

THE SAME RAIN FALLS ON BOTH FRIEND AND FOE

THE CYCLORAMA

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE GENERAL JOHN A. LOGAN CAMP #4
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR



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Looking Ahead to 2015

As we have all read, the Civil War Sesquicentennial has begun. It will continue until 2015 and will end right here in our own backyard at Bennett Place with the surrender of the remaining Confederate forces under General Joseph Johnson.

With this issue we are instituting a new feature where we will highlight events that took place



150 years ago as the Sesquicentennial progresses over the next six years. Elsewhere in this publication we will cover John Brown's raid upon the Federal Arsenal at the Harpers Ferry.

These events began on October 16 – 18, followed by Brown's last speech on the 2nd of November. He met his maker on December 2, 1859.

Camp Holiday Celebration

Before your holiday schedule begins to fill up please set aside, Sunday, December 6 at 1 p.m. Halloween has just passed and December sounds a long ways off, however it's only seven weeks.

This is our camps initial attempt to sponsor a social event with a emphasis on an involving your significant other. The choice of the menu and the meeting place were selected with our ladies in mind. We have arranged that we will enjoy our privacy.

The outstanding Sunday Buffet at Michael Deans has something for every taste, no one will go home unsatisfied nor hungry. A typical Sunday spread includes:

Everything you would anticipate on a Breakfast Buffett:

Eggs, omelets, sausage, bacon, cereals, grits, bread items, fruits, plus the following luncheon items: Baked Chicken, Barbecued Chicken, Variable Beef Item, Baked Salmon, Seafood Newburg, Shrimp and Grits, Fish and Chips, Pasta Dish, all varieties of green salad, all sorts of fresh fruit, assorted desserts, including but not limited to Cheesecake, Brownies cookies, Vanilla Pudding, Fruit Cobbler, Bread Pudding

The selection of food items will not only be good for your tummy but your pocket book also. The cost of this wonderful buffet is \$14.99

We hope you will agree we have made a good selection and you will join us for this Holiday

Celebration.

Make your Reservations be E-mailing me or call 919-649-3352

Michael Deans
6004 Falls of Neuse Rd
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919-790-9992

<http://www.michaeldeans.com/>

I encourage you to visit the web site and confirm our choice of restaurant

Ruger Camp Meeting

As it turned out Saturday, October 3 was a busy day for Logan camp members. As a result your Commander was the only person who was in a position to join with the Ruger Camp for their monthly meeting and planned tour of the Florence (SC) National Cemetery and Confederate Prison site.

I joined the Ruger folks in Fayetteville and traveled to Florence with Past Camp Commander Richard Bishop. The meeting place was to be the Florence public Library and as we pulled into the parking lot I was awestruck. In front of me was a truly remarkable edifice worthy of our nation's capital. Inside we had a private room where the meeting was held. Current Commander, Jerry Divine presented a PowerPoint presentation on the prison systems during the Civil War.



After the meeting was adjourned, Superintendent Lynn Parker led the motorcade to the National Cemetery

where the group held a wreath laying ceremony at the grave of Lorena Budwin. She is one of the five "known internments in the trenches.

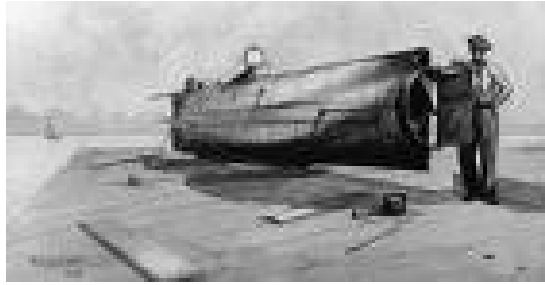
Lorena disguised herself as a man and enlisted in the Union Army in order to follow her husband, a Captain from Pennsylvania. She is believed to be the first female service member to be buried in a National Cemetery. She has the only marked grave in Row # 13. The Ruger Camp graciously included me in this most impressive ceremony.

