

VOLUME XIX ISSUE 5 MAY, 2011 FU-GEL-MAN: A well-drilled soldier placed in front of a military company as a model or guide for others.

PASS IN REVIEW



We will soon be on the field giving our best in order to present the American Civil War at area schools and other historic venues. I feel confident that the Second Wisconsin Association will do well on all fronts and give a good account of soldiers and civilians of the War Between the States.

These winter months have had a toll on us as we have yet endured another winter snow storm in April. I hope all are well and that our skills have not perished too much due to inactivity. The NCOs of the Second will soon get things in order and we will march forward to the sound of cannon. As we approach our battalion drill, please be patient with the officers as we too have lost some luster in our skills. I cannot wait to see you all on the field at Old Wade House.

I would like to remind our members that there will be an unveiling of the new Iron Brigade figures which are produced by W. Briton. This event will be held in Madison at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum on Saturday May 7th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The event coordinator has contacted me and has offered some inducement in the form of Iron Brigade figures to those who come in uniform to help with the event. If you are interested give our of pard Mike Estelle a call at (608) 846-2641 or mestell@charter.net

In the last Fugelman our editor listed these activities for the day:

- Behind the scenes tour of the Museum archives
- Private tour of the Museum
- Lecture from one of the Museum curators

- Diorama "how to" seminar by W. Britain master sculptor Ken Osen.
- W. Britain will unveil a spectacular new diorama, figures and 150th Anniversary plans
- Special event figures will be available
- Silent auction for one of a kind and preproduction W. Britain figures
- 2nd Wisconsin Iron Brigade re-enactors

On another note; take some time and read (or re-read) *IF THIS IS WAR* by Allan Gaff. This is an excellent source about the Second Wisconsin as it prepared for war and its first encounter with the rebels at Bull's Run. With the information from this book you will have a greater understanding of the history of the 'Ragged Ass Second'.

Best regards in a grand scale as we begin the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War.

Your Obedient Servant, Lt. Col. Pete Seielstad

DISPATCHES FROM REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS

TOP PRIORITY CALL FOR COMPANY TREASURERS!!

ASSOCIATION TREASURER SCOTT FRANKS has issued a call for assistance from our company treasurers! Scott needs your 990 EZ forms completed and returned to him as soon as possible! The deadline for filing the Association return with the IRS in May 15th. Time is short so if you have not complied with this necessary paperwork please do so at once gentlemen.

A CALL TO SUPPORT THE SECOND WISCONSIN WEBSITE FROM PRESIDENT DRESANG

The following dispatch from our Association President Dave Dresang points to an important resource that can enhance the experieces of our members, but just as importantly as an outreach to potential new members. Your editor has on many occasions directed individuals interested in our hobby to the Second Wisconsin's website. It answers many questions they may have about reenacting. Even more importantly, it contains great resources on the history of the Second Wisconsin, the Iron Brigade, and other Wisconsin units in the civil war.

When I first became interested in joining a civil war reenacter unit I went to the Second's website. The information contained there was invaluable for the novice. And Dave makes another important point, we must all assist Jim Johnson in making sure he has up to date information from our companies. Just as our newsletter is truly a collaborative effort from all our members and companies, it would not be the resource it has come to be without the assistance of so many of our members. I know I will remember to consider Jim's yeoman efforts on our behalf when I gather information for the newsletter.

Finally I would like to thank Dave for his kind words. It has been my pleasure to serve the Association in this capacity. But again I have had the benefit of input from so many of our members that the task is much simpler than it could be. We need to remember Jim Johnson's work in the same fashion! Thus I want to share Dave's kind thoughts with all of you as the success of the newsletter is as much the work of our reporters out there, including Dave and Lt. Col. Seielstad, as to any effort on my part.

Dear Association members:

We have a great newsletter where everyone has become very involved. Jim Dumke has done a splendid job as editor and has been able to keep us well informed on almost everything that goes on within the Association.

He works very hard at what he does and gives us a superior newsletter that makes reading fun and easy to do.

It is also very easy for the membership to submit articles to Jim and for the most part they are printed and sent out to everyone in the Association.

He deserves a pat on the back a hearty huzzah and a thank you from all of us for what he has done, what he continues to do, and for keeping us well informed. Jim on behalf of the membership I'd like to say "Thank you" and that is not enough but please except that as a heartfelt and genuine thank you. Your work has not gone unnoticed by the membership and sometimes we forget to say thank you when we should and say "job well done and very appreciated!"

Jim now gets so much information and so much is going on that he has increased the newsletter from 4 issues a year to a monthly edition and that is not easy to do so when you see Jim or just send him a note showing your appreciation for what he is doing for our benefit. We also have a second source of information that I'd like to discuss with the membership, a source that is not used very much anymore and one that we need to start using and that would be the 2nd's website.

Jim Johnson has been running that for as long as I have been a member and I have noticed that the site has become somewhat neglected by us. It is a very important tool that we have at our disposal and one that we need to start using once again.

The website does what the newsletter can't; keep information in plain view for everyone to look at all the time. Unless you are like me and save all the newsletters that you get, once you've read them, you'll probably forget some of the material that is in it. That can't happen with the website. The information will always be up until it is no longer of use and then will be pulled and replaced by more recent news or items.

It is this tool that has been badly neglected by all of us. Events and all the information about each one should be sent to Jim to be posted. Anything of news (that you feel pertinent) should also be posted. It is this type of information that not only the members of the Association can see, but that of those that have an interest or a curiosity or those wishing to know where and when will be, they can't do that without us sending Jim that information.

I've heard complaints that it is not updated but for the most part, no new information is being sent to Jim so he can replace the old items. He always updates the calendar of events, the scholarship program or anything that I ask Jim to post, he does and usually very promptly. You may not see it posted as quickly as you would like, it does take some time to do it.

We need to get new information to Jim (especially about events, schedules, places, times or anything else that needs to be posted about events) before they happen not after and then complain. Let us help Jim by helping ourselves, let's get the website up and running with new items and keep them coming, this will only benefit ALL OF US not just a few.

We should also thank Jim Johnson for maintaining the website for his part in helping out the Association and get him what we can.

Thank you Your obedient servant David Dresang Jr. Association President

FINAL REMINDER FOR APPLICANTS FOR THE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP!

Dear everyone:

This will be the last notice for this year's scholarship program. I hope that each Company has sent out all the information to your members about the program who is eligible the requirements and the benefits of applying for this program.

Remember, the deadline for applying is Tuesday May 31st, anyone applying after that date will not be allowed to participate.

We have held this program for the last 4 years and next year changes will be made, we have 3 new Judges and next year we will update and change some of the requirements.

Each year a different Essay question will be part of the requirement.

It is the Association's way of giving back to it's members and their families and it today's economy I'm sure that the money would be welcomed by students (no matter what age you are whether you're 18 or 81 or older) that are in College.

