

# Committee Reports

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## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2014-2015


There were three major issues that were addressed by the committee this past year. They were A) Grant's Cottage B) Restoration of Civil War battle flags and C) the USS Monitor Museum.

Concerns were expressed about the status of Grant's Cottage State Park which is on the grounds of a correctional facility located in Saratoga County. The correctional facility was closed by the State of New York while the state continued to service the cottage on a seasonal basis. In discussion with officials in Albany, it appears that the cottage will continue to operate and that plans are in the works to keep it running as a state park but that the details of such a plan continue to be worked out.

As many of our brothers know, New York State has one of the largest collections of Civil War battle flags in the country. A percentage of them were restored and preserved as part of a one-shot infusion of money from the state budget several years ago. The SUVCW continues to keep the issue before the legislature so that the work can continue and the needed funds be obtained.

The USS Monitor Museum remains one of the primary interests of the Tilden Camp in New York City as the historic site for the construction of the ironclad lies in Greenpoint, Brooklyn. According to NY Department Commander Weinmann, meetings have been held with the appropriate city and state officials in order to gain support from the Brooklyn Borough President for the project and protect it from the threat of eminent domain. Kudos go out to the Tilden Camp for their efforts in this regard!

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Paul F. Ellis-Graham, PCC, SVC  
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# Department of New York, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## *“Rally Round the Flags Committee”*

Committee

Richard E. Straight, Chairman, Camp # 154

Vincent M. Jockimo, Camp # 154

Leo McGuire, CC Camp # 154

May 2, 2015

Dear Commander Weinmann and Brothers of the Department of New York,

The “Rally Round the Flags Committee” was established pursuant to Department Order number 3, dated June 7, 2014 in accordance with a resolution adopted at the 131<sup>st</sup> Encampment of the Department of New York held in Rochester, NY, in May of 2014.

In accordance with that resolution, the committee has been working toward that goal of restoring funding that will provide the money needed for the preservation and creation of a flag archive for the conservation, storage and study of New York State Battle Flag Collection. The committee decided that its first objective would be to seek out both a state Senator and Assemblyman that together would work with the our flag committee to meet the criteria of the “Rally Round the Flags” resolution the Department passed at the last meeting.

Once we have secured our Champions in both the Assembly and Senate, their staffs will have an opportunity to investigate the present Flag Preservation Project. They can peruse the problems that have disrupted the project and associated funding over the last several years. We can then move forward in seeking the funding needed to continue and bring this project to fruition.

Our committee met in August to work on our course of action in approaching legislative support. We decided to table our quest until after November, as all seats in the Senate and Assembly were up for election or re-election.



On March 5, 2015, I contacted Senator George A. Amedore Jr. through a mutual friend about the Sons flag project and asked if he would be interested in supporting our mission in working toward the preservation and archiving of the New York State Battle Flag Collection. I included a copy of the "Rally Round the Flag" presentation and the adopted resolution. Subsequently, I was contacted by Senator Amedore's, Legislative Director, Kaitlyn MacLeod, that our appeal for support was being considered by the Senator's office.

On April 27, 2015, I received the following letter.

From the office of Senator George A. Amedore Jr.

I trust that our future committee meetings with Senator Amedore's office will be successful in finding the recommendations and proposals needed to ensure that we succeed with our noble cause. We still need to secure support in the assembly and the committee would appreciate any input fellow brothers could offer.

Respectfully submitted,

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Richard E. Straight,  
  
Committee Chairman

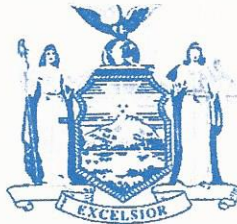
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April 27, 2015

Dear Richard,

Thank you for taking the time to write to me in regards to the Flag Preservation Project. It is proactive citizens such as you that allow me to best represent our communities.

I have asked my office to research ways in which I can help support the Flag Preservation Project. New York State is lucky in that it has been able to retain such a large collection of Battle Flags from the Civil War. It is our obligation to our ancestors that we remember the sacrifice that they made and preserve these artifacts.

I look forward to working with you and your organization in discovering the best way to support and promote the Flag Preservation project.

