

THE CANNON'S MOUTH

newsletter of the
California Historical Artillery Society



"Mike Johnson Chronicles"

In memory of Bethany Tamsen Faubel



JULY 2014

Commander's Call

Capt. Terry Thompson

Alas, the heartbreaking task of notifying the families of our fallen comrades. As casualties mount, the burden gets no easier nor does repetition make the task easier. Each letter consumes me. As I must be reminded of death, I am also reminded of life and the job we have left undone. As our fellow soldiers have fallen so we must continue to fight; our time is not finished so our duties are not finished. We must focus on the present and remember that God has a place in Heaven for each of us. We need not fear.

This past month has been especially burdensome with the passing of former Company Clerk Red Faubel. Some in the unit were aware that Red was actually a woman, Bethany. She snuck out of camp in her dress many a time to attend dances. Although she appeared to be having fun, she was actually gathering intelligence. Bethany had a keen ability to draw out all kinds of information. As Company Clerk I am sure many of you fell prey to her questioning without realizing it. Does "Do tell" sound familiar?

As we laid her to rest, old photos surfaced: Mike Johnson at the RCWA Ball; Norm Roger at an event. Our unit has been blessed with wonderful people and it is our duty to continue our efforts. Their struggles are our memories and our motivation to pursue the future. Just as they touched our lives, so must we touch others.

Sadness behind us, we have a huge battle looming in the near future. Rebs are advancing on the small town of Duncans Mills and we will need every able bodied man to be there. The unit will be under the temporary command of Corporal Wes Faubel, field brevetted to Captain. (Hopefully he will not bring his nickname with him to battle). I will be in the area under special assignment as a provisioner for the hordes expected to watch the battle. The 3rd US usually fairs well and receives extra monetary gain for our effort. I expect vigilance in camp and gallantry on the battlefield as I will inspect and observe without notice. Possibly I will find soldiers worthy of promotion to Gun Sergeant.

Your humble leader,
Capt Terry Thompson



Dispatches from the Dog Tent

El Duce Ted Mijevich



The Editorial Staff have looked high and low for our FEARLESS and TIRELESS leader. We believe he is somewhere in the wilds of Duncan's Mills. We know, if found, that he would encourage each and everyone one of us to make haste and venture to that once peaceful locale as the enemy has been spotted and is ON THE MOVE! Contact your Captain (see article to the left) immediately!! Or just show up, at this point, as the Captain is also hunkering down for the onslaught!



**Minutes of April 27, 2014
Meeting of California Historical Artillery
Society Board of Directors**

PRESENT: Ted Miljivich, John Boyd, Janice Neikirk, Judith Boling, Roger Boling, Katie Rejaian ABSENT: Scott Foster, Terry Thompson GUEST: Wes Faubel

The meeting was called to order at 10:34 a.m. Minutes of the February 23, 2014 meeting were not available.

Officer Reports:

V.P. John Boyd: Email from a school in San Rafael to do a school program. However, since there was no money in her budget to pay us, it went no further. School in Sebastopol has also contacted us about doing a presentation utilizing historical materials. John will contact them. Laurie Rogers at Monte Gardens School contacted John about a school program in June. They have paid our \$250 fee in the past. Arrangements must be made with William Enriken to get a gun to the school. Working with Katie on a presentation. Next event at Fort Point on August 16th.

Corresponding Secretary Judith Boling:

Have sent membership materials as required.

Recording Secretary Scott Foster: ABSENT

Treasurer Janice Neikirk:

Reviewed financial documents. Reinforced that dues for new members are not deposited until *after* the Board has approved membership.

Member-at-large Roger Boling: No report.

Member-at-large Katie Rejaian:

A member sent Katie two pages of comments, which included color coding equipment tie downs. This idea was rejected by the Board because our tie downs migrate between guns and drivers.

Commanders - Terry Thompson: ABSENT Report via email - Prado and Mariposa went well. We have a couple of new recruits and a huge "Welcome Back to George Duncan." Would like to work on mini-working parties the first couple of hours on Saturday morning of events. Recruit, recruit. Focus on strengths.

Judith Boling: Discussed possible dissolution of the civilian leadership due to low civilian membership. Board agreed that Civilian leadership will remain intact. Civilians will not be under Military leadership.

Safety-Roger Boling:

PRADO-Safety issue with horse rented to a Confederate commander. He was not able to control the horse, and was able to dismount without injury. No rental documents were signed, and no

one confirmed the man knew how to ride.

