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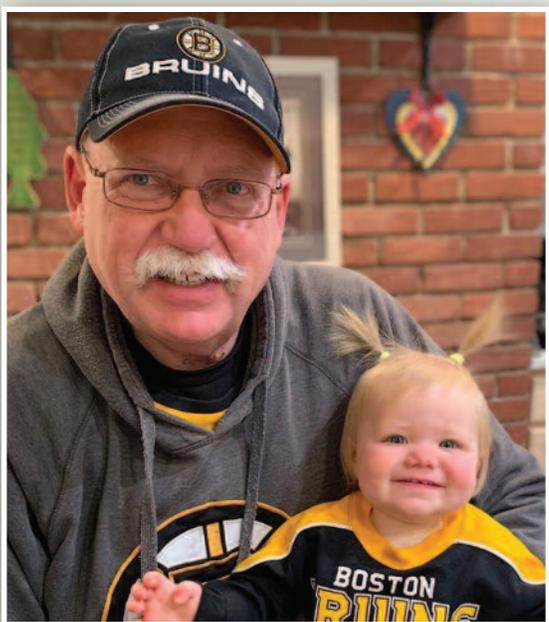
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*On The Cover: American Civil War Memorial, also known as the "Edinburgh (Lincoln) American Civil War Memorial located in the Old Calton Cemetery in Edinburgh, Scotland. Photo by Andrew W. Johnson, Camp Commander of the Irish Brigade Camp Number 4, Department of the Chesapeake.*



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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 #9**

Passing of Rev. Richard O. Partington Sr., Past Commander-in-Chief (1987-1988) on December 8, 2019.

**GENERAL ORDER #10**

Passing of Lowell V. Hammer, Past Commander-in-Chief (1991-1992). on January 7, 2020

**GENERAL ORDER #11**

Revocation of the Charter of the Given Camp #51, Department of Ohio.

**GENERAL ORDER #12**

Creation of Real Estate Ownership Committee:

Created to study and suggest a course of action on the acquisition of real estate. This will include, but not limited to, standards for real estate we already own, minimum coverage in liability policies, and making sure the National Organization is named as a co-insured entity. Committee to be chaired by SVCinC Brian C. Pierson, with brothers Michael C. Shklar, PCC, Donald W. Shaw, PCinC, and Henry E. Shaw Jr., PCC.

**GENERAL ORDER #13**

Revocation of the Charter of the Private Valentin Keller Camp #8, Department of Ohio.

**GENERAL ORDER #14**

Dual Associates as Defined for Membership Ratio

1. Recently an interpretation arose about the number of Associate members being allowed in a Camp if the member is a dual member.

2. The number of Associates allowed in a Camp is defined in the Constitution, Article VII Membership, Section 2 Associates: "(c) The combined number of Associates and Junior Associates in any Camp shall not exceed one-third (1/3) of the total roster of the Camp at the time of election. At no time during a meeting of a Camp, a Department, or the National Organization shall business be transacted if the number of Associates in attendance exceeds forty-nine percent (49%) of the total attendance then present at said meeting."

3. Dual Associate members may join another Camp as defined in the Regulations, Chapter I Camps, Article II

Membership, Section 6: "Applicants who are Brothers of the Order in another Camp or a Member-at-Large, may become a dual Member of another Camp. The applicant need not pay the application fee, however, is subject to the full per capita assessment in both Camps.

4. The dual Associate member counts as an Associate member in the both Camps.

5. Therefore, any Camp accepting a dual Associate member must be in compliance with the one-third of total roster requirement as defined in the Constitution, Article VII Membership, Section 2 Associates, Subsection (c).

**GENERAL ORDER #15**

Guidance on Coronavirus (COVID-19)

This G.O. is in effect until the COVID-19 pandemic has ended, according to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (cdc.gov), in the United States of America. Similarly for our Ensign John Davis Camp #10 in London.

A Camp or Department may cancel or postpone their meeting. This applies even if the Camp or Department by-laws state that a meeting must take place at a certain time or location.

Departments must obtain written permission from the CofA to postpone and reschedule their Encampment. This is possible, even if the Department by-laws state that its Encampment must take place at a certain time or location. Department Encampments must take place before July 1, 2020.

**GENERAL ORDER #16**

Passing of Sister Celestine M. Hollings, Past National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 (1991-1992) on March 8, 2020 at the age of 100.