Sincerely,

George A. Amedore, Jr.  
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# Camp Reports



# SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

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## Camp Report

132nd New York Department Encampment  
May 1-3, 2015 Saratoga Springs, New York

## Camp Activities

Dear Department & Camp Officers and members:

It is my pleasure as camp commander to give Captain Oliver Tilden Camp #26 camp report to the New York Department, SUVCW in Saratoga Springs New York.

May 2-4, 2014, (Fri.—Sat.) 131th New York Department Encampment, Holliday Inn, Rochester, NY. Bro. Weinmann was elected New York Department Commander.

On Dec. 13, 2013, The Greenpoint Monitor Museum was given a classroom at PS 110 "The Monitor School" to be used for "Road Show" and teaching purposes. The museum and the Sons were also given full access to the auditorium. The 2013-14 Road Show started.

May 21, 2014 (Wed.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - John Ericsson 126 Middle School — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

May 25, 2014 (Sun.) Greenpoint Memorial Day Parade. 9:00 AM Sponsored By St. Stan's Memorial American Legion Post #1771. Commander Weinmann read a Proclamation to the Post on behalf of the Mayor's Office of Veterans Affairs. Terrence Holliday and Bill De Blasio, Mayor of New York.

Food and refreshments were provided by the Post.

May 26, 2014 (Mon.) Leading Honor Guard for Memorial Day Ceremony at Soldiers' & Sailors' Monument at Riverside Park at 89th Street in Manhattan.

June 4, 2014 (Wed.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - St. Stanislaus Kostka School — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

June 5, 2014 (Thur.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

June 12, 2014 (Thur.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - PS 161M School — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

June 13, 2014 (Fri.) Color Guard at PS 34 Flag Day celebration at 10:00 AM.

June 16, 2014 (Mon.) Flag Day Parade. 12:00 PM City Hall Park in lower Manhattan. Sons of the Revolution hosted the event.

June 17, 2014 (Tue.) CW Program Lee Road Elementary School Wantagh NY John Portanova PCC

June 19, 2014 (Thur.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - PS 110 School — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

June 20, 2014 (Fri.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - PS 110 School — George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

Jun. 28, 29, 2014, Eagle Scout ceremonies. SUVCW Eagle Scout certificates to Timothy P. Messmer in Merrick, NY & Liam Daniel Touhy in Seaford, NY. John P. Portanova, PCC & John A. Portanova.

July 4, 2014, (Fri.) Greenpoint Monitor Museum 4th of July Macy's Fireworks Party at the USS Monitor's launch site on the museum's land. Installation of Officers was performed. CC Weinmann, SVC A. Kirmss, JVC Rand, Secretary Wildenberger, Treasurer Bond, Camp Council 1. Portanova 2. Lirio 3. Goret.

July 12, 2014 (Sat.) City of Water Day, Governors Island, NY Harbor. Camp had a table of artifacts



setup with the Greenpoint Monitor Museum.

July 17, 2014— Color Guard for Award Ceremony for the U. S. Army Corps. of Engineers.

August 14-17, 2014 (Thur.-Sun.) 132nd National Encampment, SUVCW, Marietta, Georgia. Commander George J. & Janice Weinmann attended the encampment.

Aug. 24, 2014 (Sun.) 238th Anniversary of the Battle of Brooklyn, Green-wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY. Sons of the Revolution hosted the event.

Sept. 24, 2014 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Speaker: Commander George J. and Janice Weinmann. The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Grant Proposal to develop its land where it shares the launch site of the USS Monitor.

Oct. 10, 2014 (Fri.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum Road Show - PS 31 School, George J. Weinmann, CC, Sister Janice Weinmann, & Arthur Kirmss.

Oct. 29, 2014 (Wed) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Speaker: Commander George J. Weinmann. Oliver Tilden Camp's move from the 3rd Floor at 346 Broadway, to the Municipal Building, NY, NY. Mayor's Office of Veterans' Affairs plan to move sometime in 2015.

Nov. 2014 (Thur.) Memorial Ceremony at Capt. Oliver Tilden grave site and Oliver Tilden Post Civil War Veterans grave site, Wood-lawn, Cemetery, Bronx, NY.

Nov. 8, 2014 (Sat.) Greenpoint Monitor Museum "Road Show Award Ceremony." — PS 110 the Monitor School at 124 Monitor St., Greenpoint, Brooklyn. Again the event was very successful that involved children and their parents from all the "Road Show" schools that were visited during the school year. Awards were given to students that submitted Civil War drawings, paintings, models and letters.

