meeting as You deem proper and fitting. Please answer the heartfelt prayers of each one of us as permitted in Your perfect will. Preserve us in health, strength and integrity while we remain here and when our mission on earth is ended, take us to a better world. Amen.”*

*Next Camp Meeting:*  
 16 November 2024 11:30am to 2:00pm.  
 The Location will be the Mustang Library  
 10101 N. 90<sup>th</sup> Street Scottsdale, AZ 85258.

**PPC1 Next Meeting**

Next meeting: November 16, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. at the Mustang Library (Reading room), 10101 N. 90th Street, Scottsdale, AZ. Food will not be provided; however, Brothers are certainly welcome to bring their own food and refreshments. We will have officer elections/installation for 2024-2025, so please plan on attending!

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

Chartered on July 15, 2015, as the second Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of January, April, July, and October at a location TDB in Tucson. Contact: **Commander David Swanson**; phone (480) 519-9143; email: swanson1854@yahoo.com or **Secretary/Treasurer John Lyons**; (520) 341-3914; email: lyonsj5257@yahoo.com

***Past Camp Commanders:***

- Robert McCord 2015-2017
- Randy McNally 2017-2018
- Robert Haley 2018-2020
- Robert Irwin 2020-2021
- W. Mark Clark 2021-2023



**October 12, 2024, Camp Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Place: 1510 E. Grant Rd Ward 3 Council Offices.  
 Time: 1200- 1420  
 Attendees:  
 David Swanson, CC, PDC  
 Robert McCord, SVC, PDC  
 W. Mark Clark, Chaplain, PCC  
 John Lyons, S/T  
 Scott Bouchard, JVC  
 Bill Sims, Member  
 John Agner, Member  
 Bill Sisco, Member  
 Bill Blissett, Member  
 Guests:  
 Jan Swanson  
 Shaunna Bouchard  
 Chantel Blissett

Zoom:  
Tim Prater, DC  
John Conrad, PDC

*Opening:*  
(Chaplain's Blessing, American's Creed, Pledge of Allegiance) Commander Tim Prater gave welcome messages from the Department of the Southwest.

*Secretary/Treasurer:*  
Approval of 20 July 2024 Minutes. The minutes were distributed via email on 8 October 2024 to all Brothers. Motion to approve by Chaplain W. Mark Clark seconded by Brother Bill Blissett.

Treasurer's Report: All brothers received the report via email on 8 October 2024. Motion to approve by Bill Sims and seconded by Chaplain W. Mark Clark. Motion approved.

A synopsis of General Orders was distributed to all Brothers, on 7 October 2024.



Meeting space: 1510 E. Grant Rd Ward 3 Council Offices, Tucson, AZ.

*New Member:*  
Initiation of Brother Dennis P Harvey by Camp Commander David Swanson.



New Brother Dennis Harvey and CC Swanson. Welcome Brother Dennis!

*Recruiting:*  
CC Swanson spoke about how we can get involved with other organizations like the SAR & American Legion Posts & putting out Flag Certificates.

*Camp Council:* Nothing to report.

*Committees:*  
Evergreen Cemetery, Chaplain W. Mark Clark brought up the placement of Flags at the GAR Plot. JROTC, Brother Bill Blissett said he is still getting everything together for next year.

*Unfinished Business:*  
National Encampment, Chaplain W. Mark Clark and Brother Scott Bouchard attended in August 2024. They spoke of how the program was presented to the Brothers.

DUVCW National Convention in Phoenix. Commander Swanson gave a presentation at their meeting. Brother John Conrad PDC, also gave a presentation to the forum. The SUVCW had 30 Brothers show up to be used as Escorts. Great showing in support of our sisters!

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, 7 December 2024. Looking for some Minty Camp Brothers to volunteer to be there. The National Commander will be in attendance. Mark Clark said he will take the wreath from Minty Camp to place at the memorial.

*New bank for the Chapter:*  
Brother Bouchard JVC and Assistant Treasurer researched the banks and found that US Bank had the best options for the camp. We will be able to access Zelle for payments to the Camp. It was recommended that we do this after all the dues have been collected for this year.

