PORT ROYAL
Capture of Port Royal entrance, Beaufort, Big Tybee Island, and Port Royal Ferry

On [November 7, 1861], and at about the same hour, that General Grant was advancing on Belmont, the most powerful naval expedition that had ever been organized in this country was forcing its way into the entrance to Port Royal, on the coast of South Carolina.

A joint board of Navy and Army officers, held in Washington, had decided that the above locality answered best the existing requirements for a naval rendezvous, where vessels on the way to or from blockading squadrons could coal, and take refuge in case of need. After several months preparation the expedition was fitted out under the auspicious of both the navy and the army departments, and on the 21st of October, 1861, sailed from Annapolis, MD, for Hampton Roads, whence it departed, under sealed orders, eight days later.

The fleet, including the transports, coal, and other vessels, consisted of 77 all told. It was under the command of Commodore Samuel F. DuPont, and embraced the steam frigate Wabash, flagship; and the gunboats Augusta, Bienville, Curlew, Florida, Isaac P. Smith, Mohican, Ottawa, Penguin, Pocahontas, Pembina, R. B. Forbes, Seminole, Seneca, Unadilla; besides 23 transports, two steam tugs, 26 sailing vessels, and some

steam boats, ferry boats, etc.

The land forces were under the command of Brigadier-general T. W. Sherman (Thomas West Sherman), and were divided into three brigades. The first brigade comprised of the 46th, 47th and 48th New York Regiments, the 3rd New Hampshire Regiment, and the 8th Maine Regiment. The 2nd Brigade, comprised the 8th Michigan Regiment, the 50th PA and the PA “Roundhead” Volunteers, and the 79th New York Regiment. The 3rd Brigade comprised the 4th New Hampshire, 6th and 7th CT, and the 9th Maine Regiment.

In addition to the above were the 3rd Rhode Island and the 21st Massachusetts Regiments, as well as the New York volunteer engineer battalion, to which no place had as yet been assigned.

The fleet had very fine weather and a calm sea until after it had passed the much dreaded Cape Hatteras, when an unusually severe storm set in, and so completely scattered the vessels, that, on the morning of Saturday, the 2nd of November, but one of them could be seen from the flagship.

It was afterward found that four of the transports had been lost, and that two gunboats had saved themselves by throwing some of their guns overboard, whilst one of the steamers and two of the ferry boats had been compelled to go back to Fortress Monroe. The four lost transports were the Peerless, which sank after colliding with the Star of the South, sent to her assistance, and whose crew was saved by the gunboat Mohican, the Osceola and the Union, both of

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Commander-in-Chief’s Message

Greetings to my Loyal Legion Companions across the country, in foreign nations, and on active military duty throughout the world. It is my great pleasure and privilege to send this message as the 59th Commander-in-Chief. I follow in a long line of notable and distinguished leaders, and it will be my challenge to measure up to their examples of steadfastness and energy.

In particular, I want to pay special tribute to my immediate predecessor, Keith G. Harrison. His able and dedicated service over the past two years has led us to the Sesquicentennial era, where the Legion stands to gain increased attention and exposure. He has led the way in revising and improving our governing documents, and making them more accessible to the membership. He has represented us with distinction at public events and celebrations, participation in which is at the very core of our mission. He has set a high standard of leadership for us to follow.

We are members of an unusually historic Order -- the very first to arise from the service of Civil War veterans, and one which carries on today in an unbroken line from its founders. It lives today because of our passion, and our commitment. It is up to us to cherish it, and transmit it, safe and secure to our descendants, and in better shape than we found it. During my term as Commander-in-Chief, I will seek to continue a program of direct contact with as many Commanderies as possible. To that end, I ask state Commanders and Recorders to advise me of their meeting dates and places, so that I may schedule visits as feasible. On any questions or concerns, I invite Companions to seek out members of the leadership as needed, using the contact information found elsewhere in this Journal. We succeed best when we communicate most openly. I can be reached any time at richburd6165@yahoo.com, and at (804) 285-7310.

I will seek to open new areas of contact and cooperation with other, like-minded hereditary and

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WELCOME NEW COMPANIONS

The following Companions have joined the Military Order of the Loyal Legion since the Fall 2011 issue of the Journal, extends congratulations and a warm welcome to each one.

Insignia Number///Date///Commandery///Companion

Hereditary Companions (7)
22559 08/22/2011 VA William Madison Kennedy III
22561 09/04/2011 CA Walter Lewis Michener IV
22562 09/24/2011 VA John Charles Gilbert
22563 09/25/2011 OH Peter J. Hritsko, Jr.
22568 10/19/2011 VA Thomas Lawrence Dempsey
22569 11/03/2011 CA Thomas Talbott Graham
22570 11/02/2011 MA Joel Arthur Rodgers

Junior Life Hereditary Companions (2)
22567 10/19/2011 PA Adrian Vincent Rhinier
22566 10/19/2011 PA Cole Patrick DeCoursey

Associate Companions (3)
A250 09/25/2011 OH Robert Joseph Wolz
A251 09/25/2011 OH Timothy Michael Daley
A252 10/19/2011 PA James Arthur Jones, III

Honorary Companions (1)
22560 08/29/2011 CIC Luis Maldonado-Venegas

Col. Eric Rojo USA (R) Chancellor in Chief

Hereditary Membership Program

Our Hereditary Membership Program is in effect each fiscal year, October 1 through September 30. Here are the rules that apply to this program. Recruit a minimum of three (3) new Hereditary Companions and you will be rewarded with a Lincoln MOLLUS Certificate of Appreciation for meritorious service and a Lincoln Membership Medal of Honor presented by our current Commander-in-Chief. These two prestigious awards will be presented to you at our annual National Congress, the Lincoln Memorial Ceremony in Washington D.C. or at the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois. If you are unable to attend one of these three major functions, arrangements may be made to mail the certificate and medal to your home. This program is the lifeblood of our historic Military Order and will ensure our noble existence for countless generations to come.

