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**KUDOS:** Great job by the Department of Ohio in hosting the 137th National Encampment. See you all next year at the Atlanta Marriott Buckhead in Atlanta, GA.

*On The Cover: New Commander-in-Chief Ed Norris takes command. Photo by Ken Freshley, PCinC*



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## EDWARD J. NORRIS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF 2019-2020

At the 138th National Encampment in Independence, Ohio, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War elected Edward J. (Ed) Norris of Lancaster, Mass. as the 132nd Brother to hold the Commander-in-Chief position. He is the 3rd Commander-in-Chief from the Willie Grout Camp 25 and 16th from the Department of Massachusetts.

Brother Norris joined the Order on October 14, 2004. At his first meeting he was nominated as Junior Vice Commander. Being smart enough to decline he did accept being appointed as Patriotic Instructor. Two years later he was elected as Department Treasurer and held that position for five years; he later served another two years. He has served as Camp Commander for three noncontiguous years and as Department Commander for two years. Twice he was awarded the Roger L. Olsen Award as Outstanding Brother of the Year for the Department of Massachusetts.

His introduction to National was when Leo F. Kennedy, PCinC appointed him as National Guide and that same year he was the Installation Officer at the Department of New Hampshire Encampment; probably because everyone else was at a Council of Administration meeting. Later, Brother Norris served four years on the Council of Administration, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief and Chief-of-Staff for Perley E. Mellor, PCinC and Donald L. Martin, PCinC before becoming Commander-in-Chief. He vows to never be a Chief-of-Staff again.

Brother Norris served in the Sons of Veterans Reserve for a number of years before becoming Commander (Major) of the 1st Military District. Upon becoming Commander-in-Chief he transferred to the Inactive Reserves.

He became very interested in the Civil War after his then eleven-year-old son wanted to join the 9th Mass. Battery as a reenactor. Brother Norris started researching the Battery and discovered the Graves Registration Database. He contacted the local Graves Registration Officer who led him to the Order.

Brother Norris joined as an Associate and 18 months later discover four second great granduncles who served with honor. He had left the Smith family for last to research, otherwise that process would have been quicker.

He joined under James M. Smith of the Company C, 18th Regiment Maine Volunteer Infantry and Company C, 1st Maine Heavy Artillery where he served as a color sergeant and was wounded at Petersburg, Virginia. The other three brothers were: Eben E. Smith who enlisted in Company C, 26th Regiment Maine Volunteer Infantry and Company A, 11th Regiment Maine Volunteer Infantry and was wounded at Deep Bottom Run, Virginia; Josiah H. Smith of Company M, 1st Maine Volunteer Cavalry; and Seth T. Smith of Company A, 27th Regiment Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry.

Brother Norris has documented numerous cousins who also volunteered and were comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic. His cousins served in regiments for the states of Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Illinois, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

He is married to his best friend and love of his life and has three amazing children. He currently has one granddaughter.

Throughout his years with the Order, he realized our Brothers and Sisters offer an incredible support structure. Whenever something tough came up he found a Brother or Sister willing to assist. Brother Norris sincerely thanks them all.



## NEWLY ELECTED NATIONAL OFFICERS



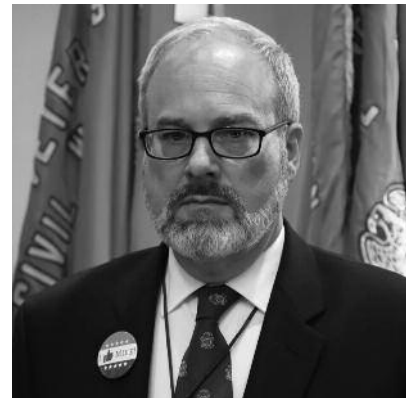
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18 August 2019

Synopsis of General Orders issued by Commander-in-Chief Edward J. Norris. The complete Order can be viewed on the Order's website.

**GENERAL ORDER #1**

1. To all of the Brothers in attendance at the 138th National Encampment in Independence, Ohio, I thank you for your continued support and faith in me. I want to thank the Brothers and Sisters of the Department of Ohio, their Department's Host Committee, and our National Host Committee for an outstanding encampment. Please start planning your trip to Atlanta, Georgia on August 13-16, 2020 for the 139th National Encampment. Let's make this one even grander.

2. My congratulations go out to the newly elected National Presidents: Jessica Booth, Woman's Relief Corps; Judy Baron, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Sandra Millin, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865; and Wanda Langdon, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I look forward to our organizations working together during the coming year in honoring our Boys in Blue.

3. The Commander-in-Chief headquarters is hereby transferred to 91 Kelly Drive, Lancaster, MA 01523. Mail for the Commander-in-Chief may be posted here. Electronic communications are the preferred method of correspondence and email is available at CinC@suvcw.org. Telephone communications are for urgent matters at 508-340-6859. Please, no calls after 10:30 PM eastern time.

4. The National Headquarters is located at 1 Lincoln Circle at Reservoir Park Suite 240, Harrisburg, PA 17103-2411; the phone number is 717-232-7000.

5. Financial correspondence for the Order will be sent to National Treasurer, D. Michael Beard, PDC at 17 Rubins Walk, Fredericksburg, VA 22405-2881. His email address is treasurer@suvcw.org and phone number is 540-604-6950.

6. All other correspondences for the Order to National Secretary, Jonathan Davis, PDC, 240 Merriman Dr. West Jefferson, OH 43162. His email address is secretary@suvcw.org and phone number is 614-745-6079.

7. The Commander-in-Chief's travel schedule and requests for reports will be coordinated by the

National Chief of Staff, James McGuire, PDC. He can be reached by email at signalofficer@suvcw.org and

phone at 401-525-8143. All National Officers and Committees shall file reports of their activities for the coming year, with one to support the November Council of Administration meeting, a second to support the Spring Council of Administration meeting, and a final for the 139th National Encampment. All Department Commanders shall file a report of activities occurring within their Departments upon the same schedule.

