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From the Commander's Tent

# Greetings Brothers!

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First, I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude to the Brothers of the Camp for entrusting me with the position of Camp Cmdr. for a second year. The willing assistance and cooperation of all of you greatly aided my 'year of learning'.



Because of you, a lot was accomplished in 2019 – a list too long to include here. I pledge to do my best to make 2020 be another banner year!

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And 2020 did actually begin on a high note! Our signature annual event, *the Battle of Galveston Commemoration Ceremony* was held on January 4<sup>th</sup> and it was a grand success! I want to extend my sincere thanks and a tip of the kepi to all the Brothers and the members of the other organizations that came together as volunteers that day to make the event a memorable one! *Well done all*!

In February, the Camp participated in another nice event: the *Heritage Festival* at Spring Creek Park in Tomball, Texas. By setting up the recruiting/information tent at the park, and providing manpower for the Federal fighting force, we naturally increased our exposure to the public. It is always good to let people know who we are and what ideals we represent. A special 'thank

you' goes to Brothers Michael Rappe and William Pollard for their volunteer efforts during this 2-day event.

Then, unfortunatley, our schedule of upcoming events got derailed a bit as the coronavirus made its appearance! The always delightful and elegant *President's Tea*, hosted by the *Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1*, scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, was cancelled. In addition, as an effort to protect the health of our Brothers, the monthly meeting scheduled for April 14<sup>th</sup> has also been cancelled. On top of that, can you believe that the *Houston Rodeo and Livestock Show* was cut short and cancelled? Wow! That little virus is having quite an impact! I always wear a different type of hat as a volunteer at the rodeo every year, so that cancellation, along with our *SUVCW* cancellations, are unwelcome interruptions.

However, things will, no doubt, get back to normal in the near future. Grave markers will still need to be dedicated, parades will still need marchers, Camp meetings will be there for you to attend, and many other activities should be available to participate in once the coronavirus becomes a non-issue! I encourage you to plan to join us whenever you are able. We all gain from your support - and the camaraderie of our like-minded Brothers is always a joy!

Yours always in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

# Michael Lance - Camp Commander

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#### Service Unit

Co C, 9th Regiment, Missouri State Militia Cavalry 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Texas Cavalry 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Texas Cavalry Co. I, 126<sup>th</sup> Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry Co. I, 126<sup>th</sup> Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry Independent Company, Trumbull Guards, Ohio Infantry Co. K, 58<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. B & F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, North Carolina Mounted Infantry Co. A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Arkansas Infantry Co E, 12<sup>th</sup> & Co L, 5<sup>th</sup> Missouri State Militia Cavalry Co E, 12<sup>th</sup> & Co L, 5<sup>th</sup> Missouri State Militia Cavalry Scotts Guard, 6th Indiana State Militia Co I. 12<sup>th</sup> Regiment. Tennessee Calvary 23<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry Co. B, 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment, West Virginia Infantry Co. E, 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Michigan Cavalry Co. H, 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry Co. H, 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment, West Virginia Infantry Co. H, 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment, West Virginia Infantry Co. E, 37th Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry Co. C, 91<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Illinois Infantry Co. G, 145<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. G, 145<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. A, 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Indiana Infantry Co. M, 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Indiana Cavalry Co. C, 126<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Infantry Co. C, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kansas Colored Infantry (83<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Colored Infantry) Co. G, 71<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. K, 63<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry Co. K, 126<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. G, 37<sup>th</sup> U.S. Colored Infantry Co. G, 2<sup>nd</sup> Arkansas Cavalry 6<sup>th</sup> Missouri State Militia Cavalry USS North Carolina and USS Wyandotte Co. C, 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Wisconsin Infantry Co. E, 77<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Ohio Infantry Co. D, 104<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Infantry Co. K, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Minnesota Infantry Co. I, 101<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. A & H, 188<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry Co. K, 10<sup>th</sup> New York Cavalry 103<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, New York Infantry Co. D, 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Volunteers Shields' 19th Independent Battery Ohio Light Artillery Co. C, 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Infantry Co. A. 88<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Ohio Infantry Co. F, 171<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. M, 3<sup>rd</sup> Reg't NY Cav. & Co. F, 5<sup>th</sup> Reg't Excelsior Brigade Co. F, 55<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry Co. D, 134<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Ohio Infantry Co. H, 39<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Kentucky Infantry Co. B, 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment California Infantry Co F, 74th Reg't New York Inf. & Co. H, 40th Regt. New York Inf. Co. G, 8<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Indiana Infantry Co. H, 84<sup>th</sup> Regiment, New York Infantry ....continued on next page

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# Membership Muster (continued)

<u>Camp Member</u>	<u>Civil War Ancestor</u>	<u>Service Unit</u>
Mr. Chapman P. Traylor	Cpl. John Anderson Laws	Battery B, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, Tennessee Light Artillery
Mr. Nash S. Traylor	Cpl. John Anderson Laws	Battery B, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, Tennessee Light Artillery
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Mr. Nathaniel D. Wilburn	Pvt. Josephus Ruel King	Co. K, 17 <sup>th</sup> Regiment, Indiana Infantry
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+ New Member	^^ Junior Member	^ Associate Member # Honorary Member

Camp Calendar				
	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	
Tue	Mar 10	Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm	Trini Mendenhall Community Center	
		Speaker: Dr. Stevenson Holmes	1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX	
Tue	Apr 14	Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm - Cancelled	Trini Mendenhall Community Center	
			1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX	
Sat	Apr 18	President's Tea – 2:30 pm - Cancelled	Queen of Angels Catholic Church	
	Hosted by the Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1	4100 Hwy 3, Dickinson, TX		
Tue May 12	Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm	Trini Mendenhall Community Center		
		Speaker: Thor Eric Chester	1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX	
Mon	May 25	Memorial Day Ceremony – 9:30 am	Houston National Cemetery	
		Cannon firing, Wreath placement, Musket Salute	10410 Veterans Memorial Dr. Houston, TX	
Tue	Jun 9	Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm	Trini Mendenhall Community Center	
		Speaker: TBA	1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX	
Tue Jul 14	Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm	Trini Mendenhall Community Center		
		Speaker: TBA	1414 Wirt Rd., Houston, TX	
Tue	Aug 11	No Monthly Meeting - 6:30 pm		

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# Trivia – Caring for the Wounded

Soldiers typically feared mutilation over death. After four years of combat, much of that fear came true. Thousands of young men experienced blindness, deafness, muscle and bone injury, respiratory damage, organ damage, brain damage, and burns. Doctors performed more than 60,000 amputations. The war caused some half million wounds. The federal government was willing to compensate such sacrifices with scaled pensions. For example, an enlisted man who lost both feet or one foot and one hand was eligible for a pension of \$20 a month. Loss of both hands or both eyes meant \$5 more.

