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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, N.Y., N.Y.

Fall -Winter 2009

188th Birthday Celebration at Grant's National Memorial

Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW has scheduled its Annual General Ulysses S. Grant Ceremony to take place on April 25, 2010, at Grant's Tomb National Monument on 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan at 11:00 A.M.

We will have special guests from our allied orders for our birthday ceremony. Our keynote speaker will be Brother Frank Scaturro, President of the General Grant Monument Association and visiting Assistant Professor of Hofstra Law School. We will also have the honor to have actor Patrick Falci who portrayed A. P. Hill in the movie "Gettysburg." All new members are urged to attend for the purpose of being sworn into our order.

The ceremony will also honor Brothers Albert A. Morey, PCC and Brother Ralph Menges Elliott who passed away since last year's ceremony. All Brothers, Sisters, their families and friends are encouraged to attend this annual event. Parking is available around the tomb. Hope to see you there!!



**Captain Oliver Tilden Camp #26,
New York City celebrates its 125th
Anniversary. The camp was chartered
on December 12, 1884 in the Bronx.**



In Memoriam

Oliver Tilden Camp mourns the loss of Bro. Ralph Menges Elliott. Bro. Elliott passed away on July 30, 2009. He was a descendant of Cpl. William A. McHenny, Co. C, 1st Maryland Cav. His brother Franklin said the Sons were very special to him. We will miss you brother!

**Headstone Dedication
5 New Civil War Headstones
Mt. Olivet Cemetery
65-40 Grand Ave.
Maspeth, Queens, NY 11378
Maspeth, NY
Saturday, May 22, 2010—10:30 AM
See details inside!**

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

WINTER 2009 – SPRING 2010

February, 24, 2010 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Meet at 7:00 PM at 346 Broadway, Manhattan, NY, 8th floor Conference Room. This building is about midway between Chambers and Canal Streets, the entrance is around the corner at 108 Leonard St. Speaker: JVC George I. Rand, Topic: The Old Folks at War.

March. 31, 2010 (Wed): Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Meet at 7:00 PM at 346 Broadway, Manhattan, NY, 8th floor Conference Room. SVC Arthur P. Kirmss Topic: To be announced. **SVR Meeting at 6:30 PM**

April 25, 2010 (Sunday) Annual General Ulysses S. Grant Ceremony, Grant's Tomb, Manhattan, NY. 11:00 AM (See front page and Grant Memorial and Booster page in this issue).

April. 28, 2010 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Meet at 7:00 PM at 346 Broadway, Manhattan, NY, 8th floor Conference Room. Captain Oliver Tilden Camp Elections. Speaker to be announced.

May 22, 2010 (Sat.) Headstone Dedication and Relic Display (10:30 AM):10:00 AM formation at the main office. 10:00 A.M. To 1:00 P.M. Relic Display. After the event, we will go to Cypress Hills Cemetery to place flags on the graves in the Civil War section of the cemetery (Not the National Cemetery).

May 26, 2010 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Meet at 7:00 PM: Installation of Officers.

May 30, 2010 (Sun) Greenpoint Memorial Day Parade. Formation at 8:30 AM at 519 Leonard St. between Nassau Ave. and Driggs Ave., Brooklyn, NY. Parade starts at 9:00 AM. Food and refreshments after the parade at St. Stan's American Legion Post #1771.

May 31, 2010 (Mon.) Commemoration at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, 89th St. and Riverside Drive in Manhattan. (More details to be announced) Formation at 10:00 AM. SVR members please attend in uniform. (Sponsored by the Soldiers' & Sailors' Memorial Assoc.) **Very important event to attend!**

June 2010 (Wed.) Tilden Camp Monthly Meeting. Small party with music. Trinity-St Andrew's Lutheran Church, 6006 60th Ave., (60th St.) Maspeth, Queens, NY (Date and time to be announced).

June 14, 2010 - 12:00 PM Flag Day Parade. 11:30 AM Formation. City Hall Park in Manhattan.

