

The Cannon's Mouth

NEWSLETTER OF THE CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL ARTILLERY SOCIETY
FEBRUARY 2008

Commander's Call

Alan Ginos

With the advent of a new campaign year, I'm pleased to get some help in the Quartermaster department from Mike Foley. Mike is now promoted to QM Sgt with all attendant duties, including getting our loaner gear inventoried and a check in/out procedure set up to keep track of the gear. Before the first event Mike will take on the coordination duties of equipment hauling and truck driving. Thanks to Mike for all of his help with maintenance and equipment logistics this last year, (his first with CHAS), and please offer your assistance to him whenever the chance arises.

It is not often that we have more than one candidate for a job interested in being promoted (or drafted as the case may be and some of you will smile knowingly about that subject). At this time when it is necessary to accept Bob Lee's wishes to step down as Chief Artificer, I am happy to get to choose between two fine candidates. Both Roger Boling and Loren Griffith have expressed a willingness to step up, and both are eminently qualified. Both are knowledgeable doers interested in the good of the impression and the unit, willing to help out as needed whether on gun crews or repairs. Both can manage the logistics and coordination required of the position, and either should be able to get things done through others at events and work parties. A tough decision, but one that still leaves us with both men in the artificer camp doing what they do best. My choice is Roger for the fact that it is time to recognize all his past contributions of manning the impression many times by himself at events, bringing along our apprentices, and being very active with the board and events since joining the unit. It is time to promote him and let him run with the artificer ball officially. Please support him in this expanded role, as I know Loren will.



Dispatches from the Dog Tent

Ted Milgovich

CHAS's 10th annual membership meeting was a total success, with almost a 40% member turnout. The day was filled with good discussion and business matters. It was colder than normal in Salinas that day, but hey, great camaraderie was had by all, with plenty of good food and just a great time. I wish to thank all who came and took part. Your involvement and feedback is very important to the running of the organization. The great turnout at our meeting shows this well. A detailed account of the day's events will follow from our recording secretary.

I do wish to give a few acknowledgements. First to Tom Moore and company for the fine food made for us all that day. And to Dennis and Pat Winfrey for the use of Matranga Wholesale for hosting our meeting. As far as unit awards: Our Ed Pico Living Historical Memorial award went to Chris Bergin for his fine work in all the articles he has supplied us with in the newsletter this season. The Larry Schneider Memorial "Member of the Year" award went to our Captain, Alan Ginos for his untold behind the scenes - and in front of the scenes - work done this year on behalf of the unit on a variety of fronts. Thanks to these and all the other members who were recognized this year. Also to the membership in general for all their efforts and work that went into this past year. We are set for another great year of good times and good things to come.



The next board meeting will be February 12th, 6:00 pm at Marie Callender's in Concord. As always you may attend or contact your member at large.

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Winter work parties will commence with the first three scheduled for the weekends of March 1st, March 29, and April 19. The last one to include loading and distributing trailers for the following weekend's Mariposa event. After the March 1st weekend, we will have a better handle on what needs to be accomplished. There will be year around maintenance this year including summer time opportunities to clean, paint and repair. An e-mail call to action will be sent out with a request to know which of the weekends you will be able to attend.

It is not too early to plan for participating in a parade on July 4th. We will have two big ones to including Danville for the first time, and our perennial participation in the Redwood City parade. These are both big turnout parades, will pay us well, and mean a good portion of the unit needs to turnout. The 4th is on a Friday this year, so a half-day participation in a parade with time to be home for fireworks should be a good start to the weekend.

2008 Annual Meeting



The 2008 Annual Meeting was well-attended, despite the usual Camp Warhorse unsettled and very cold day. Matranga's warmed up with slide shows, board officers' reports and election results. After lunch, with excellent tri-tip prepared by Tom Moore, Ted and Alan announced their 2007 awards.

Board President's Awards

Member of the Year
Alan Ginos

George P.B. Casini Award
Scott Moretti

Ed Pico Memorial Historian Award
Chris Bergin

NCWA's Morrison-Huffman Award
Scott Foster

Captain's Awards

Cannoneer of the Year
Rafferty Lincoln

For willingness to cheerfully do any required tasks at events; for substantial time spent at work parties; for ease with which you add to our Confederate impression; and for being a good ambassador to the public.



Cannoneer of the Year
Barbara Lincoln

For willingness to cheerfully do any required tasks at events; for substantial time spent at work parties; for your help in administrative duties at events; and for being a good ambassador to the public.



Driver of the Year
Teri Moretti

For seeing to it that Team 2 participated in the most campaigns this season; with a truck and trailer that was kept serviceable; and for helping out Paul and Nancy with horse related issues requiring hands on assistance.

Recruit of the Year Mike Foley

For your selfless dedication to equipment maintenance; willingness to cheerfully do any required tasks at events while showing up early and staying late; and for attendance at multiple work parties and events.



Recruit of the Year Shirley Foley

For your selfless dedication to feeding this unit and helping Provisioner Moretti; willingness to cheerfully do any required tasks at events while showing up early and staying late; and for attendance at multiple work parties and events.

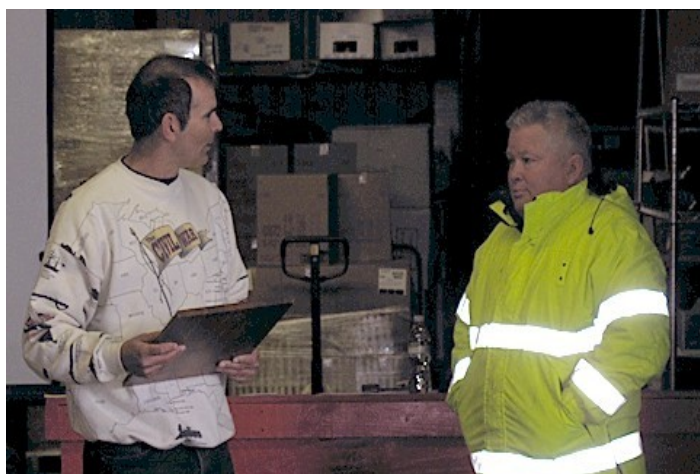


Artificer of the Year Award Dave Johnson

For considerable work this past year and all year's since joining this unit helping to build, rebuild modify and fix equipment, trailers and trucks. This past year found Dave rebuilding trailer decks and making welding repairs at the winter work parties, then spending three full days rebuilding the forge trailer this past fall. Dave's work is done outside events and not noticeable by most, but his workmanship is always admired and appreciated by those who do know.

