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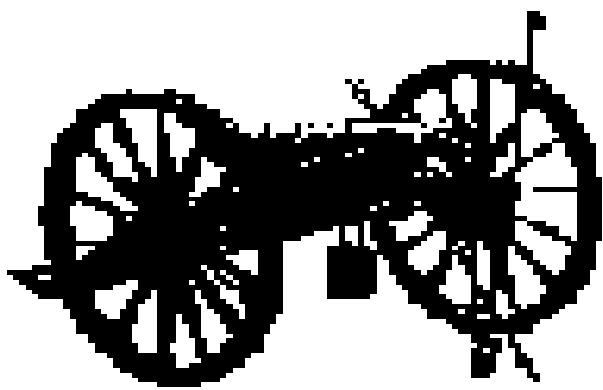
## Company Dispatch

Official Newsletter of the American Civil War Society

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**JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2008**



**THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR  
SOCIETY**

Established in 1986

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The ACWS is a non-profit organization with the purposes of charitable and educational activities for the general public that demonstrate the language, conduct and manner of daily living of the civilian population and military forces during the American Civil War period (1861 – 1865) and the issues they faced during that conflict.

**COMPANY DISPATCH**

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**Union Division:**

**Division Commander – Lt. Col Gary Iverson**

**Adjunct – Capt. David Crichton**

**Infantry Brigade Commander – Major Keith De Luca**

**Artillery Brigade Commander - Major Scott Simmons**

**Cavalry Brigade Commander - 2nd Lt. Robert Kuehl**

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**Artillery Brigade Commander - Major Roger Price**

**Cavalry Brigade Commander - Major Scott Peca**

**Division Chaplain – Capt. Roger Hurley**

## ACWS 2008 Calendar of Events

2008	EVENT	LOCATION
Jan. 12 Jan 19/20	Grand Ball Live Fire	Mission Inn, Riverside
Feb.2/3	Dickens Fair	Riverside, CA
Feb 16-18	Calico Ghost Town	Yermo, CA
April 19-20	St Catherine's Military School	Anaheim, CA
May 3-4	Wooden Nickel	Menifee, CA
June 7-8	Thousand Trails	Acton, CA
July 4	Support your local 4 <sup>th</sup> of July event	Reagan Library La Mirada Cabrillo Beach
August 16-17	Ft Tejon Invitational	Fort Tejon CA
Sept. 13-14	Riley's Grand Encampment	Riley's Farm Beaumont, CA
Oct 18	City of La Habra Public Library Living History	La Habra CA
Oct 31-Nov 1	Spring Mountain Ranch	Las Vegas, NV

**For additional information on events in and around California, Arizona and Nevada,  
please visit the Fort Tejon Historical Association's Calendar of Events for 2007  
<http://www.forttejon.org/>**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### The Prez prattles.



I know you all will rejoice when I say I have to keep this short. I have held up the newsletter too long waiting to get the details on Calico out of the way.

We finished 2007 in pretty good order, and we will have our financial report to you all by the next newsletter. The final report is required 120 days after the close of our fiscal year.

All our events in 2007 went off really well. The Live Fire, Wooden Nickel, Calico, the Ball, Riley's Farm, and, of course, our incredible site in Las Vegas! Thanks to Jason Coffey, Gary Swanson, and Steve Bogdan for all the work on the event. It takes a lot more to run a whole event by

Our calendar is in place for next year, and I received a call from the Wooden Nickel that

ourselves than doing one for a sponsor. And a special thanks to Don Hotchkiss who raised over \$5,000.00 in grants for Las Vegas. What a lifesaver that was!

Another item worth mentioning is the response I get back from the non-ACWS events that we support. It is always positive about the way our people behave, and by that I mean safely and courteously. They even have good things to say about our hard working commanders!

We have started our 2008 season with another beautifully done Ball! Although we fell short 20 tickets of breaking even (we needed 150) the quick thinking committee talked them into including hors d'oevres. Thank you to Chair Joyce Bolin, Donnalee Simmons, Janet De Nubilo, Toni Van Beveran, Debbie Wells, Sam and Ann Frankl. (The only thing they would let me do was cut out the fans!)