2009-2010 Oliver Tilden Camp Elected and Appointed Officers

Commander: George J. Weinmann, 55 Jewell St., Brooklyn, NY 11222-3507; 718-383-3180; GJWeinmann@aol.com.

SVC: Arthur P. Kirmss, 78-05 82 Street Glendale NY 11385, 718-628-0818, arthurkirmss@earthlink.net.

JVC: George I. Rand, 313 East 10th St. #5, New York, NY 10009, 212-473-1607, trimble1863@yahoo.com.

Secretary: Roy E. Wildenberger, 70-12 53rd Drive, Maspeth, NY 11378; 718-651-8042; WRoy936@aol.com.

Assistant Secretary: Mark Goret, 474 West 238th St. Apt. 2H, Bronx, NY 104063. 718549-1738; mgoret@msn.com.

Treasurer: James F. Bond, 107 43 112th St., Richmond Hill, NY 11419; 718-835-1181.

Camp Council

Mark Goret, William F. Mason, PCC, & John P. Portanova, PCC

Chaplain

Rev. Fr. John D. O'Halloran

Chaplain's Aide

Arthur P. Kirmss

Eagle Scout Coordinator

JVC Charles S. Dono

Civil War Memorials Officer

James F. Bond, Chairman

Patriotic Instructor & Musical Director

Arthur P. Kirmss

Historian, Genealogist & Signals Master

George J. Weinmann, CC & PCC

Guide

Donald Steinmaker

Executive Committee

George J. Weinmann, CC & PCC, Chairman, Arthur P. Kirmss, SVC, George I. Rand, JVC, Cliff Henke PDC & PCC, Roy E. Wildenberger, Sect., John P. Portanova, PCC, and three members of Camp Council William F. Mason, PCC, John P. Portanova, PCC & Mark Goret.

DUES NOTICE

Dues for 2010 were due on January 1, 2010. The dues rate is **\$40.00**. Payment must be **received** no later than **April 15, 2010**, otherwise you risk being dropped from the camp muster roll.

Please send check or money order payable to:
Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW.

Mail to:

Sons of Union Veterans
James F. Bond, Treasurer:
107 43 112th St.
Richmond Hill, NY 11419
718-835-1181

Message from the

Commander

Dear members and friends of Tilden Camp.

Its not too late to send in your tax deductible donation to the Robert W. Lord "*Patriot of the Year*" award. The award is presented each year at Grant's Birthday Celebration. Make checks payable to "Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW."

Mail checks to:

James F. Bond, Treasurer
107 43 112th St.
Richmond Hill, NY 11419.

Yours in, F. C. & L.
George J. Weinmann, Commander.

SVR 2010 DUES NOTICE

Members of Co. I, 83rd New York Vol.
(9th NYSM) Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Please make your \$3.00 check payable to:
George J. Weinmann.

Send to:

Sons of Veterans Reserve
Capt. George J. Weinmann, Company Commander
55 Jewell St, Brooklyn, NY 11222-3507

Are you a veteran?

Do you know what Veteran benefits you are entitled to? Let us help you find out. Tilden Camp can direct you in the right direction. Visit the Mayor's Office of Veterans' Affairs or write to: Sons of Union Veterans, George J. Weinmann, Commander, 346 Broadway Room 808, New York, NY 10013. 917-832-9999



Evergreen Cemetery—Tilden Camp visited the grave of Pvt. Charles F. Weinmann, Co. H, 9th New York Volunteers (Hawkins' Zouaves) the great-great grandfather of Camp Commander George J. Weinmann.

Oliver Tilden Camp 2009 Christmas Party

Trinity-St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

Maspeth, Queens, New York



Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukkah! Happy New Year!



Oliver Tilden Camp 2009 Christmas Party

Trinity-St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

Maspeth, Queens, New York



photos by

Janice Weinmann



Tilden Camp members and friends had a wonderful time at the party. Everyone received one or more gifts thanks to Sister Janice Weinmann who donated most of gifts.

