

THE CANNON'S MOUTH

newsletter of the
California Historical Artillery Society

"Mike Johnson Chronicles"



February 2016

Commander's Call

Terry Thompson

To my troops,

Thank you for the vote of confidence to lead this unit for another year. I am looking forward to the events and continued comraderies. If you are interested in being a chief of the piece, let me know. I have already had a couple of soldiers request promotion and training will be forthcoming. The unit roster has not been updated as yet but will have changes in the next dispatch. If you have not reenlisted, do so soon and without reservation. I need a correct and current roster post haste.

And please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns. We have a new year upon us. I am looking forward it.

Humbly,

Capt Terry Thompson



Dispatches from the Dog Tent

Ted Miljevich

President's message next Cannon's Mouth.

EL DUCE



The California Automobile Museum featured exhibit was "Camping in Style: Little Homes on Wheels".



During the Civil War, individual officers often requisitioned ambulances to carry personal baggage or other equipment for their commands. In essence, they were horse drawn campers.



Election Results for 2016 CHAS Board of Directors

President - Ted Miljevich
Vice President - William Entriiken
Treasurer - Katie Rejaian
Recording Secretary - Scott Foster
Corresponding Secretary - Judith Boling
Member-at-Large -
Evelyn Owens & Roger Boling

Military Command

Captain—Terry Thompson

Annual Meeting 2016



President Ted Miljevich opened the meeting followed by reports from committees.

Treasurer's report—horse cookies sales are going well. Duncans Mills did as well as usual. (The complete financial was in the last Cannons Mouth.)

Safety—nobody hurt and no horses hurt on the field. Hydration is always a concern and will continue to be. At the Prado event there was some concern with ambulance safety that will be addressed before the event.

Fundraising—Members are encouraged to use **Goodsearch** instead of Google or Yahoo as their home search engine. Each search generates a penny which



generates a couple of hundred dollars a year. If you are buying or selling a house, **My Broker Donates** is a group of brokers that will donate a portion of their commissions to our cause. Consider using one of these brokers. **SHARES** cards can be used at Save Mart, Lucky, Food Max and Smart

Foods. Again, a small percent of each purchase is donated to CHAS. Through September of 2015, \$132 was given to CHAS. All these are small, easy ways for members to help raise money for CHAS without doing anything you don't already do. Debbie Carlisi is working on grants. Last year CHAS applied for a NRA grant but was turned down. We will be reapplying this year. Dee Murphy found a grant from the **Brennan Equine Welfare Fund** that we are applying for. A big fundraiser idea is renting the **Angel Island Ferry** for our own 2 hours bay cruise. Interest was sufficient to go ahead with planning. More information on fundraising on Page 6.

Materials—The ambulance needs some boards replaced. Duncans Mills wienie shack needs painting and additional picnic tables need to be built. Garrett Hasslinger has been doing most of the repairs at Warhorse. Members are strongly encouraged to come out to work parties or take on projects. Several years ago CHAS purchased a large horse trailer to haul horses to Gettysburg. We currently do not have a tow vehicle that can handle it. Alan Ginos volunteered to sell it on behalf of the club. On a sad note, the board will be working with Dennis to identify horses that are not able to do reenactments and decide their future. Princess has been sold to one of the Buffalo Soldiers.



Membership—In 2015, we finished with 66 members. Many organizations are seeing declining membership. There was some discussion about egos causing some issues but final consensus—we need to

go back to more personal contact and not rely on electronic communications.

Public Relations—Communications are being dispatched via the Cannons Mouth, the webpage and Facebook. Any suggestions should be brought to the attention of the board.

Bylaws—Wes Faubel gave an update. (See Page 4.)

Historical/Educational—Ken Dombroski has articles for the Cannons Mouth. Additionally, he will research any interest a member has and submit it. CHAS has a restored wagon at the Woodland Ag Museum. Katie Rejaian recently visited the wagon and dusted the cob webs off. Finally, Margaret Davis, President of Friends of Fort Ord Warhorse gave us an update on their organization. They are working on possibly getting a building that we could use as a museum and storage for our gear. Margaret also offered the help of her members for

working parties.

Lunch break—as usual, a wonderful potluck and Dickey's BBQ thanks to William Entriken.