The Live Fire was a huge success; the weather, the competition, the food wagon (Ken and Nancy Guinn) could not have been better. (There was a strange reported sighting of some very unattractive women in grass skirts singing South Pacific songs!)

All of this would not be possible without the attitude of our members, the volunteers who stood up, the competence of our commanders, and the long hours and hard work of your board members.

they want to schedule again. I guess his run-in with the code people worked out fine.

I am working out the finer details of Calico. Basically everything is the same as last year except for the incredible surprise about RV space cost for reenactors! This will be a point of renegotiation next year! Look for reenactor info in this newsletter and on our web site.

The administration of our corporation has taken a huge change from previous years. No longer can we claim exemption from the morass of paperwork. They now require annual reporting regardless. Thank God that we have a CPA on board in the huge shape of Sam Frankl! We could not afford the time he puts in for us, the expertise to keep the IRS happy, and the fortitude to make us follow the rules. Thank you Sam!

My personal thanks to the board for all the administrative work they do for ACWS. All put in extra hours and some far more than we could ever compensate them for.

My sincere thanks to all of our members for their support, ideas, cheerful and positive attitude. And a reminder that all of our members have access to the board for your ideas, thoughts and concerns. Just e-mail me at [Paul](#) and I will answer what I can and send to the board what is needed.

Paul De Nubilo  
Honored to be President and  
Proud to be a member of the ACWS

### **Welcome to Donnalee Simmons as the Civilian Corps Director!**

**Donnalee has agreed to be the Civilian Coordinator and I ask you all to give her your cooperation in not only helping her maintain the civilian corps programs but as your representative to the board!**

**I have mentioned many times and cannot mention it enough, to say, that we believe an active Civilian presence at our events is important to our success. In my opinion and I am sure it is shared by all board members that the Civilian Corps is an equal partner with the Union and Confederate corps.**

**The civilian camp, the civilian living history are always welcome by the public. So please help Donnalee help the ACWS.**

**Paul**

# MILITARY DISPATCHES



## From the Union:

SPECIAL FIELD ORDER No. 1.  
HQRS. ACWS Union Division. ,

Dept. of Southern Calif.  
Las Angeles, California,

January 23, 1863.

To Officer Commanding the Infantry, Cavalry and Artillery Brigades, Union Division

It has been reported by the Nevada District Commander that a large contingent of Confederates, at least Brigade strength, is moving on the Southern California mining town of Calico. If the Confederates gain control of this mining area, funds desperately needed by the States currently in rebellion become available and funneled to weapons and other purchases. The Union can not allow this to happen. The Secretary of War has ordered the Union Division located in Southern California to recall its forces currently engaged in areas around Southern California. The Commander is to consolidate these forces and move as soon as practical, but not later than 16 February 1863. All Commanders in the Union Division are hereby ordered to immediately recall all patrols and units currently garrisoning towns in the Southern California area. All units must be gathered and prepared to move on this order not later than 15 February 1863 so as to arrive and report to the Union (Iverson's) Division not later than 0800, 16 February 1863. All commanders are to follow these directives:

1. Report not later than 1 February 1863 your unit's ability to arrive at Calico and in what numbers. This report will include:
  - a. Unit, Unit commanders name and number of combatants.
  - b. Number of military non combatants.
  - c. Number of Civilians anticipated to follow the Division.
  - d. Number and type of tentage so space can be allocated. Normal unit setups will have to be adjusted and commanders should consider that now. If commanders don't respond, space will not be planned for you and you will get what's left over, which may be nothing. WALL TENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED FOR THIS EVENT. Space is limited. Units should seriously consider doubling up their folks. Units call however, commanders will have to fit into space allocated. If your unit has made other lodging arrangements, the commander needs to know that also.
2. No unit is to sink a single stake in the ground until directed by the Adjutant where your unit is to set up. If you fail to follow this directive, you may be told take down whatever

you have set up and move. The simple way would be to wait for the Adjutant who plans to be at Calico as early as he can. The Adjutant plans and makes maps based of what he receives from units.