Special thanks to Trinity-St Andrew's Lutheran Church for using their hall, Carole, Heather & Sect. Roy Wildenberger (host), SVC Arthur Kirmss (provided holiday music), Tres. James Bond, and Sister Janice Weinmann for making the party a total success. Thanks Roy for all your good work!



**Memorial Service Cypress Hills Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY.
May 16, 2009**



Sister Janice Weinmann and Bro. John Shaud place flags on the graves of the Civil War dead in the Civil War section of Cypress Hills Cemetery.



Bro. George A. Blanthorn helped to place flags on the graves of the Civil War soldiers.



On May 24, 2009, Tilden Camp marched in the Greenpoint Memorial Day Parade. Bro. Gerard Kaczynski (not in photo) marched with St. Stan's Memorial Post 1771, Sons of the American Legion. Commander Weinmann is also a member and his father George C. Weinmann was the commander of the American Legion Post 1771 in 1966-67.



Commander Weinmann presented Bros. Neil and John Kelley the SVR Unit Citation ribbon.



Bro. George Munkenbeck (second from left), Co. H, 14th Brooklyn at the New Utrecht Liberty Pole Weekend at the New Utrecht Church grounds in Brooklyn, New York.

**Memorial Day at Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, 89th St. & Riverside Drive, NY, NY
May 25, 2009**



(Left) Oliver Tilden Camp Honor Guard (Co. I, 83rd, New York Vol. SVR). (L. to R.) Arthur Kirmss, SVC; George Rand, JVC; James Bond, Tres.; Mark Goret; John Portanova, Jr.; John Portanova, PCC; George Weinmann, CC & PCC & Janice Weinmann. (Below) Bro. George Chall with New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg. Bro. Chall is the chairman of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Association.



**In Honor
of our
Civil War
Ancestors**





**THE GREENPOINT MONITOR MUSEUM
"ROAD SHOW" AWARD CERMONY
Held at the Church of the Ascension in
Greenpoint, Brooklyn on November 7, 2009**

The Church of the Ascension was built by Thomas F. Rowland the builder of the USS Monitor. The "Road Show" visited 7 schools this year and awarded 28 students for their Road Show Projects. Arthur Kirmss, George and Janice Weinmann are Road Show Instructors. Karen Olszewski and Arthur Kirmss sang Civil War songs and played on the piccolo recorder and Church organ. Three School Principals received Congressional Certificates from Congresswoman Nydia Velazquez for their work with the Museum presented by Evelyn Cruz. Assemblyman Joseph Lentol and our new City Councilman Stephen Levin also attended the event. Tilden Camp and the Greenpoint Monitor Museum continue year after year to teach the youth in the local schools about the Civil War. We are keeping our ancestor's memory alive through hands on history lessons.





November 7, 2009
 CONGRATULATIONS
 TO ALL 28 OF THE
 "2009"
 ROAD SHOW
 AWARD WINNERS
 AND THEIR
 FAMILIES.



**Headstone Dedication for Pvt. Ezra Pearsall, Co. E, 127th New York Vol.
Sept. 26, 2009
Amityville Cemetery, Amityville, NY**



Rev. Raymond Lange from the Babylon United Methodist Church blessed the headstone.



Commander Weinmann opened the ceremony by welcoming everyone to the headstone dedication for Pvt. Ezra Pearsall.



(Left) Pvt. Ezra Pearsall is the ancestor of Janice Guy, Past New York Dept. President, DUVCW. There was a reception after the ceremony at the Amityville Firehouse. Tilden Camp Commander George J. Weinmann was honored to organize the ceremony with sister Janice Guy. Now her ancestor has a new Civil War headstone. Great job everyone!!!



(Above) John Portanova, past commander of Tilden Camp was the speaker. He spoke about the "Battle of Honey Hill" where Pvt. Pearsall was wounded in the thigh. Great work Brother! (Left) Camp Commander David Brink gave greetings and remarks on behalf of Moses A. Baldwin Camp #544.