Nov. 9, 2014 (Sun.) 4:00 PM Blessing of the Flags Ceremony, St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue at 53rd St., NY, NY.

Nov. 22, 2014 (Sat.) Remembrance Day Parade and SVR breakfast Attended by Commander George J. Weinmann & Janice Weinmann.

Dec. 6, 2014 (Sat.) Tilden Camp Christmas Party. The Trinity-St Andrew's Lutheran Church, Maspeth, Queens, NY.

Dec. 14, 2014 (Sun.) Moses Baldwin Camp Christmas Party.

Jan. 30, 2015 (Fri.) National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) visited PS 110 "The Monitor School" in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, NY. NOAA gave a presentation to the schoolchildren in the auditorium on the discovery, conservation and National Marine Sanctuary of the USS Monitor. NOAA gave the museum a piece of coal from the USS Monitor. I accepted the coal on behalf of the museum, which added it to their Civil War collection for all the children to enjoy.

Jan. 23, 2015 (Fri) Greenpoint Monitor Museum "Road Show Award Ceremony." — PS 110 the Monitor School at 124 Monitor St.

Jan. 26, 2015 (Mon.) Greenpoint Monitor Museum "Road Show Award Ceremony." — PS 110 the Monitor School at 124 Monitor St.

Jan. 30, 2015 (Fri.) The Greenpoint Monitor Museum set up an afternoon meeting with the Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams and Deputy President Diana Reyna at their Brooklyn Borough Hall office. Tilden Camp, NOAA, along with members of local community organizations and politicians were there to give the museum support.

Feb. 25, 2015 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Speaker: SVC Arthur Kirmss Topic: 13th New Jersey Vol. Inf.

Mar. 13, 2015 (Fri.) Greenpoint Monitor Museum "Road Show Award Ceremony." Queen of the Rosary Academy at PS 110 School.

Mar. 25, 2015 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Speaker: Camp Sgt-at-Arms John Baxter Gregor Topic: My Civil War ancestor, Pvt. Luther Lebar Clark, Co. C, 29th Ohio Vol.

Apr. 2, 2015 (Thur.) Greenpoint Monitor Museum "Road Show" — PS 161M—at PS 110 Monitor School.

Apr. 9, 2015 (Thur.) Grant National Monument—150th Anniversary of the End of the Civil War.

April 26, 2015 (Sun.) Annual Grant Birthday Commemoration at Grant's Tomb located at 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan, NY. Many national and department officers and members of the Allied Orders were present. We were honored to have both National Commander-in-Chief Tad Campbell and National Auxiliary President Rachelle Campbell in attendance. Our keynote speaker was Commander-in-Chief Waldron K. Post, II, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. Many National, Department and camp members from the SUVCW, Aux. & DUVCW participated the ceremony. Many Patriotic and historic organizations attended the event. Members of the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Archibald Gracie Camp #985 Sons of Confederate Veterans were in attendance.

May 29, 2015, (Fri.) NOAA is set to place a USS Monitor Trail Sign on the Greenpoint Monitor Museum's land in Greenpoint, Brooklyn, NY. The placement of the sign will designate the importance in history as the building and launch site of the USS Monitor. The trail sign will be the first in New York State. There will be other signs to follow throughout New York State. NOAA is working closely with the Monitor Museum, Oliver Tilden Camp #26, NYC and Co. I, 83rd NYVI, SVR on the placement of the USS Monitor Trail Signs.

There will also be a History Fair at the local Brooklyn Expo Center. Government Agencies, Historic & Patriotic organizations and local schools will have display tables. The event is an all day event and is free to the public.

As reported in the past, Tilden camp is still working on new headstone dedications at All Faiths Lutheran, Evergreen and Mt. Olivet Cemeteries in Queens and Brooklyn, NY. Many headstone applications have been put on hold because of new government headstone regulations. The camp still plans on marking the graves with new government headstones for CW veterans located in our local cemeteries. We have a headstone dedication planned to take place in November 2015 at Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery in Queens.

