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DETACHED TENT #23

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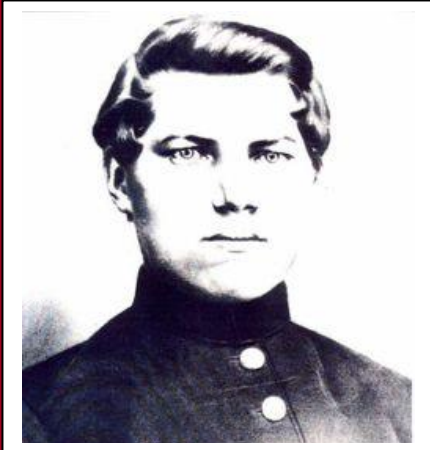


Photo above: Christian Holzrueter
Photo below: Gravestone of John Dorn at Oakwood Cemtery, Beloit



DUVCW and SUVCW to HONOR THE LAST CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS OF JEFFERSON AND ROCK COUNTIES SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2020

Preparations are under way to honor Christian Holzrueter, the “Last Civil War Soldier” of Jefferson County and John Gilbert Dorn, the “Last Civil War Soldier” of Rock County at their respective grave sites. The Jefferson ceremony will take place at 12:00 followed by the Rock County ceremony at 1:00 p.m.

The last Civil War veteran to be buried in Jefferson County is Christian Holzrueter of Kroghville (Town of Lake Mills). He was born on January 1, 1847 and died at the age of 94 on September 23, 1941. He was buried in the Kroghville Cemetery (intersection of County Trunk Highway O and Kroghville Road).

Holzrueter enlisted as a private in Battery M of the 1st Wisconsin Heavy Artillery Regiment on August 27, 1864, and mustered out at the same rank on June 26, 1865. Battery M was the last component of the 1st Heavy Artillery to be formed, and it served in the defenses of Washington, D.C. at Fort Lyon, in what is now part of Alexandria, Virginia. In 1938 Holzrueter attended the 75th and final Gettysburg Reunion, where veterans of both sides shook hands over the stone wall that marked the farthest advance of Pickett’s Charge.

John Dorn was born on October 24, 1847 and died on March 30, 1944 at the age of 96 at his home in Beloit. He enlisted at Janesville in Co. C of the 3rd WVI as a private. He mustered out on June 9, 1865 in Washington, D.C. Dorn was the last surviving member of L.H.D. Crane Post of the GAR. Dorn is interred at Oakwood Cemetery in Beloit.



FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
Date to be Determined

NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2020



What Do People Do?

Many Americans across the United States pause to remember the sacrifices and service of those who were prisoners of war (POW), as well as those who are missing in action (MIA), and their families. All military installations fly the National League of Families' POW/MIA flag, which symbolizes the nation's remembrance of those who were imprisoned while serving in conflicts and those who remain missing.

Veteran rallies take place in many states, such as Wisconsin, in the United States on National POW/MIA Recognition Day. United States flags and POW/MIA flags are flown on this day and joint prayers are made for POWs and those missing in action. National POW/MIA Recognition Day posters are also displayed at college or university campuses and public buildings to promote the day. Remembrance ceremonies and other events to observe the day are also held in places such as the Pentagon, war memorials and museums.

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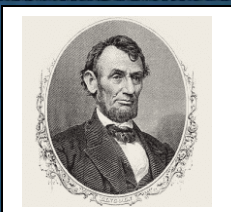
National POW/MIA Recognition Day is not a federal public holiday in the United States but it is a national observance.

Background

There are 1,741 American personnel listed by the Defense Department's POW/MIA Office as missing and unaccounted for from the Vietnam War, as of April 2009. The number of United States personnel accounted for since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975 is 841. About 90 percent of the 1,741 people still missing were lost in Vietnam or areas of Laos and Cambodia under Vietnam's wartime control, according to the National League of Families website (cited in the United States Army website).

The United States Congress passed a resolution authorizing National POW/MIA Recognition Day to be observed on July 18, 1979. It was observed on the same date in 1980 and was held on July 17 in 1981 and 1982. It was then observed on April 9 in 1983 and July 20 in 1984. The event was observed on July 19 in 1985, and then from 1986 onwards the date moved to the third Friday of September. The United States president each year proclaims National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Many states in the USA also proclaim POW/MIA Recognition Day together with the national effort.

Above article can be found at the website of [Time and Date.com](https://www.timeanddate.com) along with interesting facts



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**2020 Mary and James Beaumont Endowed
 Lincoln Legacy Lecture Series**
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 Zoom Webinar



HELENE HURDIS

WHAT'S UP?

Sister Linda Tanner-Frietag has donated several bandanas on behalf of Tent 23 to the Tomah VA.

duv Jordan Gilles is a senior this year at Cadott High School and has indicated that she will apply for a national "duvs scholarship".

Tues., Sept. 29 at 4:00 pm the Irvin Young Memorial Library will host a virtual lecture on Lincoln. Check out their website for more information.

HELENE GAYLE HURDIS

Helene Gayle Hurdis passed away on September 8, 2020 at Vintage on the Ponds in Delavan, Wisconsin at the age of 85. Helene was the daughter of Roy Winsor Hurdis and Ella Mae Hurdis (Snyder). A lifelong resident of Darien born in Elkhorn on November 12, 1934, she was proud of the fact that she was a fourth generation resident of Walworth County.

Helene graduated from Delavan High School in 1952. Following graduation, she pursued a degree in education from the Whitewater State Teacher's College and earned her master's degree from the University of Wisconsin. She began her career as an English teacher, worked for the Clinton School District as a librarian and retired from that district as the media specialist.

Helene loved life. She traveled extensively throughout the world reaching every continent except Antarctica. Her interests were varied and reflected by the numerous clubs and organizations of which she was a member. She served on the Board of Directors of the Walworth County Historical Society for a number of years. Her memberships include but were not limited to the Walworth County Travel Club, the Delavan Monday Morning Club for which she scheduled programs, The Walworth County Arts Council, the Delavan Historical Society, Walworth County Area Retired Teachers and she was a charter member of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 Mary Chesebro Lee Tent 23 of Delavan.

She was particularly proud of her great grandfather, Christian Schneider who served the Union in the Civil War as a member of Co. B, in the 27th Iowa Volunteer Infantry.

A service is scheduled for September 30th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Andrews Catholic Church in Delavan. Inurnment will take place at the Darien Cemetery.

PLEASE BE SAFE AND STAY HEALTHY

The Mary Chesebro Lee Tent 23 purchased the markers honoring the "Last Civil War Soldiers" of Jefferson and Rock Counties. At the ceremony conducted by the Wisconsin Dept. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, our Tent will lay wreaths honoring Christian Holzueter and John Gilbert Dorn. The ceremonies will be held outdoors at the Kroghville Cemetery in Jefferson County and the Oakwood Cemetery in Beloit. Please join us on Saturday, October 10th honoring these men!