State, federal, and charitable institutions established a modicum of facilities for the disabled – veterans homes, lodges, temporary facilities, and the like. The majority of wounded were discharged to the care of their families. Conventional wisdom considered the home as the most able environment for rehabilitation. Pervasive faith in the 'healing household' emanated from a cultural perception of women as caregivers.

...source: History Butt's quide to the Civil War, pgs. 154-155, by Thomas R. Flagel, 2003

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# **Introducing**: **Dustin Whittenburg** Dustin Whittenburg is married to Brooke. They have a son named Dar and a cat named Sox. They live in San Antonio, Texas. Brother Whitte

Dustin Whittenburg is married to Brooke. They have a son named Daniel, a dog named Panda, and a cat named Sox. They live in San Antonio, Texas. Brother Whittenburg is a self-employed lawyer focusing on tax law. In addition to the *Sons of Union Civil War Veterans*, he is a member of multiple lineage societies including: *Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of the Revolution, General Society of the War of 1812*, and *Sons of the Republic of Texas*. He also collects tobacco memorabilia including tobacco cards.

*Editor's note: Brother Whittenburg joins the* Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp *based on the Civil War service of his* 3<sup>rd</sup> *great-grandfather, Pvt. George Burkhart Whittenburg, who served with* Co. F, 23<sup>rd</sup> Missouri Infantry. *Welcome, Brother Whittenburg!* 

New Members

# Introducing: Grady Jonathan Driver

Howdy brothers! I'm Grady "Jonathan" Driver (45) and currently work as a Firearms Instructor for the Federal Government here in San Antonio TX. I'm originally from Alabama, but after 23 years of military service, south Texas is where we've ended up; for the moment. I am married to my wonderful wife of 23 years and we're both looking forward to retirement and living the simple country life in the near future. We have two great kids (26 & 22) and two granddaughters (6 & 1).

My hobbies consist of hunting, shooting, and honoring/working on my ancestry. My family has been in North America since the 1600's and I have had family fight in every war. In expanding my family tree, I've located about 50 Union and 150 Confederates so far. I find it interesting how many from the south fought for the Union and how many

from the north fought for the Confederacy. For example, my 2<sup>nd</sup> gr-grandfather, David Anderson Dunn, resided near Big Rock, Tennessee, and served with *Company F, 48<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry Regiment* (USA).

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# Introducing: Jonathan Mitchell Driver

Hello! I'm Jonathan "Mitchell" Driver (22) and currently reside in San Antonio TX. I just graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida with a BS in Aeronautical Science. I am currently working on my Master's in Aeronautics, while awaiting to enter military service as a pilot. I have my flight ratings in Private, Commercial, Multi-engine, Flight Instructor & UAV, and hopefully I'll be adding military fighter to the list soon. Flying is my passion.

I have become interested in my family history through my dad and his research. I appreciate the sacrifices of those who have served, and I am honored to represent my ancestors in my life.

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# **Introducing:** John Miles



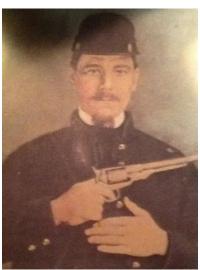
*Editor's note: Brother Miles joins the* Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp *as an Associate member. He is also a re-enacting member of* Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry *and has previously supported the Lea Camp at many outside activities. Welcome, Brother Miles!* 

# Ancestor Profile – David Anderson Dunn

David Anderson Dunn was born August 18, 1842 in Hopkins County, Kentucky, and was the oldest child born to William and Margaret K. (Francis) Dunn. In 1879, he married his second wife (my 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandmother), Nancy Ann Howard

in Trigg County, Kentucky, after his first wife of 15 years, Martha C. Casey, passed away in 1875. David Dunn had a total of 22 children; so, as you can imagine, our family tree is huge just based off this one branch. Prior to the war, he and the family were farmers. After the war, he ran a store located at Weaver's Store, Tennessee. It was said he often helped Confederate soldiers get home by giving them supplies for their journey, and this led to him eventually losing the business as he gave all he could to help others. At this point, he went back to farming.

His family members were in both the south and the north, as was a typical Civil War border state family. Some from the south fought for the Union and some from the north fought for the Confederacy. David's brothers Levi and John, along with cousins Jasper Dunn, John D. Dunn, James Dunn, and John P. Francis, all served with the 48<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Volunteers Mounted Infantry, Co. F. The Dunn brother's stepfather, Rev. William A. Pitts was also a Union soldier with the U.S. 5<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. One of David's sisters married in 1863 and another in 1867, both to members of the 48<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Volunteers Mounted Infantry, Co. F as well. Also, in the unit, was his father-in-law, John B. Howard.



Pvt. David Anderson Dunn

David had family that was close to him that fought as well; two 1<sup>st</sup> cousins fought in other Union units: Thomas Dunn with 7<sup>th</sup> *Iowa Volunteers, Co. F,* who died as a POW on October 16, 1862 at CSM Prison at Richmond, VA; and John Lee Dunn who served with the 13<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Tennessee Cavalry (Union). His brothers-in-law, John Boucher served with the *Co. K, Ohio 51<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment,* and John H. Francis with the 17<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Cavalry - and pension records show that he also served in the 48<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Vols. His Confederate family consisted of: his uncle John R. Dunn with the 5<sup>th</sup> Regiment, North Carolina Infantry, and his two sons, Newton Cannon Dunn and Hugh Randolph Dunn, who served with the 23<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Infantry, Martin's Regiment.