Commander's Appreciation Award Wes Faubel

For being the driving force for several years for winter training including SOHS, Cav 101 and Driver Training without which we would not have been so well prepared for the campaign seasons; for being a good ambassador to brigade staff; for taking charge of safety testing and other administrative roles at and outside events; and for being a positive influence on drill and decorum appropriate for a regular battery.



Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the California Historical Artillery Society Board Meeting: November 15, 2007

Present: Ted Miljevich, Mike Johnson, Scott Foster, Teri Moretti, Roger Boling, Judith Boling, Norm Roger, Alan Ginos

Guests: Wes Faubel, John Boyd

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM

The minutes were read and corrected as necessary.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer: Mike Johnson,

Went over checking and disbursements.

It was questioned if the Team 2 teeth floating should have been done at Duncan's Mills or should it have been done at Warhorse? It was pointed out that Dennis said to have them checked out while they were there.

Norm questioned if the billing issues for the treatment of festering sores resulting from the inoculations had been resolved yet.

The Meacham survey repair expenses need to be itemized separately.

Trailer towing reimbursement should be done using the claim form provided in the towing SOP. This form is used either for the charitable deduction or actual reimbursement.

Commander's Report: Alan:

Participated in guided tour of Alcatraz with John Nevins. The purpose was to learn about the military history of Alcatraz and explore possibilities of participating in a living history day there.

Safety: Mike Johnson:

Has purchased safety equipment (gloves, helmets, face masks, etc.) for work parties at both Warhorse and Duncan's Mills.

There was discussion about the incident at Fresno where another unit used a pistol to discharge a gun that had multiple primer failures. Alan will bring up the subject with the various California artillery groups.

Moorpark: Thomas Martinez was riding swing during a battle and went down with the horses. No injuries occurred. He has had some riding experience but not recently. Troy Groves had issues with the same position and horse earlier. We need to check on Bad Boy's mouth.

John brought up his concerns with the drill by Southern units that he observed at both Fresno and Moorpark where the implements were placed on the ground when not in use.

Fairfield parade: Gopher kicked another horse while in the trailer on the way to the parade. The concern is that there are too many kickers on Team 2. There were questions as to what happened to the shipping boots Paul had purchased.

Safety Tests: Roger is working on an Artificer Test. Scott owes Wes the answers for the Cannoneer and Gunner tests.

Fundraising:

Still need chairman for Fundraising.

Alan has volunteered to take on fundraising and advertising for Duncan's Mills.

Roger will send a thank you from CHAS to the Bakery from Fresno for donating the bread we had at the event there.

Materials and Acquisition:

Loren had flat tire on horse trailer on way back from Fresno. Alan bought lug wrenches, plastic trailer ramps and flashlights for each of the horse trailers. The wooden ramp Scott M. built would not work for the white horse trailer as the stop was too high. Need to check the new ramps on each trailer.

Alan, Dave Johnson, and Paul Casini are working are on a trailer towing check list for drivers to use before leaving on trips to ensure everything is working OK and safety equipment is present.

The Meacham carriage did not make it to the auction. We will need to look at other ways of advertising and selling it. Roger recommended checking with Weston (Wheel maker). There is the horse expo in Sacramento in June and an event in Pomona in February.

The air compressor and boiler shed lights at Warhorse need maintenance.

It was M/S/P to spend up to \$350.00 to get a trailer and truck wire tester.

It was M/S/P to spend up to \$300.00 for a sand blast cabinet.

John passed out his comments on his efforts on the red horse trailer repairs.

Thom Lewis has found a strong interest in the original supply wagon by a museum in Prescott, AZ.

Recruitment and Public Relations:

Currently have 11 members.

Accepted Bruce Maurier as a Cannoneer on Gun 1

Wes passed out a copy of the forms and information going out as part of the reenlistment package.

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Wes will also update the half-sheet information flyer.

There was discussion about how we should charge for members who do not live in the area. It was decided that the current by-laws do not provide for a different dues levels for regular members. Issue needs more investigation.

Wes is still looking for a membership chairman.

By Laws:

Wes clarified on the SOP what new members are. It was M/S/P to accept the changes as noted by Wes on the documents.

Wes has added a revision log to the SOP files.

Jennifer has provided a proposed Signal Corps SOP.

Ted expressed his concerns about the period authenticity vs. modern practices of the Arty demo. It was suggested that a standard script be prepared noting that we are following modern safety procedures and point out the differences from period practices.

Events:

Fresno went off well. Could have used more qualified NCOs.

Moorpark went OK. Used Thomas Martinez's gun and limber.

There is a possibility of doing something with the Rose Parade. The Buffalo Soldiers need an officer on a white horse to lead them.

There will be a Doug Kidd school at Prado over the President's day weekend.

The Prado reenactment will be April 5 & 6.

Davidson Middle School living history will be on April 24.

100th Anniversary of World War 1 is coming up in a few years. We should look at doing the Monterey parade as Mexican/Civil/Indian/WW 1 combined.

Unfinished Business:

Ballots will go out Dec. 1.

New Business:

There was discussion about issues that occurred with the team at Casini Ranch.

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 PM

Civilian Corner

Judith Boling

Thank you to all of you who voted in the recent CHAS elections. I am looking forward to a wonderful year.

By now the various clubs have held their grand balls. The NCWA ball was small, but very nice. It seemed that there were more dancers this year. Preparations are already under way for next year.

Some of our members traveled to Fort Point on January 26. I was unable to make the pilgrimage this year. I hope that those who were there had a wonderful time and spoke to many of the public.

