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116th
Year



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CONGRATULATION BROTHERS



Seated (L to R) David Dziewulski PCC, Richard Farr, Department of NY Commander Ray LeMay III, Brian Castler and Robert Keough PCC. Standing (L to R) Joseph Dziewulski, Leo McGuire CC, Richard Straight, Vince Jackimo, Charles Walter, Lance Ingmire, DJ Dziewulski, James King, Tim Mabee and Paul Cooney.

Twenty-six Brothers and guests attended the second annual Lincoln Luncheon at Brown's Brewing Co. in Troy, NY on June 6, 2015. The Brothers gathered for fellowship and an awards ceremony. Two Brothers, Paul Cooney and Vince Jackimo, were inducted into the Camp's Legion of Merit. Other Brothers were promoted in the Legion at a number of different levels. Good food, good cheer and fellowship was had by all.



Brian Castler (left) assists Commander Leo McGuire (right) as Paul Cooney receives his Legion of Merit certificate.



Brian Castler drapes the Legion medal on Vince Jackimo as Camp Commander McGuire holds his certificate.



Leo McGuire CC presents Tim Mabee with a certificate from US Congressman Paul Tonko's office for his work at Greenridge Cemetery.



James Hu and Bill Mehner hold SUVCW certificates for their fraternity's work with Alycia Hamilton at New Mt. Ida Cemetery in Troy, NY.

Iron Jacks and the SUVCW Story



Bob Delisle, DJ Dziejewski, Joe Dziejewski, Robert Keough PCC and David M. Dziejewski PCC sing on the porch of Grant's Cottage June 21, 2015

One may wonder why the *Iron Jacks* of the USNLP show up so often in the *Guidon*. This is not a coincidence: All, but one member, of the Jacks are Brothers in the Col. George L. Willard Camp 154. The *Iron Jacks* grew out of the US Naval Landing Party (USNLP) living history group back in 2009 when the musical unit started to jell and they had the members of USNLP vote on a selection of names. Over the next several years members of the *Jacks* joined the Camp and the Camp members joined the *Jacks*. Brothers David Dziejewski PCC, DJ Dziejewski, Joseph Dziejewski, Robert Keough PCC, Robert Walter and Frank Swartwout all sing and/or play instruments with the *Iron Jacks* at both Living History events and Camp events. Most recently they performed at Grant Cottage on June 21st and at a Civil War Living History event in Mystic Seaport Museum on July 18th and 19th in Mystic, CT. They have been invited back to perform at a Grant Cottage encampment scheduled for October 11, 2015 and are booking events in 2016. The group performs traditional and well-researched Civil War era, maritime music.



Three Williams College Summer students join Bob Delisle, David M. Dziejewski PCC and DJ Dziejewski for a round of songs at Mystic Seaport July 18, 2015

Event at Grant's Cottage

Seven Camp Brothers were on hand to form the Color Guard at Grant's Remembrance Day celebration, July 25th. Before the events began Camp Commander Leo McGuire presented Brother Jerry Orton with the Camp's highest honor. Jerry was made a member of the Legion of Merit at its highest level. We are all proud to have a member like Jerry in our Camp. Jerry is also the Department of New York's Historian.



Brothers Brian Castler, Jerry Orton PDC wearing the medal of the Legion of Merit, Leo McGuire CC and John Swartwout at Grants Cottage.

Schuyler Flatts Creates Time Line

The forecast for August 15th was hot, humid with chance of thunderstorms as Schuyler Flatts introduced a new time line format to their annual event. Roman, pre-revolution, Civil War and World War II re-enactors took to the field for the first time. Brothers Leo McGuire CC, Dave Dziejewski PCC, DJ Dziejewski, Frank Swatwout, Richard Straight, Vince Jackimo and Robert Keough PCC were on hand for the event. Brother George Malinoski, Camp Chaplain offered a prayer of blessing for the event. USNLP member Bob Delisle was on hand to fill out the *Iron Jacks* singing group. It was hot, humid and there were thunderstorms but we made it home with dry canvas after a great diner provided for all.