# Ancestor Profile – David Anderson Dunn (continued)

David Dunn's unit was organized at Princeton, Kentucky and mustered on October 26, 1863, under the command of Colonel Hartwell T. Burge. The regiment was attached to the *District of Southwest Kentucky*, 1<sup>st</sup> *Division, XXIII Corps, Department of the Ohio*, until April 1864. Then under the 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 2<sup>nd</sup> Division, District of Kentucky, 5<sup>th</sup> Division, XXIII Corps, Department of the Ohio, to December 1864. It seems that he may have had a quiet military career, only seeing action against guerrilla units and quick skirmishes. He remained at Princeton, Kentucky, until December 1, 1863 and then moved to Russellville, where they remained until April 6, 1864. Their duties were to guard the *Louisville & Nashville Railroad* from Cave City to Louisville. The 48<sup>th</sup> Kentucky was then moved to the headquarters at Munfordville. The regiment was relieved and moved to Calhoun between August 13–19 and joined Hobson's operations against guerrillas in counties bordering the Cumberland River. They had skirmishes in Weston, Union County with action with Lyon's forces, and lastly at Eddyville and Providence. Towards the end of his tour, Dunn contracted smallpox and was limited to helping with the sick and wounded, until he was released from duty.

David Dunn is a grandson of a South Carolina Militia Captain who served during the American Revolution, and a nephew to a War of 1812, *Battle of New Orleans* veteran, who served under Andrew Jackson with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee Militia, *Captain Tait's Co.* So he had a lot look up to. Being from a border state during the Civil War must have made it difficult to choose which side to fight for. Many of our ancestors owned slaves and fought for the Union, and many were non-slave owners that fought for the Confederacy. David Dunn's military legacy lives on in his descendants, as his son fought in WWI, his grandchildren in WWI and Korea, great grandchildren in Vietnam, and my generation in Iraq and Afghanistan. Now my son, Mitchell, is preparing to carry on the tradition, as he's pursuing a career as an aviator in the Armed Forces.

....submitted by 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson, Brother Grady Driver

Trivia – Off to West Point

Young Jimmy, a college student at *Emory & Henry* just north of Abingdon, Virginia, considered law, medicine, engineering, and 'arms' as 'hireling professions.' Even so, with no land or financial legacies awaiting him, he chose one such profession – arms.

First, though, he did spend time, almost two years, at the small liberal arts college in southwest Virginia. He 'got religion,' the Methodist variety, his first year there, the result of a fervent religious revival at the Methodist school. Only fifteen when he started his college studies, he also got into occasional scrapes...fights. Thus, he missed a crucial half-hour of a sacred history exam because he had suffered a bloody nose in one such scrape just before the exam period began. He was described by his recent biographer, Emory M. Thomas, as a sensitive youth who occasionally liked to write poetry...but who felt it necessary while growing up in strictly rural, rough-and-tumble Patrick County, Virginia, to hide any 'tender' feelings and to stick up for himself with bravery and honor.

The occasional fights would continue over the next few years, but more important for the youngster just now was the goal of a complete education plus the choice of a future career. On both counts, he felt compelled to consider the *U.S. Military Academy* at West Point, New York. And why not? As biographer Thomas noted, 'At the time, a West Point education was one of the best that could be had in the country, and it would provide James with training in one of the 'hireling professions' and leave him the option to pursue one of the others later.'

His father, Archibald, a state senator and lawyer, had served a term in the U.S. House in the 1830's....and, lo, what's this? Good fortune? Here he was, in 1848, running for the House again. Would it be proper for him to nominate his own son for West Point? Was that ever a consideration for father and son at all? Oddly, it's a moot point. Political Whig Archibald Stuart was defeated in his bid of 1848. But his rival, Democrat Thomas Hamlet Averett, the winner of the House race, promptly (some say as his very first action in Congress) appointed young James Ewell Brown Stuart, that is – future Confederate cavalry leader *Jeb* Stuart.

....source: Best Little Ironies, Oddities, and Mysteries of the Civil War, pgs. 7-8, by C. Brian Kelly, 2000

# Battle of Galveston Commemoration

### Saturday, January 4, 2020 – Galveston, Texas

On January 4, 2020, the *Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea USN Camp #2* welcomed representatives from several different heritage and historical organizations to the historic Episcopal Cemetery in Galveston. They had come as volunteers to play a role in the Camp's annual *Battle of Galveston Commemoration* ceremony. The participants assembled on the cemetery roadway, and soon formed up into a long procession which would file into the ceremony area at 11 a.m.

The Federal Color Guard led the procession. The Color Bearers were escorted by members of the Galveston's Ball High School *JROTC*, Brother Rev. Stephen Duncan, and a Ball High drummer - who provided a marching cadence. The *Department of Texas* and *Lea Camp* officers followed close behind, including Brothers John Schneider, Gary White, Samuel Hampton, Charles Duke, and Michael Lance. Members of the *Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1*, including President Vali Reyes, Norma Pollard and Chaplain Betty Hampton, along with Susan Barry, President of the *Sarah Emma Edmonds DUVCW Tent #4* followed behind the officers.





Color Bearers L-R: Maj. Mark Knight (Ball High School JROTC instructor), John Burleigh (Cmdr. of the 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Naval Squadron), and Brother William Pollard (PCC) supporting the Camp Colors.

The Camp officers were followed by the ladies' organizations. The armed Federal Honor Guard came next in the procession.

Marching behind the lady's organizations was the armed Federal Honor Guard, led by Howard Rose of *Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry*. The *John Bell Hood Camp #50, SCVCW* Color Guard followed next and the Masons of Galveston's *Harmony Masonic Lodge* brought up the rear of the procession.