We now turn toward Mooney Grove in Visalia in March. This small event hosted by CWRS. Artillery and cavalry are dismounted, which makes it an easy event for those in the military. I encourage all members, military and civilian, to journey to Visalia for this event. While I usually don't camp at this event due to the proximity to my home, I would be willing to do so if other civilians were to attend.

The first big event of the season will be Mariposa in April. Plans for civilian activities, including a tea, are underway. The Sanitary Commission is looking for a good turnout. Start on your letters and boxes from home for the 3rd US Artillery. More information will be forthcoming.



HELP SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Thanks to all of you who brought items to the Annual Meeting! We've got a nice assortment to send to our troops in Iraq. We will be shipping this coming weekend, so if you have any last-minute donations, please send them ASAP. Please remember that monetary donations are accepted - we can make another stop at the store if we receive any cash and/or checks.

Just to clarify - **this was not intended to be a one-time event!** We will keep collecting and sending items until the 1-143rd returns home to Camp Roberts. Please don't hesitate to send your donations to us, or bring them to the next event you attend and give them to Mike or Roz. The plan is to make at least one shipment each month.

Along with the list below, Major Craig Sandman of the 1-143rd Field Artillery, our Army contact, tells us that DVDs are very popular as most of the troops have laptops or DVD players. Take a minute to look through your DVDs and send some along.

- Pre-paid phone cards
- DVD's and CDs
- White Socks
- Coffee
- Personalized notes
- Personal hygiene items (in tubes or plastic containers – no glass)
- Newspaper articles about things happening in California
- A personal letter
- Writing materials (pens, notebooks)
- T-shirts (white for off duty stuff)
- Hand lotion (in plastic)
- Hand sanitizer (in plastic)
- Snacks
- Chewing gum and breath mints
- Camelback drinking container cleaning kits

Think of what you would take with you into the field when you go hunting or fishing and are miles away from a store.

Send your items and donations to:

Mike & Roz Johnson
334 Kevin Ct.
Auburn, CA 95603

The Recruiting Desk

Wes Faubel

Reenlistments proceed apace. Fifty-seven hardy souls have reenlisted to press the foe in the upcoming campaign season and more pour in every day!

Congratulations to Melinda Faubel, the proud (and shocked) winner of the 2008 membership drawing. Thank you to all who participated. We had a good turnout with almost 40 names in the "hat". That is more than 40 safety tests that do not have to be completed at an event, Hurrah!

In the wake of our recent Annual Meeting is a good time to present a summary of our recruiting efforts for the last year. We ended the 2007 calendar year with 112 members in all categories and 23 new members for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

The table below shows a comparison of our membership by category for the last two calendar years. As can be seen, the military side of the organization is holding approximately steady while our civilian impression sustained the most loss in the past year.

	12/31/2006	12/31/2007
Members	134	112
Life Members	2	2
Individual Members	51	44
Family Members	79	64
Supporting Members	2	2
Military	94	86
Civilian	38	24



"Support your local artillery horse!"

The overall result was a net loss of 13 members, the first net loss since detailed records have been kept ('03-04 FY). The root cause of the membership decrease was that 36 prior members did not renew for the 2006-2007 year, a large proportion of them families. New members held steady at, as they have since FY 2004-05.

While a decrease in overall membership should give all of us reason to stop and consider how we as a unit are performing, the decrease may not be significant in the long term. A typical reenactors' "lifespan" is approximately 5 years, so we can expect to lose a percentage to fatigue and other normal ills.

Fortunately we have unique opportunities for the impression to stay fresh with possible roles of Sanitary Commission, Artificer, Cannoneer, Teamster, Outrider/Driver, and Pioneer. We are also as busy as ever on the activities front. A review of our schedule shows an event every month except December. There are opportunities for combined roles in battles, training in focus and living history within roles, and as always just good plain fellowship for a get-together.

Look for some changes this year with in the current impressions and other areas. Help us to keep our organization fresh and interesting. If you have an idea for a fun role, event, or variation on an existing scenario let your Member-at-Large or command staff know.

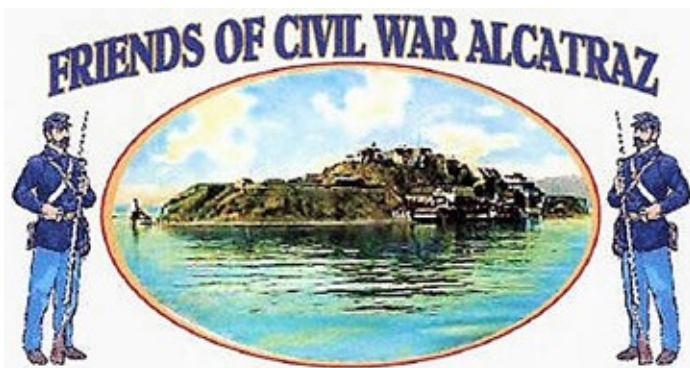
Respectfully Submitted
Lt Casualty

Unit "Wish List"

Raz Johnson

Do you have any of the following items you'd be willing to donate to CHAS? Maintaining our large arsenal of "toys" takes considerable people-power and the equipment to do the job. Donors will receive a letter for tax purposes.

1. "Period-style" wooden wheelbarrow.
2. Gasoline pressure washer, nominally 5 hp or more and 2200 or more psi.
3. Jack stands tall enough to fit under axle trees of limbers and guns, battery wagon, forge etc. to hold them up when he wheels are removed.
4. Saw horses to hold equipment.
5. Lockable storage cabinets or trunks for tools, supplies and equipment storage.
6. Cleaning rags and supplies.



ALCATRAZ LIVING HISTORY DAY

Are you ready to do time on Alcatraz?

The American Civil War is returning to Fortress Alcatraz on Saturday, February 23, 2008. This will be the islands very first Living History Day.

During the war, Fortress Alcatraz was the keystone fortification on the West Coast. It literally bristled with over 100 coastal artillery guns.

The event is hosted by Friends of Civil War Alcatraz in cooperation with the National Park Service.

