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Steve Allen honors William T. Sherman; Sigel Camp #614 Enjoys Busy Start to 2013

Sigel Camp #614, Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, has not been idle as the mild winter begins to thaw into an early spring. New camp officers were installed on 13 January 2013 at the Columbia College campus in Rolla, Missouri, by Sigel Camp member and Department Secretary Randal A. Burd, Jr. Camp Chaplain C. Scott Brown is the new Commander for Sigel Camp #614, while Steve Allen remains the camp's Secretary / Treasurer.

Sigel Camp Secretary / Treasurer Steve Allen participated in the Sherman Day Ceremony on 13 February 2013 at the grave of General William Tecumseh Sherman at Calvary Cemetery in north St. Louis, Missouri. This annual remembrance ceremony is hosted by William T. Sherman/Billy Yank Camp #65, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The ceremony included an SVR color guard as well as an honor guard and cannon volley by the Turner Brigade, a mostly Missouri-based reenactor group. Allen is currently the President of the Turner Brigade Association, which is an umbrella group including both military and civilian groups of reenactors.

Sigel Camp #614 was well-represented at the 9 March 2013 reenactment Turner Brigade held at Fort Davidson in Pilot Knob, Missouri. Sigel Camp Commander C. Scott Brown with grandson, Holden Snyder, and Sigel Camp Secretary / Treasurer Steve Allen with sons, Reth and J.T., all dressed out for the occasion and took part in the event. This was the third year for this particular reenactment, and the



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Sigel Camp boys saw a lot of familiar faces from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the event.

Sigel Camp Senior Vice Commander and Signals Officer Randal A. Burd, Jr. enjoyed a break from shuffling the Department of Missouri's paperwork to promote Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the radio.

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Book Review by C. Scott Brown
Through Blood & Fire at Gettysburg
General Joshua Chamberlain and the 20th Maine
My experiences with the 20th Maine on Little Round Top
General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain
Stan Clark Military Books, 1994

This book is a first-person factual account of the defense of Little Round Top during the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War, as seen through the eyes of the colonel of the 20th Maine Regiment, Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain.

On July 2nd of 1863, Colonel Joshua Chamberlain's 20th Maine Regiment was quite literally rushed into action against a numerically superior foe on a 500 foot tall hill named Little Round Top near the small town of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. At the extreme left of the Union lines, the 20th Maine was ordered to defend it "at all costs." Reaching the summit of Little Round Top barely ten minutes before the Confederate forces, Chamberlain's regiment went straightaway into a desperate battle that lasted nearly ninety minutes. Using up all of their ammunition, Chamberlain ordered a bayonet charge down the hill...and thereby saved the left flank of the Union army, and quite possibly the Union itself.

Chamberlain writes in his book much the way one would expect from a professor of rhetoric and seminary graduate, which he was. This work was originally published in 1877, a full fourteen years after the battle. This leads one to believe that the author may well have been looking on in hindsight through rose-colored glasses as he put this account to paper. Indeed, Chamberlain had a habit of writing in a poetic style, and this work bears witness to that fact.

Chamberlain was also a sentimentalist. Away from the blood, carnage and death of that terrible, brutal day, he conveys a sense of religious zeal, especially in the men that were wounded and dying. If one were to take Chamberlain's account as absolute gospel, then one would believe that every man in the 20th Maine to be a preacher or pastor of sorts, completely devoid of any vices whatsoever.

This book reads to me as a sort of religious, poetic after-action report, which in essence it was...albeit fourteen years after. And while I must take this book with a grain of salt, there is no doubt whatsoever as to the author's many uses of first-person examples of both bloody combat and selfless sacrifice that he witnessed from both sides on that hot, July day in 1863. 149 years later, this book is still relevant to the serious student of the American Civil War, General Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain and his 20th Maine, the defense of Little Round Top, and the Battle of Gettysburg.

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“Busy Season” (continued from pg. 1)

Burd, who also serves as the Secretary for the Department of Missouri, was on LBNN AM 740 in Lebanon, Missouri, on 14 March 2013. Interviewed by Patty Burns on the program, “Community Ties,” Burd answered questions about several aspects of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the Camp, Department, and National level.

Sigel Camp #614, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, looks forward to the coming “busy season” and is always looking for ways to further the mission of the order. If you would like join Sigel Camp #614 or have questions about the Sons of Union Veterans in Phelps County, Pulaski County, or the surrounding area, you can contact the camp’s Senior Vice-Commander, Randal A. Burd, Jr., PCC, at raburdjr@gmail.com.



Holden Snyder, grandson of Sigel Camp #614 Commander C. Scott Brown, dressed out for the 9 March 2013 reenactment Turner Brigade held at Fort Davidson in Pilot Knob, Missouri. Also present were C. Scott Brown and Steve Allen with sons Reth Allen and J. T. Nagle.