Remembering “MOLLUS” In Your Will

After you provide for your family and other matters, would you consider including a memorial gift in you will to our hallowed Order? Your gift to the Loyal Legion Memorial Fund, which is tax deductible, would be used to support the preservation of battlefields, monuments and programs that serve to memorialize the Civil War. In this way you would be perpetuating the memory of your Civil War ancestors and fellow companions.
Jeffry C. Burden
Biography

Jeffry C. Burden, elected the fifty-ninth Commander-in-Chief on October 15, 2011, is the first member of the Virginia Commandery to hold that office.

Companion Burden was a founding member of the Virginia Commandery in 1997. He has served the Commandery as Commander and Recorder. He derives his Loyal Legion membership from the service of 1st Lt. Montraville Cyrus Bailey, of Co. I, 22nd Maine Volunteer Infantry. Aside from Lt. Bailey, he is a direct or collateral descendant of eight known other Union soldiers, including his great-great grandfather, 2nd Sgt. Milton Lingo, Co. G, 22nd Iowa Infantry. He has a cousin relationship to six known other Union soldiers.

Companion Burden was born in Los Angeles in 1960, and grew up both in northern and southern California. He began his undergraduate studies at the University of California-Irvine before continuing work at the University of Missouri. He received the Bachelor of Journalism degree from Mizzou in 1982. After three years as a television news reporter, producer and anchor in Fort Wayne, Indiana, he attended law school at the University of Richmond, and received his law degree in 1988. He has lived and worked in Virginia since, first in Alexandria and more recently in Richmond, where he is now a partner in a trust-and-estate law practice.

A longtime freelance writer on Civil War-related topics, Companion Burden’s works have appeared in America’s Civil War, Civil War Regiments, and the Washington Times, among other periodicals. In 2008, he edited and published Vanishing Footprints: The Twenty-Second Iowa Volunteer Infantry in the Civil War (Camp Pope Press), a previously-unpublished regimental history written by the 22nd’s adjutant, Samuel D. Pryce. Jeffry is recognized as a leading authority on that regiment. He is currently working on a study of the combat experience of Iowa troops in Virginia in 1864.

He is a regular guest speaker at National Park Service events around Richmond. In addition, he has been a featured speaker at the Des Moines Civil War Round Table; Pamplin Historical Park near Petersburg; annual conferences of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine; and at meetings of numerous heritage and historical groups throughout Virginia.

Companion Burden serves on the advisory committee for the Virginia Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee, and also serves on the Lincoln Bicentennial Sub-Committee of Virginia’s Martin Luther King Commission. The Lincoln sub-committee now is involved in planning observances for the sesquicentennial of the Emancipation Proclamation in 2013. In these roles, he has helped shape the Commonwealth’s commemorations while representing the Legion and its interests.

Another primary focus for Companion Burden has been Richmond’s historic Shockoe Hill Cemetery, burial place of Chief Justice John Marshall and famed Union spy Elizabeth Van Lew, among others. In 2002, he organized placement of a large marker to recognize more than 500 Union Army POWs buried near the cemetery during the War. A website, http://soldiersofshockoehill.com, recounts his and the Commandery’s efforts, which resulted in Companion Burden receiving the Loyal Legion’s Meritorious Service Medal in 2003. He currently serves as Board President of the “Friends of Shockoe Hill Cemetery”, a citizen’s group that develops public programs, and supports the City in preserving and maintaining the Cemetery and its grounds.

Companion Burden is a member of the Col. James D. Brady Camp #63, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War; and of the Connecticut State Society of the Society of the Cincinnati. He married Kathleen Decker, also a native Californian and the descendant of an Andersonville Prison survivor, in 1990. They have two children, Alex, a student at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va. (also a Companion); and Sarah, a student at Douglas Southall Freeman High School in Richmond.
historical organizations. Those efforts are already underway, and are already bearing fruit. In this era of the Sesquicentennial, the Loyal Legion stands to gain visibility and stature by our association with such groups, and we welcome those who wish to work with us.

I will oversee and encourage the fine efforts of our Companions who have been hard at work securing the future of the artifacts and paper documents that composed the old Civil War Library and Museum of Philadelphia, most of which were donated by Original Companions. Some of the artifacts of the Museum, now known as the Civil War Museum of Philadelphia (CWMP), are on short-term loan to the Gettysburg N.B.P., with the balance of those artifacts safely stored. The Board of the CWMP (on which the Legion is well represented) is working diligently to move the entire artifact collection into a suitable facility by 2014.

Meanwhile, negotiations are continuing to create an equally suitable home for the collection’s books and other paper documents -- a home that will maintain the historical integrity of those items and allow us unfettered access. I hope to have good news to pass along on that very soon.

I have been preaching the doctrine of local involvement in the Sesquicentennial for several years now. There is no national body overseeing this effort. If we are to take full advantage of the opportunities offered, we must do so at the local level. Don’t wait for an invitation -- volunteer to be part of commemorations and other events. Seek out those opportunities to march, or speak, or clean up, or whatever is useful. Display your affiliation proudly, and tell others about who we are and what we represent. Then, tell me what you are doing, so we can share the good news of your involvement.