Alcatraz Island is an incredible experience in and of itself. Public attendance on Saturday's routinely runs from 3,600 to 4,000, so you're not going to run out of people to interact with.

This first event will be limited to fifty participants. Those attending will be guests of the National Park Service and Friends of Civil War Alcatraz.

Transportation to and from the island will be provided at no cost. Lunch will also be provided for participants.

Time: 8:30am to 4:00pm. The last boat leaves the island at 4:30pm.

Military impressions will be limited to units that were stationed on the island during the war:

<u>REGIMENT/UNIT</u>	<u>COMPANY/BATTERY</u>
3 rd U.S. Artillery	A, B, D, E, H, I, K, L, N, Band F, G, H, K
9 th U.S. Infantry	
U.S. Engineering Det. A	
1 st Dragoons	Recruits
1 st California Vol. Inf.	
2 nd California Vol. Inf. G	
2 nd California Vol. Cav.	F
5 th California Vol. Inf. H, K	
6 th California Vol. Inf. A	
8 th California Vol. Inf. B, E, G, H, M	
Military Prisoner	N/A (see below)

Uniforms

This is a garrison impression.

Required uniform for artillery and infantry:

- 1) Frock coat with appropriate buttons. Hardee hat with appropriate insignia or kepi with appropriate insignia.
- 2) Sack coat with appropriate buttons. Kepi with appropriate insignia.

Weapons

M1842, M1855 or M1861 Springfield Rifle – depending on the unit.

Sword if appropriate to the impression.

There is a 24-pound Howitzer in the Guard House available for gun drill and other demonstrations. Implements on the island include: one staff with sponge and rammer, one worm staff, "hoist bar", one dummy friction primer, one canister, one grape, one (dummy) shell.

NO POWDER, NO CAPS

Cavalry

Cavalry shell jacket and kepi with appropriate insignia.

M1859 Sharps Carbine or appropriate issue weapon.

Appropriate revolver (Colt pattern 1851 or 1860).

Saber appropriate to the impression.

NO POWDER, NO CAPS

U.S. Army Prisoner

Sack coat (no buttons) with white letter "P" sewn on back (9" high, 5" wide [centered]) and kepi (no insignia).

Civilian impressions may include:

WOMEN

Wife

Laundress

Cook (for officer's family)

MEN

Contractor

Laborer

Mason

Carpenter

Secessionist Prisoner (limited number)





A secessionist prisoner may very well be the most difficult impression. Since there is no documentation of anyone wearing a Confederate uniform in California during the war, CIVILIAN ATTIRE is required. This impression will require answers to questions such as: Where are you from originally and what did you do there? Why are you in California? How long have you been here? Where do you live? What is your occupation? If you are a miner (for instance), how do you do that job? Why are you a prisoner?

As a Secessionist prisoner, you may be philosophical or somewhat indignant about your situation, but keep in mind that this is the Civil War. Your rights have been suspended and corporal punishment is acceptable. So it would be very unwise to antagonize your captors too much.

ADDITIONAL IMPRESSION INFORMATION

It is our intention to move living historians around during the day (unless you want to stay where you are) to provide for breaks and changes of scenery.

Attire for the most versatile impression would be a frock coat. In this uniform, you are free to adopt / portray many personas. You may post yourself (or be posted) as a guard in a variety of locations on the island, including the Dock, Guard House, China Alley and Tunnel, as well as strolling the island. The impression will allow for interpretation on the road above the Gardens where the ladies will be having tea in the afternoon.

U.S. Army Prisoners may be utilized as "time portal hosts". Meet the public as a prisoner and re-direct their mind set from the Penitentiary years to the Civil War era. It would be a good idea to decide "what you're doing time for" ahead of time. AWOL in San Francisco would likely be a minimal sentence. Striking an officer might get you shot. Keeping in mind that you'll likely have to explain your situation in front of children, rape or sodomy (while authentic) would be inappropriate.

This is the FIRST Living History Day on the island. We know we'll run into glitches, we just don't know what they'll be. Having experienced living historians like you involved will allow us to get through whatever problems we encounter.

With that said, your participation and observations are foundational to the future living history days on Alcatraz. During and certainly at the conclusion of the program, we very much want your take on the event. What worked; what didn't; what we should enhance; what we should scrap – in short, we want your ideas on how to make the future events better for the public and living historians alike.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE GIVEN TOURS OF THE CITADEL.

The first floor of the Civil War redoubt that was known as The Citadel still exists. It is located under the infamous Cell House at the top of the island. Participants will receive an exclusive guided tour of this facility that is "off limits" to the general public.

Alan Ginos and Scott Foster have taken a preliminary tour of the island and can supply you with further details.

Please sign on early to avoid missing out on this adventure.

Additional information will be sent to those signing on for the event.

I am the reenactor point of contact. My information is below, along with some informational web sites.

John Nevins

Home Phone (best): 916-560-8505

Cell: 916-599-6642

Email: scss1co@comcast.net

WEB SITES

Friends of Civil War Alcatraz:

www.friendsofcivilwaralcatraz.org

This is a new web site. It is just getting up to speed, so please be patient.

National Park Service, Alcatraz:

www.nps.gov/alcatraz

Fortress Alcatraz: www.fortressalcatraz.com

This is John Martini's web site. John is the historical consultant for Friends of Civil War Alcatraz. He was the National Park Service's Historian for the island for many years and has written two books on the military history of the island.

California Military Museum:

www.militarymuseum.org

Good histories about the units stationed on Alcatraz as well as some information on the island itself.

Alcatraz Cruises (Hornblower Ferry):

<http://www.alcatrazcruises.com>

CAVALRY 101

Do you want to learn to be more comfortable around the horses?

Think you might want to become an Artillery Driver or Outrider?

Just want to have a fun weekend with fellow members at the ranch?

Then CAV 101 is the event for you!

This "beginners" class is for all members who want to learn more about our horses and equipment. It's also a great refresher for all current horse people to help get you in shape for the coming season.