# *Left:* Federal Honor Guard followed by the Confederate Color guard, and finally, the Harmony Lodge Masons.

Once all participants had assumed their positions near the grave of Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea, the namesake of the Camp, Brother Michael Lance, as Camp Cmdr., opened the ceremony and offered a few remarks.

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Chaplain Stephen Duncan then invoked the Divine Blessing. The Federal Color Guard then advanced into position to where they would soon post the Colors. They, with the rest of the Camp, then came to Attention as Patriotic Instructor, Charles Duke, led the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Bugler Dana Read followed with a rendition of the *Star-Spangled Banner*.





Camp Cmdr. Michael Lance opens the ceremony

Federal Honor Guard at Attention during the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem



Federal Color Guard posts the Colors while the Confederate Color Guard observes from the right

Cmdr. Lance then resumed the podium to welcome everyone and recognized the various guests and organizations. He then invited the *Harmony Lodge* Masons, to perform their Masonic burial ritual. The original January 1863 burial ceremony for Lt. Cmdr. Lea was performed by the very same Masonic Lodge.



The Masonic burial Ritual began at the podium and then moved to the grave of Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea

Greetings and brief comments were then offered by Vali Reyes, President of the *Auxiliary*, and Susan Barry, President of *DUVCW Tent #4*. The next speaker was Reverend Douglas Richardson, representing *MOLLUS* (*Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States*). Bart Tate, Cmdr. of the *John Bell Hood Camp #50 SCVCW* was then invited to the podium to say a few words. He was followed to the podium by John Burleigh, Cmdr. of the *1<sup>st</sup> Texas Naval Squadron*.



Greetings by Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary President, Vali Reyes

Greetings by Sarah Emma Edmonds DUVCW Tent #4 President Susan Barry







Bart Tate - John B. Hood Camp #50 SCVCW



John Burleigh – 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Naval Squadron

L-R: Vali Reyes (Auxiliary), Susan Barry (DUVCW), Norma Pollard (Auxiliary), and Betty Hampton (Auxiliary)

Camp Cmdr. Michael Lance then introduced the event's keynote speaker, the Honorable John Schneider, Cmdr. of the *Department of Texas (including Louisiana)*. Following the Department Commanders moving speech, Brother Lance offered a historical perspective on the events of the battle that occurred on January 1, 1863. He then called for the Officer-of-the-Day, William Pollard (*PCC*), to set up the *Tools of the Soldier* at the grave.



Far left: **Dept. of Texas Cmdr. John Schneider offers the keynote speech.** 

Near left: Camp Cmdr. Michael Lance gives a historical perspective of the events that transpired in early January 1863.

As Officer-of-the-Day William Pollard completed the placing of Tools of the Soldier at the grave, he stepped back, gave a salute of respect, and then posted Brother Samuel Hampton (*PCC*) as an armed Guard beside the grave. At that point, Susan Barry (*DUVCW*) moved to the grave to place an evergreen wreath. As she returned to her position, Sister Vali Reyes (*Auxiliary*) moved to the grave to lay a single red rose. Then Brother Gary White (*Camp Secretary/Treasurer*) moved to the grave to place a grapevine wreath. He also then stepped back to give a respectful salute (*see page 24*).



Susan Barry lays an evergreen wreath

Vali Reyes lays a red rose

Gary White lays a grapevine wreath

Camp Cmdr. Michael Lance then placed the final item at the grave - a small U.S. flag. While Cmdr. Lance was giving a salute of respect after stepping back, Chaplain Stephen Duncan offered a few appropriate words from the podium. Then, as Cmdr. Lance slowly returned to his position, Susan Barry took the podium to offer some words of commemoration on behalf of the *DUVCW*. She then paused momentarily as the Federal Honor Guard came to 'Attention'. Then she slowly read the names of the soldiers and sailors who became casualties during the 1863 battle. As each name was read, Brother Gary White rang the bell in their honor. It was one of the solemnest moments of the ceremony.



Michael Lance places a U.S. flag at the grave

# Susan Barry Reads the names of the battle casualties

The bell

As the names of the casualties were being read, the 3 ladies of the *SUVCW Auxiliary* were quietly escorted away by Brother Stephen Schulze (*PCC*), to place colorful decorated wreaths and roses at the Union and Confederate monuments located nearby in the cemetery. Meanwhile, Officer-of-the-Day, William Pollard (*PCC*) took the podium to read the poem, *The Unknown Dead*, giving the *Auxiliary* ladies time to return from the monuments.



Camp Cmdr. Lance then took the podium and directed the Captain of the Federal Honor Guard, Howard Rose, to commence with the 3-volley musket salute. The armed members of the Confederate Color Guard also participated in the volleys.

*Left:* The Honor Guard reloading between volleys.

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Michael Lance offers closing remarks before closing the ceremony

*Taps* was sounded by bugler Dana Read as the smoke from the musket volleys slowly drifted away, Cmdr. Lance followed with some closing remarks and then called for the Federal Color guard to retire the Colors.

While the Color Guard held fast with the Colors, Chaplain Stephen Duncan offered a short Benediction.

Cmdr. Lance then dismissed the Camp – which brought the 2020 edition of the *Battle* of Galveston Commemoration Ceremony to an end.



