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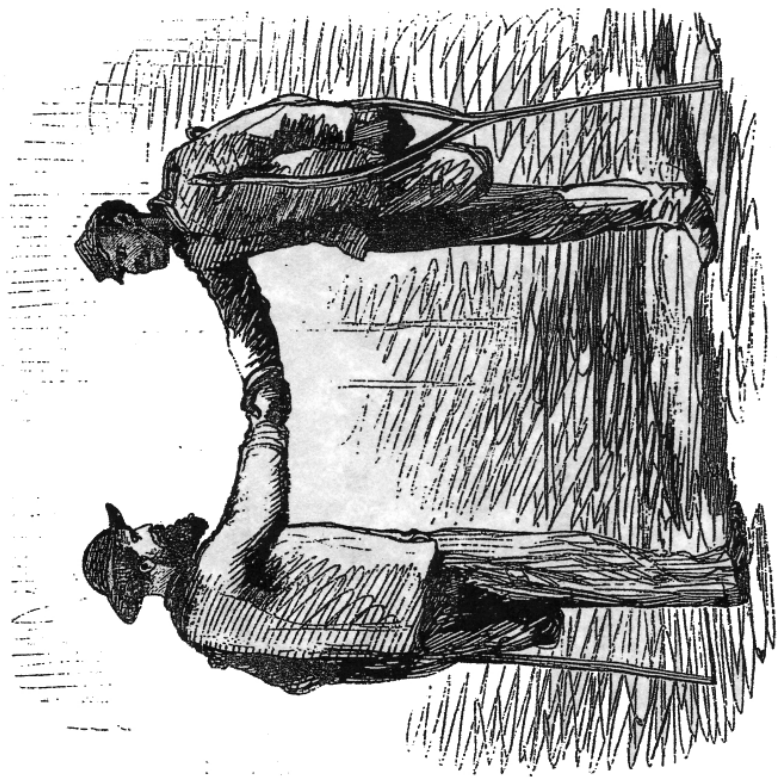
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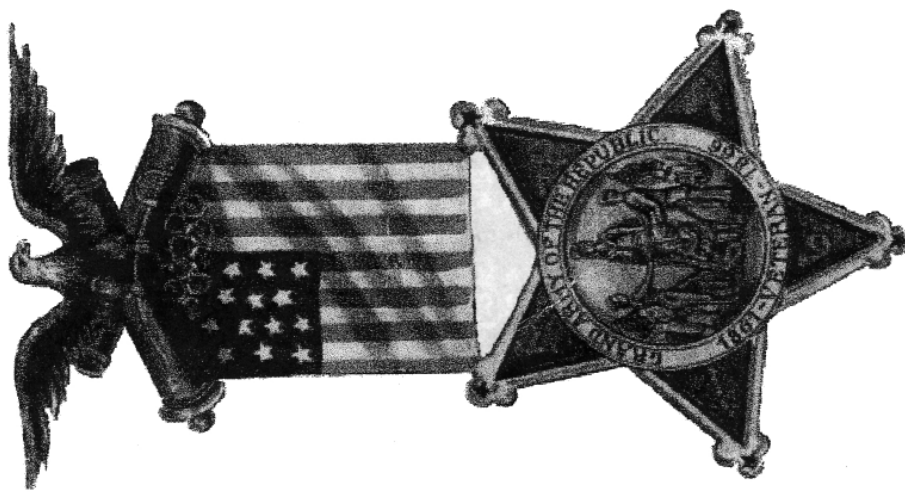
**2006 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT
OF THE ALLIED ORDERS OF THE
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC**



A MAN KNOWS A MAN.

"Give me your hand, Comrade! We have each lost a Leo for the good cause; but, thank God, we never lost HEART."

**ANNUAL CAMPFIRE PROGRAM
AT 7:00 PM AT THE HILTON
HOTEL, HARRISBURG, PA**



GREETINGS

**Charles E. Kuhn Jr., PDC
Chairman, Local Site Comm.**

**PRESENTATION OF
COLORS**

Gettysburg Blues

**PLEDGE TO THE
FLAG**

**Patriotic Instructor
SUVCW**

NATIONAL ANTHEM

**Patriotic Instructor
ASUVCW**

**WELCOME TO
HARRISBURG**

Mayor Stephen R. Reed

ENTERTAINMENT

New Dawn Singers

**TRIBUTE TO
MOTHERS AND
FATHERS**

**Ladies of the Grand Army
of the Republic**

**PENNSYLVANIA
CLOSING**

All Participate

**ALL ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR THE COURTESY
HOUR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
THIS PROGRAM.**

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE

MEMBERS OF BRINDLE CAMP AND

AUXILIARY #50 FOR COVERING

THE COST OF TONIGHTS

ENTERTAINMENT

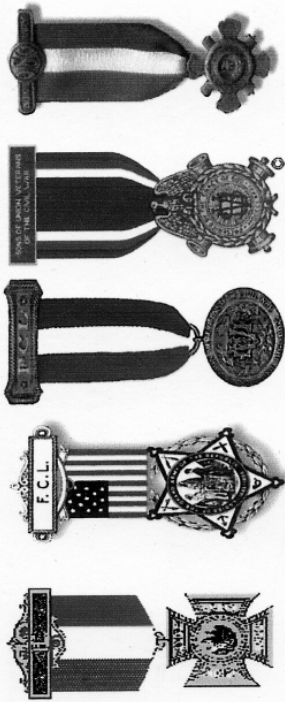
Sisters, Brothers, Family and Friends,

Your Banquet Committee wishes to thank each and every one of you for joining in this memorable event.

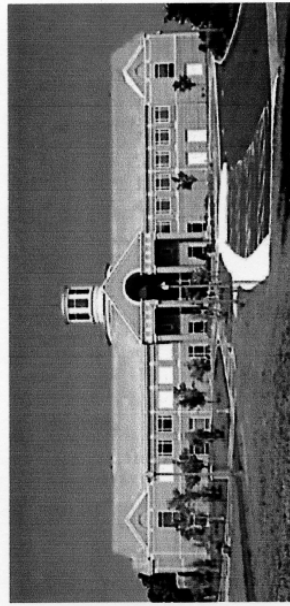
We began the planning and arrangements for this evening with the idea that we would be sharing this meal and tour of the museum with approximately 250 individuals. We are very happy to report that we have 350 here. We have changed our original seating and room arrangements to accommodate this increase in attendance because we believe it to be less important to be formal and a lot more important to bring together as many of our Allied Orders members and friends as possible. We feel particularly bad about the many individuals that had to be turned away because we could not accommodate any more.

We hope you will enjoy this evening and the wonderful fellowship of all the members of our joint Allied Orders as well as your tour of the National Civil War Museum.

Allied Orders Of the G.A.R.



NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT BANQUET



THE NATIONAL CIVIL WAR MUSEUM
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA
12 AUGUST 2006

Program

Master of Ceremonies Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. PDC
SVCinC SUVCW

National Anthem - led by LGAR

Pledge of Allegiance - led by ASUVCW

Invocation - led by DUVCW

Dinner

Fruit Cup

London Broil w/ Mushroom Cherry Sauce

or

Stuffed Chicken Breast

Green Beans

Potato

Rolls & Butter

Carrot Cake

Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea
Decaf Available

Food for Thought

Any fool can criticize, condemn and complain and most
fools do. - Benjamin Franklin

Introduction of Allied Orders Representatives
Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. PDC
SVCinC SUVCW

Woman's Relief Corp.
Helen L. Geppi, President Dushane Post

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
Opal Nelson, National President

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Lesley Dean, National President

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Donald E. Darby, Commander in Chief

Auxiliary to the SUVCW
Cynthia Fox, National President

Benediction - led by SUVCW

Tour of the National Civil War Museum

Special Thanks to Kate Hostetler
and the Staff of the
National Civil War Museum

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
2006 National Encampment Schedule**

Time	Event
Thursday 8:00pm.	Council of Administration Meeting
Friday 7:30am-11:00am	Registration
8:00am-9am	Joint Opening/Memorial Service
9:15am	Business Session
12 noon	Lunch
1:00pm	Business Session
5:30pm-7:00pm	Past CinC and Past National Presidents Dinner
7:00pm	Campfire
Saturday 7:00am	Sons of Veterans Reserve Breakfast
7:30am-12:00 noon	Registration
8:30am	Business Session
12:00noon	Lunch
1:00pm-1:30pm	Visitation
1:30pm	Business Session
6:00pm	Allied Orders Banquet CiC's Open House Following Banquet
Sunday 8:00am	Council of Administration Meeting



Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
2005-2006

Donald E. Darby, of Chillicothe, Ohio, was elected Commander-in-Chief at the 124th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in Nashua, New Hampshire on 6 August 2005. He is the 14th Ohioan to serve as Commander-in-Chief. Donald Eugene Darby, the son of Air Force SMSgt. Eugene J. Blaser and Delores Darby, was born in Barberton Ohio. He was raised in Athens County, Ohio and graduated from Alexander High School in 1971.

After graduation he joined the U.S. Navy where he served his country for 23 years rising to the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4 (CWO4). While in the navy he served on the USS Enterprise, USS Nimitz, USS America, CINCUSNAVEUR (London, UK), SEAL Team FOUR and various other commands. He also managed to attend college while in the navy, graduating *summa cum laude* from St. Leo College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology.

Following his retirement from the Navy in 1994, C-in-C Darby has been employed at the Ross County (Ohio) Court of Common Pleas Juvenile and Probate Court first, as a Juvenile Probation Officer and currently as the Mediator of the Court.

Brother Darby became a member of the SUVCW 30 July 1988 at Gov. Dennison Camp 125 in Athens, Ohio where he served as Camp Secretary/Treasurer. He later became a

charter member of Sgt. Richard Enderlin Camp 73 in Chillicothe, Ohio where he served as Secretary/Treasurer, Junior and Senior Vice and Camp Commander.

At the Department level C-in-C Darby has held the positions of Patriotic Instructor, Graves Registration Officer (registering over 5,000 GAR gravesites), Junior and Senior Vice Commander and was elected Ohio Department Commander 2001. He also brought to fruition the "Last Soldier" Project in the Department of Ohio, which was later adopted as a National project.

Nationally, C-in-C Darby has served two terms as National Patriotic Instructor, a full three-year term as an elected member of the Council of Administration, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief and Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. In coordination with the National Webmaster, he brought the "Patriotic Recollections" and the "Teachers and Scholars" to the National Web page. At his suggestion, the current National Patriotic Instructor instituted the "Adopt-a-School" and "Adopt-a-Unit" program.

C-in-C Darby has also supported the SUVCW Charitable Foundation by transcribing on to CD's the GAR and SUV Blue Books, History of the Grand Army of the Republic by Robert Beath, Camp Fire Chats by Washington Davis. For the Sgt. Enderlin Camp he transcribed The Early History of the Ohio Department of the Grand Army of the Republic (1866 to 1880) by T. D. McGillicuddy.

C-in-C Darby's membership in the SUVCW is through his great uncle George Kidd, a private in the 2nd Kentucky Cavalry Company C.

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
National Officers for 2005-2006**

Commander-in-Chief	Donald E. Darby
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief	James B. Pahl, PDC
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief	Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., PDC
National Secretary	Michael S. Bennett, PDC (2007)
National Treasurer	Max L. Newman (2007)
National Quartermaster	Danny L. Wheeler, PCinC (2007)
Council of Administration	Stephen A. Michaels, PCinC (2006)
Council of Administration	David P. Stephen, PDC (2006)
Council of Administration	James R. Hanby, Sr., PDC (2006)
Council of Administration	Leo F. Kennedy, PDC (2007)
Council of Administration	D. Brad Schall, PDC (2007)
Council of Administration	Daniel W. Murray, PDC (2008)
National Counselor	Robert E. Grim, PCinC
Washington DC Representative	Andrew M. Johnson, PCinC
National Aide-de-Camp	Howard T. Frost, PDC
National Camp and Department Organizer	Nick Kaup, PDC
National Chaplain	Jerome W. Kowalski
National Chief of Staff	Henry Shaw, PCC
National Civil War Memorials Officer	Todd A. Shillington, PDC
National Color Bearer	Glen L. Roosevelt
National Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator	Robert M. Petrovic, PDC
National GAR Highway Officer	Gary Parrott
National Graves Registration Officer	Bob Lowe, PDC
National Guard	Howard T. Frost, PDC
National Guide	Robert H. Knight, PDC
National Historian	Robert J. Wolz, PDC
National Liaison to Cathedral of the Pines	Richard L. Woodbury, PDC
National Liaison to MOLLUS	Keith G. Harrison, PCinC
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator	Alan L. Russ, PDC
National Patriotic Instructor	Bruce B. Butgereit, PDC
National Signals Officer	Nathan L. Orr
National Webmaster	Ken Freshley
Executive Director	Lee F. Walters, PCC

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
National Committees for 2005-2006**

Americanization and Education

Bruce Butgereit, Chair
Timothy Downey PDC
Bruce Kolb, DC
Richard Keith Young
Jerry R. Sayre

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Keith G. Harrison, PCinC (2006)
Stephen A. Michaels, PCinC (2006)
Richard D. Orr, PCinC (2007)
George L. Powell, PCinC (2007)
D. Brad Schall, PDC (2007)

Encampment Site Committee

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Kent A. Peterson, PCC

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David C. Ladd
Roger Olson
Tad D. Campbell

Legislation

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Paul Ellis-Graham
Gary Parrott

Lincoln Tomb Observance

Alan R. Loomis, PCinC, Chair
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Jon N. Austin

Membership

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Plus All Department JVC's

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Charles Engle Jr, PDC
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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
125th National Encampment
First Session, Friday Morning, August 11, 2006

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Officers and members of the 125th Annual Encampment of Sons of Union Veterans will now come to order. Guide, you will determine that all present and entitled to remain. Color Bearer you will assist on the right. For those of you who haven't been to an Encampment before, it's get your membership card out time. The National Secretary will now call the roll of Officers.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

	<u>Response</u>
Commander-in-Chief, Don Darby	Present
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James Pahl	Present
Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.	Present
National Secretary, Michael Bennett	Present
National Treasurer, Max Newman	Present
National Quartermaster, Danny Wheeler	Present
Council of Administration Member, David Stephen	Present
Council of Administration Member, D. Brad Schall	Present
Council of Administration Member, Leo Kennedy	Present
Council of Administration Member, James Hanby	Present
Council of Administration Member, Daniel Murray	Present
National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski	Present
National Chief of Staff, Henry Shaw	Present
National Civil War Memorials Officer, Todd Shillington	Present
National Color Bearer, Glenn Roosevelt	Present
National Counselor, Robert Grim	Present
National Eagle Scout Coordinator, Robert Petrovic	Present
National GAR Highway Officer, Gary Parrott	Present
National Graves Registration Officer, Bob Lowe	Present
National Liaison to MOLLUS, Keith Harrison	Present
National Membership-at-Large Coordinator, Alan Russ	Present
National Patriotic Instructor, Bruce Butgereit	Present
Washington D. C. Representative, Andrew Johnson	Present
National Webmaster Ken Freshley	Present

Sir, the roll is so called.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers upon what principles is our order founded and what duties are we responsible?

Encampment (in unison)

FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers we again meet as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in annual session to review the work of the past and plan for the future. May our conduct and deliberations be marked with mutual tolerance and fraternal courtesy keeping ever in mind our duty to our country, our Order, and ourselves. National Chaplain, you will invoke the divine blessing.

[Three raps * * *]

National Chaplain, Jerome W. Kowalski

Our Heavenly Father the high and mighty Ruler of the universe who from your throne looks down upon the governments of man, we earnestly beseech you to bless our native land and preserve with integrity its free institutions for all coming time. Bless our Order, grant that it may long exist and may continue to be an instrument of great good to all. Give us willing hands and ready hearts to properly carry out its rituals and objects. Keep green in our minds in the memory of those who have sacrificed so much that the life of the nation might be preserved and deal with them and all things with thy special mercy. Give us thy aide in conducting the business for which we are here assembled. So bless us that charity and justice, peace and harmony shall remain and abide with us. If you agree please say Amen.

Encampment (in unison)

AMEN.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we will now give the Pledge of Allegiance. Color Bearer, you will present the colors.

Encampment (in unison)

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IS STANDS ONE NATION UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

Encampment (in unison)

(song - GOD BLESS AMERICA)

GOD BLESS AMERICA. LAND THAT I LOVE. STAND BESIDE HER. AND GUIDE HER. THROUGH THE NIGHT WITH THE LIGHT FROM ABOVE. FROM THE MOUNTAINS, TO THE PRAIRIES, TO THE OCEANS, WHITE WITH FOAM. GOD BLESS AMERICA. MY HOME SWEET HOME. GOD BLESS AMERICA. MY HOME SWEET HOME.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

By the virtue of the authority vested in me, I hereby declare the 125th Annual Encampment, of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, duly opened for the transaction of such business as may legally and properly come before it. The Guard will admit all Brothers and persons qualified to enter.

[One rap *]

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-in-Chief, I rise to a question of privilege.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

We have, I think, with us today several members of our order who have proudly served in our military service and I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize them. If you have served our country would you please rise?

Encampment

(applause)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

More importantly, Commander-in-Chief, we have members of this Order who are right now in harms way. They are serving our country in the military service. Starting in previous generations and in practice again today, is the flag that mothers will display to show that their son is in service. Commander, we have Sons in service and I would like to present this to the National Organization, request that it be displayed, so that throughout this encampment, we can remember our sons today who are in harms way.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just kind of chokes you up, don't it?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.

Commander-in-Chief, Everybody knows me here. I'm the pain in the backside. I have a technical matter here. The Masonic luncheon we're having today, I need a head count of how many are going to go to that so I can call catering to make sure there are enough seats. So anybody attending the Masonic luncheon today, It is sixteen dollars. It's in the Brady Boardroom. Please raise your hand so I get a count here. I got sixteen. Thank you very much.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And for the transcriptionist, that was Charlie Kuhn from the Department of Pennsylvania.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Our next order of business, the appointment of the Committee on Credentials. Past Commander-In-Chief, Brother George Powell is the Chair. John Irons, Kenneth Sturgeon, and Dr. Leslie Webber. Do you have a report to make at this time?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Yes, sir. Brothers, when the Commander-In-Chief appointed me to my eighth term on the Credentials Committee, I was reminded of the line from the movie Independence Day. Randy Quaid, before he crashed his jet into the alien craft to destroy it, he looked up and I'll paraphrase it and say, "Hello Brothers, I'm back!"

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Okay. We have some new things this year. The first is the Voter Information Packet. If you have that, you want to get that out. You will find there this little yellow card. Instead of "all of those in favor say aye," it will be "show your card." There were questions last year about people being in the room who were not able to vote but participated in a voice vote. So that's how we'll be doing those votes. The second thing, is page two, which is a list of the Departments, the number of Brothers from the last Annual Report, and the maximum number of Delegates allowed. This is just Delegates and is based upon the number of Brothers in your Department. Now I have some changes to that because when this was printed, there were some Departments that had not completed all of their Annual Reports.

Right now there is one Department that still hasn't complete all of the paperwork and that's Colorado and Wyoming. This is the current updated list starting with California & Pacific. Three hundred and ninety-six members. So they are entitled to seventeen Delegates. Connecticut, sixty-two with a maximum Delegates of three. Florida, one hundred thirty-seven, max Delegates, six. Iowa, one hundred sixty-eight, max Delegates, eight. Illinois, one hundred eighty, max Delegates, eight. Indiana, two hundred thirteen, max Delegates, ten. Kansas, one hundred and forty-six, max Delegates, seven. Kentucky, a hundred and two, max Delegates, five. Massachusetts, two hundred and forty-four, max Delegates, eleven. Maryland, four hundred and ten, max Delegates, seventeen. Maine, one hundred and seven, max Delegates, five. Michigan, four hundred and eighty-five, max Delegates, twenty. Missouri, one hundred and forty-eight, max Delegates, seven. Nebraska, fifty-three, max Delegates, three. New Hampshire, eighty-three, max Delegates, four. New Jersey, two hundred and fifty-seven, max Delegates, eleven. New York, four hundred and eighty-five, max Delegates, twenty. Ohio, five hundred and thirty-two, max Delegates, twenty-two. Oklahoma, seventy-one, max Delegates, four. Pennsylvania, seven hundred and twenty, max Delegates, thirty-two. Rhode Island, eight-four, max Delegates, four. Tennessee, one hundred seven, max Delegates, five. Texas, one hundred four, and max Delegates, five. Vermont, sixty-three, max Delegates, four. Wisconsin, two hundred and seventeen, max Delegates of ten. Camps-at-Large, two hundred and thirty-six, max Delegates, ten. National MAL, ninety-seven, max Delegates, five. So that's just the maximum that they can have at the, when we go to vote, you will get an absolute by Department count. Speaking of that, based on the initial registration,

we had two hundred and ten Brothers pre-register. I thank you very much for your cooperation and your patience out in the line. We right now have two hundred and five Brothers in the room, and we still have some forty people who have pre-registered and still have not shown up. We may hit more than two hundred and fifty Brothers and be the largest encampment in more than twenty-five years.

Encampment

(applause)

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Now a quick break-down by Department. Starting with California and Pacific, total present, fifteen: PDC's five, Delegates ten. If anybody has a question about these numbers, please send one representative from your Department back to the credentials table and we'll straighten it out. Colorado and Wyoming has one Brother present because of his reports, he can't vote. Connecticut, there are two Brothers present: one Department Commander and one Delegate. Florida, eight Brothers present: the Department Commander, one PDC, five Delegates, one Alternate. If a Department is within the Delegate count, Alternates will automatically be upgraded to Delegate. Iowa, there are six Brothers present: the Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, three Delegates. Illinois, six Brothers present: two PDC's, four Delegates. Indiana, nine Brothers present: three Past Commanders-In-Chief, the Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, three Delegates. Kansas, five brothers present: two Past Department Commanders and three Delegates. Kentucky, twelve Brothers present: the Department Commander, four Past Department Commanders, five Delegates, two alternates. Massachusetts, there are eleven Brothers present: two Past Department Commanders and nine Delegates. Maryland, eleven Brothers present: the Department Commander, four Past Department Commanders, five Delegates, two Alternates. Maine, two Brothers present: the Department Commander and one Delegate. Michigan, seventeen Brothers present: one Past Commander-In-Chief, the Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, and thirteen Delegates. Missouri, six Brothers present: three Past Department Commanders, two Delegates, one Alternate. Nebraska, two Brothers present: Department Commander and one Past Department Commander. New Hampshire, two Brothers present: the Department Commander and one Past Department Commander. New Jersey, three Brothers present: the Department Commander, one Past Department Commander, one Delegate. New York, ten Brothers present: one Past Commander-In-Chief, the Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, and six Delegates. Ohio, fourteen Brothers present: the Commander-In-Chief, whoever he might be ...

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Two Past Commanders-In-Chief, the Department Commander, three Past Department Commanders, and seven Delegates. Oklahoma, four Brothers present: the Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, and one Delegate. Pennsylvania, thirty-nine Brothers present: three Past Commanders-In-Chief, the Department Commander, five Past Department Commanders, twenty-two Delegates, six Alternates, and two visitors. The visitors are juniors. Rhode Island, eight Brothers present: the Department Commander, three Past Department Commanders, four Delegates. Tennessee, four Brothers present: the Department Commander, one Past Department Commander, and two Delegates. Texas, two Brothers present: the Department Commander and one Delegate. Vermont, one Brother present who was a Past Department Commander. Wisconsin, four Brothers present: one Past Commander-In-Chief, two Delegates, and one visitor, is a, who is also a junior. National MAL, there is one Brother present who is a Delegate. this gives us grand totals of Brothers present, two hundred and five, one Commander-In-Chief, eleven Past Commanders-In-Chief, eighteen Department Commanders, forty-nine Past Department Commanders, one hundred and thirteen Delegates, ten Alternates, and three visitors. The last thing in the yellow pack is an election tally sheet. What this is, just before the election we'll do a, a roll call and we'll give you the, the final count of Brothers actually in the room. That's the

first column, here by each state name. The lines across the top are for the names of people that are nominated for an office. When the Secretary calls the roll of Departments, you can write down the number so that you will be able to total up yourself. You can keep a running total. Commander-In-Chief, I believe that is it for my report.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I would just like to say that George has done a fantastic job although it did take him eight times to get it right.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, for the fraternalism of the Order, we have a Brother who's traveled twenty-five hundred miles to get here from the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. As we have done in the past, I would move you to seat him as a representative of the Membership-at-Large so that he can vote on his own pass, if he so chooses.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.

Second that.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Charlie Kuhn seconds. We have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.

I have one question. Does he have a current dues card?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Before Charlie starts to speak again, and we haven't got to the Rules of the Encampment and Charlie's broken about five of 'em so far ...

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The first is, if you wish to be recognized, go to one of the two microphones, state your name and the Department that you're with.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.

Charlie Kuhn. Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, Department of Pennsylvania. I have one question, does this Brother have a current dues card?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

He's a life member.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.

Okay. He, he is a life member. Then that answers my question. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any more? All in favor say aye.

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Aye.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Those opposed?

Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, James B. Pahl

I have a point of order. Commander-In-Chief, we got the voting cards and we should use them.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You, you have one voting card, I have two gavels. One to use and one to throw.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just so we keep Jim Pahl correct, may I see for aye's all the voting cards please? Thank you. Nay's? Thank you. Brother, you may vote. I will mention this once again. For those of you who were not at the joint Memorial Service, which was standing room only. We are honored, I believe he's out touring the museum at this time, real son, Harold Becker, age eighty-eight. He's here to honor his father and a member of the John A. Logan Camp Number One from Grand Rapids, Michigan. His father was Charles Conrad Becker. As a seventeen year old, he enlisted as a Private on 7 March 1864 in Company H of the 128th Indiana Infantry. He was mustered out on April 10th, 1866 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He will be our guest at the banquet. Rules Of The Encampment, to keep us straight, Past Commander-In-Chief Richard Orr is our Parliamentarian. The Encampment will be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order. Verbal reports will be a summary of the Officer's written report. These reports will not exceed five minutes in length. When speaking to an issue in this Encampment, no person shall speak more than twice on an issue, each time not to exceed five minutes. Exception being granted by a two-thirds vote of the Encampment. Cell phones are to be turned off or set on vibrate. It was mentioned that we, maybe we'll charge you five dollars if your cell phone goes off, but, I don't know.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All cell phone conversations will take place outside the meeting room. Robert's Rules of Order does not provide for seconding of nominations. Anyone outside the meeting room at the sound of the gavel prior to the Election of Officers will not be admitted until the session has been completed. All sales of the Quartermaster and the Foundation will cease when the Commander-In-Chief calls five minutes. All discussions will be conducted in the spirit of fraternity, charity, and loyalty. Past Commander-In-Chief Orr, do you wish to add anything to that list of ten?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard D. Orr

The only one that I had mentioned to you was that at the discretion of the Commander-In-Chief, resolutions can be taken up without amendments.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We can do this. That is now the eleventh Commandment of this Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

At this time, I would like to introduce, recognize, and express appreciation for the gentlemen that have preceded me in this seat. Richard L. Greenwalt, 1978 to 1979, he was Commander-In-Chief. He was elected in Grand Rapids, Michigan. As you heard early today, Dick will not be with us. He's had car trouble and can't make it. Donald L. Roberts, 1985 to 86, New York. He was elected in Wilmington, Delaware. Gordon R. Berry, II, 1986 to 87, Ohio. Elected in Lexington, Kentucky. Richard O. Pardington, 1987 to 88, Pennsylvania. Elected in Buffalo, New York. I believe at this point, the remaining Commanders-In-Chief are present. I would like to have them stand as their name is called. Charles W. Corfman, 1989 to 1990, Ohio, elected in Stanford, Connecticut.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Lowell Hammer, 1991 to 1992 from Maryland. Elected in Indianapolis. Brother Hammer cannot be with us today. Elmer Adkinson, 1992 to 1993, Pennsylvania, elected in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Alan Moore, 1993 to 1994, Department of Indiana. Elected in Portland, Maine.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Keith Harrison, can we see him?

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Can you see me now?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Keith Harrison, 1994 to 1995, from the Department of Michigan. Elected in Lansing, Michigan.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

David R. Medert, 1995 to 1996, Department of Ohio. Elected in Columbus, Ohio. Brother Medert is home recovering from a surgery. Alan R. Loomis, 1996 to 1997, Department of Indiana. Elected in Columbus, Ohio.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Richard D. Orr, 1997 to 1998, from the Department of Pennsylvania. Elected in Utica, New York.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Colonel Andrew M. Johnson, 1998 to 1999, from the Department of Maryland. Elected in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He is on his way.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Danny L. Wheeler, 1999 to 2000, New York, elected in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Edward J. Krieser, 2000 to 2001, Department of Indiana. Elected in Lansing, Michigan.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

George L. Powell, 2001 to 2002, Department of Pennsylvania. Elected in Springfield, Missouri.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Robert E. Grim, 2002 to 2003, Department of Ohio. Elected in Springfield, Illinois.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Kent L. Armstrong, 2003 to 2004, Department of Michigan. Elected in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Stephen A. Michaels, 2004 to 2005, from the Department of Wisconsin. And I might add, the first Commander-In-Chief from the Department of Wisconsin. Elected in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

In the normal opening of the Encampment, this is where the memorials of all our Brothers would be read. We have had a joint Memorial Service and named sixty-four of those Brothers that have passed this year. Since we've had the Memorial Service, we will not go over that again, but they will appear in the proceedings.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Appointment of the remaining Encampment Committees, Constitution and Regulation: Robert Grim is Chair, Keith Harrison, Brad Schall, Richard Orr, George Powell, Steve Michaels. Resolutions - James Pahl is Chair, James Hanby, Bob Lowe, Henry Shaw, Eric Schmincke. Officer Reports: Leo Kennedy is Chair, Tad Campbell, Dave Stephen, Ed Krieser, James Houston. Fraternal Relations: Auxiliaries to the Sons Of Union Veterans of the Civil War - Brad Schall is the Chair, John Irons, and Ellsworth Brown. To the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic - Buzz Smithcore and Charles Corfman. Past Commander-In-Chief Corfman, can you be the Chair of that Committee, please?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Charles W. Corfman

Yes.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Rituals and Ceremonies: George Powell is the Chair, Kenneth Hershberger, Ron Gill. That is all the Committees to date. In your bags that you received today, you have the reports of Officers printed. Now for the test ...

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The things that were handed out to you, please read them. Because it cost us fifteen hundred and thirty-two dollars to print them and I'd hate to see it go to waste. Brother Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, will you take the gavel, please?

My report does not appear in your hand-out, but will be provided to the people that need to get it. To the 125th Encampment Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War assembled in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Brothers, welcome to the 125th Encampment of the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. Before me sits two hundred descendants of those who shed their life's blood that the Constitution and Union of this country might be preserved. Let us keep ever green in our memory their sacrifices and devotion to God and country. This event is memorable for two reasons. First, it is the 125th Encampment and the Department of Pennsylvania declares that there will not be another one like it. They're right about that. The second, it is the largest outpouring of members at the National Encampment in recent years. Please, give yourself a round of applause for this.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

This has probably been the fastest year of my life, knowing that some of you will probably say it was the slowest of yours.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It has been a joy for me to travel the country and see the various Departments at work and the works that they have accomplished. The burst of enthusiasm in creating new Camps and recruiting new members,

the work on memorials, and press releases have put the Order in the national spotlight to the point that even the New York Times was querying us for information. Well done Brothers. Now for the State of the Order. We no longer have a Department of the Southwest. Do not despair because that Department requested a name change and I hope I can get this right. It is now the Department of Tex-asss (Texas).

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I think Chill Wills said that. As you will read or hear from the National Secretary's reports, eleven new Camps have been formed, charters, and Charters issued. Twelve, if you count the Charter to the Department of Texas. There are currently eleven more Camps that have been authorized to be formed and we're awaiting for completed paperwork. It should be pointed out that the Department of Maryland brought a Camp from application to delivery of Charter in six weeks. Then Department Commander James Hanby and Camp Organizer Robert H. Moore, II were definitely in what the Navy calls a high speed, low drag mode to get that done. Other Brothers that have brought new Camps into the Order are the Department of Michigan, Commander Richard Greene. Norman L. Gray from the Department of Ohio. Clifton W. Potter, Jr., from the Department of Maryland. Randall L. Durbin from the Department of Kansas. Craig L. Sundell from the Department of Kansas. Courtney Starr, and if I mispronounce your name, I apologize, from the Department of Iowa. Steven R. Hall, from the Department of Pennsylvania. Bob Duncan, from the Department of California and Pacific. Edward J. Potapora, from the Department of Pennsylvania. To use a Navy term, Bravo Zulu to those Brothers. For those of you who are not from the seafaring portion, and not familiar with that phraseology, that is the highest form of congratulations used in the Navy for a job well done. To those Brothers, thank you.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Council of Administration has also been busy, as you are aware as the minutes have been placed on the Order's website and published in the BANNER. You can see by the minutes that they have used their time wisely and handled the issues of the Order in short Order. At this time, I would like the members of the Council of Administration to stand so that the Brothers may know who they are.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That was the good news. Now for the other news. And as I said earlier, in light of the events of the last forty-eight hours, this is somewhat trivial. However, it is important to the Order. Once again, this year, we've had problems getting the required reports turned in on time. As Commander-In-Chief, it was my position, backed by the Constitution and Regulations, that the Departments not having their reports submitted and per capita paid, would not be represented at this Encampment. This is not a new matter. Just one being enforced. It has been said that this action taken by me is against F C & L. It is my opinion that not turning in reports or paying per capita in a timely manner purports to the lack of F C & L.

Untimely reports are not a matter of inconvenience. They are a matter of fiscal responsibility. Untimely reports prevents the Treasurer and the Council of Administration from their ability to accurately assess monies available and the ability to issue a sound budget for the upcoming year. Untimely reports and untimely payments of per capita retards the work of the Order. Hopefully, this message is received loud and clear and will never have to be uttered in the future.

The Order is progressing in its association with the media. We need to be attuned to what we say and how the Order is perceived. Comments to the media should not contain personal feelings or personal points of view of a political nature when representing the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. By

the Constitution and Regulations, this Order is non-political. We must ensure that we steadfastly adhere to this principal in word and deed when dealing with the media, non-members of the Order, and especially our own members. To which, it is my recommendation that the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War institute the position of a National Public Affairs Officer for issuing of press releases and dealing with the media. That wasn't so bad, was it?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

To the outgoing Department Commanders, my hat is off to you. At the beginning of this administration, you were instructed to handle Departmental problems at the lowest level. This was reiterated at the various encampments to which it was my pleasure to attend, and for the most part, this was accomplished. You will notice that the National Counselor opinions, all of which were supported by me, that the majority dealt with basically an interpretation of the Constitution and Regulations of the Order. For the new Department Commanders, part of your installation ceremonies deals with acquainting yourself with the same C & R. I most strongly suggest that you do so.

I must take this time to verbally recognize a few folks for their contributions this year. The C. K. Peir Badger Camp Number One hosted the mid-winter meeting of the Council of Administration in Milwaukee this year. Past Commander-in-Chief Michaels and National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, Department Commander Kent Peterson, Camp Commander Tom Brown, Camp Junior Vice Commander Bill Doan, Brother Patrick Lynch all gave up their Saturday and Sunday to meet us at the airport, haul us around and take us on a tour. They just made life enjoyable. Also the C.K. Pier Badger Auxiliary Number Four, Past National President Danielle Michaels, Auxiliary President Ann Michaels, Sisters Linda Brown, Barbara Harris, and Rita Mauerman provided us lunch and conducted a Ladies tour. And trust me, if you don't keep the ladies that accompany you happy, it's ...uhh... anyway. I would also thank, Patty Schall, Rosemary Lowe and Alice Engels for entertaining my wife when I went to the encampments.

Brad and, and Bob's wives took my wife out to Las Vegas, ...

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'm still not forgetting the seven dollar brownie.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Cher Petrovic took my wife on an antique run in St. Louis. And also a tour of Grant's Farm. The Department of Maryland for having their encampment next to the largest Outlet Mall my wife has ever seen in her life!

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

There are also Brothers that should also receive my undying gratitude. Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr. We have butted heads over the years but basically because we wanted what was best for the order. And at times, we got to the same position, just through different routes. When I began my journey to be elected Commander-in-Chief, it was first on the Council Of Administration. My mind was made up, to know as much about the C&R as Richard Orr does. Rich, I have not reached that pinnacle. But it has been a great trip. I would like to thank you for keeping me focused and motivated. To Past Commander-in-Chief Andrew Johnson, the man who never met a medal he didn't like...

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

When my request for consideration for National Offices was put forth, Past Commander-in-Chief Johnson sent an e-mail out that said, "Darby, I think we'll support him." So basically, you can blame Andy for all this. Andy's not here right now, but I wish to thank him for the support, the guidance, and hospitality that he's shown me over the years. Past Commander-in-Chief Robert Grim, who showed me that you can smile in the face of adversity and to think before speaking. Past Commander-in-Chief Grim has also served the Order well in his position of National Counselor in this past year. Past Commander-In-Chief Grim, thank you. Past Commander-in-Chief Danny Wheeler. The first thirty-thousand-dollar-a-year in sales Quartermaster. Thank you for your guidance, our conversations, phone conversations over the past two years have been insightful and enjoyable. Your spell-checker has also been beneficial.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

If you, for those of you who haven't seen it, you need to see Danny's e-mails.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Past Commander-in-Chief Ed Krieser, you made me understand no matter how grim, no pun intended Bob, something looked, we could always find a way to laugh. Your counsel has also been valuable to me. To Past Commanders-in-Chief Charles Corfman and Richard Greenwalt, my thanks and appreciation. These gentlemen were Department Commanders in my own Department Of Ohio. They were quick with advice as well as a smack to the back of the head when I needed it. Last but not least, Past Commander-in-Chief David R. Medert. Old Dave is not physically here this weekend, but know that he is here in spirit. And his guidance usually began with, "Darby, you're about to screw up."

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And that was usually followed by a swift kick. He has been a mentor to me for many years. I think of him not only as a Past Commander-in-Chief, but a father figure. My deepest heartfelt appreciation to him. Brothers, I have taken up enough of your time with this address. So in the words of a great Naval hero, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead." Thank you very much.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You still have the conn Senior Vice, so hang on for a minute.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Rich, are you going to make the motion?

Past Commander-in-Chief, Richard D. Orr

Brother Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, I move you that the Report of the Commander-in-Chief be received, referred to the appropriate Committee and all subsequent officer's reports be referred to the Committees as needed.

Several

Second.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

The motion has been made and seconded. Is there any discussion? Hearing no further discussion, raise your voting cards. Thank you. Any opposed? Same sign. Motion carries. Commander-In-Chief, I return the gavel to you, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. I would like at this time to give out some awards. As I've said, this is not an "I" organization. It is a "them," being the Grand Army of the Republic and "us," all of us. We have some Brothers today that will be recognized that have done that for many years long before I showed up and they will continue to do it long after I'm gone. We have a Meritorious Service Award to Brother Lee F. Walters, for his devotion promoting the Order above and beyond that which was required of his duties of Office and in so doing, keeping clear the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic who saved the Union from 1861 to 1865. Granted this 11th day of August, 2006.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. For this next award of the Meritorious Service with Gold Star in my position as the Commander-In-Chief to make recommendations for approval by the Council Of Administration. I will admit that I was somewhat cruel in my picking of this first person. Because there are three such awards today, and I made that individual vote for the other two without letting him know that he was the third.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That's just the way I am. The Meritorious Service with Gold Star is awarded to Danny L. Wheeler, Past Commander-in-Chief, for his devotion and work to the Order in keeping the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, presented this 11th day of August, 2006, at the National Encampment by order of the Commander-In-Chief and the Council of Administration. Danny, come on down.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. The second Meritorious Service with Gold Star was, once again, by my order and under the permission of the Council of Administration. I will tell you that the man who gets this, it's a very grim story. The Meritorious Service Gold Star is awarded to Robert E. Grim, Past Commander-in-Chief from the Department of Ohio. Once again for his devotion and work to the Order. At this time, Brother Grim is working on the restoration of four, count 'em, four monuments at the same time in his home county and counties in Ohio. So, Past Commander-In-Chief Grim, thank you very much, sir.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Marshall Hope Award for the year's best Department Newsletter. They come from everywhere and it's great to read, see the pictures, the involvement. Some are in color. Some are in black and white. Some have orders and stuff. Other ones are chocked full of anything you can imagine about Civil War ancestors, Department, all sorts of news. And it's a hard selection. So, the winner of the 2006, 125th Anniversary of the National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Sunflower Picket of the Department of Kansas is awarded the year's best Department Newsletter.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Marshall Hope Award for the year's best Camp Newsletter is also up for grabs today. And once again, those were coming in hot and heavy. This one is chocked full of color. Chocked full of events that this Camp has done. I don't know how they can make any money working because they're always dressed up doing something for the Sons for memorial services. Not that you others aren't, they just put theirs in living color. For the best Camp Newsletter at the 125th National Encampment, the William Pittinger Camp 21, Department of California and Pacific.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Abraham Lincoln, Commander-In-Chief, Outstanding Camp Award. I can tell you that this Department has basically a policy of lead, follow, or get the heck out of the way. They move forward getting their members in quickly. They do a ton of activities. They're stretched out, it seems like, literally hundreds of miles apart. And they still manage to bring Camps together to do events. The Abraham Lincoln, Commander-In-Chief, Outstanding Camp Award, this year, the 125th National Encampment of the Sons, goes to the Phil Sheridan Camp Number Four from the Department of California and Pacific.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Let's take a break from the Department and Camp awards for a while. See them smiling. You know what I notice? They always sit closest to California when they sit there.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'd like to take a moment to, to recognize a person. I would like to, to recognize a person who I mentioned in my acceptance speech a year ago. When he is called on he would always show up and never failed. He's worked very hard. And for this, I'm going to come to him. As you Brothers may have remembered a year ago, I said that my National Chaplain was not here because he was spending a hundred days with a very ill Brother. He did this, not because he was related to that person, but because he was the National Chaplain and he saw the job that needed to be done. Brother Jerome Kowalski told me today that that Brother he sat with during that hundred days and nights was back in the hospital because the cancer had come back. And I told Brother Kowalski that, well, you gave him a year. Brother Kowalski said, no, God gave him a year. I just washed the dishes. Brother Kowalski, it is my extreme honor to present you with the Cornelius F. Whitehouse Outstanding Brother Award from the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans. By my order this 11th day of August, 2006.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you Brothers. It's pretty good when you get the photographer to cry.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I have three more to give. Is Earl T. MacIntosh in the room? No? Is a Brother from the Department of Kansas in the room? Brother Earl T. MacIntosh from Mine Creek Camp Number Six, Department of Kansas is awarded this award for distinguished recruiting in the service of getting seven new members into our Order. One of the representatives from the Department of Kansas, can you see that he gets it, please?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, but don't go away, sir.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You, you, you may be needed. Matter of fact, you may stick around for the next two. Craig A. Sundell, Past Camp Commander, Sgt. Samuel Churchill Camp Number Four, Department of Kansas, thirteen new members.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Randall Durbin. Is he here? No, not yet. Well, when he gets here, from Old Abe Camp Number Sixteen, Department of Kansas, sixteen new members.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Now I have to apologize. One, Ed went to France and he's the one that makes these up. And two, he was on vacation when I got the information from the Department of California and Pacific. Jerry Sayre is also eligible for this award. I want you to recognize him and we'll get the award out to him. Jerry?

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. We're done, honest. Boy that feels good to do that. I'll tell you what. it's about ten till eleven. Let's take a ten minute break before we start into officer reports.

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You don't get to leave until the gavel hits once.

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ten minutes, gentlemen.

BREAK

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Before we get the reports, Brothers, there are some items we need to address. First off, the Quartermaster and the Charitable Foundation have tables in the back of the room of items for sale. Out the door, turn left, turn left and to down the hallway, the Camps and Departments of the Sons also have items for sale so don't spend your money all in one place. Danny will probably get me for that one.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe they have t-shirts. The Department Encampment shirts are available in that room as well. Part of you remember where I said that the Council of Administration had done some work. Davis Star Camp went and had produced a postage stamp you can use it any place in the United States. These are available by seeing Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr. It has the Coat-of-Arms of the Sons. And it says 125th Anniversary on the bottom. They are available, how many did you say you had, Rich?

Past Commander-in-Chief, Richard D. Orr

Twenty-five.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

This is probably the first and only time that we have our logo on something that you can use for mailing so please, see Rich. They'll probably go quick. Brother Lee Walters.

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

Thank you, Commander-In-Chief. I want to talk to you about banquet tickets. Those of you who have paid for banquet tickets, there's a guy sitting out there from my Camp who is passing them out. Please stop there and get them, preferably by noon today. Do not go to the National Civil War Museum for the banquet without a ticket. If you do that, you will have to sit there and wait while they come and hunt me down and get me to verify off the list that you're supposed to be there and what you're supposed to eat

and you'll be served dead last. So please save yourself and me a lot of grief. Pick up your banquet tickets. On the right, outside, by the registration table. His name is David Demmy and he's from Camp Fifteen.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Eric Schmincke?

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Commander-In-Chief Darby. For those Brothers who have ordered the 125th Anniversary Badge and are here to pick them up this weekend, please see myself or Brother Demmy again and we will be able to accommodate you. Of course, most of you probably received them in the mail already. Thank you very much.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Eric, are there any more of those available if people want to purchase them at a later date?

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Unfortunately not. We had five hundred made and they flew like hot cakes.

Commander of the SVR, David V. Medert

Commander-in-Chief, I want everybody to know if you are not aware of it, this year is the 50th anniversary of Remembrance Day. We have struck a medal for that and we do have the medals here. They are five dollars a piece. If you want one, please see Colonel Shaw.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay, folks, let's get back on track. As I said earlier, you have the published reports in front of you from the Officer Reports. It is my intention, unless Brother Orr throws something at me, the reports will not be read. I will go through the list and ask the Officers if they have any comments to make in addition to what was printed. Those remarks will be limited to five minutes. Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Okay, I think I have something more.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

He's an attorney. You know he had something to add.

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(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

May it please the Court, Your Honor.

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Jams B. Pahl

Two things. First of all, I would like to thank John Hart for all the work that he did in getting the BANNER out this year. Everything that went right with the BANNER is John's fault. It had my name on the mast-head, but John did the work. And thank you, very much, John.