8. National Chaplain, Dr. Rev. Peter Preble, PCC, can be reached by email at rev.peter.preble@gmail.com and phone at 508-864-8095. He should be contacted to report a deceased Brother's full name, date of passing, Camp and Department name, and his Union ancestor's name, rank and regiment. Brother Preble will be sending a sympathy card, on behalf of the SUVCW, to the family if a name and address is provided.

9. Applications for Civil War Memorials grants will be sent to Brother Peter Hritsko, Jr, PDC, 12710 Darrow Rd., Vermilion, OH, 44089-9365; his email is CofA2@suvcw.org and phone number is 440-967-8002.

10. Requests for the SUVCW ROTC awards will be sent to National Quartermaster (ROTC

Coordinator), Brother Daryl V. VerStreate, Jr., PDC, 4300 Covell Road, Clyde, NY 14433; his email is rotc@suvcw.org and phone number is 585-305-9475.

11. All Camps and Departments are strongly encouraged to submit articles and photographs for The Banner to Brother James B. Pahl, PCinC, 445 W. Maple St., Mason, MI 48854-1519; his email is Banner@suvcw.org and phone number is 517-676-1471. Brother Pahl, PCinC has been appointed The Banner Editor by the Council of Administration for three years with a term ending August 2022.

12. The following National Special Committees will remain in place to serve the Order: National

Special Committee on Encampment Credentials, National Special Committee on Memorial University Redesign, National Special Committee on Real Sons & Daughters, National Special Committee on Website Redesign, and National Special Committee on Hereditary Issues (2021).

13. Per the 138th National Encampment, we have established a special five-year committee, with a term ending August 2024, to Negotiate Encampment Contracts with the Allied Orders. This committee will be chaired by Brother Mark Day, PCinC.

14. Per the 138th National Encampment, we have established a special two-year committee, with a term ending August 2021, to cooperate in honoring all those who have served our country patriotically in any war. This is one of our purposes as defined in our Federal Charter, Section 200302. This committee will be chaired by Brother Dexter Bishop, PDC.

15. Per the 138th National Encampment, we have



established a special one-year committee, with a term ending August 2020, to create a Monument Protection policy. This committee will be chaired by Brother Donald Shaw, PCinC.

16. I have started a new CinC appointed committee to allow our forms to be filled out and submitted by electronic means. Form 3: Membership Application, Form 30: Camp Status Report, Form 49: Certification of Election and Installation of Department Officers, and a single form/payment for National Encampments are the immediate targets. I envision this to be a two year effort. This committee will be chaired by Brother Brian Pierson, SVCinC.

17. Recruiting is always important. We survive by bringing in new blood. All new Brothers have some skill that will be beneficial to the Order. The new Brother might be an outstanding Treasurer, Patriotic Instructor, or

Graves Registration officer, and the possibilities are endless. Recruiting doesn't have to be difficult. Most of us have a brother, son, grandson, uncle or cousin who isn't a member. Our activities to remember our ancestors are an excellent family bonding experience. Many of us belong to other organizations that have members who could be potential Brothers. And, don't forget about potential Associate members as they can serve the Order in most positions and all activities.

18. Throughout my years with the Order, I realized our Brothers offer an incredible support structure. Whenever something tough came up I found a Brother willing to assist. No one should be afraid to reach for any position as there will be Brothers there to assist you in the betterment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. What will you run for next?

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**SYNOPSIS OF THE COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION MEETING  
AUGUST 8, 2019  
INDEPENDENCE, OHIO  
GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA**

(Note from the National Secretary) This is a synopsis of the minutes as edited by the Banner Editor. The full minutes will be posted on the Order's website and is the official version)

Commander-in-Chief Donald W. Shaw called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm on August 8, 2019 and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. The Programs and Policy Committee is working on a written information systems & financial records disaster contingency plan. They will then refer this to the Executive Director and have a final report by the Gettysburg CofA meeting.

2. The Programs and Policy Committee was tasked to make necessary corrections to the form 50, remove inconsistencies and create a proper sequence of events. There was a recommendation to amend National Regulations, Chapter I, Article 1, Section 1 and a preliminary report to be presented to the CofA by the Gettysburg meeting.

3. The National Treasurer was authorized to file a new application for a group exemption for all Departments and Camps to come under the National umbrella for 501c3 status. He needs to finish up verification of all Camps and Departments complying with General Order No 18.

4. A draft version of the modified fill-in Adobe Acrobat PDF Form 49 (Certification of Election and Installation of Department Officers) was provided to the CinC and Program & Policy committee. The CofA approved this update.

5. The Fraternal Relations Committee was allocated a small line item in the 2019-2020 budget (\$500) to support its efforts. Amended job description referred to the C&R committee.

6. Determined to reappoint a committee and continue with the work of identifying all the financial aspects requirements, facilities requirements and staffing requirements that are necessary to Establish a standalone Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War National headquarters by the year 2022, and which would bring both our administrative and quartermaster functions under one roof.

7. The National Special Committee on Website redesign was continued through the year 2021. The \$5,000 previously authorized was amended to \$5,500.

8. Determined to defer the reappointed a committee on the Allied Orders and National Encampments to the 2019 Post meeting, so that it can continue to work with the Allied Orders on Joint Encampment Agreements.

9. Program and Policy Committee to prepare an updated Form 3 and bring back to the CofA the issue of retiring form 60.

10. Authorized the National Graves Registration Officer to appoint grave registration liaison officers from the other Allied Orders to assist with Graves Registration database at his discretion.

Any Confederate grave discovered will not be entered into our database, but the information turned over to the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The National Committee on Promotion and Marketing to work on a plan to openly market ourselves and our graves registration database to genealogical groups and societies.