Bugler Dana Read plays Taps

# **Ceremony Participants**

Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea USN Camp #2

Mark Andrus Charles Duke – Patriotic Instructor Stephen Duncan - Chaplain Samuel Hampton – PCC, as Guard Stevenson Holmes – PDC, PCC Michael L. Lance – Camp Cmdr. William Martin – Federal Honor Guard

Department of Texas (including Louisiana) Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1, SUVCW

Sarah Emma Edmonds Tent #4, DUVCW Co. A. 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry

**Guest Speakers** 

**Ball High School of Galveston** 

*John Bell Hood Camp #50, SUVCW* Bugler Wm. Pollard – *PCC*, as Officer-of-the-Day, Color Grd. Michael Rappe – SVC, Federal Honor Guard Stephen Schulze – *PCC*, as Auxiliary escort Lee Wallace – as photographer Tracy Wallace Gary White – *PCC*, Secretary/Treasurer

Hon. John Schneider – Dept. Cmdr. – Keynote speaker **Betty Hampton - Chaplain** Norma Pollard Valencia Reyes – President **Susan Barry - President** Steve Corey – Federal Honor Guard Lewis Curtis – Federal Honor Guard John Miles – Federal Honor Guard Howard Rose – Federal Honor Guard John Burleigh – 1<sup>st</sup> Texas Naval Squadron **Rev. Douglas Richardson – MOLLUS** Bart Tate – John Bell Hood Camp #50, SCVCW Maj. Mark Knight – Sr. JROTC Instructor – Color Guard 3-Cadet Color Guard – musket, musket, drums Doug McBee and a 7-man Color Guard Dana Read

....Report respectfully submitted by Michael L. Lance. Many sincere thanks go to Brother Lee Wallace for his work in capturing the images for this report. Additional photo on page 24

# Keynote Speech by Hon. John Schneider - Cmdr. of the Dept. of Texas (including Louisiana)

## Saturday, January 4, 2020 – Galveston, Texas

Welcome everyone to the annual *Battle of Galveston Commemoration Ceremony* hosted by the *Edward Lea Camp* of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*. I'd like to extend an especially warm welcome to the members of the *Sons of the Confederacy* and their auxiliary who join us today for this ceremony.



One hundred and fifty-seven years ago, Union and Confederate forces engaged in a land and sea battle here in Galveston. Confederate forces sought to retake Galveston and return the port to Confederate control. They were successful and Galveston remained a key Confederate port for the remainder of the war.

Like so many battles in the Civil War, family members served on opposite sides during the Battle of Galveston. Perhaps the most famous of these were the Leas. The father, Albert Lea, served as an artillery officer with the Confederate forces. The son, Lieutenant Commander Edward Lea, was the executive officer of the Union cutter *Harriett Lane*. During the battle, Lt. Cmdr. Lea was mortally wounded - along with the *Harriett Lane's* commander, Captain Jonathan Wainwright.

Learning of his son's wounds, Albert Lea was permitted to cross Union lines to see his son. Unfortunately, there was little Albert could do for his son and Edward died in his father's arms. Edward's last word were "my father is here."

#### Hon. John Schneider

While we meet near the graves of Captain Wainwright and Lt. Cmdr. Lea, we are here to remember the fallen on both sides during the battle. In a few minutes, we will lay wreaths at memorials dedicated to both union and confederate soldiers and sailors who made the supreme sacrifice during the battle. It is proper and fitting that we do so. Both the *Sons of Confederate Veterans* and the *Sons of Union Veterans* share the common goal of preserving and defending the honor and memory of those who fought in the Civil war.

Some may ask: why do we continue to commemorate the events of the Civil War? The war is in the past and has little or no bearing on our lives today. Still others complain that the commemorations celebrate a part of our history that is filled with hatred and prejudice and that we should remove the reminders of those days from our collective memory. I disagree.

I believe that ceremonies like this one are important - on both a personal and a national level. They help us grow. On a personal level, they serve as a link to our heritage bringing to mind our ancestors who served. Their service to the cause they believed in has, for many of us, taught us such values as loyalty, duty, honor and patriotism. While my family is not a military family per se, my great-grandfather's service served as an example for four generations. My grandfather served in WWI, my father in WWII and Korea. Among my brothers and me, we have over a century of both military and civilian service. I have nephews and a niece who have served and continue to serve. The lessons of duty instilled in each generation can be traced back to Lt. Col. Kasper Schneider, who left his business behind and used his personal fortune to help raise a regiment of volunteers. His willingness to step up and fight for his adopted country set an example for all who came after him.

My story is not unique. Many of us in both the *Sons of the Confederacy* and the *Sons of Union Veterans* have followed our ancestors' examples of serving. Commemorating their service helps reinforce our commitment to serve and helps instill the values of duty and honor in future generations. Our service includes serving in the military, serving in government and by volunteering in our communities.

# Keynote Speech by Hon. John Schneider (continued)

Remembering our ancestors also reinforces the value of standing up for what we believe in. Many of those who fought in the civil war volunteered, inspired by a belief that the cause they were fighting for was worth leaving their jobs and families behind. Some, like those we honor today, made the ultimate sacrifice. They serve as an everlasting example to all of us of the need to stand up for what we believe in. It doesn't necessarily mean taking up arms but includes such patriotic activities voting and volunteering.

Ceremonies like this one are also important and relevant on a larger level. In addition to teaching new generations the value of loyalty, duty and honor, they serve as a reminder of our Nation's history. The civil war was an important era in the development of our nation and the lessons learned during that era are still relevant today. It reminds us of an era where the country was deeply divided to the point of armed conflict. It teaches us that if we are to avoid another bloody conflict, we need to find ways to work together, to find common causes and compromise. As Winston Churchill said, "Those who fail to learn from history are condemned to repeat it."

This ceremony is a shining example of how different groups can work together. Our organizations arise from two different heritages but share the common goal of preserving the memory of our ancestors and perpetuating the values of loyalty, duty and honor. Together we have created a ceremony that honors both sides as well as the common values of Loyalty, Duty and Honor.

Another example of two different groups coming together in friendship can be seen in a video of the 1938 commemoration of the *Battle of Gettysburg*, where union and confederate veterans came together to commemorate the battle. During the re-enactment of Pickett's charge, as the confederate veterans advanced and gave their rebel yell, the union veteran were so moved that they rushed forward and embraced the confederate veterans as bothers. I think there is a lesson there for all of us.