Brothers Dave Dziejewski, Leo McGuire CC, DJ Dziejewski and Frank Swartwout under canvas at Schuyler Flatts.

SUVCW in Support of Scouting

SUVCW Eagle Scout Award

Davide G. Rindone
January 17, 2015
Brooklyn, NY

Evan Rafferty
June 14, 2015
Burn Hills, NY

CONGRATULATIONS



Brother David Dziewulski PCC with Evan Rafferty (holding Camp medal) at his Court of Honor, June 14, 2015. The event was held at the Burnt Hill United Methodist Church.



Brother DJ Dziewulski's daughter Violet peeks over a canon barrel at her dad. This was at the Civil War Days held at the Masonic Temple in Troy, NY on June 6, 2015.

On-Going Commitment at New Mt. Ida



Brothers Leo McGuire CC, Charles Walter and Chris Hilton taking a photo break.

June 13th was a hot day in Troy, NY but Brothers from the Col. George L. Willard Camp 154 were on hand to help once more. Working at New Mt. Ida, with Alycia Hamilton, is an ongoing project for the Camp. Joe Ferrannini, of Grave Stones Matters, was also on hand to help with the cleaning and repairing of broken grave stones. Alycia reports she has found another GAR marker in the ground at the cemetery with no relationship to any grave.

A Soldier's Reinterment

July 11th seven Brothers of the Col. George L. Willard Camp 154 attended the reinterment of Elisha Woodcock, Co. B, 93 NYVI Regiment, at the Talcottville Cemetery in Talcottville, NY. Others attending included Department Commander Ray LeMay III, Brothers of Walter H. French Camp 17 (hosting), Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, Auxillary of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and members of the 12th New York Volunteer Infantry. The Canon Samuel Lundy conducted the service and Great, Great, Nephew Leon Woodcock, from Wisconsin, was in attendance. There were over 75 people at the event.



Scott French PDC, Jeffrey French, John Swartwout and the Canon Samuel Lundy.

Very Sad But True



Photo: Acton Memorial Library

Members of the Isaac Davis Post 138 of Acton, MA on Memorial Day 1900.



Photo: Acton Memorial Library

Members of the same Isaac Davis Post 138 of Acton, MA on Memorial Day 1928.

The ravages of time is shown in these two photographs. In the span of 28 years this GAR Post could only muster 15 members. In 1900, the same Post, could muster 47 members. A decline of 68%.

Brothers attend Mystic, CT event

Mystic Sea Port Museum is a wonderful place to visit in the Summer. Brothers Robert Keough PCC, David Dziewulski PCC, DJ Dziewulski and Robert Walter were there with other members of the USNLP to sing, re-enact and interact with the public at the State of Connecticut's last Civil War Sesquicentennial event on July 17, 18 & 19, 2015.



Members of the Women's Christians Temperance Union protest as the *Iron Jacks* perform a bawdy sailor's drinking song at Mystic Sea Port.



We are sad to say good bye to a new found friend. Richie 'Roadkill' Owens who was with the Leathernecks Revolution MC passed away in June 2015. He was in attendance at our General Thomas sign dedication on May 23rd of this year.

Col. George L. Willard Camp # 154 Coming Events 2015

Month	Date	Event / Location
September	5	Camp Meeting Grace Fellowship Church 10:00 a.m.
October	3	Camp Meeting Grace Fellowship Church 10:00 a.m. Nomination of Officers
October	11	Col. George L. Willard Camp will be Color Guard Grant's Cottage Encampment
November	7	Camp Meeting Grace Fellowship Church 10:00 a.m. Voting on new Officers
December	5	Camp Meeting Grace Fellowship Church 10:00 a.m. Installation of Officers

Brothers Use The Web and Visit These Sites:

Col. George L. Willard Camp #154
<http://www.gwillard154.org/>
SUVCW Department of NY
<http://suvchw.org/ny/deptny.htm>

SUVCW National Headquarters
<http://www.suvchw.org/>