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DETACHED TENT #23

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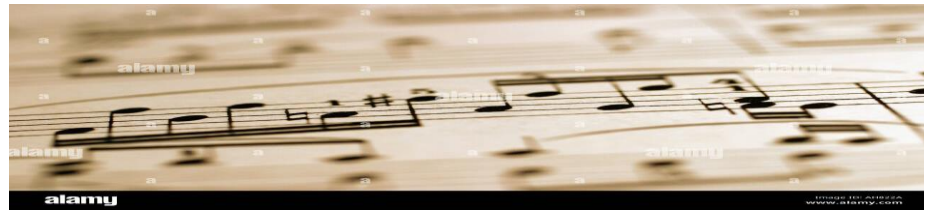
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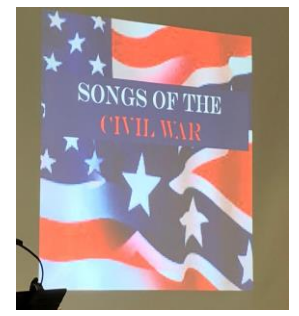
Tent 23 welcomes Cheryle Jakum as one of our newest members. Cheryle was born and raised in Sheboygan. She works for a family-owned trucking company which has been in business for five generations. Her interest in genealogy has spanned 25 years. She has been with her "other half" for 39 years.

Cheryle's 3rd Great Grandfather, Edwin Warner served with Co. D/F of the 83rd Pennsylvania Infantry. He was killed in action at the Battle of the Wilderness.



SONGS OF THE CIVIL WAR

The Tent was pleasantly surprised at the June meeting with the presentation of "Songs of the Civil War". A Power Point presented by Beth Perry, introduced each musical selection played by Chris Gilhani and Marie Sharpe who are both retired music teachers. The musicians played auto-harps, a flute and a recorder. Popular tunes from the Civil War era echoed through the Community Center as members hummed, sang along or tapped their feet. Selections composed by Joseph Webster of Elkhorn, WI., "The Sweet Bye and Bye" and "Lorena" were included. Interestingly enough, the composition "Lorena" was cited as a reason why the Confederacy lost the Civil War. A noted Confederate general claimed that the southern troops sat around the campfire sang the tune, lamented being away from home and deserted camp.



FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

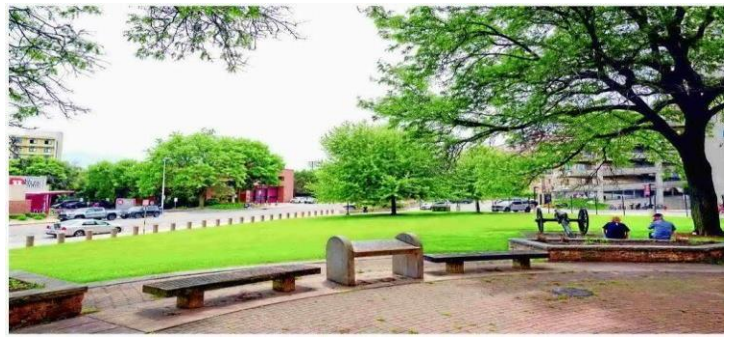
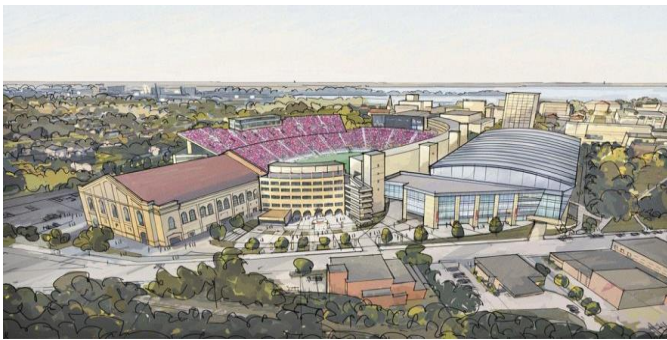
The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at 6:30pm