Encampment

(applause)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Jams B. Pahl

Some of you who may not have yet received your summer issue of the BANNER, there's a box out at the registration table. Stop by and pick one up. There's also the spring issue of the BANNER there if you'd like a copy of that. Secondly, Program and Policy Committee, of which I was privileged to Chair, produced a resource CD. This has got everything on it that we could possibly think of to help the Departments and Camps do their jobs. Every form, the Constitution and Regulations, the Ritual, the Digest, the brochures, the pamphlets. It's free of charge. I only made a hundred, so I'd ask that Departments be first, Department Commanders back at the Quartermaster table. Just tell Danny you'd like a CD. You can freely copy this and pass it out in your Departments. Once each Department has got

one or two, then the rest of these are up for grabs until they're gone. Again, feel free to copy them and pass them along to other Brothers even though each individual item in here is copy righted. It's for our use. So we can, within the Order, pass it on so pick up one of these resource CD's and hopefully it'll help you do your jobs in the coming year.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Brothers, I took on the responsibility of Chairing this National Encampment and it is quite a task to do that. Mrs. Simmons, come on up. Sometimes it makes the job a lot easier if you got people that are doing a hard job and, and crossing all the "t"s and dotting all the "i"s and a lot of those kind of people work for the facilities that we're in and they really don't get recognized, they get a pay check for it, but it's nice to recognize them once in a while. This lady has made this job here immensely easy. So, I'd like for everybody to give her a good round of applause.

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(applause)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

You made this real easy, so I thank you. Now, get back to work!

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, do you have anything to add to your written report?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I have an update on some of the numbers. If you look at my report the number of applications that I've processed, those numbers are as of July 4th, 2006. That's when I submitted my report so they could be published. Since then, I have taken an additional twenty-five. I believe I had two hundred. I'm at two hundred and twenty-five right now, applications processed and I'll give you the breakdown. I gained an additional one in California – Pacific, which made it nineteen. Connecticut, an additional one, which made it five. Florida, an additional two, which made it twelve. Illinois, one, for ten. Indiana, one, for four. Iowa, one for one. Kansas, one for three. Maryland, three for twenty. Massachusetts, one for three. Michigan, one for two. Missouri, one for ten. New Hampshire, one for a total of three. Ohio, one more for a total of thirteen. Pennsylvania, four more for a total of seventeen. Tennessee, two more for a total of sixteen. Texas, three more for a total of thirteen. Wisconsin, one more for a total of six. Camps at Large, one more for a total eighteen. And National Membership at Large one more for a total of fourteen. That brings the total to two hundred twenty-five. Also, on Tuesday and Wednesday's mail brought six more applications which I didn't even have a chance to look at, so, they will go to the next Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief. We've had continual problems with getting members on board, taking too long. I have a recommendation in the back of this. I seriously recommend that you Brothers consider this. It will take a change to the Constitution and Regulations to make it happen. But right now, we have about five or six people handling that application. It takes two months to get them on board. There's no reason to make that happen so this change would get the person on within days.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. I would point out that Brother Sayre, who is to my right, was approached by a guy from Pennsylvania and said he had someone in his family and so Brother Sayre took him to Brother Kuhn and we may have another member in Pennsylvania. They're always working. Report of the National Secretary. Do you have anything to add, sir?

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Just briefly. In addition to the other camps listed as having new charters approved. I would like to note and congratulate the members of Major Sullivan Bellou Camp Number Three, Department of Rhode Island, Camp Organizer David Duggan, Department Secretary Joe Hall. Their Charter has been approved with a date of rank of August 11th, 2006.

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(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Treasurer.

National Treasurer, Max L. Newman

One thing I want to mention is if your Departments have and your Camps have an EIN Number, I need to have that number so that I can file it with the IRS. If you try to use one that is not on that list that I have to file with the IRS and you'll have trouble dealing with it. They'll want you to have me send you a letter or send them a letter saying that your Camp is indeed one of our subordinate Organizations. That's what's been happening in the last several months. The IRS is sending me back your information and wanting to know if these Camps are indeed part of our Organization. So if you have an EIN Number and, and I don't know about it, I can't put it on the list so that you're covered. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The next thing that I need to say it is with a heavy heart. The National Organization has relied on Max for a number of years. He has put out an e-mail that he will not be seeking re-election next year. This basically gives the Order one year to find a replacement for a man who, in my view, is irreplaceable. So we need to scour the earth for someone who is close to that. National Chaplain, do you have anything to add, sir?

National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski

Just that I pray for you and will continue to pray for you.

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(laughter and applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I think he directed that to you all.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Civil War Memorials Officer, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Civil War Memorials Officer, Todd A. Shillington

Commander-In-Chief, Brothers, a year ago, you will remember PCinC Rich Orr, I believe, wrote the Resolution to Congress to stiffen laws and maybe even get some enforcement out of the ones that currently exist, against those who would harm our memorials and prevent it from happening. We passed it and Andy Johnson took it to the American Legion and their Executive Counsel passed it too. We now have an opportunity because this is fairly recent, for us to go to the Legion on local levels. I don't know how many people here are also members of the American Legion, a bunch of you are I'm sure. We have the opportunity now to go to the Legion, say hey look, you endorsed our Resolution also. Let's go take it to your Congressman, take it to your Senators, on every level get the Legion authority, local department, and it's being done on national also. So, it's going to be an opportunity you have for a while because these things don't go forever. The Resolution will be distributed to Departments. I may also see about what we can do with BANNER and Web Page, too. The information will be there for you to use. The window won't be open forever, so please take it, use it. Let Congress know that we need more, we need this done. That we have millions of members of the Legion that are with us on it. I just wanted to add that to the report. Thank you very much, Commander-In-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

To those who would defile the memorials, I can say this. You can run, but you can't hide. National Counselor, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

Since my report, I've rendered one more opinion. On August 7th, I issued an opinion relating to duel membership and a person who was involved in a disciplinary proceeding. I won't recite it now but it

will appear in the proceedings. Basically, if a member is under disciplinary proceedings in one Department and holds dual membership in a second Department, I've ruled that the discipline applies throughout the Order and is not limited just to the Department where the person is being disciplined. He was in good standing in one Department and had a discipline problem in the other Department. My opinion was that the discipline applies throughout the Order. And that was endorsed by the Commander-In-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Eagle Scout Coordinator, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator, Robert M. Petrovic

Nothing to add, Commander.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. National G.A.R. Highway Officer, anything to add to your report?

National GAR Highway Officer, Gary E. Parrott

Sir, nothing additional.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. National Historian. He's not here so he can't add, at least to the report. National Liaison to the Cathedral of the Pines. There was an addendum that was sent in to his report. He's not here. I will read it to you. His request could be interpreted as a recommendation. It says, "On April 6, 2006, I returned the Memorial Day registration form to the, to the National Cathedral of the Pines. I will be in attendance May 30th, 2006 to represent the Commander-In-Chief in our order at the Memorial Day service. I request that the National Treasurer send the annual Memorial Day donation directly to the Cathedral of the Pines, 10 Hale Street, Rindge, New Hampshire 03461. F C & L Richard Woodbury, National Liaison to the Cathedral of the Pines. National Liaison to MOLLUS, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Liaison to MOLLUS, Keith Harrison

(negative head shake)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That was a negative nod, err, negative head shake there. That's for the transcriptionist. National Membership-at-Large Coordinator, do you have anything to add, sir?

National Membership-at-Large Coordinator, Alan L. Russ

Commander-In-Chief Darby, the only thing I have to add is that I would like to present the check for the excess funds in the amount of thirteen hundred dollars to our Treasurer.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Please do so, sir.

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(applause)

National Webmaster, Ken Freshley

Two quick things. An update on the number of visits to the National website is up to 2.6 million hits so far up to the end of July. Just pretty amazing. And one last thing, a thank you to Brother Keith Harrison, Past Commander-In-Chief. He filled a hundred forty-three requests for searches of Civil War soldier records, individuals for the last year. Also, we're up to four hundred twenty-six entries on our photos from the Photos From The Past page. Second, basically, at the C of A Meeting, I posted a request to move our National website to another web site provider. We're out of web space and there's some stuff we want to add to the current website which we don't have the capability. Also it will save us a lot of money, in the tune of about eleven hundred dollars. And it will give us more capability, more e-mail addresses, to do some of the projects we've been waiting on, too. The move will be transparent. You will not notice any difference other than just more stuff on the website.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, sir. More for less. That's the way to go.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Quartermaster, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler

Commander, I just wanted to say that the official figures come from the National Treasurer and if you look at my report, it is under that thirty thousand dollar figure. I had to wait for his figures on the ROTC Medal Program before we could get the totals. So, his total is official. Mine isn't.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Graves Registration Officer, do you have anything to add to your report, sir?

National Graves Registration Officer, Bob Lowe

Nothing at this time to add.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Patriotic Instructor. My apologies. Do you have anything to add to your fourteen page report, sir? He's not a lawyer.

National Patriotic Instructor, Bruce Butgereit

Bruce Butgereit, Michigan. To save Brother Bennett some additional printing as I have stated in the report, I will provide you an updated listing of the ROTC Cadets as who actually received it and as of this morning, I concluded all of the Department reports that I had received and will provide that report as well.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

At this time I would like to call Brother James Hanby from the Department of Maryland to come forward. He has something important to read to you. In May, I asked Brother Hanby to take on a mission. And the response in the e-mail was, "consider it done". He will now share with you the fruits of his labor which I think you will find satisfying to the Encampment.

Past Maryland Department Commander, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Commander-In-Chief. First, I want to read just briefly a portion of a letter that Theodore Roosevelt wrote in expressing regret that he could not attend a reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"It is no disrespect to any other body of our citizens to say that the men who fought for the Union in the great Civil War have a claim upon all Americans such as no men in the country have ever had. It is to you we owe the fact that we have a country at all. And every American today is under a particular debt of personal obligation to you and your comrades, who, in their youth and early manhood in the supreme hour of our nations need rallied to the call of Abraham Lincoln and after four weary years, saw the triumph of armies commanded by Ulysses S. Grant. There have been other crises in the history of the government, but not since its foundation have there been any other which the existence of the government itself was as stake. Therefore, it fell to the lot of you and to those who stood with you from 1861 to '65, to render one service which was vital. Not only to the well being, but to the very life of the nation."

Commander-In-Chief Darby asked me to attempt to have a Resolution passed in the United State's Congress honoring our 125th Anniversary and being as it were with the Congress, the Resolution isn't quite finished. But our United States Senator from Delaware, Thomas R. Carper took to the floor of the Senate as a personal privilege for me last week and read the greatest part of the Resolution into the Congressional Record and has sent me by Fed-Ex here to the hotel, the Official Congressional Record. In the Senate Wednesday, August 3rd, 2006.

“Mr. President, I rise today to commemorate the Sons Of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the occasion of its 125th National Encampment being held August 10th through the 14th in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The event honors the brave men who fought to preserve our Nation during the Civil War.

In 1866, Union Veterans of the Civil War organized into the Grand Army of the Republic and became a social and political force that would control the destiny of the nation for more than six decades. Membership was restricted in the Veterans’ organization to individuals who had served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service during the Civil War. In 1888, members of the G.A.R. formed the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America to carry on its traditions and its memory.

On August 20th, 1954, United States Congress, acting under a request from several members of the delegation of the leaders of the Sons of Union Veterans, among them General Douglas McArthur whose father fought in the Civil War and General Ulysses S. Grant, retired, whose grandfather was Ulysses S. Grant be formally chartered as a Congressionally Chartered Organization the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Today, more than six thousand members represent the, the Union Veterans of the Civil War throughout the United States. Their members devote a great deal of time, energy, and resources to preserve the history of the United States and of the Civil War in schools throughout the Unites States. They study the American Civil War from all perspectives in order to facilitate a deeper understanding of one of the most important events of our nation’s history. In closing, I would again like to praise the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on the occasion of its anniversary for its work to perpetuate and honor the brave men who fought for us to preserve our nation.

As a veteran myself, I understand the importance of honoring our veterans and of preserving our history, especially that of the Civil War. I hope that my colleges in the Senate join me in honoring the work of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Thomas R. Carper, Senator, Delaware.”

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(applause)

Commander-In-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother National Secretary, do you wish to read communications at this time?

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

There’s just a few, apart from Resolutions and letters of support for nominations. From the Cathedral of the Pines, directed to National Treasurer Max Newman, “On behalf of the Trustees of the Cathedral of the Pines Foundation, we wish to thank you for your donation of one hundred dollars. Your gift, as well as the gifts from other generous people, will ensure that the Cathedral of the Pines is here for years to come. You are truly a part of the Cathedral family of friends and benefactors and we appreciate that. Sincerely, Linda Serrett, Administrator.”

From Robert Finch Camp Number Fourteen, again to National Treasurer, Max Newman, “On behalf of the entire Robert Finch Camp Number Fourteen and the SUVCW Petoski Confederate Civil War Cannon Committee, we want to express our deepest appreciation and thanks for the generous contribution of five hundred dollars from the National Organization of the SUVCW Civil War Memorial Preservation Grant Fund. This contribution has brought our total raised to this point up to six thousand one hundred thirty-six dollars and ninety-three cents, which means that we will soon be able to transport the cannon to our local bronze art plant in Cincinnati, Ohio where they will begin the restoration process. We still hope to reach our goal of twenty-five thousand dollars within the next year so that we will able to dedicate the cannon in Arlington Park in Petoski in the summer of 2007. Your contribution has helped us to get closer to that goal. In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty, Robert Finch Camp Number

Fourteen.”

From the Central Illinois Landmarks Foundation to National Treasurer Max Newman ... why do you get all the mail?

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(laughter)

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

‘Cause that’s where the checks come from. That’s why.

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(laughter)

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

“On behalf of the Central Illinois Landmarks Foundation and its affiliate, The Friends of the GAR Hall, I extend our deep gratitude to the National Organization SUVCW for the generous five hundred dollar grant to help defray the cost of fabrication and installation of a historic interpretive marker at 416 Hamilton Boulevard in Peoria, Illinois. As you probably are aware from the grant application, the Green Hut Memorial Hall was built in 1909 as a meeting place for members of the Colonel John Bryner Post Number Sixty-Seven, Grand Army of the Republic. Although this unique building stands out in all its splendor, visitors as well as many local citizens who walk by it regularly, have little if any knowledge, and thus no appreciation of its significance as a memorial to the gallant Civil War Veterans who built and used it. This sidewalk marker, a copy of which I am enclosing in this letter, is expected to be installed in a matter weeks and will greatly facilitate awareness of this historic building. We are also appreciative of the Colonel John Bryner Camp Sixty-Seven who submitted the grant application. Camp Sixty-Seven has for many years made active use of the Hall for its meetings and public programs, giving the Hall continued relevance to the community and helping to perpetuate the memory of Civil War Veterans. We value their support and look forward to a continuous, harmonious relationship between their and our organizations. Sincerely, Friends of the GAR Hall.”

From the State University of New Jersey, Rutgers, “We would like to acknowledge receipt of your scholarship check for one thousand dollars which, has been deposited to the students account as instructed. Please express our sincere appreciation to your organization for their generosity in making this scholarship available to one of our students.” And with that, “Dear Sons of Union Veterans Scholarship Committee, thank you so much for choosing me as the recipient of your annual scholarship. As always, it is a great honor to have been chosen to receive this award. I will continue with my efforts to keep green the memory of the GAR and all who have served our nation by telling members of my community the story of the Civil War and the “Boys in Blue” and by pursuing collegiate studies in history. By continuing my participation in Sons of Union Veterans meetings, activities, and events, I will be sure to uphold the purposes and objects of our organization to the utmost extent for the remainder of my life. Thanks again. In fraternity, charity, and loyalty, Dane A. Defebo, Joel Searfoss Camp 273, Department of Pennsylvania.”

From the Iowa House of Representatives, 81st General Assembly regarding Veterans Commemorative Property. “Senate File 2333, which prohibits a person who owns or controls a cemetery where any veterans commemorative property has been placed from selling, trading, or transferring any part of a veterans commemorative unless authorized by the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Department is authorized to sell, trade, or transfer commemorative property under certain conditions ...” and the current status of this is signed by the Governor.

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(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

My personal “well done” to the Department of Iowa and the Brothers of that Department for pushing that through. We are now at a quarter till twelve. By the schedule, lunch is to start at twelve. And we’re at that point where its reports of standing committees and I don’t think we’ve got enough time to do it in fifteen minutes. So with that, gentlemen ...

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We are in recess till one o’clock.

[One rap *]

Lunch

125th National Encampment, Second Session, Friday Afternoon, August 11, 2006

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Good afternoon Brothers. I know that most of you were here at one o’clock. For the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, one o’clock is thirteen hundred.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And he’s not even here to hear that. Brother Leo Kennedy has asked if the Officers Report Committee meet in the corner of the room after today’s business. When Brother Pahl was presenting Blue Star he made a comment of the Sons serving in action. And he meant that as members of the Sons of Union Veterans. He also, I’m sure, included all the daughters of the Sons of Union Veterans that are currently serving in harms way. So I wanted to bring that up. As I promised, we were holding back one of the awards because there was a person who was a little late this morning. So I’ll finish my awards by presenting I believe that people who have not been a Commander-In-Chief, really don’t understand how much this next individual does for the Sons. His hospitality just driving around D.C. in itself is a chore. Trying to pay for a room in D.C. is ...unless you’re paying by the hour, you can’t really afford a room there. But the Meritorious Service Gold Star Award, by my order and with the approval the Council of Administration, goes to, as I mentioned earlier in my opening remarks, to the man who never met a medal he didn’t like. Andy, it is not a medal, but it’s the best I could do. It is awarded to Past Commander-In-Chief Andrew M. Johnson, for his devotion to duty and to the Order.

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(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Want to say something?

Past Commander-In-Chief Andrew M. Johnson

A few words.

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(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief Andrew M. Johnson

Gentlemen, I am, touched and honored beyond my power to express adequately. It’s been a great honor to be your Commander-In-Chief and to be your Washington D. C. Representative, in which case, I get to meet regularly all of the Commanders-In-Chief. And I have a special wall which I call the Lincoln Wall and the Lincoln Room, which is the Commander-In-Chief’s luxury suite there in Washington that I will place this on. Thank you very much.

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(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Glad to see that you could make it, Jim.

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(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I'm a little late.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

it's your story. Tell it any way you want.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I will say that probably one of the greatest honors that came to me this year was somewhat of a surprise in that Past Commander-In-Chief Johnson, when I came to the D.C. Memorial Day Service told me that I was going to present a wreath. And I figured Sons of Union Veterans.....it will be at the Civil War Monument for the Unknown Soldiers. I got a seat at the President's address for Memorial Day. Then I was told that I needed to go around the building, go downstairs, knock twice on the door, not three times, twice.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

So I dutifully go there. I knock twice, and one of the Old Guards, now that's the name of the unit that marches at the Unknown Soldier Memorial. I've got socks that have been in the military longer than the kid that opened the door.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And I said, "They said something about a wreath." "Oh, yes sir. You need to go around, follow this Sergeant." Well, this Sergeant took off like his hair was on fire.

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And I'm going along behind him. And he goes, "Your wreath is right here." And I'm thinking, man, that's going to be a heck of a walk from here clear over to where the Civil War Unknown Soldier was. And this other soldier comes up and he goes, "Sir, are you alone?" I said, "Yes". And he goes "You'll be escorted out there." And I looked at him and I went, "Out there?" Out there was where the President placed his wreath for the tomb of The Unknown Soldiers and as I went out there thinking, don't drop this, ...

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(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

...don't stumble, whatever you do. They had me out there and I'm about this far from the mat that the Old Guard walks the beat for The Unknown Soldiers. I came back and an individual goes, "We want to thank you." And I was aghast. I said, "You've got to be kidding me." I said, "For an ex-military man, that's the closest to heaven I'll ever get." And I, I want to thank Andy for allowing me that great honor to put a wreath at the Tomb of The Unknown Soldiers. It don't get no better than that.

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(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Reports of the National Standing Committees. National Committee on Americanization and Education, Bruce Butgereit.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

Nothing more to add.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Committee on Civil War Memorials, Brother Shillington.

National Civil War Memorials Officer, Todd A. Shillington

There's nothing addition to report.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Committee on Constitution and Regulations, Past Commander-In-Chief Robert Grim.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

The Constitution and Regulations Committee has three different proposals that you'll find in your materials that were distributed to you. The Committee would like to move that we adopt all three proposals. First one, of course, is a minor change. This is a proposal that would basically correct a typo and grammatical change dealing with Davis Camp in Pennsylvania. Davis Camp does not have a Camp number, since it was the original SUVCW Camp. We are correcting the spelling of the name Augustus Plummer Davis. The proposed language would read, "The principal color of the flag of the Davis Camp, Department of Pennsylvania, shall be gold in recognition of its place as the original Camp organized by Augustus, we're adding the two letters "us" Plummer Davis. The Camp was formed on November 12th, 1881."

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any discussion? All in favor of the change, please raise your cards. Those opposed? Proposal passes.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

Proposal number two. At the present time, the BANNER editor is elected by the Council of Administration. This proposed change would establish a three year term of office for the BANNER editor, and specifically authorize the Council of Administration, by majority vote, to remove the BANNER editor during that three year term. We also propose adding the election of the BANNER editor to the Council of Administration job description. This change would also fix the term of office of one year for the Camp-at-Large and Department Organizer. There's no change in the requirement that the BANNER editor report to the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, who serves as the publisher. On behalf of the Committee, I would move that we adopt this change.

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Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any discussion? We'll vote, gentlemen. All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Motion passes.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

The third proposal, this will clarify language relating to the discipline procedures involving duel membership. These proposed changes clarity in what jurisdiction changes must be filed and states that "any penalties imposed are effective throughout the SUVCW Organization." Also, identify in paragraphs A, B, and C by letter. This basically makes the ruling issued a few days ago part of the Regulations. And on behalf of the Committee, I would move that we adopt this change.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any discussion? All those in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Motion carries.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

Commander, that concludes the report of the Constitution and Regulations Committee.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. National Site Committee. James Houston

National Encampment Site Committee, James H. Houston, Jr.

Commander Darby, our report has been filed but I'd like to call the Brother's attention to some decisions that have been made by the Committee. The 2007 National Encampment will be held at the Hilton, St. Louis Frontenac, St. Louis, Missouri, August 9th to 12th, 2007. The next year, 2008 the Committee has made a decision that in February, to award that Encampment to the Department of Massachusetts and at this point in time, the exact hotel has not been selected but it will be in the Peabody, Massachusetts area. In that regard there's a presentation that would like to be made to the Commander-In-Chief by Past Department Commander John Bates.

Past Massachusetts Department Commander, John Bates

Commander, Brothers, on the 10th of June, 2006 the Department of Massachusetts was privileged to participate in the internment and burial of six Civil War soldiers. They were removed from Centerville, Virginia. They had been there since 1861. We were privileged to participate in this and as a result, we produced a limited commemorative medallion of one hundred pieces and we'd like to present one to you on behalf of our Department and to thank all the Brothers of the Departments that supported us.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you.

Encampment

(applause)

National Encampment Site Committee, James H. Houston, Jr.

We have no additional recommendations but I do want to mention that we are meeting with those Departments that sometime in the future may have an interest in hosting a National Encampment. We've had a lot of response in the last year from a number of Departments and we are meeting with those Departments. As you know the next, obviously the next line-up will be 2009. We hope to make a decision by October the 1st of this year on that Encampment and we have had requests to consider Departments in the years beyond at 2010, '11, and '12. Thank you, Commander.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just so you can see what the medal looks like. National Committee on Graves Registration, Brother Lowe.

National Committee on Graves Registration, Bob Lowe

Commander, there's two recommendations from the National Graves Registration Committee. Number one, once completed and approved, it is recommended that the National Graves Registration Project Brochure become part of the printable documents in the SUVCW National website. This would eliminate the printing cost to our Order and allow Camps to print and duplicate the brochure at a lower cost than purchased through the National Quartermaster. In the past, these sales of brochure have been extremely low in quantity, indicating that few are being purchased. The few that are being purchased, are being used as masters to duplicate at the Camp or Department level. At the current cost of ten cents a brochure, it becomes costly for a Camp which may duplicate several hundred of these and distribute them over the course of the year. I believe this is a service that the SUVCW could provide our members, Camps, and Departments. The second recommendation is just that it is recommended that previously requested enhancements to the current Graves Registration data base be reconsidered.

Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I would move you that the recommendations of the Committee be taken up in ad-seriatim. Where there is no objection. they be approved at the sign of the gavel and that the same rule apply at all future Committee reports.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It's been moved and seconded. All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Carried. In this regard Brother Lowe, would you state your first proposal?

National Committee on Graves Registration, Bob Lowe

This is the new Graves Registration Brochure that has yet to be presented by the Programs and Policy Committee. I don't know if it's completed yet. But that's the one I want, when approved, by the Council of Administration, I would like to have that on the data base. Not the current one.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Objections?

[One rap *]

National Committee on Graves Registration, Bob Lowe

And the second and last one is the recommended that if we for some reason abandon looking into more technologically advanced software for the Graves Registration and other SUVCW projects, that previously recommended enhancements to the current data base be re-examined.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

[One rap *]

National Committee on Graves Registration, Bob Lowe

Commander, that concludes my recommendations.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, sir. I know this guy's got something to say. National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance. Brother Loomis.

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

There are two recommendations. Recommendation number one, develop a cooperative working relationship with the Lincoln Death Day Association Board of Directors through a series of productive planning meetings prior to the annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony. Upon adoption of this recommendation, an initial meeting between the two groups will be planned for the fall of 2006.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any objection?

[One rap *]

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

Recommendation number two, increase funding for the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in order to broaden the appeal for the ceremony. It is recommended the funding be increased by one thousand eight hundred dollars, from four hundred to two thousand two hundred dollars. That's annually. This would be included but necessarily be limited to the following. A) Improve local media and tourism coverage. B) Increase funding for basic ceremony components. Some of which may have been curtailed or limited due to increased costs. and C) Include new budget items contained in the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony budget. Let me explain a little bit. We have been contributing four hundred dollars to the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony since 1976. There's not been an increase in this since 1976.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

Indistinguishable, many voices

Why the increase?

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

Media can be very expensive. Providing this passes, I will go to the local tourism board that's in my county where I live. What I want to do is to find out from them exactly the procedure to contact the various medias, which would be radio, television, tourism board, etc. in Springfield, Illinois and actually go to these entities and set up a process of making the Ceremony more known in the area, particularly in Illinois. I'm assuming that we will probably be doing more advertising in some way that will require

funding. Whether it be posters or advertisements in newspapers, or whatever. But trying to make sure that this thing is covered by the media in such a way that we get more people conscious of it being even held and then attending the Ceremony.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Step to the mic if you wish to speak, please.

Department of New Jersey, Robert Wilhelm

Brother Commander, I wanted to know, this is a five times increase in funding for this. Where's the money going to come from?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

At this point in time, it is when we get to the budget, you will see that, that increase has been figured into the budget that the C of A looked at last night and approved. We've approved that the money is available. It's up to you to decide whether it's going to be actually tasked to that evolution. Past Commander-In-Chief Powell?

Past Commander-in-Chief, George L. Powell

Are there other organizations that are part of this committee?

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

I eluded to the Lincoln Death Day Association which probably most of you never even heard of before. But it has been involving I would say for about the last twenty-five to thirty years.

Past Commander-in-Chief, George L. Powell

Alright, so, we're being asked to up our donation in, to this organization. What other organizations are doing a similar increase in donations? Are we funding the whole thing?

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

No. MOLLUS has increased their amount from a hundred and fifty to three hundred this year. They've already done it.

Past Commander-in-Chief, George L. Powell

It sounds like we're still kicking in the most of it. That would be my objection. As long as everybody's paying the same amount, I got no problem with it. But if we're going to fund basically the whole thing or three quarters of it, then I don't think that's correct.

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

Let me explain just a little bit and the other money if you'll notice on the sheet, or particularly the budget that is just above the recommendations, a small amount of money is coming from the Cashman Distribution. George Cashman, who was a member of the SUVCW In fact, he was a Past Commander-In-Chief, was the one who started this. He was the Superintendent of the Tomb. He started, I believe, back in about 1950. And he is the one that inaugurated this in 1956. And it was pretty much a SUVCW assembly up until this Lincoln Death Day Association was formed and became a part of this. And that's why the first recommendation is to form a working relationship with the other group so that we do a great deal updating of what's going on there. I'm not sure of how many have ever attended, but there needs to be some things done. For instance, a larger or more media information getting out to people who attend it. We have had in the past as many as seventy, that I'm aware of. I need to do some more research, but seventy or more organizations have brought in wreaths for this and the last two years, it's been down to what, fifty, fifty-five?

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Having had a lot of experience with publicity in these kinds of things in a similar situation. First of all, the question is, is the Lincoln Death Day Association it's own body itself?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes, it is.

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Yes. Okay. Then publicity is usually a part of the responsibility of that, of that oversight group. Also the other thing is that the other fourteen hundred seventy-five dollars would be something, if we were

paying for the publicity by hiring some kind of an ad agency. Local TV, newspapers, the radio have all sorts of free opportunities. It's just a matter of actually contacting the TV, radio, and newspapers and then giving them the information. And also, other things such as Chamber of Commerce. Those kinds of groups will also get out the information. So, although I think that you are probably correct in that we should give more to it, I don't think that there should be that much spent in terms of publicity. Thank you.

Department of Michigan, Chuck Worley

My question is, without this appropriation, additional appropriation of eighteen hundred dollars, what is the future of the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony?

National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance, Alan R. Loomis

To give you an example, One of the parts of the Ceremony the last several years has been a band. They have had the Springfield Municipal Band participate. The last two years, the band has not participated because the funding for it is not there. You can take a look at the balance sheet from this past April. You'll notice that the band does not appear on that. The budget for this coming year, we've increased it to a hundred and fifty dollars. It was a hundred dollars as I recall. Now we've increased it to a hundred and fifty dollars just for the band alone. Also, something else I think we need to consider is bringing in a speaker for the luncheon that follows. If you get a very high quality person to come in it will cost more money. So there are costs involved that, let's face it, they're rising. And we just had a dollar and a half excess this past year but that did not include such things as the band and possibly some high quality speakers, etc.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe that Brother Loomis is correct in one thing is that you very seldom hear of this whole situation because it's been on auto-pilot for a number of years. I believe that Past Commander-In-Chief Michaels was, one of the first Commanders-In-Chief that had actually attended a Death Day Association meeting in a number of years. And that changed a little bit this year. So it's more actively involved but Jim, go ahead.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Pahl. I drove down to Springfield, Illinois a couple of months ago and met with the Lincoln Death Day Committee and helped to work on this potential budget. To answer the last question, "What will happen if we don't approve the money?", the program will decline. Expenses are going up. To answer the question of the previous Brother that he thinks the Death Day Association should be responsible for some of this. The Death Day Association doesn't have the resources to do that, other than the Cashman Trust Investment. As you can see from the Committee report, the investment income was fifty-six dollars and fifty cents. It used to be a lot more substantial back in the days when interest rates were high. Now that interest rates are low, the income from that fund has gone way down. So other than luncheon tickets that they sell and the interest income, they have no other ability or assets to draw upon to help pay for these items. If you attend the Ceremony, you'll find that a vast majority of it is Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War placing Wreath and the other allied orders. While MOLLUS helps contribute in a small way to the costs, their contribution to the Program is also small. It's just basically us along with some of the Ladies' organizations. The Lincoln Death Day Association, when it was formed and for years, the Committee Membership and the Association Board of Directors Membership were exactly the same. With one exception today, I believe with one exception, every member of the Association Board of Directors is a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. So their interests are not that far apart in doing this but they don't have the resources to expand the program, to inform the community. If you attend the Program, members of the community are not there simply because they don't know about it. There are only so much you can do with public service announcements. Posters need to be printed, brochures need to be printed. Radio spots potentially. Mailings to other organizations like Civil War roundtables to inform them of the ceremony. To let them know what's going on so they can come, watch, participate and help

honor our Civil War President. 'Cause that's what it's all about. Is honoring our President. So I've heard the word objection stated a couple of times here, so I therefore move you that the Committee recommendation be adopted and that this Encampment approve the increase in the line item for the Death Day Committee so that we can move forward and help this Program grow and expand.

Past Commander-in-Chief Edward J. Krieser

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Ed Krieser seconded the motion by Brother Pahl. Did you want to say something else Ed?

Past Commander-in-Chief Edward J. Krieser

Sure. All I want to say is after all Brothers, like Brother Pahl said. This is our President. This is our time to step up to the plate, belly up, and either pay up or shut up. If we're not going to do something to commemorate this guy, our President, we might as well just forget all the rest of all the other stuff that we do. Because the amount of money we're talking about here is nothing compared to what we could get back out of this. And this is what it's all about. To get out there and get people to know what happened, to know what Lincoln stands for.

Encampment

Here, here. Yeah.

Department of Indiana, Edward J. Krieser

Okay. So, it is this amount of money. I'll tell you what, if this thing gets voted down, I'll pay the thing myself.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And you thought I was kidding when I say the spirit of Dave Medert, Sr. was here, didn't you?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Gentlemen, are there any more comments? Do you have a comment or your voting, you wanting to vote? You're wanting to vote. Okay. We have a motion and a second. All in favor of increasing the fund.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Against?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The motion for the twenty-two hundred dollars passes. Thank you Brothers.

Encampment

(applause)

Department of Missouri, Charles Funk

Charles Funk, Department of Missouri. I've been attending this ceremony for many years and the Department of Illinois, I guess about eleven years ago, began a ceremony, The Founders of the GAR are within thirty miles of Springfield and they were founded on April 6th. Our Lincoln passed away on Good Saturday, on April 15th, and every year they have a ceremony at the tomb and at the tombstone. So basically, it is a two for one? That particular ceremony at Dr. Stevenson is not part of the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Well, they've got twenty-two hundred dollars. They can fix it.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'll throw that at the feet of the next person who stands up here.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Military Affairs Committee.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Elmer F.(Bud) Atkinson

I have no additions to what was already turned in, but we only meet twice a year. Once at the National Convention and once at Remembrance Day. I am calling a meeting right after this affair ends here at this room to the room across the hallway here. Both the Military Affairs Committee and Remembrance Day Committee. The two Committees work together. So if anything comes up in this meeting, we'll report back later on. That is sometime tomorrow. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Let us know, Bud. National Committee on Programs and Policies.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

As Chairman of that Committee I have nothing further to report. There are no recommendations at this time.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. We have reached the point of National Special Committees. Why don't we take about a ten minute break. Okay?

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ten minutes, gentlemen.

Break

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I understand there's some representatives from Camp Fifteen in Harrisburg here. Could they stand up please? Gentlemen, you are in the home of Camp Fifteen in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. These Brothers have been back there checking you in or checking you out or whatever they've been doing. They've been doing a heck of a job. And I'd like you to give them a round of applause.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. We are now at the Reports of the Special Committees. National Committee, Civil War Flag Conservation. Do you have an addition to your report?

National Committee on Civil War Flag Conservation, Chairman, Jeffrey L. Stephen

Not at this time.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Do you have any recommendations?

National Committee on Civil War Flag Conservation, Chairman, Jeffrey L. Stephen

Not to share at this time.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I guess that'd be a no. National Committee on Civil War Heritage Defense Fund.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Keep sending your dollars and cents, folks. We haven't had any activity in that fund for a while. One of

these days, we're going to end up in a Court fight and we're going to need the funds to protect the cannon tubes that are sitting at monuments, or protect monuments that are being moved or destroyed. We're giving to the Monument Preservation Fund but this is a legal litigation type of thing where if we have to go to Court, we have money to do so. So if you can make a donation to it, send it to the National Treasurer in, with that memo line there saying for Civil War Heritage Preservation Fund.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

If you don't send money, the Department of Ohio will send Henry Shaw to represent you. He went to Ohio and basically stood up and said you can't sell what you don't own. And that was kinda the end of the discussion in one town in Ohio.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Committee on Civil War Memorial Fund.

National Committee on Civil War Memorial Fund, Chairman, David P. Stephen

Nothing more to add.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Do you have any recommendations or ...

National Committee on Civil War Memorial Fund, Chairman, David P. Stephen

Not at this time.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That was quick. Yes, Max, go ahead.

National Treasurer, Max L. Newman

In the Memorial Fund right now, the Civil War Memorial Fund, we have a little over eleven thousand three hundred dollars. Don't be bashful to turn in your submission forms for those. Be sure you fill out your assessment form that Brother Todd needs to have. Department of New York. This year we kind of waited until almost the tail end to spend every nickel that was in there. And that was my objective was try to get that spent. That's what it's there for. So, if you have a monument that you're working on, don't be bashful about asking for the funds. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Encampment Credentials Committee.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

There is one thing that I want to put before the Brothers. As I said earlier, this is my eighth time as Committee Chair and when I took over again last year, I was given some material that in my opinion, was just flat out wrong and was the reason for some of the long lines the last few years. I would like to make a motion to the body that the incoming Commander-In-Chief, whoever he may be, be directed to appoint a special committee of one years duration to review the Policies and Procedures, job descriptions, forms, everything to do with Credentials and Registration and present their recommendations to the Council of Administration to be used at next year's Encampment.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I second that.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The motion is seconded by Charlie Kuhn.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

No, he made a motion. Any discussion? No discussion. Will we move to vote? All those in favor raise your cards. Thank you. Those opposed? Are you voting Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I can't find my voting card.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Motion passed. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Stand up, George, please? I would like to take this time to thank George. I think the registration has gone almost flawlessly. Nothing's perfect. George, I attribute it to you, your leadership, and to your Committee. You guys have done a bang-up job. The pre-registration did not hurt at all. It made George's life, all the members of that Committee's life a lot easier and we should try to do that in future Encampments as well. But once again, George, from myself to you and through you to your Committee, thank you very much. Have the Committee stand up, please. Lets see your shining faces here.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I feel that they've done a great job and once again, thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Committee on Rituals and Ceremonies? Brother George Powell is the Chairman.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Three years ago the Committee which I was not part of, recommended several pages of changes. Last year we started on those procedures, cleaning up some grammatical errors. This year we have some twelve pages of changes. So if you have the Officers Committee Report, please get that out. I'm sorry, we did run out of copies. We did not expect to have over two hundred and fifty men here. It's a great, great problem to have, but it is a problem none-the-less. We were asked to look at several items. The first one being bringing opening ceremonies for Camps, Departments, and National in line with each other. We looked at them and National and Department are already the same. The differences in the Camp ceremony, and that difference is at the meaning of the colors of the station banners is explained. It's the feeling of the Committee that if you take this out, then that is what, that part of our history is lost. You won't know what or why the station banners are. So the Committee's recommendation is that we should leave the explanations just as they are and make no changes to the opening ceremonies.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All in favor raise your cards, please. Thank you. Opposed? Motion carries. Next.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Alright, the next one. The closing ceremonies for Camps, Department, and National, again to bring them all in line with each other. The ceremonies are already similar but there are several differences. In one, the Commander raps a gavel before speaking and in, in another, after speaking. In the Camp closing, the Chaplain closes the Bible and remains at the Altar. And for the Department and National, he returns to his seat after closing the Bible. And the third one here, in the Camp closing, the Color Bearer is instructed to attend to the station banners and altar cloth, but there's no mention of that in Department or National. So if we combine these differences into one ceremony, which is my page number three, you can see I've got before and after on each. I'll just go over the one with the Camp. You can see where about midway through the page, it says, "The Chaplain will slowly close the Bible and remain in his station." We'll be doing the same thing for Department and National. Then one more line towards the bottom, "Color Bearer attend to the Altar and station banners." "The Color Bearer will remain at this station until the Camp or Department or National is closed before executing the order."

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Everyone understand that?

Several

No.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Clarification, George. You're saying the Chaplain remains at his station now or returns to his station?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Returns to his station.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That's where it says proposed. That's what they're recommending. Okay?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Yes. They will be basically be the same, with the exception that says Camp or Department or National.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Discussion? All those in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Carries.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Okay. Letter C. In the general instructions, number eight, which speaks about balloting for new candidates, it states that four black balls are enough to reject a candidate. We've reviewed this with the then National Counselor James Pahl, and he informed us that there are already two rulings by previous Commanders-In-Chief that changed that to a simple majority of the Brothers present. We prepared a change to section eight that removes the number of black balls and add the sentence stating that a majority of Brothers present are needed to approve or reject a candidate. That's my page number nine. The current sentence is, "When all who wish to have voted, the guide will present the Ballot Box to the Senior Vice Commander for examination only, then to the Commander who will declare the vote. If there are four or more black balls, the candidate will be declared rejected." We're taking that out. Just ending the sentence to, "The Commander will declare the vote." And then adding the line at the bottom there in bold "Regardless of the method used for balloting, a majority of Brothers present is required to approve or reject a candidate."

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Discussion? All those in favor, raise your cards. Opposed? Carries.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Alright, number D. The installation of officers. In the installation of officers, we were asked to add text to the instructions that confirms the practice of allowing the incoming and outgoing Commanders to select a person, depending on their badge. We've prepared and added the recommended text. See my page number ten. We're proposing to add this to all three ceremonies, Camp, Department, and National. It's at the bottom there and it is in bold. It says, "Note. Both the incoming and outgoing Commander may select someone to pin on their badge and that this person does not have to be a member of the SUVCW or any of the Allied Orders." We worded it that way because most of the members want their wife to pin them on and their wife, especially in my own case, my wife is not a member of the Allied Orders. I would definitely want her to pin my badge on. So that's why it's worded that way.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I will just say that if you vote this down, Mrs. Darby's going to be really upset.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

But that should not influence your vote.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I object to having the Camp that way and no objection to the Departments and National. Installing officers of the Camp is not a public or a family function.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

As I understand this, Brother Orr, you have made the motion to divide that. Is that correct?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Divide it in two parts, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. So you have to have a second for that motion, is that correct?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Yes.

Several

Second

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. He's second. All those in favor of dividing or segregating the Camp from the rest of the Department and National, raise your cards for aye. Thank you. Those opposed? Thank you. It remains and will be voted on without segregation. Brother George, so we have it saying, "Note. Both the incoming and outgoing Commander may select someone to pin on their badge, and this person does not have to be a member of the SUVCW or any of the Allied Orders." That is what we're voting on. An aye will change it to the wording that I just read. A nay will leave it the way it is. All those in favor of the change, raise your cards. Thank you. Those opposed? Motion carries. Okay George?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Alright. In E the installation of officers. We're asked to bring them in line with each other. The Department and National Ceremonies are already alike, but the Camp ceremony, several but not all positions are identified with instructions to the incoming officer. We would need to either add all of the positions to this ceremony or remove the instructions. We are proposing to remove the individual position instructions from the Camp ceremony and add the text that appears to all positions, and then add the text that applies to all positions and would not need to be changed when every new position is added or an old position is eliminated. This same text was added to both Department and National ceremonies. Please see my page thirteen.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is that on page nineteen, Brother George?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Yes.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Where you have, "You will find the duties of your position listed in the job descriptions of the Constitution and Regulations of our Order and Bylaws of this Camp and your Department. I would advise you to obtain a copy of your job description and familiarize yourself with the duties of your office." That's what you're putting in?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

That's what we're proposing. Yes.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-In-Chief, I stand in opposition to this change for the same reasons that we're not changing the other item where there's a difference between the Camp and the Department and National. The Camp level is the first level and I believe that these incoming new officers, it is helpful in the initiations process to instruct them as to their duties of office. It helps again carry forward that continuity and helps these new officers get started on the right foot. If we neglect to do that you're not instructing new officers and who knows what we're going get. So, I stand in opposition to this change and recommend that we leave it the way it is. So I will vote no.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Are there any other comments or discussions? An aye vote, once again, will make the change, where there are no instructions to the officers being installed. A no vote will keep it the way it is.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Commander-In-Chief, this, this only applies to the Camp, not to Department and National.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Right. All in favor, raise your cards. Opposed? Thank you, Brothers. It stays, the proposal was denied.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Okay. Then we, we also propose making the same changes to Department and National, with that same text. It is that, "You will find the duties of your position listed in the job descriptions of the Constitution and Regulations of our Order, the Bylaws of this Department. I would advise you to obtain a copy of these documents to familiarize yourself with the duties of your office."

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Do we wish to divide these between Department and National or do you wish to keep it one vote, George?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

I'm asking that we treat it as one.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Is there any more discussion, or is there any discussion on this proposed change? If you vote in favor, it will be changed to read this. If you vote against, it will stay as it is. All those in favor, raise your cards. Okay. Opposed? I believe the in favor have it.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

I have one more motion which was assuming that everything was passed. We need to produce more rituals because part of it was not changed, we have to do something with the Camp. We either have to remove the officers descriptions or put every officer description that is possible for a Camp in the Rituals and Ceremonies which is why we were cutting it out. But since the Brothers want to leave it in, then the Committee has to go back and look at this again next year and add all of the job descriptions so that every possible office is referenced. Which means that we cannot print new copies of the Rituals. Don't hit me, Danny.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe you may be somewhat in error. I believe you could be able to print what you have and then make a pen and ink insert of those changes, if those need to be added, rather than waiting an entire year to do that.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Then that's up to the body. That's okay with me. It's just that we could be making quite a few changes. Would be several pages that would have to be inserted.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I would recommend to the Committee that they don't have to do this if they choose not to. They can look at the issue to see if there are additional offices that need to be added to the Ritual but I don't think that's a necessity. They can leave it alone if they choose.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

But that's why we were asked to look at this, was to bring them in line. To either include or exclude job descriptions.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

That's why we voted to leave the Camp alone. With changes slightly to Department and National level.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

I'm just saying, this is why we did it and the people that were upset before are still going to be upset. And I'm just trying to save Danny some money in this printing.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I would say to the folks that are upset, if they're here, they voted.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I think we're losing sight of the historical aspect of our ceremonies. The elected Officers, the Patriotic Instructor, and the Chaplain, they are the Officers that ran the Camps when the Organization was originally founded. Their charge are the ones that are important that they be in the Ritual. Having a charge for a GAR Highway Officer, as an example, or a Civil War Monuments Officer, is not an absolute necessity. We don't need to keep adding and adding every time we create

another position. So therefore I would move you, since this is a special committee, that it be discharged with thanks and that will end the matter.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We have a motion and a second to discharge the Committee. Is there any more discussion? All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Against? Thank you. Brother Powell, you are dismissed with thanks.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Committee on Scholarships.