3. This is an ACWS member event only! Cards will be checked by commanders in camp and they will also be checked at formations. No one will take the field that cannot show ACWS membership.
4. Safety is paramount at this event, battle areas are tight and congested – and is a leader's responsibility that can not be delegated. Yes, individuals are ultimately responsible for their own individual safety; however, it is the leader who is ultimately responsible for the actions and safety of their unit, on and off the field. We've started a new year and as always things is a changing. Unit commanders will ensure that all their members have taken the general safety test and the safety test specific to their branch. The Division Commander and/or his designated representative have the authority to remove unsafe reenactors and/or units from the field based solely on his judgment.
5. Unit commanders will bring a roster of their unit who has successfully passed the safety tests to Captain Crichton, Adjutant, Union Division with the first morning report on Saturday 16 February.
6. There will be a Division Guard force for Saturday and Sunday nights. The Adjutant will designate a Sergeant of the Guard for both nights, and each unit will provide soldiers for this is a rotating duty. All units are expected to participate. Failure to participate could be grounds for the Division Commander to restrict the offending unit from taking the field the next day.
7. The Adjutant is responsible for designating the Color Guard and the raising and lowering of the National Colors Saturday thru Monday. Your unit should also be prepared to provide Soldiers for the Color Guard. White gloves is required, all Soldiers should have white gloves.
8. The first battle on Saturday is where the Union moves on Calico to push the rebels out. This fight will be in modified heavy marching order. Knapsacks or bedrolls. Please ensure your unit is prepared with one or the other.
9. Any time the Union Division participates in a parade it is considered a somewhat formal affair – ALL Soldiers are to where white gloves for this event.
10. If a Soldier attends the dance he is to wear as clean a uniform as possible, white gloves and a belt. Swords should not be worn.
11. Morning reports are due through the Brigade Commanders to the Adjutant at 0800 all three days in accordance with Union Division GO #2. If you do not have the forms get with the Adjutant Friday night or first thing Saturday morning.
12. In accordance with ACWS practice there is an ammunition stipend issue at Calico. Stand alone units who field 8 to 14 rifles will receive ten rounds each per day. Units with over

14 rifles will get 20 rounds each day. Unit commanders are responsible for coordinating with the Adjutant for forms and issue times.

13. The official time for the event is located at the Division HQs. Commanders are encouraged to set their time pieces to it so we're all on the same time.
14. The Adjutant is working on the Division Orders of the day for this event and we will get them out to the commanders as soon as they are ready, that way units can formulate their own.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel Gary Iverson:  
Commanding, ACWS Union Division

Signed: Sergeant Major David Crichton  
Union (Iverson's) Division Adjutant

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## CHANGES IN THE ACWS UNION DIVISION

Just a quick update on some organizational changes within the ACWS Union Division.

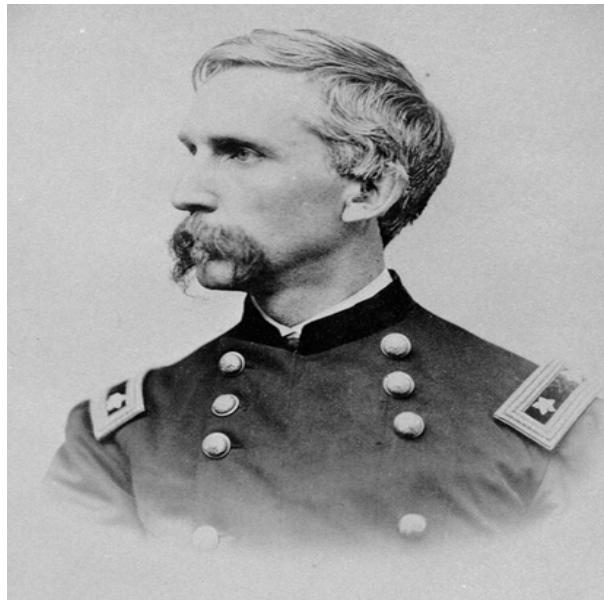
- For those of you who don't know, the Union Division Adjutant David Crichton has been promoted from Sergeant-Major to Captain. Captain David Crichton was promoted to this rank at the 2007 Spring Mountain Ranch event, but with everything that is going on I failed to send notification of this out. Captain Crichton's rank now reflects his duties and position as Union Division Adjutant. I am sure you join me in congratulating Captain Crichton on his much deserved promotion.
- It is with sadness that I must report that I recently accepted Major Shane Padden's resignation as ACWS Union Infantry Brigade Commander. With the departure of the 69th, Shane felt he needed to attend to business with his unit. I am sure you all join me in wishing Shane all the best.
- It is with great pleasure that I announce that Keith De Luca has been promoted from ACWS Union Infantry Brigade Adjutant to ACWS Union Infantry Brigade Commander. With this comes a promotion to the rank of Major. Our new Major Keith De Luca excellently performed the duties of Union Infantry Commander during the recent 2007