The CofA instructed the Technology Committee to work with the Graves Registration Committee to develop a program to add advertisement banners to some of our database pages and propose a plan as to how this would be implemented. To report back to the CofA by the Gettysburg CofA meeting. They are also to study the creation and possible marketing of a line of lineage items that can be personalized and sold thru a database web store. This could include certificates of Civil War Service, t-shirts or polo shirts and other items. This potential program should not interfere at all with the Quartermaster store or the Charitable Foundation operations.

11. The CofA authorized the Strategic Development Committee to continue to write a suitable case statement to support the initial phases of fundraising for the SUVCW. The case statement might be incorporated into the online fundraising page recommended below. The case statement will be reviewed and approved by the entire CoA prior to implementation. To report back to the CofA by the Gettysburg CofA.

The CoA that authorized the National Treasurer to contract with a company that will allow the SUVCW to collect online donations by check, credit card or PayPal. Further, the Webmaster would be authorized to work with the Treasurer in setting up the online giving page. The Treasurer will provide the proper budgetary location for any expenditure related to this effort. The contract along with a summary of any financial impact on the organization will be brought back to the entire CoA prior to execution.

The CoA also authorized the Strategic Development Committee to produce a presentation to be made at the Annual Encampment that would include a challenge to get 1,000 Brothers to commit to give just \$15 per month for three years. A small individual gift (\$540 total) can become increasingly significant when multiplied by 1,000. The total would yield \$540,000. It seems feasible that 1,000 members would commit to giving \$15 per month. And perhaps some would commit to give even



more. The presentation would be reviewed by the entire CoA prior to it being made at an Encampment.

## NEW BUSINESS

Eric Richhart was appointed as the National Expansion Officer for 2019-2020.

The CofA requested the Fraternal Relations Committee to take whatever steps to build a broader connection with the American Legion.

Meritorious Service award with Gold Star to Gene Mortorff approved.

Meritorious Service award with Gold Star to Dean Lamphere approved.

### SYNOPSIS OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING AUGUST 11, 2019 INDEPENDENCE, OHIO GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

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Commander-in-Chief Edward J, Norris called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm on August 11, 2019 and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Reviewed adopting a written information systems & financial records disaster contingency plan and to receive a report by the Gettysburg CofA meeting.

2. CofA directed Program and Policies Committee to amend Form 49 (Certification of Election and Installation of Department Officers) be updated to include the required office of Department GAR Records Officer and make this a fill-in Adobe Acrobat PDF form.

3. The Commander in Chief appointed a Special Committee on Monument Protection, being brothers Wolz, Pierson, Michael Paquette and Don Shaw.

4. The Commander in Chief appointed a Special Committee on Aid to Veterans to end in 2021, being brothers Dexter Bishop and Bruce Frail. Three more brothers remain to be appointed.

5. The CofA instructed the Programs and Policy Committee to develop a policy with respect to actions to be taken should an objection be raised to the installation of a duly election officer.

6. The CofA requested the Constitution and Regulations committee to study the idea of requiring all Departments and all Camps to have an appointed Assistant Secretary & Assistant Treasurer (or Assistant Secretary-Treasurer).

7. The CofA requested the Constitution and Regulations Committee to study National Regulations, Chapter II, Departments, Article I, Formation, Section 3 that when footnote 26 may have been established, that section 3 (a)

and (b) were dissolved! Therefore, language in section 11 and 12 below require correction as they reference data no longer in section 3 (a) and (b). Also, section 11 states "consolidated report"; (Department Annual Report Form 35?) and therefore 'consolidated should be changed to reflect the proper name of the annual report due to headquarters on or before May 31 of each year.

8. The National Quartermaster requested to track the number of Eagle Scout certificates given from Camps to Departments, then to National.

## National Patriotic Instructor

### Recommendations

9. The CofA discussed the Medal of Honor was the only national award available in the Civil War period to recognize the patriotism and bravery of individuals who performed above and beyond the call of duty and that the current government policy is no further awards are to be given. The Commander-in-Chief was asked to consider preparing and submitting through the offices of Senator Patrick Leahy, a letter I propose that the policy be reversed so that deserving persons can be recognized.

10. The CofA determined to end the committee on Battlefield Preservation and transfer those tasks to the Marketing and Promotions Committee.

## NEW BUSINESS

Commander-in-Chief Edward Norris presented certificate to Past Commander-in-Chief Donald Shaw for service during the year.

Conflict of Interest Policy Requirements. National Secretary J. Davis stated he will again email these out to the National officers hopefully within the next two weeks.

National Treasurer Beard stated budget was submitted during National Encampment was good except a few additional expenditures approved during the Encampment. Budget as amended at the Encampment was approved.

CofA determined the National Membership-at-Large dues for 2020 to remain the same

CofA determined the Life Membership reimbursements (pre-2001 Life memberships) to remain the same.

Discussion on the Electronic Boardroom. It was decided to continue to use current system.

CofA authorized the National Quartermaster to order a five year supply of PCinC badges.

CofA appointed James Pahl, PCinC as Banner editor for three years and authorized the CinC to enter into a new retainer agreement. The CofA also authorized compensation for the Banner Editor from \$500 per issue to \$600 per issue.

CofA approved Ken Freshley, PCinC as the Photographer and authorized the CinC to enter into a new one year retainer agreement with slight increases in the

fees and costs. National Secretary will prepare and send draft minutes of meetings for members of the CofA to review.

The CinC stated Military affairs appointment will be addressed in a General Order.

The CinC stated Memorial Grant Fund Committee will be addressed in a General Order.

CofA requested a Schedule of Forms be reviewed in the coming year.

CofA requested the National Encampment Site Selection Committee to review and edit the Program book

to Host a National Encampment and provide it to the Department of Georgia and South Carolina as soon as possible.

Paul Davis, PDC (Michigan) was appointed as National Press Secretary, but all items will be sent through the Commander-in-Chief.

Brother Paul Davis of the Department of Michigan appointed as National Press Secretary, but all items will be sent through the Commander-in-Chief.