Events—There are currently 32 events scheduled for 2016. The events include reenactments, living history, live cannon fire & parades; something for everyone. The encourage participation, we will actually calling people. Hopefully this will get good counts for the cooks.

General Session—Past member Chrissy Henderson passed away in December. Karen Foster presented Megan Entriken a certificate of appreciation for her help at the Time Tunnel during Duncans Mills. Elections feedback and results from Carolyn Faubel (see page 4.) Next year is the 20th anniversary of CHAS—Do we want to do something special? Ken Dombroski offered to be the lead.



Presentations

Dennis Winfrey's plaque was updated with the loss of Glory, Grapeshot, Blade, and Brad. Last year's board members were recognized. Duncans Mills sponsors were recognized: Russian River Rodeo (bleachers), Russian River Mounted Patrol (security), Marge & Mike Wilson (program) & Cassini Enterprises (equipment, support). Paul Cassini presented civil war figurines as a thank you for sponsorship. Captain Terry Thompson received civil war figurines for his (her) service. Judith Boling, acting civilian commander, was presented a puzzle for her service.

Outgoing Board of Directors



George B. Cassini Memorial Award presented to Megan Enriken.

One time (hopefully) Princess Award given to Evelyn Owens.



Dennis Winfrey was presented with a picture of the CHAS horses.



The Larry Schneider Memorial Award for Member of the Year was presented to Garrett Hasslinger.



The Ed Pico Memorial Award for Living Historian of the Year was presented to Dee Murphy.

Successful Pilot Program for online voting! With CHAS Election Results

The 2016 Board of Director Elections marks the first year we have used an online voting system, and I am happy to say that it was well-received, and generally well-used. Because we began preparing for the elections a little late for this year, the time it saved over printing and stuffing envelopes was well-appreciated. It cost us less to administer it over the old system, and as a bonus, it was very easy to mark the ballot and submit it. Thanks again to John Boyd who nudged us toward this new system!

Here is the breakdown of the voting:

President - Ted Miljevich, 36 votes (Chip Langman, 1 write-in vote)
Vice President – William Entriiken, 22 votes (John Boyd, 15 votes)
Treasurer – Katie Rejaian, 38 votes
Recording Secretary – Scott Foster, 37 votes
Corresponding Secretary – Judith Boling, 34 votes (Evelyn Owens, 2 write-in votes)
Member-at-Large –
Evelyn Owens, 27 votes
Roger Boling, 24 votes
(Dee Murphy, 18 votes)
Captain – Terry Thompson, 36 votes
(Mike Berry, 1 write-in vote; Ken Dombroski, 1 write-in vote)

Because each ballot required a unique email address, and because 3 emails bounced, we needed to mail out 9 paper ballots. 3 paper ballots were returned in the mail.

We sent out a total of 63 online ballots, however one of those was for “Captain only,” since it was for a minor voting member.

For the 62 complete BOD e-ballots, 32 were cast. Due to my ability as page administrator ability to identify those who had not voted online, I was able to offer paper ballots at the annual meeting to those who had not cast an e-ballot. I handed out 3 paper ballots at the meeting.

The return statistics are similar to what we have had in the past, sometimes better, sometimes worse. This was an election with several candidates for some positions, and as you can see, if everyone had voted, different results could have occurred. This is your club, so remember for next year, vote! You don’t even have to “Get Out,” to do it!

Carolyn Faubel, Elections Administrator

Bylaws & Rules Annual Report

At the CHAS Annual meeting on the 17th inst, we at Dewey, Cheatem, & Howe, Esqrs at Law, were called upon to provide an accounting of tasks and progress on revisions and adaptations to the existing CHAS Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) available at warhorse.org.

Our actions this past year have been focused on revising the current SOPs to better reflect CHAS current historical impressions. To that end the civilian category of job descriptions is being removed from the SOP since that impression is currently suspended. Teamster/Ambulance Driver SOPs are moving to the Military category and will require some revision to reflect the command and reporting structure.

The Bylaws section of the SOP has been removed and established as a separate document in order to conform to more common practice. This avoids confusion with the SOPs which have different amendment provisions and conforms to more common usage.

Reference to duties within other reenacting clubs is being deleted in job descriptions.