Ceremonies like this and our two organizations are key to preserving our nation's history. Collectively we protect and preserve monuments like the ones before us as well as documents and other relics from the war. My mother-in-law tells a story of her hometown, Franklin, North Carolina. Franklin was one of the last places where confederate forces surrendered. In the town was an old building where the surrender took place. The building stood as a memorial to confederate soldiers, housing a collection of confederate battle flags and other memorabilia. Alas, the building was torn down to make way for a new structure. No one stepped forward to preserve the collection, and it was lost. I believe that if the *Sons* had been active in the area, at least a portion of the collection could have been saved for posterity.

As we continue with our ceremony today, and as we continue to support our respective organizations, I hope you will join me in rededicating ourselves to ensuring that our ancestors' service shall not have been in vain. We should work to ensure that the values they stood for and passed on to us – Loyalty, Honor, Duty and Patriotism -- continue to have meaning in our personal lives, our families, our communities and our country. Thank you and God bless.

....submitted by Brother Hon. John E. Schneider

# Trivia – Gosport Navy Yard

Gosport Navy Yard in Virginia, along with its contents, was worth at least \$400 million in today's dollars. Still, Federal defenders decided that it was better to destroy everything then let if fall into the hands of secessionists. So, they did their best to render the facility and its warships useless when they left hurriedly on April 20, 1861. Among the vessels that burned to the water line than night was the mighty *USS Merrimack*.

Secessionists seized what was left of the navy yard, then raised and rebuilt the warship as an ironclad called the *CSS Virginia*. Military reverses soon led the new occupants again to burn the biggest facility of its sort in North America. That left the *Virginia* without a home, so a principal in the most famous naval duel of the war was torched for the second time in May 1862.

....source: Civil War Curiosities, pg. 122, by Webb Garrison, 1994

## Homestead Heritage Day

#### February 8, 2020 – Humble, Texas

A hardscrabble 19<sup>th</sup> century homestead deep in the woods of Jesse Jones Park in Humble, Texas was the scene of a dramatic conflict between a small Federal foraging quad and a southern sympathizing homesteading family. When the head of the homestead clashed with the Union Captain, the resulting commotion alerted a nearby Confederate unit, which promptly attacked. A running battle ensued.

*Right:* Federal foraging party, commanded by Capt. Thomas Whitesides, emerges from a trail in the woods into the homesteader's clearing.

Middle Right: As the homesteader stands his ground, the Federal soldiers suddenly detect the unexpected approach and attack by a Confederate force from the woods

Lower Right: Homesteader's family and slave. Brother Michael Rappe at far right, with Curtis Lewis (Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry) to his right.

The drama of this annual event at Jesse Jones Park has been part of park's *Homestead Heritage Day* program for many years. Brothers of the *Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp* usually combine with members of *Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry* to perform for the event spectators.

Numerous living history activities and displays with re-enactors in period-correct clothing are positioned around the working homestead. Everything is set up in a way to give park visitors a glance into what life was like in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The acting of the participants in the Federal foraging squad vs. the homesteaders - and the resulting Civil War skirmish, was the highlight of the day.



...photos submitted by SVC Michael Rappe via Kerry Manning, Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry

# Report from the West

# February 24-28, 2020 – Sonora, Texas

During the last week of February, Coach Sheets of Sonora Middle School allowed me time to visit with his eighth grade History classes. I was able to spend time with each of his classes for two periods across two days.

On the first day I wore my uniforms. During my presentation, I made the transition from wearing the Grey to wearing the Blue. When I did this, I also explained to the students how the life of the Civil War soldier might have been and what he endured and dealt with during his daily routine.



Students trying on the uniforms

Sizing up the muskets

The presentation on the second day was much more hands-on. We began with a discussion of life on the home front and what was needed for the survival of those folks. Then the Civil War soldier accoutrements and uniforms were laid out for the students to look at and handle.

The two-day presentations were a great success! Coach Sheets later said that the students seemed to have a much greater interest in and a better understanding of the material he presented as he continued his way through his course pertaining to the Civil War.

...submitted by Brother Chapman Traylor, Sonora, Texas

## Heritage Festival

## Friday, February 28, 2020 – Tomball, Texas

The *Heritage Festival* was once again held at the beautiful Spring Creek Park in Tomball. The festival was turned into a 2-day event this year, with Friday being 'school day'. Numerous buses transported hundreds of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders from many area schools to the park. The event was to run from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Featured activities at the park included tours of the on-site historic cemetery, 19<sup>th</sup> century funeral preparations, an archaeology dig, storytelling, cultural demonstrations, and a Civil war battle re-enactment. Brother William Pollard (*PCC*) and I arrived early in the morning



Michael Lance

to set up the *Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp* recruiting tent. SVC Michael Rappe soon joined us. Once again, we commanded a prime location near the battlefield. *SUVCW* recruiting literature, the accoutrements of a soldier, and other items of interest were displayed on tables inside the tent. Confederate tents were erected facing us beside the Confederate camp on the other side of the park drive. The Federal campsite had been established on our side of the road off to our right. Most all the foot traffic to and from the battlefield would pass by our tent display. Brother Pollard manned the recruiting tent all day and spoke to and educated many visitors.

The park had been divided into 4 learning zones for the children. Each zone had 4 education stations. When the buses arrived, they were instructed to unload the children at one of the zones. The off-loaded children were then divided into 4 groups – with each group directed to one of the 4 learning stations within that zone. The children would rotate to the next learning station every 7-8 minutes. In that fashion, they would be able to visit all 4 learning stations in each zone in about 30 minutes. The blasting of the cannons was the signal for the children to be led to the next zone.

I had planned to remain at the recruiting tent to assist Brother Pollard during the day. But since there was a shortage of Federal re-enactors, I was asked to man one of the 4 learning stations in the zone that included the period-correct Federal army camp. My station involved instructing the youngsters about the uniforms worn by Civil War soldiers. Soon I had a seemingly never-ending flock of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders huddled around me! After giving a short presentation, my 'flock' would shift over to the next station, and a new 'flock' would assemble around me – all eager to learn about my uniform and weapons. On display, I had two sack coats, a shell jacket, a vest, and a frock coat for the kids to try on and take photos in after each presentation. They all seemed to have a lot of fun!