Spring Mountain Ranch. I personally feel that Major Keith De Luca is highly qualified for this position, and with over 11 years of reenacting experience is quite a knowledgeable and capable person. I am sure that you all join me in congratulating Major De Luca on his much deserved promotion.

- It is also with great pleasure that I announce that the position of Union Infantry Brigade Sergeant-Major has finally been filled. Sergeant-Major David Fernandez has accepted this position. This finally fills a vital void in the Union Command structure. I personally feel that Sergeant-Major Fernandez has the ability and knowledge (with over 11 years of reenacting experience) to carry out the duties of this position. I am sure that all of you join me in congratulating Sergeant-major Fernandez on his much deserved promotion.

As you can see the recent improvements to the ACWS Union Division provides a highly knowledgeable and experienced staff to provide a quality program that should be enjoyable for all of us. This infusion of new blood promises bright things for the future.

Gary Iverson



# MILITARY DISPATCHES

## CONFEDERATE MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS:



Gentlemen,

I would like to announce a few changes as it pertains to our military command structure. As most of you know the Infantry Brigade staff positions have been vacant since the close of last year. Since then I have received much input from the rank and file as to what they would like to see and from those who have thrown their name into the circle who are willing to step up and help. I appreciate all the candid suggestions many of you have shared and I am proud to have so many step forward and offer to help where ever help is needed. With all this said here is what changes I have instituted: We will move from a Division formation into a "Legion" formation. Not much will change as this will allow the three branches to stay together under my overall command. The Artillery and Cavalry will continue to follow the command of Mr. Price and Mr. Peca respectively. The Infantry will now be commanded by me. If we need to expand our military structure back into a Division for events such as Spring Mountain Ranch we now have the ability in which to do so and the qualified people in which to make it happen. I trust this change will not be looked upon as something difficult as I believe it will require very little if any change amongst the rank and file. Again, many thanks to all of you

have been most helpful in sharing your thoughts and for those who have offered to step up in time of need! It makes me proud to stand before all of you!

Also, just an update for Gettysburg 08'. There is still time until March 15th if you would like to register for this event and join us for what promises to be an event not soon forgotten. To date we have 76 soldiers and 26 civilians pre-registered. That's over 100 Southern Californian folks heading east! I admit I am so excited to be able to command a company of this size at an event such as Gettysburg! If you have been waiting to attend an event back east now is the time as we may never have a group this size again. And if you have been back east with us before then you will not want to be left out on this one because you know how special this will be with these numbers!

I am looking forward with much anticipation to starting the new campaign season with our first engagement at the silver mining town of Calico. Every man is to ready themselves and begin preparations to make haste to Calico where we will defend our land and our rights!

Your Humble Servant,  
Lt. Colonel Keith P. Harriott



## *MEET OUR NEW ACWS CIVILIAN CORPS DIRECTOR, DONNALEE SIMMONS*

When I ask myself: Why do I participate in ACWS events? The answer is, I enjoy the different venues and how ACWS can adjust the scenarios to fit the different settings. I enjoy hearing the music whether it comes from a banjo or harmonica or an organized music group. I enjoy seeing families with young children, all dressed up in their period clothes, playing and having fun. I enjoy seeing the ladies dressed up, wishing I could afford to do that. I enjoy going to the sutlers. I enjoy the camaraderie of people enjoying being with each other. I enjoy the smells of something good cooking in the camps. I enjoy how the battles touch my heart, especially when *Taps* is played. I enjoy seeing the whole picture, the Union side, the Confederate side, and the Civilian side. To all the ACWS members who come to the events, I want to THANK YOU for your participation in demonstrating the language, conduct and manner of daily living of the civilian population and military forces during the American Civil War period. Together we create the whole picture.

