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YOUNG WOMEN MAKING HISTORY

On March 6th, Natalie Scott, one of Tent 23's duvs was elected to the position of State President of the Children of the American Revolution (CAR). Natalie, our junior historian is also a member of the Daughters of 1812.

Lauren Richardson, our youngest duv plays on the No. 1 rated soccer team in the state of Minnesota.



NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH March 1st – March 31st

Since 1995, presidents have issued a series of annual proclamations designating the month of March as "Women's History Month." These proclamations celebrate the contributions women have made to the United States and recognize the specific achievements women have made over the course of American history in a variety of different roles.

If you are not familiar with the National Museum for Women's History, I would like to introduce you!

The National Women's History Museum (NWHM) is a museum and an American history organization that "researches, collects and exhibits the contributions of women to the social, cultural, economic and political life of our nation in a context of world history." The NWHM was founded in 1996 by Karen Staser. It currently offers an online museum, educational programs, scholarship and research. All you need to do is "google" the National Women's History Museum and enjoy the website which offers numerous biographies, research resources, a study collection and library, public programs and events and extensive on-line exhibits. Since this is an "on-line only" museum, you can enjoy visiting this venue without leaving your home.



FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at The Walworth County Historical Society on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 6:30pm MARCH 2022

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REDEDICATION CEREMONY

STATUE OF COL. HANS C. HEG

15th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment

Civil War

Wisconsin State Capitol Grounds

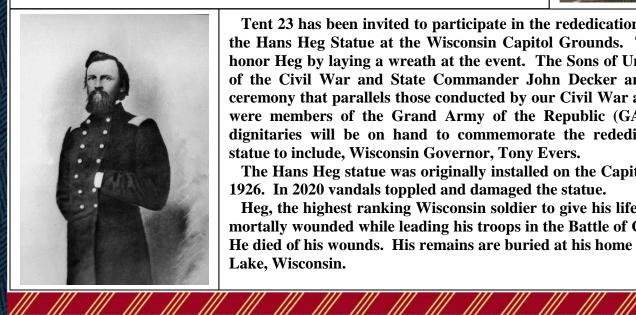
Sunday, May 29, 2022

1:00 PM

Music - By the 1st Brigade Band

Honoring Col. Hans Christian Heg, the highest ranking Wisconsin soldier to give his life in battle during the American Civil War.





Tent 23 has been invited to participate in the rededication ceremony of the Hans Heg Statue at the Wisconsin Capitol Grounds. The Tent will honor Heg by laying a wreath at the event. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and State Commander John Decker are planning a ceremony that parallels those conducted by our Civil War ancestors who were members of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). Several dignitaries will be on hand to commemorate the rededication of the statue to include, Wisconsin Governor, Tony Evers.

The Hans Heg statue was originally installed on the Capitol grounds in 1926. In 2020 vandals toppled and damaged the statue.

Heg, the highest ranking Wisconsin soldier to give his life in battle was mortally wounded while leading his troops in the Battle of Chickamauga. He died of his wounds. His remains are buried at his home town of Wind Lake, Wisconsin.

NEWS FLASH: NEW CIVL WAR FILM

A new Civil War film created by Joseph F. Wilson entitled "Civil War Dead-Dignity Denied is now available on YouTube. Check it out at:

Civil War Dead – Diginity Denied - YouTube

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HONORING THE IRISH BRIGADE

Tent 23 will honor the efforts of the 17th
Wisconsin
by sending a wreath to the Corinth National
Cemetery for Memorial
Day. The Tent will also send a wreath to the Memphis National
Cemetery to honor those Union soldiers buried there.

ST. PARTICK'S DAY TRADITIONS

Whether you are Irish or not, celebrating St. Patrick's Day has been a tradition in America since the immigration of our Irish ancestors. During the Civil War, the 17th Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry was known as the "Irish Brigade". They trained at Madison and mustered into service on March 15, 1862. The Brigade was instrumental in winning the battle of Corinth. Members of the 17th are pictured below.

It is very unlikely that our ancestors actually had time to celebrate March 17th during war time. Those who were left at home may have celebrated the following traditions:

- 1. Corned beef and cabbage as well as soda bread were choices for a St. Patrick's Day meal. The food was filling and cheap.
- 2. Shamrocks were worn to commemorate the homeland. The shamrock was a decorative plant that was worn on clothing and hats for those poorer folk when attending church on the 17th.
- 3. Children set traps in an effort to capture a leprechaun and the little fellow's pot of gold.
- 4. The first official St. Patrick's Day parade took place in New York on March 15, 1762.
- 5. The drowning of the shamrock takes place at the end of the celebrations on St. Patrick's Night when the shamrock is dunked into the last glass of whiskey then drunk during a toast to the saint. Afterwards, the plant is tossed over the left shoulder.







ERIN GO BRAGH

Attend the 131st Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War National Convention August 3 –August 7, 2022 at the Gettysburg Wyndham Hotel Gettysburg, Pennsylvania