One particular initiative that would benefit from our efforts at the local level is the marking of unmarked or poorly-marked graves of Civil War veterans. It is a surprisingly simple and efficient process to obtain markers from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and I and others with experience in the process would be happy to assist. Related to this, I am supporting an initiative now underway to appropriately mark the burial places of the Legion’s founders: Thomas Ellwood Zell, Samuel Brown Wylie Mitchell, and Peter Dirck Keyser. Mitchell and Zell, in particular, lack adequate recognition of their military service and of their leading roles in the founding of the Loyal Legion.

Our membership year runs from October 1 though September 30, and we have started this new membership year with a rush of applications. We must continue this welcome trend, and I urge all Companions to think how he might be able to bring new members to the fold. Many Companions maintain memberships in other hereditary organizations, and these are especially fertile grounds to find those who would appreciate membership with us.

When I assumed my duties as C-in-C in Philadelphia this fall, I related the story of a Companion who, some years ago, had told me of his various memberships and activities. But, he said, he wanted me to know that regardless of his other affiliations, “my heart is with the Legion.” I said in Philadelphia, and I say again, that my heart, too, is with the Legion - - with her health, her advancement, and her place among the noblest of military orders.

I look forward to the next two years as your Commander-in-Chief, and to what we can accomplish.

Loyal,
Jeffry Burden
Commander-in-Chief

Commander-in-Chief Burden receives his Commander’s Star

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http://videoboss.smugmug.com/MyGroups

Commander-in-Chief Burden participates at the 55th Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Gettysburg, PA November 19, 2011

Photo by Madeline Rock
William Wallace Robinson

William was born December 14, 1819 in Fairhaven, VT. Robinson’s father had been an officer in the War of 1812, his paternal grandfather Elias, “a patriot of the Revolution” by “standing with the Windham Conn. Militia during the Lexington Emergency” and his maternal grandfather served as a private in the 2nd CT Militia during the French and Indian War. Further his 3rd and 4th great grandfathers served in the Plymouth Colony Militia. His 3rd great grand father Samuel Fuller was killed in 1676 in King Phillips War, his 4th great grand father; Matthew Fuller served under Miles Standish and later was appointed captain of the Militia. He draws his name from his ancestor, Pastor John Robinson the head of the church at Leyden, Holland who organized the Mayflower expedition. Another ancestor, Edward Fuller sailed on the Mayflower and was a signatory of the Mayflower Compact.

Robinson studied at and obtained his teaching certificate from Rutland Academy in 1838 at the age of 19. His biography states that he attended classes (at least a summer program) at Capt. Alden Partridge’s Literary, Scientific and Military Academy (later Norwich University). He taught briefly in Vermont and in New Jersey then moving to Cleveland OH where he partnered with a William Murphy and ran the Cleveland Classical and English Academy. The venture was short-lived ending in 1842. That year he married Sarah Fisk, daughter of Daniel Fisk a wealthy Ohio potter.

When President Polk asked for volunteers to fight Mexico in 1846 Robinson volunteered his services to Capt. Chauncey Woodruff and was appointed 1st Lieutenant of that company which joined Col Samuel Curtiss’ 3rd Ohio Rifles. The regiment served mainly at Matamoras. About half way through the regiment’s muster Robinson was promoted to Captain when Capt Woodruff left.

Returning to Ohio, Robinson presumably returned to teaching but in 1850 his father-in-law sent him on an expedition to speculate land in Wisconsin. Robinson went to Wisconsin and bought land in what would become Sparta, WI. He returned to Ohio and in 1851 he, his wife and family as well as his father-in-law’s family moved to Sparta, becoming some of the first Europeans to permanently settle the area. As soon as the family settled, Robinson was off with a group of entrepreneurs to the gold fields of California. They constructed an 11 mile flume from the upper Sierras to the “Minnesota and Smith Diggings” selling water pressure for placer mining.

In 1855 he returned to Sparta and was there long enough to pack the family up and move them to Waseca Co., Minn. where he helped found the town of Wilton, engaging in law and running for the Inaugural Minnesota State Assembly in 1858. Defeated for the Assembly seat, he was appointed by Gov. Sibley as Colonel of the 9th Minnesota Militia. In 1859 he and his family returned to Sparta where he engaged in farming and drilled with troops of the local militia which was officered by his brother-in-law George A. Fisk.

After the outbreak of the Civil War, William volunteered his services to Gov. Randall and on Aug 15, 1861 he was commissioned as Lt. Col of the 7th Wisconsin Infantry. When Joseph Vandor resigned in January of 1862, Robinson was appointed his successor, Robinson participated in 36 of the 7th’s 48 engagements, was wounded severely in the leg at Bawner’s Farm which left him crippled for life. He missed the battles of 2nd Bull Run, South Mountain and Antietam while recovering from his wounds. His returning after he recovered from his wound, using a cane to support himself, probably gave him a greater credence as a commander with his men. When Solomon Meredith was injured on the first day of Gettysburg, Robinson assumed command of the “Iron Brigade” as its temporary commander. That “temporary” command lasted about 10 months. Robinson resigned his commission July 9, 1864 after been called before a fitness board by his division commander Lysander Cutler. The fitness board felt him fit to command a regiment but suggested that he give up the temporary brigade command he had held

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virtually since Gettysburg.