In very broad terms, the ACWS consists of individual units of volunteers working together to create the whole picture. While each unit functions independently outside the ACWS under their own charters and rules, they have joined together with other units who have the common goal of educating the public about the Civil War era. In joining together we are able to reach a much larger public than we are able to do on our own. The hard reality part of this picture is getting individual units with different philosophies to work together in harmony. We try to put aside our differences and respect each others right to be different for the common goal, but sometimes we fail.

Three of the nine ACWS Board Director members represent the three major elements of a

Civil War reenactment: The Union, the Confederate and the Civilian. For several months the Civilian Corps Director's position has been vacant. Wanting the civilian side to be represented on the Board of Directors, I volunteered and was subsequently elected by the ACWS Board to fill the vacant Civilian Corps Director position.

I began my civil war reenacting experience on the Confederate side seven years ago as a civilian cook with the Washington Artillery. While I am no longer the cook, I am still a proud member of the Washington Artillery. A year ago, my husband was appointed to the Union Artillery Commander's position. I am now a civilian on the Union side.

While I do not reside in the Civilian camp at reenactments, I do believe their presence is important, just as I believe the civilians in the military camps are important. Shelley Peters, the previous Civilian Corps Director, did a fantastic job guiding the development and growth of the Town of Remembrance in the Civilian camp. The civilians in the Confederate camp, the Union camp and the Civilian camp are essential in our portrayal of the customs of the times and how non-military men, women and children coped during the war years. I will try to the best of my ability to represent all the civilians on the ACWS Board of Directors. As the Civilian Corps Director I hope to promote better communication between the Board of Directors and its members and a spirit of camaraderie among all units.

2008 is off to a fast start. Thanks to all who have renewed your ACWS membership. It is not too late to renew. Contact Debbie Bogdan, ACWS Membership Director, [debalene@cox.net](mailto:debalene@cox.net) , (702) 988-2161.

The Grand Ball at the Mission Inn in Riverside was indeed grand. The attentive Mission Inn service staff ensured none of us would go away hungry with a tasty supper. Terrific music by the Occasional Strings got our feet a tappin'. The expert calling by Tom Atkins got all the beautifully gowned ladies' skirts a swayin'. THANK YOU Ball Committee for organizing such a fine event. The 2008 Ball Committee was Joyce Bolin, Chairman, Debbie Bogdan, Sam & Anne Frankl, Paul & Janet DeNubilo and Toni Van Beveran. If you would like to volunteer for the 2009 Committee, let me know.

## UP-COMING EVENTS

For all civilians who plan to camp in the civilian camp area, contacting the event's Civilian Corps Event Coordinator will insure space is available for your impression. If you would like to volunteer to be a Civilian Corps Event Coordinator at a particular event, let me know. If no Civilian Corps Event Coordinator is listed, I will be handling those duties.

The **RIVERSIDE DICKENS FESTIVAL** is on February 2-3. Shelley Peters, [shelleypeters@verizon.net](mailto:shelleypeters@verizon.net), (951) 928-9601 is the Civilian Corps Event Coordinator for this living history event.

**CALICO** is on February 16-18. This ACWS reenactment event is limited to ACWS members. You must have a current ACWS membership card to enter the park free of charge. I will be coordinating the Civilian activities for this event. Civilians are welcomed to join me at the Town Hall. As volunteers are found the ACWS website will be updated to show the planned

activities. If you have an impression that you would like to appear on the schedule, contact me at [dlsimmon@pacbell.net](mailto:dlsimmon@pacbell.net) or (805) 529-3762.

**ST. CATHERINE'S** is on April 19-20. Paul DeNubilo, [Denubilo@adelphia.net](mailto:Denubilo@adelphia.net), (805) 497-7020 is the event coordinator.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

A new living history event has been scheduled with the CITY OF LA HABRA. The one day event, October 18<sup>th</sup>, will be held adjacent to the La Habra Public Library. Robin Young, [robinyoung@earthlink.net](mailto:robinyoung@earthlink.net), (562) 691-9945 is the ACWS Event Coordinator.