After the wreath laying we crossed over the road to visit this site of the Florence Confederate Prison stockade. Although none of the actual prison in remains today, there is a walking tour around the site. You might enjoy learning more by visiting the following site; http://home.att.net/~florence_stockade/friends.htm

After leaving the stockade the group returned to Fayetteville and I journeyed on to Raleigh. I felt myself indeed fortunate to participate in a day of friendship and the opportunity to enhance my knowledge of history. I like to think that the Logan Camp might find time to travel in the same footsteps as it was a rewarding experience.

CSS H. L. HUNLEY Coming to Averagesboro

A full-sized replica of the *CSS H. L. Hunley*, a Civil War submarine - the first to sink an enemy ship, will be coming to the Averagesboro Battlefield Museum on December 4-6, Friday-Sunday. The exhibit is open to the public. A parking fee of \$5 per vehicle will be charged to offset expenses and to support projects of the Averagesboro Museum. The *Hunley* replica is being brought here from Charleston, SC, by John Dangerfield, who along with his friends spends many hours voluntarily maintaining the vehicle and showing it across the country.



The Averagesboro Battlefield Commission is sponsoring the *H. L. Hunley* weekend. This is another of the Commission's many efforts to fulfill its motto, "preserving the past for the future."

Additional information can be found here <http://www.averasboro.com/>

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Department of North Carolina Department Staff meeting September 12, 2009

It was originally intended that we would publish in this issue the Department Staff Meeting minutes in this issue. However, when it was time to compile a report it became very obvious that it would simply overwhelm our publication.

With that in mind anyone wishing to receive the complete minutes please contact Brother Bob Farrell, your editor and I will mail you a copy.



Attendees at the North Carolina Department Staff Meeting.
As you can see half of the attendees are from the Logan Camp.

I will report that many items came under discussion and it was a most productive day

November Elections

Please do not miss the November Camp Meeting. This meeting will have the Election of next year's officers. The Camp Officers perform a very important function for the survival of our Society. We own them a debt of gratitude and support.

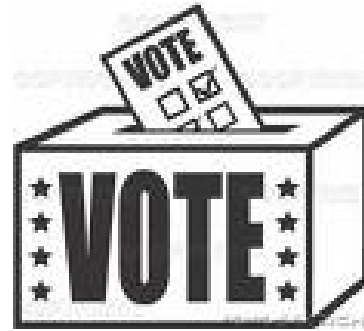
Brother Larry Jones, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported the results of the efforts of the complete committee. Having contacted the individuals involved who have confirmed their willingness to serve they offer the following slate of officers.

Logan Camp Officers

Camp Commander, Bob Farrell
 Senior Vice Commander, Dennis St. Andrew
 Junior Vice Commander, Larry Jones
 Camp Secretary, John Harmon
 Camp Treasurer, Larry Jones

Logan Camp Council

Larry Blumatte
 Sam Moore
 Roscoe Reeve



Special thanks should go to the committee for resolving a most difficult task.

(Commander's Comment:

Special thanks should be given Brothers Harman and Jones. Brother Harmon felt that he could better serve our Camp by serving as its Secretary, a post that he has filled Pro Tem since early this year. Brother Jones was willing to assume the position of Junior Vice Commander despite great pressures upon his time. Both Brothers placed the needs of this Camp above business and family. We owe them our gratitude.)

This Month in 1859

John Brown Sesquicentennial Celebrated

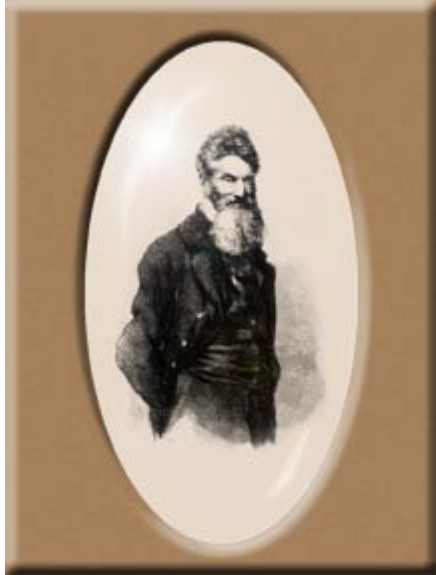
Who knew that the final resting place of John Brown, who earned fame and infamy in Kansas and Virginia, was the rocky soil of North Elba, New York, an Adirondack hamlet just outside Lake Placid?