Senior Vice Commander, Pennsylvania, John M. McNulty

The Committee made one recommendation and we would like to modify that recommendation. On the advice of Brother Orr and with the concurrence of the one Committee member who is here, Brother Doug Fidler. We had considerable problems with the scholarships. People can't read. It's that simple. They can't read instructions. And they want scholarships. Well, they also have very unusual historical claims like it is a well known fact that I am a direct descendant of General Ulysses Simpson Grant, but the exact manner of the relationship is unknown.

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander, Pennsylvania, John M. McNulty

If any of you could explain that to me, please tell me. So, we would like to make a few changes. I talked with other scholarship chairmen before me. The problem is an ongoing one. We also feel that just giving out a scholarship is not much of an incentive to join. That was one of the arguments. Oh, it's an incentive to join the organization. If you just give something away, people aren't going to pony up the money to join the organization. We would like to make two recommendations at this point. And the one is the modification of the one that is here. We recommend that to be eligible for the scholarship, you must either be a member of Sons of Union Veterans or the daughter of, or granddaughter of a member and that the daughter and granddaughter must be a member of one of our four Sister Allied Orders.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And what about the male children?

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

A male would have to be a member of Sons of Union Veterans. A daughter or granddaughter of a member of our Organization must also be a member of one of the four Allied Orders that are Ladies Orders.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Are there any objections? I see one coming.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Just a very technical question. Should that read member or associate?

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Brother Stephen, would you like to make that as a, a friendly amendment?

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

I so move.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

We will accept that.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any more objections? Doesn't appear to be. All those in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? It's changed.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Now our second recommendation, we had a question about whether someone could win the award twice. And there was nothing clear to the committee as to whether we could or not give that out twice. We would like the second change to be that you may only win the scholarship once.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Commander-In-Chief, I suggest that should be left as it is stated or as not stated and just allow the Committee to do its job and leave that to the discretion of the Committee.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Fidler, in the back.

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Sir, Doug Fidler, Department of Tennessee and member of this Committee. I think I understood that point to be that you want it to be left up to the Committee whether they're going to give it a second time or not. If that means that we could say, well, they already won it so we're not going to give it to them again. The issue really is, it's not whether we choose to or not, if it's in the program, i.e., if it's on the internet, we better not go yes or no or whatever. Either it is going to be one way or it's going to be the other because that could open it up to all kinds of difficulties later on. If we were to use our own judgment as opposed to what is actually written down so that's my point.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Commander-In-Chief, I can see a scenario although maybe unlikely, but possible where there are no other qualified applicants except the one who won it last year. It is possible that the Committee may have no other choice than to give it to an applicant again the second year and I'd rather not tie their hands. If there is no policy there, then I would suggest not creating one.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Correct me if I'm wrong, but is not the Committee merely advisory? And that the scholarship is awarded at the sole discretion of the Commander-In-Chief? If that is true, then I am in favor of Brother Stephen's motion to leave that discretion in the Commander-In-Chief and that he can be aware of this sentiment but it's his final decision.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay, the motion on the floor is the recommendation. If it's voted down, it stays the way it is, that it's the discretion of the Commander-In-Chief as it is now. Everyone understand that? All those in favor, raise your card. Thank you. Those opposed, raise your cards. Thank you. It stays the way it is.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Thank you, Commander-In-Chief. That's all we have.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Brother Guard, bring them in.

[Three raps * * *]

National Guard, Howard Frost

Commander, I would like to introduce Faye Carlisle and Betty Cook, Past National Presidents of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ladies, thank you for gracing us with your lovely presence. Please come forward and tell us what you have to say.

[One rap *]

LGAR Past National President, Betty Koch

Brother Commander and Delegation of this Convention, I'm very happy to have been a part of this Committee and I hope that what we have done for you has been acceptable to the members. I hope that you're having a wonderful convention. I'm sure that you are. And I'm just happy to be here.

LGAR Past National President, Faye Carlisle

Brother Don, you must be overwhelmed when you look out over here. I've been in this organization

over forty years and I don't think I've ever seen the room as full as it is today. I congratulate you on your turnout. Is this mic too much? I hope you enjoy this basket, Don, because I made a special basket for you because being a fellow Navy person, I was trying to think what would Navy people want. So I certainly hope you enjoy this basket. And I wish you a very successful Encampment.

Encampment

(laughter and applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you very much. I told Sister Faye when we were at the Memorial Service today, "This is a tough Organization. If they want you to run for National President, they drag you out in the alley".

Encampment

(laughter)

LGAR Past National President, Faye Carlisle

Whatever it takes.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

She said, "Well I tried to get this lady to run, so I just took her out in the alley..." and I was thinking ...

Encampment

(laughter)

LGAR Past National President, Faye Carlisle

Sometimes it's the parking lot too.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Some parking lot. It was the alley and the parking lot, so it was rocking and rolling. But you know that's how ex-sailors do business. We just take you out and pummel you until you agree.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Sister Faye, Once again, I want to extend my appreciation to all that you have done for us. I know that you've been busier than a one-armed paper hanger and you have been that way for a number of years. We hope that your Encampment goes well and you have our gratitude. Thank you very much.

LGAR Past National President, Faye Carlisle

Thank you.

Encampment

(applause)

[Three raps * * *]

Encampment

(clapping in unison as the Auxiliary Delegation leaves the room)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Report of the Council of Administration.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

The minutes from last night's Council of Administration, brief though they may be, have not been completely compiled. I would direct your attention, if you would care to, to the Report of the Council of Administration Electronic Boardroom Votes for the year, which should have been included in everyone's package of materials.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Last night's minutes are "Rich Orr talked a lot and we got done in ten minutes".

Encampment

(laughter)

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Something like that. But I have to flush it out a little. But the four pages of Electronic Boardroom Votes are in your packet of information and available for your review.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I am sure that at this point, none of the Encampment Committees that were assigned have yet to meet. Is that correct? Okay. Executive Director, do you have any comments that you wish to make, Sir?

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

Commander-In-Chief, no, I have no comments to make as Executive Director other than what is in my report. But, since I am standing up here, if I can take the liberty, I'd like to remind any Brothers who are here who are members of the Department of Pennsylvania that if they desire to attend the Pennsylvania Luncheon tomorrow, I must know right now.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Lee, your report did not make it into the packet so if you would brief the Brothers on it. There were two recommendations and some other comments if you wish to make them.

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

Commander-In-Chief, thank you. The invitation to the Pennsylvania Luncheon is also extended to any Past Commanders-In-Chief who desire to attend. Also, any candidates who are running for office and want to come before our luncheon and give a little talk about their qualifications and solicit our votes are welcome to do so. Regarding my report, which I gave to the Council of Administration last night, it's pretty basic stuff. I have included here in the back, a recap of our membership statistics for the past five years. That is the number of Brothers in good standing in our Order. It reveals a trend of membership which you can see. It also indicates something that's important to me and some other people, which is annual reporting. I've included all the Departments of all the Camps-at-Large and the dates when the annual reports were received. If you want to take the trouble to look up your Departments on here and read the lines right straight across, you can see how many Departments filed their reports on time in the last five years and, and how many didn't. And if you do that, you will find that they're only five Departments out of twenty-six which have consistently for the past five years filed their annual reports on time. So you can take from that whatever you like. My recommendations are one, that the annual reporting forms and instruction letter as revised by Brother Pahl be accepted and mandated for use. And two, that the information on the National website pertaining to the Junior ROTC Award be expanded and clarified so that requestors understand the process and point of contact. I spent a lot of time last year returning phone calls, e-mails, and letters to individuals who were interested in this program and referring them to Brother Butgereit as Administrator. There was a lot of interest in this program a lot, and people who were Commanding Officers of Air Force JROTC Units apparently did not understand the process and they were e-mailing, they were calling the National Office all the time. They called me at my home many times and I spent a lot of time with it. And I know that Brother Butgereit did too, clarifying things that I think could be clarified on the website. Thank you, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Thank you. Foundation Report.

SUVCW Charitable Foundation Executive Secretary, James H. Houston, Jr.

Brothers, on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Charitable Foundation, I am pleased to highlight the activities of the Foundation during the past year. The Foundation 2005 Annual Meeting was held in Nashua, New Hampshire at last year's Annual Encampment. Ed Krieser and Brad Shaw were elected to three year terms. Ed Krieser was elected Chairman of the Board and Brad Shaw Vice Chairman and Jim Houston, Secretary/Treasurer. At the meeting yesterday, they were re-elected for another year to those terms. The Board had subsequent meetings during the year. At Gettysburg, Pennsylvania in November 2005. Alliance, Ohio in June of 2006. We continue to correspond by e-mail regularly for discussion and decisions. The Board continues to develop ways of communicating our objectives and through these mechanisms,

encouraging contributions and generating merchandise sales to provide the resources needed to support Foundation donations in line with objectives. In this regard, during the past year we have one, initiated work on the development of a foundation website, which is currently live at the following address, www.suvcw-cf.org. Merchandise for sale is now displayed on a website with normal and PDF fill-in forms for purchase. In addition, the same type forms are available on the website for making contributions. Second, we created an informational flyer telling the story of the Foundation and how contributions can be made. This flyer is being distributed to attendees at this Encampment. Third, expanded the product line of merchandise available for purchase. Director Bob Petrovic is managing this effort and items are for sale at this Encampment. Be sure to look over all our merchandise and it's available in the back of the room. Your purchases will greatly help support our Foundation. And fourth, we began seeking funds from outside organizations and we had particular success with contributions from Wal-Mart to the Foundation. Let me say that the Foundation encourages members, Camps, Departments of the Sons of Union Veterans as well as units of other Allied Orders to consider making contributions. Since the Foundation is tax exempt under Section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, all contributions are tax deductible. To date, we have received funds from several Camps and Departments, as well as individuals and we greatly appreciate their help. But we need more funds to further our work. As far as donations by the Foundation, although the major portion of incoming funds to date has been used just for start-up costs and to build merchandise inventory, we were able this year to make a donation supporting Civil War restoration project by the Henry Casey Camp Number Ninety-Two in Washington Court House, Ohio. It is our hope that we will be able to expand our efforts to support similar projects as funds become available. In that regard, please let us know of prospective sources so we can follow them up. We enthusiastically look forward to serving the educational and charitable purposes of our Order through the operation of our Charitable Foundation. For the Board, James Houston, Secretary/Treasurer. I'll introduce the Chairman of the Foundation, Ed Krieser.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

We have among us one Brother who was instrumental in helping the Foundation along greatly in the last year or two. We have an award for his efforts which have greatly exceeded above and beyond anything that would be expected of anyone. Brother Hanby, would you come up please? With grateful appreciation, this award is in recognition of exceptional service to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Charitable Foundation and given to James R. Hanby, Sr.

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Thank you, sir.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we have now reached this point in the order of business where we will go to new business. However, giving the hour of the day and that the need to tear this room down for the Campfire, we are going to recess until tomorrow. At that time, we will begin with the reports of the Encampment Committees and then into new business. Yes, Jim.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

First of all, as Chairman of the Encampment Committee on Resolutions, if the Resolution Committee could meet at the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief's station immediately following the sound of the gavel for about five minutes, we can conclude the Committee business. Secondly, it's been the tradition for the past several years for the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief and the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to meet informally with the Department Commanders. I would propose that we continue that tradition this year, during the first break of tomorrow morning's session. If the Department Commanders would be so happy to meet with myself and Charlie Kuhn here at our stations. I'd like to ask Executive Director Lee Walters and National Secretary Mike Bennett to feel free to join us also.

And any candidates for Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief and anyone else who's interested. If your Department Commander is not here or if the Department Commander is here, to come up and participate in that discussion. I don't anticipate it'll take more than five minutes.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Chaplain.

National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski

If there are chaplains here, and I've met some of you, would you please come for just four or five minutes behind the red flags when this meeting concludes? I'd just like to talk to the Camp and Department Chaplains that are here today, if you please. Thank you.

National Graves Registration Officer, Bob Lowe

Commander, I was just wondering if anyone could tell me where the SVR Breakfast is tomorrow?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe the SVR Breakfast is in one of the rooms on this floor.

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, zero eight hundred tomorrow. Have a good evening.

[One rap *]

125th National Encampment, Third Session, Saturday Morning, August 12, 2006

[Three raps * * *]

National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski

We have this meeting to advance the cause set out by our ancestors. Please continue to bless us and give us this day, another day to serve you. I opened the scripture this morning. I had to smile because in the book of Psalms. It says that my soul shall be joyful in the Lord. Indeed it does. We are filled with joy and even our children are awake. Thank you, Lord. If you agree with me, please say Amen.

Encampment (in unison)

AMEN.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Color Guard, would you lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance, please?

Encampment (in unison)

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Good morning, Brothers.

Encampment (in unison)

GOOD MORNING.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'm kind of sorry that the smartest guy in the room woke up. He was down here, it was memorable. He was getting his shut-eye while the rest of us were milling about smartly. I think this is one of the few Encampments where we've actually had someone have to cross a border to get here. Brother Adam Gaines is a National Membership-at-Large member and he is from Windsor, Canada. I just wanted to point him out, that some people, some Brothers even cross borders to get here.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. That's what the five bucks got you from last night.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Jim Pahl has asked me to make an announcement. For those of you who weren't at the Campfire, my home Department, the Department of Ohio, presented me with an SUVCW Sword with my name on it. For the Michigan Delegates, Jim Pahl says he really, really likes this.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

But he would like to have one with his name on it.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just so that you don't feel alone, I have to make the same plea to Mrs. Pahl when she comes in. So, as we get into the Resolutions and business of the Order today, one of the gifts that I received last night, rather unique, I will let you know if it gets too hostile, I did receive the jawbone of an ass and I will bring it down.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Medert, Commanding General of the SVR, needs to make an announcement, please.

Commanding General of the SVR, David V. Medert

Commander, to you and through you to the Brothers here assembled, for you all who were not at the SVR Breakfast this morning. We had a meeting yesterday, the Remembrance Day Committee and the Military Affairs Committee, and we have elected to make a slight alteration in the SVR Remembrance Day Parade this year, which will better accommodate everybody in attendance as well as those that are traveling from afar. What we're going to do this year, is instead of having the service at Woolson's Monument, at the conclusion of the parade, we're going to have that ceremony at eleven o'clock. The SVR Breakfast still goes down at its normal time of Seven o'clock. We'll have the parade commander's meeting at Nine o'clock. Following that commander's meeting we'll head down to Woolson's Monument. At the conclusion of that, we'll travel down to the high school, form up, and the parade steps off at One o'clock. The biggest advantage of this is the parade has expanded to about maybe four or five thousand participants now marching in this parade. That parade takes us clear up to around Four-Thirty, sometimes Five o'clock before we're completely done. Then people having to come back, change clothes, get ready for the ball, dinners and so forth. It also has people standing outside in the weather for a very long period of time. So, what we're going to do is start it at Eleven. We'll be finished with that ceremony between Eleven Thirty and Quarter Till Twelve and still have plenty of time to form up down at the high school to step off for the parade. Those of you here that will be at Remembrance Day this year, this is our Fiftieth Anniversary of it. We are strongly encouraging every one of you to please be at the monument at Eleven o'clock for our ceremony. Commander-In-Chief, that's all I have. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, Past Commander-In-Chief Orr will be bringing forward a Resolution that will not accept any amendments. And with that we're going against a little protocol. But I think this is for the good of the Order. Definitely, for the good of a Brother. So we're going to deal with that subject right at this time.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Past Commander-In-Chief George Powell and I are proposing this resolution. “Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic Museum, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was on the verge of extinction in 1981. Whereas during the ensuing twenty-five years, the GAR Museum has been brought back to a level of prominence and respect. Whereas the GAR Museum has become internationally renowned as a source of information on the Grand Army of the Republic and its members. Whereas this resurrection has been in large part the result of the stewardship and leadership of Elmer F. “Bud” Atkinson, Past Commander-In-Chief. Whereas Brother Atkinson, after twenty-five years of dedicated and devoted service, has left the presidency of the GAR Museum. Now therefore be it resolved that we, the Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, meeting at Annual Encampment at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, this 12th day of August, 2006 in the 125th year of the Order and 231st year of the Republic, do extend our sincere heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to Brother Atkinson for his enduring efforts to preserve the memory of our forefathers. Further be it resolved as the heirs to a legal representative of the Grand Army of the Republic, on behalf of the Boys in Blue, we extend a hearty well done.” Commander-In-Chief, I move you. we approve this resolution.

Several

Second that.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

There are no amendments or no discussion. I need to see your cards please for the aye vote. Thank you. Nays? Passed. Thank you very much.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Gentlemen, he’s not in the room right now. We had to do this on the sly so when he comes back in, we’ll give him a standing ovation, and he’ll wonder what he did.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yeah, he’ll find out at the banquet. Okay, Brothers, we’ve got the fun stuff out of the way and in the words of one great philosopher, “let’s git ‘er done”.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We are at the Reports of the Encampment Committees. Past Commander-In-Chief Powell, do you wish to give us a preliminary report from the Credentials Committee, please?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Be happy to, Sir. Okay Brothers, this is a big one. Total registrations, which is everybody who pre-registered and people who registered on site, two hundred and sixty-one.

Encampment

(applause)

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Actual present, people that have shown up and checked in, two hundred and thirty. That’s one Commander-In-Chief, twelve Past Commanders-In-Chief, twenty Department Commanders, fifty-two Past Department Commanders, one hundred thirty-four Delegates, eight Alternates, and three Juniors. As a breakdown by Department, California and Pacific, total of fifteen. We have five PDC’s and ten Delegates. These are only rough numbers. We will do a full count before the election. Connecticut has three Brothers present. We have a Department Commander, a Past Department Commander, and one Delegate. Florida, eight present. The Department Commander, one Past Department Commander, and six Delegates. Iowa, six Brothers present. The Department Commander, two Past Department

Commanders, and three Delegates. Illinois, six Brothers present. Two Past Department Commanders and four Delegates. Indiana, eleven Brothers present. Three Past Commanders-In-Chief, oh, they've got two Department Commanders, okay.

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

I'll have to check on that one. Something going on in Indiana we don't know about here?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Or needs twice as much help.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

And two Past Department Commanders and four Delegates. That's why we do these checks. And Kansas, six Brothers present. The Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, four Delegates. Kentucky, twelve Brothers present. The Department Commander, four Past Department Commanders, and seven Delegates. Massachusetts, twelve Brothers present. We've got two Past Department Commanders and ten Delegates. Maryland, fifteen Brothers present. One Past Commander-In-Chief, one Department Commander, four Past Department Commanders, nine Delegates. Maine, two Brothers present. The Department Commander and one Delegate. Michigan, eighteen Brothers present. One Past Commander-In-Chief, one Department Commander, three Past Department Commanders, thirteen Delegates. Missouri, six Brothers present. Three Past Department Commanders and three Delegates. Nebraska, two Brothers present. The Department Commander and one Past Department Commander. New Hampshire, two Brothers present. The Department Commander and one Past Department Commander. New Jersey has six Brothers present. The Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, three Delegates. New York, twelve Brothers present. We have one Past Commander-In-Chief, one Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, and eight Delegates. Ohio, fifteen Brothers present. We have one Commander-In-Chief, oh that's good. Two Past Commanders-In-Chief, one Department Commander, three Past Department Commanders, and eight Delegates. Oklahoma has four Brothers present. The Department Commander, two Past Department Commanders, and a Delegate. Pennsylvania has forty-seven Brothers present. Three Past Commanders-In-Chief, the Department Commander, five Past Department Commanders, twenty-eight Delegates, eight Alternates, and two Juniors. Rhode Island, nine Brothers present, and that's the Department Commander, three PDC's, and five Delegates. Tennessee, four Brothers present. The Department Commander, one Past Department Commander, two Delegates. Texas, two Brothers present. The Department Commander and one Delegate. Vermont, one Brother present a PDC. Wisconsin, four Brothers present. One PDC, two Delegates and one Junior. National Membership-at-Large, we have two Brothers, both of them Delegates. So that gives us our total of two hundred and thirty. Alright, if anybody has any questions about this, you don't agree with my count see me in the back. But please, just send over one representative from your delegation and I'll be happy to get this straight.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Report from the Resolutions Committee.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander, several resolutions have been forwarded to me by the National Secretary. He did not forward the resolutions of endorsement but the Committee notes the receipt and leaves that to the Brothers this afternoon. The first is from the Department of Iowa. Brothers, the Department of Iowa and the 206th Department Encampment, with all of its officers and members there assembled, hereby

offer the following change to the National Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. “Whereby delays take place when members join the Order from the National website which are excessive, and whereby the need of our Order to grow in order to thrive in the future is paramount, and whereby the technology now available to address this delay of getting members in the Order almost immediately, and whereby members can become a member with the aid of this technology within days rather than weeks, and in some cases months under the current system, and whereby the officer of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief has presented a plan to the National Council of Administration for correction of these delays and they have approved the plan for action. Whereby the National Constitution and Regulations must be modified to allow this process to take place because members and associates must be attached to a Department pursuant to Article 5, Section 5, and cannot be temporarily attached to the National Headquarters. We hereby propose and move the following change to the wording of Article 5, Section 5 of the Constitution of this Order to read, and it currently reads, “Eligibles from states where no Department exist may become Members-at-Large attached to the National Headquarters,” comma. The proposal is to insert the following language, “except that new members through the National Recruitment Program may be temporarily attached to National Headquarters pending transfer to a Department or a Camp within one year of enrollment.” The Committee endorses this and so moves this Encampment.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We’re going to do these one at a time, right?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Yes. This does require a, a two-thirds approval by this Encampment to pass by affirmative vote. This is not something we do ad-seriatim.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay, Brothers, you, you’ve, we’ve heard it. Discussion?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, as you are aware, there was a lot of back and forth e-mail following the original proposal and when it became public knowledge after the minutes of the Council of Administration meeting in March were published, there were at least four or five other potential plans other than the one proposed by the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief. And I thought, at that time, he put his plan aside because we were going to explore the other possibilities. And with the change in the website, the plan that was put forth to allow immediate delivery of applications to the Departments is very easy to do. I have a great concern about attaching members who live in an area served by a Department to the National Membership-at-Large because I can sit here and tell you right now, if they don’t transfer at the end of a year, you’re not going to drop them. And we’ll be back here arguing that the NMAL Coordinator has to drop them because they didn’t transfer. Otherwise, the NMAL will be in violation of the Constitution. And that’s just not going to happen. So, if you vote this in, in essence, you may as well just do away with the National Recruitment sending members to Departments. They will all become members of National Membership-at-Large and stay there.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Charlie Kuhn, Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief. The reason I’m making this proposal right now, when an application comes in to the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, it goes through five sets of hands before it gets back to the Executive Director. This is absolutely absurd. Our Organization when it was founded one hundred and twenty-five years ago, it was established by the Grand Army of the Republic. There was no Internet. Fifty years ago, if somebody would have told you that there was going to be an Internet where somebody could set on the other side of the world and look at something on a screen and join an organization, you’d have told them they were crazy. But the technology is there now. We have it and we have processed two hundred and twenty-five applications this year that have come through my office. So, what happens when the application comes in? I mail it to a Junior Vice within a Department. That Junior Vice may or may not do his job. We have cases right now where Brothers of this

Organization put it that way. Applicants are trying to get into our Order since November of last year, are still not in a Camp because either the Department Junior Vice is not doing his job, the Camp Junior Vice is not doing his job, or somebody down the line is not doing his job. The Grand Army established it from a Camp up because the technology was not there. Men would join at a Camp and the paperwork would go up the chain of command to the National Order. Now we have people joining and coming to the National Order to belong, which means the man has to be transferred from my office to the Junior Vice for the Department, down to the Junior Vice for the Camp, back to the Department Secretary, and then back up to the Executive Director. So their, their paperwork is going down the command and back up. There's no point in that. My proposal is to allow the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to act as a secretary of a temporary Camp, not the Membership-at-Large Camp. A temporary Camp. Whereby the person when they came in will be checked out by the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, a Form 30 along with his application will be mailed directly to the Executive Director making him a member of that temporary Camp. He would receive a membership card. He will be put on the national roster so he could receive the BANNER. If there was a National Encampment during that time, he could attend with his membership card and participate. Then, once that process had happened which would take about a matter of fifteen seconds for the computer, then you would contact the Junior Vice within the Department and determine which Camp he was supposed to go to. Then, the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief would contact the Camp which was decided he was going to go to and he would be transferred, either electronically or via U S Mail straight to the Camp. He is already a member. If the Camp fumbles with it for six or eight months, let them do that. He's still a member, he's still getting the program, he's still got the BANNER, he's still got a membership card. Commander-In-Chief Darby will verify this because some of these, I blind copied him on my e-mail. There must have been thirty or forty where we had nothing but problems getting people into this Organization. That leaves a very sour taste in a man's mouth when he's trying to join an organization. It's absolutely absurd. We have the technology. Let's use it. Either we use the technology or we die.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

I have a point of order, Sir. Charlie, you kept referring to this as what your proposal says, and your Officers Report said something different than what this Resolution said. And I'm wondering why? The Officers Report is being handled at a different time. I'm confused.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'll tell you what, Brother Charlie, why don't you look at that and, and come back and tell us whether they match or not and we'll let these other two Brothers ...

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Why, I can tell you they do match because we have to change the Constitution and Regulations to form a temporary Camp.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Well, no, that's the first step of this resolution.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

Creating a temporary Camp?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

No, the Resolution states that we have to be able to assign people to a Camp. It isn't Members-at-Large is it, the Resolution?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

Yes, it's Membership-at-Large.temporarily attached to National Headquarters... That's National, that's Members-at-Large.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Right. Okay, but also we have Camps-at-Large, too. Correct? Is that considered Members-at-Large?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

Yes, Camps-at-Large are Camps-at-Large and require five members and they get chartered. You start calling this a Camp, and we've got to issue it a charter. And it's only going to have temporary members that are only going to be in there for less than a year? And you're going to have a charter for it?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

They're going to be transferred in and out of that Camp.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

How are you going to issue a charter to a Camp that really doesn't exist?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Well, if we have to use NMAL, then we use the NMAL for that.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

I have a problem understanding that too.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

The point is, we need to come up with a solution friends. Brothers, we need to come up with a solution here. There's no point in making people wait eight months to get into this Organization because we have four or five people who will not do their job, or ten people that won't do their job. It's absolutely absurd for six people to handle one piece of paper. We have created a paper nightmare here.

Department of Texas Commander, Blair G. Rudy

Commander, I apologize, sir. We are one of the Departments that have let Brothers strangle for months. The challenge has been in our Department that our Junior Vice Commander was not doing his job. The other Department officers had no visibility to what was sent to him until Brothers called back to National and go, "I applied in November, what is going on?" And now, it's my problem as of the middle of June, so I talked with him. He's going to send them on, I hope. That's my follow-up. As a solution, one of our questions to this Organization is, this paperwork change was, every Camp has a different fee structure, even within our Department. The internet has got one fee. Ours is higher. How then does that get rectified when the check gets sent to National for say, twenty-five dollars, when our fees are thirty-five or thirty, depending on what it is that year. Now if we're going to take it and move this to a National standing, and then transfer within the year, where does the Camp receive its funds to support the Brother. And, I don't know that's going to get fixed in the issue, but different Camps are going to have different fee structures and they need to be able to be addressed in that National fix. And I'm all for doing it faster over the Internet, don't get me wrong, I'm not happy we have Brothers who are all excited and have to sit for months until somebody even calls them. Which has been rectified here June and July. But that fix from a fee structure standpoint, hopefully gets worked into this at some point. I have no solution, I just offer a problem. I apologize for that, Commander, but at that point, I think it needs to be considered.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. I believe when a person applies through National, we have set the fee for that and the fee is for that year. And then, when he's in your Camp the following year, he pays whatever your Camp dues are at that time. So basically, if you're charging more than what we charge, he gets a discount for that year and then your dues follow for the next year. Okay.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Commander, Charlie and I have had discussions about this because we had some problems in Pennsylvania with two applications when I was the Junior Vice Commander. It was at the Camp level where we had problems with two other Camps. What Charlie says, I basically agree with. But there is one thing that's a basic principal of the Organization that I do not agree with. He says that after the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief has contacted the Junior Vice Commander of the Department, then they would send the member to a Camp. The Camps have the right to control their membership. And when I send things out to the Camps, I always said, if you choose to decline this member, not that they're likely going to but they can, send it back to me. You have no right, from the National

Organization, to dictate the membership to any Camp. They have the sovereign right to control that. Thank you, sir.

Past Commander-in-Chief Keith G. Harrison

This issue came to the Constitution and Regulations Committee and we looked at it. Initially several of us, although we did not take a vote on it, several of us felt that the issue could be resolved without a Constitutional Amendment. Secondly, we do have a situation here now that we have a Resolution and an Officers Report that don't jive. Given that and the fact that they're looking at amending the Constitution and Regulations Committee, I'm going to move to table this.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We have a motion and a second to table this. I need to see your cards for aye. Thank you. Nays? From my view, it, it appears that the ayes have it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

What, what do you have to say, Charlie?

Missouri Past Department Commander, Charles E. Funck

We had a real problem with Members-at-Large in Missouri. We've solved that problem quite a bit but I do have one question for this assembly. Who is the owner of that membership? The owner of that membership is the individual who has a choice not to pay dues and therefore lose his membership. The owner of that membership is the individual member. Therefore, if that individual member chooses not to join a particular Camp, he has that right.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I just drew a blank of what I wanted to say.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I had a feeling you're going ask for a count?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Yes! Brothers, I would move you that we recount. I contest the most recent vote. I would like a roll call by Department.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Commander-In-Chief, do we really want to do a roll call? That's what Charlie's calling for. Do you want me to stand up and go through two hundred and sixty-one cards?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I will retract the roll call request but I want a count of cards rather than just looking around the room.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Brother Color Guard, Brother Guide, I will need you to have a hand count. First of all, you're going to have your cards up until everyone says you're counted. Do you understand that? Then an aye vote will table this. A nay vote means we're back at it. For all those in favor of tabling the issue, please raise your cards.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Thank you. How many did you have? And how men did he say was here? Two hundred plus?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The Brothers voting nay, which will be not to table the motion, please raise your cards. Brothers, the count is a hundred and nine to table the Resolution and sixty-five not to table it. The Resolution is tabled.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, this is a problem. Therefore I would offer you the following motion. That this matter be referred to the following three Committees to work in concert to resolve it: Program and Policy, Constitution and Regulations, and Communications and Technology, to jointly resolve the issue because all three of those Committees have responsibility for a portion of things that are going to be

changed, amended, or new to resolve the issue.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I'll second it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, the motion has been made that this Resolution be referred to the Programs and Policy, the Constitution and Regulation and the Communication and Technology Committees so that they can work in concert to solve this problem. Is there any discussion?

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Commander, James Hanby, Department of Maryland. Brother Orr, would you consider a friendly amendment that that be a special committee made up of say two members from each of those three committees?

Several

Second.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

There were between four and a half dozen proposals that were made and at least a majority if not a hundred percent of the C&R Committee were of the opinion that we could do this without amending the Constitution or the Regulations. Therefore, either the November or the March Council of Administration Meeting, it may be possible to have a proposal that the C of A could then adopt and put into place.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We have a motion on the floor and it was seconded by Charlie. Added was a friendly amendment by James Hanby that two Brothers from each one of the aforementioned Committees will get together and work out this recruiting problem. Okay? We've already had discussion. All in favor, raise your cards. Opposed? It passes. Now you may continue.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Thank you. Second resolution for the Department of Maryland. "Whereas Brother Michael Baird, Past Department Commander of the Department of the Southwest, now known as the Department of Texas has relocated due to a change of jobs. And whereas said Brother Baird is now living in Arlington, Virginia, is currently a member in good standing of the Lincoln - Cushing Camp Number Two, Department of Maryland. Whereas Brother Baird and Lincoln - Cushing Camp Number Two have requested that Brother Baird's rank as Past Department Commander be transferred to the Department of Maryland. Now therefore the Delegates of the 119th Annual Encampment of the Department of Maryland hereby resolve that Brother Baird's rank and privileges as Past Department Commander be transferred from the Department of Southwest to the Department of Maryland." Actually, this should be restoration of rank and that the Committee concurs with this and I so move you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe we can do this at the sound of the gavel. Are there any objections?

[One rap *]

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just some things you gotta do.

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

The third is from the Department of Florida. It's basically the same thing. Brother Dan Hans, formerly of the Department of Illinois, now residing in the Department of Florida, a member of Camp Number Five. And this is a motion for restoration of rank as Past Department Commander to the Department of Florida. The Committee endorses this and I so move you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections.

[One rap *]

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

The third resolution is from the Department of Wisconsin as, “Whereas the Battle of Fort Donaldson at Dover, Tennessee was the first major victory for the Union Army during the Civil War. And whereas the Battle of Fort Donaldson made General U. S. Grant a household word, where after he became known as “Unconditional Surrender Grant”. And whereas the Battle of Fort Donaldson established the Union, Union’s Western Army as a force to be reckoned with. Thank you. My great grandfather appreciates that. And whereas not one monument has been erected at Fort Donaldson National Battlefield Park to honor Union troops who fought there. And whereas a monument has been erected by the United Daughters of the Confederacy to honor the Confederate troops as well as a small monument erected honoring Texas Confederate Units. Therefore, be it resolved, that we respectfully request the Commander-In-Chief, National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War appoint a committee or assign an officer to investigate the possibility of erecting a monument in Fort Donaldson National Battlefield Park to honor the Union Army and Navy Veterans who engaged in that battle. And further resolve that said committee or officer should report back to the National Encampment with its findings so that the Order may come to a reasonable decision regarding the approval of, funding for, and placement of an appropriate monument at the Fort Donaldson National Battlefield Park to honor the Union Soldiers and Sailors who fought and won the Battle of Fort Donaldson, Tennessee.” And this Committee endorses and I so move you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections.

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe that will be the appointment of the next Commander-In-Chief.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Whoever he may be.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Make a list.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

The next Resolution originates in the Sgt. Jones Bradbury Camp Number One Hundred Forty-Nine. I believe that’s the Department of Pennsylvania. A Resolution concerning the despicable vandalism of three monuments earlier this year at the Gettysburg National Military Park was formerly approved. The text of that Resolution is as follows: “Whereas vandals have destroyed or otherwise severely damaged several battlefield memorials at the Gettysburg National Military Park. And whereas these memorials have been erected by the soldiers themselves on the very fields upon which they fought and bled. And whereas the Bradbury Camp Number One Forty-Nine of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War consists of those who are descendants of these soldiers who fought to preserve the Union. And whereas the Bradbury Camp Number One Forty-Nine of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War recognize that they are the legal heirs of the Grand Army of the Republic and are pledged to keep alive the memory of these men who gave their all for the Union. And whereas want and destruction has been visited upon the visible symbols of the defenders of our Union. Therefore, we Brothers of the Bradbury

Camp Number One Forty-Nine resolve to encourage other Camps of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the public in general to cooperate with the National Park Service in reporting vandalism and to contribute to funds established for finding the perpetrators of the offense and restoring the monuments. We do so, so that our ancestors may continue to reap the honors which are rightfully theirs.” The Committee endorses this and I so move you to its adoption.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections.

[One rap *]

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Resolution from the Department of Wisconsin. This is seeking to amend the National Constitution. Whereas the Department of Wisconsin at its 123rd Encampment held at Saukville on June 10th, 2006, unanimously approved and hereby submits the following Resolution changing the National Constitution of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. “Whereas the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War has operated the benevolent non-profit corporation since its Congressional Chartering in 1956. And whereas the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War has received competent legal counsel,” thank you, “advising that the change of tax code status from 501(C)4 to 501(C)3 is possible. And whereas the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and its subordinate units who would benefit from such a change, including but not limited to tax deductible donations from donors, grant money from private and public sources, and lower postage rates. Therefore be it resolved that the following, amend Article 10 entitled Dissolution of Corporation be amend, added to the Constitution.” This should be in the packet of reports, I hope. “one, that this organization is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, and other purposed within the meaning of Section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Secondly, not withstanding any other provisions of these articles, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an exempt organization from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any corresponding provision of any future United States Revenue Law, and / or b) by an organization contributions which are deductible under Section 170(C)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. And thirdly, upon dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding sections of any future tax code or shall be distributed to the Federal government or to a state or local government for public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by a Court of the Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for the purpose or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.” The Committee endorses this. I move the adoption and I would like to be the first to speak to this when the debate opens.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we have a motion and ... Is this a friendly amendment?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Yes, it is. There are several places in the proposed language where it just says Internal Revenue Code, and my friendly amendment is that in all cases, it say the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 so that there is no misunderstanding as which version of the Internal Revenue Code we are talking about. And that’s the sum of it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That’s friendly.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I have no objection to that amendment and accept it as a friendly amendment.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

So we have a motion and a second. Is there discussion?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-In-Chief, very briefly. James Pahl, Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, formerly National Counselor and the instigator of this mess. We are 501(C)4 as an organization and what that realistically means is while we are tax exempt, while we are prohibited from doing the things that I just read off from doing most major corporate donors or prohibited from donating money to us because we're 501(C)4, and almost every one of those major corporate donors are required only, by their own charters, to only contribute money to 501(C)3's. Several years back, I did make application on behalf of the Order when I was National Treasurer to change our status to 501(C)1. That was denied. I discussed with the Internal Revenue Officer at the time the possibility of 501(C)3 status. I was told at the time, if we applied, our (C)4 status would be reviewed and could possibly be revoked. I withdrew the application. I have been contacted by a Brother of the Department of California & Pacific who was wondering why we were not 501(C)3. I pointed out the problem to him, that the language I just read off is required by the Internal Revenue Code to be in the Articles of Incorporation for us to qualify as 501(C)3. Is because we're created by Act of Congress, it literally requires an Act of Congress to amend our Charter. He agreed with me that it was not appropriate to do so and probably would not qualify. However, he consulted with superiors.

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

He was asked the question, should we, as a Congressional Chartered Organization, amend our Constitution to include this language, would we then qualify as a 501(C)3? His opinion was yes. Based on that and working with this Brother from the Department of California & Pacific, myself, prior to assuming my current role as Magistrate of the District Court, was a registered IRS Attorney, working in non-profit corporation area. We came up with this solution that if this is passed and then approved by the Departments, we have a very, very decent shot of having the Order's status changed from (c)4 to (c)3 and we have an inside man who said it is not a conflict of interest with his job to help promote that application with the Internal Revenue Service.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

I would memorialize this Encampment, I agree with this. But before we do this, get our 990's in place. We cannot go in and ask the IRS for something and we don't even have our act together. We are two years behind on our 990's and that is unconscionable. So, consequently, you need to get this done and all requirements of Congress should be completed if we want to ensure that that we get a favorable ruling.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

I'd like, just so the Brothers assembled here, to ask Jim Pahl could he explain to Brothers assembled here how this would affect the local Camps and Departments. What exactly would this change in status mean to us at the local level?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

At the local level, when you're approached and adopt a monument to restore at the Department level when you want to raise money for that purpose, you can approach corporate donors and they would be able to consider the application. Right now, the answer has to be no because we're not 501(C)3. We can use the Foundation, but that's kind of a back door route. Why go through the back door if we can unlock and open the front door. So this would be a big benefit to the Camps and Departments in making applications for funds.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Commander, I would like to ask, through you, to Brother Pahl two questions. The first one is, if we go to a 501(C)3, does that prevent the Organization from doing anything that it rightly currently does? The second one is, if the 501(C)3 isn't approved by the Internal Revenue Service, do we have any problems continuing as an Organization after that?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

The answer to both questions is no. As a 501(C)4, we have the current same prohibitions as a (C)3 and the same obligations, the same we can and what we can't do. So this will not change anything to what we can and what we cannot do. If the (C)3 application is denied, we remain a (C)4 and continue on as we have been.

Council of Administration, D. Brad Schall

Brad Schall, Department of California and Pacific. Jim, the reporting procedures, if this is changed from the Department and the Camp level, will they remain the same or will this put us in a different tax status and the state level?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Everything from the Camp and the Departments to National will remain the same. Everything from the National Organization to the IRS will remain the same. We still have, we'll fill out the exact same forms in the exact same way and the exact same manner.

National Membership-at-Large, Adam Gaines

Adam Gaines, National Membership-at-Large. Sorry I'm too short.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Keith and Danny have that problem, too, so don't worry about it.

National Membership-at-Large, Adam Gaines

I have a question for Brother Pahl. In our changing of the tax code, is there any estimate to on how much money the Order, both Camp, Department, and National, would gain from this?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I can probably answer that. Since we're getting nothing at the moment, anything would be an increase.

Encampment

(laughter)

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

My response to that is, how big can you dream?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers, we have a motion and a second. It will require a two-thirds vote of this Encampment. And then, of course, the Secretary will send that on to the Departments to, for their ratification, as I understand the C&R correctly. We have a year, well, depending on how fast the Departments respond and we're going to have our ducks in a row before we make the application. All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? It is passed.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Resolution for change of Heritage Documentation to the Department of Iowa. Members and Officers assembled at the 206th Encampment, Department of Iowa, hereby propose a change to the application requirements to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. "Whereas the applicant is required to produce an official copy of a government document to prove his ancestor's service. Whereas obtaining such documentation can take some time, effort, and expense. Whereas the National Park Service maintains an on-line roster of all Civil War Servicemen and said roster's compiled from official U. S. Federal Government information. Therefore be it resolved by the 206th Encampment, Department of

Iowa, that in order to expedite the application process, the National Park Service's online data base be allowed as an alternative approval source document to verify an applicant's ancestor's service. We submit this proposal and ask the Delegates 125th Annual National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to act upon it." The Committee does not concur. We feel that there are flaws in the National Park Service maintained data base. I know for a fact that there are soldiers who served this country during the Civil War that are not in that data base. We feel that the current process still needs maintained. The Committee does not concur and we do not recommend this resolution.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Commander-In-Chief, while I understand that data base is not complete I maintain that the information in that data base is correct in that it is provided by the National Archives. The process that is required is that a person must first send to the National Archives for an order form. When you receive that order form, he fills it out, he sends it back, and in order to get the proper documentation this process is a long and tedious process and many applicants are unwilling to go through such process. My point is, if that information is provided by the Federal Government on that website why is that not acceptable to use for an applicant? Thank you.

Missouri Past Department Commander, Charles E. Funck

Charles Funck, Department of Missouri. We had one gentleman who found three veterans. The problem was, one deserted, the other one never got a honorable discharge, and the other one, as soon as he signed his name on the piece of paper, because they didn't pay him, he didn't serve. So basically, we have to remember that on the GAR, original, if I recall right, correct me if I'm mistaken, you had to be honorably served and have an honorable discharge or were killed. I believe we're still maintaining that same standard.

Department of California & Pacific, Jay C. Wood

Commander-In-Chief, As a genealogist, that data base is an excellent source. There are better ones, but it does have flaws that my comrade just pointed out. As a registrar of another organization which has a very complex set-up joining this organization is relatively simple. It may take a lot of time. The Federal Government is not the fastest engine in the world. You send in your twenty bucks and you may wait six months. But, at least you're going get something that says you qualify. As Charlie brought out, the data base is a derivative of the records. What this Organization requires, is a primary source document. The primary source document has to come from the National Archives. The only place that's got it. Unless the family happens to have his honorable discharge. Those are rare. If you've got your granddaddy's honorable discharge, it should be framed and hanging on your wall. There are a few of them around. Check e-Bay, you'll see them. I know. I've got twenty-two GAR Delegate Badges now. So, possibly, should this amendment go with the previous tabled amendment that was referred to Committee and bundle the two together to look for an alternative method. Thank you, sir.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Commander-In-Chief, I am not aware of anywhere in our Constitution and Regulations or on our application that specifically states exactly what the form approved is supposed to be. Therefore, it does not need to come from the National Archives. There are other methods available. In fact, are used throughout this Order and in fact are accepted. So I think it may be more a matter of interpretation that we're dealing with rather than an issue that needs to have an amendment made to anything.

National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler

There's a Civil War site. It costs twenty-five dollars a year. I have that on my computer, and I can find three and a half million Civil War Soldiers. For twenty-five bucks, I can punch in a name and I get his adjutant reports. Now, to me, that's the simplest way to go because if you're going to National Archives it's going to take three months and twenty dollars. For twenty-five dollars a year, I can look every night for anybody I want.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

In answer to Keith, where are you?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith Harrison

Here.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

In response to what you posed, it says a photo copy of your ancestors' Civil War military or pension records must be attached to this application.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith Harrison

It doesn't say from where.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Well, it doesn't say where that record or pension record comes from. Now it may be assumed, but we all know what happens when we do that.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Then I violated that rule because I accepted a member this past year that showed me the proof that his ancestor was a Past Commander-In-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. So, who am I going to say to reject. If the Grand Army took the man, and he became Commander-In-Chief of the Grand Army. Why should I say he did not have honorable service?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

After Brother McNulty finishes we'll close this and, and get to a vote.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Commander, I'll point out that there's more than one source like that. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has, on-line, photocopies of every card index from right over in our archives here in Harrisburg, that says every man that served Pennsylvania. And they're acceptable. When I joined, the Order accepted the report under William Striker, the State of New Jersey Adjutant General, to prove the service of my great-great grandfather. I am proved under the Adjutant General's report for New Jersey and it was accepted at that time. I don't know if it's changed since then.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-In-Chief, since there's been an objection to the Committee's report, I move you that this Encampment not change the application process at this time and continue to accept applications and the documentation as provided. Allow the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to study that. If they find it acceptable, they find it acceptable. So I move you, sir, that we continue the present system.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

So now we're going, we have a motion and a second leave the things the way they are. Which means, according to the way it was, it's written, it's not defined or definite of a National Archives Report being required. So, those of you in favor of leaving the system the way it is, to accept applications as it says on the application form. All in favor, raise your cards. Opposed? Thank you. It passes.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-In-Chief, I'm going to ask you for a ruling as to the final next two Resolutions presented to this Committee. Two Resolutions were handed to me privately. They did not go through the body. They are not from a Department. They are not from a Camp. They're from two individual Brothers.

They were not introduced on this floor to be referred to the Committee. One of the Resolutions politely asks the President of the United States to commit a crime of obstruction of justice. The second Resolution, in the politest terms can be referred to as a joke. I am all in favor of telling stories and having a good time. This has been proved in past National Encampments. But this one has no place being read into the record of this Encampment. I therefore ask you sir to rule the method of presenting these Resolutions to the Committee to be out of order and that the Committee does not have to recommend them. Your Parliamentarian is one of the authors and I would therefore ask that he be recused from rendering an opinion.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I will rule that the Resolutions need to be properly presented to this Encampment and as they weren't, they are not to be dealt with by the Committee and they are therefore "circle filed". Thank you.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

That concludes the report of this Committee, sir.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, I have noticed there are some of you in here that appear to be needing a health break.