There is no update on the NY Civil War Monument located in Calvary Cemetery, Queens, NY, but the camp still keeps an eye on it. We are continuing to work with the Greenpoint Monitor Museum to develop its land for the public to visit and to learn about the USS Monitor, John Ericsson's work with solar energy, the Civil War, neighborhood history, GAR and the SUVCW. NOAA has provided Grant money for the museum's education program on its land and plans to help the museum with a new website. The museum has applied for funding from a 19.5 million dollar lawsuit won by the Greenpoint community against Mobil Oil. The project includes a new shoreline to protect from future flooding as had occurred during Sandy, new soil and a floating dock to be used by NOAA's USS Monitor National Marine Sanctuary's research vessel. Oliver Tilden Camp Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator John Portanova, PCC reports that 11 Eagle Scout Certificates were given out this year by the camp. This concludes my Captain Oliver Tilden Camp #26 camp report.

Yours in,  
Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
George J. Weinmann, PCC  
Commander





SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
WALTER H. FRENCH CAMP #17

18 April 2015

Department Commander George Weinmann,

It is with pleasure that I report to you and our fellow Brothers the last year activities from the Walter H. French Camp #17.

17 May 2014 the French Camp participated Watertown, NY in the Armed Forces Day Parade. CC Robert Roshia II, Brothers Bill Bamann, Rick Holley, and Jeffrey French Attended.

26 May 2014 the French Camp participated in Copenhagen, NY Memorial Day Parade. CC Robert Roshia II, Brother John Goloski, Brother Bill Bamann, and Brother Jeffrey French attended.

15 April 2015 the French Camp did Civil War education for Watertown Faith Fellowship School 8th grade History Class by Brother Jeffrey French.

The French Camp future projects are headstones for Civil War Veterans at Antwerp and Tylerville Cemeteries, fundraising for more GAR Flag Holders and North Watertown Cemetery statue restoration.

Respectively,  
Yours in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty  
Brother Robert N. Roshia II  
Camp Commander  
Walter H. French Camp #17  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

YOURS IN FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY

TO: Department Commander George Weinmann  
FROM: Commander Jon Smith  
Re: Sydney Camp #41  
Report for January 1-May 1, 2015

A new format for the monthly meetings will have us completing the reports and proceeding directly to any programs by the Patriotic Instructor and others. The idea is to make the meetings more interesting and attracting.

Leading off, Cdr. Smith described the Whitworth rifle. The inventor was Englishman, Sir Joseph Whitworth (1803-1887). Of an estimated fifty second quality Whitmore rifles imported by the Confederate Government, only nineteen examples are known to survive today.

Another excellent program at the meeting was Jamie Drader whose ancestor fought with the 137<sup>th</sup> NYSV particularly at Gettysburg at Culps Hill and survived the war.

In other business - Discussions have started with local historian, Gayle Mazourek who writes short reports of local interest placed in our local newspapers (as many as nine papers) to submit occasional reports about Sydney Camp to these papers. A preliminary sample has been submitted to her.

Cdr. Smith will present a program on the Bald Hill Community at the May meeting.

Brothers Jones, Wheaton and Wheeler have served on the Tompkins County Sesquicentennial Commission since its founding in 1861.

Brothers Jones and Wheeler have served in establishing a new camp - Hicks Camp in Fulton, New York.

Yours in F, C and L    Ralph Jones -



## **Annual Camp Report**

**Report from the Commander of the Admiral John L. Worden Camp 150  
Activities from 05/2014- 05/2015**

**April 26, 2015**

**Commander Weinmann,**

**As this year's Camp Commander of the Admiral John L. Worden Camp 150, it is my honor to report that the Camp has continued to maintain the principles of the fraternity.**

- \* Six Admiral Worden Camp brothers attended a Memorial Day weekend service at the Mt. Hope Cemetery.**
- \* Admiral Worden Camp members attended and participated in the Philipstown Community Fourth of July Service, receiving favorable press in the local paper highlighting the Camp's participation.**
- \* The Admiral John L. Worden Camp approved a \$100 sponsorship to the Friends of General Grant's Cottage in Glenn Falls, NY. A \$200 donation was also given in support of the Lincoln Depot Museum in Peekskill, NY. \$300 was raised to purchase 2 GAR Highway signs to be placed by the City of Peekskill and attended the dedication service for that event.**
- \*The Admiral John L. Worden Camp has actively maintained a Facebook site and has 134 followers, up 89 likes from the year before**
- \*Two Admiral Worden Members attended the Lincoln Society of Peekskill commemoration of Lincoln's visit and the Camp Commander attended the annual Ball.**
- \* The Annual John L. Worden/ Col. Ketchum Banquet was held in January 2015 at Mary Kellys in Beacon, NY. Eight SUVCW Brothers, including the Department Commander with twelve invited guests attending the luncheon.**
- \* Camp 150 has gained three new regular members this year.**
- \*Admiral John L. Worden death date was observed October 18<sup>th</sup> 2014 with seven members in attendance and twenty guests present.**
- \* Four Adm. Worden Camp 150 brothers of the Admiral Worden Camp attended the 193<sup>nd</sup> birthday celebration of U. S. Grant at Grant's Tomb NYC April , 2015 & a wreath was placed by its members at the tomb.**

