



Fort Tejon Historical Association

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P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

C A L E N D A R O F E V E N T S

- May 7- Frontier Army/Dragoons Living History and Parent/teacher training for SLHP at fort
- May 22-FTHA board meeting at fort-11am
- May 28-29- Civil War program at fort
- June 18- Victorian Tea Party at fort

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Dear Members and Friends,

The Fort Tejon Historical Association proudly invites you to our 33rd Annual Civil War reenactment at Fort Tejon on May 28th and 29th, 2016. Watch volunteers present skirmishes and demonstrate the tactics used in the eastern United States during the American Civil War. See troops of the Union and Confederate Armies, all authentically uniformed and equipped, meet the soldiers and civilians and tour their camps to see how they lived.

Presidential PRESS CONFERENCE with President Lincoln at 10:00 AM on Saturday. Saturday program also includes "Period" Base Ball game and an afternoon Battle at 3pm. On Sunday, two Battles of approximately 30-45 minutes each along with Gettysburg Address and the Surrender at Appomattox.

Enjoy the live entertainment by the Camp Carlton Band; See how the civilians lived as you walk through the Civilian Encampment; Visit the town tavern; Meet the Telegraph operator, town Post Office and Seamstress; and shop through the Sutlers' row.

Delicious tacos and burgers will be sold by Maria's Kitchen along with corresponding savory side dishes.

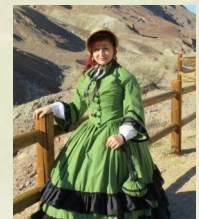
And much much more ...

Looking forward to having a "blast" with you and yours.

Your humble servant,

Karina Mooradian

FTHA President



V i c t o r i a n T e a P a r t y

On Saturday, June 18, 2016, the FTHA will be hosting our Annual Victorian Tea Party. Ladies and gentleman are invited to sip tea and lemonade and partake of delicious sandwiches, pastries, fruits and chocolates on the front porch of the Officer's House at Fort Tejon State Historic Park. Music, gentle games and a raffle will round out the afternoon. The festivities will begin at noon on June 18th. Attendees may choose to wear Victorian or Edwardian style clothing and hats but it is not required.

Advance reservations are necessary due to limited seating

Adults \$20

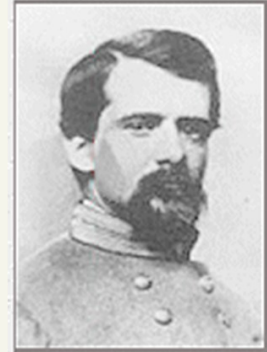
Children (7 years and older) \$12

Reservations by credit/debit cards and all questions are welcome at lindabosley66@gmail.com



CIVIL WAR ARTICLE

Major General John Pegram was born in Virginia, January 24, 1832. He was appointed a cadet from Virginia in the United States military academy, and was graduated in 1854, with promotion to brevet second lieutenant of dragoons. He served on frontier duty, first at Fort Tejon, Cal., and afterward at Fort Riley, Kan., where he was commissioned second lieutenant of dragoons, and at Forts Lookout and Randall, Dak. His duties in the west were relieved for a time in 1857, by assignment as assistant instructor of cavalry. Promoted to first lieutenant of the Second dragoons, he became adjutant of that regiment, and resumed his frontier service until 1858, when he was given leave of absence for two years for a tour of Europe. On his return he continued in the United States army until May 10, 1861, when he resigned.

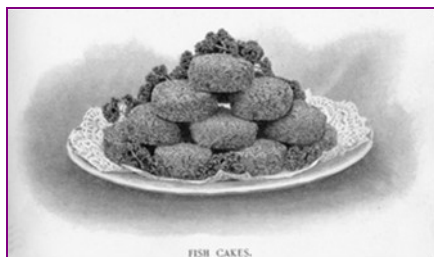


He was commissioned captain, corps of cavalry, C.S.A., and was promoted rapidly to higher grades. As lieutenant-colonel he participated in the operations of General Garnett's command about Beverly, W.Va., in the summer of 1861, and when confronted by the Federal forces in overwhelming numbers under McClellan and Rosecrans, Pegram was entrusted by Garnett with the command of one of the two bodies in which he divided his forces. A rear attack by Rosecrans compelled him to withdraw after a gallant fight, from Rich mountain, and two days later he was compelled to surrender with half his command. After his return to the army he was assigned to the staff of General Bragg at Tupelo, Miss., as chief of engineers, July, 1862, and later became chief of staff of Gen. E. Kirby Smith, in command in east Tennessee. In that capacity he participated in the Kentucky campaign and the battle of Richmond, where his services were gratefully recognized in the report of the general commanding.