Encampment

(laughter)

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Chaplain, go ahead. Gentlemen, we will return at five minutes after ten.

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Break

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers, I just have one announcement to make. At the SVR Breakfast today, Brother Talbot Hackett was promoted to Major, which is equal to the rank of his wife in the United States Army. I brought that to her attention and she said for me to tell Talbot, "check your date of rank and proceed accordingly."

Encampment

(laughter)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Brother Commander-In-Chief, concerning the banquet tonight to Brothers, a little informational thing here. Make sure that you're ready to go by 5:45 down in front of the hotel here. Buses will be here to pick you up. You must have your dinner ticket. If you have not got your tickets yet to the banquet it is sold out. There are no more seats available. If you pre-ordered tickets, make sure you have them in your hand when you go there and make sure that you're down in front here at 5:45. Some of you will not get on the bus the first time. We have two school buses coming to haul people. It's only six blocks. I'm sorry we don't have air conditioned coaches. It's only six blocks. But they're going to make multiple trips back and forth to get everybody. So please, 5:45, in front of the hotel.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Earlier this year, I issued General Order Number Four, which was that all Departments and Camps do their SUVCW History of their Department. I felt that it was important. And I have received numerous copies. They're a great job. The one that I just received today is the Department of Massachusetts. You, gentlemen, if you haven't done it, you need to look at this. It's the way it should be done. It's a, a very fine job to the Department of Massachusetts. Thank you. You can pat yourselves on the back.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And Brother Dean Sargent was the historian that put this together, so he needs some kudos for that. Thank you. Okay gentlemen, moving right along in a rapid pace, Officer Reports. Brother Kennedy.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Good morning. We had several issues to look at for Officers Reports starting with the Commander-In-Chief. He recommended the creation of a National Public Affairs Officer. The Committee agreed on this but we believe it had to be referred to Constitution and Regulations for amending the C&R, putting it in, and then Policy to create the position.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Any objections to the referral?

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It's referred.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Next was the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief. He had several points. The first references National GAR Officer and National GAR Records Committee which creates a job description for the National GAR Officer and National GAR Records Committee. And we concurred with it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Any discussion? All those in favor? Thank you. Opposed? Passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Second recommendation was the revision of a National Historian job description, eliminating references to the GAR Records and placing focus on Civil War and SUVCW records activity. We concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

A vote? Okay. All in favor? Opposed? Passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Third, a similar revision for the Committee chaired by the National Historian. The removal of references to GAR records.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Approve? Thank you. Nays? Passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The fourth. Removal from the job description of the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief the duties of editor and publisher of the BANNER, so another Brother may be appointed Editor. We concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Those in favor of the removal, your cards please? Thank you. Against? Passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The fifth. Amend National Regulations Chapter Three, Article Five, Section Nine, by deleting text as follows: Section Nine, "The National Historian shall collect and preserve all historical, all bibliographical materials pertaining to Civil War" and striking out the words, "Members of the Grand Army of the Republic" and continuing with the words, "and Brothers of the Order shall serve as the National History Committee" And we concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Those in favor, raise your cards? Thank you. Opposed? Passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The last one from the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief would be, amend National Regulations, Chapter Three, Article Seven, Section Seven, by deleting text below that is stuck out. This is to avoid conflicting directions to the History Committee and the GAR Records Committee. Section Seven reads, "The purpose of the History Committee shall be to identify and preserve historical bibliographical material pertaining to ..." and then you're going to strike out the reference to the Grand Army of the Republic, continuing with, "... Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their respective memberships. The Committee shall be Chaired by National Historian" and we concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All in favor? Thank you. Opposed? Thank you. It passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief had two recommendations and I will ask for an opinion on this. First one is referencing the new membership form on-line membership and the Forming of new Camp. Is that tabled as well?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I'm gonna ask Brother Pahl to chime in here also. The tabling motion did not affect the recommendation. However, the subsequent motion referring this matter to the Special Committee, would impact the recommendation.

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I concur.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Then we have one recommendation. The recommendation was to discontinue all advertising in magazines and periodicals. The funds that are spent annually for advertising are exuberant and very unproductive. We did not concur with this. We thought that it should be left up to the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

When I took over the office of Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, I received "the tub", which was a huge tub full of records, all the way back to when Bob Grim, Past Commander-In-Chief, was Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And you can turn those over to Lee Walters.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

We already have done that, sir. I have in my possession just the records from current Senior Vice Pahl. Out of all those, I compared those to what I took in this year in new membership. They were all around two hundred, two hundred and twenty-five members. During those years, with the exception of Brother Grim who chose not to advertise, the subsequent people who were Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief expended, of your dues money, between six and nine thousand dollars and gained nothing. If we gain ten members to get the six to nine thousand dollars back, they would have to be members their whole life, from the time they were a little kid, to re-coup that. My point is that ninety-nine percent of the people who join this Order, either join because they know somebody or they join because they see us on the Internet. Not because they're reading about us in a magazine or a periodical.

National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler

I have followed this program that we're discussing for three years. We're wasting our money. I was in advertising for twenty-three years. I believe in advertising, but the problem is that we're putting it in the same magazines year after year. And believe me, most people that get a similar magazine or similar magazines, get them year, after year after year. And they see the same ad year, after year, after year. And if they haven't used it by now, they're not going to. Thank you. And I broke the mic.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is the reason you came up here because you broke the one in the back?

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief Charles W. Corfman

I just wanted to mention that the remarks how far back the situation goes in which we haven't really received any big money for our advertising in magazines. And I'd like to point out that it goes back at least ten years beyond that. I didn't get much action out of advertising in magazines either. Although we may have broken even in those days. So, I don't necessarily say that we should cut the advertising out, but I would make a strong recommendation to the incoming Junior Vice that he limit, curtail, or give serious thought as to whether he wants to waste any more money on magazine advertising.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Commander-In-Chief, if we approve the recommendation of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, then the subsequent Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief will never have the option of ever advertising again. I think that we should probably leave it alone and let the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, at his discretion, decide which advertisements to use and which to not.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Kennedy, you did not concur. Does that leave it as it is now, which is at the discretion of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to advertise or not? Is that correct?

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

That is correct. Our opinion was that he'd have an option one way or another. This is all advertising, discontinue all advertising in magazines and periodicals. And we did not think it was wise to handicap somebody that way.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Brother Schall?

Council of Administration, D. Brad Schall

Just for a matter of record, I joined this organization from an article, or an ad that I read in Civil War News.

National Liaison to MOLLUS, Keith Harrison

Commander, I basically concur leave it up to the discretion of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, but it's not totally up to his discretion. It's up to the discretion of him and the Council of Administration and also the Commander-In-Chief, if you're going to expend money. So I think you're just leaving it as is, is the best way to go.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Rich.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I have a question. When did advertising become the responsibility of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief? When the program was started, it was assigned to the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief to do the advertising. That's why the funds for this comes from the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief Fund. I would move you that we sustain the Committee. Let this at the discretion of, whether it's the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief or Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief. But also with the recommendation that we advertise in other publications. Previously, some of the Senior Vice Commanders-In-Chief who had explored other publications, didn't advertise in things like some of the genealogical magazines. Everett and Genealogical, whatever the right name is, for one. Because when we paid for advertising in all the Civil War publications, we didn't have enough money left to advertise in those. And you will, by going to different publications, you'll put our advertising in front of a completely different set of individuals who at the same time are interested in their genealogy and their family history.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I always wondered about that. They were given the money to someone else when I was doing the job and it was coming out of his money? And I don't know when the shift occurred. I see no one else on the floor. The motion was to sustain the Committee's non-concurrence and to leave the, it up to the discretion of the Junior Vice to advertise in different magazines other than Civil War Times or whoever

it is. So basically, he has the discretion to move it. So a yes vote on this motion would be to sustain the Committee's non-concurrence and allow the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to advertise where he feels best.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Would you accept a friendly amendment to that, Rich, stating that records need to be maintained by the number of applicants coming into the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief so we can document how much money is being spent?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

When this program was initiated, we actually coded the ads in each magazine with a different set of initials. While it went to the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, it was sent with a Department Number which was actually two letters to indicate what magazine it came from. We were tracking where we were getting the best results from. And that was the reason why when I was Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, I did not renew the advertising in the Vietnam Veteran because they were the highest cost and we had one response the prior year.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I know when I was the Junior Vice, when a guy sent a thing in and I tracked it. I can tell you, we were paying about two hundred and fifty dollars to get a member in. So, as far as the record keeping, I think that's part of the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief's job anyway, to monitor that. So, you understand that a yes vote supports the Officer Reports Committee in sustaining non-concurrence with the report and leaving things the way they are. A no vote would then change that. Everyone understand? All in favor say raise your cards. Opposed? Thank you. The Committee is sustained.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Next, the National Patriotic Instructor has several recommendations. First recommendation, because our Ritual refers to annual reporting method by the Camp Patriotic Instructors to the Department Patriotic Instructor upon blanks provided by the Department Patriotic Instructor, I recommend that the recently created Annual Report forms, which were attached to this document, for the Camp Patriotic Instructor and the Department Patriotic Instructor be submitted to the Committee on Program and Policy for review and numbering. We concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

[One rap *]

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Next, as a result of adding this report to the duties of the Camp and Department Patriotic Instructors, he recommends that the wording of the job descriptions be changed to reflect that additional responsibility. It is two points he added for both the Camp and Department Patriotic Instructor. For the Camp Patriotic Instructor job description, he adds the following line, "Submitting the Annual Camp Patriotic Instructor's Report to the Department Patriotic Instructor no later than one month before the Department Encampment". And to the Department Patriotic Instructor's job description, he adds, "Submitting the Annual Department Patriotic Instructor's Report to the National Patriotic Instructor immediately following the Department Encampment". We would like clarification on the word "immediately."

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Bruce? And I found you this time.

Encampment

(laughter)

National Patriotic Instructor, Bruce Butgereit

Since immediately, may mean different things to each of us I would be willing to change that to a two week, 14 day time period.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The Committee would then concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

[One rap *]

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Next, the Patriotic Instructor recommends that participation in our ROTC Award Program will remain voluntary for all Camps and Departments. We concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Jim? The vote we took at the C of A Meeting, how is a vote on this going to affect the ruling at the C of A Meeting. I just want to tell you, the C of A voted that the ROTC Medal, Certificate, Application thereof would now be the duty of the National Quartermaster. And the recommendation that is being put up now, is that, will it change that vote?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

That only affects where you get the medal from and how the paperwork is processed. This does not impact that process.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

It's just a question, Commander-In-Chief, and this would have an impact on us. Since the United States Air Force is the only branch of the military that has approved the ROTC Medal at this time and they require that we make it available to every ROTC Unit in the country. By continuing this as voluntary and they in fact have told us, if we do not make it available, they will de-certify it and we will not be able to award this to any Air Force ROTC Unit, the Junior Air Force or at the college level. By not requiring participation or letting things as they lie, we may put ourselves in jeopardy of losing the program.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe at the C of A Meeting we, on the vote one to give it to the Quartermaster. Two, we reduced the price to, what's the price Danny?

National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler

Commander, it's five dollars. That includes shipping. You will not get it any less.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. I am going about this a long way, but we changed the price and that's because we're going to a another manufacturer as well and, and we got that done. But we also allowed that the ROTC Unit themselves could go directly to the National Quartermaster and purchase that medal if there was not a Camp or Department in that area. And I don't know how this is, if you say "voluntary participation," when the C of A voted, it was to allow those units not in the area or not having a Camp that participated, to order it themselves. Does that answer your question?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

I know the mechanism that the C of A approved. I guess what I find troubling is if you have a Camp that is approached and they say no, we don't want to do it, unless they give the explanation, if you want to present it, you can go to the National Organization and purchase it and present it but we could run afoul of the Air Force's regulations.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I understand that.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

I don't want us to lose the program because somebody else says we can't afford it, even at five dollars. For example, N. M. Ross could not afford to present the one hundred medals that the Philadelphia School District requested this year. So, we could run ourselves potentially into a situation that is going to jeopardize the program. We don't require it now. We've never required participation. To put into the record that we're going to let it be strictly voluntary may open us up to some criticism.

Pennsylvania Senior Vice Commander, John M. McNulty

Brother Rich just touched on part of the problem. When this came out and, and Ross Camp in Philadelphia, which I'm a member, got barraged by the city schools and we have a big school district in Philadelphia. It would have broken our entire budget, even at five dollars, to provide that number of badges. We've also estimated it for the entire Commonwealth that we serve, and it's going to be between if everything came at us it would be between eight and nine hundred badges. That will break the Department of Pennsylvania and Brothers, we're your biggest Department. What's going to happen with the smaller States?

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Sir, speaking as someone who's been very involved with the program with, with a fraternal organization, and also the proud father of a Junior ROTC Commander who is a member of the Daughters and who is now the Regimental Public Affairs Office at University as an ROTC student I speak, of course, highly in favor of the program. It does seem to me though that really, there are two issues here. The fact that only the Air Force has approved it. And there are about five hundred and fifty units nationwide. Then I don't think Philadelphia actually has one hundred ROTC Units.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

They, they did receive requests for one hundred of the medals.

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Yes, yes, right, okay. But I mean if it is only the Air Force requiring that we honor all the programs, that's a little bit different I think than, you know, than if we're thinking all four Junior ROTC's. So, you, you know, some distinction should be made there between which has to be mandatory and which has to be voluntary.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

In addressing the issue of the, the voluntary participation that is the way the program has always been. And it was always left up to, of course, Camps and Departments to decide partly based upon the cost of the program. Lowering the cost is definitely going to open the door for more participation by Camps and Departments. But the idea of having the Air Force officially recognize us currently there are over six hundred and seventy-five Junior ROTC Units in the Air Force nationwide. In the next two years, that will grow to over nine hundred and fifty. If we combine all ROTC Units from all branches of service it's projected by 2011, there will be over four thousand ROTC Units. Junior and Regular across the United States. If the Air Force, or if other branches of service see our program as worthy and growing they could also impose the same request that the Air Force has and we could be obligated to provide basically four thousand awards. So the idea was to make it voluntary. Now, not knowing everything that took place in the C of A Meeting I guess some questions arise also. We were pretty strict over the last, well since the program was initiated, that the award wasn't available to just random requests or for purchase. It had to come through a ROTC Unit. Now basically what we're saying if I understand correctly, it's just now for sale.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

No. You don't understand correctly. It is, the application remains in affect. It has to, as I understand, if, if the application is the same way that I had it, it has to be signed off by an ROTC Commander. It's just not out there, like e-Bay, okay. So there is a requirement to have an application filled out by the ROTC.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

And we will assume that the application is legitimate when we receive it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

Okay, the other question, I guess arises or maybe we just need some clarification. The question has been this year, what do ROTC Units do where there is no Department or Camp. By keeping it voluntary

for Camps and Departments, if I understand the C of A Meeting correctly, you're saying that if a Camp or Department doesn't wish to participate, then they can recommend to that Unit that it is available for purchase?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That's correct.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

Okay. And maybe this isn't the time, but that brings the question, where do they go, or maybe it has been answered. If there is no Camp or Department, then it's simply available for purchase.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Through the National Quartermaster.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

Okay. So my recommendation for voluntary was just not to put a burden or make a demand on a Camp or Department because it should be their choice to participate in the program or not.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Would it be better worded if we said be available through a Camp or Department or through the National Quartermaster. If we hedged the wording and take out the word "voluntary" and make it available at Item A or Item B? Would that be ...

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

We could simply say that the program is available through request of a Camp or Department or purchase through the National Organization. By adding the word "purchase" we're indicating that they would be responsible for purchasing.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

So by that statement, do you feel that would change your recommendation.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

I would change my recommendation to include the either / or language where it is available through a Camp or Department or by purchase through the National Organization.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

I don't think this is any disrespect to the Air Force. I spent quite a bit of time communicating back and forth. They completely understand our situation in terms of the cost, even at a lower cost. They understand and they will not look upon us as any less if we cannot meet their demand of having it mandatory to any request.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Thank you. Brother Kennedy, Brother Butgereit has changed his wording to, "available through a Camp or Department or through purchase from the National Quartermaster". Based on that change do you concur or not?

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

Does the word voluntary still stay in there?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

No. I just want to know if the wording changes, will the Committee accept that wording?

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

I Did a quick review of the Committee Members that I can readily see. No. We would not concur.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers. Quickly, for the remaining Brothers standing, no war stories. You've got something to say, get it out. How many do we got lined up back there? Five. Okay. I want to hear quickly from the Brothers who have not spoken and then we're going to get on with this.

Robert M. Jones, Department of Florida

Florida this year had the surprise and we were the number one camp for participating in this program. As Department Commander, I was asked what should we do? And I said this was a national program, it was growing by leaps and bounds, but it had to be voluntary on the part of the individual Camps. You have resolved that problem where there was no Camp but still an awful lot of schools who want to participate. I learned something today. That the Air Force was the only one that approved our program. I don't really care. I am beseeched with Marine Corps, Army, Navy, the whole bit. I haven't heard from the Coast Guard yet. So we wound up trying to push for five awards per Camp. My particular Camp where I run the ROTC program, is in a county with twenty-six schools having ROTC Programs. At those prices that we were dealing with last year, we couldn't afford to do any more than five without seriously affecting our other programs.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Excuse me Brother. I have one question. Are you for or against the, the resolution? We need to, to move along?

Robert M. Jones, Department of Florida

I'm for the resolution.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, sir. Next. For or against?

National Graves Registration Officer, Bob Lowe

I'm a proponent of this program but I am not I'm not happy with any entity, whether it be a government military organization or any entity putting us in a position where they are dictating policy to us.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, sir.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Next, sir. Quickly. For or against and you've got about thirty seconds.

Robert Wilhelm, Department of New Jersey

We are against this. We are against the ROTC Program, just doesn't make sense. It doesn't support the Order, I don't think. And it's expensive and it takes time for our individuals to, to process all of these things. It's going to get even worse. The Department of New Jersey would not participate if we're allowed to make that decision.

Department of Texas Commander, Blair G. Rudy

Blair Rudy, Department of Texas. As I understand it, and Texas is a target-rich environment for ROTC and JROTC. I have no trouble with, and I don't think our Department has trouble with, making application through the National Quartermaster. At that point though, the Department and Camps totally lose any visibility of the application process. I would like to see it, whether official or not, or if it's part of the job of the National Quartermaster to consequently share the list of who's applied and who's received these awards so that the Department and Camps have visibility to the approved application and if the school programs wish to purchase their own medals, fantastic because we can't afford it. But I'd like to see visibility, too, sir. We will be in favor.

Robert D. Pollock, Department of Maryland

Rob Pollock. I'm for this. I'm a Colonel, Active Duty, United States Air Force. I'm just imploring everybody that if we proceed with this, that you not award a medal just because it's available. In the United States Military, it means nothing to have a piece of ribbon given to you that there's no standards for or no reason for having it. So, if you're going to have a National Program, I would implore the National body in the Encampment to have National Standards and establish what this award is for.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We have that, Brother. The current standard, I believe, in the program and the application, it states for leadership, patriotism, and high academic achievement were the reasons for that to be issued and requested by the ROTC. Brother Fidler, quickly, and you're the last.

Department of Tennessee, Douglas K. Fidler

Thank you, sir. I am for keeping it voluntary. I am against simply purchasing it nationally. The thirty ROTC Commanders I've dealt with personally, the Departments and the Camps will never be involved in this because they'll just go online, buy it, and that will be that. So, that's all I have to say, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Kennedy, we are now back to the wording as, "the program will be available voluntarily through Camps and Departments through the National Quartermaster." Is that correct, sir?

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

I believe that's how it is, correct?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

If you agree with that statement, raise your cards. Thank you. If you disagree, raise your cards. It passes.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The next item. Staying with the ROTC Program, I recommend that where Camps and Departments choose to participate, we continue to recognize one deserving Cadet per Unit on the high school or college level. We ask for clarification on this last night and apparently this is the current policy, and we concurred.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

[One rap *]

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The next item referenced price change, lowering the price on the ROTC medal. This was handled in the C. O. A. meeting. I don't believe it needs to come up.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

There's no action required.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

The next one, recommend that where no Camp or Department exists, the National Organization, through the National Patriotic Instructor position, provide the ROTC Award, the ribbon and medal, in plastic presentation case and certificate to one deserving Cadet per Unit who requests one and properly filled out the application. We concurred.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Objections?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Commander-In-Chief, I would suggest to you sir that due to the Council of Administration activity, that this has been rendered moot and does not need to be considered.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I agree with you. Move on to the next one.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

In the last one, it's the recommendation that should the ROTC Award Program continue to grow at the same pace it has in the past two years, which is over two hundred percent, that the National Patriotic Instructor consider requesting permission to have an assistant to primarily oversee that program. And we concurred.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I believe that by the vote of the C of A in the handling of this that's moot and we'll move on.

Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy

That concludes our report.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I've got one to use up here and I've got one to throw.

Encampment

(laughter)

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Oh yeah. I'll go get the jawbone. I'll be right back. Okay Brothers, we have gotten' through the Officers Reports. Let's take a ten minute break. Chaplain.

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Break

[Three raps * * *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Schmincke, I believe you need to make an announcement, sir.

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Thank you, Commander-In-Chief. For those Brothers who ordered the 125th Anniversary Badge and did not have it mailed to them and are picking it up this weekend, please see myself or Brother Frye over here at the table by registration, because I don't want to take them home with me. Thank you, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, I have before me a Charter for a Camp and since I'm from the Department of Ohio, and this Camp is named after one of our favorite sons, I think it's appropriate we do this. This is the Charter for one of the newest Camps in the Department. The William T. Sherman Camp Number Twenty-eight, the Department of California and Pacific, located at Santa Barbara, California. Can I have the Department Commander?

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we're at that position of New Business. Brothers, if you have a motion to make, let's get it up and get it over with. Okay? Is there any new business to come before the Encampment? Brother Talbot, go ahead.

Talbot Hackett, Senior Vice Commander, Tennessee

Commander-In-Chief, in view of everything, all the discussion concerning the ROTC Awards, I'd like to make a recommendation that we submit to the Programs and Policy Committee that we look into the feasibility of presenting an award to the top graduate for each of the five military academies so, in their graduating year. It would bring us in line with some of the other Fraternal Organizations that are doing the same thing.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Was that in the form of a motion, sir?

Talbot Hackett, Senior Vice Commander, Tennessee

Yes, sir.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It has been moved and seconded. Is there any discussion on this matter? I has been moved that the Order forward to the Programs and Policy Committee the feasibility of presenting an award to the top graduating senior from each one of the five service academies. Raise your cards for aye. Thank you.

Nays? It passes. The Programs and Policy Committee will have that for action.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Commander-In-Chief, I don't know if it's going to take a motion or not. Part of my report indicated that I was mailing out compact discs to all of the Camp JVC's. But because there were five or six Departments that did not get their report in till last week, we do not have a list of the Camp JVC's which is included in that report. What I need is an appropriation of money to complete that project. The CD's are purchased and burned, but we have to pay for postage and mailing.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Excuse me, Charlie. Why don't you explain what the CD is first and then we'll go from there.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Okay. I had the idea, since the advertising was not working in magazines in the past and I chose not to follow that I have produced with the help of a Brother from here in Pennsylvania that is a DJ on a morning drive spot in the York area a CD that contains a thirty second and a sixty second radio spot advertising the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and directing people to go to www.suvcw.org for more information. PSA spots are played by local radio stations. They are no longer required to do them but it looks good with the FCC when they do the PSA spots when they go to reapply for their license. So most all radio stations do PSA spots and I'm sure you've heard them on the radio when you're driving along in the car. The object is to send those CD's which have been burned, I've burned three hundred of them, to all the local Camp JVC's so they can send it to their local radio station so it is broadcast in their area. That way, they may pick up some members as a result of it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes, Brother Tim.

Junior Vice Commander, Department of Ohio, Tim Graham

I have something I'd like to present to the body, as opposed to business.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. You have five minutes to present it, sir.

Junior Vice Commander, Department of Ohio, Tim Graham

Oh, very good. How many Camps have too much money? Put your hands up. How many Camps have too much money? Put your hands up. My hand's up. Why isn't yours? Because I have the way to raise money. Join the Garfield Camp in its raffle. This year, first prize, original Fifty-One Navy Colt Revolver. Original. Would you like to examine it? Alright, very good. Second prize, is an original Forty-Nine, Colt Pocket Revolver. Third prize is a Hollywood Saber. Ask me later, I'll explain what that is. Here are the tickets. You sell a ticket for two dollars, the purchaser is a real patriot who wants to see those graves marked and those monuments maintained and a history remembered, and you can use those words, they go three for five. You sell the tickets. They fill out the stub. We each get a phone number, a name and a phone number. You take that stub, put it in an envelope, put half the money you raise in that envelope and mail it back to me. Then that goes into the Garfield Fundraising Account and then, if one of those tickets is drawn, that Camp, or that organization, gets a bonus of three hundred dollars. Now last year, we had three taste replica Colt revolvers. Three Camps got an additional three hundred dollars. No, you won't put any money out. Just come and see me. I'll give you the tickets. You've got postage coming back. This is easy money. Do you need money for Camp projects? It's here. Right here.

Encampment

(laughter)

Junior Vice Commander, Department of Ohio, Tim Graham

Need money for ROTC? Medals. It's right here. I can't make it any simpler. Just come over in the sales room and see me. I'll give you the tickets. I give you a flyer, pictures, internet's got pictures. Doesn't take, even take an officer. You're not putting any money out. Just come and get the tickets. Very simple. I thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you.

Past Department Commander, Oklahoma, John Irons

Let me just say, in the State of Oklahoma, if you bring a raffle to it, you go to jail.

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Department Commander, Oklahoma, John Irons

Don't do it in Oklahoma, folks. You can't do a raffle. Okay. The thing I was going to mention was that we have a lot of options in which we can advertise and communicate. Why are we not using a consultant, an advertising firm, or something like that? A lot of organizations have someone. I know it is money, but we're going about things in many different ways and I think that there are Brothers out here who know people who are in advertising that probably would help us and advise the group so that we could maximize the advertising we do because I think this is a really good idea on the PSA's. There are things that you can do with a numerous communications out there and I think that we're just not pulling it in together and looking at what would be best and viable for all of us. And I think that's what we really need to do is sit down, see what we really need to do on that and maybe get somebody who could advise us the best way to go in advertising for our Organization. We've got a lot of money that is there and we don't know what we want to do with it really. It shouldn't be left up to one individual or a portion. But if we were to look at that, have somebody come back and advise the best ways to work with, I think it would, it would work for us. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I think that would be a matter for the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief to look at as part of his duties. I know that advertising is not cheap. But if you can get a good deal, maybe it's something we should look into. We have a Brother in the back. Yes, sir.

Department of New York, Elijah Monroe

I was wondering when it was last month, the Sons of the American Revolution had their conference down in Dallas and somebody called the news. The TV stations came down and they came through with the cameras and took pictures of the re-enactors and that and talked to a couple people. And they asked what you guys were about so we said we're descendants of the American Revolution. Call a TV station and invite them to just poke their head in the door and talk to a couple of people or whatever, you know. At least puts the message out that we're here and that we have a convention and that we're all descendants of Civil War Veterans and that's what we're about.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Sir?

Past Department Commander, New Jersey, David K. Hann

Brother Commander, I think most of us here have computers. Most of us might have Windows XP. And there's a program on there in which you can make a DVD. Well, I'm a Past Camp Commander of the Francine Camp and I made up a little DVD which I hand out to prospective recruits. It gives them an idea of the Camp activity. Now, if an idiot like me can make it, with some of the technology, some of the Brothers here that I know are very technological, this might be a good thing that's cheap enough to make that you hand out to somebody. They can go home, play it, and it might help them to become more interested in our Organization. Thank you.

Department of Maryland, Michael Baird

Commander, I'm here to issue an invitation to anyone who wishes to come next year to the National Memorial Day Parade which is down Constitution Avenue. The Memorial Parade has been cancelled for the last sixty odd years for lack of interest but was started two years ago again and the Lincoln - Cushing Camp was there last year with representation from the Daughters, the Irish Brigade Camp, Department of Maryland, and we marched in that parade. Now, we did have one bag-piper, too. I am issuing an invitation to anybody that wants to march in next year's parade. Just contact us and we'll

give you the information when it becomes available as the time and place of the parade, but it will be down Constitution Avenue in the United State's Capital, right where our ancestors marched when they came back as the Grand Army of victory and marched down that Constitution Avenue. Thank you, sir.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. How many of you attended the Campfire last night? Okay. I'm still singed. For those of you who didn't, have a seat, this may take a minute. The Mayor of the City of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania was there. One of the things that he did bring up and it's kind of strange. Now he was the driving force for the National Civil War Museum and when you go there tonight, you're going see just how good that place is. One of the things that he did state was that it should be our job to unite all the five allied orders to come to a central location and have an Encampment. The one thing that I will say to that is, we're ready. The second is, if an outsider has to tell us to do it, we should have been doing it on our own long ago.

I will say there is a Proclamation. He said, "Whereas the City of Harrisburg is both pleased and honored to serve as the host community for the prestigious National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, which this year is even further distinguished by the concurrent 125th Celebration of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. And whereas the American Civil War remains the most pivotal era of our history, preserving a young nation struggling with the issues that threaten to render asunder. Therefore establishing the legacy of men and women who fought and died during it as of two forbearers of what has become the greatest democracy in the world has ever known. And whereas remembering and honoring their sacrifice is the vitally important contribution to our history and the understanding of what it means to be an American and with the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, first and foremost in this worthy endeavor. And whereas the members and support of this group represented by the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic are hereby allotted and recognized for their engaged and ongoing efforts to preserve the illustrious history of their forbearers. Now therefore be it designated and proclaimed, that this period of August 10th through the 13th, 2006 be declared the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic National Encampment Days and in and for the citizens of the City of Harrisburg, capitol of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with all the citizens to appreciate the efforts of these living historians and the sacrifices made by their ancestors. Set under my and seal this 10th day of August, 2006. Stephen R. Reed." We'll enter it. Thank you, Brothers.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Frantz.

Department of Pennsylvania, Ivan Frantz

Brother Commander-In-Chief, since you're trying to fill in a little time, I'll do this now instead of waiting until Good of the Order. Brother Commander-In-Chief, through you, to the rest of the Brothers in the Encampment, Remembrance Day this year in Gettysburg will be, of course, the fiftieth anniversary of Remembrance Day. And on Thursday, we rededicated the Woolson Monument from fifty years ago. I want to see a show of hands, who was there fifty years ago on September 12th, 1956 when the monument was originally dedicated?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'm not that old.

Encampment

(laughter)

Department of Pennsylvania, Ivan Frantz

Okay. I was only two. But I was there. And I've got pictures over here to prove it. But before there was a Remembrance Day, on that weekend in November, the Past Presidents and Past Commanders

Association of South Central Pennsylvania, started in 1930 the Dedication Day Dinner to recognize the dedication of the National Cemetery of Gettysburg by Abraham Lincoln. That is what has come to be known as the Remembrance Day Banquet. That evening after the parade and the ceremony at the Woolson Monument, there's always been a banquet. And of course, for about the last thirty years or so, the banquet has been followed by a Grand Military Ball, which originally started at the Holiday Inn on Baltimore Street. I don't know how many of you remember that? I do. But anyway, I'm a member of the Association and head of the Banquet Committee for November 18th. I have letters here with the reservation forms for any of you that are going to attend Remembrance Day this year. This is your invitation to, and believe me, everybody from the Allied Orders of the Grand Army is invited. You do not have to be a Past Commander to attend. Everybody is invited. All of the Brothers and Sisters are invited. I will leave these letters and reservation forms back on the registration table. Please, if you want to attend the banquet this Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, pick one up off the table. They are here. I am hoping to reach a larger group of Brothers than what our current mailing list is. I have heard over the years several comments about, how do I get to go to the banquet. Well, here's your opportunity to do that for the first time. And I hope to see all of you in Gettysburg on November 18th. I think that would be quite a turn-out for us.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is there any more new business to come before the Order? Brother Rich?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

I just wanted to ask if you want to speak about the need for a CPA?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The 990 form and it has not been turned in for over a year. Now coming up on two. We currently hired an auditor who has left us in the middle, in the lurches. The Council of Administration is beating the bushes and the bushes being the members of the Order to see if we have a CPA in our membership that would be willing to understand what we do and how we do it, because that seems to be blowing by the guy that does our audits. He doesn't understand how, when we bring people in, how the money is handled. He just looks at an end until it's screwing things up and he has not certified our tax forms. So, I'm pleading for a member who is a CPA to step forward and help us out in this matter. Yes, it's a paid position. Anyway, we're looking for a CPA that can do this for us. If you are so inclined, I will let you talk to the, whoever the new Commander-In-Chief is. I thought you were pointing at somebody that was already here.

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

Commander-In-Chief, if I may, just remind the Brothers who weren't here yesterday, if you have paid for a banquet ticket and you have not picked it up, please do so. I still have a few out there that have not been picked up. Do not go the Civil War Museum without a banquet ticket. My wife is out there. We're actually going to the Pennsylvania Luncheon, and after that, I will probably have the tickets.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. I have been told that as we break for lunch the C&R Committee needs to muster with Past Commander-In-Chief Orr, that they may finish out some of the stuff that was passed to them. Gentlemen, unless something comes up real quick, this is probably going to be the shortest Encampment on record and the most well attended on record. We have a, there's a hand up. Wait a minute. Who, who's got the hand up?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Yes. This will kill some time because Jim's kind of windy so he can ...

Encampment

(laughter)

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

We'd like to read a few things into the minutes.

Encampment

(laughter)

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Can, can we approach your station, Commander?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Please.

Encampment

(laughter)

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Last year members of the Council of Administration received an e-mail that discussed the original Patent Letters for the Sons of Union Veterans Badge and some other things that were on e-Bay. There was a lot of discussion going back and forth as to whether they were legally ours and how to get them back, and whether to pay for them or not. There was a motion made in the Council of Administration to do so.

Then the despicable act at Gettysburg occurred and the Council was distracted with how should we approach that situation. And so, at that time, I made a request of the Maryland Department to step forward and raise the funds to purchase these items and happily, the Maryland Department, the Camps, and the members did so, in conjunction with the Ladies of the Allied Orders of the Maryland/Delaware Department.

So at this time, we will present the four Patent Letters and some other documents from A. P. Davis back to the National Order for safe keeping, permanently. As part of our discussions with the individual that had these documents, we also recovered one box of proceedings from Pennsylvania and one box that contained items relating to Mead Camp Number Sixteen. There's a Camp seal, there's membership records, and other records.

The Maryland Department would respectfully make the recommendation that the records related to Pennsylvania return to their care, for their use. And that the Patent Letters be put on display at the G.A.R. Museum, on loan, so that they would be able to be viewed by the members of the Order and that would be our recommendation to the Encampment for action. Commander-In-Chief, we present these back to the National Order.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Brother Hanby, you made a recommendation. Do you wish to make that a motion to the Encampment?

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Yes, a motion. I'm sorry.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, it has been moved and seconded that the Patent Letters go to the G.A.R. Museum in Philadelphia on loan, that's the key word there, for display so that everyone can see it. And the proceedings that are of the Department of Pennsylvania be given to them to handle as they see fit. Did you say there were ...

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

Yes, the other box is Camp Sixteen, Mead Camp, which was in Reading. I think I saw somewhere it was, and Rich, correct me if I'm wrong, but at one time anyway, it was the only Camp in the Order that had contributed four Past Commander-In-Chief's to the Order. But I understand it has since ceased existence.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Those items being part and partial to Pennsylvania, would also go there for your storage. That is the motion. Yes, Rich.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I only have one question. I think there's sufficient Brothers here who are on the Board of Directors of the G.A.R. Museum in Philadelphia. Are they willing to accept these documents under those conditions because there are many museums that no longer will accept items on loan. You either give them to them or you don't give them to them.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Do we have those directors in the room?

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

I would amend my motion that if the Board of Directors of the G.A.R. Museum does not agree with those, that they then be placed in whatever safety deposit box or other... so they're safe with the National Headquarters and they don't end up on somebody's basement and end up back on e-Bay.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You're only going to pay for it once. Right?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is there a second to that amendment?

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. The amended motion is that these t these items, be placed on loan to the Grand Army of the Republic Museum in Philadelphia if approved by their Board of Directors. If not approved, these will be held at the National Headquarters, or a safe repository until that decision can be made. The second part is that the rest of these, which is actually the property of the Department of Pennsylvania, will be turned over to them to do with as they see fit. That's the amended motion. All those in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Passed. Brother Walters, are you here?

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

Yes, Commander-In-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Approach please. These are the Patent Letters.

Department Commander, Lee F. Walters

They will be on a loan agreement?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Right. And if they don't, then we'll hold on to them at the National Headquarters. And if I were you, I'd get two Brothers from Pennsylvania to lug them boxes. That's their stuff.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, sir.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we've got about two and a half minutes till noon. We will have lunch until one o'clock. The Auxiliary will come in, give their presentation.

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[One rap *]

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Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Get 'er done. Is there any more new business to come before the Encampment?

Past Department Commander, Illinois, Stuart Stefany

Brothers, we have a request of five hundred dollars from the Special Projects Fund to buy display cases for the Memorial Hall. This is a beautifully restored Grand Army of the Republic Hall that was opened by Theodore Roosevelt in 1903 and they have a Civil War Museum in it. And they have most of their original artifacts. And we have a need for display cases for the Hall and we make this request for five hundred dollars for the Memorial Hall and we have the curator of the Memorial Hall right here. Terry Dyer, who has just become a Son.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Are you making that in the form of a motion that you are to be given five hundred dollars?

Past Department Commander, Illinois, Stuart Stefany

Yes, sir.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Because these are display cases, I guess you would say they technically do not come under the restoration of a monument or memorial, or the making of a new monument, so that excludes them from asking for money from the Grants and Memorials Fund. Everyone understand that, right? We have a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion or opposition to that? It's not the Memorials Fund. This is the Special Projects Fund. It is totally separate. It is dealt with strictly by the Encampment.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Commander-In-Chief, a question on this. Are there going to be any other requests for funds? Rather than give everything to the first guy, who else wants money so we know how much do we have to spend. Can we determine that first, please? I make a motion that we listen to all requests for funds and that at that point, we make a determination on who gets what.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. There's already a motion on the floor. Alright. The motion to table the current motion until we can get this straightened out?

Several

Second that.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

That's non-debatable, and we have to vote on that. All in favor of tabling the motion till we get the correct answer, raise your cards. Thank you. Against? Thank you. Don't go anywhere. The motion to table passes. Currently, there is twenty-five hundred dollars in the Special Projects Fund. Okay, who's asking for money right now?

Past Department Commander, Massachusetts, Frank J. Tucker

I come before you this afternoon because I attended the Albert Woolson Ceremonies previously at this particular Encampment and I was stunned, I was really stunned at the amount of money that was donated to the National Park Service for the restoration of those three monuments that were desecrated by a gang of cockroaches that came up the Emmitsburg Road in the dark of night and destroyed those monuments to our ancestors. These are monuments. Now, I understand that somebody, I was not privy to this, but at the Council of Administration said that they should be awarded the five hundred dollars per Department structure. But remember that, that was a restoration. This is something different. They've got to put these monuments back. Now for instance, you've got the New York Monument,

Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. Now the Massachusetts Monument, for instance, alone, I understand that the estimate is something like thirty thousand four hundred dollars just to do that one monument. And I would like to ask Mr. Newman if it would be proper if we could increase the donation that this organization gave to the National Park Service by at least another fifteen hundred dollars for these three monuments and I make that in the form of a motion if any of my brothers would like to second it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Tucker, let me, let me ask a question. You said you wanted to increase it by fifteen hundred dollars. Which would be an additional five hundred dollars per monument, so it's a total of fifteen hundred dollars, right?

Past Department Commander, Massachusetts, Frank J. Tucker

Yes sir. And I'll leave a couple of bucks here for my good friends on my left who want some money for their glass case.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay.

Encampment

(laughter)

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

Commander-In-Chief, our SVR Unit in Scranton took on a march to restore or replace three flag poles that were originally put up by the SVR in three different cemeteries. We've been able to restore one of the flag poles back to service. The other two need to be replaced. We have been successful in getting the donations through the community of two thirty foot flag poles and two four ton granite stones. In order to bring this to happen, our SVR Unit is still in need of about a thousand dollars. I've been able to raise five hundred from businesses in the town and I'm seeking a five hundred dollar contribution from the National Order.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother, let me ask, just for clarification of the members. Are these flag poles part of a memorial or are they flag poles in a cemetery?

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

The flag poles were in cemeteries at GAR plots and over the years have been removed.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Where's Brother Schall? In about a few hours, there's going a shift. The Memorials Fund, I believe Brother Hart, will cover your request. That flag pole replacement falls under the Memorials Grant Fund.

Past Department Commander, Kansas, Alan L. Russ

Commander-In-Chief, yesterday, the NMAL presented an undesignated check for thirteen hundred dollars, that if so be the wish of the Encampment, could be used for a purpose such as this. I leave that to the Encampment.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Would that be acceptable to Brother Tucker?

Past Department Commander, Massachusetts, Frank J. Tucker

Absolutely Commander. As long as we accomplish what we have organized for, to protect the Gettysburg Monuments and other monuments.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Charlie?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Brother Commander-In-Chief, being the one that brought it up at the National Council of Administration Meeting initially, to try and get five or ten thousand dollars from the Organization back in mid-year for those monuments and having it shot down I believe right now the point of order is that those

monuments, through donations of the friends of National Parks and through other organizations have paid for the damages to those monuments. Plus the fact that we give them five thousand dollars, roughly every year at Remembrance Day, to whatever they need for monuments. So it may be just something that somebody wants to think about before we give them more money for those monuments which were already paid for.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay.

Past Department Commander, Massachusetts, Frank J. Tucker

Brother Commander, I don't know if it's been brought to your attention or not, but I'm not saying this to be boastful or anything else, but it's because it's a heart felt thing for me, what happened to those monuments. Incidentally, I had an ancestor to the fellows of Gettysburg. My son and I have posted a thousand dollar reward for the apprehension of those screw-balls that did that job on Emmitsburg Road. So, that's some more money if you want to add that to the National thing for the reward money for the capture of these cockroaches. It's perfectly alright with us.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. There has been a motion made that the MAL is wanting that money to go toward Brother Tucker's request for money?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

I'll pose this as just a question that needs to be considered. Would it be appropriate to allocate that money if the monuments have not been paid for? If they have, then the money will just stay where it is. If they have not been paid for, then that thirteen hundred dollars would go toward the monuments. Is that worth considering gentlemen?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We have a motion to, for the thirteen hundred dollars from the Membership-at-Large, to transfer the money for additional payment to the restoration of the destroyed monuments at Gettysburg, provided the amount has not been reached. If the amount has been reached, the money will stay in the Sons coffers.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. All in favor? Cards down. Opposed? Not even Jim Pahl voted against that one. It passes.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

One last thing. There was a request from the Special Projects Fund for five hundred dollars to replace these cabinets. It was motioned and seconded.

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Commander-In-Chief, I move that we take the previously tabled motion concerning this, off the table, back onto the floor for consideration.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All in favor. Thank you. Opposed? Passed.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

The motion is that Camp One of the Department of Illinois is asking for five hundred dollars from the Special Projects Fund to purchase display cases for the GAR Memorial Hall. It's been seconded. All in favor? Opposed? It passes. Thank you, Brothers.

Encampment

(applause)

Past Department Commander, Illinois, Stuart Stefany

The Department of Illinois thanks you. Last year we got money for the restoration of the Chicago Light Artillery Monument. That restoration has been completed and we thank you again for that money, too.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Did they leave? My name's mud now. Okay. Do we need some escorts for the Ladies or is it taken care of?

Indistinguishable

(indistinguishable)

[Three raps * * *]

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Commander-in-Chief, the National Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

NASUVCW (in unison)

(singing: Battle Hymn of the Republic)

MINE EYES HAVE SEEN THE GLORY OF THE COMING OF THE LORD. HE IS TRAMPLING OUT THE VINTAGE WHERE THE GRAPES OF WRATH ARE STORED. HE HAS LOOSED THE FAITHFUL LIGHTENING OF HIS TERRIBLE SWIFT SWORD. HIS TRUTH IS MARCHING ON. GLORY, (Encampment joins in) GLORY HALLELUIAH. GLORY, GLORY HALLELUIAH. GLORY, GLORY HALLELUIAH. HIS TRUTH IS MARCHING ON.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, will you introduce these Ladies who are here before us?

Escort

Auxiliary Past National President Michelle Langley from the Department of New York.

Escort

I'd like to present Nancy Fournier, Department President of the Department of Massachusetts.

Escort

Brother Commander I'd like to present Janice Harding of the Department of Maryland, Delaware.

Escort

I'd like to present Past National President, Carol Johnson.

Escort

I'd like to present Ann Michaels, Auxiliary President Department of Wisconsin.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ladies, who would like to address the group?

[One rap *]

Auxiliary Past National President Michelle Langley

Brothers, I'd like to salute you. Because of you, and your love and your dedication, we are who we are today. I bring you the greetings of the National Auxiliary President, Cynthia Fox. We wish you a marvelous Encampment. Sounds from the cheering and laughing I've heard, you're having fun amongst your serious business, also. And we thought we'd serenade you because you deserve it. So thank you so much for inviting us to offer our greetings to you and we are anxious to receive yours. Thank you again.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ladies, I apologize for having you wait outside. But the men get so seldom to spend money that we just had to get it done. But should know that we were working to contribute some more money to the

restoration of the destroyed monuments that were in Gettysburg. So we do have somewhat of an excuse and that was Brother Tucker that was leading the march on that. We we're trying to set a record they set a few years ago. Having the longest Encampment in Harrisburg. We're attempting to have the shortest one. You do honor us with your presence. We thank you for all the help that you've done for us and we hope that the time that remains in your Encampment is well spent in harmony and you get a lot of your work done. But most importantly, you have a lot of fun. Thank you very much, Ladies.

Encampment

(fife playing and singing: Battle Hymn of the Republic)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is there any more new business to come before the Encampment? Yes, John.