After the war he was appointed in 1875 by President Grant as Consul General to Madagascar, where he acquired a tea plantation and served there 12 years. A favorite of the island’s ruler, Queen Ranavalona II, he accompanied her on her 1882 tour of the U.S. and Europe after the Queen had requested his service from President Arthur. William served through the terms of four presidents and resigned upon the election of Grover Cleveland, a Democrat, returning home to Chippewa Falls, WI in 1887.

There is a family question of why William did not use his position as a Union senior officer before Grant’s second term in office to seek a position with the government. Found in Grant’s correspondence was a letter received in 1874 from William Jr. — 2nd Lt. William W. Robinson, Jr.

“In the Spring of 1873 while on your western tour, you had the kindness to give me a personal interview on the cars between Denver and Cheyenne in relation to an appointment for my father Col. William W. Robinson...”

He goes on to thank the President for his advice on the procedure and documentation needed and that he has enclosed same with the letter. It is noted that President Grant nominated William Sr. to be Consul to Tamatave, Madagascar on March 12, 1875. Papers of U.S. Grant, Vol. 30, Page 438

Returning to the states he became active in several veterans organizations, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, the James Comerford Post 68 of the GAR in Chippewa Falls, WI and the Iron Brigade Association, in which he was elected to the position of Senior Vice President in 1887. Robinson died in Seattle WA., April 27, 1903 and is buried in the Ft Lawton cemetery.

His son William Jr. was also a member of MOLLUS, listed as Lt Col, Quartermaster. William Jr. served as a private in Co. E of the 7th Wisconsin Vol Infantry, though after his father left. He had taken a deferred admission to West Point to join the 7th in March of 1865. When mustered out with the rest of the regiment in July 1865 he returned to West Point and graduated as a 2nd Lt in the 2nd Cavalry. He served a total of 41 years, in the 2nd and 7th Cavalry and then the Quartermaster Corps. As a Quartermaster he was responsible for building Ft. Lawton in Seattle (where his father, mother and brother are buried.) and as deputy Quartermaster General in Chicago was responsible for bringing Camp (now Fort) McCoy near Sparta, WI into the federal inventory of training locations. William Jr. retired as a Brigadier General in 1910 and died in 1917. He and his wife are buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Another son, Herbert, born too late to serve in the war was one of the 18 charter members of the Chippewa Falls Camp 59 “Son of Veterans” (forerunner of the SUVCW) formed in that city in 1889. Herbert was appointed the 1st Lieutenant and elected same at the first election in December.

The Herald, September 30, 1889, December 13, 1889, Chippewa Falls, WI

CDV Pic is from the Army Historical Center

The story of William Wallace Robinson is an excerpt from MOLLUS member Paul Johnson’s book “The Black Hats Speak.”
2012 LINCOLN BIRTHDAY ACTIVITIES IN
WASHINGTON, DC

Annual Business Meeting of Commandery-in-Chief, DC MOLLUS and DC DOLLUS (members and spouses only)
DATE/PLACE: Saturday, 11 February 2012 --- Channel Inn (Pier 7)
TIMES: 9:00 a.m. MOLLUS Board of Officers Meeting/Lower Level
10:30 p.m. DOLLUS Membership Meeting/Conference Room, 2nd Floor
11:30 p.m. Cash Bar, followed by Luncheon/ State Room
1:45 p.m. Buses load for Surratt House
2:00 p.m. Tour of Surratt House Museum (Van at Channel Inn at 1:30 pm)
COST: $27.00 per person for lunch (Members & spouses only)
$2.00 per person for Tour (for those registered – otherwise $15.00)
Reserve no later than February 5. PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL RESERVATIONS.

MILITARY ORDER OF THE LOYAL LEGION BIRTHDAY
DINNER

DATE: Saturday, 11 February 2012
TIME: 7:00 p.m. - Reception (Cash Bar)
8:00 p.m. - Patriotic Opening - U.S. Armed Forces Color Guard
8:15 p.m. - Dinner served with wine for toasts.
PLACE: Fort Lesley J. McNair Officers Club
Washington, DC (Bring Drivers License & Photo ID to enter)
SPEAKER: Kim B. Hollien, Professional Military Historian
PROGRAM: “Lincoln in Virginia”
ATTIRE: Black Tie/White Tie, or Uniform with decorations and orders for Gentlemen; Evening wear for Ladies.
COST: $65.00 per person
Reserve no later than February 5. PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL RESERVATIONS.

THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL CEREMONY

DATE: Sunday, 12 February 2012
TIME: 12 Noon (participants to arrive no later than 11:30 am.)
PLACE: Lincoln Memorial
ATTIRE: Warm Clothing, Van transportation available from Channel Inn beginning at 11:00 am
PROGRAM: The Ceremony Honoring President Abraham Lincoln’s 203rd birthday will begin at 12 Noon with a prelude of music by a Military Service Band at 1145 am. Members of the Third Infantry Regiment (Old Guard) will provide the Joint Services Color Guard and Honor Guard. The Gettysburg Address will be recited by Jack W. Klimp Lt Gen USMC (Ret), President and Chief Executive Officer, National Association for Uniformed Services.

Presentation of the Frederick Talley Drum Hunt Award will be presented by Cdr-in-Chief, MOLLUS to an honor student at the Severn School, Severna Park, MD. Wreaths will be placed by or for the President, the Diplomatic Corps, Secretary of the Interior, Mayor of the District of Columbia, Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee, and hereditary and patriotic societies. Program arranged and sponsored by the LBNCC, the National Park Service, and the Military District of Washington.