**GENERAL ORDER #17**

Remote Department Encampments during COVID-19

1. The following five requirements are in effect until the COVID-19 pandemic has ended, according to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (cdc.gov), in the United States of America.

a. A Department Encampment may be conducted via remote audio, video, or both conferencing. Postponement according to General Order #15, Series 2019-2020 may be utilized to allow the coordinating of remote participation.

b. Brothers must be sent two weeks' notice via email, or the US Postal Service for those Brothers without an email account or an invalid email account, of their ability to use this option.

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**- OBITUARY -**  
**LOWELL VARNER HAMMER**  
**COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF (1991 – 1992)**  
**FEBRUARY 20, 1928 - JANUARY 7, 2020**

Lowell Varner Hammer, 91, of College Station, TX, passed away on January 7, 2020. Lowell was born in Ligonier, PA, to the Reverend John Domer Hammer and Edythe Lenore Hammer. He was educated in the public schools of Ligonier, Greensburg, and Johnstown, PA. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Service from Penn State in 1950 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Army where he served in the Far East Command, based in Japan, until his release from active duty in 1953. He then attended Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, earning an MA in 1954.

He began his career in Washington, D.C., where he met his future wife Elizabeth Carter Bowers of Chevy Chase, MD. During his career of over 30 years in foreign affairs with the U.S. Federal Government, he served as an officer in executive branch agencies including the Foreign Service of the Department of State. Lowell and Elizabeth served enthusiastically abroad in Morocco, Zaire, and France. After his retirement from the service in 1985, he continued to serve as a consultant in international security affairs.

Lowell's grandfather, great uncle, and two great grandfathers served in the Union Army with the Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. Lowell served as Commander of the Lincoln-Cushing Camp #2 and then Commander of the Department of Maryland (now Chesapeake). He was also the Washington D.C. Liaison for the SVR with the rank of Colonel.

In addition to the Sons of Union Veterans, Lowell also served as Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U.S., Captain General of the Sons of American Colonists, and Regent of the National Congress of Patriotic Organizations. His wife Elizabeth is a Past National President of the Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States.



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We come now to the third principle of our Order that Loyalty. As I have done with the previous Chaplain's Corner about Fraternity and Charity, we turn back to the long for of the ritual and the words of the Camp Commander during the Initiation Ceremony:

"Loyalty, as exemplified by the Grand Army of the Republic, the Union Soldier, Sailor, or Marine of the War of the Rebellion, should always stir our hearts to a greater love of country. These men who wore the Union Blue constituted the Grandest Army that ever marched under one flag. Their sacrifices have no parallel, and we, their flesh and blood, would be ungrateful sons of noble ancestors should we fail to revere their sacred memories."

Loyalty is not a word we hear used much these days; it is almost as if it has fallen out of fashion. The Christian Scriptures remind us that we should let our "yes be yes and our no be no" and that we are not to swear any oaths. But as Sons we take that oath of ours serious; we are to support and defend the government of the United States of America, preserve the flag from being lowered in defeat, observe the day set aside by the GAR as Memorial Day, and to persuade others to do the same. We are to be faithful citizens, obedient to the law of the land, obey the Constitutions and Regulations of the Order, and to promote its objects and activities always and everywhere.

Each of us lives out this oath in our own way and our own understanding, but what is essential is that we remain loyal to the Order, to our brothers of the Order, and to the principals upon which it was founded.

Blessings and Peace,  
Chaplain Peter

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*Chaplain Peter*

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c. The Department Commander must insure that Brothers are in good standing and if each is entitled to vote or not.

d. The Department Commander must insure all remote Brothers have a chance to express his opinion.

e. Votes on the remote conferencing must be by voice and if any vote is contested one way or another, the Department Secretary will call for a roll call vote. There will be no showing of hands voting.

2. Because the Constitution and Regulations is moot on remote participation, as of July 1, 2020 forward - No Brother can participate in a Department Encampment or Camp meeting remotely via electronic means.

### **GENERAL ORDER #18**

Cancels the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, scheduled for April 18, 2020.

## **GIFTS TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE.**

Brothers: As you consider your charitable giving, please keep in mind the good work of the Order. As National now has 501(c)(3) status, gifts to the National Organization are tax deductible. Your donations can be used in two areas. The first is our Monuments and Memorials fund, where National can give grants to Departments and Camps. Your donations would allow for more grants to be awarded. The second area would be our scholarship fund. Currently, we are limited to two scholarships of \$2,500. Your gifts can make additional scholarships available to our college bound brothers and sisters.