I am also looking for volunteers for the mid-year Ladies Tea Committee and the school scholarship award program committee. If you have any ideas, concerns or suggestions you want the ACWS Board to address, just let me know. I am looking forward to representing you on the ACWS Board.

Donnalee Simmons,  
ACWS Civilian Corps Director  
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(805) 529-3762



# CALICO GHOST TOWN

## CIVIL WAR

February 16th, 17th & 18th 2008 (Presidents Day Weekend)



Imagine yourself under martial law in a town occupied by the Confederate army. Suddenly a cannon blasts, smoke fills the air, and a hundred Union soldiers come rushing in. Before you can turn to run, a battle is raging before your very eyes.

### Authentic Encampments

See what life was like for soldiers on both sides. Open pit cooking, canvas tents, no

frills here!

### Weekend Activities to include

Drills, Troop inspections, Cannon Demonstrations, Battles Morning & Afternoon, Gettysburg Address Sunday & Monday.



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1-800-TO-CALICO

Fax: 1-760-254-2047



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The Union troops will be south of Calico near the horseshoe pit.

The Confederate troops will be in the north end of Calico near the schoolhouse.

## Calico Reenactor Information

Basically Calico will be run the same as last year with two changes, the cost of RV parking for reenactors and I will be coordinating the event. (They are not related!)

Calico has set an “event” fee for their camping that is a package deal that includes camping and entrance, hardly fair to us reenactors. But the folks at Calico were unable to change it. They gave us some RV sites in the back we can use but they were rapidly taken up before I got this job. Please contact me with your RV type and size if you have made a reservation or would like to be placed on the waiting list.

### **1. Entry:**

This event is limited to ACWS members and you will need your Membership card or your name on the membership list to get in without paying the entrance fee. Dressed out, as the General of all known standing armies past and present will not work.

### **2. Camp set up:**

Friday after 12 noon starts set up but NO cars are allowed in Calico from 9AM to 5 PM (Public hours). If you have a lot of stuff they will let you go into the upper parking lot just to unload.

Cars are allowed into Calico for set up each day before 9am and after 5PM. The Military camp areas are reversed, the Union is on the South end (by the horse shoe pits) and the Confederates are on the North end (By the livery stable) Shades of Gettysburg! The Civilian camp will be near the Union camp and I rely on Gary Iverson’s generosity in providing a space.

### **3. Reenactor amenities.**

Free meal Saturday night. Pick up your tickets at the registration desk, Gold panning office #22 on the map. Firewood and straw. All straw on leaving has to be raked up and put into the Calico provided bags. Please only break out the bales of straw that are to be used.

A specially priced Gen Grant’s special hot dog, soda and chips meal for us only at Nancy and Ken’s hot dog wagon skillfully hidden behind the Ghost town Office. You MUST buy tickets at registration desk for this.

The registration booth is open from 9 AM to 11:45 and 12:15 to 4PM

### **4. Evening program**

Saturday night Dance by the Occasional string band and Tom Atkins, in the now vacant Calico restaurant.

Good place for our lyceum also Sunday evening and look for a possible special Spencer and Jackson skit after hours at their tent.

### **5. Monday participation:**

We need as many of us as possible to stay over on Monday to continue celebrating the long weekend. This is our biggest event for the year; it is really essential that we do our best. To help you make the decision, there will be a free meal on Monday noon at the Hot dog wagon,

pick up your ticket at the Registration desk on Monday, we will also raffle off gift certificates from the sutler. Best of all we will show Calico we are the right people for them!

See you there!

**Date:** Feb. 16-17-18, 2008.

Location: Calico Ghost town, Yermo Ca.

Directions; East Bound on 15: Exit North on Ghost Town Rd.,  
Westbound on 15: Exit North on Calico Rd.