NOTE: Parking near the Memorial is extremely limited. There is limited parking along Ohio Drive. Van transportation to and from the Lincoln Memorial is available at the Channel Inn (site of the LBNCC luncheon) where indoor parking is also available.
**LINCOLN BIRTHDAY NATIONAL COMMEMORATIVE COMMITTEE LUNCHEON**

DATE: Sunday, February 12, 2012  
TIME:  
12:45 Cash Bar  
1:30 Luncheon  
PLACE: Channel Inn, Pier 7, 650 Water St. SW, Washington DC  
SPEAKER: Saundra Jordan, noted impersonator of historical figures  
PROGRAM: “A Visit with Mary Todd Lincoln”  
COST: $27.00 Per Person inclusive.  
PARKING: Three hours free parking in the Channel Inn Garage (underground)  
Reservations to be received no later than February 5.  
PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY RESERVATIONS.  

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**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**  
A block of 30 rooms has been reserved at the CHANNEL INN, 650 Water St. SW, Washington, DC,  
1-800-368-5668, at a rate of $139 including tax with free parking. When making reservations,  
be sure to  
state that you are with MOLLUS, (Confirmation # 181724) to get this special rate.  
Cancellations may be made no later than 24 hours prior to the arrival date.  

Other Hotels to be considered are (based on space available):  
*The Quincy Suites:* 1823 “L” Street, NW, Washington, DC -- 1-800-424-2970  
*Holiday Inn Central:* 15th & Rhode Island Ave., NW, Washington, DC – 1-800-248-0016  
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**THE LINCOLN GROUP OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DINNER**

DATE: Sunday, February 12, 2011  
PLACE: Channel Inn, Pier 7  
TIME:  
6:00 p.m. - Reception  
7:00 p.m. - Dinner  
8:00 p.m. - Program  
SPEAKER: For further information, go to [www.lincolngroup.org/feb2012.html](http://www.lincolngroup.org/feb2012.html)  
RESERVATIONS:  
Please make reservations BEFORE February 1st with Susan Dennis,  
3119 North Harrison St., Arlington, VA 22207-1514; or phone  
(H) 703-532-6188, or E-mail: dennisu@si.edu. Check website  
for further information: [www.lincolngroup.org](http://www.lincolngroup.org).  

ATTIRE: Business attire.
RESERVATION FORM

Please Complete and Mail not later than February 5, 2012 to:
Col. Robert D. Pollock
3504 Wilson Street
Fairfax, VA 22030

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11 BUSINESS LUNCH AND EVENING DINNER

Make check payable to DC, MOLLUS (PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL RESERVATIONS)

Registration—$25.00 each (2 days van service from Channel Inn)  No. ____ x $25.00 = $_______
MOLLUS, DOLLUS Business Meeting and Luncheon at Channel Inn  No. ____ x $27.00 = $_______
(Members & Spouses only)

Tour—Surratt House Museum  No. ____ x $2.00 (if registered) $15.00 (not registered) = $_______

Dinner Reservations at Fort McNair Officers’ Club
$65.00 per person - Guests Welcome  No. ____ x $65.00 = $_______

TOTAL ENCLOSED $_______

NAME: ____________________________________ Tel. # ________________ Email _____________________
GUESTS: ___________________________________________________________________________________

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LBNCC LUNCHEON

Sunday, 12 February 2012

Please return this form not later than February 5, 2012 to:
Peter Arrott Dixon, Chairman
111 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3803.

Make (Separate) Check Payable to “LBNCC”.
(PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY RESERVATIONS)

Please make the following reservations for the
LBNCC Luncheon at the Channel Inn, Sunday, Feb. 12.
Luncheon is $27.00 per person. (Please list guests).  No. ____ x $27.00 = $_______

Name: ____________________________________ Phone: _________________________
Email:_________________________________________________________________________

Guests: ______________________________________________________________________
56th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony

All are invited to participate in the 56th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS, commemorating the 147th Anniversary of President Lincoln’s death. It will be held at the Lincoln tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, IL at 10 AM on Saturday, April 14, 2012.

**Headquarters Hotel:** President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, 701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL 62701. The room rate is $90.99 for single/quad. A 10% dining discount at Lindsay’s Restaurant is included. Call 1-866-788-1860 for reservations and mention “Sons of Union Veterans”. Reserve your room by March 16, 2012. After this, the remaining blocked rooms will be released. **Shuttle service** will provide transportation between the tomb and the hotel.

**Wreaths** may be ordered from local Springfield florists. Instruct the florist to have the wreath delivered c/o the Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9 AM on Saturday, April 14th.

**Luncheon** will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 12 noon. The luncheon program will feature the Battlefield Balladeers, doing songs of the era with audience participation. Luncheon cost is $28 per person. Send registration form below to:

**Robert M. Petrovic, PDC**
6519 Cherokee Lane
Cedar Hill, MO 63016-2527

Make check payable to “National Organization, SUVCW”. Cancellation of lunch reservations must be made by no later than April 1st.

**The Dr. Benjamin Stephenson Memorial Service,** hosted by the Dept. of Illinois, will take place at his grave in Rose Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, IL, at 3 PM. The cemetery is located on IL Hwy. 123 on the east side of town. Traveling to Petersburg from Springfield, use Hwys. 29 and 123 or 97.

For event info, go to the SUVCW web site (suvcw.org) or contact Robert Petrovic at: rpetro7776@aol.com or 636-274-4567.