- OBITUARY -  
**CELESTINE HOLLINGS**  
**PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT DUVCW**  
**JANUARY 3, 1920 - MARCH 8, 2020**

It is with a heavy heart that we report the passing of DUVCW Past National President Celestine Hollings on March 8, 2020

Celestine was born on January 3, 1920 and graduated from Jackson (MI) High School. She worked as a registered nurse and was also a retired teacher.

Researching her genealogy for a family reunion, she discovered her link to the Civil War. She was the granddaughter of Jacob Allen, who enlisted in Nelson County, Kentucky into Co G, 107th USCT on August 23, 1864. He was honorably discharged November 22, 1866.

Sister Celestine was instrumental in saving the G.A.R. Hall in downtown Detroit after discovering the Sarah M.W. Sterling Tent #3 held their meetings there. In 1991, Celestine reactivated the Tent in Detroit with a membership of 30 like-minded women who all could trace their lineal descent to a Civil War soldier. Sister Celestine was elected the Tent's first president. She served as Michigan Department President for the term 1999-2000.

She was elected National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865 at their 112th Annual National Convention in Springfield, MO in 2003 and served as the first African-American National President.

This tiny dynamo could accomplish anything she set her mind to. She was small in stature but big in heart. Her son, Robert is a member of the SUVCW.

We loved her!



In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,  
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Many of the Original Companions of the MOLLUS also were members of the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). Similarly, many the present day Hereditary Companions of the MOLLUS also are members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW). As did the MOLLUS with the GAR, the MOLLUS and the SUVCW jointly sponsor patriotic and commemorative programs to honor President Abraham Lincoln and our Union soldier ancestors throughout the country.

For additional membership information, visit the MOLLUS Web Site at:  
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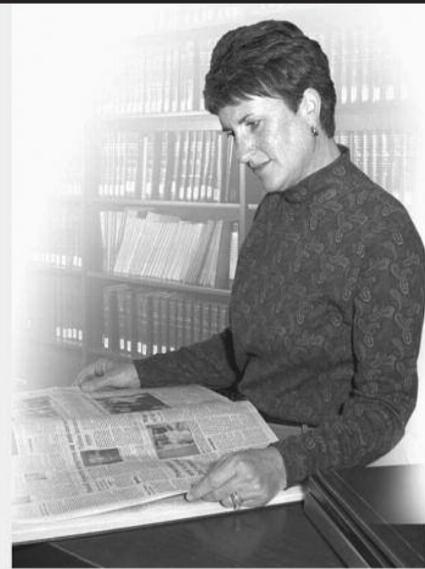
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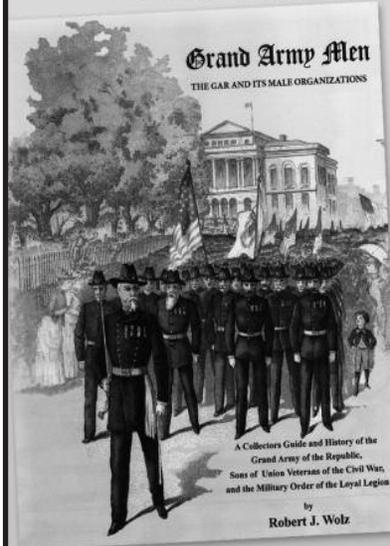
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## AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL IN SCOTLAND

BY ANDREW W. JOHNSON, M.ED.



On June 10, 2019, Andrew W. Johnson, Camp Commander of the Irish Brigade Camp, Number 4 in Fredericksburg, Virginia, accompanied by his wife Kerry, and some family friends, placed a wreath and an American flag at the American Civil War Memorial, located in the Old Calton Cemetery, in Edinburgh Scotland.

The American Civil War Memorial, also commonly referred to as the “Edinburgh (Lincoln) American Civil War Memorial,” the “Scottish-American Civil War Memorial,” the “Lincoln Civil War Memorial,” or simply the “Lincoln Memorial,” has a bronze statue of Abraham Lincoln standing atop a plinth stone, with a large granite base.

The Old Calton Cemetery itself is located in a prominent location, with a commanding view of the center of old Edinburgh city. The plot of ground upon which the memorial sits was given by the Lord Provost and town council of Edinburgh to the American Consul Wallace Bruce, as a burial place for Scottish soldiers from the American Civil War of 1861-1865.

On the base of the memorial is the bronze statue of a freed slave sitting atop two unfurled flags, with his shackles removed, his one arm outstretched towards Lincoln thanking him for his freedom, and a book in his other hand to indicate he is now educated. Directly below the Lincoln statue are words on the four sides of the plinth, supporting a central theme of emancipation: “Union, Education, Suffrage, and Emancipation.”