Acknowledgments

Oliver Tilden Camp #26, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Co. I, 83 NYVI (9 NYSM) Sons of Veterans Reserve wish to give special thanks to Past NY Dept. President DUVCW Janice Guy; Jr. Vice President Laurel Pellegrino, Tent #36; Rev. Raymond Lange - Babylon United Methodist Church; Amityville Cemetery Association; Sgt. Umbreit of the United States Marine Corp.; NY Dept. Sr. Vice President, DUVCW Lynne Dolan; Janice Lauletta-Weinmann, President of The Greenpoint Monitor Museum; Tres. James F. Bond; JVC George I. Rand, Bros. John Shaud, Gerard J. Kaczynski, George Blanthorn; Commander David Brink, Moses A. Baldwin Camp #544 SUVCW and the members of his camp; public officials, and everyone who supported this effort.

It is Oliver Tilden Camp's goal to make sure that as many veterans as possible are suitably remembered. We are grateful to the Veterans Administration of the Federal Government who provided the stone, but we must present proof of service. If you know any worthy veteran in an unmarked grave please bring it to our attention. Also, if you are interested in membership please contact: Commander George J. Weinmann, 718-383-3180 or by e-mail GJWeinmann@aol.com.

There is a reception following the ceremony at the North Amityville Firehouse.

Daughters of Union Veterans
of the Civil War
Janice Guy, Past NY Dept. President
25 Claremont Ave.

West Babylon, NY 11704

631-587-1481

guywestbabylon@aol.com

Amityville Cemetery Association
1A Salt Box Path
Amityville, New York
631-264-3317



Oliver Tilden Camp #26, New York City
Organized 1884

George J. Weinmann, Commander & Captain (Cmdr.) Co. I, 83

NYVI (9 NYSM), SVR

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Webpage <http://olivertildencamp26suvchw.org/index.html>

Civil War Headstone Dedication



DUVCW
Badge



127th New York Vols. Regimental Flag



SUVCW
Badge

Headstone Dedication for Private

Ezra Pearsall

Co. E, 127th New York Vol.
(Monitors)

Wounded in the thigh at the
"Battle of Honey Hill"
South Carolina

Saturday, September 26, 2009
Headstone Dedication at 12:00 Noon

Amityville Cemetery
55 Harrison Ave,
Amityville, NY 11701-2403
(631)-264-3317

Civil War Headstone Dedication for

**Pvt. Ezra Pearsall
Co. E, 127th New York Vols.
(Monitors)**

Call to Order: Camp Commander Capt. George J. Weinmann, PCC, SVR

Advancing of the Colors:

Invocation: Rev. Raymond Lange - Babylon United Methodist Church

The National Anthem:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Musical Interlude:

**Welcome: Camp Commander & Captain George J. Weinmann, Oliver
Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW & Co. I, 83rd NYV, SVR.**

Greetings: Local officials

Greetings: New York Dept. Sr. Vice President, DUVCW Lynne Dolan

Greetings: Camp Commander David Brink, Moses A. Baldwin Camp #544

Musical Interlude:

Speaker: John Portanova, PCC Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW

Dedication and Unveiling: Capt. George J. Weinmann.

Placing of Flag and Flowers:

Placing of the wreaths:

Past NY Dept. President DUVCW Janice Guy (Family Member)

Jr. Vice President Laurel Pellegrino, Tent #36 (Family Member)

NY Dept. Sr. Vice President, DUVCW Lynne Dolan

Blessing of the Headstone: Rev. Raymond Lange

Musical Interlude:

Benediction: Rev. Raymond Lange

Gun Salute: Compay I, 83rd NYV (9 NYSM), Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Taps. Bugler: Sgt. Umbreit of the United States Marine Corp.