**Yours in F,C & L,**



**Matthew J. Hereford, PCC Admiral John L. Worden Camp 150**

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*The state commander said that I didn't submit the Annual Report for 2014.  
I thought I did. I am very sorry.*

*Leo McGuire ,  
Camp Commander , Col George L, Willard Camp, # 154*

Camp meeting on January 4, 2014

Camp meeting, February 1, 2014

Camp Meeting , March 7, 2014

Camp Meeting April 11, 2014

Rochester Encampment , May 2,3 & 4.

The Colonel George L. Willard Camp #154 has been participating in the following events since the Department Encampment.

The Camp conducted its Memorial Day Event at Albany Rural Cemetery and Oakwood Cemetery on May 30, 2014.

The camp produced three issues of "the Guidon" the Camps news letter. "The Guidon has a new look.

Lance Gocke was presented with a SUVCW certificate and Camp Medal upon receiving his Eagle Scout Award May 31,2014.

June 14th- Lincoln Luncheon at Brown's Brewing Company at Troy, New York: Legion of Merit badges were presented to nine members: Richard Straight, Frank Swarthout, John Swarthout, Jr., Chuck Berns, Leo McGuire, David M. Dziwulski, PCC, David J. Dziwulski, Robert Keough and Joseph Dziwulski. Robert Walter was not present but was also among those receiving the LoM. Alysia Hamilton and Cameron Smith also received honorary medals for their exemplary work and leadership in the rehabilitation and maintenance of New Mt. Ida Cemetery.



On June 21st Brother Chaplain George Malinoski conducted a brief grave side service at the grave of Matthew Relyea who honorably served in the Union Army and is buried in the Ballston Spa Cemetery. The service was conducted at the request of his descendants as a new replica GAR marker was installed at the grave site.

Brother Ordon attended the New York State Fair in Syracuse and the Oswego County Fair July 4-6, 2-14, to display his GAR, WRC and SUV collection

July 26, 2014, five Brothers took part in Grant's Remembrance Day at Grant's Cottage in Wilton, NY.

From August 15 through August 17 several Brothers participated at the Schuyler Flats Civil War encampment in Menands, New York.

On August 16 Commander Keough and Brother Robert Walter participated in the rededication of the GAR park in Amsterdam, NY.

On August 24 Brothers of Willard Camp had the honor of attending a memorial service for departed Willard Camp brother Leroy R. Lincoln, Jr. (a WWII Navy veteran from the Pacific Theater).

On August 27, 2014, Camp Commander Keough introduced Sharp Swan who gave his lecture on the 188th NYVI Regiment in Long Lake, NY.

In September PCC Dziejewski made a presentation entitled "Black Jacks, White Sails and Shipmates" to the Capital District Civil War Roundtable. The presentation involved the history of African-American sailors in the U.S. Navy with an emphasis on the Civil War period.

During the late Summer Brother Dziejewski met with staff at Oakwood Cemetery to verify the location of the newly purchased directional markers which will aid visitors in locating the gravesite of Major General George Thomas. The markers were installed during the month of September. A Spring 2015 dedication ceremony is planned.

Our first regular monthly meeting of the Fall was held on September 6, 2014. During the next monthly meeting, held on October 4, 2014, nominations for officers were initiated and received. Brothers not present at the meeting were notified by email to submit appropriate nominations prior to the November meeting. Notifications were sent several times.

The Camp produced its first issue of "The Supplement" to have a larger format for a singular interesting articles.

On October 6th several brothers attended a Civil War tombstone dedication At St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Several brothers participated in the annual New Mt. Ida Cemetery clean up of Civil War graves on October 18th in Troy, NY.