The ASUVCW plans to start presenting a A.P. Davis Award, P&P will review.

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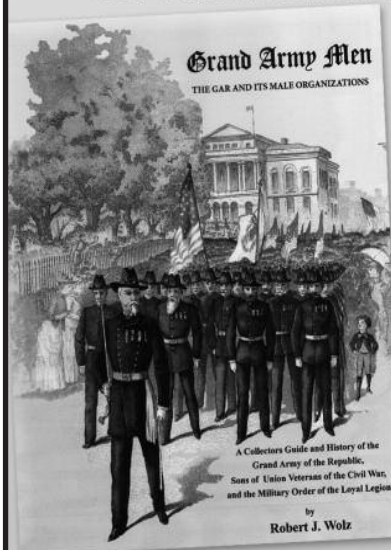
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## WANDA LANGDON ELECTED

On August 9, 2019, in Independence, Ohio, the 133rd ASUVCW National Encampment voted Wanda Langdon as the National President for 2019-2020.

Wanda was a founding member of the Sister Anthony O'Connell Auxiliary #10 in Cincinnati, Ohio and served as the first President. She served two years as the Department of Ohio President, and has served the National ASUVCW as Chief of Staff, Council, 2 terms as National Chaplain and National Webmaster and several Committees.

Her lineage includes four direct line ancestors who served the Union in the Civil War as well as many uncles and cousins. She has ancestors who fought in every war our country has been involved in and traces her lineage back to the Mayflower.

She also believes in passing on that heritage to our descendants and has two daughters and three granddaughters as members of the Auxiliary. In addition, her husband, Kerry is a member of the General William H. Lytle Camp #10 and PDC of Ohio. Their son-in-law is also a member of the camp as well as their 6 year old grandson who is a Junior Member.

Her theme for her administration is "HONOR our Heritage, our Ancestors and the Boys in Blue, SERVE our Community, our Veterans and our Country, and CELEBRATE each other.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The first principle of our Order is Fraternity. During the long-form initiation of a new brother into our Order the Camp Vice-Commander states; "Fraternity creates a bond that relates mankind. The golden chain of fraternal love links together in strong embrace the membership of any organization. The Order of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is bound by ties of more than common strength." He goes on to say; "our pledge and purpose are to stand together, elbow to elbow, shoulder to shoulder, as stood the line of Union Blue. In fraternity we greet you..." It is with these words that we reach out our hand of friendship and welcome the new brother into our ranks.

Fraternity is defined as; "the State of feeling of friendships and mutual support within a group." The Chaplain, whether he is Camp, Department, or National has the responsibility of "offering comfort and consolation to the afflicted" and in some way, extending the fraternity of the Order to those in need. I extend my hand as National Chaplain to make myself of service to the brothers and their families. Please know that I will be praying for all of you and do share with me not only your sorrows but your joys.

Blessings and Peace,  
*Chaplain Peter*



## ANNUAL LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY

All are invited to participate in the 64th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS, commemorating the 155th 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 18, 2020.

**Headquarters Hotel:** President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, 701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL 62701. The room rate is \$105.00 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 27, 2020.** After this, the remaining blocked rooms will be released.

**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 18th.

**Luncheon** will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 12:30PM. The luncheon program will feature a talk to be determined. Luncheon cost is \$35.00 per person.

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

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**THE FOLLOWING AWARDS WERE PRESENTED AT THE  
138TH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT IN INDEPENDENCE, OHIO 9-10 AUGUST 2019:**

**The Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star** – Michael Joseph Hammerson, (Ensign John Davis Camp #10, London, United Kingdom), L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., (Department of Michigan), Eugene G. Mortorff, (Department of the Chesapeake and the Pennsylvania Department).

**Meritorious Service Award** – Brian McManus, (Department of Wisconsin). Alan Teller, (Department of Indiana).

**The Doctor Mary Edwards Walker Award** – Denise B. Oman, (Auxiliary – Department of Wisconsin).

**The certificate of Recognition** – Donna Sword – (Upon recommendation from the Department of California & the Pacific).

**The Abraham Lincoln Commander in Chief Award** – Most Outstanding Camp – Hans Heg Camp #15, (Department of Wisconsin).

**The Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award** – Most Outstanding Brother – Michael Downs, (Department of Tennessee).

**The Augustus P. Davis** – Conrad Linder Award – Greatest number of new members – Department of Ohio.

**The U.S. Grant Cup** – Greatest percentage increase in membership – Department of Colorado & Wyoming.

**The Under Forty Award** – Greatest number of new members under age 40 – Department of Kentucky.

**The Marshall Hope Award** – Best Newsletter:  
Camp – General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47, (Department of Missouri).  
Department – Department of Nebraska

**The Joseph S. Rippey Award** – Best camp chartered within the last year – Thomas D. Osborne Camp #43, (Department of Colorado & Wyoming).

**The National Aide Award** – New member recruitment - Douglas K. Fidler, (Department of Tennessee).

**The Horace Greeley Award** – Best website  
Camp – Col. James D. Brady Camp #63, (Department of the Chesapeake).  
Department – Department of Nebraska

**The Elmer (Bud) Atkinson Lifetime Achievement Award** – Robert M. Petrovic, (Department of Missouri).

**The Founder's Award** – Gordon Shepard of Sanguis, Massachusetts.

A special plaque is awarded to **Chaplain Jerry Kowalski** in commemoration of 15 years of service to the SUVCW and/or SVR.

**Corby-Moody National Cahplains Award** – Brent Davidson, chaplain of the William T. Sherman Camp #93, (Ohio)





- OBITUARY -  
**DAVID HOBERT McREYNOLDS**  
**1954 - 2019**

David Hobert McReynolds, age 65 of Louisville, TN went to his Heavenly Home Saturday, July 27, 2019 after fighting a brave battle of cancer for the past 11 years. He received a BS in Accounting from The University of TN as well as a Masters Degree in Healthcare Finance from The University of SC. He retired from Ft Sanders Regional Hospital after 20 years of faithful service. David's favorite pastimes were exploring genealogy and civil war history. In the SUVCW, he was Past Camp Commander Maj. William A. McTeer Camp #39, Past Department Commander of the Department of Tennessee and National Treasurer.