The Association is offering these scholarships in the hopes that those (who meet the requirements) who receive these scholarships will find it a benefit to their future. It is all our responsibility to make sure that the word gets out, whether you yourself are going to school or someone in your family is going to school, without your help, they will never know that they have a chance of receiving a \$500.00 scholarship. What better way can we honor those men of the 2nd thought fought and died than make sure their sacrifice was not in vain, that they had a purpose and part of that purpose is to see a better Country a better America and we can certainly honor them in this way by offering these scholarships in their name and their sacrifices.

Please get the word out, we have less than a month before the deadline make every effort to convince those of the fence to take that leap and go for it.

In a small way we can help someone build a future that someday may benefit us all!

If you have newsletters going out before the deadline, please post this article discuss it at your next meeting and place it on your website.

Your most humble servant

David Dresang Jr.

Association President

THE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND APPLICATION ARE ATTACHED AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER.

COMPANY CAMPAIGN SCHEDULES FOR MAY

May

6 th	Appleton School event Battery B	Appleton WI
6 th	Charter School Day (Co. E) Pierce Park	Appleton WI
7 th -8 th	Regimental Drill (Association Max effort event?)	Greenbush WI
13 th	Hartland School event (Battery B & Co. E)	Hartland WI
14 th	Battery B School of the Piece	Columbus, WI

18 th	Heritage Hill School Day (Co. E)	Allouez WI	
18 th	Howard-Suamico School Day (Co. E) Heritage Hil	nico School Day (Co. E)–Heritage Hill State Park Green Bay WI	
20 th	Ashwaubenon School event (Co. E)	Ashwaubenon WI	
20 th	School Day event (Co. K & Battery B)	Blue Mound WI	
21 st -22 nd	Galloway Mansion Reenactment (Co. E)	Fond du Lac WI	
21 st -22 nd	Evansville Civil War living History Event (Co. K)	Evansville WI	
27 th	Merrill School event (Co. E)	Merrill WI	
30 th	Oshkosh Memorial Day Procession (Co. E)	Oshkosh WI	
30 th	Forest Hills Cemetery- Union Rest (Co. K)	Madison WI	
30 th	Liberty Pole Park Presentation (Battery B)	Brooklyn WI	

REPORTS FROM THE COMPANIES

BATTERY B

On May 14th, Battery B 4th U.S. Light Artillery, will hold their school of the piece on the Wally Hlaban farm. Pellham's battery will also be present and there will be two guns for Battery B.

A SPECIAL INVITATION has been extended to any and all members of the Second Wisconsin to join the boys from Battery B and Pellham's Battery to learn the school of the piece. This is a great opportunity to expand the knowledge and experience of the Civil War for our members. It wasn't unusual for infantrymen to be attached to a battery to assist if the battery found itself short on men due to wounds or deaths of members in battle.

The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. Directions to the location follow:

From the north and west; Follow Hwy 16 or 60 East to Columbus and get on 151 South, just a couple miles to Hwy 73 south (Last Columbus exit); follow 73 south past MidState Equipment the road will turn left (South) and pass under 151; about 100 yds there will be Weiner Rd. Turn Left (East) on Weiner Rd, we are bout a 1/3 of a mile in the woods Left side

From the East; Follow Hwy 60 into downtown Columbus, main Stop and Go lights are intersection with 73, turn left (south), follow it out of town past the hospital, will go over 151 and then under 151, about 100 yds there will be Weiner Rd on the left (East). We are about 1/3 of a mile on left side in the woods.

From Madison; Follow 151 to Cty V turn right (East) to Hwy 73, turn left (North) couple miles follow it, just before you pass under 151 there will be Weiner Rd. to the right(East). We are on the left side about 1/3 mile in the woods.

From Milwaukee; I-94 West to Hwy 89 North, through Waterloo and about another 8-9 miles turn Left (west) on cty V, to Hwy 73, turn right (North) just before you pass under 151 there will be Weiner Rd. We are on the left side about 1/3 mile in the woods. If you miss V stay on 89 north until just before getting into Columbus and follow Fox Rd left side around to the end at Weiner turn left and we are right there.

NOTE We are on Weiner Rd East side of 151, there is a Weiner Rd on the west side of 151 that you do not want. I am planning to have Civil War flags at the ends of the driveways

We will again have the downstairs to the guest house open with the bathroom and there is another upstairs and two more in the house. I will again have a pot of soup for lunch, and something more, haven't decided what yet, and fire pit with coffee going. You will have access to the entire property this year as I will be working it myself; right now the fields are all corn stubble, with the exception of the small grass field above the ponds (couple acres). I have already contacted the sheriff and there should be no problem making as much noise as we wish for the full day. We are glad to share our property with our friends, and reenactors. Hope for good weather.

YOS Wally Hlaban Pvt Co K, 2nd Wis

COMPANY K

Many of you may be familiar with Mike Moran from past events. Mike has been a longstanding member of Company K of the Second Wisconsin Regiment and we extend our sincerest congratulations to his Honor on his elevation to the bench.



Public defender Mike Moran will be the new judge in Marathon County with a 2,910-vote lead over Court Commissioner Sandy Marcus.

Moran captured 16,123, or 55 percent of ballots cast Tuesday. Marcus received 13,213 votes, or 45 percent of the total.

Moran received loud ovations and cheers Tuesday night from more than 50 supporters at Bo Jo's Sports Bar and Grill in Rib Mountain as they watched the election results on television and the Internet.

Moran said that his trial experience and door-to-door campaign in recent months attracted voters.

"With all the social media that is out there, the old-fashioned campaigning is the best," he said. "Going out and talking to the people is the best way." Moran, 45, of Wausau has spent 20 years working for the state public defender's office in Wausau. He has handled mostly criminal cases, including a recent high-profile homicide case, but also has handled juvenile cases, mental commitments, and family and child custody cases as a public defender.

George Lor, 36, a chiropractor from Wausau, sported a "Moran for Judge" T-shirt on Tuesday.

"Mike will be a good judge and is (a) voice for the minority people," Lor said. "He is an honest person and fair to everyone."

Marcus, 56, of Wausau, has been the Marathon County court commissioner since 2003 and has 22 years of experience as a private practice attorney.

Marcus said an X-ray on Tuesday revealed that she cracked a rib from coughing while she battled bronchitis the past month. She said her illness did not slow her campaign, but she wished Moran well as judge.

"We both ran good campaigns," she said. "The voters have spoken."

Moran and Marcus defeated Wausau defense attorney Peter Rotter in a February primary. Rotter endorsed Moran in Tuesday's election.

Moran succeeds Marathon County Circuit Judge Patrick Brady, who announced his retirement in September. Brady was first elected to the bench in 1999 and was re-elected in 2005.