Additionally, the SOPs are undergoing reformatting in order to make them easier to revise and to annually update the forms section without impacts to the main text document.

We at DC&H are always in favor of full transparency (and indeed have lobbied to ban the pulling of shades in lit rooms). Should you have any concerns about any of the revisions discussed above or would like to propose revisions of your own please contact Cpl Casualty Faubel at wfaubel@yahoo.com. You will receive a prompt reply depending on what body part is injured at the time.

U. Will Cheatem
Dewey, Cheatem & Howe, Esqrs. at Law



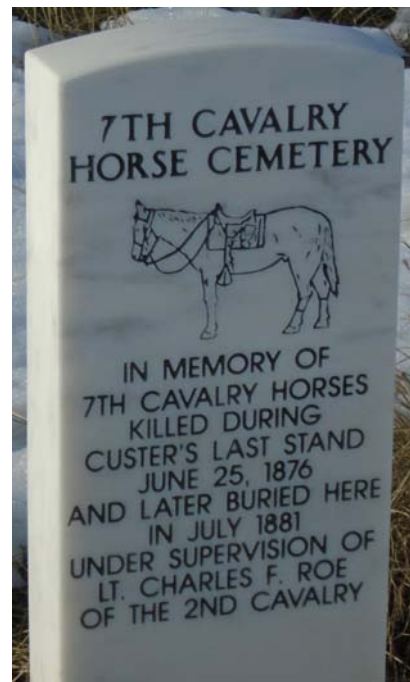
Rose Parade

Although no soldier from CHAS was in the Rose Parade, four of our warhorses rode proudly with the New Buffalo Soldiers. Seen here riding to their staging location, Buster, Brutal, Princess and Goodlooking stepped up. Lt Dan McCluskey rode as the officer in charge.



The new Buffalo soldiers formed to recreate the lives of the men of Company H, Tenth Regiment of United States Cavalry between 1867 and 1871. The organization is dedicated to the accurate and authentic recreation of the lives and exploits of Co. H, through the use of mounted and dismounted maneuvers, camp life demonstrations, exhibits of military accouterments and historical presentations. For more information check out their website, <http://abuffalosoldier.com/>

Not so good picture of our wagon on display at the California Ag Museum in Woodland, CA.



Grave marker at Custer's Last Stand—Little Big Horn, Montana

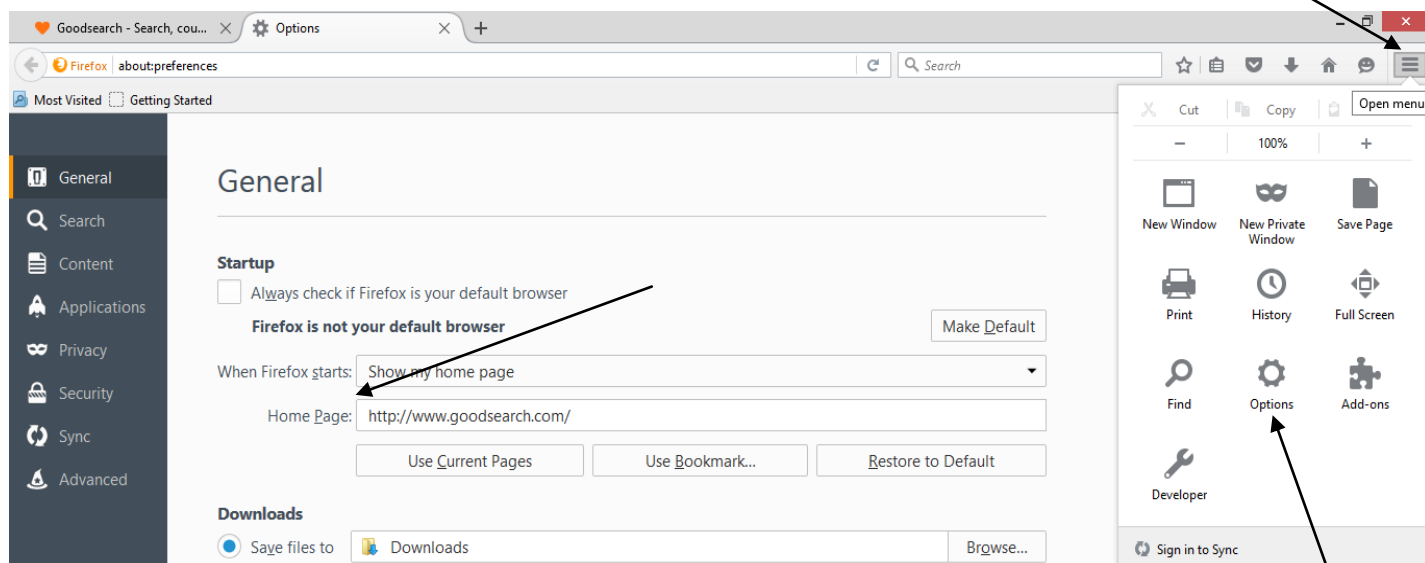
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Chairman still
needed.

