



## Sergeant Jacob Eisele

By Br. David Eisele

Jacob Eisele was born November 11, 1840 in Stein, Baden, Germany and came with his parents to America, in 1852 at the age of twelve years and settled at New Albany Indiana. He enlisted in the war of the Rebellion on August 24, 1861, in Company H, Thirty-second Indiana Volunteers, and served three years, and received an honorable discharge.

Private Eisele was appointed Corporal on May 12, 1862 and on January 15, 1863 Jacob was promoted to Sergeant while stationed at Camp Drake Tennessee. On January 29, 1864 Jacob was detached to the 68 IVI and returned to the 32<sup>nd</sup> IVI on March 8, 1864.

Jacob was present or participated all the major battles that the 32<sup>nd</sup> IVI participated in:

- December 17, 1861 Rowlett's Station
- April 7, 1862, Shiloh, TN
- Spring of 1862, Siege of Corinth, MS
- January, 1 & 2, 1863, Stones River, TN
- June 24, 1863, Liberty Gap, TN
- September 19-20, 1863, Chickamauga, GA
- November 25, 1863, Missionary Ridge
- Winter 1863-64, Knoxville, TN campaign
- May - September 1864, Atlanta GA campaign

Jacob mustered out of the army September 7, 1864 and returned home to New Albany IN. In 1873 he moved his family to Sterling, IL, where he started a tailoring business. While living in Sterling he was a member of the Will Robinson post 274, G. A. R. and of the Rock River Lodge A. F. and A. M. and of Sterling Commandery, K. T. He remained in Sterling until his death October 5, 1910. He is buried at Riverside Cemetery in Sterling, IL.



## A Message from your Commander

Steve Aarli, Camp Commander  
John A. Logan Camp #26

I want to take this time to thank all of you for your support thus far this year and trust we will continue working together for the sake of "Our Boys In Blue". Also I want to say I am grateful for your support during the last few months and coming weeks leading up to and following my surgery. Thursday June 14 is the big day and I will keep you posted as to its outcome.

A number of our Camp members along with a couple of our ladies auxiliary members, worked on our first cannon restoration in Byron, IL., which consisted of sanding, power washing the twin cannons and fencing around the monument, then applying a coat of red primer, and then a coat of black enamel paint.

Memorial Day weekend was full with a Memorial service on Saturday May 26 in the GAR section at Greenwood Cemetery with the Logan Camp, Mary Logan ladies auxiliary and Rockford Zouaves taking part. Sunday May 27 we held a rededication Ceremony in Byron, IL for the CW cannon restoration we completed the week before. Monday May 28 we took part in the Rockford Memorial Day parade and hosted a program at Memorial Hall highlighting the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Shiloh or Pittsburgh Landing.

Our membership has fluctuated slightly with two members dropping and three transferring to other Camps. The good news is that we received two new members in June and anticipate two more joining in July as well as a few applications being handed out to a few other interested parties.

We plan to do another cannon restoration in the Lena cemetery later this summer in Lena, IL and if the weather holds out we plan a third one this fall in Rochelle, IL.

We were again well represented at the annual Dept. Encampment on May 12, 2012 in Sycamore, IL. PCC Terry stepped down as Dept. Commander after two years of leadership. CC Aarli and C Treas. Johnson were reelected as Dept. Sec. and Dept. Treasurer. PCC Zeien was reappointed Dept. Signals Officer and PDC Dyer was elected as one of the three Dept. Council members.

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### Veterans Day Concert & Living History Event

Featuring the 1st Brigade Band

All Camp & Auxiliary members are asked to reserve this date & plan on assisting with this epic event. Many volunteers will be needed! More details to come at meetings & via email.