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**OBSERVANCE WREATH PRESENTATION**

(please print clearly)

Organization name in full: _____________________________________________
Name & title of wreath bearer: _________________________________________
e-mail address: _______________________________________________________
if no e-mail, home address: _____________________________________________
City, State, & Zip code: ________________________________________________

To insure listing in program, this notice MUST be received no later than April 1st at the address shown above.
I would like to reserve ____ seats on the shuttle bus from headquarters hotel to Tomb Ceremony and return to hotel. **Maximum of 60 seats on bus. First come, first served basis.**

**OBSERVANCE LUNCHEON**

Please accept ____ luncheon reservation(s). Please list name, e-mail address, home address & phone number of person responsible for picking up tickets at the door.
Name: _____________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________
Phone: _____________________________________________________________
City, State & Zip Code: ________________________________________________
Pork loin ________________________ Chicken Marsalla _____________________________

Include remittance of $28.00 per person for each luncheon reservation payable to National Organization SUVCW.
Reservations must be made by April 1st and cancellations by the same date in order to receive refund. There will be no extra tickets sold at the door. Make a copy of this form for your records and send original with remittance to:

**ROBERT M. PETROVIC, 6519 CHEROKEE LANE, CEDAR HILL, MO 63016**
**56th Annual Lincoln Tomb Observance**
Sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS

**OBSERVANCE WREATH PRESENTATION**
(please print clearly)

Organization name in full: ____________________________________________________________

Name & title of wreath bearer: _________________________________________________________

e-mail address: ___________________________________________________________________

if no e-mail, home address: ___________________________________________________________

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**OH Commandery News**

Members of the Ohio Commandery met at “Lawnfield,” the home of the late President and MOLLUS member James A. Garfield on September 10, 2011. Members first enjoyed fellowship and luncheon at Yours Truly Restaurant and were able to visit with Civil War Living Historians and Re-enactors all afternoon. Following the Ohio Commandery meeting, all members were invited in for a complimentary tour of the home which has had extensive restoration and preservation.

**Announcing:**
The Ohio Commandery cordially invites you to attend their Spring meeting and 150th Civil War Anniversary Activities on April 14, 2012. This will be held in conjunction with the anniversary of Andrew’s Raid and the great locomotive chase in Orrville, OH. This location was selected as 3 of the Raiders, William Bensinger, William Knight and Jacob Parrott resided in Wayne County, OH. These men were 3 Raiders that were awarded the Medal of Honor for hijacking the Confederate Steam Locomotive, “The General,” to disrupt the Confederate rail traffic and impede military supplies on June 14, 1862. Parrott moved to Wayne County after the war, and was awarded serial #1 of the Congressional Medal of Honor. Orrville remained a flourishing railway community after the war, and continued to be the site of many reunions. Join the OH Commandery in continuing the 150th Civil War Sesquicentennial.

**CT Commandery News**

On May 30, 2011, companions of the Connecticut Commandery placed flags on the graves of Civil War officers who were buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Hartford. Present Commander Bill Chase is shown placing a flag at the grave of George C. Brown and Past Commander Robb Storm is shown placing a flag at the grave of William H. Rogers.

**MO Commandery News**

Charles Edward Funck, III, Department Commander of the MOLLUS MO Commandery, and his wife, Ruth Marie Funck, PNP of the DUVCW and DOLLUS Chairperson of the Helen Soden Brady memorial Scholarship fund, on the 30th of 

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September 2011 were in Springfield, MO for the Dedication of the Civil War Orphans Home monument sponsored by the DUVCW Mary Whitney Phelps Tent 22.

In addition, the Funcks were at the James B. Eads Memorial Ironclad Cannon Dedication on the 8th of October 2011 which was located in the South St. Louis Square Park in the area of Carondelet. This was sponsored by the South Broadway Merchants Association and the SUVCW William T. Sherman Camp #65.

As one of the Michigan Civil War Sesquicentennial History Partners, the Commandery helped sponsor the Second Annual Civil War Sesquicentennial Conference at the Michigan Historical Center in Lansing, MI on 12 November 2011. Over one-hundred attendees discussed the events of this year and posted the 2012 schedule of events.

**Editor’s Notes:**

Wishing all Dames and Companions a Happy New Year! During 2012 I look forward to attending the Lincoln Birthday festivities, as many local and national 150th Civil War events as possible and the MOLLUS Congress and Remembrance Day in the fall. Please send any Civil War Anniversary events that you participate in during the year.

I thank the Administration for appointing me to another term as your Editor, and look forward to serving during this most exciting time in history.

Loyally,

Robert E. Rock

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Lincoln-Juarez Historical Literary Essay
Scholarship Competition for College Students, 2012

Entry Deadline
February 12, 2012
The essay contest is free. There is no application fee or anything to purchase.

Cash Awards
First Prize: $5000 USD
Second Prize: $3000 USD
Third Prize: $1000 USD

Introduction
As Mexico and the United States commemorate the Sesquicentennial of the US Civil War and the French intervention in Mexico, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) and the State of Puebla, Mexico have entered into a scholarly and historical partnership to ensure that there is ample opportunity during this period to explore the close relationship between both legitimate governments and in particular Presidents Lincoln and Juarez and how this relationship was in many ways key to the eventual victory’s by both. While both presidents had been corresponding and had committed support to each other, the first major event in this relationship is the Victory of the Mexican Army over the French Army in Puebla, Mexico, on May 5, 1862. This victory is a watershed event with short- and long-term repercussion and the focus of this first annual Scholarship Essay Competition.