MARIPOSA-there was a violation of the battle plan during the night battle, which caused safety issues on the battlefield and resulted in considerably shortening the battle. Request Terry Thompson lodge a complaint with Dave Johnson, who is artillery commander for the ACWA. Presented draft of Accident Report Form. John suggested that we obtain a copy of the public record for fire department and/or ambulance and/or medical evacuation helicopter service to attach to the accident report. Incident Report Form approved as amended. Horse medical kits were missing from the wheel horse valise at Mariposa. It appears that there was a failure to insure that the valises were packed. There are medications that are not included in the valises that should be included in a horse medical kit in a horse person's tent. Katie will check valises and update medications. Check to insure the human first aid kit is up-to-date. The PACWR Equine Safety Test answer key is missing from website and is required.

Fundraising Katie Rejaian:

SHARES CARDS - Janice has them

GOODSEARCH - Insufficient numbers of people are using it to make an impact. GoodSearch pays CHAS a penny for each search.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS: May 10 at CalExpo. Harness racing season cut short due to lack of horses participating. June 18-Dona Esther at San Juan Batista. Dee and Dennis will be there with a cannon and a horse to promote event. 20% of the dinner sales between 4 pm and 9 pm will go to CHAS.

COMBINED GIVING: To date, only two people have designated CHAS, but the program has brought in around \$500. This money comes out of the employee's paycheck. Katie will continue attending events to promote the cause.

HORSE SPONSORSHIPS: No specific horse sponsorships since the beginning of the year. One continuing pledge. Sent thank yous for the pledges.

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Did You Know??

**We have SAVE MART
SHARE cards!**

**We get a % every time you
shop. If you have one nearby,
let Janice Neikirk know and
she'll send you one!**



Soap And The Civil War

Until the early 1900's, much of the soap used was made at home. Fats from cooking and butchering were saved until there was enough to make a batch of soap. This all changed in 1916 when a shortage of fats (a main ingredient in soap) occurred during World War I. As an alternative was needed, enterprising companies developed the first synthetic soaps called detergents.

Cindy Brown, collections manager for the York County Heritage Trust, said in the 1800's women would bathe weekly, generally on a Saturday night to prepare for church the next morning. "Most people had a tub and they'd heat water over a fire to warm it for bathing, using homemade soap made with harsh lye."

Although germs were not yet known, doctors noticed during the Civil War that soldiers who were bathed regularly and kept in clean environments had a much higher survival rate and got fewer infections. The credit for this discovery goes to a nurse who worked at the front during the Crimean War. (Florence Nightengale)

Although fine domestic and imported soaps were then available, the Civil War created such economic hardship that many southern women made their own soap well into the 20th century.

Ed note. And they still do! Northern women too!

[HTTP://WWW.CRANBERRYLANE.COM/SOAPMAKING.HTM#1](http://www.cranberrylane.com/soapmaking.htm#1)

[HTTP://WWW.EXAMINER.COM/ARTICLE/A-SHORT-HISTORY-OF-SOAP](http://www.examiner.com/article/a-short-history-of-soap)

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From [The Civil War Parlor](#) on Tumblr