In addition to learning how to be a proper "horse holder" You will learn:

- ☆ How to properly groom the horse.
- ☆ What the different parts of the tack are and how they are used.
- ☆ How to saddle and bridle the horse.
- ☆ How to properly mount and dismount the horse.
- ☆ How to ride at the walk, trot and canter, depending on your skill and confidence levels

This event is scheduled for March 8 & 9, 2008, rain or shine. The event is free but there is a \$20.00 per person cost for meals.

If you are interested contact Teri Moretti by February 29th for reservations at tlmoretti@comcast.net. Hope to see you there!

Spring Driver Training

Wes Faubel

Our gallant Captain was well pleased with our performance in the last campaign season but feels that we can only get better with practice; lots and lots of practice. Capt Ginos therefore has directed that the unit drivers undergo annual training prior to the beginning of the campaign season.

To accomplish this training all drivers (and any other interested parties) not otherwise engaged are directed to assemble at Camp Warhorse on April 12 -13 for two fun-filled days of Artillery Driver and Outrider training. The curriculum is flexible and will not necessarily be the same as that of previous training. This will be a fine chance for the wheel drivers to hone their skills on the flat and for all drivers to meet their horse for the season and begin working with them.

In fact the weekend may encompass some unique features. There is the possibility of parade duty on Saturday to show some of the local citizens what a real artillery unit looks like. The Capt and Stable Sgt are rumored to be planning to field a forage wagon at Mariposa drawn with a postillion rather than a long line team. This is excellent experience for those who think they have experienced all of the best of being a team driver.

Your dynamic cadre of instructors will use the prior training and School of the Driver SOP as a foundation to build additional driver/outrider/horsemanship skills. Horse safety tests will be administered. Jokes and tall stories will be told.



We will barbeque for lunches and dinners. Breakfast will be on your own. More details will be telegraphed to the attendees prior to the weekend.

Join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship in the saddle, bunkhouse, and around the campfire. The event is free and open to all CHAS members. Drivers notify your Team Corporal of your attendance. Non-drivers notify me direct by telegraph at faubel@syix.com.

Yr Obt Svt

Lt Casualty

"Human Lady Liberty"

Submitted by John Gilliland



During the WWI years, Arthur S. Mole and John D. Thomas made some incredible human pictures by using thousands of sailors or soldiers to create images. From the Iowa National Guard site:

"On a stifling July day in 1918, 18,000 officers and soldiers posed as Lady Liberty on the parade [drill] grounds at Camp Dodge, Iowa"

New York's Ricco/Maresca Gallery - <http://www.riccomaresca.com/artists/slideshows/peoplepictures.htm> - offers more information on the background of this image and similar photographs by Mole and Thomas.

WANTED!

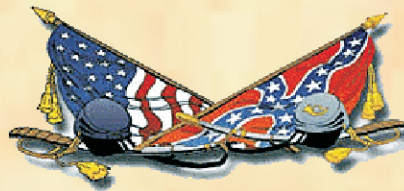
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Do you like to be in charge and are you the type of person that can get things done? CHAS is looking for a Fundraising Committee Chairman. Raising funds is crucial to help keep our unit events and horse rescue program running.

The Fundraising Chairman should:

- ★ Lead and organize the fundraising committee
- ★ Appoint committee members to direct projects.
- ★ Inform the Board of all planning and organizing details.
- ★ Motivate and inspire all members to promote and participate in the events.
- ★ Direct the planning processes in cooperation with the Board and the Fundraising Committee.
- ★ Delegate the implementation of decisions

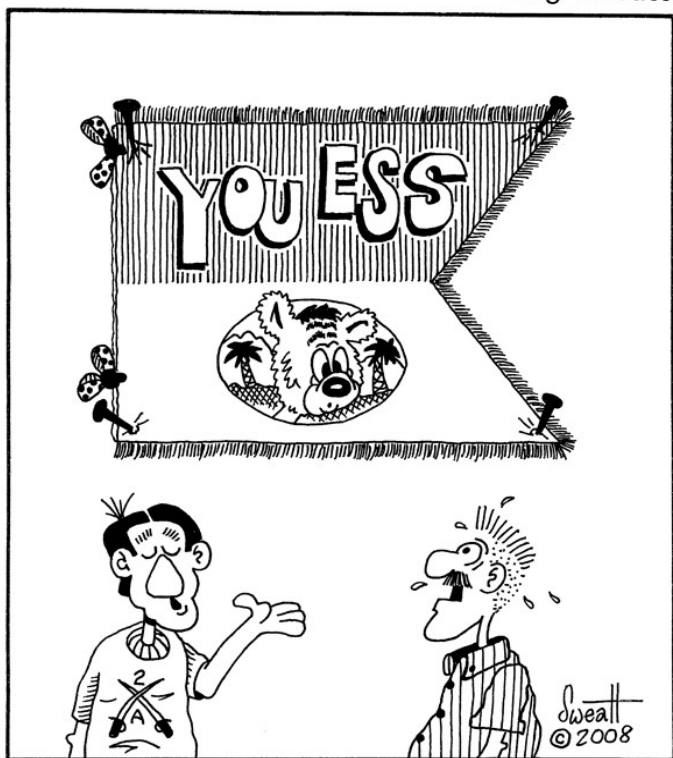
If you are interested in finding out more about this important position, contact any member of the Board! You can find contact information on the website and Cannon's Mouth.



MIKE JOHNSON
TREASURER



Please put this in a Conspicuous place.



"Oh, it's authentic all right. The guy on eBay told me so. And I only paid \$2500."

Missing from Action:

The Quartermaster box is missing numerous loaner items including three (3) of the confederate gray jackets we use when we galvanize. Hard to believe but we are also missing one of last year's new A tents as well. If you have possession of unit gear, or know its whereabouts, please let your NCO or the Captain know of it.



Bet this guy wishes he had gone to CAV101!
Come March 8-9 and see why!

Safety First!

Mike Johnson

The new season is approaching. Time to get that musty equipment cleaned up and get yourself back into shape. In the meantime, review these tips on "Porta Potty Safety".