David was a CPA and a member of the FHFMA. He received the Honorary Colonel of the State of Tennessee award from Governor Phil Bredesen in 2016.

He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Cindy McReynolds; children, Amy (Kevin) Fitzsimons, Joseph McReynolds, John (Lacey) McReynolds, Rachel McReynolds; grandchildren, Padraig Fitzsimons, Chloe McReynolds, Theodore McReynolds and Thaddeus McReynolds. The family would like to thank Covenant Home Health and Hospice for their exceptional care of David. Burial services were August 1.



## MEMBER-AT-LARGE

A sibling recently discovered our great-great-great-grandfather Norman F. Hewett had served in the Civil War in the 2nd Nebraska Cavalry. With a great desire to transmit concrete signs of their American heritage to my children led me recently to join the SUVCW.

I am the head of the Rome office of small American educational institution let me do so in an unusual way. We have half-a-dozen students enrolled in a year-long course focused on the Latin language. The has nothing about the US campaigns in Italy in World War II. So I offered an optional Memorial Day outing.

We visited archeological sites south-east of Rome along the road to Anzio with a stop at a museum dedicated to the Anzio Beachhead. Then to Nettuno, where the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery guards the mortal remains of the American war dead from the southern Italian campaigns. We attended an hour-long joint ceremony with national anthems, prayers, speeches and music from the diplomatic and military representatives of both Italy and the United States.



Eric E. Hewett



# FINAL MUSTER

At the close of the Eastern Orthodox funeral service, the people assembled sing a refrain with the words, Memory Eternal. These words of remembrance are sung three times in a slow cadence while the bell of the church tolls. Before the last refrain, the priest calls out, "From generation to generation, let their memory be eternal." These words serve as a reminder to the loved one's family and friends that they are responsible for keeping their memory alive. We say goodbye to the brothers listed below, and I hope that we keep their memories green in our minds so that their legacy lives on.

Blessings and Peace,  
*Chaplain Peter*

**Richard Tyson Burns, PCC**  
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(California/Pacific)  
5/9/2019

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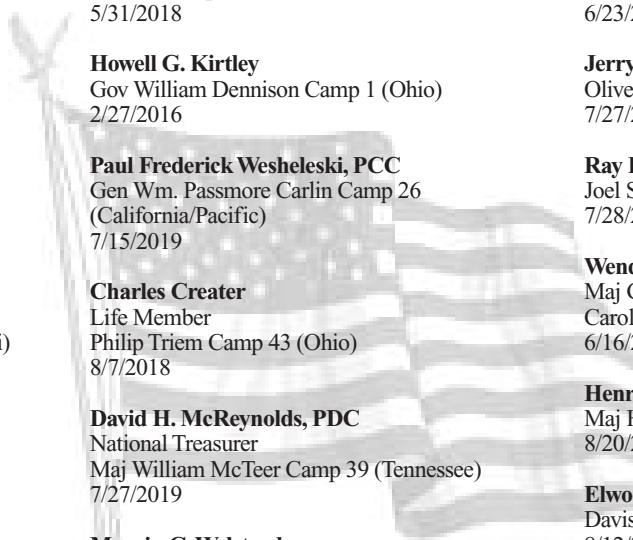
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Hello Brothers,

I hope to have a great year of growth and prosperity for the order. My 2019-2020 term will be focusing on passing on some tips and tricks on how to perform our mission of preserving the memory of those Soldier's Sailors Marines and Revenue Cutter Servicemen who served in the American Civil War. I would like to implore all Department and Camp Patriotic Instructors to come up with some sort of program in which to present a history of the GAR and SUVCW at local Libraries and Historical Societies.

Most of these groups are located on line or over social media where you can find a contact person to coordinate a display or presentation with. Ensure that your presentation does not turn into "Death by PowerPoint". Ask questions while you are going along and engage your audience. Encourage them to ask questions throughout the presentation, or ask at certain points if anyone has any questions. Most importantly, make sure your presentation ends with a "Contact Us" page. This page should have your Camp or Department's Jr. Vice Commanders contact information on it at a bare minimum. It should also include Meeting Dates, Times and Locations, Website and any social media platform your Camp or Department are on. It is also a good idea to have contact information for the local Auxiliary, DUVCW, LGAR or WRC group so that any lady in attendance knows there are options for them as well. A nice piece to include in your presentation would be how your local GAR or SUVCW contributed and continues to contribute not only to the boys in blue, but to those who continue to serve our great nation. If your camp goes to the local VA for social events or helps in clothing and book drives for a soldier's home, make sure you let the people know that this is also part of our mission.

You want to make sure you leave enough time at the end of your presentation for questions and free discussion as members of the audience will come up to you afterwards to attempt to talk 1:1. These 1:1 opportunities are key as typically these are the people that are interested in joining the Allied Orders. Make sure that any question you do not know the answer to, you let the asking party know that you will get their information after the presentation look it up and get back to them. We do not want to be giving people wrong information, and they will appreciate and respect you and the program for it. We must always remember that we are representing a group that no longer can speak for themselves, because of this we must be extra vigilant in researching our presentations and ensuring that they are as accurate as possible. It would also be wise for us to have multiple presentations so we can rotate through the same locations multiple times in a calendar year. These are some simple steps we can take to help preserve the memories of these brave men and help make our order grow.