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI ELECTED OFFICERS

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SIGEL CAMP #614 CURRENT MUSTER ROLL 15 APR 2013

Camp Commander	C. Scott Brown
Sr. Vice Commander	Randal A. Burd, Jr., PCC
Secretary/Treasurer	Steve Allen
Chaplain	C. Scott Brown

Signals Officer	Randal A. Burd, Jr., PCC
Graves Registrar	Reth Allen
Patriotic Instructor	Reth Allen
ROTC Awards	Randal A. Burd, Sr.
Eagle Scout Awards	Steve Allen

Council	Reth Allen
Council	Randal A. Burd, Sr.
Council	Milan Paddock

Charter Member	Brandon Brown
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Pending Application	Mike Harris
Pending Application	Dave Moffett
Pending Application	J. T. Nagle
Pending Application	John Petersen
Pending Application	Holden Snyder
Pending Application	John Travis, Jr.

Meeting Schedule of Sigel Camp #614

Tentative Meeting Schedule 2013

~~13 Jan, 3pm, Columbia College~~

~~10 Feb, 3pm, Columbia College~~

~~02 Mar — MOSUVCW Bus. Mt.~~

~~10 Mar, 3pm, Columbia College~~

21 Apr, 3pm, Columbia College

12 May, 3pm, Columbia College

01 Jun – MO ENCAMPMENT

09 Jun, 3pm, Columbia College

14 Jul, 3pm, Columbia College

8-11 Aug, NAT. ENCAMP.

11 Aug, 3pm, Columbia College

15 Sep, 3pm, Columbia College

12 Oct – MOSUVCW Bus. Mt.

13 Oct, 3pm, Columbia College

Tentative Meeting Schedule 2013 (Continued)

10 Nov, 3pm, Columbia College

08 Dec, 3pm, Columbia College

All meetings are located in Rolla, Missouri, unless otherwise indicated. Department Business Meetings take place in the Missouri State Capitol Building in Jefferson City. The National Encampment for 2013 will take place in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

This schedule is subject to change. Camp members will be notified via email of changes.

Check out our Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/151351301612366/>

Please email questions or comments to
Randal A. Burd, Jr., PCC, at
raburdjr@gmail.com



**All past, present, and future department orders are
available at <http://www.suvcwmo.org/orders.php>**

Union Hardtack Recipe

2 cups of flour
1/2 to 3/4 cup water
1 tablespoon of Crisco or vegetable fat
6 pinches of salt

Mix the ingredients together into a stiff batter, knead several times, and spread the dough out flat to a thickness of 1/2 inch on a non-greased cookie sheet. Bake for one-half an hour at 400 degrees. Remove from oven, cut dough into 3-inch squares, and punch four rows of holes, four holes per row into the dough. Turn dough over, return to the oven and bake another one-half hour. Turn oven off and leave the door closed. Leave the hardtack in the oven until cool. Remove and enjoy!

Submitted by C. Scott Brown

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PICKLED BOLOGNA

1 ring bologna
1 pt. vinegar
1 tsp. sugar
1 tsp. salt
2 tsp. pickling spice

Mix vinegar, sugar, salt, and pickling spice in a jar. Cut bologna in chunks and add to the vinegar mixture. Seal jar and let stand for 3 days before eating. **DOES NOT NEED TO BE REFRIGERATED.**

Submitted by C. Scott Brown

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2013 Missouri Department Encampment
Saturday, June 1, 2013 – Mehlville, Missouri
Pre-Registration Form
(Please Return Forms by May 25, 2013)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE _____

DEPARTMENT _____

CAMP NAME / NUMBER _____

CURRENT/HIGHEST PAST OFFICE/DELEGATE/ALTERNATE _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

Please return this form and check payment made out to Dept of Missouri SUVCW to:

Walter Busch, PDC
1240 Konert Valley Dr.
Fenton, MO 63026

Registration Fee: (\$7 each / \$10 at the door) = TOTAL \$ _____

Notes :

1. Attendees **MUST** present a signed credentials card & membership card at the Encampment in order to complete the registration process and be admitted. Credentials cards should be provided by your Camp Secretary.
2. Members should wear membership badges, Department officers are required to wear them.
3. The department will provide soft drinks, water and coffee.

Questions? Please contact:
Walt Busch
(314) 630-8407
wbusch@suvcmo.org

For a complete registration packet (in PDF or Word) with hotel, map, and itinerary, email the Department Secretary at raburdjr@gmail.com.



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Sigel Camp #614 members are also members of the Sons of Veterans Reserve (SVR). Currently, we are enlisted through the 1st Missouri Tigers Militia in Columbia, Missouri.

Sigel Camp #614, SUVCWMO

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