- ☆ By all means, ascertain that the porta-potty you intend to use is placed on the ground in a stable fashion.
- ☆ When using a porta-potty, by all means roll up your suspenders and put them in your pockets before sitting down (unless of course you want them dyed blue or other colors).
- ☆ It is not kind to stare at hoop-skirted women struggling to enter and exit porta-potties, or to loudly comment on their efforts to do so.
- ☆ It is likewise considered unkind to gather the gentlemen in your unit together to threaten to knock over a porta-potty when another gentleman from your unit is using it.
- ☆ Don't bring your tin cup into the porta-potty with you. It just looks bad.
- ☆ If you've found the one porta-potty in the row that still has toilet paper in it, don't consider selling pieces to those standing in line. This breeds envy and discontent.



Submitted from the "Deep South" by **Ric Morrow**

After Action Report - 2008 Rose Parade

Alan Ginos

Barb and my entire trip for the parade weekend was very good. We left home towing Wes' newly acquired trailer, which worked well for Big Guy and us.



It was about a 6-hour haul from Salinas, using Route 46 to I-15 to the Pasadena area, arriving Friday the 28th in time to bed down Big Guy and then get read for a party for all equestrian participants. We had a banquet meal put on by Wells Fargo for all horse units in the parade, on Friday night at the LA Union Station. It was designed to be our New Year's Eve party since all horse units would be up all night or at least in position for the parade line up by midnight on NY Eve. A very nice setting, and people in either their parade costumes or fancy western wear.



Then Saturday we participated in Equestfest at the LA Equestrian Center. All horse units in the parade went in to the big arena one at a time and did their thing for some minutes. Ours was to ride around, then do a skit with "bandits" who had robbed some money and kidnapped a 5-year-old girl. We fought them with rifles and pistols, including one of the troopers laying his horse down and shooting over it for cover. Big Guy did very well this day and acted like he was very used to it with no problem shooting a pistol off his back.



That night we went to a Mexican restaurant with a number of the troopers and spouses--had a rollicking good time with much laughs.



Sunday we went to a band fest with a number of the bands participating in the parade. It took place on a football field where they could strut their stuff and play 4-5 songs. About 2.5 hours with 4-5 bands. Walking distance from the hotel we stayed in too.



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Monday we moved out of the hotel and to make it more of a standard event, spent several hours working on a haul truck to get it ready to go. Sound familiar? Hours spent cleaning and repairing battery cables on our host AJ Simeon's truck so it would reliably start when we needed to head to the parade staging area. Success!

All my tack of course was sparkling and oiled with Big Guy washed three times in four days and looking a dandy. Note the braided tail and how fluffy it looks in pictures from Equestfest and the parade, and of course the painted hooves. He was a dandy and did very well throughout.



We left for the staging area around 10:30 p.m. We were lucky to get the full bed in the camper the Buffalo Soldiers rented to have a common area and a few more sleeping accommodations. After having champagne at midnight and some chili with the group, we got to bed around 2:00 and got up at 4:20. Then "busy busy" to get ready for the parade. We left for our line-up position at 8:00 a.m., and started the parade about 9:00. We finished between 12:00 and 12:30, after 5.5 miles of parade route. The crowd was very nice to us, and I kept up an "I--L--L" chant with Illini fans and most got it and responded "I--N--I". Glad we did not go to the game, as the Illini got trounced. Let alone the fact that we were really tired.

About the first 1/3rd of the parade Big Guy was fairly normal, throwing his head because of the ribbons getting near his eye, but walking about normal. Then the 2nd 1/3rd of the parade he picked up the prance of the horse on his right, an American Show horse – a cross between an Arab and Saddlebred I think. That horse had a terrific prance, and took about 3 steps to every one for Big Guy at the beginning. Then Big Guy got into the act and those that know him would laugh at his prancing, throwing his head, doing what the show horse was doing. Then he came to his senses for the last 1/3rd realizing 5.5 miles is a longer way to go than he normally gets to do. Then he was back to normal, and definitely tired at the end of the day.



All in all he did a great job and was not fazed by all the strange horses, surroundings, trailering and of course the huge crowds.

Got to a new hotel that night that was very nice and we were so glad to be there. I was asleep before 9:00 p.m., and the next morning Wed, we picked up the horse and trailer and started home. Almost immediately the Check Engine light in my Expedition started to come on, and eventually the truck started running very rough. We eventually found a Ford dealer that would look at it and they found a shorted coil in top of a spark plug preventing it from firing. Replaced both and we



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came on home with no further problems. Thursday I returned Wes' horse trailer before it started raining, and then we hunkered down out of the rain.



I've made some contacts and enquiries about getting CHAS in to the parade. Might be a good time as we know some people who work on it, and the parade is interested in adding back some horse units. Now that I know the logistics involved not just for the parade but for the full scope, at least we can realistically assess whether we want to do it. Will take support crew of course, and people willing and able to be down there for days before the parade. It is not just a parade to do, but also a multi-day experience that we really enjoyed.

The Buffalo Soldiers treated us fantastically and what a good group to participate with. Look forward to doing it again.



More Rose Parade News

We had another member riding in this year's parade. This is actually Wendy Bailey's fourth Rose Parade appearance!

Wendy and Saber "the Wonder Horse" (or so he thinks) appeared with the "Spirit of the West Riders." The Riders, in their 17th Rose Parade, are marshaled by Phil Spangenberg, well-known for his work in films and television programs about the west, both in front of and behind the camera.

The Spirit of the West Riders is a unique horse group that blends American history and entertainment in their representation of the men and women of various ethnic backgrounds who tamed the wild frontier of the 1840-1920 period. Their performance brings daring riding exhibitions, trick shooting and fancy roping

Past members have included Jeff Wall, known to us as Sgt. with the 7th Michigan.

The group represents the John Wayne Cancer Institute. The unit pays tribute to John Wayne's legacy of the American west, and the pioneer spirit at the Institution in the quest to find a cure for cancer.