Submitted by Bill Hawkins



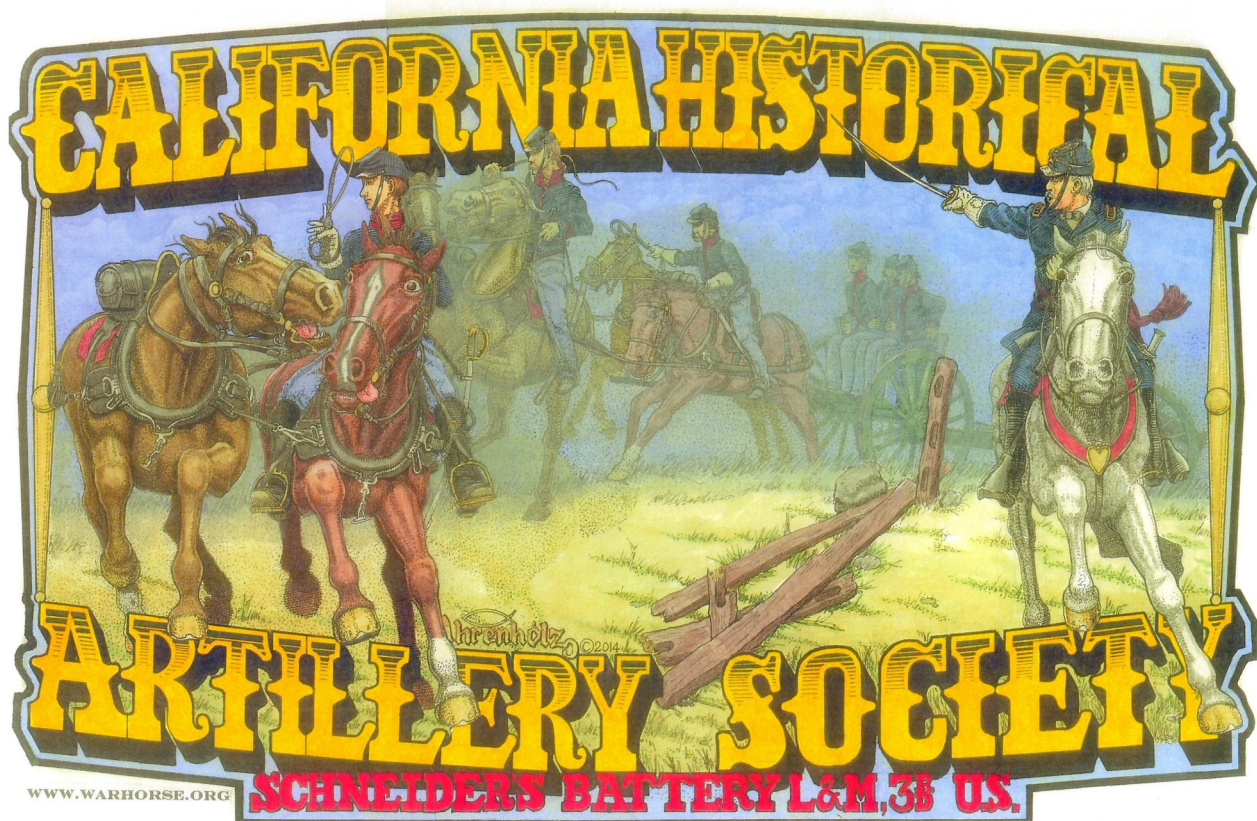
She is SO glad SHE has SOAP!



**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE NEXT
CASINI RANCH HORSEY PLAY DAY
AUGUST 2-3, 2014**

Please contact Pvt. Tonie at
advorak@uchicago.edu

IMAGINE...you wearing a fabulous new T-shirt...



With THIS ↑ on the front!!

Our very own Ray Ahrenholz design available at Civil War Days next month. Just one Benjamin (+/-) will get this home and in your wardrobe. Colors are Union Blue and Confederate Gray, sizes S - 3X. Plan now! If you ordered the “hoodie” - look for it in August (it will be AMAZING). If you’d like to order one, please email me, or let me know at DM.