COMPANY K SCHOOL DAY

Company K will hold its annual school day event on Friday, May 20th, 2011. This is a day-long event entertaining over 20 schools and over 2,000 student and teachers. Through the accident of scheduling this year's school day precedes the Evansville event on May 21 & 22, 2011. Company K would welcome any of their comrades from other companies who might wish to join them on the field. Following the

days work there will be a catered dinner for all reenacters. The menu includes

COMPANY E

The Fugelman has received the following dispatch from our brothers in Company E. NOTE THE CALL for all our members to join them for this event. This is an event close to the hearts of our comrades and one that we can consider lending our support to as the days roll on towards this year's major event at Manassas, Virginia.

We would like to extend an invitation to the Second Wisconsin Association to attend our Heritage Hill Event on June 25 & 26. The event will be commemorating the beginning of the War and the First Battle of Bull Run, and at this time we are looking specifically at the engagement near Henry House Hill. This would be a great opportunity to break in those brand new Wisconsin State Militia uniforms prior to the National Event.

On Saturday morning we will conduct a Union town rally to recruit and raise a company of volunteers from the town of Heritage Hill, Wisconsin followed by a Camp Randall training scenario, before embarking for Washingtion City and the first battle of the War. We would appreciate your participation, and look forward to seeing many of you in this year's historic campaigns.

Your Servant, Charles Bagneski Secretary, Co. E, 2d Wisc. Vols.



OUT POSTS AND CAMPAIGNS

Gentlemen of the Second Wisconsin, listed are events that have landed upon my desk. I have contacted the representative of each event and have notified them that our calendar has been filled. This of course does not forbid you to attend. It plainly means that the event did not make muster to be listed on our event schedule; therefore if you attend, you will not be under the auspices of the Second Wisconsin Vol. Inf. Association. That said, I would encourage your participation and should the event meet your approval, please let me know in a form of an after action report [AAR]. I will forward your AAR to the Fugelman and post your assessment for publication. Any event that receives good reviews may be considered for a future calendar event.

Your Obedient Servant, Lt. Col. Pete Seielstad

I submit the following:

MAY

MAY 7TH EVENT SET FOR THE WISCONSIN VETERANS' MUSEUM

In the March issue of *The Fugelman* the newsletter announced a special non-scheduled event at the Wisconsin Veterans' Museum. The event is a concerted introduction of a new line of miniature civil war figures from W. Britain. The sale of the Iron Brigade miniature figures will raise money that will go to the museum to repair regimental flags in their possession.

The event will run from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The members of Company K need to arrive shortly before 10:00 a.m. This is in essence a living history event. During the day we will interact with visitors and depending on the number of attendees do the manual of arms or some rudimentary drill for the people. It was also suggested that we could do life in camp scenarios and equipment displays.

There will be a lunch break and if enough folks attend we could eat in two shifts. We will be on our own hook for our meal.

The uniform of the day would be our Iron Brigade impression, although if anyone wanted to come in the state militia grey uniforms that might be effective for a presentation as well.

Every man who falls in for this event will receive \$50.00 worth of miniatures from W. Britain as a gift for attending and supporting

this event. The following is a notice from the Department of Veteran's Affairs promoting this event:

Scott Walker, Governor

Donna Williams, Acting Secretary



STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS 30 West Mifflin S P.O. Box 7 Madison, WI 53707-7

Phone: (608) 266-7 Toll-Free: 1-800-947-8 Fax: (608) 267-0 Email: Headquarters@dva.state.v Website: www.WisVets.c

Attention Newsroom—News Release

April 15, 2011

Contact: Kathleen Scholl 608-267-3582

For Immediate Release

Wisconsin Veterans Museum and W. Britain's Military Miniature Company Team-Up to Commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War

(MADISON) — On Saturday, May 7, 2011, the Wisconsin Veterans Museum and W. Britain Military Miniature Company will host an event that includes the unveiling of the first in a series of Civil War figures based on Flags and artifacts held at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum.

The two organizations are teaming up to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War by launching a series of miniatures based on the Veterans Museum's extensive Civil War battle flag collection. Some of the sales proceeds from the production of the limited line of Wisconsin figures will go toward flag preservation at the Museum. The Museum has one of the largest and most extensive Civil War flag collections in the country, containing over 200 battle flags, including examples from the famed Iron Brigade.

Saturday, May 7^{th,} the *American Civil War Day* event is full of exciting activities at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum on the Capitol Square.

The event starts at 10 AM and ends at 4 PM. Attendees will receive a lesson in sculpting and displaying of miniatures from W. Britain Master Sculptor Ken Osen. Guests may visit the Museum's galleries and receive an exclusive behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum's extensive collection.

This event is free and open to the public. Participants are asked to register at <u>www.wvmfoundation.com/special-events.php</u>.

For more information on this event, **contact Jennifer Carlson at (608) 264-6086 or Jennifer.carlson@dva.state.wi.us.** The Wisconsin Veterans Museum is a free public educational activity of the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs and is located at 30 W. Mifflin St., across the street from the State Capitol. For more information go to <u>www.wisvetsmuseum.com</u>.

JULY

Subject: Re-enactment/encampment Marinette Logging & Heritage Days Received 22 March 2011

I am on a planning committee for a new festival in Marinette-Marinette Logging & Heritage Fest. We are planning on opening our festival July 3 and closing July 4 this year.

I know this is extremely short notice but we would like to know if your group would be interested in coming to our festival either this year or in subsequent year. We are trying to incorporate living history into our festival.

Please contact me either via return email: <u>innkeeper@riversidemanor.net</u> or call: 715-735-5600. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Becky DeWitt

Marinette Logging & Heritage days

<u>AUGUST</u>

Subject: Presentation Received: 23 March 2011 *Sir*.

I am the contact person for the Patawatomi Area Council BSA Out Door Adventure Camp. We are planning an Outdoor Adventure Camp for August 13th 2011 at Camp Long Lake. Dundee, WI (just north of Kewaskum) I am looking for volunteers who would interact with the boys with an outdoor skill or presentation. I am particularly interested in a historical reenactment of some sort. If you could help me in this endeavor I would be greatly appreciative. Here is a link to the Trailblazers Brochure <u>http://www.trailblazeradrenture.org/document.doc?id=51</u>

BSA Tim Abrahamson (262)787-3024 tabrahamson@rr100.com

Subject: PCHS Civil War Encampment Aug 27/28, 2011 - Stevens Point, WI Received: 23 April 2011 Below is a loose schedule – about the same in past years.

- <u>Friday August 26:</u> Camp will be available for setup at 2:00 pm (Pfiffner Park by Wisconsin River).
- <u>Saturday August 27:</u> Encampment opens to public at 10AM. Activities throughout day concluding with night-fire at about 8:30PM/dusk. Encampment closes to public with an informal get together afterwards.
- <u>Sunday August 28:</u> Encampment reopens to the public at 10:30AM. Activities are throughout day. Encampment closes about 3PM.