Eligibility
1. The Lincoln-Juarez Historical Literary Essay Scholarship Competition (Scholarship) is open to all college students who are enrolled at the time of entry, anywhere in the United States of America, irrespective of citizenship or place of study. The Scholarship is not open to any persons, or their relatives, previously or currently affiliated with the MOLLUS in any capacity. There is no fee to participate.

2. Prospective entrants are directed to “Lincoln-Juarez Historical Literary Contest 2012” at http://suvcw.org/mollus/mi/mollus.html for rules and the Electronic Scholarship Entrance Form.

3. The topic, Lincoln-Juarez Annual Historical Literary Essay Scholarships for College Students, is to be the US Civil War and the French Intervention in Mexico and must address the “Battle of Puebla of the 5 de Mayo and its effect on the US Civil War.”

Rules
The MOLLUS in partnership with the Secretary of Education of the State of Puebla, Mexico are seeking to recognize, encourage, and reward scholarship among college students by offering the Lincoln-Juarez Historical Literary Essay. Rules for the Scholarship contest can be found on the MOLLUS Website:

http://suvcw.org/mollus/oldsave/Lincoln-JuarezEssaycontest.htm
which went ashore, and had all onboard made prisoners; and the Governor, whose 350 marines, under Major John George Reynolds, with the exception of a Corporal and six men, were saved by the frigate Sabine, [commanded by] Captain Ringgold, which happened to be in the view of its signs of distress.

The sealed orders which had been given each vessel of the expedition directed its rendezvous off Port Royal bar, where the Wabash and many others anchored on the morning of November 4th.

Additional arrivals followed in time, soundings were made under the united direction of Mr. Boutelle, of the Coast Survey, and Commander Charles H. Davis, fleet captain and chief of the Commodore’s staff, and on the 5th of November a reconnaissance of the Confederate works was made in force by Commander John Rodgers, of the Flag, and by General Wright, with the gunboats Curlew, I.P. Smith, Ottawa and Seneca.

These had not proceeded far up the channel when they were met by four Confederate steamers, with which a lively exchange of fire soon took place, they retreating as Federal gunboats advanced toward the batteries Hilton Head and at Bay Point opposite.

When with in range, the batteries opened on the Federals, as was naturally expected, and another engagement of nearly an hour ensued, when the object of the reconnaissance having been accomplished, the gunboats haled off.

It was decided to attack the forts the following day, but a high wind having come up, this was found impossible, and it was not until the 7th that it could be properly made. The forced delay in commencing operations had enabled the Confederates to strengthen their defenses. Earthworks had been put up wherever practicable.

The largest of all, named Fort Walker, stood on Hilton Head, contained twenty four guns, and was commanded by General T.F. Drayton, the brother of Captain Percival Drayton, of the gunboat Pocahontas. General Drayton had under him [the] Fifteenth South Carolina Regiment, three companies of [the] Ninth South Carolina Regiment, four companies of [the] Twelfth South Carolina Regiment, Captain Berry’s Georgia Volunteers, Captain Reed’s battery, and two companies of Wagner’s South Carolina Artillery. The second largest earth work was called Fort Beauregard, and stood at Bay Point. It was under the command of R.G. M. Dunovant, and held twenty guns, with 640 men belonging to Dunovant’s regiment and to the Beaufort Volunteer Artillery. The other earthworks held six guns. The Confederates had, besides, a small squadron of steamers, under the command of Commodore Josiah Tatnall.

Early on the 7th of November the fleet advanced in battle order, the Wabash at the head. Dupont’s plan of attack was to pass up between Forts Beauregard and Walker, receiving and returning the fire of both; then to turn around, and, with a flanking squadron provided against an attack in the rear from Tatnall’s [Confederate] steamers, to engage Fort Walker in front, after having enfiladed its water faces. This was carried out to the letter. The firing began a little before ten o’clock, and continued incessantly, until, at half past one, signal was given that both forts had been abandoned. The firing of the fleet had been made at very close quarters since noon, and evidences of its terrible effect were manifest when the forts were afterward taken possession of. Numbers of dead and dying lay amidst dismounted and shattered guns in all.
directions, the hospital building at Fort Walker being shot through and through in many places.

General Drayton’s force, as was afterward shown, had been obliged to abandon everything, and retreat hastily across an open space that lay for a distance of nearly a mile between the fort and some woods in the direction of Bluffton, whilst the men at Fort Beauregard had retreated to St. Helena, Cat and Port Royal Islands.

The transfer on shore of all the troops, who had unwillingly remained merely spectators of the engagement, was completed the same evening.

The loss of the fleet was eight killed and twenty-three wounded. None of the vessels were permanently damaged, though the Pawnee received nine shots, the Bienville five, and the Wabash was struck as many as thirty-four times, and made to leak badly.

The reoccupation of South Carolina soil was cause for great rejoicing throughout the north, and celebrations were rendered the more extensive when, by a General Order thanking the commanders of the expedition, the Secretaries of the Navy and Army directed that a salute be fired from each navy yard in honor of the event.

General Sherman set about fortifying Hilton head and Bay point, Fort Walker being called fort Welles, ad fort Beauregard named Fort Seward, while Commodore Dupont organized armed expeditions throughout the islands, which proved everywhere successful.

