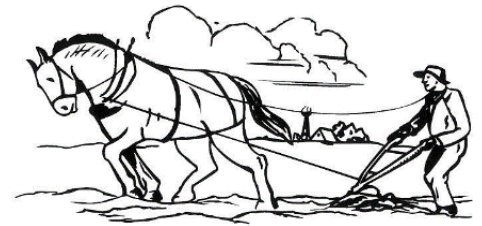


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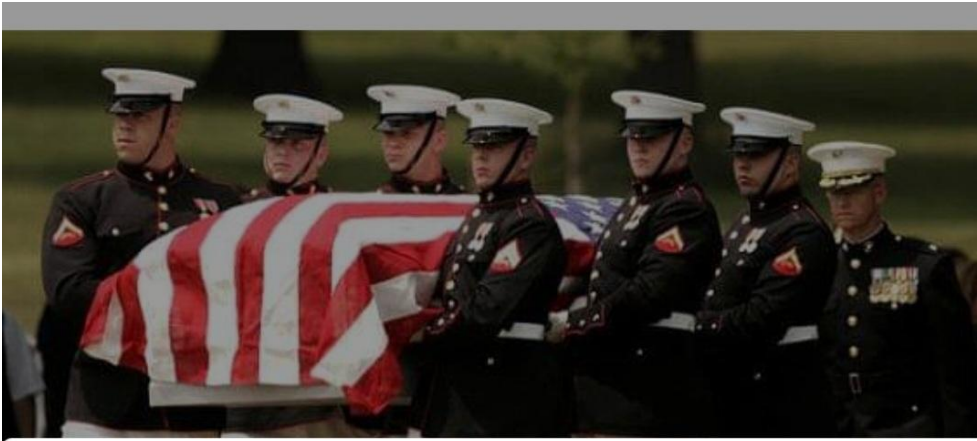
*Roseville Historical Society*

# MEMO



**Founded in 1977**

## How the Song "Taps" Came About



If any of you have ever been to a military funeral in which taps was played; this brings out a new meaning of it.

Here is something every American should know.

We in the United States have all heard the haunting song, 'Taps...' It's the song that gives us the lump in our throats and usually tears in our eyes.

But, do you know the story behind the song?

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Elli was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land.

During the night, Captain Elli heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment.

When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead.

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## RHS Board Information

The Roseville Historical Society Board met on April 21, 2022. The following decisions were made.

The May membership meeting will be held. Dick Wenkel will present the program - "Cutting Edge Technology on the Farm"

This will be the first meeting in 2 years. Welcome back members!

Jon Pillen resigned as vice president. President Kroschel appointed Dick Wenkel as vice president to complete Jon's term. Jon was appointed as co-heritage director.

It was decided to participate in the Rosefest parade. Jon Pillen will drive his pickup in the parade with members aboard. President Alyssa Kroschel will ride in the yellow car owned and driven by Wayne Griesel.

The Roseville Historical Society will have a table at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration in Central Park. Books, jam and dog treats will be sold and artifacts will be displayed.

Arrangements are being made for a picnic in the park with concert following. This will be a catered event. A postcard with information will be sent in June.

It was exciting to once again have activities for members to participate.

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### Important Dates

#### Membership Meetings

Monday, May 16, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.  
Program: "Cutting Edge Technology on the Farm"

Monday, Sept. 19, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 12, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Membership meetings are held in the Fireside Room at the Oval. Door prizes, snacks and fellowship provided at all meetings.

#### Board Meetings:

Thurs. Aug. 11, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.  
Thurs. Nov. 10, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.

Board meetings are held in the Aspen room at City Hall.



### Archivist Report

By LaVerne Dickhudt

Our artifacts are pretty stable right now.

We just received the history of B-Dale Club. It has a very interesting story.

The Club is still going strong.

Come in and look around.

It's always a challenge to keep things up-to-date.



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**Where liberty dwells, there is my country.**

***Benjamin Franklin***

## Heritage Report

By Sharon Pillen

Spring is slow to come, and it is hard waiting for the gardens to grow and my canning season to start. The aroma is always wonderful. Last year we had a late crop of rhubarb. Jam making started early this year with the freezer supply. We have nine different kinds of Rhubarb jam to sell, and will have jam available at the Rose Fest 4<sup>th</sup> of July table in the park.

Apple Butter, Rhubarb sauce, and pickled vandalia onion relish, pickled peppers of all kinds, pickled green beans, and cucumber relish are available. Call the office (651-792-7440) and leave your request.