In Fraternity Charity, and Loyalty,  
National Patriotic Instructor  
Ben Frail, PDC  
patrioticinstructor@suvchw.org

## CALIFORNIA / PACIFIC

The Senator Edward Dickinson Baker Camp 31 in Henderson, NV held its organizational meeting on June 5, 2019 in Las Vegas. Members met, elected officers, adopted bylaws, and handled other housekeeping issues to complete organization. Once all is said and done, the new camp should have 10+ members, several who are also joining the SVR.



naval knot tying, photography during the war and artillery demonstrations. Also included were infantry drill, mail call, pay call, manual of arms and a mock battle at the end of the day. Some of the presentation highlights included tent setup competition, bedroll making and talks for the parents throughout day. New activities this year included learning to man an artillery piece and a 3D photography presentation.



## CHESAPEAKE

Wheeling, West Virginia observed Memorial Day on Monday, May 27, 2019, with the rededication of the Soldiers & Sailors Monument. Featuring Lady Liberty over a soldier and sailor the monument is dedicated "To the Defenders of the Union 1861-1865." The Soldiers Aid Society of Wheeling erected it in 1880 after several years of fundraising.



Photograph by Stephen Brightwell of the West Virginia Department of Culture, Arts, & History.

The Wooster-Russell Camp 22 participated in a ceremony at the Derby Historical Society in which a display about Sgt. Charles Tatten of the 29th Connecticut Infantry was unveiled.

On hand were descendants of Sgt. Tatten along with members a Revolutionary War color guard.

The 29th Connecticut was that state's only all-black infantry regiment and one of just four to retain its identity after the Union Army's black soldiers were incorporated into the US Color Troops. Colonel



## FLORIDA

The Tampa Bay Rays Baseball Team invited the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Lucius L. Mitchell Camp No. 4, of St. Cloud, to present the National Colors during the National Anthem ceremonies on Sunday, July 21, 2019 at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg.

## CONNECTICUT

The Alden Skinner Camp #45 Sons of Union Veterans in conjunction with the 14th Connecticut Volunteer Infantry Company G and The Strong Farm Foundation sponsored their 3rd Annual Kid's Civil War Camp April 27th in Vernon Connecticut. The camp was conducted for children ranging in ages from 6 to 14. Thirty-Five children signed up for a full day of Civil War related activities. The activities during the day involved mustering in the soldier, medical services, use of the signal flag, camp life, cooking, period church service,



Memorial Day Ceremony was conducted by Department of Florida Camp # 2 at an abandoned Army Cemetery near the site of the original Fort Myers Fort. The Cemetery contains the Veteran burials from the 2nd Seminole Indian War and the Civil War.



### GEORGIA / SOUTH CAROLINA

On July 27th, the Battle of Atlanta Memorial Association, accepted a check for \$1,000 from the Department of Georgia and South Carolina to assist in the restoration of the death site memorial for General James B. McPherson. Elias Moon Camp #2 has been participating for the last 15 years in ceremonies held at the site to mark Gen. McPherson's loss. The monument, which was once the responsibility of the Atlanta GAR, received a donation for \$3,500 in 2016 from the Department.



During the regular Kennesaw Mountain #3 camp meeting on May 25, Brother Harry Vaughn Jr. received the SUCVW War Service Medal for his service at the end of WWII and during the Korean War. The SUCVW War Service medal was awarded in recognition of his service and 90th birthday.



### ILLINOIS

On May 19th, John A. Logan Camp #26 participated in a rededication of Veterans Memorial Circle at the intersection of North Main and Auburn in Rockford, IL. The Camp's role was sharing the Color Guard function with Auburn High School's JROTC. Those present included local officials, veterans' organizations, and Churchill's Grove Neighborhood Association.



On May 27th, John A. Logan Camp #26 and Mary Logan Auxiliary participated in the 149th Annual Memorial Day Service at Kishwaukee Community Church in Stillman Valley, IL. Approximately 150 people were in attendance.

### INDIANA

On June 14, Boy Scout Troop 120 honorably retired 2,000 United States flags in Southport, Indiana. Jim Floyd, Junior Vice Department Commander of the Department of Indiana, and member of the 27th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Sons of Veterans Reserve sounded taps to conclude the retirement service.



The John W. Foster Camp #2 joined with the University of Southern Indiana's Archives and Special Collections, Veterans Council of Vanderburgh County, Indiana, Inc. and the Vanderburgh County Commissioner in an initiative to protect and preserve historic records, documents, and photographs pertaining to the Civil War era and subsequent Civil War veterans' activities housed in the Vanderburgh County Coliseum.

The Coliseum is home to a large quantity of historic records, documents, and photographs of the Civil War era, including the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) and its allied orders. University of Southern Indiana (with

its expertise, faculty, staff, resources, and facilities will perform basic preservation and conservation on the materials to protect and restore them. Once completed, select materials will be scanned for online display.

## KANSAS

Humboldt Camp No. 9 had the privilege to have the Department of Kansas Commander, Michael Todd, attend their July Camp meeting on the Commander's mission to visit each camp in the state this year.



## KENTUCKY

The Department of Kentucky Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War held a stone dedication for two Kentucky Civil War officers at Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville, Ky. on 26 May 2019. The two officers had no markers identifying them, and new markers were dedicated, including members of The Sons of Veterans Reserve Co A, 1st Capital Guards and the 6th Ky Volunteers.



## MASSACHUSETTS

In the early 1870's, Charles Russell Lowell Post of the Grand Army of the Republic, purchased a cemetery plot in Boston's Mount Hope Cemetery. The plot was dedicated 29 October 1873 and the brass plaque on one of the cannons used at the centerpiece of the plot reads "This lot purchased and monument erected by encampment Charles Russell Lowell Post 7 of Boston Grand Army of the Republic Department of Massachusetts dedicated October 29, 1873"

With the Department authorizing funding, it is now engaged in a major project to straighten the stones, clean them and partner with the cemetery and Parks Department in a long term restoration project, including

assistance from a member of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



June 8, 2019 saw a great turnout of volunteers. In all the team realigned the 18 leaning stones and cleaned 450 of the stones in the main GAR plot and adjacent Civil War Veterans plots.