*New Business:*

Change of meeting time: Brother Blissett brought up having lunch after the meeting. Brother McCord SVC, PDC brought up having a start time of 11:00 and having the meeting on the second Saturday of the month. Brother Lyons will try to do this in December. Brother Bill Blissett volunteered to set up a lunch at a local restaurant for 1:00. Brother Sims brought up the Civil War Round Table club as a source of recruitment.

*Officer Elections:*

Commander- Dr. Robert McCord PDC  
Senior Vice Commander- Scott Bouchard  
Junior Vice Commander- William Sisco  
Secretary Treasurer- John Lyons  
Camp Council, John Conrad PDC, W. Mark Clark PCC Bill Sims.

Election of Officers took place by a motion to approve the slate of officers, it was seconded and met with a vote of approval.

Delegates for Department Encampment: John Lyons, Bill Blissett volunteered.

*Presentation:*

Brother Bill Sims gave a presentation on Civil War Books. He spoke eloquently about the books with a handout of books with additional resources. He brought in an Atlas of Civil war maps and other books of reference and spoke of trips with his father on trips to Gettysburg. He has visited all the major battlefields of the Civil War. An impressive feat, indeed!

*Next meeting.* 11 January 2025 at 11:00 location TBA, pending approval by the host venue

*Closing:* (Chaplain's Benediction, Closing Charge adjournment at 2:20)

*(Note: These minutes are not official until approved at the next camp meeting.)*

**RHGM2 Next Meeting**

Next meeting: **January 11, 2025** at a location TDB. New Camp Officers will be installed, so don't miss it!

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

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 various northern Arizona locations.

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***Past Camp Commanders:***

David A. Swanson 2015-2017 Mark J. Haynes 2017-2019 Dale E. Enlow 2019-2021 William C. Smith 2021-2022 Timothy D. Prater 2022-2023

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### October 5, 2024, meeting minutes

*Opening:*

*Call to Order by Commander Richard Stephens*

A meeting of General U. S. Grant Camp No. 3, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held at the Taverna Moderna Restaurant, Flagstaff, AZ. in person AND virtually via Zoom. The official business meeting was called to order at 12 noon by Camp Commander Richard Stephens and Secretary / Treasurer dale enlow called the roll of Camp Officers with fourteen Officers reporting present. Commander Stephens welcomed guests: David and Linda McKee (NBM for initiation) and Pat Horton. The Commander and Brothers present stated the principles of our Order and stand-in Camp Chaplain David Moore invoked the Devine Blessing. The assembled Brothers and guests offered the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with recitation of the Americans Creed.

*Secretary:*

Fifteen (15) total SUVCW Brothers were present (fulfilling a quorum).

*Attendance:*

Council Member Robert Archibald JR (zoom), Eagle Scout Co-Ordinator Steve Bigelow, PDC John Conrad, S/T & Historian dale enlow PCC, Council / Memorials Avery Frantz, Past Camp Commander Mark Haynes (Zoom), Patriotic Instructor James Heller PDC (zoom), JVC John Horton, new Brother Member David McKee, Dick Melick, Guard/recruiter/ stand-in Chaplain David Moore, Department Commander Tim Prater, SVC Lynn Scott (zoom), Commander Richard Stephens, and Guide David Williamson.

*In Memorium:*

Commander Stephens advised that we are saddened this day at the loss of one of our Camp Brothers, John Spencer. He was the cousin of Department Commander Tim Prater. Commander Prater said a few words about his cousin John. Their grandmothers were sisters. Chaplain Moore offered a Prayer for our lost Brother.

*Illness:*

Acting Chaplain Moore reported that Chaplain Greg Bowers was ill and Brother Richard Rice has been moved to an assisted living facility.

*Birthdays:* Brother Moore then announced the Oct-Nov-Dec birthdays: Bob Archibald 11/15, Greg Bowers 11/12, Dennis DeAtley 12/31, Leonard Enlow 11/29, Avery Frantz 12/31, Mark Haynes 11/26, Vernon Lemke 10/26, David Minton 11/17, David Palmateer 10/2, Tim Prater 12/13, Richard Rice 12/12, and Jackson Steadman 11/17. Happy Birthday, Brothers!