Questions please call Dave @ 715-571-7437 Dave Simonis e-mail to: dsimonis@riiser.com

<u>OCTOBER</u>

8th Reg't V.R.C. Subject: Civil War Sesquicentennial Event Lombard Historical Society Received: 23 March 2011

On Saturday, October 22nd, 2011, the Lombard Historical Society and the 8th Reg't Veteran Reserve Corps will be hosting a Civil War Sesquicentennial commemoration in Lombard, Illinois. The event will mainly focus on Camp Douglas, as one of Lombard's founding fathers was Col. B.J. Sweet, commandant of the camp from 1864 to the end of the war. The Historical Society has given me the following information: It will be possible to camp out on the Friday night before the Saturday event. There may be a battle, or at least a skirmish, but artillery will not be allowed. There will be a pig roast, re-enactor camps and living history, presentations by scholars, and possibly a ball in the evening. Registration will be conducted through the Lombard Historical Society. E-mail: <u>Lombardhistory@att.net</u>. Phone: (630) 629-1885. I will either let you know when forms become available, or I will have the Historical Society contact you.

Let me know if your unit would be interested in participating.

Thank you, Andy Dorsey 8th Reg't V.R.C.

ANOTHER LATE ENTRY FOR MAY EVENTS

Hello Jim,

My name is James Theres and I am the Public Affairs Officer for the Tomah VA Medical Center. I spoke with Ken Leifheit from the Boscobel Muskets and Memories organization and he provided me your contact information. I am planning a Memorial Day event for Friday, May 27, 2011 at 1:30 pm with a Civil War theme.

I would like to invite you or members of your group to participate. The program takes place on the front lawn of our medical center (see photo). The details of the program are:

1:30 ceremony opens, Civil War re-enactors march in led by horse.

Posting of colors

Opening remarks

Tomah High School Band performs

Civil War speaker

Tomah High performs

Guest speaker

Reading of the Names of the Fallen Wisconsin soldiers of recent wars

Tomah High Band performs

Retiring of colors/Firing salute

2:30 ceremony ends

2:40-3:15 Civil War reenactment camp for viewing by Veterans.

Thank you for considering.

Sincerely,

JIm

James W. Theres

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EVANSVILLE SESQUICENTENNIAL LIVING HISTORY EVENT

At the 2011 Annual Association meeting the members voted to support the Evansville event as the Association's company event for 2011. The event is scheduled for May 21st and 22nd, 2011. Below you will find the schedule for the weekend events.

Some important details:

On Friday night, beginning at dusk, there will be a fireworks show to open this living history weekend. The infantry, cavalry, and artillery will close the fireworks presentation with a night firing.

On Saturday after lunch the troops will assemble, with the First Brigade Band leading the way, and march to the site of the war rally in front of the Evansville Library. During the parade citizens will be encouraged to follow the march to the site of the rally carrying with them the patriotic fervor that moved communities across the state to offer up her citizens to serve the Union cause. The rally will try to recreate Rock County war meetings that moved men to step forward and enlist in the cause. After the rally we will march new recruits, young and older alike, to the drill field and they will learn the manual of arms and the evolutions required of every good soldier. Then they will be mustered into the military.

We are not limited to the times set for official drills for the benefit of the public, and we may well have the opportunity to add some regimental drill into the mix during the day, as our commanders deem appropriate.

On Saturday evening we will be served a wonderful dinner by the local Masonic Lodge. This is being promoted as a dinner with the troops. To the degree possible we should interact with the public, especially the youngsters. President & Mrs. Lincoln, Senator Douglas will also join us for the meal. After dinner we will be treated to a very special event for reenacters and the public who attend the dinner— Mrs. Lincoln and the President (Max and Donna Daniels) will present a one act play entitled "An Evening With The Lincolns". The play takes place on the early evening of April 14th, 1865, as the Lincolns are preparing to attend the theater to see the play "Our American Cousin". The editor has had the privilege to see them in this play and you are sure to be moved and entertained!

Also note on the schedule the military ball. Reenacters and folks in period dress will be charged \$20.00 per person to attend the ball. The cost for all others will be \$30.00 per person. The music will be provided by the First Brigade Band and Patricia Lynch will serve as mistress of the dance!

RALLY 'ROUND THE FLAG!

Civil War Weekend Event May 20-22, 2011 Evansville, Wisconsin

Sponsored by Evansville Grove Society, Inc. All events are FREE and open to the public, and will be held Rain or Shine, except where noted. Contact the Evansville Grove Society [information at the bottom of this memo] for tickets to the Supper with the Troops and the Military Ball.

Friday, May 20

3:30-8:00 PM Reenactor registration, check-in and camp set-up begins. Reenactors should report to the Museum/Visitor Center, 15 Antes Drive (intersection of Antes Drive and N. Madison Street in Evansville) for registration and check-in.

5:00 PM – 10:00 PM Food vendor booths open. Consult posted menus for prices.

5:30 PM Park roads close to vehicular traffic. (Park roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic throughout the weekend, except for reenactor unloading and loading, vendor and emergency vehicles, and handicapped access and parking.)

8:45 PM "Come for the Fireworks, Stay for the Artillery." Lake Leota Park. Traditional fireworks over Lake Leota, followed by musket volleys and firings of a cannon that was extensively used in battle during the Civil War.

Saturday, May 21

7:00 – 9:00 AM Evansville Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, Upper Park Pavilion, Lake Leota Park. Consult posted menu for prices.

7:00 – 11:00 AM Reenactor registration and check-in at the Museum/Visitor Center. (Reenactors must be registered and checked in by 11:00 to receive free meal tickets.)

8:00 AM Officers Call. 2nd Reg't HQ Tent.

9:00 AM Camps open to the public. Living history demonstrations in the camps and at the Upper Park Pavilion. Demonstrations continue until 12:00 noon.

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Farmers' Market, Creekside Place Community/Senior Center, 102 S. Maple Street (market to be held on Church Street).

9:30 AM Lecture: "The Civil War at Home: Why the Northern Home Front Matters," Prof. Brett Barker, University of Wisconsin – Marathon County, at the Evansville Masonic Temple, 104 W. Main Street (former residence of Dr. John M. Evans, Regimental Surgeon of the 13th Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't). 9:30 AM-12:00 noon Civil War exhibit open. Museum and Visitor Center.

10:00 AM Artillery demonstration with firing of 1863 cannon. Lake Leota Park.

10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Food vendor booths open. Consult posted menus for prices.

10:30 AM Lecture: "Wisconsin Goes to War," Lance Herdegen, Historian and Chair of the Wisconsin Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, at the Evansville Masonic Temple.

12:00 noon Parade units assemble in Upper Park. Parade route will be from the end of N. Second Street at Grove Street to W. Main Street, then east on Main Street to the Eager Free Public Library. In the event of rain, the parade will be cancelled due to concern for the band's antique instruments. (Note: there will be no street parking on the parade route from Friday evening until the parade has passed.)

12:30 PM Parade with the 1st Brigade Band. (Weather permitting.)