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

Commander-In-Chief, earlier today, there was quite a bit of discussion about membership and recruitment of membership. We talked about advertising. We talked about public relations firms and, and so forth. I just want to call the memberships' attention to the way this order was founded. It was our ancestors who decided to turn to its youth for its existence and its survival. I've been working with the Pennsylvania Department to try to establish a youth program not to get youth members as much as to establish a data base of those people with the ancestry that we could go to at the appropriate time and discuss membership. But we all know that youth at the fifth grade I believe, is when they discuss the Civil War. And I would ask the body to consider a proposal to instruct the incoming Junior Commander-In-Chief to look at the establishment, or at least the discussion of the establishment, of a Youth Committee to pursue what I've just noted.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Hart, I believe rather than the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief doing that, it would probably fall more under the Programs and Policy Committee. If you would want to re-phrase your request, we can probably get er done.

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

Okay. Thank you for your guidance. I do rephrase that and move that the Program and Policy Committee take a look at it.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Will you state your motion again, Brother Hart?

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

It would be to establish a means of creating a data base of the youth of this country who have the ancestry that we could go to and try to enlist them at the appropriate time in their life.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers, we have a motion and a second. Based on Brother Hart's motion. All those in favor, Thank you. Opposed? It passes.

Department of Pennsylvania, John M. Hart, Jr.

Thank you, Brothers.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Butgereit.

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

Our Sister Orders, when they hold a National Convention typically present to schools or other organizations in the community some type of a plaque or a flag or something. I have been working recently with a foundation not too far from here in Pittsburgh called the National Flag Foundation. Who has put together some really great programs that would help educate our youth in how to respect the flag, the program is titled, "Young Patriots". I would like to make a motion that through the position of the National Patriotic Instructor, that each year, the local Camp, wherever our National Encampment

would be, spend some time trying to either work with the local schools. How they do that would be up to them. But, arrive at some school that we could present one of these educational programs to on behalf of the National Order. The program they have consists of educational materials, CD's, etc., and we could present a school with the Young Patriot Program for a hundred and fifty dollars. And it would be our way of not only educating the youth, but letting the community know that we were here and just a way of giving back. So I would like to see us adopt something like that, that we could do at each of our annual Encampments.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

You've heard the motion. Is there a second?

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Is there discussion?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

This is more of a question. Is that program being formed by the Sons or is that the Young Patriots who do that?

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

National Flag Foundation.

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

So, in other words, they sell that to us and then we give it to a school? Why can't we develop our own?

National Committee on Americanization Chairman, Bruce Butgereit

(indistinguishable)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Okay.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers, you've heard the motion. It has been seconded. All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Motion passes. Brother Eric?

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Commander-In-Chief, we have representatives from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Bring them in.

[Three raps * * *]

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke, Pennsylvania

Commander-in-Chief and Brothers, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Encampment

(fife music while they enter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Good afternoon, Ladies. Brothers, would you introduce the Ladies on your right?

Escort

Commander, I would like to introduce to you Opal Nelson, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Elizabeth Koch, Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Eleanor Lowe, Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Nancy Conaway, Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Janice Corfman, National Treasurer and Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Lynne Bury, Past National President, of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic three times.

Escort

Commander, Delores Hubbard Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Phyllis Houston Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Escort

Commander, Jennie Vertrees Past National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Welcome Ladies, who wants to talk?

Encampment

(laughter)

[One rap *]

National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Opal Nelson

To the Sons of the Union Veterans, I bring you the greetings from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. And I want to thank you for the fine arrangements that you have made for this convention. We have enjoyed all of the programs so far and thanks to the Committee for all their hard work. And to Commander Darby, I have a little token for you. For your leadership this past year, we thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, ma'am.

National President, LGAR, Opal Nelson

You're welcome.

Encampment

(applause)

Past National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Betty Koch

Commander-In-Chief, I'm happy to be here with you and your large delegation. And I'm very happy to be here as a Past National President. I've been a member for seventy-four years and I was happy to be married to one of your Commanders-In-Chief. And I am pleased with the delegation that you have here and hope someday we can gain a few more. So if you have wives, daughters, sisters, or just lady friends, if they're eligible, we'd love to have them. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you, very much.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Just so you guys don't think I'm tight, my gift was delivered by Chuck earlier today to the President. I wanted to check because I gave it to Chuck and it was a flask in the shape of a canteen and we know how Chuck likes flasks. So I wanted to make sure it got there.

Encampment

(laughter)

National President, LGAR, Opal Nelson

I received it.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. Ladies, we appreciate you coming to grace us with your presence. You will be happy to know that there are two hundred and thirty of us present at this Encampment. There were two hundred and

fifty registered, unfortunately twenty could not make it. So we probably have the largest Encampment we've had in a number of years. We hope that your group will grow in the same number. But I will tell you that our wives, girlfriends, and lady friends, we will not bring them all together at once for you, okay?

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Which would decrease our membership considerably.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Ladies, we are moving along and are almost ready to go in to the nomination of Officers. I appreciate you stopping by. I appreciate all you've done for us and I hope you're having fun and that you're having a good Encampment. Thank you, very much.

Encampment

(applause)

Encampment

(fife music and clapping in unison)

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers, believe there was one more Brother on the floor and then we're going to go to the C&R committee Report.

Past Department Commander, New York, Dale E. Theetge

And I'm not going to take too long. We did a good job here spending some money. And you've spent money in the past and did a good job. I just wanted to thank you for the Department. Wanted to remind people that the good works that that money does comes from per capita dues. Just to give you an example of a couple of things in New York that we're very thankful for is that in the town of Groton, a cannon had been taken by that Pennsylvania guy, and has been returned and luckily was able to be put on a restored base. With a good dedication ceremony, we had a huge turnout of people who came and saw the ceremony and appreciated the fact it was back in Groton and swore to a person that something like that would never happen again in Groton. I also wanted to tell you that one of the things that was taken care of this year is in Ovid, New York. There's a G.A.R. Hall, now I say G.A.R. Hall, it's our ancestors who got that thing started. It's now Kayward Camp for the Sons of Union Veterans. It's an old historic building. The roof was shot. Matter of fact, it wouldn't have made it another year. With the money that you guys had sent us along with a lot of help from the community we got a beautiful new roof. Its fifty year shingles on the thing. So for the next fifty years, we don't have to worry about that. All I can say is that the Department of New York really thanks the National Order of the Sons of Union Veterans for your generosity.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander, Department of Maryland, R. Keith Young

I'd like to just take a couple seconds here to tell you that Past Department Commander Ken Hershburger, who has been an institution here for a number of years, is unable to make it this year. He's recently undergone surgery. We think that he'll be doing fine pretty soon, but unfortunately, I think this is the first Encampment he's missed out of something like ten or twelve. So I just wanted to let the Brothers know that we have him under our care and we'll take good care of him. Thank you.

Encampment

(applause)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Commander-In-Chief, before we move on, I'd like to recognize in local Encampment Site Committee has really done a lot of the work to represent the Brothers. Can I have my local Committee stand up here? Eric Schminke, John McNulty, Bob Graves.

Encampment

(applause)

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Thank you, Brothers.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

C&R Report.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

The C&R Committee has one additional item that we need to deal with. I'd like to take a second and read for you Chapter Three, Article Two, Section Three. It says, "The Department which fails to pay its per capita tax or other indebtedness, or fails to make reports, shall not be entitled to representation in the National Encampment Meetings. In addition, should the Department Report be deemed incomplete by the National Secretary, they shall be returned to the Department authority for correction. Should such report not be immediately corrected, the National Secretary may petition the Council of Administration for a ruling that such Department be deemed to have failed to make reports." The Committee would like to add the following to that section. "Nothing in this Section shall preclude any past Commander-in-Chief, Past Department Commander, or National Officer from exercising their right to attend, participate, and vote at a National Encampment, provided that any such Brother shall personally be in good standing." And I would move that the Encampment adopt that change.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. We, we will need to vote. Quickly, Charlie. What is it?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

I have discussion on this. How can the person be in good standing if he's part of that Department unless he's a Life Member and his report and money's not come to National? So he cannot be in good standing.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

If he has a valid dues card, he personally is in good standing. You have to look at the definition of "good standing" in the C&R.

Past Department Commander Todd Shillington, New York

Commander-In-Chief, do we want to include elected National Officers?

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

National Officers get their credentials from National. Not from the Department. So there's no need to put elected there.

Council of Administration, David P. Stephen

Commander-In-Chief, you'll recall a couple of years ago, the Encampment voted to not give appointed officers automatic votes. And so I would wonder if this shouldn't read, "elected officers".

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Chapter Three, Article Two, Section One defines its own elective officers and then two paragraphs down, indicate that those credentials are issued by the National Secretary. I think for purposes of clarity it wouldn't be a bad idea to amend this motion to include "elected National Officers" and then it's consistent throughout. And there's no question down the road.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Grim accepts that amendment. So, that was what you're voting on. A yes vote approves that language. A no vote, it stays the way it is. All those in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Those opposed? Carries.

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

Commander, that concludes the report of the Constitution and Regulations Committee.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay Brothers. Good of the Order comes in here, right? And I think we've been doing good of the Order for the last day and a half and we've also made our announcements and everything else. Is there anything else for the good of the Order in thirty seconds or less? Brothers, we are going to take until twenty after two a break.

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

BREAK

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, there's, there's one announcement that I do have to make. Your Department Flags are not going to be taken over by any Committee other than your own. If you wish them to be at the banquet, you're gonna have to take them over yourself or you're going to have to break them down and take them to your room. Is Brother Powell in the back? Brothers, the Nomination of Officers is now open. We will first take the Nomination of Officers for Commander-In-Chief. I will ask the National Secretary to call the roll of the Departments. There is not a second needed for nominations according to Roberts Rules of Order and of, more importantly, Rich Orr.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, the nominations for the Commander-In-Chief. Brother Secretary.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

This is so exciting.

Encampment

(laughter)

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

The Department of California and Pacific.

Department Commander, Tad D. Campbell, California & Pacific

The Department of California and Pacific proudly defers to the Department of Michigan. Stand up, Keith.

Encampment

(laughter)

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

I would have been disappointed had it not been said at least once. I have a nomination. The nomination is James B. Pahl for Commander-In-Chief. Whereas James B. Pahl is a member in good standing of the Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Michigan Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Being a direct descendent of Private John Boyer of Company A, 29th Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry. And whereas Brother Pahl has served the Curtenius Guard Camp as Counselor, Secretary, Junior Vice Commander, Senior Vice Commander, and Commander, along with being awarded the Curtenius Guard Camp's, Camp #17, the Samuel W. Grannel Award for outstanding service. And whereas Brother Pahl has served the Department of Michigan as Counselor, Junior Vice Commander, Senior Vice

Commander, and Commander. Along with being award the Department of Michigan's Abraham Lincoln's Certificate of Appreciation Award for outstanding service. And whereas Brother Pahl has served this National Organization as the Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, National Counselor for ten years. Member and Chair of the National Committee on Constitution and Regulation. National Treasurer for four years. Along with being awarded the National Organization's Cornelius F. Whitehouse outstanding Brother of, of the year award. And whereas Brother Pahl is a member of the Sons of Veterans Reserve currently serving as Judge Advocate General. Whereas Brother Pahl is a Co-National Counselor to the National Auxiliary to the SUVCW. And whereas Brother Pahl is a current member of the Board of Administration of his church. Is an Active and Civil War Re-enacting, Gideon's International. and the Michigan Associate, and a District Court Magistrate. And whereas Brother Pahl has served the State of Michigan for some twenty years as a police officer and further after having been admitted to the Michigan Bar, has practiced law for the past twenty-five years, is currently presiding as a Magistrate in and for the 55th Judicial District Court. And whereas Brother Pahl has received the unanimous endorsement from both the Brothers of his Camp, the Lansing – Sunfield Curtenius Guard Camp #17, and his Department, the Department of Michigan. Now, therefore, as a first Curtenius Guard Camp #17 member and 4th Michigianian to ever hold the high position of Commander-In-Chief, I am honored and proud to place as a nomination for the position of Commander-In-Chief, the name of fellow Curtenius Guard Camp #17 member and fellow Michigianian James B. Pahl for consideration by the Brothers of this, the 125th National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Pahl, if you are elected, are you willing to serve?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I will.

(There were no other nominations)

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, I move you that where there is no opposition, the National Secretary be instructed to cast the lone ballot in favor of the nominee.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All those in favor? You guys are good.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Those opposed? Mrs. Pahl, you can't vote.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, it is my great pleasure to announce that James B. Pahl from the Department of Michigan is now your selected Commander-In-Chief.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Against my better judgment, I believe that the Department of Iowa wants to say something to the Commander-In-Chief Elect. Briefly.

Jeffery Stephen, Department of Iowa

Well three years ago in Springfield, you told a pretty tall tale of being stationed out in the desert for a pretty lengthy amount of time. Six months into your stay, you summoned your Sergeant to bring the camel around. For some much needed relief. Commander, the Department of Iowa would like to present you with this gift card, redeemable at Timbuktu for any of your future needs.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

And what he didn't add, was next time, take the taxi and not the camel.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Gentlemen, the nominations for Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are now open. Brother Secretary.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Department of California and Pacific?

Department Commander, Tad D. Campbell, California & Pacific

Department of California and Pacific defers to our host Department, the Department of Pennsylvania.

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke, Pennsylvania

Brothers of the Encampment, the Department of Pennsylvania would like to nominate Brother Charles Kuhn, Jr. to the position of Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief. Brother Kuhn, as you know, has spent the majority of the day at the mic today... and that should be sufficient. But to let you know, Brother Kuhn has done much for our Order. Obviously, this year he has succeeded Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief. He has served on the Council of Administration. Served two terms as the Department Commander of Pennsylvania, and that of two terms as Department Secretary / Treasurer. He as well, has served the Gettysburg Camp very well over the years. And also helped get the building, the Gettysburg Hall, Scally Post Hall, issue rectified some years ago. He is a member of the Masonic Order and also serves his church as Secretary / Treasurer. I'd like to nominate again, Brother Charles Kuhn, for Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Kuhn, if elected, are you willing to serve?

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Yes, sir, I am.

(there were no other nominations)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Gentlemen, you have just selected to the office of Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Charles Kuhn, Jr.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, the nominations are now open for the position of Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Department of California and Pacific?

Department Commander, Tad D. Campbell, California & Pacific

As you may recall, last year I had to learn how to pronounce "New Hampsha". The Department of California and Pacific defers to the Department of "Ohia".

Encampment

(laughter)

National Counselor, Robert E. Grim

Brothers I'm Bob Grim from the Department of Ohio and it's my honor and privilege to place before you the name of a Brother who has served our Order with distinction since he joined in 1988. A Brother well-known to most of you. But I want to take a few moments and give you a little bit of information about him for the benefit of those newer delegates who may not know who he is. This is a Brother that served twenty-three years in the United State's Navy. Retired in 1993 and had served with the Intelligence Service. He served on three different submarines, aircraft carriers, cruisers, and I think almost every type of vessel that the Navy operates. During his membership as a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, he's served as the Camp Secretary. Served as a Camp Commander. Organized a Camp. And as Department Commander in Ohio led the Organization for the formation of five new Camps. During his time as a member of our Organization, he joined the Sons of Veterans Reserve, in 1993. Served as a Battery Commander. Went on to become the Adjutant General of the SVR. And for the past ten years, has been the Commanding General of the Sons of Veterans Reserve. And when he took that position ten years ago, the membership of the SVR was slightly over three hundred. Today, it is eleven hundred and twenty-five. This Brother is also a member of the Free Masons. He belongs to the Scottish Right. He is a Knight of the York Cross of Honor. And he's currently serving as the District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ohio. And it is my honor to place in nomination for your consideration the name of David V. Medert from Ohio.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Medert, if elected, are you willing to serve?

Commander of the SVR, David V. Medert

I would be honored to.

(there were no other nominations)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, you elected to the position of Junior Vice Commander-In-The-Chief, Commander-In-Chief, David V. Medert from the Department of Ohio. And it gives me great pleasure to say that.

Encampment

(laughter)

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we have two positions vacant on the Council of Administration. Both of those being for a three year term. So we can call this Three Year Term A and Three Year Term B. So we will look at nominating Three Year Term A at this time.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Commander-In-Chief, you can take nominations for both positions at the same time. If you have more than two nominations, the top two vote-getters would be elected.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Because it is a plurality vote, correct?

Past Commander-In-Chief, Richard Orr

Right.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. We'll do it that way. We'll take nominations for both.

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Department of California and Pacific?

Department Commander, Tad D. Campbell, California & Pacific

California and Pacific will defer to the Department of Maryland.

Counselor, Department of Maryland, Andrew M. Johnson

Commander-In-Chief, Delegates, Brothers of the Order, I rise to nominate a fellow Maryland Delegate, Department leader, and a man of and for our times, James R. Hanby, Sr. He needs your support for election to this three year term on our Council of Administration. Now, a few of you would ask at least, who is this man? Most of you know him. I offered you an abbreviated list of his many qualifications and previously there were flyers for candidates on your seat. And I'd refer you to that flyer for James R. Hanby. He's currently a member of the Council of Administration serving a one year term and completing that this year. Former Maryland Department Commander for two years. Outstanding service to the Department. New Camps formed. Two new Camps in our Department. And many new members under his regime. He's an SVR First Lieutenant of the Dupont Guards in the Second Military District, so he wears the blue. He's a fund raiser and you saw, if you were here yesterday, the SUV Foundation present him with an award for outstanding work in the fundraising area. A young man who studies the issues. He understands this organization from his experience in the Departments and the CoA. In his civilian life, Brother Hanby's a financial manager, active in Masonic work. Seems like everyone, all the candidates today are Masons. The American Legion. And many historical foundations. And I don't know that I need to say more except if you refer to this handout, there are a number of, well, a good deal more about the candidate. But at the bottom, one Commander-In-Chief and fifteen Past Commanders-In-Chief endorse the candidacy of Brother Hanby. Speaks very well for him. Thank you very much.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Hanby, are you willing to serve if elected?

Council of Administration, James R. Hanby, Sr.

I am, sir.

(there were no nominations up to the Department of Pennsylvania)

National Secretary, Michael S. Bennett

Department of Pennsylvania?

Past Commander-In-Chief, George L. Powell

Commander-In-Chief, Brothers the Brothers of the Department of Pennsylvania respectfully ask for your support for Brother Eric Schmincke for a full three year term on the Council of Administration. There were flyers handed out earlier. I hope most of, if you, most of you had a chance to read them. Brother Schmincke is very active in our Order. He's held Camp offices, Camp Commanders, Department Commander Patriotic Instructor, e-Bay Surveillance Committee, the host Committee for this Encampment. The Credentials Committee for three years, which in my estimation, qualifies him for Commander-In-Chief. The Sons of Veterans Reserve. He's a First Lieutenant and Deputy Provost Marshall for the Remembrance Day Parade. Well, there's two things that I would like to, to bring out. Brother Schmincke is a duel member in Camp #1 and Camp #273 in the Department of Pennsylvania. Camp #273 in Bangor is one of our oldest Camps. Was very close to closing about five years ago. Well they've been struggling for many year. But about five years ago Brother Kuhn was the Department Commander, and he asked some Brothers from Ross Camp and from the Scranton Camp, Griffin Camp, to help these Brothers out. Brother Schmincke was one of those who stepped forward and took a duel membership in the Camp. He and these other Brothers, they traveled thirty-five miles each way to Camp meetings once a month plus other activities. He is as well known in Bangor as I think the Mayor is up there. So he worked his way through the Chairs of that Camp, and becoming Camp Commander and then on through with our Order. Well there's somebody who's willing to go the extra thirty-five miles each way going to his Camp meetings. Yeah, that's his love for the "boys in blue" can also be seen in work he's done for the replacement of the monument to the men of the 90th Pennsylvania Infantry at the Antietam National Battlefield Park. He stepped in as the Chairman of the Committee

when the original Chairman passed away. He raised the funds, working with the sculptor and the park service, to get the monument replaced. He had it dedicated about two years. Brother Eric is someone I count him as a friend. And, as I said, I believe he has proven that he can go the extra mile. And I know during my year as Commander-In-Chief, he was on me about everything that went on. His interest in the Order is, to me, excellent. And other than Brother Hanby, I don't know anybody else that can do the job that Brother Eric can do. Thank you.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brother Schmincke, if elected, are you willing to serve, sir?

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Yes I am, sir.

(there were no other nominations)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, you have elected Brothers Eric Schmincke and James B. Hanby to the three year positions of Council of Administration. They are your representatives. Give them a hand, please.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Okay. There are no more elections or nominations to be had. Brothers, I will entertain a motion that the Committees be discharged with the thanks of the Encampment and the Credentials Committee be allowed to submit a final report within forty-eight hours.

Several

So moved.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It's been moved and seconded. All in favor, raise your cards. Those opposed, raise your cards. Passes. I will entertain a motion to approve the budget.

Several

So moved.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All in favor, raise your cards. Thank you. Opposed? Budget passes. I will now entertain a motion to move that the Letters of Appreciation be drafted by the National Secretary and sent to the Host Committee and to the hotel for thanking them for an outstanding job.

Several

So moved.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

All in favor? Thank you. Opposed? Passes. I will entertain a motion that the proceedings of this Encampment upon approved by the outgoing and incoming Commander-In-Chief, when published, will become the official record of the Encampment.

Several

So moved.

Several

Second.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Cards up for aye? Thank you. Nays? Thank you. Passes.

Past Department Commander, Eric J. Schmincke

Commander-in-Chief, we have the Representative of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I'd like to introduce Faye Jones, Department President of the Department of Maine.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you. Welcome. Sister Jones, would you come up and, and address the group, please?

[One rap *]

Daughters of Union Veterans, Maine Department President, Faye Jones

I'm very honored, not only as Maine Department Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War President. We also have been very fortunate to have Sister Leslie Dean as our National President. So on behalf of the Maine Department and the National Order, I bring you greetings. We hope that your Encampment has been very productive and harmonious and that much progress is being done and we are representing the GAR in proud fashion. Sister Leslie would like to give you a token.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Thank you Sister. Sister Jones, we appreciate you coming to visit us and hopefully in St. Louis, it will be a shorter walk. Please tell Sister Dean that I appreciate the gift. We hope that your Encampment is going well. We have just finished the elections of our Officers and unfortunately you'll have to deal with that man after about fifteen minutes.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

It is with a glad heart that I note in St. Louis that all the Allied Orders will be together under one roof. And that we can hopefully continue that for many, many years.

Encampment

(applause)

Encampment

(clapping in unison)

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

We've taken care of all the housekeeping? We will take a ten break?

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

BREAK

[Three raps * * *]

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Brothers, we are now about to commence the most solemn portion of this entire Encampment. As I have talked through the day, I've made references to Naval Service, to Military Service. In the military, there is no greater ceremony than a change of command. It is not just one man taking a job. It is the transfer of authority, of power, and most importantly, responsibility. As we start in on this, I would ask that you remain conserved of this solemn occasion. Commander-In-Chief Elect, have you selected an Installing Officer?

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Yes, sir, I have. And I have asked Past Commander-In-Chief Keith Harrison to perform those honors.

Commander-in-Chief, Donald E. Darby

Past Commander-In-Chief Harrison. The Chair devolves to Brother Past Commander-In-Chief Keith Harrison, who will serve as the Installing Officer.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

As the Installing Officer and at the request of the Commander-In-Chief Elect we will be doing this a little bit different and it's going to be certain a nice different type of a ceremony. We're gonna ask the following Past Commanders-In-Chiefs to assume certain positions in the Encampment and with the current officers vacating during this installation procedure. Past Commander-In-Chief Danny Wheeler, would you, come down and serve as Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief? Past Commander-in-Chief Andy Johnson, would you serve as Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief? Past Commander-in-Chief Steve Michaels, would you serve as Patriotic Instructor? Past Commander-in-Chief Ed Krieser as Secretary. Past Commander-in-Chief Bob Grim as the Treasurer. Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr, would you please serve as Chaplain? Past Commander-In-Chief Al Loomis, would you please serve as Guide? And Past Commander-in-Chief George Powell, would you please serve as Color Bearer? Thank you. Commander-In-Chief Darby, in relieving you of command of the National Organization, on behalf of the Officers, I convey to you their thanks for the manner in which you have discharged your duties. I trust that in surrendering the Command of the National Organization, your interest and welfare in this Order will not cease. Having received the highest honors which your fellow members can confer upon you, your continuing commitment will point the way to others who still serve the Order.

(The Badge of Past Commander-in-Chief is being pinned on Donald E. Darby)

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(applause)

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Commander-In-Chief Elect, are you prepared to announce your staff appointments? And if so, the Guide will hand the list to the Secretary. Brother Secretary, will you call the roll of the Officers Elect and Staff Appointees who as their names are called will rise.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Edward J. Krieser, acting as Secretary

Commander-In-Chief, James B. Pahl. Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, Charles Kuhn. Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, David V. Medert. Secretary, Michael Bennett. Treasurer, Max Newman. Quartermaster Danny Wheeler. Council of Administration, Leo Kennedy, Brad Schall. Dan Murray. James Hanby, and Eric Schmincke. National Aide-de-Camp, James A. K. Pahl. National Camp-at-Large and Department Organizer, Nick Kaup. National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski. National Chief of Staff, Don Palmer. National Civil War Memorials Officer, Todd A. Shillington. National Counselor, Donald W. Shaw. National Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator, Robert M. Petrovic. Nation GAR Highway Officer Gary Parrott. National Graves Registration Officer, Bob Lowe. National Historian, Robert Wolz. National Liaison to Cathedral of the Pines, Richard Woodbury. National Liaison to MOLLUS, Keith Harrison. National Membership-at-Large Coordinator, Alan L. Russ. National Patriotic Instructor, Gary Gibson. National Signals Officer, Ken Freshley. Washington D. C. Representative, Andrew M. Johnson. Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings, Ed Krieser. Assistant Treasurer, Richard Orr. National Webmaster, Ken Freshley.

[Three raps * * *]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Brothers, these are your regularly chosen Officers for the next term. If any Brother has any valid reason why any of them should not be installed, let him now speak or forever hold his peace.

[One rap *]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Brother Loomis, you will act as Guide and present the Brothers before the Altar for installation. After the first three officers are up, the rest just come up. Now the rest of the ones that were called, please come forward. Okay.

Past Commander-in-Chief, Alan R. Loomis, acting as Guide

Sir, your orders have been obeyed.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Thank you. You may be seated. Officers, you have been selected to the position of great honor and trust. With the Commander-In-Chief, you will be responsible for the financial and material prosperity and interests of the National Organization and the members of this Encampment confidently expect that you discharge of your duties and responsibilities resting upon you will be conspicuous for zeal, ability and good works. I trust that you appreciate the great confidence placed in you and that you remember that upon the manner in which you discharge the duties of your respective offices will depend very largely upon the success or failure of the administration of the National Order. Are you now willing to pledge solemnly to the faithful performance of your several duties?

Officers (in unison)

I AM.

[Three raps * * *]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

You will each raise your right hand, place your left hand on the Bible or on the shoulder of the person in front of you, and repeat after me using your name where I use mine. "I, Keith Harrison ...having been regularly chosen ...as an Officer of the National Organization ...Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War ...hereby renew... the sacred obligation ...given at the time of my initiation ...and in the presence of almighty God ...and the members of this Encampment here assembled ...do furthermore ...solemnly and sincerely ...promise and declare ...that I will ...to the best of my ability ...in word and deed ...and without fear or favor ...faithfully ...honestly ...impartially ... perform all the duties of the office ...upon which I am about to enter ...so help me God."

[One rap *]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Guide, you will conduct the Officers to the respective stations Active Officers are vacating.

Past Commander-in-Chief, Alan R. Loomis, acting as Guide

Sir, your orders have been obeyed.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Guide, you will conduct the Commander-In-Chief Elect to this station. Commander-In-Chief, by the votes of the members of this Encampment, you have been elected to the highest honor within there gift. Your election to this honorable position is evidence not only of their regard and appreciation of your work and ability as a Son of Union Veteran of the Civil War, but it is an assurance that your conduct of the affairs of the Order will be characterized by faithful, earnest and conscientious devotion to the responsibilities rested upon you. Grave trusts and grave cares await you, and to their faithful performance I now will solemnly direct you.

[Three raps * * *]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

As no work of this nature can be a success without the assistance of the divine provider, the Chaplain, we'll ask his assistance and guidance.

National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski

All mighty God, heavenly father, we humbly ask Your blessings on these, Your new Officers. Grant them Your wisdom, that they be daily performed duties to the Office to which they were installed, with the knowledge that You are ever watching over them. Keep them in good health that they will not falter in the way. Bless them with Your great mercies that they might be competent to administer the many problems that will confront them. Bless their every action in Your name through the mediation of Your Blessed Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, all please say ... Amen.

Encampment (in unison)

AMEN.

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Commander in Chief, your Officers are now at their respective stations and I am about to place you in full control. But first, I give you the care of the Charter of the, the National Organization. Prize it for the privileges it bestows and guard it sacredly for the filial heritage it represents. Next I place in your care the Ritual of the Order and a copy of the Constitution and Regulations for the government of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, both of which I advise you to study with care, to be true to its principals, and faithful to its teaching. Lastly, you will receive this gavel, the emblem of your authority. One rap calls the Encampment to order and seats the same when standing. [**One rap ***] Two raps calls the Officers to their feet. [**Two raps ****] Three raps calls up the entire Encampment. [**Three raps *****] And now by the virtue and authority vested in me as the Installing Officer of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I hereby declare the Officers of the National Organization legally elected and installed and qualified to enter upon the discharge of their several duties, for the term ending in August, 2007 or until the successors are regularly elected, qualified, and installed. Now I am pleased to present you with the Badge, of the office of Commander-In-Chief.

(Commander-in- Chief Pahl's wife, Carol Pahl pinned the Badge of Office on him.)

[**One rap ***]

Past Commander-In-Chief, Keith G. Harrison

Commander-In-Chief, assume your command. Be true to your vows, faithful to the trust, unflinching in your loyalty and rules or vanity, impartiality and firmness, and may your administration be successful.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Brothers, I've been waiting four years to give this speech. Took me that long to write it.

Encampment

(laughter)

Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

I am honored and I am humbled in the vote of confidence placed in my meager abilities. I accept this office in honor of my Lord and Savior. In honor of my great, great grandfather, Private John Boyer, Company A, 29th Indiana, wounded at Chickamaga. My father grew up in Albion, Michigan. From young boyhood, he was lifelong friends with John Gardner. My uncle John was as close to me as both of my real uncles. John is the grandson of George Washington Gardner, Commander-In-Chief, Grand Army of the Republic. Charles F. Sermons served as Commander-In-Chief of the Sons during the same year as the National Encampment of our Order, held in 1915. Commander-In-Chief Sherman called Washington Gardner the best friend the Sons ever had. I am very proud that his grandson called me his nephew. The 24th of April, 1984, I stood at the Altar of the Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, placed my left hand on the Bible, raised my right hand, and I was initiated as an associate by then Camp Commander Keith Harrison. Three years later, my ancestor was located and I became a full member. Camp #17 meets at the Samuel W. Grinnel Post #283, Grand Army of the Republic Building, built by the Post members. This building is deeded to the Sons and the Daughters. It has been in continuous service since 1901. The original furniture is present, along with stations and equipment. A painting of Samuel W. Grinnel hangs on the wall behind the Commander's station. The original post Bible sits on the Altar. A few of you may have noticed that I slipped a small testament out of my pocket and I placed my left hand upon it when taking the oath of office. This testament was carried all through the Civil War, including while at Andersonville, by Samuel W. Grinnel.

Encampment

(applause)

Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

As my first official act as Commander-In-Chief, I have just signed the application for Camp Charter of the William A. Kent Camp #83, to be located in Greenville, Michigan, Department of Michigan. Commander Green? Thank you. I hope to sign many more. The work of the Order is progressing on the shoulders of many. But a few in each Department raise above and accomplish great things, usually not recognized as they should be. I asked the Department Commanders to forward such names to me as they find from time to time, so the National Organization can properly recognize these efforts. I will continue to recognize those who recruit new Brothers into the Order with the designation of National Aide, and authorize those Brothers to wear the ribbon of the National Colors attached to their member badge, as currently provided for in National Regulations. I will be swift in praise and giving honors. I'll also not hesitate to use the powers conferred upon the Commander-In-Chief if items need correcting. Rest assured, I will use this if I have to. (*Commander-in-Chief Jim Pahl displayed a giant gavel.*) I thank my Brothers of the Alonzo H. Cushing Camp #5, Department of Wisconsin, for this gift.

I call upon every Department and Camp of this Order to maintain a presence on the Web. Contained on that web page must be the name of a contact person, with an e-mail address and a telephone number. Someone who can be counted upon to follow up upon requests and inquiries. This need not be an elected Officer, but it must be someone who will be available and will respond. Perspective members and those interested need to have someone to contact. And this will greatly assist our newly elected Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief in carrying out his duties.

I have set several goals to assist us in moving forward as an Order. We need to develop a management plan for our key elected National Officers, so they will spend much less time doing routine clerical functions, to spend more time in participating in the management of the Order. Designing each Chair to build upon the last and create a more effective leadership for our Order. Senior Vice Commander-In-Chief, tomorrow morning, I'm going to ask the Council of Administration to appoint someone else as Editor of the BANNER. I am therefore assigning to you as an ex-officio member of the National Committee of Fraternal Relations. I'm directing you to work with that Committee in building relationships with the Allied Orders and with other organizations, Veterans Memorial, whose goals are similar to ours. You can build relationships that will carry forward into future years. Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, I'm directing you to examine the structure of the National Membership Committee. To devise a plan to present at the 126th Annual National Encampment, to replace the membership of the Committee with a more permanent five member Committee. You are to work with the Committee to be formed to look at ways to assist in designing our membership drive. You are further directed to work with the National Signals Officer and his staff to design, develop, and implement the ability to accept applications in an electronic fashion directly from our web page. To streamline procedures and eliminate as many middle-men as possible. Let's get these applications where they belong as quickly as possible. Once this program is fully implemented, I foresee the Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief fulfilling a more supervisory role and additional duties can be assigned.

To the National Patriotic Instructor and the National Committee on Americanization and Education. Education of our youth, both within and outside the Order, needs to be one of the primary goals of the Order. Article Two of our National Charter is our mandate from the Congress of the United States is to teach patriotism, the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our Flag. A good start was made by a previous Patriotic Instructor. At one time, the Order maintained Sons Memorial University in Iowa. The Sons Memorial University educated our youth and those ideas we strive to uphold today. I direct the National Patriotic Instructor and the National Committee on Americanization and Education to re-establish Sons Memorial University. The first task is to design and implement a program for our Juniors, much like the merit badge system used in the Boy Scouts. Our

Juniors can work towards earning various badges and be better prepared to meaningfully participate as citizens and members of the Order, as they move into their adult years. The Committee can also work towards improving materials currently available for our Brothers in making school presentations, assisting Camp Patriotic Instructors, and preparing programs for the good of the Order Section of Camp Meetings. I envision and hope that future years will see a development of an online degree program, at the very least an Associate Degree level, to fully re-introduce the educational program offered by the original University.

To the National Committee on GAR Post Records. We have been charged by the Congress of the United States, in our Charter, to assist in every practical way, and preserving and making available for research, documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members. I believe we have seriously neglected this sacred obligation. I call upon the National Committee of GAR Post Records to design a model that each Department can use in developing their own Department and then Camp Committees to search out, locate, inventory, catalog, record, and index all such records that exist. This is every bit as important as graves registration and monument preservation.

To our National Chaplain, an example was set by the previous Patriotic Instructor, in publishing a booklet to assist Department and Camp level Officers in their duties. I call upon you to develop a similar work to assist our Department and Camp Chaplains. I'll ask Past National Chaplain William F. McAfee of the Department of Michigan, to assist you in this project.

The theme for this administration, stop spending so much trying, trying to make the Order work. Let's rather, spend our time doing the work of the Order. The task is large and much is to be done. By working together as an order and cooperating with other Allied Orders and similar organizations, we can accomplish much, and keep green the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

There being no further business to come before this National Encampment, we will proceed to close. You will give your attention while the National Chaplain asks the blessing of God upon our deliberations.

[Three raps * * *]

National Chaplain, Jerome Kowalski

Our father in heaven, we pray you will deal with the events of this Encampment as you deem proper and fitting. Please answer the heartfelt prayers of each one of us as permitted in your divine will. Preserve us in health, strength, and integrity while we remain here. When our mission on earth has ended, take us to a better world. Amen.

Encampment (in unison)

AMEN.

[One rap *]

Commander-in-Chief, James B. Pahl

Brothers, we are about to leave this Encampment to retire to our respective homes. Let us regulate our conduct so as to bring honor and credit upon the great patriotic organization we represent. May we be faithful to our vows, mindful of our duties, and exhibit towards each other an unbroken fraternity, a tender charity, and an unswerving loyalty. Color Bearer will attend to the Altar and station banners. I now declare the 125th Annual Encampment of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, duly closed.

[One rap *]

Encampment

(applause)

APPENDIX 1

Reports of National Officers and Committees

Report of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

It has been my honor to serve the Order in this important position. I was able to represent the Commander in Chief in a number of functions, including several Department Encampments.

BANNER: I have tried to provide four quality issues to the brothers of the Order. This is largely due to the efforts of brother John Hart, who in spite of the greatest of personal losses, provided invaluable service. Any successes the Banner achieved can only be blamed on John and occurred in spite of my contributions. I hope you consider these results successful. To help promote an even higher quality production, I have discovered a brother willing to take on the job of Editor of the Banner on a longer-term basis.

PROGRAM & POLICY COMMITTEE:

FORMS: Working with the National Secretary and the Executive Director, the committee was able to coordinate revisions to the Annual Camp Report (form 27) and the Annual Department Report (form 35). At the time of this report, the CofA has not yet provided approval of these forms, but I anticipate that approval.

RESOURCES: Based upon materials provided by the Department of Michigan and created by Dick Williams, the committee produced a National Resource CD. Each Department should travel home with a couple copies - which can be freely reproduced for brothers of the Order. This CD contains materials to assist both Camp and Department officers in their duties. This puts all in one place all of those details that I hope will

ACTIVITIES

A list of activities as SVCinC is provided as an attachment at the conclusion of this report, labeled Exhibit A.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Development of a job description for the National G.A.R. Records Officer and the National GAR Records Committee, as follows:

- 1) The National GAR Records Officer is the chair of the National GAR Records Committee
- 2) The National GAR Records Office shall be a coordinator of Department activities in locating, identifying, indexing, cataloging and recording the location and extent of all GAR Records being held in various repositories.
- 3) Encourage Departments and Camps to establish and appoint GAR Records Officers to oversee department-wide and local activities and programs.
- 4) The National GAR Records Officer shall coordinate with the National Signals Officer and the National Webmaster, to allow a database program containing the items so located to be made available, using the Order's web site or some other appropriate server or method.
- 5) Prepare and submit an annual written report to the Commander-in-Chief and the National Encampment on the activities of this office.

The National GAR Records Committee shall have the responsibilities listed below.

- 1) Design a model program for use by the Departments and Camps, to locate, identify, index, catalog and record the location and extent of all GAR Records being held in various repositories.
 - 2) To coordinate with the National Signals Officer and National Webmaster, to make this information available to Brothers and the public.
 - 3) Provide guidance to Departments, Camps and Brothers regarding implementation and continuation of the model program.
 - 4) Encourage Departments and Camps to establish and appoint GAR Records Officers and Committees, to oversee department-wide and local programs and activities.
 - 5) Obtain annually a listing or index of Grand Army of the Republic historical property, records and holdings in the possession of the federal government.
 - 6) Ascertain annually the condition of Grand Army of the Republic historical property, records and holdings in the possession of the federal government.
 - 7) Encourage Departments and Camps to actively inventory and ascertain the condition of local G.A.R. records and materials.
 - 8) Perform all other related responsibilities assigned by the National Encampment or the Commander-in-Chief.
 - 9) Prepare and submit an annual written report to the Commander-in-Chief and the National Encampment on the activities of the committee.
2. Revision of the National Historian job description to eliminate references to G.A.R. Records and place the focus on Civil War and SUVCW Records activity.
 3. A similar revision for the committee chaired by the National Historian.
 4. Remove from the Job Description of the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, the duties of Editor and Publisher of the Banner, so that another brother may be appointed Editor.
 5. Amend National Regulations, Chapter III, ARTICLE V, Section 9, by deleting text as follows:

Section 9. The National Historian shall collect and preserve all historical or biographical materials pertaining to the Civil War, ~~members of the Grand Army of the Republic~~ and Brothers of the Order; and shall serve as chair of the National History Committee.

6. Amend National Regulations Chapter III, Article VII, Section 7, by deleting text below that is struck out. This will avoid conflicting directions to the History Committee and the G.A.R. Records committee.

Section 7. The Purpose of the History Committee shall be to identify and preserve historical and biographical material pertaining to ~~the Grand Army of the Republic~~, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and their Respective memberships. The committee shall be chaired by the National Historian.

Activities as Senior Vice Commander in Chief - Exhibit A

Post Encampment Council of Administration meeting, August 7, 2005, Nashua, New Hampshire
 GAR Hall Tours, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan, August 13, 2005,
 Curtenius Guard Camp 17, Department of Michigan & Helen Edwins Tent 30, DUVCW.
 Jackson/Cascades Civil War Muster activities, August 28, 2005, including: Austin Blair Camp #7,
 Department of Michigan recruiting tent & graves data base look up program; Department of

Michigan hospitality tent; DUVCW Information tent established by the Harriet Brubaker Tent #139 of Fostoria, Ohio. Also visited briefly the Department of Indiana, Sons of Confederate Veterans recruiting tent.

Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, September 27, 2005, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Michigan Civil War Monuments Presentation, Dr. Weldon Petz at the Ella Sharp Museum in Jackson, Michigan, October 16, 2005 - hosted by Austin Blair Camp #. 7, Department of Michigan.

Underground Railroad Memorial Highway dedication ceremonies, Schoolcraft Historical Society, October 22, 2005, with members of General Benjamin Pritchard Camp # 20, Department of Michigan.

Grave Marker dedication ceremonies for replaced civil war grave markers at the Mason, Michigan community cemetery, hosted by the American Legion and VFW. November 11, 2005.

Lansing Veterans Day parade with brothers of Curtenius Guard Camp # 17, Department of Michigan, November 11, 2005.

Remembrance Day Activities, Gettysburg, PA, November 19, 2005, including:

Michigan & US flags on the grave of every Michigan soldier in the National Cemetery with brothers of the Michigan Department

SVR Parade - served as assistant parade provost marshal

Woolson Monument ceremonies & wreath laying

Wreath laying ceremony with Department of Michigan at the monument to the 1st Michigan Infantry in the loop area

Council of Administration meeting, Gettysburg, PA, November 20, 2005.

Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, November 29, 2005, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Department Mid-Winter Encampment - Department of Indiana, January 21, 2006, Huntington, Indiana.

Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, January 31, 2006, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Council of Administration meeting, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, March 11, 2006

Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, March 28, 2006, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Lincoln Death Day Observances - tomb of 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln, April 15, 2006, Springfield, Illinois.

Ceremony marking the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic - tomb of the founder of the GAR, Dr. Benjamin Stephenson, April 15, 2006, Petersburg, Illinois - hosted by the Department of Illinois.

Department Encampment, Department of Kansas, April 22, 2006, Topeka, Kansas - Installing Officer.

Department Encampment, Department of Michigan, April 29, 2006, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Private John G.K. Ayers Medal of Honor Gravestone Dedication ceremony, May 13, 2006, Riverside Cemetery, Three Rivers, Michigan - hosted by the General Benjamin D. Pritchard Camp #20, Department of Michigan.

Visit National Headquarters at the National Civil War Museum, Harrisburg, PA, May 23, 2006. Delivered several boxes of previous National Secretary records.

Memorial Day services, Lansing's Mt. Hope Cemetery, hosted by Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, May 27, 2006.

Memorial Day services, "Little Arlington" section of Lansing's Evergreen Cemetery, hosted by the American Legion, May 27, 2006.

Memorial Day Services & Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, May 30, 2006, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Department Encampment, Department of Wisconsin, June 10, 2006, Saukville, Wisconsin - Installing Officer.

The Private Philipp Schlachter Medal of Honor Gravestone Dedication ceremony, July 1, 2006, Oaklawn Cemetery, Sturgis, Michigan - hosted by the General Benjamin D. Pritchard Camp #20, Department of Michigan.

The 100th Anniversary Rededication Ceremony, Soldiers and Sailors Monument, including two refurbished cannon, July 4, 2006, Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton, Michigan - hosted by the Gov. Crapo Camp #145, Department of Michigan.

Meeting with National Lincoln Death Day Committee, July 7, 2006, Springfield, Ill.

Camp Meeting - Curtenius Guard Camp #17, Department of Michigan, July 30, 2006, Samuel W. Grinnell Post 283 GAR Hall, Sunfield, Michigan

Pre Encampment Council of Administration meeting, August 10, 2006, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Report of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief

To the Officers and Brothers of the 125th Annual Encampment of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Greetings;

The office of Jr. Vice Commander in Chief has been very busy over the past year. I have handled over 800 pieces of correspondence either electronically or by U. S. Mail. As of the date of this report, I have processed 197 applications going to 23 different Departments, all Camp's at Large as well as the National Membership at Large Camp. The break down is as follows;

California – Pacific-	18
Colorado – Wyoming-	5
Connecticut-	4
Florida-	10
Illinois-	9
Indiana-	3
Iowa-	0
Kansas-	2
Kentucky-	2
Maine-	5
Maryland-	17
Massachusetts-	2
Michigan-	1
Missouri-	9
Nebraska-	0
New Hampshire-	2
New Jersey-	11
New York-	14
Ohio-	12
Oklahoma-	7
Pennsylvania-	13
Rhode Island-	2
Tennessee-	4
Texas-	10
Vermont-	0
Wisconsin-	5
Camps at Large-	17
N.M.A.L.	<u>13</u>
TOTAL	197

There are still 2 applications that are not completed yet because they were lacking something.

Problems still persist in the areas of expediting membership within the Order. In some cases I am still dealing with men that have applied as far back as November 2005. This is a result of problems at the Department or Camp level. It seems that several Department officers are unable to handle these applications in an expeditious manor. The applicant that comes into the Order via the internet is exposed to a process that is cumbersome.