CALL TO ARMS ALL MEMBERS OF THE 3RD

CIVIL WAR DAYS JULY 19TH & 20TH

**Contact your Captain Terry Thompson regarding your participation.
Let's do this!! Besides, it's fun!!**

tjthompson@wirelesstcp.net

3rd US Roster Assignments 2014

Role	Name	Report To	Role	Name	Report To
Commanding Officer	Thompson, Terry		Qtr Master Sgt.	Entriken, William	1st Sgt.
1st Lieutenant	Foster, Scott	Captain	Stable Sgt.	Winfrey, Dennis	1st Sgt.
1st Sergeant	Duncan, George	Captain	Teamster	Bailey, Wendy	Stable Sgt.
Company Clerk	Neikirk, Janice	1st Sgt.	Teamster	Casini, Paul	Stable Sgt.
Provisioner	Gumbly, Nancy	1st Sgt.	Teamster	Martinez, Tom	Stable Sgt.
Assistant Provisioner	Lisa Sullivan	Provisioner	Teamster	Mettler, Jon	Stable Sgt.
Gun/Team 1			Gun/Team 2		
Chief of Piece	<i>Vacant</i>	1st Sgt.	Chief of Piece	<i>Vacant</i>	1st Sgt.
Gun Corporal	Scott Alto	Gun Sgt.	Gun Corporal	John Boyd	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Creager, Mike	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Ahrenholz, Ray	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Gillich, Mabel	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Ebert, Robert	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Johnson, Wm D	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Gillich, John	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Murphy, Brooke	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Gumbley, Ben	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Murphy, Sierra	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Krsh, Steve	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Thorne, Phillip	Gun Sgt.	Cannoneer	Lenz, Dennis	Gun Sgt.
Team Corporal	Faubel, Wes	Gun Sgt.	Team Corporal	Rejaian, Katie	Gun Sgt.
Driver	Bradford, Bryan	Team Cpl.	Driver	Berry, Mike	Team Cpl.
Driver	Burtz, Dan	Team Cpl.	Driver	Czarnowski, Jill	Team Cpl.
Driver	Carlisi, Deb	Team Cpl.	Driver	Hewitt, Norm	Team Cpl.
Driver	Czarnowski, Pete	Team Cpl.	Driver	Moretti, Teri	Team Cpl.
Driver	Fischer, Pete	Team Cpl.	Driver	Murphy, Dee	Team Cpl.
Driver	Horton, Jim	Team Cpl.	Driver	Neikirk, Garth	Team Cpl.
Driver	Miljevich, Ted	Team Cpl.	Driver	Thompson, Karla	Team Cpl.
Driver	Virga, Tony	Team Cpl.	Driver	Young, Karyn	Team Cpl.
Artificers			Soldier's Aid	Supporting	
Artificer	Ahrenholz, Ray	1st Sgt.	Boling, Judith	Lewis, Thomas	
Artificer	Boling, Roger	1st Sgt.	Owens, Evelyn	Pico, Sharon	
Artificer	Little, Rylan	1st Sgt.	Thompson, Donna		
Artificer	Weston, Mark	1st Sgt.	Medical		
			Rogers, Keith		
			Rogers, Laurie		
Unassigned					
Unassigned	Amari, Gary	Unassigned	Foster, Karen		
Unassigned	Bowles, Keith	Unassigned	Ginos, Alan		
Unassigned	Burnham, Nancy	Unassigned	Ginos, Barbara		
Unassigned	Byrne, Jeanne	Unassigned	Hawkins, Bill		
Unassigned	Dombroski, Ken	Unassigned	Hawkins, Virginia		
Unassigned	Dunne, Cary	Unassigned	Langman, Chip		
Unassigned	Ensign, Sue	Unassigned	Moretti, Scott		
Unassigned	Faubel, Carolyn	Unassigned	Morgan, Jeannine		
Unassigned	Faubel, Melinda	Unassigned	Thelen, Carl		
Unassigned	Forseth, Phillip				



2014—2015 Schedule of Events

2014

August

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

September

6-7 NCWA Battles & Encampment
San Benito Historic Park, Tres Pinos, CA
1 Cannon, 3-5 Horses for Wagon/Hearse
Contact: TBA

27-28 RACW Battles & Encampment
Hawes Ranch, Anderson, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Terry Thompson

October

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

04-05 Ft. Mervine Civil War Living History
Encampment
Lower Presidio Historic Park, Monterey, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team & 1 Wagon/Ambulance
Contact: Katie Rejaian

18-19 FHS & ACWA Civil War Revisited
Battles & Encampments
Kearney Park Fresno, CA
Contact: Roger Boling

24-25 Bass Bowl Football Game
Lakeport, CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Alan Ginos

November

08-09 Moorpark Rotary Blue & Gray
Battles & Encampments
Moorpark, California
2 Cannon, 2 Teams, Ambulance, Wagon, Forge
Contact: Terry Thompson

TBA Equipment Put Away Work Party
Camp Warhorse Salinas CA
Contact: William Entriiken

December - No Events -

16-23 Happy Chanukkah

25 Merry Christmas

2015

January

01 Happy New Year

18 CHAS Annual Meeting
TBA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

24-25 NPS Living History Fort Point
San Francisco, CA
Contact: John Boyd

February

07 CWRS Live Fire
Orosi CA
1 Cannon
Contact: Scott Foster

Feb/Mar

28-01 CWRS Battles & Encampments
Mooney Grove Park Visalia CA
Contact: Roger Boling

March

21-22 Equipment Maintenance Work Party
Driver Training & Cannoneer Drilling
Camp Warhorse Salinas CA
Contact: William Entriiken

April

04 FOCWA Alcatraz Living History Day
San Francisco CA
Contact John Boyd

04-05 SCCWA Battles & Encampment
Prado Regional Park, Chino Hills CA
2 Cannons, 2 Teams & Ambulance
Contact: Terry Thompson

TBA Pacific Grove Parade
Pacific Grove CA
Contact: TBD

25-26 ACWA Battles & Encampments
Mariposa CA
2 Cannon, 2 Teams, Ambulance, Wagon, Forge
Contact: Terry Thompson

May

02 Fort Ord Warhorse Day Living History
City of Marina Equestrian Center Marina CA
1 Cannon, 1 Team
Contact: Katie Rejaian