In November he was promoted to brigadier-general and assigned to the command of a cavalry brigade-general and assigned to the command of a cavalry brigade of Tennesseans in Smith's army. With his brigade he participated in the battle of Murfreesboro, and subsequently was upon outpost duty and various active operations until the battle of Chickamauga, where he commanded a division of Forrest's cavalry corps. Subsequently he was transferred to the army of Northern Virginia and the infantry service, being given command of a brigade in Early's division of the Second corps, composed of the Thirteenth, Thirty-first, Forty-ninth, Fifty-second and Fifty-eighth Virginia regiments. With this gallant body of veterans he was in the campaign from the Rapidan to the James, and was particularly distinguished during the second day of the fight in the Wilderness, when his brigade repelled the persistent assaults of the Federals, determined to turn the flank of Ewell's corps. In command of Early's division he took part in the campaign against Sheridan in the Shenandoah valley in the fall of 1864, and after the return of these forces to the continued in command of the division, a part of Gordon's corps, throughout the winter. On February 6, 1865, he moved from camp to reconnoiter and was attacked by the enemy in heavy force on Hatcher's run. His men were pressed back in spite of a brave resistance until reinforced by the division of C. A. Evans, when the enemy was in turn forced to retire. After meeting a second check the Confederates reformed and charged again, driving the Federals, and in this moment of success, General Pegram fell mortally wounded. His death occurred on the same day.

Source: Evans, Clement, *Confederate Military History*, Volume III, Confederate Publishing Company, Atlanta, GA, 1899.

Ladies' Corner



Fish Cakes

- One pound of mashed potatoes
- Half a pound of cold minced cooked fish
- Half an ounce of butter
- One egg
- Three ounces of bread crumbs
- Three tablespoonful of bread crumbs
- Salt and pepper

Ingredients; Put the potatoes in a bowl and add the fish, salt, pepper and parsley, stir up and add the butter melted, and about two teaspoonful of the beaten egg. Mix well, dust the hands with flour and form the mixture into balls, then flatten into cakes half an inch thick. Brush over with beaten egg, then roll in the bread crumbs and fry to a nice light brown, using enough smoking fat to cover them.

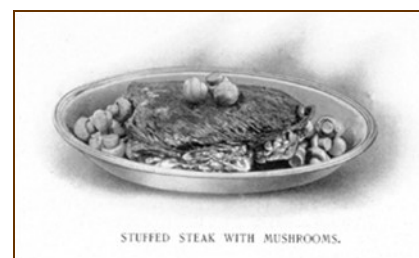
"All that I am
or ever hope
to be, I owe
to my angel
Mother"
— Abraham
Lincoln



Receipts

Stuffed Steak with Mushrooms

- One pound of thick tender steak
- Force meat
- Quarter pound of mushrooms or tomatoes
- One table spoonful of breadcrumbs
- One ounce of butter
- Half a teaspoonful of minced parsley
- Salt and pepper



Method; Heat up the butter in a frying pan and cut up small either the mushrooms or tomatoes and fry. Add next the seasoning, breadcrumb and parsley, insert a very sharp knife into the edge of the steak and create a pocket, fill with forcemeat; place a little butter on top and grill both sides of the steak.

Serve with butter, alternately the meat may be garnished with mushrooms.

M O T H E R ' S D A Y I S M A Y 8 T H

MOTHER'S SONGS

Songs my mother taught
me,
In the days long vanish'd
Seldom from her eyelids
Were the teardrops banish'd.
Now I teach my children
Each melodious measure,
Oft the teardrops flowing,
Oft they flow from my
mem'ry's treasure.