## CALICO 2008 SCHEDULE

### **Friday:**

Set after noon on Friday. Cars not allowed into camp until 5PM and must be out on 9AM all days

### **Saturday:**

0700-0900	set up camps
0900	Cars out of camp
0900	Post Colors
1030	Parade
1100	Inspection of the Armies
1145	Battle Silver Bowl
1400	Inspection of the Armies
1430	Artillery Point Battle
	Rifle raffle after
1600	Mounted Cavalry
	Demonstration (tentative)
1730	Retire the colors
1800	Free meal Tickets to be distributed by brigade. (Calico House Restaurant)
1915	Dancing (Site to be determined.)

### **Sunday**

0700	Reveille. Skirmish South Calico
0900	Post Colors
0915	Church Services
1030	Parade
1145	Battle Silver Bowl
1400	Inspection of the Armies
1430	Artillery Point Battle
1630	Cannon demo Artillery Point
1730	Retire the colors
1900 - 2100	Lyceum at Calico Restaurant

### **Monday**

0700	Reveille Skirmish South Calico
0900	Post Colors
1115	Inspection of the Armies
1130	Battle Silver Bowl
1215	Cannon Demo Artillery Point
1345	Inspection of the Armies
1400	Artillery Point Battle
1600	Raffle of Sutler chits
1700	Retire the colors
	Town Closes



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

**Are you interested in writing articles or doing research for the Company Dispatch Newsletter? Are you a civilian reenactor looking for something to do during our events? Our Civilian Corp needs bucket brigade folks to help during events and crowd control during the battles. Get involved with your membership to the ACWS. We have a need for soldiers and civilians to help with the Membership Booth and the Recruitment Booth during events.**

**YOU ARE NEEDED!!**

**Contact Donnalee Simmons, Civilian Corp Director**

**Joyce Bolin, PR Director/Editor**

**Debbie Bogdan, Membership Director.**

**Everyone can help. GET INVOLVED.**

# A Family Experience – Relive History



**The Civil War is brought to life!**  
**April 19 & 20, 2008**  
**9:30am – 3pm**

- *Meet President Abraham Lincoln and Gen. Ulysses S. Grant*
- *Tour Confederate and Union encampments*
- *Watch battles with over 200 re-enactors*
- *Visit the sutler's marketplace*

**Admission:**

Adults: \$7.00  
\*Students & Senior \$4.00

*\*Schools: Study Guides are available at [www.stcatherinesmilitaryacademy.org](http://www.stcatherinesmilitaryacademy.org)*

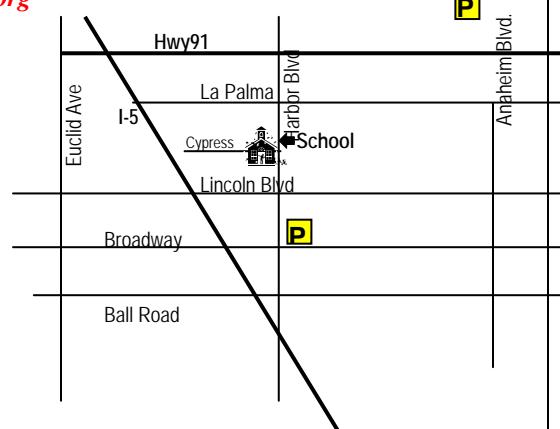
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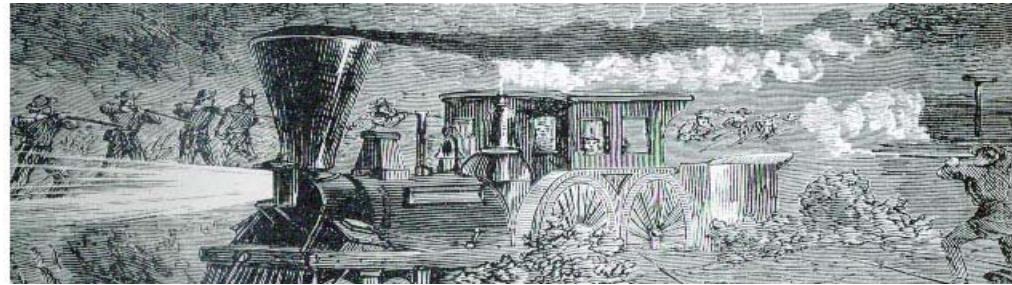
**215 N. Harbor Blvd**

**Anaheim, CA 92805**

**714-772-1363 x 134**

Parking for this event can be found at the corner of Harbor Blvd & Broadway (Wells Fargo Parking Structure) or across from City Hall on Anaheim Blvd. (Parking structure behind Von's Shopping Center.) Thank you.





**CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTMENT**  
Sponsored by the  
**American Civil War Society**  
**May 3 and 4, 2008**  
At  
**Wooden Nickel Ranch**  
25690 Holland Road  
Menifee, CA92584

Two battle re-enactments at  
11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. daily  
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List it in this section today.

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### What Civil War soldiers sent home to their sweethearts

This Civil War-era valentine's card combined romantic love and love of country. The card's verse, "Love and Patriotism," reads:

My country's cause to serve, For her to do or die; Thy love my arm to nerve, Thy name my battle cry.

## Potato Pudding



Ingredients; three pounds of potatoes, two quarts of milk, two ounces of butter, two ounces of sugar, a bit of lemon-peel, a good pinch of salt, and three eggs. First, bake the potatoes, and if you have no means of baking them, let them be either steamed or boiled, and when done, scoop out all their floury pulp without waste into a large saucepan, and immediately beat it up vigorously with a large fork or a spoon ; then add all the remainder of the above-named ingredients (excepting the eggs), stir the potato batter carefully on the fire till it comes to a boil, then add the beaten eggs ; pour the batter into a greased pie-dish, and bake the pudding for an hour in your oven, if you have one ; if not, send it to the baker's.

## Queen's Ginger Beer

The following recipe was transcribed verbatim from

*Peterson's Magazine*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

April, 1861

Put twelve pounds of loaf sugar and eight ounces of the best white ginger, well pounded, to ten gallons of water. Boil together for half an hour, and then put into a tub or large pan. When cool, add three or four spoonfuls of good yeast, and let it work all night; on the following morning put it into a cask. When it has done working, which will be in three or four days, add one ounce of isinglass, one ounce and a half of hops, and stop it up. It will be fit for use in a month, and may be drunk without bottling.



## American Civil War Society, Inc. – General Release Of Liability And Agreement Not To Sue

**Part VI:** Because re-enacting is dangerous, all participants and parents of participants assume all risks by signing this General Release.

1. I acknowledge that re-enacting, black powder shooting and related activities are hazardous activities and that I have made a voluntary choice to participate in those activities despite the risks they may present. In consideration of my being permitted to participate in activities described at this function, I agree to assume ANY AND ALL RISKS OF INJURY OR DEATH which may be associated with, or result from, my participation in the events and activities.

2. I further **Release, Waive, Discharge and covenant not to sue** the American Civil War Society (ACWS), the trustees of, officers of, agents of, employees of, members of, or any other event organizer, owner or lessor of any property on which the event is conducted, from all liability for myself, or any party claiming an interest through myself, whether caused by their negligence or for any other reason, while preparing for, practicing for, traveling to and from, or participating in this event.

3. I further **HOLD HARMLESS** the parties released above and each of them from loss, liability, damage or claim they may incur due to the presence of my actions during this activity whether caused by their negligence or otherwise.

4. It is the intent of the undersigned that the above release be as broad as allowed by law, and that if any portion is invalid, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect. This release is entered into solely for the benefit of the ACWS, its officers, trustees, agents, members and others mentioned above when engaged in activities which promote the participation in this event, or the preparation for or travel to such an event, and does not confer a release upon parties not acting in such a capacity.

5. I understand that this release applies to all parties, including dependent minors, listed below. I attest that all participants in my family for this event are listed below and that I take full responsibility for the safety and behavior of my minor dependent(s).

6. I hereby declare under the penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the birthdates of the dependent minor children listed in this application are true and correct.

7. I, the undersigned, have read and understand this release and all its terms and warrant that the above is true and correct in all respects and that no representations, statements, or inducements apart from the foregoing have been made. I consent to whatever medical care might be provided or available for injury occurring during the above activities for myself and my minor children. (\*\* Parent to sign along with single minor applicant.)

Print name	**Print Spouse's Name
Signature	**Spouse's Signature

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