Finally, the signal came for the lunch break. The children quickly drifted away with their teachers to eat their box lunches at 'picnic' areas around the park. Brother Rappe and I caught a ride on a park golf cart to partake in the lunch being served to re-enactors at the pavilion. After lunch, once back at the Federal camp, Captain Thomas Whitesides, *Co. A, 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry*, called for the federal infantrymen to form up. We were to march to the battlefield to defend it against a hoard of Confederate attackers. Unfortunately, only 6 men answered the muster. As we smartly marched single file to our field position, we passed directly in front of the very large assembly of school children, their teachers, and other spectators. A loud sustained cheer immediately went up as we passed before them. The children, of course, recognized us as the men who spoke with them at the 'learning stations'.

With our thin ranks, the best we could do was form a skirmish line. However, we were supported by one crowd-pleasing cannon. The Confederate side boasted 2 or 3 cannons. As our federal skirmish line deployed, we were pleasantly surprised to see that our opponents, who were just then emerging onto the far side of the field, were also only 6 men strong! Now it seemed like it would be a fair fight! Once the firing commenced, the cheering from the spectators began anew! A few seconds later, we observed a second 6-man Confederate unit moving to attack our left flank. Our thin line was now forced to divide our attention to protecting 2 fronts. After about 20 minutes of hot action, I went down with a wound to my shoulder. As I tried to regain my feet, the cheering from the sidelines grew louder. But as I fell back, the cheering died down, only to rise again as I again made progress in rising. The Confederates soon overran the Federal battery and captured the field. The battleground was littered with 'corpses' of both blue and gray.

....respectfully submitted by Michael L. Lance, Camp Cmdr., Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea USN, Camp 2, SUVCW

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# Heritage Festival (continued)

# Friday, February 28-29, 2020 – Tomball, Texas

The *Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea, USN Camp #2* was represented at the Heritage Festival at Spring Creek Park in Tomball, Texas. The Festival was a 2-day event with Friday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> being the School Day and Saturday, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> as the public Heritage Festival event. Friday morning, Camp Commander Lance and Brothers Pollard and Rappe set up our Camp's informational tent and distributed recruiting information and talked about Our Order. Inside the tent was a display table with Civil War infantry soldier's accoutrements and an Enfield musket. One of the items on display was a replica 58 caliber "Minnie Ball" which created a lot of questions and amazement because of its size.

While Commander Lance and Brother Rappe participated in the skirmish, Brother Pollard "guarded" the tent and answered questions about the activities in the field. Fourth and Fifth grade students and teachers from the Tomball School District's schools came by the tent and had outstanding questions about the Civil War Era. Although there weren't any direct recruitments, some seeds of interest about Our Order were planted.



**Recruiting/Information Tent Display** 

On Saturday, Brother Rappe and Brother Pollard again manned the tent. Many families came by and numerous information flyers and a few applications were distributed. The Civil War infantry soldier's accoutrements and an Enfield musket were again on display along with various smaller items - which again brought a lot of interest to both the children and even more so to the adults. A few of the visitors to the tent on Saturday told me they came by because their children had been there Friday and enjoyed the events. So, they brought their families on Saturday to enjoy them. On both days, the weather was outstanding, and we could not have asked for a better way to spend a Saturday in the park. We received one completed membership application along with the required fees. This applicant was initially given the application at the Civil War Weekend event at Liendo Plantation and chose to submit it, in person, at this event. ...submitted by Brother William Pollard (PCC)

# USS Westfield Presentation

#### Tuesday, February 18, 2020 – Pearland, Texas

My brother, Warren Pollard, asked me if I would give "a little talk on something of interest" to the February meeting of the Model A Club to which he and my sister-in-law belong. The Club meets monthly at the Longhorn Bar-B-Que in Pearland, Texas. I agreed, thought long and hard, and decided to give them "a little presentation" about the 9" Dahlgren Cannon from the USS Westfield that is on display at the Texas City Museum. Their meetings are very similar to our meetings with dinner from the restaurant, a business meeting, and finally an "opportunity for something of interest" to wrap up the evening. I started out by giving a short history of the Battle of Galveston in order to inform them how the Dahlgren Cannon wound up at bottom of Galveston Bay over 150 years ago. Then I told them about the finding and recovery of the weapon, a little about its restoration at *Texas A&M*, how it was transported, and about its current display at the museum amongst many artifacts recovered from the USS Westfield. I wrapped up the presentation by telling a little about my Civil War ancestor, gr-gr-grandfather



Sgt. Jacob P. Kenney of the 77<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry. I encouraged everyone at the meeting to seek out William Pollard their own Civil War ancestry. It was a great opportunity to share a little about our Order and the

history of our country. I had a great time and hopefully enlightened them of some history of our area that was previously unknown to them. ...submitted by Brother William Pollard (PCC)

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# Civil War Medal of Honor Recipients – U.S. Navy (part 17)

The *Medal of Honor* is the USA's highest military honor, awarded for personal acts of valor above and beyond the call of duty. It was first awarded during the Civil War after President Lincoln signed a bill on December 21, 1861 containing a provision for the medal for the Navy. It was "to be bestowed upon such petty officers, seamen, landsmen, and Marines as shall most distinguish themselves by their gallantry and other seamanlike qualities during the present war."