Each application is handled by a minimum of 5 people before the man is placed on the National roster and is eligible to receive the Banner. This is why we need to have a method of getting people on immediately. In a number of cases I have found that Departments do things differently when they receive an application. In some cases these applications that come from the office of Jr. Vice

Commander in Chief pass through far more hands than 5. Some Departments have special officers to deal with checking the credentials of the applicants and the funds go to someone else and yet another officer decides to what Camp the man will be assigned. In these Departments, an applicant can expect to wait a minimum of 6 weeks at best till he is listed on the National roster.

These problems exist because the SUVCW was created from the Camp up. The internet was an unheard of thing 50 years ago much less when the GAR created us in 1881. Members would join through the Camp and their application would go up the chain of Command finally ending at the National Organization.

With the advent of the internet those that apply via the internet now have to wait for their application to go down the chain of Command and then come back up to the National Organization before they are placed on the Nation roster as a member.

This process has created a number of problems for this office because in essence the new member or associate hears nothing from anyone with the exception of me for a number of months. This must be a nightmare for people applying to our Order and I am sure leaves a very sour taste in their mouth for the SUVCW.

This slow response time by no means represents a small portion of the applications that come in as a result of our National web site, but constitute over 10% of all applications processed. In reality with the system we currently have, at best, from the time a man mails his application, it takes 30 days for him to become a member of a specific Camp. With the establishment of a new system it would all be controlled by the applicant himself and could be as short as a few days if he would mail his application and proofs of ancestry immediately. This is why we need a change to the system that we are currently using.

As Jr. Vice Commander in Chief I was responsible for the advertising of this Order. In the past with the exception of just a couple of Jr. Vice Commander in Chiefs, the National Organization has executed an advertisement campaign that has been quite costly. During the 2004 – 2005 administration it cost us nearly \$6,000.00 with nearly \$9,000.00 budgeted for this administration.

My decision was not to advertise in the various publications that we have been over this past year. The number of applications that I processed was equal to what has come through the office of the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief in previous years. All of these applications were the internet type application. This tells me that the web site is doing the job for us. I sent information packets to leads that I received from the various publications that we advertised in during the previous year and not one person sent back those applications that were mailed out in the information packets. It appears that the money that we are spending on advertising in various magazines and publications could be better spent to help preserve monuments and keep green the memory of “The Boys who wore the Blue”.

I have taken on one small advertising project this year. I have with the assistance of a Brother who is a DJ on a local radio station, created an audio CD containing a 30 second and a 60 second radio advertisement for the Order. These I have circulated to all the Camps in the Nation with the instruction to send them to their local radio station for consideration as a Public Service Announcement. Radio stations frequently run PSA spots through out the day. This helps them with the FCC when it comes time for re – licensing.

I have enjoyed my tenure as Jr. Vice Commander in Chief and found it rewarding as well as challenging. I would like to thank all of the Brothers of this Order for their support in the past and the future. I have two recommendations for consideration by this body;

Recommendation 1:

That all new members coming into the office of the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief be processed by him and placed into a National Temporary Camp for a given period of time, made a member of that Temporary Camp then transferred out to a Camp in the Department where he resides. Currently there

are too many people handling the application before it gets to the Executive Directors Office. With the implementation of the program I have outline below only one person is required to handle the application. Less hands, less chance for problems.

This will require a change to the Constitution and Regulations. The Department of Iowa has proposed a resolution to change the C&R where by these changes could be facilitated. Listed below is the system that I am recommending.

1. **Prospective members and associates when applying on the internet would be given two options.** The first option would be to print out the application, complete it and forward it along with a check to the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief. The second option would be to use an interactive on line application. The first process is self explanatory and is what we are currently using. The second option is explained as follows:
2. **Upon completion of the online interactive application the applicant would be instructed electronically** that he needs to forward his proofs of ancestry and a copy of the signed application to the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief within thirty days. The applicant would then complete the application process by paying with a credit card. The applicant would then print out the application he just completed, obtain copies of his proofs of ancestry and forward this information to the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief via U. S. Mail. Meanwhile the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief receives the application electronically and examines it for accuracy and awaits the hard copy along with the proofs of ancestry.
3. **Establish a National Temporary Camp.** This would be a clearing Camp that all new members and associates coming to the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief through the internet would be placed in upon the receipt of their application and proofs.
4. **The Jr. Vice Commander in Chief acts as the Secretary of the Provisional Camp.** Upon the receipt of their signed application and satisfactory proofs of ancestry, the Jr. Vice Commander in Chief would then issue a dues card and certificate of membership or associate in the Temporary Camp. He would then file a form #30 along with the application and check (if not paid by credit card) to the Executive Director. The information concerning his application could also be passed electronically so that much time could be saved from entering all of it by hand. This member would then be included on the National roster and would be receiving the National newsletter 4 times per year. They would have all of the rights of a member or associate including voting as a delegate of the Temporary Camp at the National Encampment. The Jr. Vice Commander in Chief would then contact the Department Jr. Vice Commander and determine which Camp within his resident Department the new member or associate should be transferred to. This will eliminate much bumbling and mishandling of applications, and the new man would apply for transfer seamlessly into a functioning Camp or a Department Camp at Large. Here again if the Camp has electronic communications available to it, this transfer of information could happen electronically. If not, then a simple transfer form could be forwarded via U. S. Mail to the Camp Secretary for action meanwhile the member or associate still continues to remain on the National roster and receives the National newsletter until such time as he is accepted by the Camp he is transferring into. When the member or associate is finally transferred into another Camp the normal procedures would take place for the necessary paperwork to travel up the chain of command eventually arriving at the executive Directors office where his Camp designation could be adjusted.

5. **Collecting of funds.** The National Order would establish a statement savings account to be used for depositing of application checks and credit card payment funds. The Treasurer would be able to transfer money from a statement savings to other accounts via the internet or by phone in many cases.
6. **Cost of dues when applying on line.** There is a small service charge per transaction when using a credit card. This cost has to be passed to the person who is applying by using the credit card. This could be accessed as a service charge that would appear under the application fees. Those that do not pay by credit card and use the first method of applying would not have to pay these service charges. This would simply be a fee for the convenience of using credit card, passed onto the one who used the convenience.
7. **Benefits of the use of an interactive application and credit card payment.** The first and primary benefit is that the new man is not lost in the sauce so to speak. It consolidates and standardizes the process by which a man becomes a member via the internet and he becomes a member very quickly. It also allows the National Order at some future time to establish an on line Quartermasters Store where members could visit and purchase items from him and pay via credit card.

Recommendation #2:

Discontinue all advertising in magazines and periodicals. The funds that are spent annually for advertising are exorbitant and very unproductive. It is my opinion that the people do not join our Order because they saw an ad in a magazine. They join because they are interested in keeping green the memory of their ancestor and the other men who save the Nation during the American Civil War.

The monies that would be saved could go towards many projects that this order could be doing to propagate the history of the civil war or help to keep the memory of the Boys who wore the Blue alive via monument preservation, scholarship money for history students and many more projects that this Order does.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and
Loyalty,
Charles E. Kuhn Jr., PDC
JVC-in-C, SUVCW

Report of the National Secretary

While regular correspondence with many of our Brothers, Camps, Departments, National Officers and the *National Council of Administration* continues to be a pleasant duty of my Office, this year I also took it upon myself to create and provide to those who need them, lists of Department and Camp-at-Large Officers, Past Commanders-in-Chief, Bonded National Officers, Council of Administration contact lists, and lists of addresses and passwords to assist members of the Council of Administration in accessing and using the *Electronic Boardroom* for voting on issues during the year. It was also my responsibility to clearly post motions made and seconded on the bulletin board, and then record the votes cast by the Council. A listing and tabulation of all *Electronic-Boardroom* votes has been recorded and compiled in a single report to be presented to the *National Encampment*.

Coordinating the merchandising licenses held by our Camps and Departments, which permit them to use the Sons of Union Veterans name or logo, and accepting and presenting new license requests to the COA for their consideration is another of my responsibilities. A list of all licenses held, with their expiration dates, has been created and is maintained.

As it had come to my attention, from my own personal experiences as a Department Secretary/Treasurer and in my many communications with Department Officers throughout our Order, that there was some room for improvement in several of our reporting forms, I worked with SVC-in-C Pahl and the *Program & Policy Committee* to revise and improve both our *Camp* and *Department Annual Report Forms*. Work has begun on several other forms, which will be completed with the incoming SVC-in-C and the next *P & P Committee*.

The *National Secretary* also serves as the Secretary to the *Council of Administration* and it has been my pleasure to attend our *Council of Administration* meetings in Nashua, NH on 8/7/05, Gettysburg, PA on 11/20/05, Milwaukee, WI on 3/11/06 and Harrisburg, PA on 8/10/06. Minutes of each meeting were prepared for circulation to the members of the *Council* and, upon their approval, were then made available to be posted to the *National Website* and published in **The Banner**.

It was also my great honor to represent Commander-in-Chief Darby at the annual ceremony coordinated by Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp 26 at Grant's Tomb in New York City.

One of the most rewarding duties performed by the *National Secretary* is to work with newly forming Camps and offer assistance as they complete their *Charter Application* paperwork. The following Camps have received Charters during the 2005-2006 year:

1. LeValley-Heusted Camp 255 – Mayville, MI, Department of Michigan
Richard Greene, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 08/06/05
2. Brig. General Samuel A. Gilbert Camp 5 – Springfield, OH, Department of Ohio
Norman L. Gray, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 09/14/05
3. Taylor-Wilson Camp 10 – Lynchburg, VA, Department of Maryland
Clifton W. Potter, Jr., Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 10/9/05
4. Mine Creek Camp 6 – Pleasanton, KS, Department of Kansas
Randal L. Durbin, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 10/9/05
5. Franklin Camp 5 – Olathe, KS, Department of Kansas
Craig A. Sundell, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 11/19/05
6. Jacob & Alonzo Abernethy Camp 48 – West Union, IA, Department of Iowa
Courtney Stahr, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 03/31/06

7. Luray-Carlisle Reunion Camp 1881 – Luray, VA, Department of Maryland
Robert H. Moore, II, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 04/22/06
8. Pvt. Silas Gore Camp 141 – Towanda, PA, Department of Pennsylvania
Steven R. Hall, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 5/10/06
9. Department of Texas – Renamed Department of Southwest
Original Date of Rank: 5/13/1995 Name Change Approved 2/3/06
10. Gen. James J. Byrne Camp 1 – Renamed Lone Star Camp 1, Department of Texas
Original Date of Rank: 9/3/1994 Name Change Approved 2/3/06
11. William Tecumseh Sherman Camp 28 – Santa Barbara, CA, Dept. of CA & Pacific
Bob Duncan, Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 7/24/06
12. Gen. John W. McLane Camp 83 – Albion, PA, Department of Pennsylvania
Edward J. Podpora, Jr., Camp Organizer Date of Rank: 8/7/06

The following Camps have been granted permission from their Departments and have authorization from our *Commander-in-Chief* to organize:

1. Capt. I. N. Johnston Camp 7 – Pleasureville, KY, Department of Kentucky
Ray G. Raisor, Camp Organizer
2. Gen. Frederick W. Lander Camp 5 – Lynn, MA, Department of Massachusetts
Kevin P. Tucker, Camp Organizer
3. Maj. General Joe Hooker Camp 54 – Double Springs, AL, Department of Tennessee
Peter J. Gossett, Camp Organizer
4. William A. Kent Camp 83 – Greenville, MI, Department of Michigan
Edward R. Woodard, Camp Organizer
5. Cpl. John Starks Camp 105 – Machias, NY, Department of New York
Michael S. Bennett, Camp Organizer
6. Kennesaw Mountain Camp 3 – Marietta, GA, Department- at-Large
William H. Miller, Camp Organizer
7. Major Sullivan Ballou Camp 3 – Coventry, RI, Department of Rhode Island
David J. Duggan, Camp Organizer
8. John A. Logan Camp 26 – Rockford, IL, Department of Illinois
Stuart Stefany, Camp Organizer
9. Hiram W. Purcell Camp 104
William A. Kleintop, Camp Organizer
10. Maj. James H. Bridgewater Camp 7 – Stanford, KY, Department of Kentucky
Timothy H. Downey, Camp Organizer

Other Camps had been given permission to form, but the one year authorization period from their Department Commander has expired. Such Camps are certainly free to reapply for permission from their Departments to continue forming, and may then ask for authorization from the Commander-in-Chief.

While it has, once again, been my honor to serve our Order as *National Secretary* this second year of my three-year term, and I continue to learn more and more about the workings and history of our organization, the old adage proves true – and the more I learn, the more I learn what there still is to learn. But I am enjoying that process, and I hope my work is benefiting my Brothers and our wonderful Order.

Submitted in F, C, and L,
Your Faithful Servant and Friend,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVCW

Report of the National Counselor

During the past year I have been called upon to review several Department By-Law changes and respond to several inquiries requesting clarification of numerous sections of the C&R. In addition to these activities I prepared a news release, at your request, concerning Civil War Memorials, especially cannons. I also gave approval to a draft policy regarding use of a book and /or CD entitled *Burials of Some Civil War Soldiers at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Washington, D.C.* at the request of Lincoln-Cushing Camp #2, Department of Maryland.

The following rulings were made regarding the C & R:

1. Article III of the Constitution - prohibits women from becoming members of the SUVCW.
2. Chapter II, Article I Section 2 of the Regulations - implies that a Department has authority to change its name, subject to approval by the Council of Administration.
3. Chapter I, Article III, Section 6 of the Regulations - money is included in the term camp property.
4. Chapter III, Article VII, Section 6 of the Regulations plus the National Encampment Site Committee Job Description – the committee selects the national encampment site and recommends it to the Council of Administration for approval.
5. Chapter III, Article III, of the Regulations - gives the MOLLUS badge precedence over the SUVCW badge when both decorations are being worn.
6. Chapter I, Article IV, Section 4, of the Regulations – if the Camp Commander resigns or leaves office for any reason the Camp Senior Vice Commander automatically becomes Camp Commander until such time as the Camp Council selects someone to complete the rest of the Camp Commander's term of office. There is no provision regarding how soon the Camp Council must act.
7. Chapter II, Article IV, Section 2 of the Regulations – does not require any specific length of service as Camp Commander to qualify a Brother for the office of Department Commander. Therefore, any time served as a Camp Commander, if it is only a few minutes, qualifies a Brother for the office of Department Commander.
8. The following is my opinion on the question of whether an Honorary Membership may be revoked:

Chapter III, Article V, Section 1 of the Regulations grants the Commander-in-Chief the authority to “decide all questions of law and order subject to an appeal to the National Encampment”.

Article VII, Section 1, (c) of the Constitution authorizes Honorary Membership in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This provision of the Constitution authorizes only the Commander-in-Chief the power to grant an Honorary Membership. However, this power is highly restricted. The Commander-in-Chief may grant an Honorary Membership only “upon recommendation from a Camp, Department, or the National Council of Administration and with the approval of the National Council of Administration.”

Honorary Membership may be granted “to persons of acknowledged eminence who are especially distinguished for conspicuous and consistent loyalty to the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and who have been active and eminent in maintaining the supremacy of the same and are known not to be eligible for membership in our Order.”

The Constitution and the Regulations are silent on the question of whether an Honorary Membership can be revoked.

However, Article VII Section I of the Constitution establishes three classes of Membership. Section 1(a) establishes "Members" and Section 1(b) establishes "Life Members" and Section 1(c) establishes "Honorary Members".

The two paragraphs establishing "Members" and "Life Members" both contain the following wording: "enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership". Such wording is conspicuously missing from the paragraph authorizing Honorary Membership, but that paragraph does state, "The National Organization, Departments, and Camps shall not impose the per capita tax fees, dues, or any other monetary assessment on Honorary Members. Honorary Members are entitled to a free subscription to the Banner."

It appears the purpose of our Honorary Membership is to recognize an outstanding individual who is not eligible for membership in our Order. Even though we admire this individual his membership is basically in name only. He is not held accountable for per capita tax, fees or dues and there is no mention of his right to "enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership."

The selection process for an Honorary Members suggest that only an individual of impeccable character and distinguished service will receive such membership. Therefore, it is understandable that no process for revoking an Honorary Membership was included in the Constitution.

It is my opinion that Regulations Chapter V, Article VI regarding discipline of a member does not apply to an Honorary Member since our Constitution does not grant him "all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership." It is my further opinion that once an Honorary Membership is granted it cannot be revoked. An Amendment to our Constitution in accordance with Article IX could provide for the revocation of an Honorary Membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert E. Grim, PC-in-C
National Counselor

Report of the National Chaplain

Since the last quarterly report the National Chaplain has kept the Necrology and has prayed for the members of our Order both living and dead. Continued to serve as Chaplain for the Department of IL, Custer Camp 1, Sheridan Camp 2, Military District 4 - SVR, and Mulligan's Battery SVR. Has submitted *Chaplain' Corner* articles to various publications. Has given numerous invocations, benedictions and sermons - including Thurs, Fri, Sat and Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend in Northbrook, IL for the Sunset Service at the *Traveling Viet Nam Wall*. Conducted Memorial Day Services at four IL Cemeteries. Participated in a Springfield, Il meeting of the *Lincoln Death Day Committee* with an eye to increasing attendance and participation. Conducted a *School of the Chaplain* at Wauconda, IL and continued working on a written document for other Camps and Departments to use.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Chaplain Jerry Kowalski

Necrology Report
Member Answering Their Final Muster

Name	Camp	Department	Date If Known
Ruben W. Law	Carlin Camp #25	California & Pacific	January 1, 2005
Edison A. Conner	Taylor Camp #53	Tennessee	February, 14 2005
Douglas F. Colley	Logan Camp #1	Michigan	March 11, 2005
William Loyd Fry	Mitchell Camp #4	Florida	April 28, 2005
Wilson Ryder	Mitchell Camp #4	Florida	May 15, 2005
Lawrence Mullin	Francine Camp #7	New Jersey	May 17, 2005
Louis C. Hawes	Allen Camp #96	Iowa	September 2005
Donnald J. Gunn	Custer Camp #17	New Jersey	September 27, 2005
Harold Hodges	Nash-Hodges Camp #43	Michigan	October 5, 2005
Raymond Tanner	Mitchell Camp #4	Florida	November 18, 2005
Darrin Russell	Huntley Camp 3114	Iowa	December 5, 2005
N.P. Louis	Twombly Camp #2	Iowa	December 7, 2005
Raymond F. Mahaffie	Mitchell Camp #4	Florida	December 16, 2005
James A. Muetting, Sr.	Custer Camp #1	Illinois	December 18, 2005
Clifton Gaunt	Sherman Camp #15	Massachusetts	December 26, 2005
Merrill D. Anthony	Dodge Camp #75	Iowa	2005
Charles C. Harber	Pittenger Camp #21	California & Pacific	January 2, 2006
George Kingston	Slemmer Camp #6	Florida	January 11, 2006
Kay L. Sander	Billy Yank Camp 65	Missouri	January 23, 2006
William E. Van Eck	Gilluly-Kingsley #120	Michigan	March 27, 2006
Willard A. Carvatt	Lincoln Camp #100	New Jersey	May 9, 2006
Charles P. O'Neil	Harnden Camp #2	Michigan	May 17, 2006
Donald E. Hoch	Blair Camp #7	Michigan	May 21, 2006
Robert M. Betinson	Couch Camp #26	Massachusetts	May 30, 2006
Arlo Quill	Keith Camp #12	California & Pacific	May 30, 2006
Martin E. Smith	Gore Camp #141	Pennsylvania	June 4, 2006
Kent M. Ruhl	Brindle Camp #50	Pennsylvania	June 19, 2006
James W. Johnson	Taylor Camp # 53	Tennessee	July 12, 2006
Hugh A. Lamb	Tift Camp #5	Massachusetts	2006
Eugene F. Twining	Tift Camp #5	Massachusetts	2006
Homer F. Weston	McFarlin Camp #132	Massachusetts	2006

Report of the Washington DC Representative

It is an honor to serve as your representative in the nation's capital. Your Washington DC Representative reports the following actions/events during the period since the last national encampment:

1. Accommodations were provided for the CINC's attendance at the National Lincoln Birthday celebration of 11-12 Feb 06 sponsored by the Loyal Legion of the US and the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee (LBNCC). Regrettably, weather did not permit actual wreath-laying at the Lincoln Memorial but the CINC and the MD Dept Commander fought their way to the Monument. (Wreaths were subsequently placed at the foot of the Lincoln statue through the outstanding work of PCINC Gordon R Bury and Maryland Department Past Commander Peter A Dixon.)
2. Following the respect- paying at the Lincoln Memorial, the CINC attended the annual LBNCC luncheon before returning home.
3. The CINC attended the National Memorial Day ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery along with President Bush and placed the SUVCW wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns to honor war dead since 1917. On 30 May, he placed a wreath at the GAR Memorial in downtown Washington, DC and another at the Civil War Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. The Lincoln-Cushing Camp of the Great Maryland Department annually recreates one of the GAR ceremonies conducted at or near the Civil War tomb. This 30 May event was a recreation of the GAR 1872 decoration day event ably directed by Dr David R Curfman, MD, our long-time understudy to Cecil B Demille. The CINC delivered closing remarks and participated in the brief ceremony following honoring General Henry Clay Ward and the celebratory dinner following.
4. Member and Researcher Edward S Milligan has provided a copy of US Vets Receiving Pensions Living in Canada in 1898 for our use. The copy is now available to the Graves Registration Committee.
5. Conservation work on the flag collection at Smithsonian Institution continues and I am trying to make an appointment to view the last GAR and US flag donated by the GAR.
6. Our Resolution on protection of war memorials and monuments, delayed at the Honolulu convention of the American Legion, was subsequently approved by the Legion's executive committee and is official American Legion policy. We have resubmitted the resolution for consideration at the next Legion Convention at Salt Lake City for repeat approval since this is a renewal year for all resolutions. While this is a resolution binding on the Legion's representatives in Washington, it is not likely to receive much emphasis from them. I have recommended that our committee spread the word on the resolution and generate grass-roots contact with members of Congress..
7. We continue to prepare an address list of city and county historical societies in key loyal states so that our press release about protecting veteran's monuments can be sent to each. Continuous contact with these organizations gives us a proactive stance by alerting those bodies to merchant depredations.
8. Research into Civil War burials at St Elizabeth's National Hospital cemeteries under the auspicious of Lincoln-Cushing Camp #2, MD Department, has been completed and distributed in a limited edition printing and a CD format report containing even greater research detail. Financial assistance from Lincoln-Cushing Camp members made the distribution to state libraries and historical societies possible. This donation has been gratefully received wherever sent. Graves registration data resulting from this study have been provided to the National GR Officer. We continue to pursue a strategy to transfer the

cemeteries from the District of Columbia to the Veterans Administration or to the Interior Department's National Park Service

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
ANDREW M JOHNSON
Washington, DC Representative

Report of the G.A.R. National Highway Officer

Since the last meeting at the National Encampment of the *Sons of Union Veteran's of the Civil War*, held August 3-7, 2005, in Nashua, New Hampshire, the National GAR Highway Officer has performed the following activities:

- an inspection of the full length of the GAR Highway (US-6) within the states of California, Nevada and Utah;
- an inspection of portions of the GAR Highway (US-6) within the states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania and Colorado;
- continued on-going research in regard to the GAR Highway (which included obtaining copies of documents, newspaper articles and photographs from various sources);
- maintained a repository of information for use by SUVCW members, Camps, Departments, Allied Orders, Government agencies and other interested parties;
- had a display table containing information about the GAR Highway and gave several presentation to the public during the Civil War Re-enactment Event in Gardnerville, Nevada (September 30 – October 2, 2005);
- continued on-going research and assembly of information for a future *National GAR Highway Booklet*, for use at the Camp, Department and National level (or otherwise as directed by the Commander-in-Chief); and,
- received a reply from the State of Utah's Executive Director-Department of Transportation in regard to the signage of the *Grand Army of the Republic Highway* (US-6) within that state. As soon as practicable, two (2) *GAR Highway* signs will be installed (one near the eastern border of the state and one near the western border of the state) within the State of Utah. (after a several year absence !!).

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary E. Parrott
National GAR Highway Officer
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Report of the National Eagle Scout Coordinator

As of July 1, 2006 I have received requests for 1062 Eagle Scout certificates. As National coordinator I handed out 116 or 11% of the certificates while the Departments handed out 946 or 89% of the certificates. Executive Director Lee Walters still receives requests for certificates that he forwards to me..

Here is breakdown by Departments of certificates that were sent out.

<u>National Coordinator 116</u>	<u>Arizona 25</u>
<u>California & Pacific 121</u>	<u>Colorado & Wyoming 17</u>
<u>Connecticut 28</u>	<u>Florida 50</u>
<u>Illinois 59</u>	<u>Indiana 23</u>
<u>Iowa 5</u>	<u>Kansas 7</u>
<u>Kentucky 9</u>	<u>Maine 0</u>
<u>Maryland 73</u>	<u>Massachusetts 11</u>
<u>Michigan 51</u>	<u>Missouri 65</u>
<u>Nebraska 0</u>	<u>New Hampshire 16</u>
<u>New Jersey 92</u>	<u>New York 84</u>
<u>Ohio 44</u>	<u>Oklahoma 1</u>
<u>Pennsylvania 76</u>	<u>Rhode Island 0</u>
<u>Texas 48</u>	<u>Tennessee 14</u>
<u>Vermont 0</u>	<u>Wisconsin 27</u>

Yours in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty
Robert M. Petrovic PDC

Report of the Executive Director

Telephone Inquiries: I receive inquiries at the national office from interested individuals, many of whom do not have computers. I respond to these by phone, email or letter, enclosing membership applications, information brochures, and Camp/Dept. information for their geographical area. I also respond to inquiries about our Organization, The Banner, the Civil War, flag etiquette, re-enacting, events schedules, genealogy, etc., and questions from Camp/Department Officers.

I make and receive a great many telephone calls from my home after office hours and on weekends because many Brothers are not available during normal business hours due to their employment and/or differences in time zones.

Email: I receive and respond to approximately 10 to 12 emails daily.

Information Brochures: I continue to distribute our information brochures through the customer service area of the National Civil War Museum.

National Office Filing: We continue to receive volunteer help with filing from Members of Hartranft Camp #15. There is a great deal of filing to be done, including several boxes of records that were brought by Brother Pahl during his recent visit. I have not been able to do anything with these yet due to the Annual Reports.

Life Member Program: Since the 2005 Encampment, I have received and processed 15 new Life Memberships. Each new Life Member receives a congratulatory letter along with his Life Member card and certificate. The letter reminds the Brother to advise his Camp/Department Secretary of his Life Member status.

The Banner: Late reporting continues to be a problem with regard to keeping the Banner mailing list up to date. Late reporting by the Departments results in unnecessary work and expense because Banners are being sent to people who have been dropped and not entitled to receive them. In addition, new members who have not been reported do not receive their Banners. When I send them "make-up" copies, they are sent 1st class which is a much higher postage rate, plus an envelope, mailing label and time. I also mail copies to all out-of-country Brothers, who are not included in the bulk mail. I have been placing copies of the "extra" Banners at the Customer Service area next to our Brochures and they seem to be well received. This seems to me a better solution than just throwing them away.

Database: All changes to member information and data received from all sources is processed and added to the national database on a daily basis.

Annual Reporting System: The Annual Reporting System is functioning smoothly except for late filing. I continue to send an instruction letter at the beginning of the year to each Dept. Secretary, along with a copy of his Dept. roster as it appears in the national database so that he can indicate any changes or corrections. Next year I will include copies of the reporting forms and instructions as recently revised by Brother Pahl.

I have included, for your information, a recap of the Annual Reporting information for the last 5 years. This will show you the trend in membership as well as which Departments have or have not been reporting on time.

Recommendations:

1) That the Annual Reporting Forms and Instruction Letter as revised by Brother Pahl be accepted and mandated for use.

2) That the information on the national web site pertaining to the JROTC award be expanded and clarified so that requestors understand the process and point of contact. I spent a LOT of time last year returning phone calls, emails, and letters to individuals interested in this program, and referring them to Brother Butgereit as Administrator of this program.

It appears the program is very well received, but there is a lot of misunderstanding about how it functions.

Respectfully Submitted in F, C, & L,
Lee F. Walters DC
Executive Director SUVCW

Report of the National Civil War Memorials Officer

Please allow me to congratulate Commander-in-Chief Darby, and to thank him for the opportunity he has given to serve the Order in it's mission to honor our ancestors.

There have been several significant events concerning Civil War Memorials in the past year. Some were certainly victories for our cause, while others were setbacks. I will attempt to relate these events chronologically, and will also include routine items.

Shortly after the 2005 Encampment, the 20# Navy Parrott rifle bought by Bruce Stiles and Kenneth Watterson was returned to the Groton, N.Y. cemetery, where it had been placed as a memorial by the G.A.R. in 1901. Watterson, as has become his practice, extorted \$8,000 from the cemetery association to cover his "legitimate expenses." Nonetheless, this is the third time in as many years that we have forced Watterson to return cannon he has paid to be taken from memorials to Union Veterans. We're winning a few, and it is my hope that this will snowball into us winning is the rule, rather than the exception.

A matter of concern is that cannon "collector" Kenneth Watterson has reportedly sold his home in Venetia, Pennsylvania. It was at this site that Watterson had constructed a building that appeared to be a barn, but was actually a secure, climate-controlled building purposely erected to house cannons he had purchased from memorials from across the country as a museum. If he has sold this property, the location of these cannons, of which we have some hope of recovering, is unknown to me.

As has become something of a routine matter, Associated Press news writer Ben Dobbin has released two stories on the A.P. wire that were picked up by newspapers across the country. The first story covered the elections in Kendall, New York, where the incumbent town officials who sold that town's G.A.R. memorial cannon from a cemetery (since recovered) were soundly defeated in primary elections. Of the two remaining town officials who were not up for election, one resigned. The second story told of the re-dedication of the Groton, New York memorial cannon on Independence Day 2006.

A continuing problem is the effort of the Calaveras County, California government to move the G.A.R. memorial cannon from the cemetery where they were placed by the W.R.C., to a place in San Andreas where they may be more easily watched. Calaveras County has managed to have the U.S Army TACOM office re-deed the cannons to the county, with the provision that TACOM approve of any re-location site. Brother Kirby Morgan, Department of California & Pacific CWMO, has led the efforts to have the guns re-placed in the cemetery. He has enlisted the help of the American Legion, who have turned out at County meetings in force to show their displeasure at the removal of the cannons from their place of honor, and that to place them anywhere else is unacceptable. I am optimistic of their success.

No longer a new story is the 16 February 2006 vandalism at the Gettysburg Battlefield Park. Vandals extensively damaged the monuments of the 11th Massachusetts Infantry and Smith's 4th New York Independent Battery. Restoration of these monuments required fabrication of bronze and granite items to replace destroyed and missing pieces. Notably, these are the arm and sword of the 11th Mass., and the head of the artillerist of the 4th N.Y. Battery. As the damage to the monument to the 114th Pennsylvania Infantry was less severe, repairs will be easier to make. The SUVCW has made available \$1500 to be applied to the restorations from the Civil War Memorial Fund, to have been presented to Park Officials at the Woolson Memorial on 10 August 2006.

A significant development is the unanimous adoption by the National Executive Committee of the American Legion of our resolution of 2005 calling on Congress to strengthen laws to protect U.S. Veterans' memorials. This is an opportunity to network with the American Legion on every level, and to combine our efforts to lobby government officials on every level. We can hope to have Congress pass sweeping legislation, but we can also go to our individual states to attempt the same, and our local officials to help preserve the local memorial, no matter which generation of American Serviceman it honors. Letters to Department Officers have gone out detailing this new effort.

Brother Henry Shaw of Ohio in past recent weeks led an effort to prevent the Roundhead, Ohio Township from selling their memorial Rodman Cannon to a memorial association in Salem, Indiana. It appears that Salem, Indiana had a memorial cannon, which was lost in the World War II scrap drives. There is a new effort to build a veterans' memorial with a cannon, but they don't appear to be too concerned about stealing someone else's memorial in the process. There will be further developments in this matter. In the meantime, thanks also go to Brother Shaw for discovering an Ohio statute requiring County government to care for and preserve veterans' memorials in Ohio cemeteries.

A disturbing development that has only recently come to light is the fact that the United States Attorney responsible for Trinidad, Colorado has declined to follow up on the U.S. Army TACOM Office's claim of ownership of the two memorial cannon sold from Kit Carson Park in that city. How they believe they can ignore the theft of government property, transportation of such stolen property across state lines is a mystery to me. This doesn't even approach the moral responsibility those in the employ of the United States Government have to protecting memorials to those who died to preserve the very government from which they derive their livelihood. I find their attitude to be incredulous. Nonetheless, it is now apparent that they will need to be forced to see the error of their ways by intervention of higher placed Justice Department Officials, and elected Federal servants. The latter rely on the people to return them to office, and may apply pressure to Federal law enforcement if they could benefit.

I encourage the leadership of the Order to continue its investigation into the acceptance of all memorial cannon which U.S. Army donations is willing to re-deed to us.

The memorial assessment database continues to grow, with the number of submissions growing during the months of warm weather in the north.

There are several memorial restorations and erections in progress by Camps and Departments across the U.S. They range from cannon restoration, statue restoration, G.A.R. Hall preservation to placement of historical and interpretive markers.

With thanks to the Order for allowing me to serve in the name of the Boys in Blue.

Respectfully given in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Todd A. Shillington, PDC
National Civil War Memorials Officer

Report of the National Liaison to the Cathedral of the Pines

May 30, 2006, I attended the Memorial Day Service at Cathedral of the Pines, representing Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby and our Order.

The weather could not have been better and the scene was as inspiring as it was last August, when representatives to the National Encampment gathered at the Cathedral to hold a memorial service for Union Veterans.

The featured speaker, Major General Kenneth Clark, Adjutant General, State of New Hampshire, spoke about the history of militia and how it evolved into today's National Guard. He concluded by reading the names of New Hampshire soldiers and marines killed in Iraq and Afghanistan, reminding us that Memorial Day is as relevant in 2006 as it was when Commander-in-Chief Logan issued General Order #11.

Yours in F., C. and L.,
Richard L. Woodbury,
National Liaison to Cathedral of the Pines

Report of Membership-at-Large Coordinator

As of March 31, 2006, the NMAL contained 97 brothers in good standing. For the reporting year, this represented a gain of 33 and a loss of 36. Since March 31, 2006, membership has increased to 100, with members located in all states not containing a Department. Additionally, members are located in Canada, United Kingdom, and Germany.

All new members are furnished an appropriate membership certificate and membership card after receipt of their application. Applications and related documents have been forwarded to the Executive Director within the prescribed deadlines.

I am anticipating expenses for the year to be at or below \$200.00. In the tradition of my predecessor, I am electing to donate these expenses in the memory of my relatives who served to preserve the Union during the Civil War.

It is also the tradition of the office of NMAL Coordinator to give its excess funds to the National Organization. As such, \$1,300 has been determined to be excess to the needs to operate. A check in that amount will be presented to the National Treasurer at the National Encampment.

It is my hope to conduct further reviews of the NMAL membership and try to encourage members in close proximity to each other to consider forming camps-at-large.

I appreciate the trust placed in me by Commander in Chief Darby and the Council of Administration. It is my intention to perform my duties in a manner worthy of this trust. If there are any questions or concerns, I am at your service to discuss them.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Alan L. Russ, PDC
National Membership at Large Coordinator

Report of the National Webmaster

National Website – We have been continually making requested changes to the National website, including the 2006 Encampment information. Our goal is to have the requested changes done within 24 hours. We also fixed the many broken links that were discovered on the website.

Web Site Usage – During this period of (January 1, 2006 – June 2006) there have been 2,259,849 visits to the National Web site. On average this represents 12,485 hits per day to the site. This is up 3100 hits per day from last year.

Assignment of unused 14 E-Mailboxes - The currently unused 14 e-mailboxes are to be assigned to be used for the setup of the new membership project.

New Interactive Membership Form Project - This form will allow new applicants to submit the fill-in form and it will automatically send the completed form to the Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief and to proper Department Jr. Vice Commander, based on the Home State of the Applicant. The form is complete, but the interactive part is still in process, it is proving to be a little challenging.

Acquisition of Related Web Domain Names –

The new domain names **sucvw.net**, **sucvw.biz**, **sucvw.us**, **sucvw.info** have all been acquired and setup to redirect to the main **sucvw.org** website. Note that **sucvw.com** has already been taken, by a domain “squatter.” Right now a generic Web directory is being hosted there. I have tried to contact this organization to see if they will part with the **sucvw.com** address, but I have not received a response as of yet. I will continue to pursue this important issue. As always, Web and e-mail questions or technical problems may be brought to my attention at webmaster@sucvw.org.

I have enjoyed the challenging year that has passed, and look forward to continuing as your National Webmaster if it is the desire of the new National Officers and Membership.

Respectfully submitted,
Brother Ken L. Freshley
National Webmaster

Report of the Memorial Preservation Fund Committee

The committee had a very successful and productive past year. We implemented a new electronic process of voting and information sharing. At times the process did not work when several members experienced computer problems, but most times it worked very well.

We processed 25 applications and granted \$11,982.50 – the entire fund available for the year so we are pleased to report that Camps and Departments nationwide are doing the good work of the Order.

With the new process and in the able hands of the next chairman, I’m sure the committee will be even more efficient and productive in the coming year.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty
Dave Stephen
Chairman

Report of the Americanization and Education Committee

On behalf of the Committee, I respectfully submit this report –

Shortly after the 2005 National Encampment, the Educational Page on our National website was completely updated to reflect a different look and new information. On that page you can find, not only resources for educators, but for Camps and Departments as well.

As part of that update was the addition of information on the Adopt-a-School program; a program designed to encourage educators to establish a working relationship with local Camps and vice versa. From the return of a few of the Department Patriotic Instructor reports, I see that some Camps are indeed working with area schools and students. While I am certain that many Camps are doing the work of the Order in a similar fashion, I'd like to recognize one Camp's efforts that truly embraces the Adopt-a-School program.

Here is the report received from Brother Michael Hayes, Secretary of Sgt. N.F. Bates Camp No. 64, Department of Iowa:

I submit this report about "Camp Grinnell," the Civil War living history encampment for 5th and 8th grade students in the Grinnell/Newton area of Iowa to the General Officers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War as requested. The camp is primarily sponsored by both the Department of Iowa, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (especially by members of the Sgt. N. F. Bates Camp No. 64) and by the Iowa Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans. I mention the dual sponsorship because both Iowa groups realize the importance of education of our youth.

At present, I am working with a number of individuals (SUV members and educators) to develop a report on education and teaching the Civil War in our schools. Iowa Department Commander, Ron Rittel, requested the report.

Report on Camp Grinnell

Grinnell, Iowa

Respectfully submitted on June 22, 2006

Camp Grinnell, which recently completed its fifth consecutive year, is a Civil War living history encampment for 5th and 8th grade students in Grinnell, Iowa. Held in April (or May, depending on scheduling), participating students come from the Grinnell-Newberg Community School District, Newton Community Schools, Colfax-Mingo Community School District, and the Prairie City-Monroe Community School District - home schooled children from the Grinnell area also took part.

Reenactors from across Iowa, including members of the SUV, host seven stations: music, medical, artillery, women in the Civil War, Confederate, infantry, and cavalry. The students rotate by class from one station to the next.

Students are encouraged, but not required, to participate. For example, students can assist at the medical station with operations and man the cannons. They all can sing songs at the music station. At the women in the Civil War station students try on clothes (a highlight is when one of the male students puts on the hoop skirt and tries to walk without knocking anything over); at the infantry station they march and drill with wooden rifles (made by Ken Lindblom, commander, Sgt. N.F. Bates Camp No. 64).

Sponsored by the Sgt. N. F. Bates Camp No. 64, Department of Iowa, Sons of Union Veterans; the Iowa Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans; the Grinnell-Newberg Community School District; and the Newton Community School District, the encampment is a two-day event.

Local businesses, including Pepsi-Cola, Wal-Mart, Hy-Vee, the medical staff at the Grinnell Medical Regional Center, and the city of Grinnell, also support the encampment as sponsors. The Grinnell community is also invited to attend.

As part of the encampment, about six 9th grade high school students return as instructors to the camp, a camp they attended as students just a year before. They join with educators and volunteers dressed in Union and Confederate uniforms or in coats and dresses to assist in teaching the Civil War to the middle school students. NOTE: this is an important aspect of the encampment. Students are a little more enthused and willing to listen to their "fellow" students.

Made possible by grants from Grinnell College's Office of Community Enhancement's Community Mini-Grant program, the Grinnell Area Arts Council, and the Newton Community School District, the 9th graders from Newton and Grinnell become the teachers, working side by side with educators and living historians to present as realistic an encampment as possible.

A bonus for sponsoring the encampment, images (photos) have been enlarged and framed and will be delivered to businesses that have sponsored the event.

As part of the encampment, a web page titled "Camp Grinnell" has been developed to serve as a resource for teachers or administrators who would like to try and do something similar in their area. It is also designed as a research site on the web, where students can locate links to a number of different aspects of the Civil War, including women in the Civil War, Cherokees and the American Civil War, the WBTS in the Indian Territory, and web locations to specific documents, such as the Emancipation Proclamation, the constitution of the Confederate States of America, and General Robert E. Lee's farewell order.

The web page, currently located at <http://web.grinnell.edu/individuals/hayesmd/dannsweb/>, has been online for nearly five years. A counter was added three years ago and the site has received 10,000 hits – this without any advertising. We have links associated with a number of other sites, however, including the CWPT.

Some quotes from participants and sponsors:

"The involvement of the community and the area businesses, as well as the efforts of the reenactors, help to make this event a tremendous success," said Frank Shults, principal, Grinnell Middle School. "Our goal is to make this a complete learning experience for the students. We want the students to go home and be excited about what they learned at school that day. We especially want the 9th graders to remain enthused about not only what they learned, but how they learned," he added.

"We felt that it was very important to develop the encampment to bring 9th grade students back as educators," said Gary Larsson, an educator from Newton and a participant in the encampment (member of Sgt. N. F. Bates Camp No. 64). "Students are discovering at the encampment that learning can be fun, and they want to come back for more. And with the grants from Grinnell College, the Grinnell Area Arts Council, and the Newton school district, we are able to provide them that opportunity."

Normally, according to John Keller, an orchestra teacher from Newton and another participant (member of Sgt. N. F. Bates Camp No. 64), students don't get a chance to experience much when studying the Civil War except "reading textbooks or watching movies."

"At Camp Grinnell, they get to smell the campfire, sing the songs, try on clothes, drill as units, sample hardtack, and hear the rifles and cannons and smell the smoke from the gunpowder," Keller said. "They really get to experience what this was like."

"We urge every student and teacher who attends Camp Grinnell to not take what we say as the total truth," Larsson said. "We urge them to research what they hear. If they have questions after they leave, maybe our website can help them locate the answer. It's a very good learning tool for the study of the Civil War."

As one who has conducted programs like this in Michigan, I too can attest to the impact on students spending a day bringing to life the Civil War period. With our schools referring to history as "social studies" and with a growing movement to try and re-write historical events in a more "politically-correct" manner, the responsibility falls to us, as Brothers in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, to present an accurate account of history and to do so as often as we can. Programs such as "Camp Grinnell" take a great deal of time and energy but the rewards are great and we accomplish not only the work of the Order but we also bring honor to those who wore the Blue (and Gray) in the Civil War and later in the Grand Army of the Republic.

I say thank you to each Brother and Camp that offered these educational programs across the United States!

I'd like to close my report by touching on a subject that has created some controversy across the United States – the lowering of the U.S. Flag to half-staff upon the death of a soldier serving in the War on Terror. Since May 28 of this year, countless media sources have carried stories about the lowering of the U.S. Flag to half-staff and many of these stories carried comments and quotes from me as your National Patriotic Instructor. As the patriotic instructor of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is my responsibility to encourage proper flag etiquette, proper use of and respect for the flag, and to encourage better education of our flag; especially in our schools. My political persuasion has nothing to do with my stance on this; I am simply supporting and advocating for adherence to the current U.S. Flag Code. When following the rule of law (even if that law carries with it no enforcement), there can be no subjective position – we either obey the law or we break the law.

Because I know some of you have expressed concern over how some view the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on this matter I want to offer the following thoughts.

As probably many of you know, about 20 Governors across the U.S. have authorized the lowering of flags to show honor and respect for those men and women we have lost in the War on Terror. While many have ordered only the State flag to be lowered to half-staff; some have elected to order the U.S. flag to half-staff. This is in violation of the United States Flag Code and as such, our Constitution's Preamble and Purpose and Objects instruct us to speak out and to help educate others in the proper use of and respect for the flag.

Michigan Governor Granholm has used the State of Michigan Constitution of 1963 as her basis for issuing Proclamation 2003-4 wherein she orders that U.S. flags within the State be flown at half-staff following the death of a Michigan service man or woman; other Governors have used similar reasoning to justify their proclamations. The U.S. Flag Code does not authorize such.

The U.S. Flag Code, Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 7 is quite clear on the subject of when to lower the Flag and who can order such action –

(m) The flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. On Memorial Day the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the Governor of a State, territory, or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory. In the event of the death of other officials or foreign dignitaries, the flag is to be displayed at half-staff according to Presidential instructions or orders, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent with law...

In the event of the death of a present or former official of the government of any State, territory, or possession of the United States, the Governor of that State, territory, or possession may proclaim that the National flag shall be flown at half-staff...

We each took an oath at our initiation to uphold the Constitution and Regulations of the Order. No where does it say that if the subject is too controversial or if others feelings might be offended that we should “sidestep” the issue. President Lincoln and General Grant both were faced with events filled with emotion and both faced adversity by standing tall and staying true to their convictions. We should do no less!

The Preamble of our Constitution it reads,

“...to render loyal service to our Country, and to promote the maintenance of unqualified American citizenship with respect for and honor to the flag.”

Article II, Purpose and Objects also states,

“...to teach patriotism, and the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our Flag; to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty to, or make for the destruction or impairment of our constitutional Union...”

Some have suggested that I am unsympathetic, uncaring or indifferent; to which I reply that is ludicrous. The death of one of our military personal is tragic and a loss to the family, friends and all. As Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, we honor not only the soldiers that wore the Blue in the Civil War but veterans of ALL wars. Asking others to adhere to the U.S. Flag Code does not minimize the loss we feel.