12:30 – 2:15 PM Flag Raising and Patriotic Rally. Front lawn of the Eager Free Public Library, 39 W. Main Street.

Addresses by Pres. Abraham Lincoln (portrayed by Max Daniels), by Sen. Stephen Douglas (portrayed by Frank Medina) and other dignitaries. Remarks by Wisconsin Tourism Secretary Stephanie Klett (invited).

Music performed by the 1st Brigade Band. In the event of rain, the Patriotic Rally will be conducted indoors at Creekside Place, 102 S. Maple Street, Evansville. (Note: W. Main Street will be closed to traffic from Madison Street to 2nd Street from 12:15 PM to 2: 30 PM for the parade and rally.)

2:30-5:00 PM Living history demonstrations in the camps and at the Upper Park Pavilion.

2:30 PM Walking tours of the Historic District. Eager Free Public Library.

2:30 PM Civil War Style Show with the Historical Timekeepers. Eager Free Public Library. (To be held at Creekside Place in the event of rain.) 2:45 PM First drill of the new recruits. Burr Jones Athletic Field, Lake Leota Park.

3:30 PM Walking tours of the Evansville Historic District. Eager Free Public Library.

3:30 PM Lecture: "Oh! Hast Thou Forgotten – The 6th Michigan Cavalry and the Gettysburg Campaign," Richard L. Hamilton, author of "Shiloh to Durham Station- 18th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment," with book signing to follow. Eager Free Public Library.

4:30 PM Judging and award of medals in the Civil War Beard Contest, at the Evansville Masonic Temple.

5:00 PM Supper with the Troops. Evansville Masonic Temple. Tickets: \$10 adult, \$5 children 11 and under. Complimentary for band, speakers and registered reenactors. Menu: Shredded Beef, Grilled Pork Tenderloin, Baked Beans, Vegetable Medley, Cornbread, Coffee, Milk and Water. "An Evening with the Lincolns" after dinner presentation by President & Mrs. Abraham Lincoln (portrayed by Max and Donna Daniels). Performance included in ticket price.

8:00-11:00 PM Military Ball in honor of Armed Forces Day with the 1st Brigade Band. Creekside Place. Tickets: \$30 per person, or \$20 for each attendee in military uniform (any era) or in Civil War era-appropriate attire. Guests of honor: President & Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, Sen. Stephen Douglas.

Sunday, May 22

8:00 AM Officers call. 2nd Reg't HQ Tent.

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM Camps open to the public. Living history demonstrations in the camps and presentations at the Upper Park Pavilion. Lake Leota Park.

9:00 AM Church services for reenactors and the public. Officiant: Rev. Wayne Vawter (2nd Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't), Upper Park Pavilion, Lake Leota Park.

10:00 AM - 4:00 PMFood vendor booths open. Consultposted menus for prices.

10:30 AM Artillery demonstration with firing of 1863 cannon. Lake Leota Park.

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM Civil War exhibit open. Museum & Visitor Center.

12:00 noon Bus leaves Park for Maple Hill Cemetery.

12:30-2:00 PM "Talking Spirits" dramatic presentations and memorial program for Maple Hill's Civil War veterans, Maple Hill Cemetery, Cemetery Road, Evansville.

Music by Frank Medina.

Historical figures presented: Cyrus and David Patchin (Co. D, 13th Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't); John M. Evans, Regimental Surgeon (13th Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't) and his wife, Emma; Elbert and Elizabeth Sutphen, parents of Theodore L. Sutphen (Co. H, 2nd Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't, KIA, Gainesville, Va., 28 AUG 1862); Caleb E. Lee (Lt., USN) and his wife, Belle Shurrum Lee; Allen S. Baker (Co. H, 2nd Wis. Vol. Inf. Reg't) and his wife, Margaret.

Memorial program immediately following conclusion of dramatic presentations.

2:15 PM Bus leaves Maple Hill Cemetery for Park.

2:30 PM Inspection, Drill & Dress Parade. Burr Jones Athletic Field, Lake Leota Park.

4:00 PM Camps close to the public.

(Additional military drill sessions at the discretion of the respective Unit Commanders.)

Schedules subject to change.

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A COMMEMORATION OF THE BEGINNING OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

The Fugelman received the preceding photos and the following dispatch from James Karlson, one of our regular readers. The editor only has one question: What did the neighbors think of this effort to remember the beginning of the bombardment of Fort Sumter? Thank you Corporal Karlson for sharing this information with us. And you are indeed not alone in trying to convey the history of those brave and determined men who fought to preserve the Union and advance the concept of freedom.

Pvt. James Dumke,

In western Wisconsin (the rural Roberts area) at exactly 4:30 a.m. yesterday morning, a group of guys got together and fired our cannon in remembrance of the attack on Fort Sumter 150 years ago. For some it was a sacrifice to be up that early but all of us recognized the experience to be more than surreal, it surely left a lasting impression to be loading and firing the artillery at the same moments those men were 150 years ago. We are very pleased that there are those of us that will not let the sacrifices of our forefathers be forgotten. I have included a photo of our actions in this message. If you feel this is noteworthy feel free to pass it along to the rest of your group. Thank you so much for your hard work that you faithfully perform. I really appreciate being informed and knowing that we are not alone in our endeavors to keep history alive for the future.

Cpl James Karlson

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY

Below is an article from the New York *Times* that seems appropriate for our mothers and wives on this special holiday. It is too true that men's character are much the result of the women who molded them in their youth and nurtured them into adulthood.

All honor and praise to those women who sacrificed so much for their children and remember this Mother's Day to express your love and admiration to those very special ladies to whom we owe so much! Not all of us turned out to be Abraham Lincoln, but I am sure that we ourselves and our children are the apple of their mother's eye!

January 29, 2011, 7:00 pm

Lincoln's Other Mother

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BY TED WIDMER OF THE NEW YORK TIMES

On the evening of Jan. 30, 1861, a slow freight train chugged into the small hamlet of Charleston, Ill., having completed a 12-mile run from Mattoon. Or nearly 12 miles — the train didn't quite make it all the way to the station. A few people straggled out of the caboose and trudged through slush and ice toward the depot, where a gaggle of townsfolk loitered. To their astonishment, they realized that the tall man coming toward them, wearing a shawl, was Abraham Lincoln.

He did not seem very presidential. He had been traveling all day to cover the 120 miles from Springfield, and had missed the last passenger train to Charleston — hence the ignominious arrival by freight. According to an observer, he wore "a faded hat, innocent of a nap, and his coat was extremely short, more like a sailor's pea-jacket than any other describable garment. A well-worn carpet-bag, quite collapsed, comprised his baggage." He had no bodyguard.

Across the country, people were saying goodbye as the new world shaped by secession came into focus. Some did it loudly — the grandiloquent farewell speeches of Southern senators and still-serving cabinet members — but most did it quietly, inside the family. As Lincoln wrapped up his affairs in Springfield, he realized that he needed to say a special goodbye to someone who had arguably done more to shape him than any other.