Retiring of the Colors:

Pvt. Ezra Pearsall

Born on March 13, 1832, died in Farmingdale, NY on February 12, 1920. He enlisted on Sept. 8, 1862 as a Private at the age of 30 years into Company E, 127th New York Vols. (known as the "Monitors"). He was wounded in the thigh at the "Battle of Honey Hill", South Carolina. Lived with the bullet for the rest of his life. He was discharged on Sept. 21, 1865. He started receiving a \$10.00 per month pension in Sept. 1866, which increased to \$20 per month for the wound he received to the left thigh. He outlived four wives.

127th New York Vols. "Monitors"

New York in the War of the Rebellion

3rd ed. Frederick Phisterer. Albany: J. B. Lyon Company, 1912.

Colonel William Gurney received authority, July 10, 1862, to raise this regiment in New York City; it was organized on Staten Island, and there mustered in the service of the United States for three years September 8, 1862. June 30, 1865, the men not to be mustered out with the regiment were transferred to the 54th Infantry.

The companies were recruited principally: A, B, C and F in New York city; D in New York city, Brooklyn, Huntington, Southampton and Greenport; E in Huntington, Amityville and Babylon; G in New York city, Riverhead, Sag Harbor and Greenport; H in Greenport, Southold, Mattituck and Orient; I in Brooklyn and Huntington; and K in Greenport, Sag Harbor, Riverhead, Southampton and Bridgehampton.

The regiment left the State September 10, 1862; it served in the defenses of Washington and in the 3d Brigade, Abercrombie's Division, 22d Corps, from September, 1862; in 3d, Hughston's, Brigade, Gurney's Division, Department of Virginia, from April, 1863; in 1st Brigade, 2d Division, 4th Corps, from May, 1863; in the 1st Brigade, 1st Division, 11th Corps, from July 14, 1863; in the 1st Brigade, Gordon's Division, 10th Corps, from August, 1863; on Folly and Morris Islands, S. C., and in the District of Beaufort, from October, 1864; in the 1st, Potter's Brigade, Coast Division, Department of the South, from November, 1864; at Charleston, S. C., from March, 1865; and, commanded by Colonel Gurney, it was honorably discharged and mustered out June. 30, 1865, at Charleston, S. C.

During its service the regiment lost by death, killed in action, 23 enlisted men; of wounds received in action, 14 enlisted men; of disease and other causes, 1 officer, 94 enlisted men; total, 1 officer, 131 enlisted men; aggregate, 132; of whom 7 enlisted men died in the hands of the enemy.

June 5-7, 2009 - New York Department Encampment, SUVCW, Binghamton, NY.



(Above Left) Past NY Dept. Commander Dale Theetge and Sister Janice Weinmann place flowers on the grave of Col. David Ireland, 137th New York Vol. during the NY Dept. memorial service. Bro. Dale was recently in the hospital. Tilden Camp wishes him a speedy recovery. Get well Brother! (Above Right) Some of the members of the Allied Orders who participated in the memorial service for our departed members and our ancestors. Commander Weinmann was voted in as NY Dept. Council and appointed Flag Bearer. Congratulations to new NY Dept. Commander Raymond Wheaton and all elected and appointed officers!

Battle of Brooklyn, Green-wood Cemetery, Sunday, August 30, 2009



(Above) Bro. Bill Parry, George J. Weinmann, CC, and James Bond, Tres. (not in photo) Sister Janice Weinmann marched in the parade to "Battle Hill" from the main gate prior to the ceremony. (Above right) Standing on top of Battle Hill with the color guard is Bro. Barnet G. Schecter (third from left) the author of "The Battle for New York: The City at the Heart of the American Revolution." (Right) (L. to R.) Sister Janice Weinmann, George J. Weinmann, CC, Bro. Charles Galbraith, former Genealogist General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, & Bro. John Shaud.

Annual German American Steuben Day Parade - September 19, 2009



**Headstone Dedication—Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY.
Seaman & Pvt. Lewis Gerhardt Goldsmith (aka Lewis G. Lawson)
US Navy & Troop C, 1st Rhode Island Cavalry
May 16, 2009**



SVC Arthur Kirmss played the piccolo Recorder during the headstone dedication ceremony.



