



# **SOUTH BAY CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE**

## **South Bay Civil War Roundtable Meeting Minutes – February 25, 2014**

**Meeting Location:** Holder's Country Inn – Cupertino, CA

### **Special Activities & Events:**

No Report

### **Officer Reports**

#### **President**

- Welcoming message to members & invited guests
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting; 25th year / 276th meeting
- Hal Jespersen developing maps for book being written by President
- Received email from Helen Trimpi who sent membership a portion of her poem "Melville's Letter to William Clark Russell" which includes references to Robert Gould Shaw and the 54<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts at Battery Wagner, July 18, 1863

#### **Vice President**

No Report Given – vacancy to be topic of future meeting

#### **Treasurer**

No Report Given

#### **Secretary**

- Distributed January meeting minutes
- Provided copy of Emancipation Proclamation
- Presented information of the Movie "Retreat From Gettysburg – Lee, Logistics, and the Pennsylvania Campaign" by Kent Masterson Brown (Possible future Club Meeting presentation)
- Civil War Quiz:
  - February: Jefferson Davis
  - March: What Happened During the Month of March 1861-1865?
- \$68 collected for book raffle

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## **Publicity Director**

No Report Given

## **Preservation**

No Report Given

## **Membership**

No Report Given

## **Historian**

Events associates with the 2th Anniversary of the South Bay Civil War Roundtable:

- First meeting: Feb 1989 – 8 people in attendance
- Other than December, only two months when no meetings were held
- Largest one-year membership count: 78 in 2007; Current membership count: 41
- 6 Lifetime members
- Longest continuous attending members: Sami & Gary Campagna (1993)
- 12 Club Presidents
- Most topics presented: Lincoln=16, Gettysburg=11
- Some topics presented: Myths, music, scandals, horses, photography, sex
- Presentations conducted by notable Civil War Historians: 7

## **February Presentation:**

Speaker: Tom Roza

Topic: The Swamp Angels – Robert Gould Shaw and the 54th  
Massachusetts Regiment

## **March Presentation:**

Speaker: Alan Sissenwein

Topic: An overview on the life and career of George Armstrong Custer