On the 9th of November, the city of Beaufort was captured, and its arsenal subsequently destroyed by the crew of the Seneca, and on the 25th of the same month Big Tybee Island, at the entrance of, and held in aid of the blockading squadron. All this was done without meeting any resistance whatever, the only stand made, in fact, by the Confederates being at Port Royal Ferry, when, as late as the 31st of December, 1861, an expedition was dispatched to destroy tier earthworks at that place.

It was understood that they ad some 8,000 men there under Generals Gregg and Pope. Commander C.R.P. Rogers took with him the Ellen, Ottawa, Pembina, Seneca, one ferryboat, and four of the large boats belonging to the Wabash, each carrying a twelve-pounder, and was joined by General Stevens, with the Forty-seventh, Forty-eighth ad Seventy-ninth New York, the eight Michigan, and the Fifteenth and One Hundredth Pennsylvania regiments.

While some of the vessels ascended Broad river and entered Whale Creek, the land force was carried on the other side through the Coosaw River, meeting near the Ferry, where, early the next morning, they attached the enemy doing quick work.

The Eighth Michigan Regiment was deployed as skirmishers, and soon came upon a masked battery, which, after a very bitter contest, was silenced with the aid of the Seventy-ninth New York and of the gunboats. These kept pouring a hot fire into the woods, which soon caused the Confederates to fall back, while another determined attack on the part of the fiftieth Pennsylvania Regiment, and the howitzers in the Wabash boats, completed the task.

The abandoned works were at once taken possession of by the Federals, who returned to Beaufort, after having burned and demolished every thing of any importance in the vicinity.

An excerpt from “Frank Leslie’s The Soldier in our Civil War” published by Stanley Bradley Publishing Co. 1893 NY & Atlanta, Vol I.
The Dames of the Loyal Legion held their 112th National Assembly at the Union League Club in Philadelphia on October 15, 2011. Members present included National President Monie Upham, National Sr. Vice Nancy Siedlarz, National Jr. Vice Lynne Bury, National Treasurer Florence Stanley, National Recorder Jean Bishop, National Historian Viola Bement, Loyal Legion Journal Committee Member Elizabeth Rock, and PA member Veronica Victor.

Helen Soden Brady Memorial Scholarship Fund

- Only a DOLLUS member can nominate a person (male or female) to receive said scholarship. It should be stated the relationship of the applicant to the DOLLUS member, who is writing the request for this scholarship.
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- Please list the college or university where the applicant will attend, the year in school, the course of study, and the year the applicant is expected to graduate.
- List any other activities and or awards received in school—also the applicant's Grade Point Average.
- List any activity in community service and any work experience.

This letter of recommendation by a DOLLUS member is to be sent to the Chr. of the Helen Soden Brady Memorial Scholarship Fund and received by this Chr. by June 1st. If more than one person is recommended for this scholarship, the interest monies will be divided among those peoples recommended.

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The “Loyal Legion” in the former Netherlands East Indies

In the more than 1000 Dutch language newspaper titles available at the Royal Library in The Hague (The Netherlands) the name “Loyal Legion” is only mentioned once.

On Saturday the 21th of October 1905 the military band of the Royal Netherlands Indies Army performed at the military club “Concordia” in Batavia, nowadays Jakarta (Indonesia). Since the 18th century until the 31th of December 1949 Indonesia was a Dutch colony. And of course their military officers needed some entertainment so the “Concordia club was erected in 1833. Alas this beautiful building was demolished in 1960.

The musical performance of that day started at 9 o’clock in the evening and contained 10 musical pieces like “Kwang Hsu” a Chinese march and “Geschichten aus dem Wienerwald”, a waltz by the famous Johann Strauss. The whole show started off with “The Loyal Legion March” by John Philip Sousa. The bandmaster was Nico Gerharz, who in December 1904 was appointed bandmaster to the Corps of Staff Musicians of the Royal Netherlands Indies Army at Batavia. In June 1915 he was promoted titular first lieutenant. According to the history of the “Concordia” club, the quality of the musical performances under his leadership improved substantially. In 1920 he returned to The Netherlands where he became –amongst others – the director of a radio orchestra.

Submitted by Anton Lutter, in the Netherlands

Rutherford B. Hayes Cup Award

Companion Peter Dixon, who has enriched the Loyal Legion through years of steadfast service, was honored with the award of the Rutherford B. Hayes Cup at the 2011 National Congress in Philadelphia. This award, given no more than once annually at the Annual Congress, honors those whose actions and accomplishments “have advanced the mission of, and brought great honor to, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.” It is the highest award the Commandery-in-Chief can make to a Companion, and we commend Peter for this distinction. He joins Companion Robert Girard Carroom, who was the 2010 recipient of the Hayes Cup in honor of his years of distinguished service.

The Commandery-in-Chief’s Membership Committee, which oversees awarding of the Hayes Cup, also oversees awarding of the Meritorious Service Medal. The MSM recognizes significant achievement by a Companion in the service of, or in an area of interest to, the Loyal Legion. It may be awarded to one or more persons at either the National Congress, or at the Mid-Winter Meeting held annually in February in the District of Columbia.

Junior Vice-C-in-C James Simons, chairman of the Membership Committee, welcomes nominations at any time for awards of the Hayes Cup and the MSM. Nominations must be in writing, and must state specifically and in detail why the nominated person should be considered for an award. The Committee will make its determinations based on the information contained within the nominations. Please contact him or Commander-in-Chief Jeffry Burden for details or instructions. Nominations for awards of the MSM at the Mid-Winter Meeting in February 2012 will be accepted through December 31, 2011. Let’s make sure we give our fellow Companions the recognition they deserve.
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