He holds in his right hand a copy of the Emancipation Proclamation, with the title just visible to the viewer. The phrase (noted below) engraved onto the front of the stone base is actually a famous quote from an 1864 letter, written by Abraham Lincoln to then Governor Michael Hahn of Louisiana, in which he clearly states his wish that extension of the franchise be made to a portion of the black male population. This phrase carved in stone, rather than one from the war, was chosen to underscore the “memorial’s celebration of suffrage.”

At 4:00pm on August 21, 1893, the “Edinburgh Lincoln Memorial” was dedicated to Scottish involvement in the American Civil War of 1861-1865. Reporters provided detail regarding the ceremony, stating:

*“Facing the crowd was a Guard of Honor from the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders accompanied by band and piper to form a military presence some 250 strong. They had marched from Edinburgh Castle, down the Mound and past Waverley Bridge in a snaking procession visible to a good portion of the city centre. At exactly half past four, the band fell silent and all waited in hushed anticipation. Just to one side of the platform, hidden beneath both the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack, was the reason for all the fuss. A young woman stepped forward, dressed in classical garb to represent the American spirit Columbia, she pulled on a cord and the flags fell away to reveal a bronze statue of Lincoln atop a granite base. The crowd erupted in applause.”*

## DO YOU BELIEVE IN MIRACLES?

I do. In 2019 I spent 100 days in a hospital bed:

I was diagnosed with heart blockage, thyroid problems caused by too much iodine (used as contrast before stints were inserted into my heart), gastrointestinal problems caused by the thyroid meds, reversal of my gastric bypass surgery (the two separate stomachs were reattached so that I could eat and digest food), open heart triple bypass surgery, and atrial fibrillation. I suffered from a lack of appetite and energy, also pain in my chest cavity where the bypass surgery took place. On January 31, 2020 I had an ablation to the back of my heart. When I awoke from the anesthesia - the doctor informed Chaplain Jo Ellen and me that my heart beat was normal, with no sign or evidence of a stroke or heart attack.

### DO I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES -YOU BETTER BELIEVE THAT I DO.

During my time in the hospital, I received many visits (including the CinC), phone calls and greeting cards. I knew that my immediate family was concerned about me, but I had no idea about the prayers and support that was bestowed on me by my Sisters and Brothers of The Allied Orders. Individual cards, prayer cards, cards signed by entire Camps, Tents and Departments. I was and am overwhelmed by the prayers and good thoughts.

I have been convinced by your responses - that The Lord is not yet finished with me, and to that end I will serve Him and do whatever He wishes. I will also continue to pray for all of you. Again my deepest thanks for the Miracle of Life.

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## FLORIDA

On Saturday March 7th close to forty Sons, Daughters and friends came to the city of St. Cloud for their 25th Encampment. National Commander Edward Norris honored us with his attendance. St. Cloud has a very unique history with the 1909 creation of a Union veteran settlement.

St. Cloud also boast a monument to the GAR presence in St. Cloud designed and built by a proud West Virginian Son, a G.A.R. Hall and probably the largest non-battlefield Union cemetery in the South with 427 boys in blue buried there.

A morning tour of St. Cloud included a group picture beside the grave of Henry Eppel Massachusetts's soldier and abolitionist.



Florida's newest Camp, Col. Robert W. Barnard Camp #2, located in Fort Myers had their Charter Presentation & Installation of Officers on December 14th. There were several lineage organizations in attendance who also welcomed the new Camp, including representatives of the DAR, SAR, MOLLUS, SVR, DAUGHTERS OF 1812 WAR, SONS OF THE WAR OF 1812, SCVCW, MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS, AND CAR (CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION).



## GEORGIA & SOUTH CAROLINA

Elias Moon Camp #2 participated in a highly successful youth outreach program at a local reenactment. The Camp ran a Civil War drawing contest for kids with great prizes, passed out copies of a Union—oriented Magic Treehouse series book to all kids, brought loaner wooden muskets for the kid's battle reenactment, gave a free Union kid's kepi to all who identified as Union for the kid's battle and had SUVCW brochures for the adults.



## ILLINOIS



Some Camps annually honor a brother who has contributed to the ideals of our Order. This can include membership, programs, ROTC, PI or Eagle Scout presentations. Recent recipients include Brother Don Sherman of the Custer Camp #1, Brother Dennis Bradley of Old Glory Camp #6165 and Brother Roger Knigge of the Philip H. Sheridan Camp #2.