And so on the morning of the 30th, this most closely observed person slipped away from it all and boarded a train in Springfield to the southeast. We know that it departed at 9:50 — the United States was beginning to acquire the railroad precision for which it would become famous. But that precision was not yet universal, and Lincoln did not make all of his planned transfers. He handled it the way he usually did — fellow passengers that day remembered that he told an endless succession of droll stories, punctuated by his own hearty laughter.

Lincoln spent the night of the 30th in Charleston, and the next morning began the final phase of his journey, to reach the secluded farmhouse where he found a 72-year-old woman, his father's widow, Sarah Bush Lincoln.

"Stepmother" can be a fraught phrase in the telling of childhood stories — one thinks of Cinderella and the well-named Brothers Grimm — yet it was a very good day for Lincoln when she came into his life. His mother, Nancy Hanks, had died when he was nine years old, and we don't have to look far for the sources of his legendary melancholia. In 1844, as a rising local politician, he returned to the Indiana of his boyhood and was so moved by the experience of being near the graves of his mother and sister that he wrote an uncharacteristically emotional poem about it. It began:

> My childhood home I see again, And gladden with the view; And still as mem'ries crowd my brain, There's sadness in it too —

Sarah Bush Lincoln had known sadness, too — a difficult marriage to an improvident husband — but after her husband died, Thomas Lincoln came to Kentucky and proposed to her on the spot (they knew each other from childhood). She accepted, on condition that her late husband's debts be paid, and together they came to the Pigeon Creek settlement in Indiana, with her three children and all of her worldly possessions. Although she was illiterate, these possessions included several books, including "Aesop's Fables," "Robinson Crusoe,"
Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" and "Sinbad the Sailor." We are today so cosseted by technology that it is difficult to imagine the impact that these world-expanding devices — the iPads of their day — must have had on the young Lincoln. Years later, she remembered that moment, and remarked that she instantly set to work to help Abe and his sister become "more human" — implying that, like Robinson Crusoe, she had discovered young savages in the wilderness.

Under her guidance, Lincoln made rapid progress. "He read all the books he could get his hands on," she recalled, and was already practicing writing and speaking at a young age, eager to get at the exact meaning of words. After hearing sermons by a local preacher, he would sometimes stand on a stump, gather the children around, and "almost repeat it word for word."

She obviously was behind this progress — she remembered, "His mind and mine, what little I had, seemed to run together, more in the same channel." She added other information, vital to future biographers that he cared little for clothes, or food, but a great deal for ideas. Also, tucked away in her memories, the surprising physical fact that young Lincoln was "more fleshy in Indiana than ever in Illinois."

As his star rose, he saw her less and less, and did not attend his father's funeral in 1851, which has led scholars to speculate about what may or may not have been a difficult relationship. But there is no doubt about the closeness of stepmother and stepson. On Jan. 3, as

Lincoln was preparing his cabinet, he received a letter from a kinsman, saying that "she is getting somewhat childish and is very uneasy about you fearing some of your political opponents will kill you. She is very anxious to see you once more." And so he went.

It was quite a reunion. Local folk remembered it for decades. Word got out quickly to neighboring farms, and families came over to celebrate, bringing turkey, chicken, and pie. The local school released the children for the day, and Lincoln laughed with them (he told them he'd rather be in their place than his). Some of them walked in his shoes, to feel what it must be like to be president. One youngster there, a six-year-old named Buck Best, lived until 1947, and never tired of reliving the day.

That evening Lincoln gave a speech in Charleston's town hall, one of many we do not have recorded. It's a pity, because he spoke about his boyhood that night. Lincoln rarely went into autobiographical territory, to put it mildly. Unlike today's politicians, for whom every childhood challenge is an opportunity for publicity, Lincoln was reticent to a fault about the traumas of his youth. He had conquered all that — why go back there?

And yet, he did go back there, this one time. Charleston was a typical community in 1861, split like many others between pro- and antislavery families (though in Illinois, it was founded by Southerners). Surprisingly, Lincoln had argued a legal case there in 1847, Matson v. Ashmore, defending the rights of slaveowners to have their runaway slaves returned. Three years after Lincoln's visit, in 1864, a riot broke out in Charleston when marauding Confederate sympathizers attacked half-drunk Union soldiers preparing to return to their regiment. But that night in late January, the town turned out as one to hear a son honor his mother. He told a resident, "she had been his best friend in this world and that no son could love a mother more than he loved her."

There are several versions of their final goodbye, which each probably knew would be their last. Like him, she was haunted by visions of the future. A letter written by one of her kinsmen recorded the scene, complete with grammatical inexactitudes: "She embraced him when they parted and said she would never be permitted to see him again that she felt his enemies would assassinate him. He replied no, no, Mama (he always called her Mama) they will not do that. Trust in the Lord and all will be well. We will see each other again."

They did not, but today we can see her thanks to a single daguerreotype taken near the end of her time on earth, a striking likeness of an old lady who had a more than ordinary brush with greatness. Two years ago, it was brilliantly reinterpreted here by the artist Maira Kalman.

Four years later, after her premonition came true, another lawyer from Springfield made the pilgrimage to Coles County. William Herndon, Lincoln's former law partner, was in mourning like the rest of the country in 1865, and undertook to find everyone he could who had known Lincoln, and to record their impressions. Long before the phrase "oral history" existed, he was undertaking one of the most important efforts to recapture the past yet attempted in the United States. Nearly every story we know of the young Lincoln is traceable to these researches. Herndon found Sarah Lincoln feeble and breathing with difficulty, but by asking her simple questions about her life, he breathed new life into her.

After she died in 1869, she was buried in a black dress Lincoln gave

her on this visit — as if they were both already in mourning. She then lay in an unmarked grave until 1924, when a local Lions Club erected a stone marker for her. That seems appropriate — for if Lincoln saved the Union, she saved him, and for that alone she's entitled to a decent respect. Measured by the usual yardsticks of wealth and distinction, her own life may not have made much of a dent in the historical record. But at just the right moment, she encountered a small motherless boy, and helped him to become Abraham Lincoln.

Sources: Michael Burlingame, "Abraham Lincoln: A Life"; Emmanuel Hertz, "The Hidden Lincoln"; Charles H. Coleman, "Sarah Bush Lincoln, The Mother Who Survived Him"; Charles H. Coleman, "Abraham Lincoln and Coles County, Illinois"; Thomas J. Malone, "Stepmothered to Greatness; The Service of Dedication of the Monument Erected Above the Graves of Thomas and Sarah Bush Lincoln."