S/T Enlow advised that the minutes of the July Camp meeting had been distributed to all Brothers and no additions or corrections had been received. A motion to approve as distributed was seconded and passed.

*Secretary and Treasurer's Report:*

The 3rd Quarter report has been reviewed and approved by the Council. Checking account balance and ROTC Scholarship fund balances were reported. Camp now stands at 40 total members / 35 Primary. To date four 2025 renewals have been received.

Reading and disposing of orders, communications: S/T Enlow advised there were 4 National General Orders, no Department Orders, and 1 Camp Order issued since our last meeting. All orders have been forwarded to the membership. A summary of each was given.

*Commander: New Member Initiation:*

David McKee NBM David McKee was presented a member's badge, name tag, rosette, members certificate, membership card, and ancestor certificate.

Brother McKee's qualifying ancestor was g-g grandfather Captain Albert Stehley, Co E, 58th OH Vol. INF ....

David then offered a prayer for all Union and Confederate veterans and their families. Welcome Brother and congratulations on the 56th wedding anniversary of you and your wife, Linda! Department Commander then presented a Civil War book to our newest member. A short recess was held and then Brother Moore asked Linda McKee to draw the 50/50 raffle winning ticket. Fittingly the winner was her husband and new member David! He received \$40 and \$40 went into our JROTC Scholarship Fund.



(L-R) CC Stephens, New Brother McKee. Welcome to the order!

*Officer Reports:* JVC John Horton reported on his efforts to contact potential new members.

*Memorials Officer*

Avery Frantz reported on the ongoing saga of the damaged / destroyed Soldiers Memorial in Santa Fe, NM. A lawsuit has been filed against the city of Santa Fe concerning the future of this monument. Sept. 25, 2024: The City Council considers a resolution to explore moving the Plaza obelisk to the Santa Fe National Cemetery, debates various amendments and decides to postpone the matter until Oct. 30.

Sept. 13, 2024: State District Judge Matthew Wilson wraps up a two-day trial in a civil case Union Protectiva de Santa Fe filed against the city and Mayor Alan Webber over the toppling of the Soldiers' Monument. The group alleges Webber violated a state law by calling for the obelisk's removal months ahead of the protest during which it was destroyed.



Wilson says he will issue a ruling at a later date.

#### *Old Business:*

##### *Last Soldier Markers:*

Commander Stephens reported that the markers for Coconino and Yavapai Counties have been installed. We still need markers for Mohave, Navajo and Apache Counties. JVC Horton and Memorials Officer Frantz indicated that the Apache County burial of Corporal Anson C. Damon, was in the Navajo Veterans' Cemetery at Fort Defiance was on tribal lands of the Navajo Nation.

Past Camp Commander Mark Haynes advised he may be able to assist with tribal contacts. A motion was made, seconded and passed for the Camp to go ahead and purchase 3 additional Last Union Soldier bronze markers as the supply is very limited. Williams Patriot Day Parade: Commander Stephens reported that the Camp participated in this event again and was well received. Prescott Veterans Day Parade: The Camp has registered for the November 11th parade and needs members to attend.

Vehicle Banners: tabled until we know more about participation levels for these events.

National Encampment report: Brother Steve Bigelow gave us information on the recent Encampment held at Lexington, KY. He attended as a Delegate from our Camp / Department. As this was his first National, he said it was sometimes confusing to follow the business agenda. Steve thanked Brother John Conrad for his generous assistance with travel. Copies of several documents associated were delivered to Historian Enlow for inclusion in the Department archives.

#### *DUVCW Convention:*

Several Camp Brothers attended the recent DUVCW 133rd National Convention as escorts and color guard. Camp Chaplain Bowers presided over the Prayer Breakfast event.