## KANSAS

Humboldt Camp #9 installed new officers on January 16 for 2020. The photo includes the outgoing and incoming Kansas Department Commanders, Michael Todd and Kirk Nystrom.



**KENTUCKY**

Sgt Elijah P Marrs Camp #5 held a stone dedication for Civil War Soldier John Mosby Black at Bohon Christian Church Cemetery in Bohon KY. Camp 5 members worked diligently to obtain a stone thru the Veterans Administration to honor a Civil War Soldier, whose grave was unmarked. The project was initiated by Camp 5 member Jimmie Black. John M. Black served with Co I, 19th KY Vol Inf.

**MASSACHUSETTS**

On Sunday, February 9th, the Department of Massachusetts held its 20th Annual Lincoln Birthday Brunch at the Exchange Street Bistro in Malden, Massachusetts. Among those in attendance were Commander-in-Chief Ed Norris, Sandy Bates representing the Department of New England Auxiliary, members of the Civil War Round Tables of Massachusetts and friends and family. The featured speaker was Dr. Kate Clifford Larson, PhD, author of “Harriett Tubman Portrait of an American Hero - Bound for the Promised Land”.



She was also a consultant on the Academy Award nominated movie “Harriett”. Dr. Larson gave a captivating presentation on the amazing life and heroic deeds of freedom seeker Harriett Tubman, nicknamed “Moses” by Abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison. She was presented by Commander-in-Chief Norris with a high relief Abraham Lincoln commemorative medallion, struck in 1963 during the Civil War Centennial, as a token of the Department’s appreciation.

**MISSOURI**

Brothers of the Major Francis Wilhelmi Camp #17 and Lt. Col. J Felix St. James Camp #326 participated in a funeral service for Dr. Andrew Werth, 7th New York Cavalry, at the Odd Fellows cemetery in Washington,

MO. His remains were unclaimed since his passing in St. Louis in 1911. They were located by the Missouri chapter of Missing in America.

**NEW JERSEY**

Brothers of the George Armstrong Custer Camp #17 hosted a civil war day at our local library in Barneget New Jersey. It was well attended, and very interactive with the crowd. The Library was very happy to have us.



On November 2, 2019, brothers of the Col. Louis R. Francine Camp #7, placed and dedicated a “Last Soldier” marker for Atlantic County, New Jersey’s last Civil War veteran, Samuel Morey, buried at Union Cemetery, Mays Landing, NJ. Morey passed away February 20, 1943 at the age of 103. The Francine Camp was assisted by Company A, 7th New Jersey SVR and Beck’s Philadelphia Brigade Band, a/k/a James S. Stratton Camp #82, who provided a fine program of period martial music.

Brothers welcomed the approximately 60 attendees. Special guests included 3rd and 4th generation Morey descendants. Morey served in the Company I, 13th Pennsylvania Cavalry, known as the Irish Dragoons. Morey was also a member of the General William J. Sewell Post #47, G.A.R.



Brothers of the General George Armstrong Custer Camp #17 and the Abraham Lincoln Camp #100 participated in a ceremony to honor George Ashby of the US colored troops, being the last Civil War veteran to die in Middlesex County in April 1946.



On December 20, 2019, the General Phillip Kearny Camp #20 had the pleasure of presenting our Order's Eagle Scout certificate to Kristian Tegge of Troop 17, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ. Kristian's Eagle Project was to create a museum for the North Hudson Detachment of the Marine Corps League, at their house in Kearny, NJ. He took an unused store area and oversaw the painting of the walls and refinishing of the floor. He acquired glass cases and some manikins, to display the memorabilia that the Detachment had. He also archived their collection.



## NEW YORK

On Saturday, November 9, 2019, Oliver Tilden Camp #26, joined by Co. I, 83rd NYVI Sons of Veterans Reserve, honored Pvt. Mathew George Cornell, Co. E, 10th New York State Vol. (National Zouaves) with a Civil War headstone dedication for his military service. The ceremony took place at the Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery in Middle Village, Queens, NY. About 30 family, friends and members were present.



On Sunday, June 2, 2019, members of the Moses A. Baldwin Camp #544, participated in a ceremony rededicating the grave of Private John Codman Pollitz. John enlisted in Company F of the 44th Massachusetts Infantry on August 29, 1862. He died at the Regiment's hospital at New Bern, North Carolina on January 7, 1863 at the age of 19 of disease. John had been donating his soldier's pay to the new Trinity Episcopal Church and the church used this money to purchase a new bell for their belfry. The bell first tolled for John's funeral.