02-03 NCWA Battles & Encampment
Gibson Ranch Sacramento CA
2 Cannon, 2 Teams, Ambulance, Wagon
Contact: Terry Thompson

23-25 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

TBA NCWA Battles & Encampment
Angel Island San Francisco CA
Contact: NCWA

27-28 CHAS Civil War Days Work Party
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

July

11-17 CHAS Civil War Days Work Party
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich

18-19 CHAS Civil War Days
Battles & Encampments
Duncans Mills, CA
Contact: Ted Miljevich



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Lincoln Jokes & Quotes

*Always bear in mind
that your own
resolution to succeed
is more important
than any other*



Civil War Trivia (but not trivial)



At the Battle of Shiloh, on the banks of the Tennessee River, more Americans fell than in all previous American wars combined. There were **23,700 casualties**.

A thank you from a friend!...

FRIENDS OF THE FORT ORD WARHORSE

Honoring Fort Ord's U.S. mounted cavalry, horse-drawn artillery, quartermaster pack trains, and veterinary corps

May 12, 2014

Ted Miljevich

President

California Historical Artillery Society

chaselduce@aol.com

Dear Ted,

I always pinch myself at how lucky the Friends are to be partners with CHAS.

Thank you for being at 4th Annual Fort Ord Warhorse Day on May 3rd. You were extraordinary—which I guess is par for the course from your point of view, but the rest of us are blown away every time.

I understand the mayor of Marina wants you out in force for the Labor Day parade—hope to see you there!

Cheers,

Margaret Davis

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Friends of the Fort Ord Warhorse

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For ordering info of
these four items email:
admin@warhorse.org

Ball Cap



\$15.00

"Pedes" pin



\$5.00

CWD tee



\$15.00

"Pedes" tee



\$15.00

*You will always be with us Cpl. Red ~
See the reprinted article of hers on the next page*

The CAFÉ PRESS stuff is REALLY cool.
You can get license plate frames, tote
bags and other CHAS accouterments.
Who knew!

CHECK IT OUT!!!!

**P.S. New RAY A. designed T-shirts
will be available at CWD this
year...and a new supply of ball
caps! AWESOME!**

IN MEMORY OF
BETHANY FAUBEL
A reprint of an EPIC article

Ed. Note~ As a tribute to Bethany Faubel, we are reprinting this epic post of a "classic" CHAS travelogue first printed in 2005 Thank you Alan Ginos for the great idea and supplying all I needed!

**After Action Report –
Moorpark: “The Trip Home”**

Bethany Faubel

As our unit has always taken pride in being the last to leave the scene, we waited until nigh on 6:30 to begin the convoy. With cries of “we ride north!” we headed out in 2 horse trailers and two guns, with an optimistic home arrival time of 3:00am for Cpl. Johnson and myself. Having secured a place in the newest cab with Cpt. Ginos, I settled myself into warmth and low background music and prepared to learn the secrets of the universe – or at least, the unit. Halfway through a rollicking story of...well, quite a good tale (*Ed. ~ oh Bethany, DO TELL*), the Captain and I became fascinated with a large white cloud of vapor seeming to spin from our wheels. Several ideas were submitted: dust? Water? (Whatever it is, it’s rather pretty, but what’s that smell?) The telltale light lit the dash just as Cpl. Johnson phoned from his position behind us in the other horse transport, and it was unfortunately obvious that the fuel tank was no longer full. A sign to the right proclaimed last services for 30 miles, and an hour and a half after we set off, prudence won over valor.



Anyone might think, coming into a service station at 8:00pm on a Sunday night, that a tipped cab with a smoking engine with stream-lets of diesel flowing west meant trouble, and they would be right. No trouble though, for any mechanic, because they all happen to be off duty at that hour. With the engine exposed, lo! It was discovered that one of four fuel injectors had broken-ergo, low pressure, low fuel, and low morale.

I decided another call home was in order. I had recently acquired a brand new cell phone (my first!) and was anxious to try it out. After ascertaining that my mother was in no condition to discuss things calmly (You’re WHAT? You’re WHERE?), I spoke to my father. Somehow, asking a parent to travel between the hours of 3 to 4am is stretching an already shaky devotion. Pvt. Moretti, whom I now call my dear friend, had offered transport home on Monday, after a night spent hopefully at the bunkhouse. Need I say that Cpl. Casualty’s spirits rose?