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S.H.A.R.E.S Cards

Use your S.H.A.R.E.S card at SaveMart, Lucky, Smart foods or FoodMaxx grocery stores and CHAS gets a percentage. Anyone can help. Share a SHARES card with your family and friends.

Brennan Equine Welfare Fund is a fund-raising, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Grants from Brennan Equine Welfare Fund are used to serve equine rescue shelters across the country which provide dignity to final years of aged, injured, abused, starved and slaughter-bound horses, as well as those used in medical experimentation. This fund supports registered, 501 (c)(3) organizations that specialize in retirement and rehabilitation services and offer a peaceful and permanent sanctuary for these beautiful animals. CHAS applied for a \$3000 grant specifically to care for horses that can no longer pull on the team.



SCHOOL OF THE HORSE SOLDIER
Camp Warhorse, Salinas, CA
March 18, 19 and 20, 2016
Come learn Cavalry from the very best!



Doug Kidd, Jeff Wall and Fred Klink will be our instructors for this weekend event.

Cavalry Horse School for all!

The price is \$175.00 for school and \$25.00 more for food (Excellent cooks!) For a total of \$200.00 for the weekend.

Camping on site, plenty of parking, bring all of your cavalry equipment, uniforms, weapons, horse. Expect that this will be a professional learning experience.

Contact for this SOHS is Dee Murphy

momagna@yahoo.com Send an email today! Volunteers greatly needed too!
momagna@yahoo.com

Facebook event page for information updates

<https://www.facebook.com/events/794167390692885/>

CHAS members.....Volunteers needed for this SOHS event. We would love to have volunteers come out and help please. Come visit with your friends, eat great food and have a fun time. No matter what you can or cannot do there absolutely will be jobs everyone from the oldest down to the youngest can do!

Let's make this a great event for all of the participants and help raise money for hay for the horses. Volunteers are not paid but thanked graciously and welcomed completely. Contact Dee at momagna@yahoo.com





California Historical Artillery Society has a business membership in the California Blacksmith Association (CBA) for 2016.

ANY CHAS member is eligible to enroll in any of the CBA courses offered. When you sign up, state that you are a member of CHAS. Many of the classes are free or pretty low cost.

There are numerous classes, events and educational days so no matter where you live there most likely is a workshop near you.

Forge workshops....

<http://calsmith.org/ForgeWorkshops>

Sanitary Commission submitted by Donna Thompson

We are all aware that there were massive numbers of lives lost during the period of 1861 thru 1865 during the American Civil War. For every 1 man who was killed in action, two more died from disease. They primarily died from diseases such as dysentery, diarrhea, typhoid and malaria. The cause has been related back to overcrowded camps and very unsanitary conditions in the field and food that was not properly prepared and stored.

Teaching or reiterating what their Mothers and Grandmothers has tried to teach them that cleanliness was next to Godliness, basically clean water, good food and fresh air really works. The Sanitary Commission pressured the Union Medical Department to improve sanitation, build bigger and better hospitals and encourage woman to join the newly created nursing corps. Still with this work and their efforts to stop these deaths, over 560,000 soldiers died from disease during the Civil War.