SAVE CAMP RANDALL MEMORIAL PARK

Camp Randall Memorial Park, “owned” by the Wisconsin Board of Regents, has been considered as a site for the construction of a new football training facility for the University of Wisconsin. This would mean that significant land and structures commemorating Wisconsin’s involvement in the Civil War will be lost. A Blue Ribbon Committee has been formed to advocate for the preservation of this historic site in Madison. Ashley-Anne Hobbins and Pat Blackmer are representing DUVCW on this committee. Ben Hobbins, Chair of the committee has expressed his concerns:

“Our concern is for the memory of the over 90,000 Wisconsin Volunteers who were mustered and fought for the United States and the over 12,000 Wisconsin Men in Blue made the ultimate sacrifice on the battlefields in neighboring states and the deep south, over a 100 Confederate Soldiers died at the Military Hospital inside Camp Randall Prison Camp and are buried in Forest Hill National Cemetery, along with other Union soldiers, a mile away as you pass Randall Elementary School. Men of both sides died on Camp Randall grounds. Over 70,000 of the 90,000 Wisconsin Men in Blue were mustered at Camp Randall, where they drilled, and were sent to battlefields all over the USA.”

LAUNCH A LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN TO YOUR STATE SENATORS AND ASSEMBLYMEN! HELP US SAVE THIS VALUABLE HISTORIC SITE.



Photos above: Left Top: rendition of Camp Randall football training facility Right top: Camp Randall Memorial Park Bottom Left: Camp Randall Arch 1912 with GAR Soldiers Bottom Middle: Camp Randall Arch today Bottom Right: 2012 Rededication of the DUVCW Bench in Camp Randall Memorial Park

On June 27, 2012, DUVCW rededicated the bench that had been installed at Camp Randall Memorial Park. The bench, originally installed at the park 75 years previously was a gift to the brave men from Wisconsin who fought to save the Union and ensure our freedom and liberty. What will happen to this small “monument from the DUVCW”?



Wisconsin's Historical Float

Racine, Wisconsin claims to have the oldest, most publicized, most photographed, most paraded, most unduplicated float in the world. The float, built in 1922 was the brain-child of the late Arthur Hocking who constructed the float out of bronze. It depicts the Spirit of 76 on the front of the float while the rear depicts the spirit of the members of American Legion Post 76 in Racine. Past Tent President Susan Fallon who is a member of Post 76 is an annual rider on the float. This year on the 4th of July, the float was an entry in the Racine parade. By the way, Susan is also painted bronze for her historic ride!

WELCOME ELIZABETH "BETH" STADLER

Beth grew up in Mercer County, Illinois on a farm five miles from the great Mississippi River. This area is full of history which sparked her early interest in history and indigenous culture. She spent many childhood years riding horses along the by-ways where Abe Lincoln and Blackhawk roamed and watching towboats on the river. After attending consolidated public schools, Beth was sent to a boarding school, Kemper Hall, Kenosha, WI, graduating and later attending the University of Wisconsin – Parkside, graduating with a B.A. in Fine Arts. After graduation, she did post-graduate studio art specializing in printmaking and clay sculpture in which creations were entered in juried Midwest art exhibitions. Later, Beth was employed in healthcare, safety, and workers compensation positions. After 35 years, she retired in 2016. As a side position, Beth was an ad-hoc certified safety instructor at her alma mater, University of Wisconsin – Parkside, from 1995 to 2005. Besides her personal interests, she is a mother, grandmother and wife. Other interests include indigenous American history, Colonial Fur Trade, Great Plain Indian War weaponry, antiques, and gardening. After moving to a high maintenance Greek Revival settler's home in Sheboygan Falls, WI, 25 years ago, Beth resumed her equestrianism leasing horses to ride in the Kettle Moraine areas. Deciding that she no longer wanted to take her chances as a daredevil, Beth reluctantly hung up her tack and saddles a couple of years ago. She and her husband, Tony, enjoy long yearly road-trips across the nation preferring the Great Plains.



Beth's 2nd Great Grandfather was James M. Dryden who served with Co. B of the 40th Iowa Infantry. He mustered out due to disability as a Sgt. Beth took a summer road-trip to visit his grave site in Illinois.

Welcome Beth!



Pine Ridge Reservation Update: July 2024

Charlene Staples, Past President of Tent 23 and Ellen Holly made their annual summer pilgrimage to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation to deliver school supplies, clothing and things needed by the veterans' shelter. Tent 23 donated \$100 for the purchase of supplies for this trip.