The 110 year old floor of the church was recently removed as part of necessary repairs thus revealing John's stone. Parish officials decided to install a bronze plaque in the replacement floor over the grave and to rededicate it to honor John.

## NORTH CAROLINA



Major General Thomas H. Ruger Camp #1 Participated in the Fort Fisher Civil War 155th Anniversary - January 18-19, 2020. There were 11,900 plus visitors during the two-day event. This is the 8TH year straight that Major General Thomas H. Ruger Camp #1 has participated in the Fort Fisher Anniversary festivities.

## SOUTHWEST



Avery Frantz, Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 and Hannah Nichols, Susie King Taylor #4 WRC volunteered with the Pioneer Cemetery Association of Phoenix. Avery and Hannah repaired broken headstones as well as mortared fallen headstones into new bases. It took of total of 5 hours to complete just 2 headstones.



## TENNESSEE

Brothers of the Maj. William A McTeer Camp #39 and friend replaced the broken marker of Private Charles Hamilton of Company D 42nd USCT in Athens, Tennessee. The stone was originally found by cemetery workers broken in half.



## TEXAS

On Saturday, November 30, 2019, the brothers of the General James J. Byrne Camp gathered at the Pioneer Rest Cemetery in Fort Worth to remember the Camp's namesake in the anniversary month of his reburial at this cemetery.



General James J. Byrne was born in Ireland in 1841 and moved to New York City as a youth with his family. On

July 24th, 1862, he was commissioned a first lieutenant and adjutant of the 163rd New York Volunteer Infantry. On December 11th, 1864, he was appointed colonel of the 18th New York Cavalry. While serving in General Nathaniel Bank's Army of the Gulf, he saw extensive action in Louisiana during the Red River Campaign of 1864. Byrne was brevetted to brigadier general for gallantry at the battle of Pleasant Hill and then brevetted to major general for gallantry at the battle of Moore's Plantation (May 5th and 6th, 1864) and Yellow Bayou (May 18th, 1864). Both brevets were awarded on March 13th, 1865. He was killed August 14th, 1880 in an attack led by the Apache leader Victorio and initially buried near Fort Quitman. General Byrne was re-interred with full military honors at Pioneer's Rest Cemetery on November 21st, 1880.



On February 27, 2020, the General J. J. Byrne Camp No. 1 held their monthly meeting in Arlington, Texas. At that time, the Camp's Colours were passed over to newly installed Camp Commander Timothy Phillips by outgoing Camp Commander Brian Glass.

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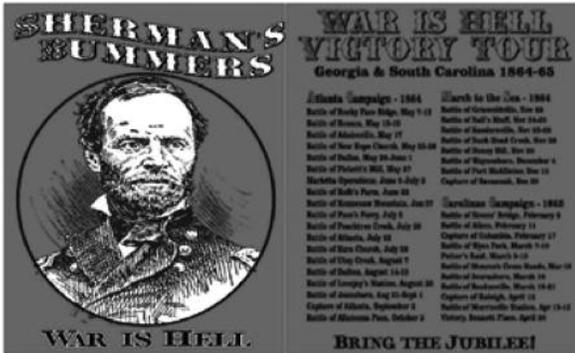
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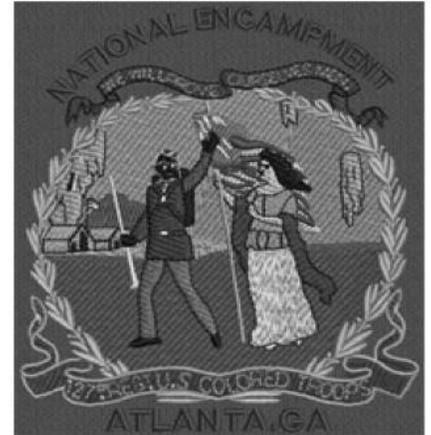
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# FINAL MUSTER

In the Burial and Memorial Services Book of the Women's Relief Corps 1928 we read the following words during the Memorial Service for the Unknown Dead:

"That we may bring our offerings of love and beauty and lay them here in memory of the thousands of brave men of the Union Army and Navy, who sleep where no loved hand can reach them today; for many lie where no man knoweth; but we believe God has given His angels charge concerning them, and when He calls they will come forth to a grand reunion, where wars and partings are no more."

Although they are known to us we honor their memory in the knowledge that God has called them home.