(Above) Tilden Camp's Color Guard Co. I, 83rd NY Vol. SVR marched up to Seaman Goldsmith's grave to perform the headstone dedication ceremony. There were over 60 family members present. Oliver Tilden Camp thanks Patricia L. Goldsmith for giving the camp the honor of conducting the headstone dedication. (Below) Commander George J. Weinmann gives a salute during the ceremony on behalf of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Patricia Goldsmith holds a certificate of appreciation wooden plack that was presented to the camp on behalf of her family. Special thanks to The Evergreens Cemetery President Paul Grassi, Anthony Salamone & Danny Dadario for their help in preparing the grave site for the ceremony. After this ceremony the camp went over to the nearby grave of Pvt. Elijah A. Campbell for another headstone dedication. Job well done!!!



JVC George Rand fired a musket salute, which was followed by Bro. Robert Fries playing Taps for Pvt. Goldsmith. Commander Weinmann gave the command to retire the colors. The Color Guard marched off while SVC Kirmss played his 1860 Tin Flute.



**Headstone Dedication—Evergreen Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY.
Pvt. Elijah A. Campbell (aka Edward A. Commel)
Co. K, 139th NY Vol. & Co. K, 97th Penn. Vol.
May 16, 2009**



JVC George Rand fired a musket salute for Pvt. Elijah A. Campbell.

Tilden Camp's Color Guard Co. I, 83rd NY Vol. SVR stand in back of the newly dedicated headstone for Pvt. Elijah A. Campbell. Elijah is the ancestor of Bro. Steven Campbell. Bro. Campbell did not know that he had a Civil War ancestor until Commander Weinmann found Elijah's pension and service records. Tilden Camp ordered the Civil War headstone from the Veterans Administration after the grave was located and found unmarked. Special thanks to The Evergreens Cemetery for all of their help.

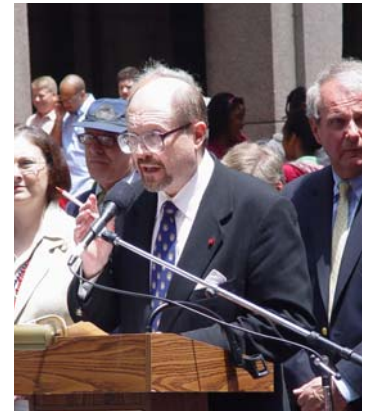
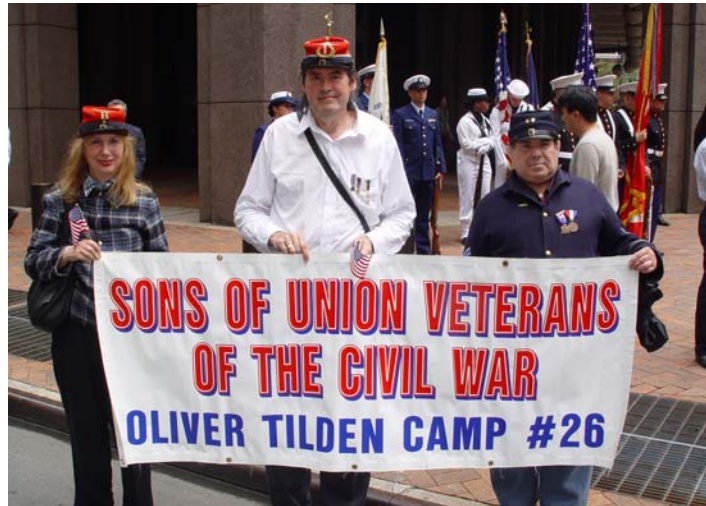


(Above) Sister Janice Weinmann placed red roses on Campbell's grave during the ceremony. (Left) The Color Guard gave a salute while Bro. Robert Fries played Taps. Great job!

June 12, 2009 - Flag Day Parade hosted by the Sons of the Revolution, NY, NY.