It is without any doubt that the sacrifice made by those serving in our military is great and when they sacrifice their life for the freedoms and values we hold dear, it becomes a debt we can never repay. Any death or tragedy creates deep emotions and it is only human nature that we want to show how we understand that loss through some significant word or deed. However, when did the loss of life in the War on Terror become any greater than that of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in WW; WWII; the

Korean War; the Vietnam War or any other war the United States has fought in? There were no proclamations then; why now?

What many of the media articles did not share was my thoughts on more education about the U.S. Flag. They include:

1. I suggested that while a Governor's proclamation honors one soldier at a time; they could honor all veterans by pushing for better education of the flag.
2. I stressed the need for more and better education within our schools about our Nation's history as well as the U.S. flag and its history, what it symbolizes and how to show proper respect to it. By educating our youth about the flag, they become more aware of what the flag is, what it represents AND the sacrifice of life that made it the symbol of freedom and our nation.
3. I suggested that until the U.S. Flag Code is changed, we should adhere to the law as written to help avoid the confusion of some flags raised and some lowered to half-staff or simply violating the U.S. Flag Code.

While lowering the flag may allow us to "feel good," the Flag Code doesn't allow it. The fact that it is a law that carries no enforcement should not give us reason to bend or stretch it as we see fit. I encourage each of you to speak out on this issue and to encourage better education in our schools. Do not fail to support proper etiquette for that flag of red, white and blue; it has never failed you.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Bruce B. Butgereit, PDC, Chair

Members –
Jerry Sayre
Bruce Kolb
Timothy Downey
Richard Young

Report of the National Encampment Site Committee

We are pleased to report that a number of Departments have contacted us during the past year about hosting an Encampment and we have provided them with key factor information and guidelines.

At last year's Encampment in Nashua, NH, the Committee met with a number of Departments interested in hosting future National Encampments. We will be continuing that process during this year's Encampment.

Should your Department want to consider hosting a future Encampment and you have not previously arranged to meet with us, let us know and we would be happy to set up a time to meet. We encourage Departments to consider applying for the honor of hosting an Encampment – it is a rewarding undertaking and a great service to the Order.

Following our general policy, we do not, as a guideline, plan to make an Encampment site selection more than about three years out. As indicated in previous reports, this policy is followed because circumstances in the Departments change over time, and change more over longer times. Even so, we want to maintain contact with those Departments contemplating years further out.

Confirmed Sites for 2007 and 2008

2007 Encampment, Hilton St. Louis Frontenac, St. Louis, MO, August 9-12

Final arrangements with the Hotel were made in November 2005 and the rates will be \$92.00 for a standard room and \$112.00 for a junior suite. For this Encampment, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be meeting in the same facility. Bob Petrovic, PDC, chairs the Department of Missouri Host Committee.

2008 Encampment, Boston, MA

In February of this year the Site Committee selected the Department of Massachusetts to host the 2008 Encampment. On June 23/24 I represented the Committee in meeting with the Host Committee in Boston. Together we conducted on-site reviews of three proposed hotels in the Woburn/Wakefield/Peabody area. We expect to receive draft contracts from these hotels shortly and subsequently make a final selection. Kevin Tucker, SVC, chairs the Department of Massachusetts Host Committee.

2009 and Beyond

For 2009 we have set a tentative cut-off of proposal submission of October 1, 2006. However, if special situations warrant, the Committee will be somewhat flexible. If possible, we would like to report our 2009 selection to the Council of Administration at its November 2006 meeting.

Current status:

The Department of Kentucky made a presentation to the Committee at Nashua in which they proposed holding the 2009 Encampment in Louisville, KY.

The Department of Kansas made a detailed proposal to the Committee to host in one of the following years: 2009, 2010, or 2011. Their interest is to host before the end of the Kansas sesquicentennial period, which ends in 2011. Their site would be in the Kansas City, KS area.

The Departments of Illinois and Indiana also indicated interest in 2009. (The requests of Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois center on the 200th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birth.)

Other Departments indicating general and specific interest include (alphabetically):

Department of California/Pacific

Department of Florida

Department of Iowa

Department of Maryland

Department of Michigan (2010)

Department of New York (2013)

Department of New Jersey (2010)

Department of Rhode Island (2009, 2010, 2011)

We look forward to continuing discussions of plans, capabilities, and requirements with Departments interested in hosting a National Encampment.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,
James H. Houston, PDC, Chairman

Report of the Scholarship Committee

The National Committee on Scholarships accepted applications from January 1, to March 31, 2006. Only 15 applications met the requirements posted on the National website. These were considered by the committee and the following recipients' names were forwarded to the Commander in Chief for his approval: Corey A Strain, Barrington, NJ, a member of Col. Louis R. Francine Camp # 7, Department of New Jersey and Dane A. DiFebo, Bangor, PA, a member of Joel Searfoss Camp # 273, Pennsylvania Department.

Having to disqualify so many applications was one of the great frustrations experienced this year. The several problems encountered included:

Material received after the application deadline.

Applications received with no grade transcript from the applicant's school.

Applications received with less than the required three letters of recommendation

Applications were received with no proof or incomplete proof of claim of ancestry from a Union Veteran. Some applicants made no ancestry claim. Some thought that being a Civil War re-enactor would substitute for being a descendant. Other claims were clearly bogus or questionable. Two applicants applied on their Confederate ancestor's service record. The winner for the most unusual ancestry claim this year is as follows: "It is a well known fact that I am a direct descendant of General Ulysses Simpson Grant, but the exact nature of the relationship is unknown." The committee does not speculate on what that means.

It was obvious that many of the applicants had no interest in the Civil War or our Order and were merely looking for free money. A university financial aid officer told me that there are many scholarship finder services available that, for a fee, will match up a student with possible scholarship sources. It is probable that our scholarships have been found by one, or more, of these services.

The committee recommends the following change to our scholarship program.

All three committee members strongly feel that our scholarships should be available only to Brothers or Brothers' dependent children who are under the age of 23. Most fraternal and hereditary organizations limit their scholarships in this way. It has been argued that these scholarships are a good recruiting tool for our Order. This year's application pool seems to indicate otherwise. The committee's opinion is that requiring membership in our Order is a better incentive for men to join the SUVCW rather than giving away something for nothing. Membership dues fund this program and the committee believes that our money should go to help our own further their educations.

I thank Brother Thomas Crawford PDC and Brother Douglas K. Fidler for their valuable service on the committee. Their comments and insights proved extremely significant.

I thank the Commander in Chief for the opportunity to serve.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

John M. McNulty PCC

Chairman

National Committee on Scholarships

Report of the Remembrance Day Committee

Remembrance Day 2006 went very well, the weather was fine and we had a good turnout for the parade and the ball.

During the ceremonies at the Gettysburg National Military Park, a check for \$3700 for preservation was presented, these funds having been realized from the 2004 Ball.

A financial report on the Ball and the \$5000 raised at the 2005 Ball were sent to the National Treasurer. This money will be presented to the Park at the November 2006 event.

The only problem encountered was that most of the troops fell out at the entrance to the Park and marched to their own monuments for services and did not participate in the Allied Order's services at the Woolson Monument.

Brother Kuhn, Co-Chair of the Committee, will submit a report on the parade.

The Committee will be holding a meeting at National this year. This is the last year on our contract at the Eisenhower Conference Center. Brother Kuhn reports that there is a new hotel opening in Gettysburg and he will check into it and report at National as to their room rates and if they could meet all our needs. Then we will decide if we are going to sign up at the Eisenhower again.

Any future developments will be reported on the floor of National.

Submitted in F, C, and L,

Elmer F. Atkinson, Co-Chair

Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., Co-Chair

Charles W. Corfman, PCinC

David W. Sosnowski, PCC

Eric Schmincke, PDC

Report of the Military Affairs Committee

The NMAC has had very little activity this year. The Sons of Veterans Reserve has been increasing their membership due to the efforts of Brigadier General David V. Medert and his staff. There have been no problems to come before the Committee. The Adjutant General will be submitting a report on the strength and finances of the SVR.

B. G. Medert's Commission expires July 28, 2006 and Regulations state the NMAC must submit a recommendation to the Commander in Chief for this appointment. I am waiting for a reply from the Committee members on this matter.

The Committee will hold the yearly meeting at the National Encampment in August and I will report on any additional information on the floor of the Encampment.

Submitted in F, C, and L,

Elmer F. Atkinson, PCinC, Chair

Richard Orr, PCinC

David R. Medert, PCinC

Edward Krieser, PCinC

Jack Grothe, PCC

Report of the Graves Registration Committee

It has again been an honor and privilege to serve as the National Graves Registration Chair and work on this important project. The National Graves Registration Database has been online (www.suvcwdb.org) since 22 February 2005 and has operated flawlessly since its inception. It continues to receive enthusiastic approval by both our members and the general public.

Not only can one search the database by any number of search criteria, but those with approved "submitter accounts" may enter registrations for approval via their home computer. Although inactive or little used submitter accounts are purged on a quarterly basis, there are 500-600 accounts active at any given time which require management.

The public area of the database website has averaged over 4500 visits per month since inception. As of the date of this report, there are 392,149 records in the national database with a continuing average increase of 166 approved new registrations per day. This number is an increase of 43,300 registrations since July 2005. Each of these new registrations passes an automatic duplication check and CW service is verified by this committee before being inserted into the database. Attached is a tabulation of registrations by State/Country that have been and are currently contained in the national database.

Beyond the "submitter account" method of registration, email and postal service mail is also received. In the past year, over 10K emails have required action and response. When registrations are received by regular mail, each submitter receives an email or postal card indicating the action taken and our appreciation.

When available, headstone photos have been scanned and saved to a separate file by the National GRO and reference to these photos made in the "misc info" field of the registration. If requested, a photo can be transmitted to an interested party via email attachment. Currently, we have captured 1174 photos for our file with several hundred yet to be entered.

With approval of the Council of Administration, the following enhancements to the database were provided by Brother Nathan Orr:

- Searchable field established to determine veterans lost/ buried at sea or missing in action.
- Search criteria created to determine Medal of Honor recipients.
- Search results may be viewed by alphabetized surname.
- Inclusion of Dakota Territory and Nebraska Territory in the "State Served" field.

Future Database Software Investigation concerning the ongoing investigation into more technologically advanced software for the online database and at the direction of the CofA (11/20/05), this committee provided "Business Rules" for the National Graves Registration Database on 15 February 2006. The first draft of these rules was sent to members of the National GR Committee for their input. The updated draft was then sent to Brother Eric Schmincke, DC Pennsylvania, to obtain his expertise as a Database Administrator. It is understood that any software considered be compatible with needs of Graves Registration, Monuments, Memorials and other SUVCW Programs.

As approved by the 123rd National Encampment, a recognition program for exceptional contribution to the graves registration project has been established in the form of a Certificate of Appreciation. On 16 June 2006, thirty-nine certificates were prepared and mailed along with a letter of thanks to the following recipients; Bros. Mahlon Erickson (OK), James Davenport (CO & WY), Franklin Haley (MA), Ray Nagel (OH), Merle Rudebusch (NE), Harold Slavik (OR), Gary Scheel (MO), James Burton (TN), Dana Cobb (ME), David Burkett (OR), Robert Markunas (IL), William Stark (OH), Don Vatne (WA), Tim Beckman (IN), Charles Beal (CA), Ronald Gill (IN), Virgil Matz (WI), Larry Collins (OH), Richard Camp (IA), Kirby Morgan (CA), Terry Akers (OH), Robert McGonigle (PA), William Cavins (FL), Blair Tarr (KS), Tad Campbell (CA), Tony Pasillas (OR), Charles Sharrock (CO) and eight non-members - Mr. Rodney Sawyer, Ms. Lee Ann Teller, Mr. George Dickey, Mr. Richard Cole, Mr. Lanny Golden, Mr. N. Dale Talkington, Ms. Kathleen Reilly, Mr. Theodore Lionberger. These thirty-nine people accounted for over 33,000 new registrations to the database and deserve our thanks.

The 123rd National Encampment directed that National Cemeteries shall be included in the National Graves Registration Database. Work to include the National Cemeteries, which was already in progress, has continued and accelerated this year.

National Graves Registration Project Brochure – The National Committee on Programs and Policy continues reworking the current GR Brochure to meet the GR Committee’s needs, including an updated mail-in section and reference to the online National Graves Registration Database.

Brothers James Davenport (CO/WY) and Harold Slavik (OR) are hard working members of this committee. Success and management of the database would have been most difficult without their extraordinary dedication to this project. They deserve the thanks of all of us. It would be near impossible to list all of the Brothers that have contributed to this project and continue to do so, but my thanks go out to them as well.

Recommendations:

1 – Once completed and approved, it is recommended that the National Graves Registration Project Brochure become part of the printable documents in the SUVCW National Website. This would eliminate the printing cost to our Order, and allow Camps to print and duplicate the brochure at a lower cost than purchase through the National Quartermaster. In the past, sales of the brochure have been extremely low, indicating that the few being purchased are used as “masters” to duplicate at the Camp/Department level. At the current cost of \$0.10 per brochure, it becomes costly to a Camp which may distribute several hundred over the course of a year. I believe this is a service the SUVCW could provide our members, Camps and Departments.

2 – It is recommended that previously requested enhancements to the current database be reconsidered, should the investigation into more technologically advanced software be abandoned.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Bob Lowe, National Graves Registration Officer

National Graves Registration Committee 2005-2006

Bob Lowe PDC – (CA) Chairman

James Davenport - CO/WY

Mahlon Erickson - OK

Merle Rudebusch - NE

Harold Slavik - OR

Report of the Legislation Committee

This report concludes the research and analysis conducted by the National Committee on Legislation during the 2005-2006 administrative year.

As reported in the Committee's previous report, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives embarked on the first session of the 109th Congress in January of this last year. They are currently half way through the second session now. Several pieces of legislation, which might be considered of interest to our Order, have been introduced. That legislation is listed in the attached appendix. This report includes legislation pending before Congress, which has been introduced since February 2006 (as well as previously reported legislation). It also includes relevant public laws signed by the President during the same time.

One particular piece of legislation previously assigned to the Committee for analysis, and reported on last year, is a Senate bill calling for the return of Memorial Day to the traditional day of observance (consistent with a Resolution adopted in 2004 as introduced by PDC Al Peterson). This legislation, S. 80, remains today as it did upon introduction in January 2005, in the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, with *no* action being taken. This is consistent with the past several years that the bill has been introduced.

The Committee also reviewed other applicable legislation having an impact on the Order, *i.e.*, issues relative to patriotism and pro-American activities. As with any similar report compiled and submitted by this Committee, there are likely to be oversights and inadvertent omissions. The Committee asks that items overlooked in this report or those for which further analysis is requested, be referred to the next appointed National Committee on Legislation.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Daniel R. Earl
Chair, National Committee on Legislation

Hon. Henry E. Shaw, PCC, National Chief of Staff
Mr. Andrew M. Johnson (PCinC), Washington, D.C. Representative.
Mr. Tad D. Campbell, Commander, Department of California and Pacific
Mr. Jerry Sayre, Senior Vice Commander, Department of California and Pacific
Mr. Daniel M. Bunnell PDC, Department of California and Pacific
Mr. Bob Lowe PDC, Department of California and Pacific
Mr. D. Brad Schall PDC, Department of California and Pacific

ISSUES IMPACTING THE ORDER

<i>Bill Number – ORDER</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
H.R. 687 – Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission Act , To establish a commission to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War.	Rep. Richard H. Baker [LA-6]	2/9/2005	2/9/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.
H.R. 698 – Citizenship Reform Act of 2005 , To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to deny citizenship at birth to children born in the United States of parents who are not citizens or permanent resident aliens.	Rep. Nathan Deal [GA-10]	2/9/2005	3/2/2005: Referred to House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.
H.R. 767 – Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial 1-Cent Coin Redesign Act , To provide for the redesign of the reverse of the Lincoln 1-cent coin in 2009 in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln.	Rep. Ray LaHood [IL-18]	2/10/2005	2/10/2005: Referred to House Committee on Financial Services. 4/29/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology.
HR 1084 -- To authorize the establishment at Antietam National Battlefield of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862, and for other purposes.	Rep. Jeb Bradley [NH-1]	3/3/2005	3/15/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Resources Subcommittee on National Parks; 6/27/2005: Passed the House, sent to the Senate. 11/15/2005: Referred to Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held.
H.R. 1192 – Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area Act , establishes the Abraham National Heritage Area in Illinois, etc.	Rep. Ray LaHood [IL-18]	3/9/2005	3/17/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Resources Subcommittee on National Parks.
S. 80 – To restore the tradition day of observance of Memorial Day, and for other purposes.	Sen. Daniel K. Inouye [HI]	1/24/2005	1/24/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 2808 – Abraham Lincoln Commemorative Coin Act , To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.	Rep. Ray LaHood [IL-18]	6/8/2005	7/29/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology.

<i>Bill Number – ORDER</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
H.R. 3412 – Medal of Honor/Civil War , To authorize and request the President to issue a posthumous commission in the regular Army to Milton Holland, who, while sergeant major of the 5 th Regiment, United States Colored Infantry, was awarded the medal of Honor for gallantry during the Civil War.	Rep. Robert W. Ney [OH-18]	7/22/2005	8/4/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 1 FEBRUARY 2006 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 5038 , To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and expand the application of the Department of Veterans Affairs benefit for Government markers for marked graves of veterans buried in private cemeteries and to provide Government markers or memorial headstones for deceased dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable for burial. [This legislation would extend the sunset from 12/06 to 12/07.]	Rep. Jeff Miller [FL-1]	3/29/2006	4/5/2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs. Hearings held.
H.R. 5195 , To establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, and for other purposes.	Rep. Frank R. Wolf [VA-10]	4/25/2006	5/4/2006: Referred to House Resources Subcom. on National Parks. Executive Comment requested from Interior.
H.R. 5723 , To direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the site of Camp Nelson War Heritage Park in Jessamine County, Kentucky, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.	Rep. Ben Chandler [KY-6]	6/29/2006	6/29/2006: Referred to the House Comm. on Resources.
H.Con.Res. 334 , Commending the persons who were inducted for service in the United States Armed Forces during World War II.	Rep. Bob Fliner [CA-51]	2/8/2006	2/23/2006: Referred to House Armed Services Subcom. on Military Personnel.

C O N S T I T U T I O N A L / F L A G I S S U E S

<i>Bill Number – CONSTITUTION/FLAG</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 1658 – American Justice for Americans Act , To ensure that the courts interpret the Constitution in the manner that the Framers intended.	Rep. Ron Paul [TX-14]	4/14/2500	5/10/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.
H.R. 2389 – Pledge Protection Act of 2005 , To amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the jurisdiction of Federal courts over certain cases and controversies involving the Pledge of Allegiance. [Companion legislation: S. 1046]	Rep. W. Todd Akin [MO-2]	5/17/2005	5/17/2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.
S. 1046 – Pledge Protection Act of 2005 , To amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the jurisdiction of Federal courts over certain cases and controversies involving the Pledge of Allegiance. [Companion legislation: S. 1046]	Sen. Jon Kyl [AZ]	5/17/2005	Referred to Senate Committee on the Judiciary.
H.J.Res. 41 – Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that no person born in the United States will be a United States citizen unless a parent is a United States citizen, or is lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, at the time of the birth.	Rep. Mark Foley [FL-16]	4/13/2005	5/10/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on the Constitution.
H.J.Res. 42 – Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to permit person who are not natural-born citizens of the United States, but who have been citizens of the United States for at least 35 years, to be eligible to hold the offices of President and Vice President.	Rep. Vic Snyder [AR-2]	4/14/2005	5/10/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on the Constitution.
H.J.Res. 46 – Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to deny United States citizenship to individuals born in the United States to parents who are neither United States citizens nor persons who owe permanent allegiance to the United States.	Rep. Ron Paul [TX-14]	4/28/2005	5/10/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on the Constitution.
H.Res. 196 – Recognizing the anniversary of the ratification of the 13th Amendment and encouraging the American people to educate and instill pride and purpose into their communities and to observe the anniversary annually with appropriate programs and activities.	Rep. Barbara Lee [CA-9]	4/6/2005	12/7/2005: Agreed to by voice vote.
S. 1370 – Flag Protection Act of 2005 , To provide for the protection of the flag of the United States, and for other purposes. [See also, H.R. 1974 and S. 1911]	Sen. Robert F. Bennett [UT]	7/1/2005	7/1/2005: Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.

<i>Bill Number – CONSTITUTION/FLAG</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
S. 1488 – Second Amendment Protection Act of 2005 , To withhold funding from the United Nations if the United Nations abridges the rights provided by the Second Amendment to the Constitution, and for other purposes.	Sen. David Vitter [LA]	7/26/2005	7/26/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations.
S.J.Res. 12 – Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.	Sen. Orrin G. Hatch [UT]	4/14/2005	4/14/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary (57 cosponsors). 6/27/2006: <i>Failed passage in the Senate by yea-nay vote 66-34 (67 votes needed).</i>
S.J.Res. 24 – Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the reference to God in the Pledge of Allegiance and on United States currency.	Sen. Mary L. Landrieu [LA]	9/14/2005	9/14/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.
S.Res. 243 – Expressing Support for the Pledge of Allegiance	Sen. Jim Talent [MO]	9/15/2005	9/15/2005: Agreed to unanimously by the Senate.
S.Res. 244 – Expressing Support for the Pledge of Allegiance	Sen. Ken Salazar [CO]	9/15/2500	9/15/2005: Agreed to unanimously by the Senate.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 1 FEBRUARY 2006 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 4922 , To amend title 4, United States Code, to add National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed.	Rep. Sue W. Kelly [NY-19]	3/9/2006	3/9/2006: Referred to House Comm. on Judiciary.
H.J.Res. 80 , Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the number of consecutive terms that a Senator or Representative may serve and providing for 4-year terms for Representatives.	Rep. Major R. Owens [NY-11]	3/2/2006	3/2/2006: Referred to House Comm. on Judiciary.

P A T R I O T I S M I S S U E S

<i>Bill Number – PATRIOTISM</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
H. R. 63 – Democracy Day Act of 2005 , To treat the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the same manner as any legal public holiday for purposes of Federal employment, and for other purposes.	Rep. John Conyers, Jr. [MI-14]	1/4/2005	1/4/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.
H.R. 762 – Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Battlefields Commemorative Coin Act of 2005 , To direct the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the battlefields of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and for other purposes.	Rep. Rush D. Holt [NJ-12]	2/10/2005	3/18/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy Trade and Technology.
H.R. 763 – Revolutionary War and War of 1812 Battlefield Protection Act of 2005 , To amend the American Battlefield Protection Act of 1996 to establish a battlefield acquisition grant program for the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and for other purposes.	Rep. Rush D. Holt [NJ-12]	2/10/2005	2/28/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Resources Subcommittee on National Parks.
H.Con.Res. 13 -- Expressing the sense of the Congress that Harriet Tubman should have been paid a pension for her service as a nurse and scout in the United States Army during the Civil War	Rep. Edolphus Towns [NY-10]	1/4/2005	1/4/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services. 1/27/2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 1647-- Election Weekend Act , To require that general Federal elections be held during the first consecutive Saturday and Sunday in November, and for other purposes.	Rep. Alcee L. Hastings [FL-23]	4/14/2005	4/14/2005: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
H.R. 1835 – Universal Right to Vote by Mail Act of 2005 , To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to allow all eligible votes to vote by mail in Federal elections.	Rep. Susan A. Davis [CA-53]	4/26/2005	4/26/2005: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
H.R. 2052 – Start-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission Act , To establish the Star-Spangled Banner and War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission, and for other purposes.	Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin [MD-3]	5/3/2005	5/3/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.
H.R. 2053 – Start-Spangled Banner National Trail Act , To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail.	Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin [MD-3]	5/3/2005	5/10/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on National Parks and Executive Comment Requested from Interior
H.R. 2722 – Camp Security National Historic Site Study Act , To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Camp Security, located in Springettsbury, York County, Pennsylvania, as a unit of the National Park System	Rep. Todd Russell Platts [PA-19]	5/26/2005	5/31/2005: Referred to House Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks. Executive Comment Requested from Interior.

<i>Bill Number – PATRIOTISM</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
H.R. 2878 – Liberty Bill Act , To require the Secretary of the Treasury to redesign \$1 Federal reserve notes so as to incorporate the preamble to the Constitution of the United States, a list describing the Articles of the Constitution, and a list describing the Amendments to the Constitution, on the reverse side of such notes.	Rep. Eric Cantor [VA-7]	6/14/2005	7/29/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology.
S. 1130 – Democracy Day Act of 2005 , To treat the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November as a legal public holiday for purposes of Federal employment, and for other purposes.	Sen. Debbie Stabenow [MI]	5/26/2005	5/26/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.
S. 1815 – Strengthening American Citizenship Act of 2005 , To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to prescribe the binding oath or affirmation of renunciation and allegiance required to be naturalized as a citizen of the United States, to encourage and support the efforts of prospective citizens of the United States to become citizens, and for other purposes.	Sen. Lamar Alexander [TN]	10/4/2005	10/4/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.
S.Res. 250 – Supporting the goals and ideals of Gold Star Mothers Day.	Sen. Tom Coburn [OK]	9/22/2005	9/22/2005: Agreed to unanimously by the Senate.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 1 FEBRUARY 2006 BELOW ↓			
S.Res. 458 , Affirming that statements of national unity, including the National Anthem, should be recited or sung in English.	Sen. Lamar Alexander [TN]	5/1/2006	5/8/2006: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN THE SENATE.
S.Res. 512 , Celebrating the 231 st birthday of the Army and commending the men and women of the Army as exceptional individuals who live by the values of loyalty, duty, and selfless service.	Sen. James M. Inhofe [OK]	6/14/2006	6/14/2006: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY IN THE SENATE.

V E T E R A N S I S S U E S

<i>Bill Number – VETERANS</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
H. R. 156 – Fairness to All Vietnam Veterans Act , To require the Secretary of Defense to report to Congress regarding the requirements applicable to the inscription of veterans' names on the memorial wall of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.	Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald [CA-37]	1/4/2005	1/4/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services. 1/27/2005: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
H.R. 805 – Veterans Burial Benefits Improvement Act of 2005 , To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase burial benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.	Rep. Shelley Berkley [NV-1]	2/15/2005	2/15/2005: Referred to House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. 4/4/2005: <i>Referred to Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.</i>
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 1598 – Prisoner of War Benefits Act of 2005 , To provide improved benefits for veterans who are former prisoners of war.	Rep. Michael Bilirakis [FL-9]	4/13/2005	4/25/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
H.R. 1741 – Rural Veterans Access to Care Act of 2005 , To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a pilot program to improve access to health care for rural veterans, and for other purposes.	Rep. Tom Osborne [NE-3]	4/20/2005	4/25/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on Health.
H.R. 2042 – Gold Star Parents Annuity Act , To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the payment of a monthly stipend to the surviving parents (known as “Gold Star parents”) of members of the Armed Forces who die during a period of war.	Rep. Michael R. McNulty [NY-21]	5/2/2005	6/1/2005: Referred to House subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.
H.R. 3476 – Korean War Veterans Association , To grant a Federal charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated.	Rep. Steny H. Hoyer [MD-5]	7/27/2005	7/27/2005: Referred to House Committee on Judiciary. 8/23/2005: <i>Referred to Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims.</i>
H.Con.Res. 264 – Recognizing veterans who served in the Armed Forces during World War II and supporting the goals and ideals of National World War II Veterans Recognition Week.	Rep. Jo Ann Davis [VA-1]	10/7/2005	10/7/2005: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
H.Con.Res. 287 – Honoring the memory of the members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have given their lives in service to the United States in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.	Rep. Rahm Emanuel [IL-5]	10/28/2005	12/1/2005: Referred to House Subcommittee on Military Personnel.
S. 1138 – To authorize the placement of a monument in Arlington National Cemetery honoring the veterans who fought in World War II as members of Army Ranger Battalions.	Sen. George Allen [VA]	5/26/2005	6/23/2005: Referred to Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs; hearings held.

<i>Bill Number – VETERANS</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
S. 1351 – Cold War Medal Act of 2005 , To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the award of a military service medal to members of the Armed Forces who served honorably during the Cold War era.	Sen. Hilary Rodham Clinton	6/30/2005	6/30/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on Armed Services.
S.J.Res. 27 – Authorizing special awards to World War I and World War II veterans of the United States Navy Armed Guard.	Sen. Patty Murray [WA]	9/28/2005	9/28/2005: Referred to the Senate Committee on Armed Services.
S.Res. 305 – A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Veterans Day 2005.	Sen. William H. Frist [TN]	11/10/2005	11/10/2005: PASSED BY THE SENATE UNANIMOUSLY.
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 1 FEBRUARY 2006 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 4882 , To ensure the proper remembrance of Vietnam veterans and the Vietnam War by designating a site for a visitor center for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.	Rep. Richard W. Pombo [CA-11]	3/7/2006	3/28/2006: Passed the House by a vote of 404-4. 5/16/2006: Referred to the Senate Subcom. on Natural Parks. Hearings held.
H.R. 4907 , To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.	Rep. Joel Hefley [CO-5]	3/8/2006	3/14/2006: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

**MISCELLANEOUS LEGISLATIVE
ISSUES
IMPACTING THE ORDER**

<i>Bill Number – MISCELLANEOUS</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Status</i>
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
H.R. 2408 – Public Domain Enhancement Act , To amend title 17, United States Code, to allow abandoned copyrighted works to enter the public domain after 50 years.	Rep. Zoe Lofgren [CA-16]	5/17/2005	5/17/2005: Referred to House committee on the Judiciary. 7/1/2005: <i>Referred to Subcom. on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.</i>
H.R. 3125 – Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judgeship and Reorganization Act of 2005 , To amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the appointment of Additional Federal circuit judges, to divide the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the United States into two circuits, and for other purposes. [see related Bills: HR 211, HR 212, HR 4093, S. 1296, S. 1301, S.1845]	Rep. Michael K. Simpson [ID-2]	6/29/2005	6/29/2005: Referred to House Committee on Judiciary. 8/23/2005: <i>Referred to Subcom. on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property.</i>
H.R. 3619 – American Heroes Act , To permit each State to provide a statue of an individual representing that State to be displayed in the Capitol Visitor Center, and for other purposes.	Rep. Mark Steven Kirk [IL-10]	7/29/2005	7/29/2005: Referred to the House Committee on House Administration.
H.Con.Res. 302 – Whereas the national motto of the United States is “In Good we trust” , Supporting the national motto of the United States.	Rep. Jo Ann Davis [VA-1]	11/16/2005	11/16/2005: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary. 2/6/2006: <i>Referred to Subcom. on the Constitution.</i>
H.J.Res. 45 – Authorizing special awards to World War I and World War II veterans of the United States Navy Armed Guard.	Rep. Rick Larsen [WA-2]	4/27/2005	6/21/2005: Referred to the House Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

**PUBLIC LAWS
(PASSED BY CONGRESS & SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT)**

<i>Bill Number – PUBLIC LAWS</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>	<i>Date Introduced</i>	<i>Date Signed Into Law</i>
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 12 APRIL 2005 BELOW ↓			
Public Law 109-49 , Expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the establishment of an appropriate day for the commemoration of the women suffragists who fought for and won the right of women to vote in the United States. [H.J.Res. 59]	Rep. Shelley Berkley [NV-1]	7/14/2005	8/2/2005
Public Law 109-98 , To designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Rosa Parks Federal Building”. [H.R. 2967 & S. 1285]	Rep. Carolyn C. Kilpatrick [MI-13]	6/17/2005	11/11/2005
Public Law 109-153 , To provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300 th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin.	Se. Arlen Specter [PA]	3/17/2005	12/30/2005
Public Law 109-189 – Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Post Office Building , To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 102 South Walters Avenue in Hodgenville, Kentucky, as the “Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Post Office Building.”	Rep. Ron Lewis [KY-2]	6/14/2005	3/20/2006
↓ NEW LEGISLATION SINCE 1 FEBRUARY 2006 BELOW ↓			
No Updates Since Last Report			

Report of the Fraternal Relations Committee

The National Committee on Fraternal Relations purpose is clearly defined.

- (a) To promote the highest level of cooperation between the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
- (b) To work cooperatively with all Civil War hereditary organizations.
- (c) To encourage support from other national veteran organization's of our Order's goals and objectives.
- (d) To encourage participation with Civil War reenactment groups and Friends of Civil War Battlefield.

Committee:

Brad Schall, PDC, Chairman, Department of California and Pacific
John Irons, PDC, Department of Okalahoma
Ellsworth Brown, PDC, Department of Rhode Island
Thomas Showler, Department of Pennsylvania

Allied Orders Representative:

Marcia Butgereit, Woman's Relief Corps

The chairman wishes to acknowledge to the National Encampment the effort put fourth by this committee. On behalf of the Commander in Chief and the Order, they attended Allied Order meetings, conferences, department and camp functions and participated in Civil War events throughout the year.

The committee's strategy was to assist the CIC wherever possible, accomplish the goals and objectives of the committee, spread the word about our Order and demonstrate a congenial approach to relationships though the Allied Orders. For the most part we were successful.

During the year our committee did the following:

- (a) Brought greeting from the CIC to various Allied Orders' functions.
- (b) Provided the CIC with a calendar of events and updated the calendar
- (c) Made contact with and distributed information on our Order to the Allied Orders, Military Order of Stars and Bars, American Legion, Order of the Confederate Rose, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Vietnam War Veterans, Veterans Councils, reenactment groups, Civil War Round Tables, National Parks Service, West Coast Civil War Conference and several Friends of Battlefield Organizations.
- (d) Committee chairman represented the committee at the Remembrance Day ceremonies in Gettysburg.
- (e) Attended United Daughters of the Confederacy banquet.
- (f) Met with Commander Sweeney of Sons of Confederate Veterans at the CIC request.

We believe that the climate has improved between the SUVCW and the Allied Orders. Allied Orders and SUVCW camps cooperated at conferences, encampments, reenactments and recruiting activities in record numbers this year. Relations were always encouraged and cooperation has become a reality,. Brothers and sisters together to honor the Boys in Blue and the GAR.

Our order will continue to be challenged with events and disagreements in the Civil War community but the positive cooperation between the SUVCW and the Allied Orders has had a positive effect in honoring the Boys in Blue.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.
Brad Schall, PDC
Chairman, National Fraternal Relations Committee

Report of the Lincoln Tomb Observance Committee

The Lincoln Tomb Observance Committee appointed to conduct the annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, begs leave to submit the following report.

1. The 50th annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by our Order, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, in association with the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States and the Lincoln Deathday Association, recorded the attendance of 50 organizations that presented commemorative wreaths on April 15, 2006.

2. Since this is the first report submitted by this Chairman, I would like to acknowledge those that have so generously given of their time and talent in the past to commemorate the untimely death of our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln. PCinC George Cashman, Lincoln Tomb Superintendent at the inception of this ceremony, who was responsible for the establishment of this ceremony. Without question, his vision and guidance were the hallmark of a Lincoln Scholar who envisioned an annual tribute to the martyred President that preserved the Union. Following George Cashman's death, Thomas L. W. Johnson ensured the continuation of the ceremony in a dignified manor assisted by Robert Graham, Ron Clark, Harold and Jackie Wright.

3. The 114th Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry Reactivated, commanded by Colonel Robert Graham, posted the Colors followed by the invocation given by National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski. Master of Ceremony Jon Austin introduced CinC Don Darby, SUVCW, who gave a short address followed by Sr. Vice CinC Karl Schaeffer, MOLLUS, who also gave a short address. National Chaplain Kowalski lead the assembly in singing during the ceremony in lieu of the Springfield Municipal Band. As noted earlier, fifty Individuals and organizations presented Commemorative wreaths followed by the Benediction. The Ceremony concluded with Sergeant-Major J. Stephen Hall of the 114th Regiment playing taps followed by the 114th regiment retiring the Colors.

4. Individuals and organizations presenting memorial wreaths.

Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
National President, Dames of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
National President, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
National President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865
National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
National Secretary, Daughters of Union
Six Departments, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Twelve Camps, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Two Departments, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Three Departments, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865
 Three Tents, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865
 One Department, Woman's Relief Corps
 One Corps, Woman's Relief Corps
 One State Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
 114th Infantry Illinois Volunteers Reactivated
 11th Indiana Zouaves
 Two Sons of Veterans Reserves Units
 Ten other Patriotic Organizations

5. A luncheon followed the ceremony at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Conference Center. National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski gave the Invocation and Master of Ceremony Jon Austin introduced those at the head table including Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Karl Schaeffer, Dr. Wayne Temple, Robert Graham, Ron Clark, and Jerome Kowalski. Guests that were introduced were Cynthia Fox, National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Rosemary Schaffer, National President, Dames of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Lesley Dean, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865, and Opal Nelson, National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Master of Ceremony Jon Austin introduced Dr. Wayne Temple of the Illinois State Archives who spoke about various anecdotes associated with Abraham Lincoln. The anecdotes included items and individuals associated with his life and death. The luncheon concluded with the Benediction by National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski.

6. The balance sheet of revenue and expenses for the 2006 Lincoln Tomb Ceremony is as follows:

Revenue

Luncheon Reservations (collected from those attending)	\$ 1,475.00
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War	\$ 400.00
Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States	\$ 300.00
George Cashman Trust Investment	<u>\$ 56.50</u>

Total \$ 2,231.50 Expenses

Hotel Expenses (Luncheon Reservations & Audio Equipment)	\$ 1,321.67
Luncheon Speaker (Dr. Wayne Temple)	\$ 150.00
Chair Rental (\$ 110.00) & Postal Reimbursement (\$ 39.00)	\$ 149.00
Printing (Ceremony & Luncheon Programs)	\$ 399.33
Bus Rental	\$ 165.00
Photographer's Fee	<u>\$ 45.00</u>

Total \$ 2,230.00

Balance on hand following payment of expenses \$ 1.50

Lincoln Tomb Ceremony 2007 Event Budget

I. Revenue

Luncheon Reservations	\$ 2,000.00
Contribution from SUVCW	\$ 2,200.00
Contribution from MOLLUS	\$ 300.00
Cashman Distribution	\$ 75.00
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Total	\$ 4,575.00

II. Expenses

Speaker	\$ 200.00
Chair Rental	\$ 125.00
Printing	\$ 450.00
Postage	\$ 80.00
Municipal Band	\$ 150.00
Hotel Expenses (Luncheon Reservation & Audio Equipment)	\$ 1,700.00
Photographer's Fee	\$ 45.00
Bus Rental	\$ 200.00
Commemorative Item (Ribbon)	\$ 150.00
Publicity	\$ 1,475.00
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Total	\$ 4,575.00

Excess of Revenue over Expenses \$ 0.00

Recommendations

1. Develop a cooperative working relationship with the Lincoln Deathday Association Board of Directors through a series of productive planning meetings prior to the annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony. Upon adoption of this recommendation, an initial meeting between the two groups would be planned in the fall of 2006.
2. Increase funding for the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in order to broaden the appeal of the ceremony. It is recommended that the funding be increased by \$ 1,800 from \$ 400 to \$ 2200. This would include, but not necessarily be limited to the following.
 - a. Improved local media and tourism coverage.
 - b. Increased funding for basic ceremony components, some of which have been curtailed or eliminated due to increased costs.
 - c. Include new budget items contained in the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony budget.

Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Alan Loomis, Chairman

Report of the National Department of the Sons of Veterans Reserve

The purpose of this Annual Report is to provide an overview of the past twelve months of activity. In terms of numbers, the 2005-2006 year reflected a slight gain in membership from 1110 members in 2005 to 1125 members in 2006, with a net gain of 15 members. While losses and gains have been experienced in the various Units, two new Units have been added to the 2006 SVR Roster contributing a total of 23 men, no Units have been disbanded and three Units have been placed on the Inactive Roster. Most disquieting, in the course of the 2005-2006 year, was an aborted attempt by eight members of Co. A, 18th US, Seventh Military District, to disband said Unit, to thus bring the Seventh Military District below three Units and therefore cause the District to be dissolved, pursuant to Article III, Section 4 of the Sons of Veterans Reserve Regulations.

It might be accurately suggested that, through their actions, these eight men elected to cast to the wind the principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty and to utterly disregard the Oath they took upon becoming members of the SVR.

Owing solely to the unselfish dedication and Herculean efforts of District Commander Hackett, a new Unit was formed in the Seventh Military District, keeping said District at the required level of three Units. Despite efforts to the contrary manifested by the "band of eight," the Seventh Military District is alive, well and flourishing. Indeed, within several days prior to the date hereof, the Seventh Military District has produced a first class newsletter, known as The Haversack.

This Report focuses on three aspects of the Sons of Veterans Reserve covering the period from July 25, 2005 to August 5, 2006: (1) General and Special Orders; (2) Unit strength and membership; and (3) Finances.

(1) GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDERS

Thirty-two General Orders were issued in the name of the Commanding Officer: General Orders 2005-16 through 2005-27 and General Orders 2006-01 through 2006-20. Three Special Orders were issued, the same being Special Orders 2005-03 and 2005-04, and Special Order 2006-01

General Staff Changes:

Effective 04 July 2006, Captain George Shadman retired as Commander of the Second Military District, SVR, and, at his written request, was transferred to the Inactive Reserve at his present rank of Captain, the foregoing have been memorialized in General Order 2006-14.

Effective 04 July 2006, Todd A. Shillington was duly appointed Commander of the Second Military District, SVR, at the rank of Captain, the foregoing having been memorialized in General Order 2006-15.

(2) UNIT STRENGTH AND MEMBERSHIP

New Units: The following two new units have been added to the Roster: (23 new members)

Co. K, 1 st Springfield Rifles (3 rd MD)	9 members	1 st Sgt. Norman L. Gray, Cmdr.
Amzi D. Harmon Company (7 th MD)	14 members	1 st Sgt. Charles D. Custer, Cmdr.

Renamed Units: None.

Units Reinstated from Inactive Status: None.

Units Placed on Inactive Status: Three.

Co. B, Torbert Guards (2 nd MD)	11 members	1 st Sgt. Marvin P. Schelhouse, Cmdr.
Co. B, 2 nd Colorado Vol. Inf. (6 th MD)	21 members	Cpl. Doyle M. Brewer, Jr., Adjt.
Co. A, 18 th US (7 th MD)	21 members	Pvt. Tommy V. Smith, Cmdr.

Disbanded Units: None

Active Units

Strength

Unit	On Duty 8/01/05	On Duty 8-05-06
General Staff	18	18
Inactive Reserve	25	27
Natl. Headquarters Company	27	28
Total	70	73
1st Military District		
District Staff	2	2
Co. A, 3 rd R.I. Heavy Art.	8	8
Co. E, 15 th Mass.	12	12
Co. F, 11 th Maine	8	8
Mass. Vol. Militia	6	6
Co. K, 14 th Conn. Vol. Inf.	9	10
Co. A, 12 th NH Vol. Inf.	11	13
Total 1st Military District	56	59
2nd Military District		
District Staff	3	3
355 th U.S. Northcoast Vols.	25	23
Co. A, 1 st New Jersey	24	23
Company A, The Potomac Guard	30	11
Company B, 26 th Penn. Vols. (Co. F, 97 th Pa.)	31	43
Company B, Torbert Guards	11	0
Company C, 28 th Penn. Vols.	48	48
Co. C, Col. Henry A. DuPont Guard	16	16
Co. E, 148 th New York Vols.	14	14
Co. I, 83 rd New York Vols. ((9 th Militia)	40	41
Gettysburg Blues	23	21
Co. A, The W Va. Home Guard	8	6
Co. A, 7 th N.J. Vol. Inf.	12	12
The Delaney-Delacy Guard	66	64
134 th New York Vol. Inf.	7	14
Total 2nd Military District	358	339
3rd Military District		
District Staff	4	4

Headquarters Company	4	6
Battery I, 1 st Ohio Light Artillery	42	37
Battery L, 1 st Ohio Light Artillery	17	18
Co. C, 20 th Ohio Vol. Inf.	22	21
Company G, 63 rd Ohio Vol. Inf.	22	25
Co. A, Frankfort Bn. 1 st Kentucky U.S.	35	72
Co. A, 16 th Ohio Volunteer Inf.	11	11
Co. D, 27 th Indiana Vol. Inf.	28	26
Co. K, 1 st Springfield Rifles	0	9
Total 3rd Military District	185	229

4th Military District

District Staff	6	6
Headquarters Company	19	19
Battery L, 1 st Illinois Lt. Art.	11	12
Co. A, 2 nd Missouri Infantry	10	9
Co. C, 34 th Illinois Vol. Inf.	25	24
Cushing's Battery	10	10
Co. B, 2 nd Colorado Vol. Inf.	21	0 (Trans. to 6MD 9-3-05)
Battery A, 3 rd Iowa Lt. Art.	6	6
Co. M, 1 st MO Lt. Art.	7	7
Co. C, 5 th Rgmt., MO Vol. Cav.	23	23
Co. B, 20 th Iowa Vol. Inf.	29	29
Co. A, 37 th Iowa Vol. Inf.	16	16
Co. B, 10 th Iowa Vol. Inf.	9	9
Nebraska Rangers	19	19
Co. B, 28 th Wisconsin Vol. Inf.	9	9
Total 4th Military District	220	193

5th Military District

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6th Military District

District Staff	4	4
Co. A 5 th Calif. Vol. Inf.	12	10
Co. G 1 st Calif. Vol. Inf.	19	17
Co. C, 8 th Calif. Vol. Inf.	25	23
Co. G, 5 th Calif. Vol. Inf.	38	35
Co. B, 1 st Nevada Vol. Inf.	19	24
Co. A, 24 th Missouri Vol. Inf.	9	9
Co. B, 8 th Calif. Vol. Inf.	17	16
Battery A, 3 rd US Artillery	16	16
Co. B, 71 st Penna. Vol. Inf.	9	22
U. S. Marine Corps Guard Co.	8	9
Co. B, 2 nd Colo. Vol. Inf.	0	0 (Trans. From 4MD 9-3-05)
Total 6th Military District	176	185

7th Military District

District Staff	1	3
Co. A, 18 th US	21	0
14 th Corps, H. Q. Guard	13	15
Co. G, 42 nd Indiana Vol. Inf.	10	16
Amzi D. Harmon Company	0	14
Total 7th Military District	45	48

SVR MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH TOTAL 1110 1126

(3) FINANCES

The current Checking Account (#2011180704) was opened on October 29, 2001 and is maintained at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company, 41 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015. Telephone Number is 740-362-6322. (Signatures: Henry E. Shaw, Jr. or David V. Medert)

On 12-03-02, Two Series I Bonds for \$1,000.00 each (# M0037479581 and # M0037479591) in the name of the Sons of Veterans Reserve were purchased at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company, 41 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio 43015. These Bonds pay 4.08 % interest per annum and, in order to avoid penalties, should be held for five years. Both Bonds are maintained in a Sealed Envelope in the name of the Sons of Veterans Reserve in a Safety Deposit Box rented by Henry E. Shaw, Jr., at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company. Pursuant to the advice of the Honorable Kenneth J. Spicer, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Probate/Juvenile Division, Delaware County, Ohio, and since the Bonds are in the name of the Sons of Veterans Reserve and are in a sealed envelope in the name of the Sons of Veterans Reserve, said Bonds, by law, cannot be deemed to be probate assets of the lessee of the Safety Deposit Box. In addition thereto, under current Ohio law, Safety Deposit Boxes are no longer inventoried by the County Auditor's Office.