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MAY AND JUNE CIVIL WAR MILESTONES

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MAY

May 1, 1863	The Battle of Chancellorsville begins
May 2, 1863	The second day of the Battle of
	Chancellorsville
May 5, 1864	The Battle of the Wilderness begins
May 6, 1861	Arkansas secedes
May 6, 1861	Jefferson Davis approves a state of war
	between the U.S. and C.S.
May 8, 1862	Battle of McDowell, Virginia
May 8, 2011	MOTHER'S DAY

May 10, 1863	"Stonewall" Jackson dies
May 12, 1864	Battle of the "Bloody Angle" at Spotsylvania Courthouse during Grant's Overland campaign
May 18, 1863	Siege of Vicksburg begins
May 20, 1861	North Carolina secedes
May 23, 1861	Virginia secedes
May 25, 1862	First Battle of Winchester
May 28, 1818	Gen. Pierre G. T. Beauregard, CS, born
May 28, 1863	The first black regiment, the 54^{th}
	Massachusetts, leaves Boston
MAY 30, 2011	MEMORIAL DAY
May 31, 1862	Battle of Fair Oaks, Virginia

JUNE

June 1, 1862	General Robert E. Lee appointed Commander of the army of Virginia
June 2, 1864	The Battle of Cold Harbor
June 2, 1815	General Philip Kearney, U.S., born
June 3, 1808	Jefferson Davis born
June 3, 1863	R. E. Lee launches his second invasion of the North which will result in a collision of armies at a small town called Gettysburg
June 3, 1864	The Battle at Cold Harbor
June 5, 1863	J. E. B. Stuart hosts a Grand Review of his cavalry
June 6, 1863	Memphis surrenders
June 8, 1861	Tennessee formally secedes

June 9, 1863	Battle of Brandy Station
June 12, 1862	Stuart begins his ride around McClelland's army
June 15, 1864	Petersburg Campaign begins
June 17, 1861	Thaddeus Lowe demonstrates hot air balloon
June 23, 1865	Last formal confederate surrender
June 25, 1862	Seven Days Campaign begins
June 26, 1864	Stoneman begins Atlanta raid
June 27, 1864	Battle of Kennesaw Mountain
June 28, 1863	President Lincoln appoints Gen. George G. Meade as commander of the Army of the Potomac, replacing Gen. Joseph Hooker
June 30, 1864	Early marches towards Washington City

THE REPORTS IN THE WISCONSIN PRESS FROM 150 YEARS AGO

FROM THE MAY 1, 1861 EDITION OF THE JANESVILLE DAILY GAZETTE:

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WHEN WILL THEY ARRIVE.—The order of the governor for the encampment of the companies of the 2nd regiment in Madison, is the Portage and OshKosh companies May 1st; Racine and Beloit companies May 2d; OshKosh and Fox Lake companies May 3rd; Boscobel, Arena, and Janesville May 6th.

CONTRACT FOR THE UNIFORM.—We learn that Capt. Ely, under authority of the government, and at the expense of the state, has contracted for the uniforms of the members of his company. The contract has been made with Smith & Bostwick, and includes 77 coats and 77 pantaloons, in the style and quality prescribed by the army regulations.

A contrct for 74 pairs of shoes has also been made by Capt. Ely, with several shops in this city.



Capt. Ely's company of volunteers, under command of Lieut. McClean last evening, halted in front of our office and gave us three hearty cheers, for which we return our thanks. May God speed and protect them in the cause for which they are enlisted.

The company formed by Captain Ely would become Company D of the Second Wisconsin when it arrived at Camp Randall in Madison.

REGULATION UNIFORM FOR WISCONSIN VOLUNTEERS.—

Gen. Utley has just issued the following order respecting the uniform for the Wisconsin volunteers. The style is plain, neat and serviceable—for use and not for show:

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S ORDERS OFFICE

Madison, April 27, 1861

The following uniform is prescribed for the Wisconsin volunteers:

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

Full U. S. Army Regulations of blue cloth. (Company officers will be provided with a suit of gray for active service, at the expense of the state.)

SERGEANTS, CORPORALS, PRIVATES, DRUMMER AND FIFER.

COATS.—Grey cloth, plain—single breast standing collar—9 buttons in front and two behind—pockets in skirt—hook at neck black lasting buttons—length, 2/3 from hip to knee. Three chevrons for sergeants, and two for corporals, of black braid, ½ inch wide.

TROWSERS.—Grey cloth, plain—black welt ½ inch wide in outside seam.

CAPS.—Grey cloth—7th regiment style—patent leather strap.

N. B.—Caps will be furnished by the state for the 2^d regiment immediately.

NOTE.—Whenever practical, it is desirable that volunteer companies provide themselves with uniforms before departing from their homes for rendezvous as the cloth can generally be procured. No uniform shade of grey is required, but a dark shade is objectionable. Wherever sufficient cloth of one shade cannot be procured at home for both coats and trowsers, different shades may be used for the two. running uniformly through the company.

It is not intended to confine the volunteers strictly to the above uniform, as circumstances may render it impossible for some companies to conform to it; but whenever practical it is desirable.

By order of the Commander-in-Chief.

W. L. UTLEY Adjutant General

The Treachery of Maryland

The telegraph reports a remarkable change at Baltimore and in Maryland generally in favor of the Union cause. We must all recollect, however, that the same feeling apparently prevailed before the passage of federal troops through that state and city; but they, nevertheless,, assassinated loyal men and tore up the railroad, and burnt bridges wherever they could. No faith can be placed in Baltimore, hereafter, until they show by works that they have repented. Just so of all pretended neutrality men in border states. The sooner they are placed upon the list of enemies the better. "He that is not with for us is against us."

THE WAY THE SOUTH HAS BEEN DECEIVED.—a

Milwaukeean met a gentleman from Mobile in Chicago and he says that the present trouble would not have resulted in war had not the south believed that the democrats of the north—especially New York so sympathized with them, that when the southern army approached Washington, they would be met in Maryland by a friendly army of at least 25,000 from New York city, who would aid them in driving Lincoln from the capital. He expressed himself astonished at what may be called the terrible unanimity of the whole north.

GOOD FOR THE BOYS.—On Friday night last, fourteen boys from Washington went down to Alexandria and boarded a steamboat lying at the dock; awoke the captain, told him that he was superceded in command, ordered the fireman to fire up, and before they knew what was the meaning of the surprise, the steamboat was on its way to Washington. On arriving at Washington it was found that 24,000 stand of arms were stowed away in the boat, intended for the secessionist army.

New York, April 30 Forts Madison and near Annapolis are occupied by our troops.

The National Intelligencer says both houses of the Maryland legislature passed resolutions affirming the right of the general

government to march troops through Maryland without hindrance to defend Washington.

The following press items were provided by John Dudkiewicz, from the Company B newsletter, *The Light Guard Lantern*, which he graciously provides to the editor of *The Fugelman*. The articles come from the *LaCrosse Tri-Weekly Democrat*. We thank John for his contribution to this month's newsletter.

The following appeared in the March 18^{TH} , 1861 paper:

ONE OF LINCOLN'S JOKES—Mr. Lincoln was asked lately whether he felt at all scared while delivering his inaugural address, the threats of assassination having been so numerous. He replied that he had no such sensation, and that he had often much greater fear in addressing a dozen Western men on the subject of temperance.

