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IN MEMORY OF BOB QUIST



ROBERT QUIST

April 4, 1943 - September 28, 2009

Bob Quist, a retired Woodrow Wilson and JFK Jr. High Schools teacher, passed away on Monday, September 28, 2009 at age 66. His wife, Judy, his brother Bruce Quist, and his sisters, Florence Koss and Nancy Aldinger, as well as 7 nephews, 4 nieces, 3 grand nephews and 7 grand nieces survive him.

Bob was born and raised in Two Harbors, MN. Here began his life long love of hunting, fishing, gardening, and picking up railroad spikes (for a nickel each) on the old railroad bed on the way to the family cabin on Coyote Lake. One of his favorite dishes was Kropkaker, a Swedish potato dumpling with salt pork in the middle.

During his high school days, Bob was a BMOC (Big Man on Campus). He played Varsity Football for Two Harbors High School and started at both defensive and offensive positions as guard and line-backer. Also, another little known fact, Bob was voted "Best Looking Male" of his graduating class.

Bob graduated from the University of Minnesota – Duluth with a BA and MA in History. After graduation, he initially had plans to join the Peace Corps. However, he ended up being recruited to teach

in Hanford, CA where he also met and married his beloved wife, Judy. For over 30 years, Bob taught social studies, journalism, and yearbook classes. He often spent the Christmas holidays coordinating yearbook updates and final edits to meet publishing deadlines.

Bob was very active in the community and served in numerous positions with St. James Lutheran Church, Lutheran Brotherhood, and Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Bob was also a member of La Casa Garden Club, the San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table, and the California Retired Teachers' Association. He loved to travel the world – particularly cruising – and his other great passion, photography, allowed him to capture many wonderful places and people.

Bob was our hero – a quietly elegant, unassuming and caring gentleman who was never afraid to take on responsibilities to further a good cause. He was someone who truly had the “Right Stuff.”

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, October 3rd at 11:00 am at Christ Lutheran Church located at 3830 W. Tulare Ave. in Visalia, CA. A reception will follow immediately after the service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bob's name to St. James Lutheran Church, 1780 Emma Lee Lane, Hanford, CA or to the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) in Bob's name to support stem cell research. The address for CIRM is 201 King St, 3rd Fl, San Francisco, CA 94107. Condolences and/or memories of Bob may also be posted on line at Legacy.com.

The San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table is now meeting the second Thursday of each month, except summer months, at the Ramada Inn, located at Shaw Ave. and Hwy 41 in Fresno. Social hour 5:30; Dinner 6:30-7:30PM; Speaker 7:30 PM

Just a Reminder

Please RSVP by Monday preceding our Thursday meeting and dinner with treasurer Walt Schulze via his e-mail at wschulze1@sbcglobal.net or with a phone call at 297-4481.



Evan Announces Artist Proof Prints for the Conference

The up-coming conference team is very happy to report that Don Troiani, Dan Nance and Rick Reeves, three of the country's preeminent Civil War artists, have donated prints to this year's preservation raffle.

"Sword of Virginia" by **Don Troiani** depicts Colonel F.G. Skinner and the 1st Virginia Infantry overrunning the 5th Maine Artillery at Second Manassas.

"The Darkest of All Decembers" by **Rick Reeves** depicts Army of Tennessee commander John Bell Hood in the opening moments of the battle of Nashville. "On Empty Rifles" by Rick Reeves depicts Confederate Major General Patrick Cleburne launching the last successful Confederate assault of the battle of Chattanooga.

Dan Nance has pledged to send an additional two prints from his studio in Charlotte, North Carolina. We are very proud to have this level of support from these artists.

For more information on the prints contact Evan Jones and then plan to purchase raffle tickets to bring one of these fine prints home with you for display.