# Left: Navy Version of the original Medal of Honor (1862)

With this issue of the Harriet Lane, in honor of Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea USN - the namesake of our Camp, I am continuing to present a review of the recipients of the Medal of Honor who served in the U.S. Navy during the Civil War....editor

John Griffiths – Captain of the Forecastle – John Griffiths was born in 1835 and emigrated to the United States from his native Wales. He volunteered for service in the Union Army in 1864 as a private with the 30<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry. Within 30 days of his army enlistment, Griffiths transferred to the U.S. Navy and was assigned to the Union brig USS Santiago de Cuba. His enlistment is credited to the state of Massachusetts. On January 15, 1865, the North Carolina Confederate stronghold of Fort Fisher was taken by a combined Union storming party of sailors, marines, and soldiers under the command of Admiral David Dixon Porter and General Alfred Terry. Griffiths was a member of the storming party. His Medal of Honor citation states:

The President of the United States of America, in the name of Congress, takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to Captain of the Forecastle John

Griffiths, United States Navy, for extraordinary heroism in action while serving on board the U.S.S. Santiago de Cuba during the assault on Fort Fisher, North Carolina, on 15 January 1865. As one of a boat crew detailed to one of the generals on shore, Captain of the Forecastle Griffiths bravely entered the fort in the assault and accompanied his party in carrying dispatches at the height of the battle. He was one of six men who entered the fort in the assault from the fleet.

Luke M. Griswold – Ordinary Seaman – Luke Griswold was born in 1837 in Bloomfield, Connecticut. He entered the Union Navy at Springfield, Massachusetts and served as an Ordinary Seaman. He was awarded the Medal of Honor "for extraordinary heroism" in action while serving on board the U.S.S. Rhode Island which was engaged in saving the lives of the officers and crew of the sinking U.S.S. Monitor near Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. His citation reads:

Served on board the USS Rhode Island which was engaged in saving the lives of the officers and crew of the Monitor, 30 December 1862. Participating in the hazardous rescue of the officers and crew of the sinking Monitor, Ordinary Seaman Griswold, after rescuing several of the men, became separated in a heavy gale with other members of the cutter that had set out from the Rhode Island, and spent many hours in the small boat at the mercy of the weather and high seas until finally picked up by a schooner 50 miles east of Cape Hatteras.

Edmund Haffee – Quarter Gunner – Edmund Haffee was born in 1832. In August 1862, he enlisted for a 3-year term in the U.S. Navy and was assigned to the Union ironclad USS New Ironsides. His enlistment is credited to the state of Pennsylvania. On January 15, 1865, the North Carolina Confederate stronghold of Fort Fisher was taken by a combined Union storming party of sailors, marines, and soldiers under the command of Adm. David Dixon Porter

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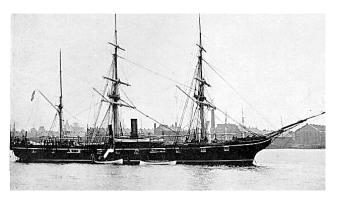
and General Alfred Terry. Haffee's Medal of Honor citation states:

The President of the United States of America, in the name of Congress, takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to Quarter Gunner Edmund Haffee, United States Navy, for extraordinary heroism in action while serving on board the U.S.S. New Ironsides during action in several attacks on Fort Fisher, North Carolina, 24 and 25 December 1864; and 13, 14, and 15 January 1865. The ship steamed in and took the lead in the ironclad division close inshore, and immediately opened its starboard battery in a barrage of well-directed fire to cause several fires and explosions and dismount several guns during the first two days of fighting. Taken under fire, as she steamed into position on 13 January, the New Ironsides fought all day and took on ammunition at night despite severe weather conditions. When the enemy came out of his bombproof to defend the fort against the storming party, the ship's battery disabled nearly every gun on the fort facing the shore before the cease-fire orders were given by the flagship.

James Haley – Captain of the Forecastle – James Haley (aka. James Healy) was born in Ringaskiddy, County Cork, Ireland in 1822. On June 19, 1864, he was serving as Captain of the Forecastle on the sloop of war USS Kearsarge

when she sank the commerce raider *CSS Alabama* off Cherbourg, France. He was awarded his Medal of Honor for gallantry under fire exhibited while captaining a ship's gun. Haley's Medal of Honor citation reads:

Served as captain of the forecastle on board the U.S.S. Kearsarge when she destroyed the Alabama off Cherbourg, France, 19 June 1864. Acting as captain of a gun during the bitter engagement, Haley exhibited marked coolness and good conduct and was highly commended by his division officer for his gallantry and meritorious achievement under enemy fire.

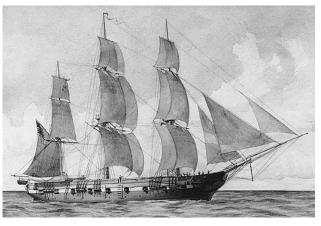


#### **USS Kearsarge**

William Halstead – Coxswain – William Halstead was born in 1837 in Schroeppel, New York. He began his seafaring career as a young man. He first worked on whaling ships out of the Pacific Northwest. He then sailed the Pacific as a merchant mariner. In the 1850's, Halstead joined the U.S. Navy from his home state of New York and served over 2 years on the USS Dale. The Dale was active in suppressing the slave trade off the coast of Africa. During the Civil

War, Halstead served on the USS Brooklyn which helped enforce the Union blockade at the mouth of the Mississippi River. He was present at the capture of New Orleans in 1862. At the Battle of Mobile Bay on August 5, 1864, Halstead "fought his gun with skill and courage" as a coxswain on the USS Brooklyn despite heavy fire. For this action, he was awarded the Medal of Honor 4 months later. His Medal of Honor citation reads:

On board the U.S.S. Brooklyn during action against rebel forts and gunboats and with the ram Tennessee, in Mobile Bay, 5 August 1864. Despite severe damage to his ship and the loss of several men on board as enemy fire raked her decks from stem to stern, Halstead fought his gun with skill and courage throughout



**USS Dale** 

the furious battle which resulted in the surrender of the prize rebel ram Tennessee and in the damaging and destruction of batteries at Fort Morgan.

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# Salute

Gary White (*PCC*) salutes before the grave of the Camp's namesake, Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea, USN. Standing behind him is William Pollard (*PCC*) while Masons of Galveston's Harmony Masonic Lodge observe.

You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer. You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

# **Abraham Lincoln**

*(b. 1809 - d. 1865)* 16<sup>th</sup> President of the United States (1861-1865) Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Illinois (1847-1849) Member of the Illinois House of Representatives (1834-1842)