## MICHIGAN

On Sunday, 18 August, Brothers of Robert Finch Camp No. 14 partnered with Brothers of Alexander French Camp No. 28 along with the VFW Post in Mecosta, participated with the Old Settler's Reunion (OSRW) in Mecosta to honor five Union Veterans that received new VA headstones. The five Veterans belonged to various USCT regiments during the Civil War. Many of the settlers of the area arrived from SE Ohio, as well as from the Underground Railroad via Canada.



Carpenter-Welch Camp 180 joined by Co. A., 14th MI Vol. Inf, SVR (Irish Rifle) held a ceremony honoring 7 Civil War Soldiers and 1 soldier from The War of 1812 in 4 Cemeteries across Salem Township, MI, on Aug 17, 2019.



## MISSOURI

A School of the Piece, a muzzle-loading artillery safety qualification program for re-enactors and living historians, was held June 29, 2019, on the grounds of St. John's Lutheran Church, 2149 Lutheran Church Road, Beaufort, Missouri. The program was presented by the 4th Military District of the Sons of Veterans Reserve and the National Civil War Artillery Association. Thirty-seven cannoneers were qualified by nine NCWAA instructors.



## NEBRASKA AND THE DAKOTA'S

On Saturday August 10, 2019 the Department of Nebraska was joined by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861 – 1865 and the Sons of American Revolution, participated in a joint remembrance ceremony honoring Champion Spaulding Chase, who was a Civil War veteran and a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. Chase became the State Society President when the Nebraska SAR was formed in April 1890. He was the 1st Nebraska State Attorney General, when Nebraska became a State in 1867. He served 4 terms as Mayor of Omaha, beginning in 1873, with his last term ending in 1884. The ceremony was held at Prospect Hill Cemetery in Omaha, Nebraska. The Nebraska Rangers SVR fired volleys and wreaths were laid by members of the SUVCW, DUVCW and SAR.



## NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ASSOC.

PDC Kevin Tucker, PDC completed his term as Commander of the NERA and NVP Mary Catherine Knight of L. A. Tiffit Aux 10, ASUVCW of Springfield MA is the new Commander of NERA for the coming Year.



## NEW HAMPSHIRE

July 27th saw members of Griffin Camp #10 with a hand from Sleeper Camp #60 gathered at the GAR Lot of the Woodlawn Cemetary in Keene to show some attention to the cannonball markers on the corners of the GAR Lot. As the cannonballs were dug up, we cleaned what was left of the broken pad and filled it with gravel to give it a fresh sturdy base. Pouring new concrete pads was out of the scope of this project so the gravel did nicely. Resetting the cannonballs and squaring up the gravel gave a nice look and feel to the cannonball corner markers of the lot.



## NEW JERSEY

On August 7, Sgt. Hiram W. Pursell Camp 104 of Lambertville, conducted the Last Soldier ritual for Pvt. Gus Dilts, 30th NJ Volunteer Infantry, the last surviving Federal soldier buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Clinton, Hunterdon County, New Jersey.





## OHIO

The William T. Sherman Camp #93 donated a new US flag for abandoned Old Greencastle Cemetery, at which the Camp are volunteer caregivers. There are more than 300 veterans, including 192 of the Civil War, buried at the cemetery. Camp brothers and community friends cut the grass, trimmed trees, and replaced broken GAR service stars on GAR section graves during most recent cleanup day at OGC Aug. 23.



July 20, 2019, marked the 156th anniversary of the Battle of Buffington Island. Being Ohio's only Civil War battlefield, the Ohio Department, joined by the Auxiliary, Portland Community Center, the Buffington Island Battlefield Preservation Foundation and the Ohio History Connection hosted a Buffington Island Battlefield memorial service to commemorate the event 156 years ago.

## PENNSYLVANIA



On Sunday, June 9, 2019, the John T. Crawford Camp #43, joined by brothers of Isaac Eaton Camp # 504 and the 62nd PA VI, conducted a ceremony and plaque dedication for Armstrong County's last Civil War soldier. Private Absalom B. Riggle was honored and recognized at

the Brick Church Cemetery in Burrell Township. He joined Armstrong County's estimated 3,652 men serving with the Union forces. At age 92, Absalom attended the 1938 - 75th anniversary reunion of the battle of Gettysburg along with another Armstrong County veteran. The medal he received for attending the anniversary reunion was among his most treasured items. The ceremony was well attended by the Riggle family, friends and the public as well as local dignitaries and newspapers. The local American Legion Honor Guard posted the colors and family descendants played taps.

Devin DePamphilis of General John F. Hartranft Camp 15 won the 10th Congressional District 2019 Congressional High School Art Competition and his work was displayed in the Cannon Tunnel, a pedestrian walkway that leads to the U.S. Capital Building.



DePamphilis' winning photograph, "Jumping in Ice Cream," depicts two miniature figurine children enjoying a swim in a fake cup of spilled ice cream. One figure is balanced precariously on a spoon, while the other stands behind with his hands on his hips.

In addition to winning the Congressional High School Art Competition, he has also won Scholastic Art Awards, including winning a National Medal, Pennsylvania Farm Show photography ribbons and many other awards.



## TENNESSEE

The Department of Tennessee, gathered at Oak Hill Cemetery in Birmingham, Alabama, to celebrate the restoration and rededication of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) monument. The monument was vandalized in the late 1930s and restored through a grant from the SUVCW Foundation and the volunteer labors of the newly-chartered MG Croxton Camp. Oak Hill Cemetery contains at least 37 Union veterans, including

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eleven veterans and one widow buried in the lot purchased by the George A. Custer Post No. 1 GAR in June 1889. Others participating in the ceremonies include the Hoover High School Air Force JROTC Cadet Honor Guard, the Nathan Bedford Forrest Camp 1435, Sons of Confederate Veterans of Trussville and the Buffalo Soldiers & Troopers of Alabama-Birmingham Chapter. Also present at the ceremony were direct descendants of Harry Rensford, one of the interred veterans. Following was a meeting of the newly-chartered MG Croxton Camp, initiating nine new members and installing the Camp's officers.