Cpl.s Johnson and Post forged ahead for Warhorse and the rest of us were visited by what turned out to be a guardian angel. Her name was Heather, and she pulled in and within 5 minutes had called a mechanic friend to fix the problem and offered a regular horse palace to keep the horses if we were stranded. Jim arrived with the eternal answer for any problem...a hammer. (I now know the new definition of a mechanic: someone who knows where and what to hit, and how hard). They accepted nothing but thanks, so thank you Heather and Jim.

I transferred my things from the Captain’s vehicle to that of Pvt. Miljivich’s, as Cpt. Ginos unkindly said that he never again wanted to ride with someone who has wanted “an adventure.” (Which I perhaps unwisely mentioned at the very beginning) Pvt. Moretti and he left, leaving Pvt. Miljevich, Pvt. Boyd and I to discover incident number two. The brakes and lights had somehow unplugged themselves on Pvt. Boyd’s gun trailer, and drug itself into a misshapen lump. Nothing would do then but for Pvt. Miljivich and I to follow closely behind him, at least until incident three.

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I had been mentioning to Pvt. Miljivich that now half of our caravan had encountered problems, and what if-when one of his (five and a half) cell phones rang. Who was it, but Cpt. Ginos relaying the tale of Mike's amazing flying wheel! It was then I knew that we had entered the *Twilight Zone*. Anything was possible! Why, even Pvt. Miljivich's truck--and here I was cut off by the man himself, who did not want that thought finished or even voiced at all.

We found the fleet parked on an off ramp at the outskirts of Santa Maria, where two more Good Samaritans were giving advice, this time on where to stop for the night. Pvt. Miljivich located the tire's final resting place, having developed an affinity for that type of thing, we proceeded to scout out a large field to do some maneuverings. We spotted a perfectly situated one between a feed warehouse and a tire service shop. The sign on the property said "Private Property: Trespassers Will Be Towed at Owner's Expense," so we knew we had found the spot. If the owners could find towing, we would certainly be happy to partake of it, seeing as how we hadn't any luck.



We gave the call for the group to assemble, and as we eyed the smoking truck and the limping trailer, the group formed an unspoken consensus that some of us would not be returning to Salinas that night. Cpl. Johnson, who had a pressing engagement in nine hours, still had seven to drive; and a man does need his sleep. He and Cpl. Post therefore took the good trailer and truck, hell bent to Warhorse with Pvt. Boyd no far behind. Pvt. Miljivich left at 1:15am after foraging up some grub for the Captain Pvt. Moretti, and I. The equines enjoyed the fresh, if a bit glacial air with us while we chattered in the way that people do that have suffered a terrible calamity and haven't died yet.

Pvt. Moretti stayed to tend the horses, Cpt. Ginos stayed to give orders. I stayed because who in their rightful mind would leave such an adventure in the middle? Who could respect their Clerk if I did? (*Ed note. I would!*)

I'm not sure how much sleep Teri and the Captain got on that flatbed, but I must have gotten less than one half hour, aided no doubt by Bingo's rump tucked alarmingly closed to my head, tail rising threateningly every seven minutes. When I did note the time as being 6:30, I decided to call home. Earlier that morning when I realized where I would be spending the night, I had concluded it unwise to bother my parents with such petty matters. I dialed my handy cell phone and upon being greeted, declared that I wasn't exactly in Salinas at that moment; could they guess where I was? I fear I was somewhat south of where their hopes had placed me.

Dennis arrived soon after with an empty horse trailer a very tired Cpl. Post, ready to make the long trek home. Earlier that morning, Cpt. Ginos noticed that diesel was still leaking through the fuel injector, creating a loss of pressure for the other three. Most of his morning had been spent smashing stolen private property soil into the tube in hopes to seal it. This maneuver got us to the nearest Starbucks where we flipped down the cab, immediately shocking several passerby. The field dirt, having come loose, they elected to try a different soil, planter soil. This worked a treat; we had three riders, three wheels, and three cylinders, and the truck never run better—until the dirt leaked out. At this point, we knew the drill: jump out and take all beverages with you, tip the cab, and begin washing windows. We began to seriously consider installing a windshield wiper on the back window—the diesel coating was such that seeing through was impossible. The next time we needed a stop, our fine-tuned senses led us unerringly to some private property. Their soil worked nicely too, until were 10 miles south of Salinas and the seal broke. This caused copious amounts of smoke we tried not to see, clouds of fumes we tried not to breathe, and the pitter patter of diesel on the window we tried not to hear. With a half of tank of fuel and a yearning in our hearts, we forged ahead. Precisely 18 hours after we had set out at 6:30pm, we arrived at Warhorse at 12:30, and no one was happier to arrive than Team One.