#### *Draft Resolution:*

The Camp resolution in favor of an amendment to Article IX of the SUVCW Constitution & Regulations (C&R) was distributed and motion made, seconded, and passed. The official copy was signed by Commander Stephens and attested to by S/T Enlow and hand delivered to Department Commander Prater.

#### *Family Discovery Day:*

Brothers from USG3 participated in the recent Family Discovery Day hosted by the Prescott Church of Latter-Day Saints. Sons of Confederate Veterans, Sons of the American Revolution, and Sons of Spanish - American War Veterans were also in attendance.

#### *New Business:*

Charter Location: There was some discussion of the possibility of moving the Camp location from Flagstaff to Prescott. PDC Conrad gave some background information on the creation of the Grant Camp and the Department of the Southwest. S/T Enlow provided some information from the Camp Bylaws that listed the Gen'l US Grant Camp was formed to serve the 5 northern counties of AZ (and northern NM). No real need to change the charter. Discussion ended without a motion.

#### *ROTC/JROTC and Eagle Scout Programs:*

Brothers Prater and Bigelow gave updates on these worthy projects. They reported 18 Eagle Scout awards in the past year and looking like 9 for this year.

*2025 Officer Nominations:* Camp Council member Avery Frantz read the recommended 2025 elected Camp Officer nominees. As there were no additional nominations from the floor a vote to elect the slate of officers presented by the Camp Council was passed unanimously. The 2025 elected Officers of General US Grant Camp No. 3 are as follows and will be installed at the January meeting:

Richard Stephens, Commander,  
Steve Bigelow, SVC,  
Lynn Scott, JVC  
dale enlow Secretary/Treasurer  
Council members: Robert Archibald JR,  
Dennis DeAtley, and John Horton

#### *Upcoming Events:*

Veterans' Day Parade 11/11 Prescott, AZ

#### *"Good of the Order":*

The Camp will offer 2 Marion Prater Memorial Scholarships this year.

Reminder to renew memberships prior to December 31st and to consider "Rounding-Up" to donate to the Scholarship Fund.

Fort Whipple Museum is once again open on Fridays and Saturdays

#### *Presentation:*

Brother Dale Enlow gave a short and sad presentation entitled: "A Letter Home"



courtesy of the Blue and Gray Education Society.

Commander: Our next meeting and officer installation will be on January 4th, 2025 Hassayampa Inn, 122 E Gurley St, Prescott AZ. 11:00 am for lunch, 12:00 for meeting. ZOOM will start at 11:45.

David Moore then delivered the closing prayer and closed the Bible.

**USG3 Next Meeting**

The Grant Camp will meet on January 4th, 2025 Hassayampa Inn, 122 E Gurley St, Prescott AZ. 11:00 am for lunch, 12:00 for meeting. ZOOM will start at 11:45. Officers will be installed, please attend!



Sons of Veterans, U. S. A.  
Camps in Arizona & New Mexico

- 1886
- Grant Camp No. 1 (Flagstaff)
- 1891
- Phil Sheridan Camp No. 9 (Phoenix)
- 1901
- R. H. G. Minty Camp No. 11 (Tucson)
- 1909
- Kit Carson Camp No. 1 (Albuquerque)



SONS OF VETERANS,  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF  
THE CIVIL WAR

## ☞ News from around the Department of the Southwest ☜



“The Four Davids” – (L-R) David Dubell, David Kampf (Brother in Phoenix Camp) David Williamson (Brother in Prescott Camp) David Hampton. Each hashmark represents 5 years of service, that is a lot of years!

Brother John Lyons has been busy as ever giving out SUVCW Patriotic Awards in his community for properly displaying the Flag of the USA! Great job Brother!



Brother Lyons presenting to the Alzheimer's Care Center of Tucson



Life Care center of Tucson



Northwest Hospital

*And now a story from our Brother and Department of the Southwest Graves Registration Officer Avery Franz:*

### Pension for Blood: The Grisly Fate of a 90-Year-Old Union Veteran

By: Avery Frantz

William Green, born on July 12, 1840, in Wisconsin, moved as a young man to Buffalo Prairie, Illinois, where he worked as a farm laborer on a small plot of land valued at \$100. During his time in Buffalo Prairie, he enlisted as a private in Company H, 45th Illinois Infantry, on September 23, 1861. Green served in Tennessee and fought in several significant battles of the Civil War including Shiloh and the Siege of Vicksburg, earning an honorable discharge on December 23, 1864.