Nancy Wenkel has been a busy beaver making those special children's aprons for our holiday boutique. Bonnets are always available at the office. Anyone having sewing or knitting ideas lets us know—we welcome you.

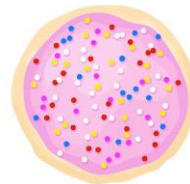
New ideas for our fundraiser always bring interest at our craft sale every fall. Granny's attic will be available with those special new and next to new treasures. If you are parting with your treasures let us know. Granny's attic has grown each year because of you.

We want to shout out and say **thank you** to all our members. Since December, you and your friends have been bringing in jars of all sizes, sugar, flour, tea cups, mugs and assortments of other items to use for packaging product. With your generosity, we have been able to keep our prices the same. Our customers love you also.

At our month-long sale in November, people picked up newsletters, brochures, books and business cards. We have received phone calls and orders for product that customers enjoyed last fall. One of the big items this Easter was the



sugar cookies---we had samples at our sale and the community fell in love. Fifteen dozen cookies were packaged for orders this spring along with the sale of jams.



We are looking for volunteers to come to the office and help with taking down one of our displays and putting up another. The goal was to do this once a quarter, but as you know with covid the city had to close their doors and we followed their guidelines.

We have artifacts of all kinds from the families of Roseville for all to enjoy. There is a tractor collection on display now. Come and take the test to jog your memory. If you have a yester-year collection and would like to have it on display please call. Our cabinets are locked and safe keeping for your items.

### Did you know 100 years ago -----?

- Sanka decaffeinated coffee was brought to America
- Henry Ford manufactures charcoal briquettes
- Invention of how to keep peanut butter from separating —product name was Peter Pan peanut butter.
- Vitamin E is discovered
- Vitamin D is identified and named
- Kellogg company setup the first test kitchen
- The popsicle was patented

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**The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.**

**Eleanor Roosevelt**

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The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the

face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial, despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted.

The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate.

But, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician.

The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted. The haunting melody, we now know as 'Taps' used at military funerals was born.

The words are:

Day is done.  
Gone the sun.  
From the lakes  
From the hills.  
From the sky.  
All is well.  
Safely rest.  
God is nigh.

Fading light.  
Dims the sight.  
And a star.

Gems the sky.  
Gleaming bright.  
From afar.  
Drawing nigh.  
Falls the night.

Thanks and praise.  
For our days.  
Neath the sun  
Neath the stars.  
Neath the sky  
As we go.  
This we know.  
God is nigh

We too have felt the chills while listening to 'Taps' but I have never seen all the words to the song until now. I also never knew the story behind the song.

We now have an even deeper respect for the song than we did before.

Remember Those Lost and Harmed While  
Serving Their Country.

Also, Remember Those Who Have Served  
and Returned; and for those presently  
serving in the Armed Forces.



Wayne DeHaven traveled in 2016 to Luxemburg and Belgium to see where he was wounded in WWII.



# Remembering the Mack Hotel

The Mack Hotel at Fairview and County Road C was built in 1963 by the McGough Company. At the time, it was the tallest building in Roseville – 4 stories! The fire department was concerned that it was so tall. It was all reinforced concrete and masonry. Thus, the hotel structure was fireproof. The fire department was convinced that it would be a safe building.

The Mack served the trucking industry that was so important in Roseville. People from the area enjoyed the food at the restaurant. The food was good and plentiful as they were feeding truckers.

The Mack was demolished in 1992. The site was developed by Twin Lakes Medical Center by the Ryan Company.



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MOTEL - Double Rooms			
	Rate	Tax	Total
ONE PERSON	23.95	1.44	25.39
TWO PERSON	27.95	1.68	29.63
THREE PERSON	31.95	1.92	33.87
FOUR PERSON	35.95	2.16	38.11
Children Under 12 - FREE			
HOTEL - Sleeping Rooms			
	Rate	Tax	Total
ONE DAY	13.95	.84	14.79
ONE WEEK	70.00	4.20	74.20
ONE MONTH	185.00	Tax Included	185.00
SECOND PERSON	Additional Charge		
\$4.00 Refundable Key and Phone Deposit On All Rooms			
<u>JUST SHOWER – NO ROOM \$2.75</u>			
Extra Cot in Motel Room \$5.00 Per Day Prices Subject to Change			



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Annual Membership  
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