The U. S. Sanitary Commission was originally organized, run and funded by civilians. It was primarily made up of church congregations, ladies groups and societies to make and distribute goods for the soldiers. It wasn't until more influential organizers attended a conference in 1861 to coordinate the relief efforts. They recognized the need to become better organized and more coordinated in their efforts. They set up a delegation committee and developed the US Sanitary Commission Articles of Organization. They then lobbied the War Department and at that point the Department sanctioned the creation of the US Sanitary Commission on June 9, 1861. At this point, the Sanitary Commission was divided into 3 separate district departments:

- **The Preventive Service-** This service employed a corps of medical inspectors who visited the camps, hospitals and transports of each army corps in the field. They looked for issues that are related to exposure, diseases; such as, "Don't pee directly behind the tent...", "don't drink out of a stream that is downstream from where the horses are being watered" etc. Even though, they didn't really have a complete understanding of germs per se, they noticed that those doctors that washed their instruments and hands after surgeries and amputations had fewer sicknesses and death.

- **The Department of General Relief** – This department made up about ¾ of the work done by the Sanitary Commission. Its primary function was to supply food, clothing, bandages, hospital furniture and medicines which all were transported out into the field, to aid stations and to hospitals.

- **The Department of Special Relief** – Or in simpler terms *The Soldiers Homes*. These homes provided shelter, food and medical care to those who could not get it directly from the government. Those included men on furlough or sick leave, recruits, stragglers and men who for whatever reasons were left behind by their regiments or had simply been discharged out from the hospital.

Shortly after the war, the commission itself was decommissioned and disbanded but with what they brought forth to the frontlines helped move us toward a more modernization of our military. With that, and based on the Sanitary Commission came the birth of the American Red Cross.



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Cannon's Mouth Submissions

Due by the 28th of each month

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(chasdigitalbugler@gmail.com)

Ball Cap



\$15.00

"Pedes" pin



\$5.00

CWD tee



\$15.00

"Pedes" tee



\$15.00



T-shirts available in the Ray Ahrenholz design.



3rd US Roster Assignments 2016

Role	Name	Report To	Role	Name	Report To
Commanding Officer	Thompson, Terry		Quartermaster Sgt	Entriiken, William	Captain
1st Lieutenant	Foster, Scott	Captain	Stable Sgt.	Winfrey, Dennis	1st Sgt.
1st Sergeant	Duncan, George	Captain	Teamster	Bailey, Wendy	Stable Sgt.
Company Clerk	Owens, Evelyn	1st Sgt.	Teamster	Casini, Paul	Stable Sgt.
Provisioner	Gumbly, Nancy	1st Sgt.	Teamster	Newton, Melinda	Stable Sgt.
Assistant Provisioner	Sullivan, Lisa	Provisioner			

Guns & Teams

Chief of Piece		1st Sgt.	Chief of Piece		1st Sgt.
Gun Corporal		Gun Sgt.	Gun Corporal	Boyd, John	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Caligiuri, Chase	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	McConnell, Dennis	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Dunne, Cary	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Murphy, Brooke	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Ebert, Bob	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Murphy, Sierra	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Lopuch, Steven	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	O'Connell, Chris	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Gillich, Mabel	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Palmer, Ray	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Gumbley, Ben	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Schnodous, Samuel	Gun Sgt.
			Cannoneer	Thorne, Philip	Gun Sgt.

Team Corporal	Faubel, Wes	Gun Sgt.	Team Corporal	Rejaian, Katie	Gun Sgt.
Driver	Appiano, Terri	Team Cpl.	Driver	Hasslinger, Garrett	Team Cpl.
Driver	Berry, Michael	Team Cpl.	Driver	Hewitt, Norm	Team Cpl.
Driver	Burris, Luke	Team Cpl.	Driver	McClure, Jim	Team Cpl.
Driver	Carlisi, Debbie	Team Cpl.	Driver	Miljevich, Ted	Team Cpl.
Driver	Fischer, Peter	Team Cpl.	Driver	Murphy, Dee	Team Cpl.
Driver	Ginos, Alan	Team Cpl.	Driver	Simon, Luanne	Team Cpl.
Driver	Gillich, John	Team Cpl.			

	Artificers			Signal Corps	
Artificer	Ahrenholz, Ray	1st Sgt.	Signalman	Dombrowski, Ken	Captain
Artificer	Boling, Roger	1st Sgt.			