Later in life, Green relocated to Arizona, where he rented a modest home at 1306 W Polk St (which still stands today), near the state capitol. As a 90-year-old veteran, he relied on his military pension for support. On the day of his murder, Green cashed his pension check, only to be accompanied by a man who claimed to be heading to a specific address. However, subsequent investigation revealed that the address was fictitious.

Tragically, the man accompanying Green brutally attacked him, smashing his head in with a rock and stealing the \$100 pension he had just cashed. Green's body was then dumped in the desert at what is now the intersection of 19th Avenue and the Grand Canal. His remains, which had been badly scavenged, were discovered three weeks later, alongside the blood-stained rock and tire tracks left in the dirt.

The perpetrator, 43-year-old Ival McCann (also known as Ivan McCann), was arrested for the crime. Notably, McCann had previously been released from prison after serving time for the murder of a health seeker in Arizona. Following his arrest for Green's murder, he initially pleaded not guilty but was ultimately sentenced to life imprisonment. McCann spent the remainder of his life in the Florence Prison, where he died on January 30, 1951.

While William Green rests in an unmarked grave in Greenwood Memory Lawn Cemetery in Phoenix, Arizona, his murderer lies in a marked grave in the Florence Prison Cemetery, with Green's final resting place backing up to a junkyard—a stark reminder of the tragedy and injustice endured by the elderly veteran.



Green Grave (photo by Ralph Chris, 2018)



Ival McCann grave. (Photo by Avery Franz, 2019)

## Department of the Southwest— Officers 2024-2025



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## 2025 Annual Dues Season is here! Dues are now DUE

Brothers, it is that time of the year so please submit your 2025 annual dues to your respective Camp's secretary/treasurer. The dues form is attached to this newsletter—dues are the same for all Camps in the DSW.

**Let's all get our 2025 dues in before December 31st 2024! Send yours in today!**

## 2025 ANNUAL DUES ARE NOW DUE

Please use this form to submit your 2025 dues, if they haven't already been submitted, and mail them to your respective Camp Secretary/Treasurer (mailing information below). Camp dues are the same in all Camps. **Please make every effort to have them in prior to December 31<sup>st</sup>.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### **Regular/Associate Member**

Regular/Associate member primary Camp dues are \$54.00. (Includes National dues \$33, Department dues \$8.00, and Camp dues \$13.)

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Regular/Associate Dual Member (Department of the Southwest)**

If you are a Regular/Associate member in two or more Camps, dues are \$54 to your primary Camp and \$46 to each of the other Camps to which you belong. (Department dues of \$8.00 are only applicable for your primary Camp).

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Life Member**

Life Member primary Camp dues are \$21. (Life members are exempt from National dues and only pay Department and Camp dues).

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Life Dual Member**

If you are a Life member and also a Dual member in one or more Camps (excluding your primary Camp) dues are \$13.00 for each additional Camp to which you belong. (You pay no National or Department dues to Camps other than the primary Camp.)

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Junior Member**

Junior member dues are \$18 (\$10 Camp dues and \$8.00 Department dues)

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Primary Department other than the Department of the Southwest (DSW)**

If your primary membership is in a Department other than the Southwest dues are \$54.00. (Includes National dues \$33, Department dues \$8.00, and Camp dues \$13.) If you are a Life Member dues are \$21.00 (Life members are exempt from National dues and only pay Department and Camp dues).

Dues enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **Please make your check payable to your respective Camp/s and mail as indicated.**

**Note: For Picacho Dues only**—you have the option of mailing dues or using Zelle. If using Zelle, transfer funds to hooker56@gmail.com. In the notes section place: "SUV CW PCC 1 dues." This will transfer dues directly to the Camp account.

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