I didn't. I assumed he was buried in Virginia, where he was hung after his trial and conviction on charges of murder, treason and conspiracy for the raid he led on the federal armory at Harper's Ferry on October 16, 1859, a hundred and fifty years ago. Brown had other plans, though. He didn't want to be buried in Virginia because he didn't want to be buried in a coffin made by slaves. So after his December 2nd execution, Brown's wife shipped his body north, first to New York City, where she engaged a Brooklyn undertaker named Jacob Hopper to prepare it for burial. Hopper's receipt itemizes his services: keeping corpse on ice, washing and soaping corpse out, etc. Then the body was transported to North Elba, where Brown had owned a small spread since 1849. And by the way, although Brown is always depicted with a flowing white beard (as he is in the tableaux at the [John Brown Wax Museum](#) in Harpers Ferry), by the time of the raid it had been trimmed to less Biblical proportions.



How do I know all this? Because the extremely knowledgeable and practiced docents at the [John Brown Farm State Historic Site](#), which my wife and I visited in August, told me. It's a marvel they are so practiced because the John Brown Farm is not easy to find. En route, we

saw not a single sign pointing the way or even noting the place's existence. We just noodled in and around Lake Placid in search, until we suddenly found ourselves on John Brown Road, which ends in a cul-de-sac, beside which are the house itself, a barn and the little graveyard where Brown and other members of the Harpers Ferry raiding party, including several of Brown's numerous sons, are interred. Close by and towering over the surroundings is a peculiar-looking structure that turns out to be a ski-jump.

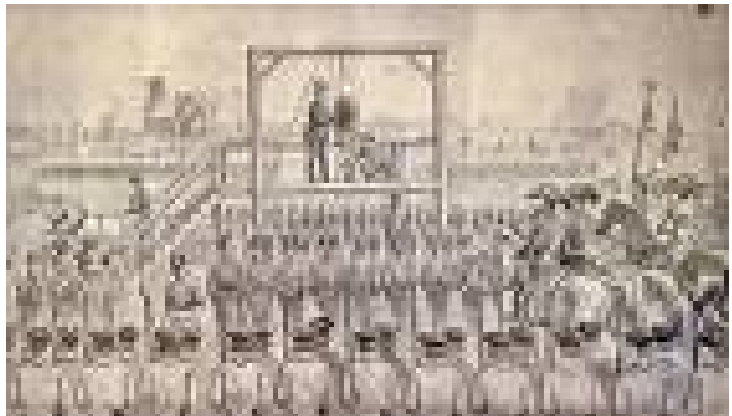


It's a haunting place. The house is small and unexceptional except that, as one of the guides mentioned several times, "We are standing on the same floorboards John Brown stood on." There are a few artifacts, including Mr. Hopper's receipt and the Browns' bed, which looks too small for an adult to recline on, which turns out to have been the point. At the time, sleeping upright was thought to prevent, or at least discourage, consumption.

It is no accident that John Brown ended up in the Adirondacks. He bought his land (for a dollar an acre) from a wealthy abolitionist named Gerrit Smith who had established a land grant program for free blacks in hopes of establishing a black community in the Adirondacks called Timbuktoo. Brown moved to the area to provide guidance and help to the settlers, although he spent much of the 1850's in and out of Kansas. Adirondack soil is rocky and the growing season is about eight weeks long. Most of the newcomers Gerrit

Smith staked moved on. Timbuktoo faded away.

John Brown, on the other hand, looms ever larger in the national psyche, either a great martyr to a just and necessary cause, or our first domestic terrorist. He is still so controversial that Todd Bolton, director of [Harpers Ferry Museum](#) and organizer of "John Brown Remembered," the Museum's anniversary program of events, noted carefully in the [Washington Post](#) that, "We're not celebrating Brown. We're commemorating an important chapter in American history."