October 12th, one brother was at the "Old Stone Fort" event with the USNLP in Schoharie, NY.

Our regular monthly meeting was held on November 1, 2014 and the election of Camp Officers was completed.

The camp has welcomed three new members and have three more to be inducted.

The Brothers have been actively working on the 132nd Department Encampment in Saratoga NY and funded repairs to the flag pole at Green Ridge Cemetery and have a clean up of the GAR plot for the Department Encampment Memorial Event on May 3, 2015. It was also requested that the new Camp Commander write a letter to the Saratoga DPW to try to get the curbing repaired before the event.

On December 6, 2014, during our regular camp meeting, installation of Officers was completed.

As part of Wreaths Across America newly elected Commander Leo McGuire placed a wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Civil War Soldier at Saratoga National Cemetery on December 13

Prepared with help from Robert Keough, PCC, David Dziewulski, PCC, Ray Le May, PCC and George Malinoski, Secretary/Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted: Leo C. McGuire, Commander



2015 report of activities for D G Caywood Camp 146, Ovid, NY

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We had a number of our brothers, and auxiliary sisters involved through the year.

Many meetings, and other evenings found us at The Baby Bear meeting hall as we continued to working on reframing pictures, organizing files, making improvements on interior, and exterior.

Completed funding campaign for a safe to store artifacts, and muskets. Safe purchased, and bolted to concrete floor of meeting hall.

Cleared cabinets from back room of GAR Hall ( Baby Bear ) to prep for replacement of floor system ( Seneca County is replacing floor )

Created an agreement with Seneca county re: insurance, future building restoration, and building use. ( attended many meetings with County officials )

Attended several Civil War history presentations with Seneca County Historian, and Brother Walt Gable to help, and support event.

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\* June 4 - Participated in a presentation at Cornell University with Civil War era music, and a recitation of The Gettysburg Address

June - 20<sup>th</sup> Set up a table with artifacts, and met with public at the Ovid Strawberry Festival.

June 26, 27, 28 - living history event near Catlin Camp meeting place. ( Caywood Camp provided some of the meal supplies, and food for the event. Auxiliary members Participated )

August - 1<sup>st</sup> joined other groups representing from The French and Indian war to the present at the Salute To Troops event held at Sampson State Park. We displayed unit rosters, Artifacts, and information about our organization. Members were on hand to answer questions.

October 24 - attended a DUVCW luncheon in Ontario NY.

November 1<sup>st</sup> attended dinner with department officers, also provided entertainment. ( after dinner, hosted State Department Commander and others interested with a visit at the GAR Hall ( Baby Bear )

11<sup>th</sup> - Brother George Artly participated in Veterans Day event with VFW

14<sup>th</sup> - GAR Hall open house, and use in conjunction with A Christmas Bazar at the Three Bears complex.

Dec 5 - Will be participating in a local Currier, and Ives event.

Thank you.

Yours in F, C, and L

Harold P. Bush, PCC / Secretary



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SUVCW  
D. G. Caywood Camp 146  
Ovid, NY

Activities for Memorial Day 2015:

Leading up to Memorial Day weekend flags were placed on the graves of Civil War Veterans at local cemeteries ( also revolutionary war graves ). Also flagged in Lyons, NY By Brothers located there.

Friday May 22 – Participated in opening ceremonies in Waterloo, NY,  
Attended, and participated in living history encampment at Oak Island,

Saturday May 23 – Brother Walter Gable gave a mid day program at the Lafayette Park in Waterloo ( History of Memorial Day - Waterloo, NY )

Sunday May 24 - Cemetery on Romulus Depot flagged ( Kendaia )

Monday May 25 – Brother George Artley Sr. participated in the Geneva, NY parade as Grand Marshal. Brothers, and auxiliary participated in the Ovid Parade, and memorial services. Also participated in color guard, and firing squad at 7 local cemeteries. Also participated in ceremonies at Sampson Memorial Veterans Cemetery.

Lyons, NY - Brothers participated in services.

May 30 - Brother George Artley involved with raising the Garrison Flag at the Ovid VFW

✱ For the good of the order - Brother Harold Bush, PCC participated in a program at Cornell University: ( Battle Hymn of The Republic, recitation of The Gettysburg Address )

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Respectfully submitted

Harold P. Bush, PCC