Blessings and Peace,  
*Chaplain Peter*

**Joseph E. Long, Jr., PDC**

Live Member #173  
Lt Ezra S. Griffin Camp #8 (Pennsylvania)  
December 16, 2019

**David Allyn**

Past Commander, 6th Military District  
Sgt. William Pittenger Camp #23  
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December 14, 2019

**Marvin W. Reed, PDC**

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July 3, 2019

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December 21, 2019

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Ulysses S. Grant Camp #68 (Missouri)  
May 5, 2019

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July 31, 2019

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December 7 2019

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North Carolina Union Volunteers Camp #5  
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September 18, 2019

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Centennial Camp 100 (Colorado/Wyoming)  
November 29, 2019

**Keith S. MacGregor, PCC**

Gettysburg Camp #112 (Pennsylvania)  
January 14, 2020

**James L. Alcorn**

Montana-Chapman Compliment Camp #2  
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January 16, 2020

**John Kemper Carmichael, Jr.**

Benjamin Harrison Camp #356 (Indiana)  
January 11, 2019

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Life Member #179  
Lincoln-Cushing Washington DC Camp #2  
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January 7, 2020

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January 8, 2020

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November 18, 2019

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January 13, 2020

**Gilbert Ronald Schaefer**

The Legion of the West Camp #7  
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January 29, 2020

**Christopher Augustus Stanley**

Capt Frances E. Warren Camp #44  
(Colorado/Wyoming)  
October 12, 2019

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Champion Hill Camp #17 (Indiana)  
December 11, 2019

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Life Member #756  
Nash-Hodges Camp #43 (Michigan)  
January 19, 2020

**Gerald Vincent**

Life Member #390  
Fort Walla Walla Camp #3 (Columbia)  
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(Colorado/Wyoming)  
November 2, 2019

**Davis E. Poland**

Daniel Chaplin Camp #3 (Maine)  
September 27, 2018

**Kay Don Thompson**

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February 24, 2020

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November 29, 2019

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January 20, 2020

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March 27, 2019

**Timothy Doyle**

H.E.K. Hall Camp #28 (Vermont)  
March 5, 2020



## CENTRAL REGION OF THE ALLIED ORDERS OF THE G.A.R.

The next annual meeting will be October 2-3, 2020, at Murphysboro, Illinois.

Our HQ hotel will be the Rodeway Inn in Carbondale, Illinois. This hotel is undergoing a rehab and will soon become a Comfort Inn. Since these dates are parent's weekend at the University of Illinois, it is important that you make hotel reservations quickly.

### Schedule:

Friday evening- we will find a local restaurant for food and fellowship.

Saturday - tour the Gen. John A. Logan museum in nearby Murphysboro. There are dozens of Civil War weapons, plus a talk on vintage 1860s baseball, among other topics. For our afternoon program, we hope to have a local reporter or two to talk about the best way of approaching the local press to cover our Allied Order events. Our business meeting will follow.

Saturday dinner at the award-winning 17th Street BBQ.

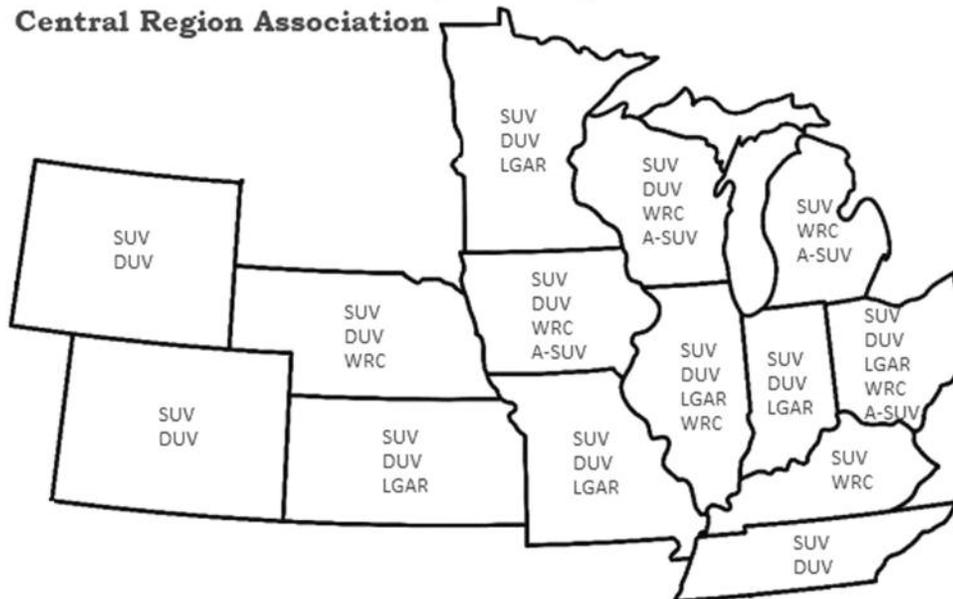
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## VOICES OF PATRIOTISM