“SoCal Hell”

by Mike Johnson

(Inspired by the true events of November 2005
and sung to the tune of Kenny Rogers’ “Lucille”)

In 3rd US tradition,
We were last leavin’ Moorpark
We were hopin’ to get home by 3,
But the gods were against us
Our smooth ride went ugly
We soon knew it wasn’t to be

CHORUS:

*Ya picked a fine time to leave me loose wheel
With 8 hungry horses and a long way from home
It took a long time to Warhorse
But it could’a been much worse
Now I know how Corporal Hell feels,
Ya picked a fine time to leave me loose wheel*

Alan’s cab started smokin’
A gas line had broken,
We wondered if they’re gonna fry.
But with the help of a stranger,
They appeared out of danger,
So we headed on homeward, bye-bye.

CHORUS

It was Santa Maria,
Where the back wheel said, “See Ya!”
And just missed a Honda’s wind-shield
So we mix & matched truck parts
Jess an I headed Northward
While the rest spent the night in a field

CHORUS



Cpl. Mike Johnson

Not really....
BUT ↓ this is!



Our very own angels



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GRANTS: Debbie Carlisi is working on locating and submitting grants. She is working on grant applications through the NRA. Some missing financial information is required, including hours members expend working on the event, and small donations (i.e. bag of nails, loan of generator, etc.) There is a specific budget template to use for some grants. Wes will work with Katie and Janice to create this template.

HORSE COOKIES: Bagged horse cookies for Casini Ranch Campground store at the annual meeting. Should bag more cookies at Gibson Ranch to send back with Alan.

MERCHANDISE: Café Press - Merchandise with CHAS logo. A link to Café Press is on the website, as well as in the Cannon's Mouth. No figures on T-shirt sales. Ray Ahrenholz designed a new t-shirt to be debuted at Duncan's Mills.

MY BROKER DONATES: No house sales; no proceeds. The broker is in the Bay Area.

ENDOWMENT PROGRAM: To be established through a broker (i.e. Schwab) with principle never to be used, but will receive the interest. Let's look into this and get it established. Judith suggested the seen money could be the Ed Pico Memorial Fund.

LIVE FIRE SKIRMISH: Pistol, rifle, cannon and mortar. Roger to explore this further.

AMAZON SMILE: smile.amazon.com similar to GoodSearch or SHARES. A percentage of purchase is donated to CHAS.

Materials and Acquisition William Entriiken: ABSENT - Bought new tires for red horse trailer on the way to Mariposa. Trailer now at Johnson's for repair. Unit van jack broke and will be replaced. Shortage of long reins for horses.

Recruitment Judith Boling: Presented eight membership applications for new and renewing members - accepted seven. Will hold eighth pending receipt of family's applications. Welcome New Members: Jill Czarnowski, Peter Czarnowski, and Phillip Forseth. Welcome back Returning Members: Gary Amari, Cary Dunne, and Melinda Faubel

Public Relations/Newsletter Katie Rejaian/Janice Neikirk

Next edition of Cannon's Mouth comes out next week. Katie nearly completed with civilwar-days.net website. Will then work on new warhorse.org website. Civilwardays.net will not have .pdf pages for ease of editing. The board was given a preview of the new civilwar-days.net

Bylaws Wes Faubel:

Judith will work with Wes to revise all civilian related job descriptions. Wes will send sections to command personnel for their input on their job descriptions.

Historical/Educational Ken Dombrowski - No Report

Events Terry Thompson: (Absent) DUNCANS MILLS: Some spectators have complained of too much narrative during the battle. No change in fire pit rules. Dee wants to distribute recycling bags; Ted does not want to distribute to reenactors. Okay to make recycling bins set through out event site. Will T-shirt guy be at Duncans Mills again?? Janice needs to order merchandise to sell at Information Booth

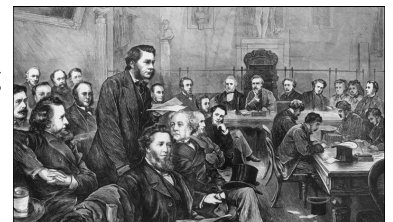
COMING EVENTS (SEE EVENT CALENDAR - *I'm running out of room here*)

Old Business: NONE

New Business: Received an email from a person interested in purchasing a horse for a buggy. Dennis will contact the person regarding purchase of Goldilocks.