A picture memory brings to
me;
I look across the years and
see
Myself beside my mother's

knee.
I feel her gentle hand
restrain
My selfish moods, and
know again
A child's blind sense of
wrong and pain.
But wiser now,
a man gray grown,
My childhood's needs are
better known.
My mother's chastening
love I own.

— John Greenleaf Whit-
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Adjutant's Journal

EDITOR'S NOTES

Kind Readers,

Yep, It's officially Invitational season for board members of the FTHA. We have secured the lower parking lot off the access road from Tejon Ranch for re-enactor parking again this year. Additionally, there will be a new caterer, Maria's Kitchen from Taft. We have listened to re-enactor requests regarding the caterer. Maria's Kitchen will be open Saturday later in the day to sell drinks and snacks after the Post Store closes. Additionally, Maria's Kitchen will be serving breakfast on Sunday morning starting at 7am. Saturday night's Soiree will be held in the Barracks this year after the dance.

Judy and I are writing letters for Mail Call on Saturday. Thank you to Hampton's Legion for submitting names and ranks for letters. Please submit your lists to me at email below or Paul Canter, Civil War Program Director as soon as possible.

See last page of AJ for re-enactor schedule and information.

Your humble servant,

Linda Bosley

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DECORATION DAY

Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day. It originated in the years following the Civil War. The Civil War claimed more lives than any conflict in U.S. history, requiring the establishment of the country's first national cemeteries. By the late 1860's Americans in various towns and cities had begun holding Springtime tributes to these countless fallen soldiers, decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers.

On May 5, 1862, General John A. Logan called for a nation wide day of remembrance to be held later that month. "The 30th of May

1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land," he proclaimed. The date of Decoration Day, as he called it, was chosen because it wasn't the anniversary of any particular battle.

On the first Decoration Day, General James Garfield made a speech at Arlington National Cemetery, and 5,000 participants decorated the graves of the 20,000

Union and Confederate soldiers buried there.

Memorial Day, as Decoration Day became known, evolved to commemorate American military personnel who died in all wars. In 1968 Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three day weekend for federal employees; change went into effect in 1971.



33RD ANNUAL CIVIL WAR INVITATIONAL RE-ENACTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 28, 2016

Swap meet across from Post Store under trees on and around picnic tables * No set up before 7:30 please	8:00-9:30
Post Store will be open	9:00-2:30
Mail Call - pick up at Post Store	9:00-10:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pay Call with Fort Tejon money Soldiers must be in attendance to receive pay Each soldier will receive two punched bills to spend at Pay Call fly or Soiree 	11:00
Pay Call Fly across from Post Store <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spend Pay Call bills on period items 	11:30-1:30
Maria's Kitchen catering onsite	11:30-4:30
Base Ball Match U.S. vs. C.S. on Parade Ground	1:00
Officer's Call	2:00
Battalion Formation	2:30
BATTLE	3:00
Dinner on your own Dede's Tavern by reservation only	5:00-7:00
Dance across from Barracks *Must be in period attire to attend Soiree in the Barracks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Games of chance, music, refreshments. Fort Tejon punched money will buy one free beverage at the bar. Must be 21 years old for beer purchases 	6:30-dark 7:30-10:00

Sunday, May 29, 2016

Breakfast at Maria's Kitchen	7:00
Church Call at the Lebec Tree	8:00
Officer's Call Union and Confederate	9:30
Presidential Press Conference with Abraham Lincoln	10:00
Battalion formation	10:30
First BATTLE	11:00
Union and Confederate Camps open to public Artillery demonstrations	12:00
Camp Carleton Band plays in front of Post Store	12:30
Gettysburg Address by President Abraham Lincoln on porch of Officer's Quarters	1:00
Battalion formation	1:30
Second BATTLE	2:00
Appomattox Surrender on porch of Officer's Quarters	Immediately following 2nd battle
Raffle by Post Store	Approx. 3:30

Event will be open to the
public as follows:

Saturday—10am-5pm
Sunday—9am-4pm

