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War and Women...

In the 60's, we saw many women wearing the uniforms of our Service Groups. But few if any were actually thrashing through the jungles of Viet Nam or Korea. Those that were, were generally members of a medical unit. The gals were not even permitted, officially, to fly the planes to aid the men below.

In the 90's we saw women boarding ships, carrying firearms with their cosmetic kits, and flying fighters to give protection. But the general public was up in arms. Putting women so close to harms way was not considered a patriotic thing to do. In the beginning of the 21st Century, it became a fact of life, as women marched aboard the waiting ships and transports right along with the men. Women were on the front lines, like it or not, women were piloting the bombers and fighters right along side their male counterparts, with some even outranking the males.

BUT let's go back to those days of the Civil War, also called the War Between The States. Back then women didn't have a rightful place in society, much less on the front lines. They were told to stay home, take care of the kids, and farm animals and cut up the sheets for bandages. Women didn't even have the right to vote. And they did what they were told to do. Believe it or not, there were about 400 women who actually infiltrated the ranks of BOTH the Union and Confederate Armies, right beside the men.. The difference was, that in most cases, the soldiers did not know that the soldier who was covering for them, filling their musket, handling the cannon balls was a woman from their village or the next farm one over. Woman were very much a part of fighting for freedom. However, the Adjutant General's Office had a rule - No Women! In either Army.

So how did the women manage to get right up there fighting alongside those grungy, sleep deprived, soggy, unshaven infantrymen. The women, who felt it was their duty, as well as the men, to fight, disguised themselves as men! Some fought to be with their husbands, some just wanted to make a difference. They smeared dirt and dust on their faces to look like they hadn't shaved their young growing beard. They snuck off into the woods to relieve themselves instead of using the battalion's overflowing trench that the men used to relieve themselves. They padded their clothes where necessary. Since many of the soldiers were young boys, who if they could fire a rifle, got into the army, not always by choice, the women got mistaken for these youngsters in size. The woman took male names, bound their breasts, padded the waists of their trousers, cut their hair short, some even wore false moustaches & learned to walk like men. They even learned to smoke cigars

What happened if they got shot? They either tried to take care of it themselves so not to be discovered, or some even got sent to the medical tent and unless the wound was in a tell tale place, the medics, who were often untrained in medical procedures, never bothered to investigate. If the women were found out, they didn't get paid, no matter how long they had fought, so they were very careful. One such interesting enlistee was Albert D.J. Cashier, a 19 year-old Irish immigrant who signed up August 3, 1862, with the Illinois Infantry. Light complexion, blue eyes, auburn hair, served until August 17, 1865, when the regiment was mustered out. Cashier participated in about 40 battles and skirmishes in those years. After the war, he worked as a laborer, eventually drew a pension, and finally went to live in an Illinois Soldiers Home where he lived till 1913, when a surgeon discovered he was a she. She lived all her adult life as a man, no one ever knew. She died in October 1914, in an insane asylum. Her deception had set off a storm of sensational newspaper stories, but she held her pension.

For other fascinating, startling, stories of the woman of the Civil War, they are alive in public libraries or good book stores, and on the internet.

What's Happening Today

Ballroom 1

9 AM Junior Handling (16 juniors)

Judge: Cheryl Kistler

12 :30 PM Veteran Dogs followed by Veteran Bitches (18 dogs, 28 bitches)

Followed by Winners Dog and Winners Bitch, Followed by Best Sled Dog, Best Bred By

9:45 AM Best of Breed (98 dogs, 76 bitches)

Lunch Break is at judges discretion

Banquet

6:30 PM Cocktails

7:00 PM Dinner

What's Happening Tomorrow

SHCA Board Meeting

A Special edition of the Siberian Sentinel will be available tonight at the annual banquet. This issue will include results from today's judging.

Show Chairpersons Bobbie Palmer and
Kate Gardner

Asst. Show Chairperson J. Charles Crabb

Todays Hospitality brought to you by ...



The SHC of Middle Tennessee and the Greater Atlanta SHC
(Morning 6:30 to 8:30)

And
The SHC of Greater Cleveland
(Evening 8 pm to ?)

Results ~ Friday

Dogs Open Dog #293 moved up to Best of Breed competition

Open Dog Absent 231,235,253,277,307,315

Final Cut 245,233,239,287,289,259,263,273,313
319,317,329

Veteran Dog Absent 713,717,729,741

1st	#273	Huskyland's JP Flash
2nd	#289	Neverending Captain Jack
3rd	#263	Snoborn's I Walk The Line
4th	#329	Diamond T's Comin On Strong

1st	#715	Ch. Chrisdon's Distant Thunder
2nd	#709	Ch. Seeonees Point Blank
3rd	#723	Ch. Topaz Black Ice
4th	#737	Kanunik's Rhythym N' Blues

Bitches

Open Bitch Absent 610,634,672,686,688,698

Final Cut 624,630,652,646,630,668,680,682,696,704,700

1st	#682	Icewind's Arwen At Sibernewf
2nd	#696	Indigo's Synama Wood Imp
3rd	#632	Trillium Blue's Cool As Ice
4th	#700	Cry Out Rebellion

Veteran Bitch Absent 762,764,788,798,750,768,788
,792,794,796,798

1st	#770	North Node's Open For Business
2nd	#744	Ch. Oshvah's The Devil Made Me Do It
3rd	#786	Ch. Alcinta's Red Lexus of Summerlin
4th	#776	Ch. Rockland's Daughter N Law

Winners Dog #157 from Bred By

Kontoki's A Bend In The Road

Reserve Winners Dog #273 from Open

Huskyland's JP Flash

Brace Absent 1117/1118

1st	#1126/1128	Ch. Highlander's Temptress Of Jo-Kar Snoebear's Silver Deduction
2nd	#1140/1142	Ch. Kayenta's Anasazi Kiva Ch. Kayenta's Aery
3rd	#1120/1122	Ch. Huskavarna's Foxy Cleopatra Ch. Huskavarna's Yeah Baby
4th	#1133/1134	Kayenta's Wildestar North Wind Kayenta's Rendezvous in Rio

Winners Bitch #494 from Bred By

Topaz Silver Lining

Reserve Winners Bitch from 12-18

Snoebear's Lady Merrick of Terkron

Team

1st	#1154/56 1158/60	Kayenta's Mischief Managed Ch. Kayenta's Anasazi Kiva Ch. Kayenta's Sacred Spirit Ch. Kayenta's Aery
2nd	#1147/48 1150/52	Kayenta's Wildestar North Wind Kayenta's Rendezvous In Rio Kayenta's Caribbean Breeze Ch. Wildestar Desert Wind
3rd	#1161/1163 1165/1167	Kimlan's Innisfree Ball O'Fire Innisfree's Southern Gentleman Ch. Innisfree Guardian Kimlan's Innisfree Fire Eater

All Results listed are unofficial ~ Please verify all wins