CHAS member Wendy Bailey and Saber ride with Christy Lewis and the "Spirit of the West Riders" in this year's Rose Parade

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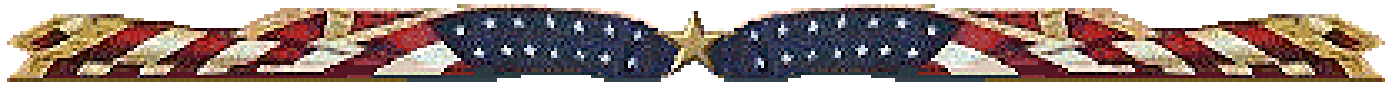
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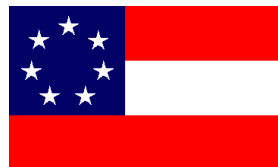
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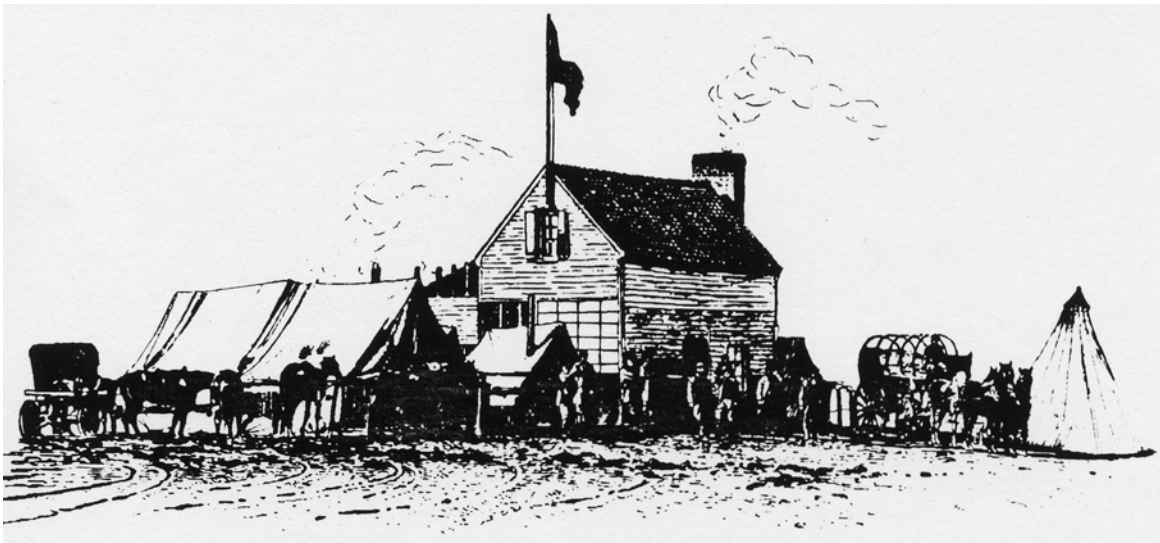
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So. Cal. Event - Ft. Knotts School of the Soldier

This Presidents Day Weekend Knott's Berry Farm will offer visitors the opportunity to step back in time as they become the site of a Civil War Encampment, "School of the Soldier," Saturday, February 16 and Sunday, February 17.

This event is intended to provide Living History opportunities with the public, as well as provide units with a School of the Soldier in order to conduct whatever training that is appropriate. There will be Living History demonstrations during the day, but most of the time will be left to interaction with the public and instruction for individual unit members.



Added this year will be a formal parade through the park each day! With drums beating and flags flying, this should provide a great deal of color for the public - and should be a lot fun!

Also new this year is the battle between **"The Monitor and the Merrimack."** Four to five foot long models of the ships will blaze away at each other in the otherwise quiet environs of the nature pool next to Independence Hall. It should be a hoot!

Knott's will be distributing a Civil War questionnaire to schools in the area, so bone up and be prepared to provide answers to school kids.

As any of you who were there last year know, the space for our encampment is not unlimited. Therefore, a change from last year's event is that pre-registration will be required. We will be attempting to use the existing space as economically as possible, *so without special permission do not put up a tent fly until everyone with tents is accommodated.*

As with last year, each participant 14 years of age or older (as well as drummers and buglers) will receive **two adult admission tickets** to Knott's Berry Farm that can be used anytime after the event in 2008.

I ask that unit commanders poll their units and provide me with the following by **February 6.**

1) Names of attendee, 2) email address, 3) unit, and 4) tent type if a tent will be used by the participant.

Very importantly, besides simply registering when you give me this information, your name will go on the list so that you can get your two free park passes. If no one seems to be handling this matter for you, then *respond to me directly* by email with this information.

There will also be a free **dance** on Saturday evening in the Gold Rush Camp. As something new, Knott's is considering having an **all-you-can-eat buffet** there prior to the dance. The cost would be \$14.51 per adult and \$8.01 per child (this includes tax and tip).

The rub is that we must have 100 participants for the meal in order for Knott's to justify the effort, and the tickets must be purchased in advance. Therefore, you must send a check to me by February 2. I will hold the check until I determine that enough reenactors have signed on. If we do not meet our 100 meal requirement, I will return the checks at the event. Contact me and let me know that you are interested and I will provide you with further details.

Above ground fires will be required. Firewood will be provided. In order to keep the fire marshal happy, please bring stakes and ropes to surround the fire pit in order to prevent kids and others from getting too close to the fire.

At present, it appears that we will be able to use the 1880s vintage chapel at Knott's for church services on Sunday should interest be sufficient.

Col. Steve Harness has graciously agreed to return as Federal Commander this year. I will command Confederate forces.

You may arrive after 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 16. You must be unloaded prior to 8:30 on Saturday. The event is open to the public at 9:00 a.m. both days. The event is over at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday and *you must be loaded and on the road by 5:30 p.m. on Sunday so as not to keep the Knott's personnel there any longer than necessary.*

Very limited sutler space is available, and merchandise must be period appropriate. Sutlers should inquire regarding further details.

Once you reply to me, I will put you on my participants' list. For messages/updates in the last two weeks before the event, I will limit my messages to those on this list. **I will email parking passes and releases to all participants.**

On behalf of Don Parra, without whose efforts this event would never have occurred, and myself, I invite all of you to join us in taking part in a most enjoyable start to the new reenacting year!