Brothers,

It is that time that I grace you with another Patriotic Instruction. I want to focus on a different way we can act in a Patriotic way in our community. In order to do that, we must look at what the definition of Patriotism is. According to Miriam Webster's Dictionary, or as I like to call it, my Dad's favorite way to tell us to spell something, patriotism is "love for or devotion to one's country". There are many ways that one can show this love or devotion to one's country, but we need to remember this also extends to our countrymen, in other words our neighbors.

There have been many times in recent years I have seen or read about neighbors not only ignoring a neighbor in need but going out of their way to make their neighbors life difficult. If we only practice what we preach when it is convenient for us, how can we call ourselves Patriotic? It is simple, we can't. Being Patriotic isn't about doing so one or two times in your life time or doing so when it is easy, it is about being Patriotic at all times, even the hard times. If you see a neighbor who hasn't always been kind to you, extend an olive branch, why? Because it will better your community and in doing so this country.

Some ways to ensure you have a strong community can be by doing the things we do every day as Brothers of the SUVCW like cleaning cemeteries, going into schools to educate or using social media to spread the word about the sacrifice of the local boys. You can also do so by reaching out to someone in your community during a snowstorm or volunteering your time in other ways that are not traditional to the SUVCW like at a soup kitchen, food pantry, or a local youth center. These are all ways to help improve our community and better our country.

This may seem simple to some and a logical way to achieve our goal, but it is something that can be very quickly over looked in today's society. While we do these different, out side of the box activities, we can also find ways to talk to those around us about the boys in blue and the sacrifices they made to preserve our great country. Being Patriotic in our organization is not only about educating the public about the past with our words but being there for our community in as many ways as possible with our actions. In doing this, we may inspire the youth of our country to give back to their communities, but to also take steps to be patriotic in their own ways. All of us have great love for our country; let us show our neighbors with our actions that our actions do in fact speak louder than our words.

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# COLLECTING THE SONS

BY BOB WOLZ, NATIONAL HISTORIAN

## THE SONS IN WORLD WAR I ... ANOTHER LOOK.

President Harry Truman was quoted as saying: "There is nothing new in the world except the history you do not know."

After 138 years, the Sons of Union Veterans has a very deep and varied history. Lacking a national headquarters depository, many details about our Order have been forgotten or lost.

It is always a pleasure to rediscover these details from the past. The Sons legacy of our involvement in World War I is one such area. The Sons and our Auxiliary collected \$16,000 to purchase ambulances. Units of the Pennsylvania Brigade, SVR were federalized and served as part of the 28th Division of the Pennsylvania National Guard. Recently a souvenir pennant was donated to the Michigan GAR Museum and encouraged additional research in our World War I involvement.

In April 1917, the United States entered World War I, but our standing army was small. And certainly not war ready. New York and Pennsylvania National Guard units were the largest in the National Guard system and had served recently on the Mexican Border so were better prepared.

President Woodrow Wilson activated 122,000 guardsmen in July. At that time Sons membership stood at approximately 58,000 and of these about 6,000 were in the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Some states regarded the SVR as part of their National Guard and thus had some training.

The War Department wanted and needed to send troops overseas as quickly as possible, but feared charges of favoritism if they selected mostly New York or Pennsylvania units.

Major Douglas MacArthur (later, one our Federal incorporators of the Sons) proposed a solution by incorporating National Guard units from 26 states and the District of Columbia into a single Division that would stretch across the United States "like a rainbow". Thus was born the 42nd Division or Rainbow Division. The Rainbow Division served in Champagne-Marne, the Aisne-Marne, the Battle of Saint-Mihiel and the Meuse-Argonne Offensive. In total they saw 264 days of combat. 2,058 were killed in action and 12,625 were wounded in action.

We may never know which SVR units were activated and federalized as part of their state's National Guard, but we do know National Guard units from New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, Tennessee, Michigan and Oregon as well as a number of former southern states were called into service. On May 9, 1919, The Rainbow Division was deactivated.

The National Guard system was reorganized in the early 1920s and the Sons of Veterans Reserve were no longer a part of the National Guard.

In July 1943, the Rainbow Division was reactivated and remains active today.



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