San Joaquin

Valley Hosting 25th Annual West Coast Conference

Evan Jones has lined up noted speakers and Park Rangers to come to Fresno-Clovis on **October 23-25**, at the Clovis Veterans Memorial Building to examine **'The Campaign for Chattanooga'**. The conference line-up of speakers include:

Steven Woodworth - [Keynote Speaker]

Professor, Texas Christian University

James Ogden - Chief Historian, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Glenn Robertson - Director, Combat Studies Institute, Ft. Leavenworth

James Stanbery - Professor, Los Angeles Harbor College

Wiley Sword - Author/Historian

Lee White - Park Ranger, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Chris Young - Former Park Ranger, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Evan Jones - Former Park Ranger, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Plan now to attend the 25th West Coast Conference in 2009. Registration and more details can be obtained at the conference web site at

www.chattanooga2009.com

The Remaining 2009 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, October 8. Ginny and Tim Karlberg. "The California 100 in Fact and Legend".

Friday, October 2 to Sunday, October 4. The Civil War Revisited: Fresno's Kearney Park

Friday, October 23 to Sunday, October 25. 25th Annual Civil War Conference. **"The Campaigns for Chattanooga"**. Clovis Veterans Memorial Building.

Thursday, November 12. Mary Townsend. My great-great-grandfather Major General Peter Osterhaus.

Thursday, December 10. Christmas Party. TBA

The **2010** meeting dates for the SJVCWRT are January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, September 9, October 14, November 11, and Dec 9. Please mark your calendars.

David D

AFTER ACTION REPORT
SJVCWRT MEETING OF 9/10/09

By Ron Vaughan

We had only 14 persons present, but one was a newcomer, Henry Howison, from Exeter, that Mike Green recruited. He enjoyed the great dinner table discussion and meeting, and he promises to join and return!

Our treasurer Walt, reported our balance is \$10,394. The next board meeting is scheduled for 9/29 at Walt's house. More volunteers for Kearney Park Oct. 3rd and 3th are needed.

The program was Fred Bohmfalk's presentation on Baseball in the Civil War.

Fred began his talk in an usual way, by beginning with modern baseball and working backwards to the Civil War. He had lots of pictures of Baseball Hall of Fame members.

I will not relate this here, but focus on our period of interest.

Baseball played an important part in the lives of CW soldiers. Many attribute the invention of the game to Abner Doubleday and Alexander Cartwright in the 1830's and 40's. However, Fred said that the game came with the Pilgrims, along with cricket, which was still the most popular sport in the anti-bellum days. Doubleday's contribution was that he wrote down and published the rules

Early players had no gloves, batter caps, catcher's mask or chest protection. The balls were hard to come by, as it took skill to make them just right. Fred related that many CW foragers kept their eye out for baseballs, as a valuable acquisition. One could use them for play or sell them for a good price. A soldier who could make good baseballs could earn a lot of money. The early games had no home runs (no fenced playing fields), and catches after the first bounce were outs. There were no balls, strikes, nor fouls. A base runner could be put out, if a player fielder threw the ball and hit him. There were no rules against tripping or punching a runner. The pitcher just tried to get the ball over the plate for the batter to hit. Balls and strikes came into being as the result of a batter, who did not like the pitcher and his poor throws, so did not swing until 300 pitches had been thrown!

Baseball was played both North and South, even in prisons. But there were no documented North vs. South games. Fred told one story about a Union game where the ball was hit into the woods, and the fielder chased it into the woods, and disappeared. Later, they learned that Confederates captured him and the ball. They kept both as prisoners, and made him teach them the rules!

The San Joaquin Valley Civil War Round Table (SJCWRT)

Presents:

“The California 100 in Fact and Legend”
Speaking: Ginny and Tim Karlberg

Thursday, October 8th
6:30 p.m. for dinner
Reservations needed- \$18.00
Talk begins at 7:30 p.m.
Open to the public

Ramada Inn on Shaw at Hwy 41.

Information at www.sjcwrt.com

Dinner Reservations can be made with Walt Schulze via his e-mail at wschulze1@sbcglobal.net or calling him at 297-4481.

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