Bro. Rev. Thomas F. Pike



Bro. John M. Hilliard

Brooklyn Museum transfers a Portrait of Captain Henry Lee to Tilden Camp



Brooklyn Museum



**Portrait of
Captain Henry R. Lee
173rd NY Vol.**



A Civil War lady reenactor from the 173rd NY Vol. named Janet Rice contacted commander George J. Weinmann about a GAR portrait of Captain Henry R. Lee by Edith Stearns Foy. She informed him that the Brooklyn Museum was looking for an organization to transfer ownership of the Lee portrait. The portrait hung in the meeting room of the Henry Lee Post 21 GAR hall in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. By email, Janet Rice introduced commander Weinmann to Margaret Stenz, PhD, Curatorial Associate, American Art, Brooklyn Museum. Margaret explained that the museum was looking for a new home for the portrait. The museum needed time to decide the best place for the portrait. Time passed and she delivered the good news to commander Weinmann. The museum decided that Tilden Camp was the best organization to take over ownership. They were happy to pass it on to us, especially as we are the successor to the New York/Brooklyn GAR post for which it was originally commissioned. The camp is in the process of finding a company to have the painting restored. Any member that can recommend someone please contact commander Weinmann. The portrait will eventually be displayed at our office at Memorial Hall, 346 Broadway, Room 808, Mayor's Office of Veterans' Affairs in Manhattan. Commander Weinmann, Tres. James F. Bond and Sister Janice Weinmann had an appointment with the museum to pick up the portrait. On August 7, 2009, commander Weinmann signed the papers to take over ownership. The painting is now in the hands of Tilden Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It was a wonderful day for Tilden Camp. The camp expresses special thanks to Janet Rice, Margaret Stenz, PhD, Elizabeth Dankovich, Collections Review Assistant, Sister Janice Weinmann and Tres. James f. Bond for helping to transport the portrait. Commander Weinmann is doing research on Captain Henry Lee who was mortally wounded at Pleasant Hill, LA during the Civil War and the GAR Post named after him. He is also looking for his grave location. See upcoming issues of "Billy Yank" for additional information on the post, portrait and Captain Henry Lee.

Trinity-St Andrew's Lutheran Church, Maspeth, Queens, NY — June 10, 2009



Sect. Roy Wildenberger (host) shows off a hero sandwich for the small party to end the season. Over 30 members and friends attended the Queens meeting.



At the meeting, Commander Weinmann gave out several Sons Certificate of Merit awards to members for their dedication and participation in camp events. (Above Center) Guide Donald Steinmaker received a Certificate of Merit from Commander Weinmann. (Above Right) Commander Weinmann presented Bro. Gerard Kaczynski the SVR Unit Citation award ribbon.



**South Street Seaport Museum
The building & launching of the USS Monitor and
the Draft Rioting in New York City - July 1863
July 17, 2009**

Oliver Tilden Camp, The Greenpoint Monitor Museum & Co. H, 14th Brooklyn NYS Militia Society gave Civil War presentations at the South Street Seaport Museum. Tilden Camp and the Greenpoint Monitor Museum told the story of the building and launching of the USS Monitor in Greenpoint Brooklyn. SVC Arthur Kirmss sang and played Civil War songs on his 1860 Tin Flute, Piccolo and Guitar. One fitting song was "Give Us a Navy of Iron." Bro. George Munkenbeck, (not in photo) 14th Brooklyn spoke about the New York City Draft Riots of 1863.



The USS Monitor presentation was given on board the German iron-hulled four-masted Bark Peking in NY Harbor. Over 100 people were present. Bros. Mark Goret and William Parry were in attendance. Tilden Camp and The Greenpoint Monitor Museum give special thanks to the South Street Seaport Museum!

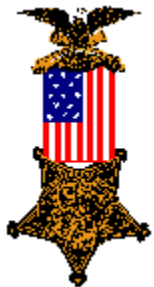


(Above) (L. to R.) Gene Carlucci, manager of school & family programs, Jack Putnam, Historian & Museum Educator, Bro. William Parry and SVC Arthur P. Kirmss. South Street Seaport Museum was very happy with our presentation. Great Work!