Richard Holmes, the Graves Registration Officer of Maj. William A McTeer Camp #39 got an interesting telephone call from Florida. She was enquiring about her ancestor, 2x Great Grandfather William J S Denton who was in an unmarked grave in Bardwell, KY.



Through several telephone calls, Holmes connected with a Mr. Leon Todd. After learning what was needed, Mr. Todd checked the cemetery and located the grave of William Denton, which was indeed unmarked. A stone was ordered and delivered to Mr. Todd, who had it placed. The Order owes Mr. Todd a big thank you. Photo shows Mr. Todd with the new Denton marker.

## TEXAS



Several members of the new Brig. Gen. Joseph Bailey Camp No. 5 took part in several Memorial Day 2019 observances in and around Shreveport, La. The first

photo shows a brother placing a wreath at the Veterans Section of Greenwood Cemetery in Shreveport, La. Representatives of the VFW and the York Rite of the Knights Templar Masons wait their turn, as past Sons of Confederate Veterans National Commander in Chief Charles McMichael prepares to lead an honor guard in a rifle volley to honor the fallen veterans. Photo by Lt. Bill Davis of the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office.

The second photo shows brothers of the Camp at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Haughton, La. Photo by David Hill, commander of the Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.



## WISCONSIN

C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1, Milwaukee, educated the public young and old at a Civil War event at the Cudahy Family Library this summer.



Tours were led of the five Civil War Medal of Honor graves at Wood National Cemetery in Milwaukee for a summer workshop of middle-schoolers and their teacher. Photo by Kristen Scheuing of the Milwaukee County War Memorial center.



# SVR GUIDON



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- Co. C, 8th California Volunteer Infantry - San José, California
- Co. B, 71st Pennsylvania Infantry - Springfield, Oregon
- Co. G, 5th California Volunteer Infantry - Escondido, California
- Co. K, 1st United States Infantry - Dallas-Plano, Texas

Photos include 2018 Remembrance Day Ceremony in Portland, Oregon; change of command ceremony; and a new headstone dedication.





# ORIGINAL CIVIL WAR BALL

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# COLLECTING THE SONS

## WAS THERE A 6TH ALLIED ORDER?

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A new item came into the Michigan Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.) Memorial Hall and Museum, being train vouchers for discounted train fares to attend the 39th G.A.R. National Encampment. Listed among the Allied Orders was the “National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War.”

Like all of us, I was familiar with the four ladies’ Allied Orders of the G.A.R.; however, I had never heard of the nurses group that was listed with them. Research revealed a local civil war nurse’s organization was founded on June 18, 1881 by Dorothea Dix in Washington, D.C. This group of like-minded individuals shared the bond that they experienced caring for wounded soldiers as nurses during the Civil War. The group originally was called the “Ex Army Nurses Association of the District of Columbia.” Dorothea Dix was elected its first president and served until her death. This local District of Columbia organization subsequently morphed into the “National Association Army Nurses of the Late War”, then to the name above.

To become a member, an applicant had to submit documentation that she had served as a regular or volunteer nurse for at least 3 months during the Civil War. In addition, all applications had to be endorsed by the Commander and Adjutant of the nearest G.A.R. post.

The purpose of the National Association of Army Nurses of the Late War was to secure recognition and benefits for women who had served as nurses during the Civil War. In 1892, Congress passed a law which allowed for a pension of \$12.00 a month

for all nurses who had been hired and paid by the government. As of 1910, most volunteer nurses had never received this pension.

The nurses’ organization disbanded in September 1931 with only five living members remaining.

Not having access to all of the G.A.R. National Encampment proceedings, I was unable to determine if the nurses’ association was ever recognized as an official Allied Order of the G.A.R.; however, my guess is probably not. What is evident is the association and the nurses that belonged to it were held in the “Highest Regard” by the G.A.R. and its members; so much so that they honored and allowed them to meet at the G.A.R. National Encampments.





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## 2019 SUVCW SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS.

The Scholarship Committee received 9 applications for 2019 year. We are pleased to announce the following winners of the 2019 SUVCW Scholarship Award.

**Brother Jaeger R. Held**, a member of the Chapman-Compliment Camp #2, Dept. CO & WY.

He is a descendant of Corporal Henry I. Hastings, 1st Colorado Volunteer Cavalry. Brother Held recently graduated with a GPA of 4.0 and honors from Senior High School in Billings, Montana.

He will be attending Gettysburg College with a major in History and a minor in Civil War Era Studies. Two of his classes first semester are CWES 205 Introduction to the American Civil War Era with professor Carol Reardon and FYS 183 Investigate the Battlefield of Gettysburg with professor David T. Booz.

Brother Held has been instrumental in initiating and participating in several projects within his Camp. He has initiated and is currently working on a memorial for the Powder River Expedition of 1865 in southeastern Montana. During the campaign there were 15 fatalities for U.S. forces in Montana Territory (all Civil War veterans), and they were buried in unmarked graves throughout the campaign area. Held has petitioned the Department of Veterans Affairs for headstones for them and so far has received 12. The plan is to ultimately have a veteran's park built in Powder River County, Montana and have the headstones placed there and also to have the park be a place of recognition and honor for all veterans. Jaeger would like to have the dedication to take place in 2020 which will be the 155th anniversary of the expedition.

**Brother Devin P. DePamphilis**, a member of the John Hartranft Camp #15, Dept. PA .

Brother DePamphilis will be attending the University of Pittsburgh, majoring in science and possibly biology, preparing for a career as a dentist, oral surgeon or orthodontist. He will also minor in Studio Arts with an emphasis in Photography.





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