The following article appeared in the LaCrosse paper on April 19^{TH} , 1861:

THE MILITARY SPIRIT runs pretty high in this city, the recruits seem slow in offering. Frank hatch has received a Captains Commission, and is recruiting a company.

Capt. Colwell has, we understand, tendered the services of his company, and they will probably start for the rendezvous in Milwaukee immediately.

The following article is taken from the april 20^{TH} , 1861, edition of the LaCrosse tri-weekly democrat:

OUR LIGHT GUARD—The LaCrosse Light Guard have been denominated Co. A of the 2nd Regiment Wis. Volunteers, with S. Park Coon of Milwaukee as Col., and Duncan McDonald, Lieut. Col. This is a proud position for the LaCrosse boys, and one in which they can do honor to themselves and their city. The company now number 90, and they are just fine looking a set of men as can be found anywhere. The company went into quarters yesterday morning at the Harrington House and are progressing rapidly in drill. The Guard is ready to be mustered into service. Yesterday the following officers were elected to all vacancies in the company: Lieutenants, Hatch and Hughes; Sergeants Law and Wood; Corporals Dow, Burns, and Collins.

The following was taken from the april 26^{TH} , 1861 issue of the lacrosse paper:

CORRESPONDENT IN CAMP—We have made arrangements whereby we shall have letters from camp regularly. Mr. Messervey, our local, now with the volunteers, wield a ready pen and his letters will be read with avidity and give much valuable information.

MORE ARTICLES FROM LACROSSE IN NEXT MONTH'S FUGELMAN.

A PORTION OF THE IRON BRIGADE FLAG IS MISSING

Craig Mickelson, from Company K passed this along to The Fugelman for our enlightenment. It is a shame that this beautiful flag is in such condition. The photo and article comes from the Veterans' Museum in Madison.



Shortly after the battle of Gettysburg in 1863 a group of citizens from Wisconsin, Indiana and Michigan honored the Iron Brigade with a

special presentation flag commissioned from Tiffany & Co., New York. The flag is made of high quality silk with extensive embroidery. Although it was presented with great ceremony, the flag was not regulation and could not be kept in the field. The officers of the Iron Brigade sent the flag to Madison for safekeeping. There is one square section missing from the flag. Based on photographs from the time, Wisconsin Veterans' Museum curators determined the section was cut out sometime between 1882 and 1919. The section measures approximately 18" square and is dark blue silk with gold embroidered script which says "n. Vol. 7th Wiscon". Due to the unit designation, it's possible it was taken as a souvenir by a member of the 7th Wisconsin, according to Kris Zickuhr. The 7th Wisconsin was organized in Madison so the fragment may have found its way to a home in Southern Wisconsin. The practice of taking a souvenir from a flag wasn't uncommon at the time. Some veterans felt entitled to a small piece of the flag they served under during the war. It's unlikely they imagined we'd still be looking for the fragment nearly 150 years later.

By BRUCE SMITH Associated Press



This is the unique grave marker for one Col. William W. Ellis. Ellis enlisted on April 16th, 1861, when he was 20 years old, in a three months regiment. After he was discharged he returned with the 61st Pennsyvania where he served out the remainder of the war. He died on September 16, 1903. This is truly a unique grave marker in the editor's opinion.

2011

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association.

The world... can never forget what they did here" A. Lincoln, Nov. 19, 1863, Gettysburg

The 2nd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry (WVI) Association began with the purpose of preserving America's Civil War heritage through reenacting and performing "living history". We now also further that purpose by offering a scholarship to family members.

Background

The 2nd Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry (WVI) Association began with a handful of members in 1960 dedicated to the purpose of preserving American Civil War heritage through reenacting and performing "living history". In 1990, the Unit was reestablished as a result of a general rekindling of interest in the Civil War. Through the use of authentic-styled uniforms and equipment, along with drills, battles, and camp life portrayals, we believe the general public might become more accurately aware and ponder what life might have been like for the average Northern soldier during America's greatest trial. Further, and with great pride, the Unit attempts to depict and honor one of the greatest Union regiments to take to the field, The 2nd Wisconsin Infantry Regiment. With the 6th and 7th Wisconsin, the 19th Indiana, and later the 24th Michigan, they eventually became known as the famous "Iron Brigade" with their infamous "Black Hats". The original men have long since concluded their Rendezvous with Destiny in such places as Bull's Run Creek, Fredericksburg, the "Cornfield" at Antietam and "McPherson Wood" at Gettysburg.

"The Second Wisconsin Volunteer... keeping history alive in modern times, is proud to offer *TWO* \$500 college scholarships to relatives of Association members, *with the provision that should there be less than 5 (five) applicants, only ONE scholarship will be awarded.*"

Timeline

Closing date for submission of the application is Tuesday May 31, 2011. If you are the recipient of this scholarship, you will be notified by mail by Thursday June 30, 2011.

Eligibility

All of the following conditions must be met for consideration as a recipient of the 2011 Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association Inc. Scholarship:

- 1. You must be enrolled/accepted in an accredited College or University.
- 2. You must list your intended field of study.
- 3. You must be a member, or be related to a member in good standing of the Second Wisconsin Association Civil War Reenactors. (Member, Child, Spouse, Grandchild, Niece, Nephew, Sibling)
- 4. Attach a complete transcript of your grades (including cumulative Grade point average).
- 5. Attach a listing of your non-academic activities (extra curricular, volunteer/community work, club memberships with offices held etc.).
- 6. Attach a separate sheet, containing a short essay (500 words or less) on the following topic. "How do the events or idea of the Civil War continue to affect the United States of today?"

Once awarded, the funds can be used for tuition books and fees at the college or University you are attending. The scholarship check will be made payable to you and your school.

Award Criteria

All applications will be evaluated on meeting the above requirements. The Second Wisconsin Association Scholarship Committee will make the selection of the scholarship winner. All decisions made by this committee are final.

Financial need is not a relevant consideration in this award.

I ______ will provide a photo of myself if selected and authorize the publication of the photograph and the essay of the Civil War which I wrote for this scholarship. I also specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing other than the award of the scholarship.

2011 Scholarship Application

Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Phone:
Email:
School enrolled/accepted for the 2011-2012
Academic year
Intended field of study
Relationship to a Second Wisconsin Association
Member
Please include all of the following when applying:
1) Application Page 2) Copy of your Grade/GPA Transcript

- 3) List of Volunteer/extra curricular activities
- 4) Essay (500 words or less).
 - How do the events or idea of the Civil War continue to affect the United States of today?

Mail to:

2nd Wisconsin Association 2011 Scholarship Selection Committee

Attention: Dave Sielski—Association Secretary 2316 Serenade lane Green Bay WI 54301

Because the original due date of May 30th, 2011 falls on Memorial Day the application deadline for the 2011 Scholarship is May 31, 2011.

Thank you