**Oliver Tilden Camp #26,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
invite you to a Headstone Dedication to
honor five Civil War Veterans at
Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Maspeth, Queens, NY.**

**Saturday, May 22, 2010
"Headstone Dedications"
commencing at 10:30 AM**



**G.A.R.
Badge**

Sgt. Philip Grosbeck
Co. B, 15th New York Engineers

Sgt. Arnold Davidson
Co. A, 46th New York Volunteers

Pvt. David McLyman
Co. B, 175th New York Volunteers

Pvt. Elias T. Bragaw
Co. H, 7th New York State Militia

Pvt. John Scheper
Co. I, 10th New Jersey Volunteers



**SUVCW
Badge**

Relic Display from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Ceremony and relic display by:

**Oliver Tilden Camp #26, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Co. I, 83rd New York Vol.
SVR Captain George J. Weinmann, Commander, 346 Broadway, Room 808, New York, NY 10013
917-832-9999; GJWeinmann@aol.com**

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**The Greenpoint Monitor Museum, P.O. Box 220378, Brooklyn, New York 11222-0378
Janice Lauletta-Weinmann President; janice.lauletta.weinmann@greenpointmonitormuseum.org
718-383-2637**

For more information and directions contact David Gigler, Superintendent of the cemetery.

**Mount Olivet Cemetery
David Gigler, Superintendent
65-40 Grand Ave.
Maspeth, Queens, NY 11378
718-326-1777**

**Special thanks to former New York State Senator Serphin R. Maltese for providing a
New York State Department of Veterans Affairs Grant to fund this event and to
cemetery superintendent David Gigler for providing the headstone foundations, office
space and his time and effort to help make this event a success.**

**OLIVER TILDEN CAMP #26
OF NEW YORK CITY
SONS OF UNION VETERANS
OF THE CIVIL WAR**



GENERAL U.S GRANT BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE 2010

Dear Brothers, Sisters, and Friends:

Our annual commemoration of the birthday of General Ulysses S. Grant will be held on **Sunday, April 25, 2010 at the National Monument on 122nd Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan.** The ceremony begins at 11:00 AM, which also includes the initiation of new members of the Oliver Tilden Camp.

Each year the General Grant Committee solicits **“Memorials and Boosters”** from our members and from organizations to help us defray the cost of the ceremony. **“Memorials honor our Civil War ancestors or deceased brothers. “Boosters” allow organizations to demonstrate their support of the annual commemoration of having their name and address appear in the printed program.**

Your financial support of this effort is very much appreciated.
Please complete the following form and return it with your check,
Payable to: Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW.

Send the form and check to: **SVC Arthur P. Kirmss, 78-05 82nd Street, Glendale, N.Y. 11385 (718-628-0818).** They must be received no later than **March 31, 2010.** You will receive a copy of the program. Thank you for your consideration and continued support. We remain,

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
The General Grant Committee

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

PLEASE PRINT THE NOTICE YOU WISH TO APPEAR (2 lines \$10.00. Additional lines \$2.50 each.)

1. _____

2. _____

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On Memorial Day, May 25, 2009 at the Solders' and Sailors' Monument at Riverside Drive in Manhattan, Tilden Camp had the honor to meet Claire Telecki, great-great granddaughter of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant. (L. to R.) John Portanova, PCC, Arthur P. Kirmss, SVC, George J. Weinmann, CC & PCC, James F. Bond, Tres., Claire Telecki, Janice Weinmann, Aux. SUVCW, George I. Rand, JVC, & Mark Goret, Camp Council. Company I, 83rd New York Vol. (9th NYSM) Sons of Veterans Reserve led the Color Guard. Bro. George Chall, President of the Solders' and Sailors' Memorial Association was the host of the event. Great job Bro. Chall!

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