The Museum is not alone in this. Last Friday morning, some [three hundred history enthusiasts](#) started from Dargan, Md. to follow in the footsteps of the original raiding party of twenty-one. There was an observance on recently in Torrington, Connecticut, where he was born and there's another planned in Akron, Ohio, where he lived for a while. At the end of the October, Yale hosts a [conference](#) on John Brown. No matter what - - his legacy - - his Truth goes marching on

This article originally appeared in the Huffington Post

David Amos Tharp
Ancestor of Rosco Reeve

This month we are pleased to honor the ancestor of our member, Rosco Reeve. He submits the following.

Brothers these are basics on my ancestor, who was my great grandfather.

Name: David Amos Tharp III

Born: May 4, 1844

Died: December 11, 1912

Home: Hemlock, Perry County, Ohio. On the family farm, which is still in the family today, owned by my cousin Jody Tharp Hendry. Occupation: Mine Carpenter and farmer.

Military: Enlisted at the age of 17 in July 1862 with the formation of his regiment, Mustered out in July 1865.



90th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Co H.

Regiment: 90th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Co. H, Army of the Cumberland. The regiment fought in the western area of Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama & Georgia. They were engaged in the battles of Stone River, Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Nashville, Franklin, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta and Sherman's march to the sea. The regiment was near Asheville, NC when the war ended. David was wounded at Stone River but recovered well.

Rank: Sergeant.

Married: Sarah Elizabeth Sanders in 1867. She was 16 years old and David was 23. They had 10 children. The attached family picture was taken in about 1886. My grandfather, Wesley L Tharp, is the boy in the back row right. The other picture is of the officers and non-coms of the 90th Ohio taken in 1864. I cannot figure out which one is David.

Sources: I have the letters he wrote home to his family during the war. I have his commission and discharge papers. I have a diary of his regiment published in the 1880's. I have a regimental fife of the 90th Ohio although my great grandfather did not play it, he had it as a souvenir. David's youngest brother, Nelson Tharp, ran away from the family farm in



October of 1864 at the age of 15. He signed up with the 25th Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was mortally wounded less than two months later at the Battle of Honey Hill (Hilton Head, SC) and died in a military hospital on January 16, 1865. His family never knew what had happened to him because he changed his name (to Thorp) and lied about his age. He is buried in the National Cemetery at Beaufort, SC with both his names misspelled on his stone.

Point of Irony: My wife's great grandfather was with Morgan's Raiders who came by our family farm at Hemlock, Ohio in 1863 and took all the farm's horses and the food on their table.

Another Honour

On Saturday October 17 our own Brother Dan Hopping was inducted him into the Sons of the Revolution in the State of North Carolina, by right of his ancestor Lieutenant Knight Sprague, who served in both the French and Indian Wars and the Revolution.



Our own JVC, John Harmon serves the Sons of the Revolution as State Registrar, and had the great pleasure to approve Dan's paperwork and recommend his acceptance to the Board of Directors

In addition to his dedicated involvement to the Sons of Union Veterans, Dan is also an involved member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Virginia Commandery of MOLLUS, North Carolina Society of Colonial Wars and now the Sons of the Revolution. Congratulations Dan

Don't Get Carried Away with History

UNIONTOWN, Pa. - A Pennsylvania history buff who recreates firearms from old wars accidentally fired a 2-pound cannonball through the wall of his neighbor's home. Fifty-four-year-old William Maser fired a cannonball Wednesday evening outside his home in Georges Township that ricocheted and hit a house 400 yards away.



The cannonball, about two inches in diameter, smashed through a window and a wall before landing in a closet. Authorities say nobody was hurt. State police charged Maser with reckless endangerment, criminal mischief and disorderly conduct.

No one answered the phone Friday at Maser's home. He tells WPXI-TV recreating 19th century cannons is a longtime hobby. He says he is sorry and he will stop shooting them on his property, about 35 miles southeast of Pittsburgh

Logan Meeting Dates for 2010

In order to allow you to plan well in advance, here are the official meeting dates for the year 2010. PLEASE NOTE that all meetings start promptly at 6:30 PM in the main meeting room of the Wake County Agricultural building.

We are deeply indebted to the Extension Service for their generous use of their facilities.

Meeting Dates for 2010**Bold denotes regular member meeting**

January	21	July	15
February	18	August	19
March	18	September	16
April	15	October	21
May	20	November	18
June	17	December	16

"...If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us..."

John A. Logan

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