Next CHAS Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2014 at 10:00 AM. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:13 PM

Ed note...WHEW



CIVIL WAR DAYS

DUNCANS MILLS, CA

Welcome to "Civil War Days at Duncans Mills" 2014! Sponsored by the Casini Ranch Family Campground and the California Historical Artillery Society (CHAS), this event is one of the finest in Northern California. With the hamlet of Duncans Mills situated along the beautiful Russian River resort area, many reenactors make this event an annual outing combining reenacting with some great vacation time. Reenactors from Northern & Southern California, as well as the greater western region have enjoyed this event. Some things to look forward to:

- ~Excellent coastal weather
- ~Redwood covered hills and mowed pasture battlefield
- ~Amazing sight lines with surroundings devoid of modern contraptions
- ~Great camping, easy access to drinking water, plentiful firewood & hay for horses
- ~Saturday night dance with free shuttle bus transportation to and from

AND

Your attendance helps support a 501(c)(3) providing the only horse drawn artillery in the west!

For a great event, please familiarize yourself with all rules and regulations available at www.civilwardays.net/reenactors.html. Below you will find basic information regarding the event. If you have any questions, please contact the event coordinator, Ted Miljevich at chaselduce@aol.com.

The site and format are virtually the same year after year. The site map can be viewed on the event website. The interconnecting meadows are spacious and provide shade along the perimeters. Both Confederate and Union camp sites also have available wooded "campaign style" camping areas.

Concession style food and beverages are for sale during public hours in the sutler/civilian area.

Reenactor passenger car parking is located behind the Confederate camp. Traffic control directors and a shuttle will be available. If you require an RV hook-up, you may contact Casini Ranch Family Campground at (707) 865-2255 or e-mail info@casiniranch.com, or any of the other nearby camping resorts on the Russian River.

****Be aware! Poison oak is persistent in all wooded areas, so enter at your own risk!****

Straw, firewood, water and porta potties are provided at all camp sites. Hay and water troughs for mounted units are available. Trash containers are provided and in ground fire pits are allowed.

The Saturday night dance is held from 8:00 to 11:00 at the Casini Campground recreation hall, next to the General Store near the campground entrance off Moscow Road. The dance is open to reenactors and the public. Period dress is of course preferred, but not required. There is shuttle service from the event entrance area to the dance location from 7:30 to 11:30 pm. There is parking available at the dance site if you wish to drive or you can walk the one mile. There is no charge for the dance, but

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there will be a donation box at the hall. Beverages and snacks can be purchased at the General Store adjacent to the dance area.

Due to battlefield size restrictions, artillery guns per side is limited as set forth by each command staff. CHAS is also limiting artillery powder reimbursements to a total of eight Confederate and six Union guns. All artillery attending MUST contact their respective command staff.

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Over time the operating costs have gone way up for Civil War Days, Duncans Mills. To have use of the site we have to pay substantial land use fees to be able to bring you this event. To offset the costs, we charge reenactors a fee to attend the event. This is necessary to keep the event going unless adequate sponsorships are provided. If you or someone you know would like to sponsor a portion of the event please contact the CHAS Fundraising Coordinator at donations@warhorse.org. Please know sponsorships are tax deductible!

Event Phone: (707) 922-5901

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DIRECTIONS

From Hwy 101: Use the River Road/Guerneville exit (about 1 mile north of Santa Rosa). Turn west onto River Road toward the Russian River Resort Area and continue on to the town of Guerneville. Travel straight through Guerneville and continue on to Duncans Mills. Turn left onto Moscow Road and continue over the bridge (about 1/4 mile). At the end of the bridge, make a right turn onto Freeze Out Road. Follow the signs to the site (about 1/4 mile).

From Hwy 1: Turn east on Highway 116 (River Road/Guerneville) and continue on to Duncans Mills Turn right on Moscow Road and continue over the bridge (about 1/4 mile). At the end of the bridge, make a right turn onto Freeze Out Road. Follow the signs on Freeze Out Road.

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<http://www.civilwardays.net/>

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California Historical Artillery Society

<http://www.warhorse.org>

Pacific Area Civil War Reenactors

<http://koplowicz.com/pacwr/>

American Civil War Association (ACWA)

<http://www.acwa.org/>

American Civil War Society (ACWS)

<http://www.acws.net/>

Civil War Re-enactment Society (CWRS)

<http://www.cwrs.info>

Comstock Civil War Reenactors (CCWR)

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

National Civil War Association

<http://www.ncwa.org/>

Reenactors of the American Civil War (RACW)

<http://www.racw.org>

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