	Medical			Civilians	
Physician	Rogers, Keith		Civilian Coordinator	Boling, Judith	
Nurse	Rogers, Laurie		Photographer	Gold, Howard	Civ Coordinator
			Soldier Aid	Thompson, Donna	Civ Coordinator

Reserves

Amari, Gary	Byrne, Jeannie	Faubel, Carolyn	Hawkins, Virginia	Morgan, Jeanne	
Burnham, Nancy	Czarnowski, Jill	Foster, Karen	Johnson, William D	Neikirk, Garth	Thompson, Gary
Burtz, Daniel	Czarnowski, Peter	Hawkins, Bill	Martinez, Thomas	Neikirk, Janice	



2016 Schedule of Events*

January

17 CHAS Annual Meeting
California Automobile Museum, Sacramento, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

30-31 NPS Living History Fort Point
San Francisco, CA
Contact: John Boyd

February

TBA NPS Living History
Alcatraz Island, San Francisco, CA
Contact: AWCA

March

05-06 CWRS Battles & Encampments
Mooney Grove Park, Visalia, CA
1 Cannon
Contact: Roger Boling

11-13 Celtic Festival
Motherlode Fairgrounds
Sonoma, CA
Contact: William Entriiken

12 CWRS Live Fire
Orosi, CA
1 Cannon
Contact: Scott Foster

18-20 School of the Horse Soldier /
Maintenance & Work Party
Camp Warhorse, Salinas, CA
Contact: Dee Murphy

April

2-3 SCCWA Battles & Encampment
Prado Regional Park, Chino Hills, CA
2 Cannons, 2 Teams & Ambulance
Contact: Terry Thompson

16-17 ACWA Battles & Encampments
Mariposa, CA
2 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Terry Thompson

Apr 30-May 1 NCWA Battles & Encampment
Gibson Ranch, Sacramento, CA
2 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Terry Thompson

May

07 Fort Ord Warhorse Day Living History
City of Marina Equestrian Center, Marina, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team, Ambulance
Contact: Dee Murphy

14 Luther Burbank Rose Parade
Santa Rosa, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team, Ambulance
Contact: Evelyn Owens

27-30 ACWA Battles & Encampment
Roaring Camp, Felton, CA
1 Cannon, NO Horses
Contact: Scott Foster

TBA Cal Expo Fundraising
Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA
1 Cannon, NO Horses
Contact: Katie Rejaian

June

11-12 NCWA Battles & Encampment
Angel Island, San Francisco, CA
Contact: NCWA

18-19 San Juan Bautista Living History
Plaza History Association
Contact: Ken Dombrowski

23 San Benito Horse Parade
San Benito, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team, Ambulance
Contact: Dee Murphy

25-26 CHAS Civil War Days Work Party
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

July

9 STEAM Fest
Reid-Hillview Airport, San Jose, CA
Contact: Dee Murphy

09-15 CHAS Civil War Days Set Up Work Week
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

16-17 **CHAS Civil War Days Battles & Encampments**
Duncans Mills, CA
2 Cannon, 2 Teams, Ambulance, Forge
Contact: Ted Miljevich

23-24 CHAS Civil War Days Put Away Work Party
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

August

TBA NPS Living History
Fort Point San Francisco, CA
Contact: John Boyd

September

4 Marina Parade
Marina, CA
Contact: Dee Murphey

9-11 NCWA Battles & Encampment
San Benito Historic Park, Tres Pinos, CA
1 Cannon, Ambulance
Contact: Scott Foster

TBA FOCWA Alcatraz Living History Day
San Francisco, CA
Contact: John Boyd

October

TBA Ft. Mervine Civil War Living History & Encampment
Lower Presidio Historic Park, Monterey, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team & 1 Wagon/Ambulance
Contact: Katie Rejaian

TBA RACW Battles & Encampment
Hawes Ranch, Anderson, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Terry Thompson

TBA Paso Robles Parade
Paso Robles, CA
Contact: Dee Murphy

TBA ACWA Civil War Revisited Battles & Encampments
Kearney Park, Fresno, CA
1 Cannon, Ambulance
Contact: Terry Thompson

TBA Bass Bowl Football Game
Lakeport, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Alan Ginos

November

5-6 Blue & Gray Battles & Encampment
California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, CA
1 Cannon, 2 Teams, 1 Wagon/Ambulance
Contact: Terry Thompson

December

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

* Dates are tentative and subject to change



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<http://www.ccwr.us/>

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