Ed Mann

P.S. Please consider also joining us in Vista on March 8-9!

3rd US Roster Assignments 2007

Role	Name	Report To	Role	Name	Report To
Commanding Officer	Ginos, Alan		Stable Sgt.	Winfrey, Dennis	XO
Executive Officer	Faubel, Wes	Captain	Teamster	Faubel, Melinda	XO
1st Sergeant	Foster, Scott	Captain	Teamster	Burgin, Chris	XO
Company Clerk	Faubel, Bethany	1st. Sgt.	Commissary Sgt.	Moretti, Scott	1st. Sgt.
Quartermaster Stg.	Foley, Mike	1st Sgt.	Provisioner	Foley, Shirley	CommSgt.
Bugler	Thompson, Doug	1st. Sgt.			

Gun/Team 1

Chief of Piece	Hawkins, Bill	1st. Sgt.
Gun Cpl	Abraham, Ricky	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Barber, Garret	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Foley, Mike	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Lemasters, Michael	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Lincoln, Rafferty	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Maurier, Bruce	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Morrow, Richard	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Sablan, Scott	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Springer, Timothy	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Thompson, Courtland	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Thompson, Karla	Gun Sgt.

Team Corporal	Johnson, Mike	Gun Sgt.
Driver	Berry, Mike	Team Cpl.
Driver	Byrne, Jeanne	Team Cpl.
Driver	Faubel, Loreleigh	Team Cpl.
Driver	Miljevich, Ted	Team Cpl.
Driver	Mossman, Charlene	Team Cpl.
Driver	Schug, Matt	Team Cpl.

Artificers

Chief Artificer	Lee, Robert	1st. Sgt.
Artificer	Blair, Michael	Chief Art.
Artificer	Boling, Roger	Chief Art.
Artificer	Casini, Paul	Chief Art.
Artificer	Faubel, Tristan	Chief Art.
Artificer	Griffith, Loren	Chief Art.
Artificer	Plocher, Al	Chief Art.
Artificer	Ruther, Justin	Chief Art.

Signal Corps

Sergeant	Silas J. Meriwether	1st. Sgt.
Private	Roger, Norm	Signal Sgt.
Private	Stephens, Mark	Signal Sgt.

Gun/Team 2

Chief of Piece	Duncan, George	1st. Sgt.
Gun Cpl	Boyd, John	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Ebert, Bob	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Lewis, Thom	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Lincoln, Barbara	Gun Sgt.
Cannoneer	Long, Richard	Gun Sgt.
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Cannoneer	Sablan, Mike	Gun Sgt.
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Driver	Horton, Jim	Team Cpl.
Driver	Meacham, Ann	Team Cpl.
Driver	Schoenberger, Erik	Team Cpl.
Driver	Whitehead, David	Team Cpl.

Unassigned

Unassigned	Bailey, Wendy	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Bradford, Bryan	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Creighton, John	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Ensign, Sue	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Jones, Neal	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Justiniano, Joe	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Maciver, Al	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Martinez, Thomas	1st. Sgt.
Unassigned	Rogers, Keith	1st. Sgt.
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- Feb 2 Live fire. Contact Scott Foster.
POSTPONED!
- Feb 9 RACW Winter Ball.
Red Bluff.
- Feb 9-10 NCWA Winter Conference.
Benicia.
- Feb 23 Alcatraz Living History Day. Hosted by
the Friends of Civil War Alcatraz and the
National Park Service. San Francisco.
Contact Alan Ginos.

March

- March 1 - 2 Mooney Grove Park, Visalia.
CWRS Battles & Encampment. 1 gun,
no horses. Contact Ted Miljevich.
- Mar 8 - 9 "CAV 101". Camp Warhorse, Salinas,
CHAS. Beginning Cavalry and horse
skills. Contact Teri Moretti.
- Mar 29 - 30 CHAS Weekend Work Party.
Contact Alan Ginos.

April

- April 12 - 13 CHAS spring team driver practice week
end. Camp warhorse, Salinas.
Time to work drivers and horses.
Contact Wes Faubel.
- April 19 - 20 CHAS Weekend Work Party.
Contact Alan Ginos.
- April 25 - 27 Mariposa Crossroads.
NCWA Battles & Encampment. 1 team &
1 guns, Support units. School day
Friday. Contact TBA.

May

- May 16 - 18 Gibson Ranch, Sacramento.
NCWA Battles & Encampment. 2 teams
& guns, Support units. School day
Friday. Contact TBA.

June

- June 21 NCWA Summer Social. Tres Pinos.
- June 28 - 29 Duncans Mills. Weekend work party.
CHAS. Contact Ted Miljevich.

July

- July 4 4th of July Parades. Redwood City and
Danville. \$. CHAS. Contact Alan Ginos.
- July 12 - 13 Duncans Mills. CHAS weekend work
party. Contact Ted Miljevich.

July 19 - 20 Civil War Days at Duncans Mills.

CHAS Invitational. Battles & encamp.
2 teams, guns & support. \$\$\$\$.
Maximum effort Contact Ted Miljevich.
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- July 26 - 27 Duncans Mills. CHAS after event clean
up work party. Contact Ted Miljevich.

August

- Aug. 28 - Sept. 1 Seventh Annual Gold Rush Days. Old
Town Sacramento. CHAS living history &
encampment. 1 team/gun, support unit.
\$\$\$. Rotating attendance needed.
Contact Wes Faubel.

September

- Sept 19 - 21 Tres Pinos.
NCWA Battles & Encampment. 1 gun,
no horses. Contact Ted Miljevich.

October

- Oct. 17 - 19 Kearny Park, Fresno. NCWA Invitational.
Battles & encampment . 2 teams & guns,
support units. School Day Friday.
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November

- Nov 7 - 9 Moorpark Farm, Moorpark. Richmond
Howitzers. 2 teams & guns. Battles
& encampment. School Day Friday. \$.
Contact Alan Ginos.
- Nov 11 Veterans Day Parade, Fairfield.

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