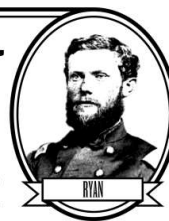




THE LEGACY

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE 140TH NEW YORK VOLUNTEER INFANTRY



Mission statement: This Corporation has been formed for the purpose of promoting charitable and educational aspects of the American Civil War; to teach the historical significance through activities, programs, and living history demonstrations; to authentically portray both Union soldiers from the 140th NYVI and Northern civilians - their life, clothing, equipment, actions, and battles; and to encourage family participation and the friendship of all who hold the same interest.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome to the 2024 reenactment season. On March 10, we will meet to choose which events we will support. The meeting will also be on Zoom so I hope as many of you as possible will attend one way or another.

This is a Kick-Off party so bring finger food and beverages to share. The unit will provide napkins, paper products, some beverages and ice.

There will be a free fun raffle for donated objects so if you have something you are willing to give away, bring it and we will raffle it.

There will also be a "Garage Sale" area so bring items you wish to sell. Be sure to put your name and prices on your items.

I have been filling all the offices of: President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Webmaster since the November election!! I hope some others will step up at this meeting to take some of those. We are not in compliance with our By-Laws!

Your servant,
Susan Berardi

VICE PRESIDENT'S SPOT

A serious conversation/discussion needs to take place at the March meeting as we

are on the fringe of violation of the by-laws and policies. We need to fill board positions to be in compliance with by-laws and policies and procedures. The President **can not** fulfill **THREE** positions. If this organization is going to be successful and survive we need people to step up to the plate and help support the organization.

Ruth Williams

CIVILIAN COORDINATOR

Hello all - hope you're making it through the winter in good shape and looking forward to spring like I am.

Thanks to those who came to the Buffalo History Museum for the Lincoln's Day celebration. The weather was crappy so I appreciate the turnout. Please save the date of April 6th for our Civilian seminar. We will be meeting in the Victorian house next to the Hull House and will be getting our own tour of the house. We will have 3-4 speakers mostly concentrating on impressions that you could portray and what's involved in portraying them. We have the house from 9-3 and will do a coffee/tea time before we start our talks and will break for lunch. Please bring your own lunch. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone. Also don't forget our kick off meeting March 10, 2:30 and the St. Patrick's Day parade in Buffalo Sunday March 17th. The 155th is looking for participants.

Cathy Curley

March Meeting Sunday, March 10

To be held at
2:30 PM at
Susan Berardi's complex

in Greece
at
**1175 Orchard View Dr.,
Rochester NY 14612**

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The meeting minutes and financial information are being posted on the unit's website. This information is not included in the legacy.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

I keep a roster of all members including dates of birth, address', emails, phone numbers, emergency contacts, and medical information. Please let me know when you change your address or email address. I also keep an address list with a lot of that information which is posted in the members only section so you can contact other members. Please also give any changes to either Cathy Curley, Civilian Coordinator, or Michael O'Connor, Military Commander, as appropriate, so we can send you information.

Susan Berardi,
Interim Secretary

TREASURER REPORT

I am still taking dues and can do so at the meeting, cash (right change please, \$20 single membership, \$30 family membership), check, or credit card payments accepted. Twenty-three (23) memberships have been paid so far out of a potential 47 memberships. I will send out reminders shortly to those who have not yet renewed their membership.

Susan Berardi,
Interim Treasurer

WEBMASTER REPORT

Our website is www.140thnyvi.org. There is a Members Only section you should be able to access with your own email and password. If you have not yet set it up or need help with it, let me know. Please visit our website before March 10th at least once and let me know if you like it as is or would like to see some changes.

Susan Berardi,
Interim Webmaster

NEWS

If you have items for sale, they can be posted in the next Legacy. Send information to RuthAnn Williams. You can also post on our unit Facebook page **140th NYVI LHG**.

ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

140th President is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: 140th General Meeting

Times: Mar 10, 2024 02:00 PM Board Meeting and
02:30 PM General Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85140241062?pwd=MXBkMkowTlF6dXZsaDdiSlhmOGILQT09>

Meeting ID: 851 4024 1062

Passcode: 599661

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85140241062?pwd=MXBkMkowTlF6dXZsaDdiSlhmOGILQT09>

Camp Fitz John Porter and the man it was named after:

The 140th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment organized and drilled at Camp Fitz-John Porter on the western bank of the Genesee River in Rochester, NY. Camp Fitz-John Porter was also the mustering location for the 108th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment, and Mack's 18th New York Independent Artillery Battery.

Fitz John Porter (August 31, 1822 – May 21, 1901) (sometimes written **Fitz John Porter** or **Fitz-John Porter**) was a career United States Army officer and a Union general during the American Civil War. He is most known for his performance at the Second Battle of Bull Run and his subsequent court martial.

Although Porter served well in the early battles of the Civil War, his military career was ruined by the controversial trial, which was called by his political rivals. After the war, he worked for almost 25 years to restore his tarnished reputation and was finally restored to the army's roll.

In 1862, Camp Fitz-John Porter was established in Monroe County, NY, one mile south of Rochester, NY, on the western bank of the Genesee River. The camp was the mustering location for the 108th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment the 140th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment and Mack's 18th Independent "Black Horse" artillery battery.^[14] In 2008 a historical marker was erected to mark the location. **Error! Filename not specified.**43°08'7.6"N 77°37'14.3"W

· In 1904, a statue of Porter designed by artist James E. Kelly was dedicated in Haven Park in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

In World War II, the United States liberty ship SS *FitzJohn Porter* was named in his honor. Porterstown Road in the town by the same name runs directly through the area where his forces were placed for the Battle of Sharpsburg.

His Portsmouth home is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.