On 08-29-05, a \$4,000.00 twelve month Certificate of Deposit, yielding 3 ½ %, was purchased at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company. (Signatures: Henry E. Shaw, Jr. or David V. Medert).

On 07-06-06, the Savings Account (#7010000444) at The Delaware County Bank and Trust Company was closed, and, in order to secure a more favorable rate, a new Savings Account (#010014230), with an initial deposit of \$3,210.97, (\$1,210.97 from the closed DCB Savings Account and \$2,000.00 from the SVR Checking Account at DCB) was opened at Fidelity Federal Saving and Loan Association, 60 North Sandusky Street, Delaware, Ohio, 43015. Telephone number is 740-363-1284. (Signatures: Henry E. Shaw, Jr. or David V. Medert).

Checking Account Balance July 25, 2005

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RECEIPTS

07/27/05	James R. Hanby - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/27/05	David C. Schleeter - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/29/05	Dues: Carl Boas, Co. A, 37th Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07/29/05	Dues: Christopher M. Boas, Co. A, 37th Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07/29/05	Dues: Ross L. Rickleman, Co. A, 37th Iowa Vol. Inf.	2.00
07/29/05	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. James T. Hawk Co. A, 37th Iowa Vol. Inf.	3.00

07/29/05	Robert Baker - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/29/05	Robert E. McCarthy - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
08/02/05	James B. Pahl - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
08/02/05	Wayne E. Bennett - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
08/02/05	Donald B. Schall - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
08/03/05	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. James R. Hanby, Co. C, DuPont Guard	3.00
08/09/05	Dues: Joseph S. Hall, Jr., National Headquarters Co.	2.00
08/09/05	David V. Medert - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast, 2005	10.00
08/09/05	Henry E. Shaw, Jr. - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast, 2005	10.00
08/09/05	Commission Fee: Captain Lindin R. Lairson, A Co., Frankfort Batt.	3.00
08/09/05	Commission Fee: Captain Talbot S. Hackett, Jr., Cmdr., 7th MD	3.00
08/09/05	Dues: Captain Talbot S. Hackett, Jr., General Staff (for 2005)	5.00
08/09/05	Cash collected prior to SVR Breakfast at National	160.00
08/09/05	Donald E. Darby - - - 1/3 of Room 612 at National (\$22.08 overpay)	129.00
08/09/05	Dues: 355th Northcoast Volunteer Infantry	62.00
08/09/05	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Melvin C. Cole, 355th Northcoast V. I.	3.00
08/09/05	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. William S. Poulton, 355th Northcoast V. I.	3.00
08/09/05	Dues: Co. A, 1st New Jersey Volunteer Infantry	50.00
08/09/05	Dues: Ivan R. Burman, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Reed H. Burman, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Matthew Pivovarnik, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Michael Pivovarnik, Jr., The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Michael Pivovarnik, Sr., The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Richard M. Ryczak, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Thomas M. Shaffer, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Frank D. Tyson, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: John D. Kelley, Co. I, 83rd New York Vol. Inf.	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Neil R. Kelley, Co. I, 83rd New York Vol. Inf.	2.00
08/09/05	Dues: Ken Gavin, Co. C, 28th Pennsylvania Vol. Inf.	2.00
08/12/05	Dues: Captain Daniel W. Derby, National Headquarters Co. (2005)	3.00
08/16/05	Howard T. Frost, 1/3 of Room 612 at National	106.92
08/27/05	Dues: Delmar F. Porter, Jr., 3rd MD Hdq. Co. (\$1.00 Dist., \$2.00 Natl.)	3.00
08/27/05	Dues: George E. Maple, Co. E, 15th Massachusetts Vol. Inf.	2.00
08/27/05	Dues: Daniel W. Murray, Co. A, 12th New Hampshire Vol. Inf.	2.00
08/29/05	Transfer to Checking from Savings	500.00
09/01/05	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. Alan H. Sweeney, The Delaney-Delacy Guard	3.00
09/07/05	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Scott A. Hurst, A Co. Frankfort Battalion	3.00
09/07/05	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Eric B. Peterson, Chaplain 7th MD (\$5.00 overpay)	8.00
10/14/05	Ellsworth W. Brown - - -Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	20.00
10/14/05	Henry E. Shaw, Jr. - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast (for Melissa Darby)	10.00
10/19/05	Dues: Terry Akers, 3rd MD Hdq. Co. (\$2.00 Natl., \$1.00 District)	3.00
10/19/05	National Organization, SUVCW - - -Reimbursement for Remembrance Day Supplies, see statement	539.84
10/24/05	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. David F. Burkett, Co. B, 71 PA Vol. Inf. (6MD)	3.00
11/03/05	Jerome W. Kowalski - - -Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	20.00
11/03/05	Robert M. Petrovic - - -Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	20.00
11/15/05	Dues: Jonathon L. Ebert, Co. D, 27th Indiana Vol. Inf.	2.00
11/15/05	Dues: Larry A. Myers, Co. D, 27th Indiana Vol. Inf.	2.00
11/15/05	D. Brad Schall - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast	10.00
11/22/05	Samuel R. Booth - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast	10.00
11/22/05	Dale E. Theetge - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast	10.00
11/22/05	Cash collected at the door - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast	730.00
11/22/05	Dues: Stephen E. Hackett, National Headquarters Co.	2.00

11/22/05	Dues: Leo F. Kennedy, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
11/22/05	Dues: William C. Vieira, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
11/22/05	Dues: Brig. Gen. David V. Medert, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Col. Robert E. Grim, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Col. David R. Medert, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Col. Elmer F. Atkinson, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Col. Andrew M. Johnson, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr., General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Major Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Major James B. Pahl, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: 1st Lt. Eric J. Schmincke, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Captain Leo F. Kennedy, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Major Donald E. Darby, General Staff	5.00
11/22/05	Dues: Major Jack G. Grothe, General Staff	5.00
11/26/05	Dues: Benjamin P. Emerick, Co. E, 15th Massachusetts Vol. Inf.	2.00
11/26/05	Dues: Major Peter N. Rotando, General Staff	5.00
11/28/05	Dues: Major David E. Allyn, General Staff	5.00
12/01/05	Dues: Captain Talbot S. Hackett, Jr., General Staff	5.00
12/12/05	Dues: Lt. Col. Larry E. Freed, General Staff	5.00
12/12/05	Dues: Captain George A. Shadman, Jr., General Staff	5.00
12/13/05	Transfer from Savings to Checking	300.00
01/17/06	Dues: Bradley A. Tilton, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/17/06	National Organization, SUVCW - - -Reimbursement for Insurance	275.00
01/19/06	Dues: Capt. Daniel W. Derby, National Headquarters Co.	3.00
01/19/06	Dues: Sgt. Larry E. Hoover, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/19/06	Dues: Pvte. Philip G. Ryman, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/19/06	Dues: Pvte. Gary A. Sallade, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/19/06	Dues: Pvte. Jeffrey A. Dusseau, 3rd MD Hdq. Co. (\$2.00 National, \$1.00 District)	3.00
01/19/06	Dues: Pvte. James R. Streight, 3rd MD Hdq. Co. (\$2.00 National, \$1.00 District)	3.00
01/20/06	Dues: Cpl. Robert G. Grandchamp, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/20/06	Dues: Pvte. Michael D. Rusk, National Headquarters Co. (plus \$1.00 postage)	3.00
01/20/06	Dues: Pvte. George H. Rutter, Jr., National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/24/06	Dues: Sgt. John A. Boyer, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/24/06	Dues: Pvte. Ellsworth W. Brown, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
01/24/06	Dues: 1st Lt. William J. McMaster, National Headquarters Co.	3.00
02/03/06	Dues: Pvte. Larry B. Blumatte, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
02/03/06	Dues: Pvte. David Layman, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
02/03/06	Dues: Pvte. Harrison G. Moore, IV, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
02/03/06	Dues: Pvte. Brice F. Scalley, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
02/23/06	Dues: Pvt. Maurice L. Vititoe, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
02/23/06	Henry E. Shaw, Jr. - - - SVR Breakfast at National in Harrisburg	10.00
03/03/06	Dues: Pvte. Robert C. Bromley, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
03/03/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Kenneth V. Early, Chief of Staff, 7th MD	3.00
03/14/06	Dues: Co. K, 1st Springfield Rifles (\$14.00 National; \$7.00 District)	21.00
03/14/06	Dues: A Co., 1st Capital Guards Regiment	147.00
03/14/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. John R. Burch, Sr., A Co., 1st Capital Guards	3.00
03/15/06	John A. Mills, III - - -SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
03/15/06	Gary L. Scheel - - -SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
03/17/06	Lindin R. Lairson - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
03/24/06	Andrew M. Johnson - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
03/24/06	Edward J. Krieser - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
03/24/06	Dues for 10 years + postage: Marc Skubich - - - National Headquarters Co. ((\$20.00 = dues for 10 years; \$8.53 for postage)	28.53

03/30/06	Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
04/08/06	Dues: Pvt. David J. Duggan, National Headquarters Co.	2.00
04/08/06	Elmer F. Atkinson - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/08/06	Walter E. Busch - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/08/06	Charles H. Engle - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/08/06	Talbot S. Hackett - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/08/06	Donald B. Schall - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/15/06	Wayne R. Johnson - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
04/15/06	Donald R. Reid - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/15/06	Stuart C. Stefany - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/22/06	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. John A. Mills, III, A Co., 1st Capital Guards	3.00
04/15/06	Charles E. Funck - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
04/15/06	Joseph S. Hall, Jr. - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
04/24/06	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. Donald L. Hotchkiss, Jr., Co. B, 1st Nev. V.I.	3.00
04/24/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Steven E. Hauk, Co. B, 1st Nev. V.I.	3.00
04/24/06	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. David F. Burkett, Co. B, 71st Penna. Vol. Inf.	3.00
04/24/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Harold J. Slavik, Co. B, 71st Penna. Vol. Inf.	3.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. B, 71st Pennsylvania. Vol. Inf. (\$1.00 short)	45.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. G, 1st California Vol. Inf.	35.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. G, 5th California Vol. Inf.	72.00
04/24/06	Dues: Battery A, 3rd US Light Artillery	33.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. A, 5th California Vol. Inf.	20.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. C, 8th California Vol. Inf.	48.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. B, 8th California Vol. Inf.	33.00
04/24/06	Dues: US Marine Corps Guard Co.	18.00
04/24/06	Dues: Co. B, 1st Nevada Vol. Inf.	47.00
04/24/06	Dues: Fourth Military District (partial payment)	198.00
04/27/06	Eric J. Schmincke - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/04/06	William P. Callahan - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
05/04/06	Leo F. Kennedy - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/04/06	Carlis L. Lairson - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/04/06	Elijah B. Monroe - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/04/06	Dues: Third Military District (Check returned NSF--see below in disbursements)	462.00
05/09/06	Danny L. Wheeler - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/11/06	David W. Sosnowski - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/11/06	J. Alan Teller - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
05/12/06	Ronald E. Clark - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
05/18/06	Dues: Michael P. Downs, Co. D, 27th Indiana Vol. Inf.	2.00
05/18/06	Dues: 14th Corps, HQ Guard (\$1.00 overpay)	31.00
05/18/06	Dues: Co. G, 42nd Indiana Vol. Inf.	32.00
05/18/06	Dues: Third Military District (to replace \$462.00 check returned NSF)	297.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: Captain Emmett P. Taylor, III, 5th MO Vol. Cav.	3.00
05/25/06	Dues and Commission Fee: Cushing's Battery--refund \$4.00--not enough in Unit	25.00
05/25/06	Dues: 7 Units in Fourth Military District	161.00
05/25/06	Dues: First Military District	117.00
05/25/06	Dues: Frederick E. Bush, Co. K, 1st Springfield Rifles (\$2.00 National, \$1.00 District)	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. J. Alan Teller, Co. D, 27th Indiana Vol. Inf.	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: Capt. Martin W. Lowery, Jr., Battery I, 1st Ohio Light Artillery	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: 1st Lt. Donald E. Darby, Battery I, 1st Ohio Light Artillery	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: Major Donald E. Darby, Commander, 3rd MD	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: Captain Edward J. Krieser, Chief of Staff, 3rd MD	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: Captain Martin W. Lowery, Jr., Adjt/PIO, 3rd MD	3.00
05/25/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Timothy H. Downey, Chaplain, 3rd MD	3.00

05/31/06	Ellsworth W. Brown - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
05/31/06	Robert P. Orbach - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
05/31/06	Douglas B. Windle - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
06/05/06	Stephen E. Hackett - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
06/09/06	James C. Kiger - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
06/09/06	James B. Pahl - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
06/14/06	Robert J. Kadlec - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
06/14/06	Jerry R. Sayre - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
06/14/06	Dues: Co. A, 7th New Jersey Vol. Inf.	24.00
06/14/06	Dues: Co. E, 148th New York Vol. Inf.	28.00
06/14/06	Dues: 134th New York Vol. Inf.	28.00
06/14/06	Dues: The Gettysburg Blues	44.00
06/14/06	Dues: 355 Northcoast Vol. Inf.	48.00
06/14/06	Dues: Co. I, 83rd New York Vol. Inf.	78.00
6/202/06	Thomas C. Blesedell, Jr. - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
06/20/06	Robert E. Grim - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
06/20/06	Eugene G. Mortorff - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
06/22/06	Dues: Paul D. Schenck -- Co. K, 1st Springfield Rifles (\$2.00 National, \$1.00 Dist)	3.00
06/22/06	Tad D. Campbell - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/01/06	David R. Acheson - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/01/06	William R. Cavin - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/01/06	Terry R. Dyer - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/01/06	Phillip R. Hinman - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/01/06	Geoffrey C. Hintze - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/01/06	Keith G. Karchner - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/01/06	H. Keith Linscott - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/01/06	Bradley A. Tilton - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/01/06	Gene L. Thompson, II - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/03/06	Daniel W. Murray - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/03/06	Eric K. Fricke - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/06/06	Ralph R. Miller - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/06/06	J. Alan Teller - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	24.00
07/06/06	Dues: Amzi D. Harmon Company	28.00
07/07/06	Floyd L. Farrar - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/07/06	Richard Brooks - - - SVR Breakfast at National (\$5.00 overpay--refunded)	15.00
07/10/06	C.D. Custer - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/10/06	Robert M. Petrovic - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/10/06	Merle A. Rudebusch - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/12/06	Robert M. Jones - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/12/06	Max L. Newman - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/12/06	John A. O'Neal - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/12/06	Dues: Battery A, 3rd Iowa Light Artillery	16.00
07/12/06	Contribution to cover costs of checks, deposit slips and postage	42.55
07/14/06	Dues: Barrett J. Taylor, Co. I, 83rd New York Vol. Inf.	2.00
07/14/06	Commission Fee: Capt. George J. Weinmann	3.00
07/14/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. John P. Portanova	3.00
07/14/06	Daniel Bunnell - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/14/06	Peter T. J. DeLuke - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/14/06	Todd A. Shillington - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/14/06	William E. Tisch - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/14/06	Dues: Co. B, 26th Penna. Vol. Inf.	87.00
07/17/06	Deane Poole - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 2)	20.00
07/19/06	Mark R. Day - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/19/06	Keith G. Harrison - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/19/06	Dues: Co. A, Potomac Guard	22.00

07/19/06	Dues: Co. C, Henry Dupont Guard (\$3.00 overpay)	36.00
07/26/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Kenneth V. Early, Chief of Staff, 7th MD	3.00
07/26/06	Commission Fee: Captain Talbot S. Hackett, Jr., Commander, 7th MD	3.00
07/26/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Eric B. Peterson, Chaplain 7th MD	3.00
07/26/06	Daniel Colon - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/26/06	Stephen A. Michaels - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 3)	30.00
07/26/06	Michael A. Paquette - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/31/06	Albert L. El - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/31/06	Peter Lindemann - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: Major Jack G. Grothe, Commander, 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: Captain Stephen A. Michaels, Chief of Staff, 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: Captain Robert D. Champlin, Adjutant, 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: Captain Emmett P. Taylor, III, Inspector Gen., 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Randel O. Baehr, PIO, 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Commission Fee: 2nd Lt. Jerome W. Kowalski, Chaplain, 4th MD	3.00
07/31/06	Larry A. Myer - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	24.00
08/01/06	Commission Fee: Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr., General Staff	3.00
08/01/06	Glen L. Roosevelt - - - SVR Breakfast at National	10.00
08/03/06	Dues: Co. A, The West Virginia Home Guard	12.00
08/03/06	Dues: Co. A, 1st New Jersey Vol. Inf. (\$5.00 overpay)	53.00
08/03/06	Thomas J. Brown - - - SVR Breakfast at National (for 4)	40.00
08/03/06	Talbot S. Hackett, Jr. - - - Remembrance Day Breakfast (for 2)	24.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS 7-26-05 through 08-05-06

6832.84

DISBURSEMENTS

Check No.

Date	Payee	Amount
1064	07/27/05 Office City - - - 2 ink jet cartridges and paper	68.39
1065	07/27/05 Rabbit Quick, Inc. - - - 2 copies of 2005 SVR Roster	28.06
1066	08/12/05 Rabbit Quick, Inc. - - - Remembrance Day Materials	148.11
1067	08/13/05 Donald E. Darby - - - refund of overpay on Room 612 at Natl.	22.08
1068	08/13/05 Stephen E. Michaels - - - refund on SVR Breakfast at Natl.	10.00
1069	08/25/05 The Delaware County Bank - SVR Breakfast + Room 612 (Visa)	1350.76
1070	08/25/05 PPS Postal - - - Remembrance Day Mailings (334 @ .37)	123.58
1071	08/26/05 Office City - - - Remembrance Day envelopes (400)	16.15
1072	09/06/05 Eric B. Peterson, refund of overpayment on Commission Fee	5.00
1073	10/05/05 The R. B. Powers Co. - Remembrance Day Streamers	252.00
1074	11/22/05 The Delaware County Bank - - - SVR Breakfast (Visa)	850.00
1075	11/22/05 The Delaware County Bank - - - Commander's Room (Visa)	194.02
1076	11/22/05 Fourth Military District, SVR - - - Artillery School Expense	200.00
1077	11/26/05 Postmaster - see Postal Receipt and Excel Sheet	9.93
1078	11/28/05 Third Military District, SVR - - - dues for Akers and Porter--check lost	VOID
1079	11/28/05 Postmaster - see Postal Receipt and Excel Sheet	8.29
1080	12/05/05 Rossi Insurance Agency - - - Liability Insurance Policy	275.00
1081	12/12/05 The Hermann Werks, Inc. - - - 100 Unit Citation Ribbons	155.00
1082	01/03/06 Postmaster - - - roll of 100 \$.39 stamps	39.00
1083	03/14/06 Third Military District, SVR - - - dues for Co. K, 1st Springfield Rifles	7.00
1084	03/14/06 Third Military District, SVR - dues for Dusseau and Streight	2.00
1085	03/31/06 Eagle Data, 1500 SVR Membership Cards - see statement	156.00
1086	04/08/06 Third Military District, SVR - - - to replace lost check # 1078	2.00
1087	05/08/06 Third Military District, SVR - - - dues refund for 2006	VOID

	05/09/06	Third Military District Check No. 1002 returned NSF and was replaced by Check No. 1003 deposited on 5/18/06 and in the correct amount of \$297.00 (see deposit above)	462.00
1088	05/25/06	Fourth Military District, SVR - - - Refund for Cushing's Battery	4.00
1089	06/05/06	Third Military District, SVR - - - dues for Bush	1.00
1090	06/27/06	The Delaware County Bank - 6th MD Flag + Postage	254.91
1091	07/06/06	Third Military District, SVR - - - dues for Schenck	1.00
1092	07/06/06	Fidelity Federal Saving & Loan Association - - deposit into new Savings Account	2000.00
1093	07/07/06	Richard C. Brooks - refund on SVR Breakfast overpayment	5.00
1094	07/07/06	Postmaster - - - roll of 100 \$.39 stamps	39.00
	07/12/06	Direct debit from account for checks, deposit slips & postage	42.55
1095	07/26/06	Co. C, Henry A. Dupont Guard - - - dues refund	3.00
1096	08/01/06	Postmaster - - - mail 9 Commission Certificates	11.43
1097	08/01/06	Office City - - - 3 packages of gold foil seals for Commissions	13.29
1098	08/01/06	Office City - - - package of Avery 5160 labels	16.01
1099	08/04/06	Second Military District, SVR - dues refund, Co. A, 1st NJVI	5.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 7-26-05 through 08-05-06 **6780.56**

BALANCE: August 5, 2006

(Checking Account) **1500.60**

(Savings Account) **3210.97**

(Certificate of Deposit) **4105.24**

(Two Series I Bonds) **2000.00**

TOTAL BALANCE: August 5, 2006 **10816.81**

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. & L.

Colonel Henry E. Shaw, Jr.
Adjutant General, SVR

Report of the Constitution and Regulations Committee

The Constitution and Regulations Committee submits the following three proposals and requests they be acted upon favorably by the delegates attending the 125th National Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. Grim, PC-in-C, Chairman

Keith G. Harrison, PC-in-C

Stephen A. Michaels, PC-in-C

Richard D. Orr, PC-in-C

George L. Powell, PC-in-C

D. Brad Schall, PDC

C & R changes proposed for 2006

Proposal No. 1

Note: The purposed change to this section will correct a typo made in a previous year. Davis Camp does not have a camp # since it was the original SUVCW Camp. We are also correcting the spelling of the name Augustus Plummer Davis.

CURRENT LANGUAGE IN THE REGULATIONS

CHAPTER V

Article VIII

The principal color of the flag of the Davis Camp No. 1, Department of Pennsylvania, shall be gold in recognition of its place as the original Camp organized by August Plummer Davis on November 12, 1881.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR THIS SECTION

(The bold face type reflects the essential changes to this section.)

The principal color of the flag of the Davis Camp, Department of Pennsylvania, shall be gold in recognition of its place as the original Camp organized by Augustus Plummer Davis on November 12, 1881.

Proposal No. 2

Note: At the present time the Banner Editor is elected by the Council of Administration. This proposed change would establish a three (3) year term of office for the Banner Editor and specifically authorize the Council of Administration, by majority vote, to remove the Banner Editor during that three year term. We also propose adding the election of the Banner Editor to the Council of Administration Job Description. This change would also specifically fix the term of office at one year for the Camp-at-Large and Department Organizer. There is no change in the requirement that The Banner Editor report to the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief who serves as the Publisher of the Banner.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR THE JOB DESCRIPTION for the Council of Administration

Add a new Section 14 – Elect the Banner Editor for a three (3) year term of office.

CURRENT LANGUAGE IN THE REGULATIONS Relating to the Banner

Chapter III

Article V

Section 5(d) Elect the Editor of the Banner and Camp-at-Large and Department Organizer

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR THIS SECTION Relating to the Banner

(The bold face type reflects the essential changes to this section.)

Chapter III

Article V

Section 5(d) Elect the Editor of the Banner **for a term of three years, subject to removal from office at any time by a majority vote of the Council;** and elect the Camp-at-Large and Department Organizer **for a term of one year.**

Proposal No. 3

This Proposal will clarify language relating to discipline procedures involving dual membership. These proposed changes clarify in what jurisdiction charges must be filed and states that any penalties imposed are effective throughout the SUVCW organization. Also, identifying paragraph letters (a), (b), and (c) are added to Chapter V, Article VI Section 13.

CURRENT LANGUAGE IN THE REGULATIONS

CHAPTER V

Article VI

Section 7. All accusations must be made by one or more Brothers against one or more Brothers. Charges cannot be filed against a Camp, a Department or the National Organization, nor can charges be filed by a Camp or Department.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR THIS SECTION

(The bold face type reflects the essential changes to this section.)

CHAPTER V

Article VI

Section 7. All accusations must be made by one or more Brothers against one or more Brothers. Charges cannot be filed against a Camp, a Department or the National Organization, nor can charges be filed by a Camp or Department. **When charges are filed against a Brother who maintains multiple memberships, the charges shall be filed within the jurisdiction where the offense occurred. If the offense occurred at a location outside the jurisdiction of those localities where the accused has membership, the Brother filing the charges may file them with any competent jurisdiction having the right to hear the charges.**

CURRENT LANGUAGE IN THE REGULATIONS

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Section 13. All Brothers of the SUVCW when summoned shall attend as witnesses before any hearing council and their testimony shall be taken on their honor as Brothers. Their testimony may be provided by written deposition if the Brother lives over 100 miles from the site of the hearing or the Brother is otherwise unable to attend in person. The evidence of persons not Brothers of the Order shall be taken under oath or affirmation. Their testimony may be secured by written deposition, submitted under oath or affirmation and certified by a notary public (or other like official) if the individual lives over 100 miles from the site of the hearing or the individual is otherwise unable to attend in person. The hearing

council need not make a transcript of the proceedings, but shall make an audio record of the proceedings. Any party submitting exhibits or affidavits to the hearing council shall also provide exact copies of the same to the opposing party.

The hearing council shall then make specific findings of fact and issue their decision as either guilty or not guilty as to each specification, 2/3's affirmative vote necessary to convict. If a guilty verdict is determined, the hearing council shall then determine an appropriate penalty as to the matter.

Such sentence may include an assessment of costs actually incurred, to be paid by the accused, so long as the hearing council agrees to such assessment and the amount to be taxed unanimously. Should the accused be found not guilty of all counts, the petitioner may be assessed actual costs of the proceeding, if the hearing council unanimously finds the complaint to have been frivolously filed and agrees unanimously as to the amount of such costs.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE FOR THIS SECTION

(The bold face type reflects the essential changes to this section.)

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(b). The hearing council shall then make specific findings of fact and issue their decision as either guilty or not guilty as to each specification, 2/3's affirmative vote necessary to convict. If a guilty verdict is determined, the hearing council shall then determine an appropriate penalty as to the matter. **Said penalty shall be effective throughout all camps, departments and the national organization.**

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APPENDIX 2
Council of Administration Meeting Minutes
And Electronic Boardroom Votes

Council of Administration Meeting
August 4, 2005
Nashua, New Hampshire

The meeting was opened by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Darby at approximately 8:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Past Commander-in-Chief Kent Armstrong. An opening prayer was then offered by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief James Pahl. Upon the roll call of officers, the following were present, or would shortly be present:

Commander-in-Chief Stephen A. Michaels

Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby

Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief and Counselor James B. Pahl

National Secretary Michael S. Bennett

National Treasurer Max L. Newman

National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler

Council Member Robert M. Petrovic

Council Member David P. Stephen

Council Member Charles E. Kuhn

Council Member Leo F. Kennedy

Council Member D. Brad Schall

Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief Kent L. Armstrong

National Washington D.C. Representative Andrew M. Johnson, PC-in-C

Past Commanders-in-Chief George L. Powell, Edward J. Krieser, Elmer F. "Bud" Atkinson, Charles W. Corfman, and Richard Greenwalt

Guests of the Council of Administration: Chief of Staff Donald Palmer, Executive Director Lee Walters, Past Department Commander Ron Gill, and Department of Maryland Commander James Hanby

Communications were read by National Secretary Bennett including a recommendation from the Department of Kansas for two Brothers to be appointed National Aides for their recruiting efforts, a letter from PDC Gary Gibson expressing his regret at not being able to attend this year's Encampment, a letter from Taylor Camp 53, Dept. of Tennessee, regarding license requests connected with certificates they would like to produce and make available for sale to the SUVCW membership, a letter from the Department of Indiana expressing their desire to host the 2009 National Encampment, and several letters of support for candidates seeking elected National Office. A previous resolution by the Tanner Camp 134, Department of New York, seeking Honorary Membership for a New York Assemblyman was withdrawn.

Counselor Pahl noted that the \$17,000 stipend paid to the Executive Director includes reimbursement for expenses, and that no wording in the contract stipulates how that figure is to be broken down, leaving it to the Executive Director to decide how he wishes to allocate the funds.

Council Member Petrovic then reported on the manner in which he suggests Commanders-in-Chief receive their commemorative photographic albums. The incoming C-in-C will receive his album shortly after installation, so that he may fill them with photographs during his term of office. The albums are a high, archival quality.

PC-in-C Krieser then reported on the progress made with the compilation of National Encampment Proceedings noting that 1998, 2003 and 2004 are now completed. This would leave just a few years to be completed. C-in-C Michaels instructed National Secretary Bennett to notify the PC-in-Cs from the years not yet completed that they need to wrap up their Proceedings as soon as possible and that

arrangements with PC-in-C Krieser should be made to have these transcribed and published as soon as possible. PC-in-C Krieser also reported that he has learned that Congress will now accept an electronic copy of our annual Proceedings in order to satisfy the requirement that we submit our annual Proceedings to Congress. SVC-in-C Darby clarified that producing the Proceedings electronically, perhaps on CD, would save considerable costs over publishing hard copies. Counselor Pahl began a search through our C & R to confirm our own requirements for publication of Encampment Proceedings. A concern was discussed that documents appearing in .pdf format can easily be altered. JVC-in-C Pahl and National Quartermaster Wheeler suggested that the matter be brought before the National Encampment for discussion and decision.

Chief of Staff Donald Palmer noted that a complete compilation of Officer and Committee Reports was being assembled by the National Secretary for distribution to the Encampment, and he presented a summary of the reports containing recommendations requiring the attention of the Council. Chief of Staff Palmer also noted that 94% of National Officers and Committees submitted reports. In an attempt to offer further assistance to present and future National Officers, Brother Palmer presented a document he developed entitled "Guidelines for Effective Committee Organization and Operation." It was further reported that assistance would be needed with the Joint Opening Ceremonies in the morning, and that many of the Council Members would be asked to escort their Auxiliary counterparts, and others, into the ceremonies. Council Member Petrovic added that we would need to perform a quick change-over of the room between the Joint Memorial Service and the Joint Opening Ceremony and the Joint Opening Ceremony and our own 1st Business Session. In conclusion, Brother Palmer offered his appreciation for the opportunity to serve this year as National Chief of Staff.

National Treasurer Newman presented his budget for the year 2005-2006, including a 34 page Financial Report. Brother Newman offered many explanations and clarifications of the entries in his report, and further explained that payment to the Executive Director will be taking place a few weeks earlier than in the past, so that it will take place during the quarter covered by the check. Brother Newman also noted that there are a number of outstanding checks from the National Organization that have not been cashed in more than a year, and that he has received a number of "thank you" letters from entities within our Order that have received checks, particularly those who have received Memorials Grants.

SVC-in-C Darby reported that tax forms have arrived late to the stenographer transcribing our Encampment Proceedings, and asked that they be provided sooner, specifically within the period allocated by the IRS. National Treasurer Newman noted that he will be performing this function himself in the future, as our auditors have demonstrated for several years that they are not able to do this in a timely manner. Treasurer Newman further explained that he has been informed that the SUVCW is supposed to be operating in a manner called zero-based budgeting, which he described as prohibiting the carrying over of balances from one year's budget to the next. Rather, excess funds can only be placed in reserve funds from which they can possibly be drawn. One of the programs of the Order to be affected by this change is the Civil War Memorials Grant program, which often permitted excess funds to be granted to projects by vote of the National Encampment. As there can now be no funds in excess by the time of the National Encampment, this can no longer be done. Further, it was agreed that the deadlines by which applications to the Memorial Grants program must be received in order to be properly examined and approved should be moved back to permit more time for these applications to be fully processed before the end of the fiscal year.

JVC-in-C Pahl moved that the proposed Budget be approved as presented. This was seconded by Council member Charles Kuhn and was unanimously approved.

It was noted that the Memorials Assessment Form 61 required to be submitted to the National Civil War Memorials Officer in order to qualify, in part, for Memorials Grants has not, in all cases, been provided prior to grant checks being written. The National Civil War Memorials Officer has expressed his displeasure that the correct and clearly specified procedure is not always being followed, and that a large part of the basis and spirit of this program, to help grow our Order's collection of assessment information for Civil War Memorials, is being lost.

C-in-C Michaels brought up the subject of the proposed policy regarding entering into contracts on behalf of the National Organization. National Secretary noted that as of the early morning hours of August 4, 2005, there were 9 votes electronically cast in favor of this new policy. C-in-C Michaels noted, therefore, that the motion to approve this policy has passed.

SVC-in-C Darby then addressed several questions or concerns regarding the Last Soldier Project submitted by Brother Todd Shillington. It was noted in the Policy read by Brother Darby that the Last Soldier Project falls under the purview of the National Graves Registration Officer and that a Graves Registration Form must be on file before funds can be requested or allocated towards this project. The funds for Last Soldier Memorials do come out of the Civil War Memorials Fund. The National Organization does not have a prescribed plaque that must be used to identify the final resting places of the Last Soldiers in this project, however a sample concept may be found on the National website. It was moved that specific reference to the Last Soldier plaque available for sale from the Department of Illinois be removed from the Official Policy, noting that the Illinois Department's plaque is not a mandated design, but merely one possibility of design which is currently being produced and offered for sale through The Banner. Reference to Last Soldier project information and images depicted on the Ohio Department website was also discussed and it was moved that this reference be retained in the Policy. The motion to remove the reference to the Illinois plaque passed. The motion to retain the Ohio Department website reference was defeated 6/5. Both references are to be removed.

Discussion then took place regarding the creation and wearing of a miniature SVR medal, which would conflict with portions of the current C & R. After lengthy discussion, the matter will be forwarded to the C & R Committee for their review and recommendation.

The Charitable Foundation then displayed three new products available for sale: a valise/portfolio, wrist watch, and umbrella. All three of these items will be on sale during and after the Encampment. Council Member Petrovic then showed a large "Personal War Sketch" acquired from eBay, altered and duplicated to be usable by Brothers in recording the history of their ancestor's service. It is to be available for \$10. An SOV certificate was also shown that Brother Petrovic had reworked for potential sale, noting that National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler had a similar item produced, which is currently ready to be sold. The Charitable Foundation's version is not to be sold at this time. Upon approval by the Council, the National Quartermaster's certificate will be available for \$3.50. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Pahl to approve the National Quartermaster's certificate for sale. This motion was seconded by Council Member Kuhn and passed unanimously.

SVC-in-C Darby noted that a New Hampshire Camp appears to be offering an Encampment tee shirt for sale that features the name Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. C-in-C Michaels instructed National Secretary Bennett to contact this Camp and inquire as to licensing matters.

A brief discussion then took place regarding the structure of the 501(c)3 Charitable Foundation and its relationship, financial and otherwise, with the 501(c)4 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It was noted that as soon as sufficient funding becomes available, the Charitable Foundation can begin to provide financial support for specific SUVCW projects.

Council Member Kuhn then presented a draft Definition and Statement of Purpose regarding Remembrance Day, as solicited by the COA at the previous Council of Administration Meeting. SVC-in-C Darby moved that the fourth sentence from the bottom of the third paragraph referencing "winter drought" be removed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Council Member Kennedy suggested that the word President should be inserted prior to Lincoln in several locations within this statement. JVC-in-C Pahl suggested that the "for all intents and purposes" be removed from the bold faced paragraph, and C-in-C Michaels suggested that this paragraph be made the first paragraph of this statement, with the supporting paragraphs to follow. PC-in-C Armstrong suggested the removal of specific wording that would restrict this statement to 2005. JVC-in-C Pahl moved that the Council adopt the fourth, bold, paragraph as the official Policy Statement as to our purpose for Remembrance Day, and accept the other paragraphs as the Remembrance Day Committee's report in support of their work in creating this statement. This was seconded by National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler. This amendment was accepted, and the motion passed unanimously.

After considerable discussion, Council Member Kuhn moved that the Remembrance Day Parade Rules be presented on the floor of the National Encampment for their discussion and decision. This motion was seconded by SVC-in-C Darby and passed unanimously.

Returning to the matter of National Encampment Proceedings, JVC-in-C Pahl moved that each person who is in attendance at the Encampment receive one complimentary copy of the proceedings, in the format in which they are produced, including the incoming and outgoing Commander-in-Chief. Additional copies may be purchased for an appropriate fee. This was seconded by Council Member Leo Kennedy. Council Member Kuhn offered an amendment that the wording be changed to include all of those registered for the Encampment, to include those who paid a registration fee but may not have been able to attend. The amendment was accepted, and the motion passed unanimously.

National Quartermaster Wheeler expressed his desire to put photographs of items for sale on the National website, and/or to create a catalogue featuring photographs, so that members can see an image of the items for sale. PC-in-C Wheeler suggested that a simple brochure could even be inserted into packages containing outgoing orders at little cost. C-in-C Michaels stated that creating such a catalogue could be left up to the judgment of the National Quartermaster. Placing advertising on the National website would require a review of Policy as Camps and Departments are prohibited from engaging in sales via the National website. Additionally, Brother Wheeler announced that the National Quartermaster will now be selling 3' x 5' American Flags selling for \$8 and 4 x 6' for \$10. He also revealed that he expects to have a 2 x 4' SUVCW flag available for sale soon that should retail for approximately \$30. This flag would be designed for flying on a flag pole, beneath an American flag, much as a POW/MIA flag is often displayed. It would NOT be a substitute for a Camp flag.

The National Webmaster's recommendation that the Council explore the possibility of purchasing SUVCW domain suffix names (.biz, .usa, .net, .info, etc.) was then discussed. Council Member Stephen moved that the Council follow the recommendation of the National Webmaster and purchase the top four names on the list of existing SUVCW domains, at this time. The motion passed 6/5. It was further suggested that the incoming National Webmaster make inquiry as to the status of the taken domain suvcw.com.

A brief report was given by JVC-in-C Pahl regarding the current status of the talks with TACOM and the possibility of the SUVCW being given custodianship of certain cannon. At present, only two pieces are being included in talks. Liability concerns were briefly discussed, as well as the responsibilities which would be assumed by the SUVCW and local municipalities and other entities.

For the Good of the Order, PC-in-C Armstrong showed pictures of some of the rejected US Postal Service designs for the GAR Stamp issued back in 1949, and provided copies to those assembled.

In conclusion, C-in-C Michaels thanked the Council Members present for their service and for allowing him to be a part of their lives, and for them to be a part of his, during the past year.

Following a closing prayer offered by Council Member Kuhn, the meeting was ended at approximately 11:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary

Council of Administration Meeting
August 7, 2005
Nashua, New Hampshire

The Post-Encampment Council of Administration meeting was opened by Commander-in-Chief Donald Darby at approximately 8:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance. An inspirational opening prayer was then offered by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn. Upon the roll call of officers, the following were recorded present:

Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief James B. Pahl
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn
National Secretary Michael S. Bennett
National Treasurer Max L. Newman
National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler
Council Member David Stephen
Council Member Leo Kennedy
Council Member D. Brad Schall
Council Member James Hanby
Council Member Daniel Murray
Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief Stephen Michaels
National Counselor and Past Commander-in-Chief Robert Grim
National Washington D.C. Representative and Past Commander-in-Chief Andrew M. Johnson
Additional Past Commanders-in-Chief present included Edward J. Krieser, Elmer F. "Bud" Atkinson, and Charles W. Corfman.
Guests of the Council of Administration were: National Chief of Staff Henry Shaw, Executive Director Lee Walters, National Graves Registration Officer Robert Lowe, PDC, Department of Maryland Senior Vice Commander R. Keith Young, Maryland Brother Ken Hershberger, PDC, and Michigan Brother James Pahl, Jr.

Commander-in-Chief Darby began the meeting by welcoming those new to the Council of Administration, and then announced that it was his intention that the Council would adhere to the Navy idiom of "High Speed and Low Drag."

C-in-C Darby then addressed a sensitive matter brought to his attention by means of a note left for him during the Encampment. Apparently, it was reported that Past Commander-in-Chief Stephen Michaels has an addiction to Oscar's Delicious Ice Cream, and has been seen not only eating it, but also asking for it from his Brothers in the Order. While the note indicated that PC-in-C Michaels was to receive certificates for free Oscar's Delicious Ice Cream, no actual certificates were to be found. In their place, however, Commander-in-Chief Darby presented Past Commander-in-Chief Michaels with a certificate in the name of and by authority of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, acknowledging PC-in-C Stephen A. Michaels' dedicated service to the Order as Commander-in-Chief for the year 2004-2005. PC-in-C Michaels accepted the certificate with appreciation, and received a round of applause by those in attendance.

Commander-in-Chief Darby then noted that as Senior Council of Administration Member David Stephen would now chair the Memorial Grant Fund, with assistance from Council Members Leo Kennedy and D. Brad Schall. Materials related to Grant Fund applications were then presented to Council Member Stephen for the Committee's review.

Brother Keith Young from the Department of Maryland then gave a presentation to the Council about the veterans cemeteries located at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, located high on a bluff across the Anacostia River from Capitol Hill in Washington D.C. , and Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2's efforts to care for and record the hundreds of veteran graves located on the hospital grounds. It was noted that while the facility has done its best, they have no mechanism in place or budget available to provide the care needed. It was recommended that some other entity will need to be charged with this duty, and that the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War can play a role by putting together a nationwide effort to convince Congress that we need to protect and care for this cemetery, and our veterans who rest within.

Returning to the business of the Council, the subject of Life Member Reimbursement was raised by National Treasurer Max Newman, noting that the 1 st category of Life Members, those who became Life Members prior to August 15, 1996, currently entitle their Camps, or Departments for MALs, to a \$4 yearly payment, while those who became Life Members between August 15, 1996 and August 19, 2000, referred to as the 1996 Program, are entitled to a \$12 reimbursement. There is no reimbursement for those who became Life Members during the current 2001 Program. After some discussion, it was moved by Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief James Pahl, and seconded by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charlie Kuhn, that the reimbursement amount for pre-August 15, 1996 Life Members be raised from \$4 to \$6. The motion was approved unanimously.

Commander-in-Chief Darby then noted, for the benefit of the new members of the Council, that by a previous vote of the Council, all Brothers are required to wear their SUVVCW badges at Council of Administration meetings. A fine of \$1 is imposed on any Brother in violation of this rule. C-in-C Darby offered to wave this penalty for new members of the Council at this meeting, but was quickly informed that the new Council Members were, indeed, wearing their badges. C-in-C Darby noted that all Brothers at the Council of Administration meeting in Gettysburg , including guests of the Council, will be required to wear their badges or pay the penalty. Treasurer Newman noted that, after careful consideration, he deemed this offense to be "disrespect to the Grand Army of the Republic," and has therefore deposited these fines into the G.A.R. Fund.

Commander-in-Chief Darby then shared some of the complaints and concerns he received regarding voting procedures at the National Encampment – specifically the ways in which we ensure that no one votes who is not entitled to, even when this may occur without intent. Various suggestions have been made including the creation of voting cards, perhaps of different colors. C-in-C Darby has appointed PC-in-C Powell to serve as Chairman, and John Irons, PDC as a fifth member of the Credentials Committee. After considerable discussion, and many valuable suggestions, it was agreed that the Program & Policy Committee will work with the Credentials Committee on the creation of voting cards and the procedure for their distribution and use. C-in-C Darby asked the Program & Policy Committee to report to the COA by the Council meeting in Gettysburg in November.

A question was then posed to the National Counselor by C-in-C Darby regarding the National Encampment's instruction to the Constitution and Regulations Committee to establish a grievance board or policy. C-in-C Darby asked the Counselor if it would be appropriate to appoint a Grievance Committee to handle such matters while the C & R Committee is formalizing their own response. SVC-in-C Pahl noted that a procedure already exists within the Constitution and Regulations by which the C-in-C shall appoint a three member Appeals Panel whenever an appeal is received, and Counselor Robert Grim, PC-in-C, added that the Commander-in-Chief is required to appoint a Hearing Council when a complaint with charges and specifications is received. C-in-C Darby encouraged members of the

Council to review the specific wording within our General Regulations, which addresses such matters. They can be found in Article V, Chapter VI.

SVC-in-C Pahl noted that there are two Officers that need to be appointed on an annual basis by the Council of Administration: National Member-at-Large Coordinator and Editor of The Banner. Council Member Stephen moved and PC-in-C Michaels seconded that Alan Russ be permitted to continue to serve as National Member-at-Large Coordinator. The motion was approved unanimously, with several members of the Council mentioning Brother Russ' excellent performance in that position. Council Member James Hanby then moved and JVC-in-C Kuhn, speaking for many, seconded the motion that SVC-in-C Pahl be appointed to serve as Editor of The Banner. The motion was approved with only SVC-in-C Pahl's vote in dissent.

C-in-C Darby announced that the Council of Administration's next meeting would be at 8:00 am , Sunday, November 20, 2005 in Gettysburg . A brief discussion concerning location then took place, concluding in the selection of a conference room at the Eisenhower Inn. C-in-C Darby also noted that it was his hope and intent for the Council to conduct as much business as possible via e-mail and use of the electronic boardroom. This will reduce the number of items which need to be discussed in person, and should result in shorter Council of Administration meetings. It was also suggested that those inclined to do so take advantage of the breakfast put on by Gettysburg Camp 112 Sunday morning in the Gettysburg GAR hall, located at 53 E. Middle Street .

All were reminded of our new policy concerning non-period attire at the Remembrance Day parade, and it was clarified that those in non-period clothing will march together in business suit or other appropriate attire, wearing the badge of their Order. JVC-in-C Kuhn will explore acquisition of a banner which will precede this contingent, identifying them as members of the Allied Orders. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the order and placement of the non-period attired division(s).

National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler, PC-in-C, brought to the Council's attention that the grave of PC-in-C Norman Fuhrman was recently discovered to be unmarked. As PC-in-C Fuhrman was a WWII veteran, obtaining a headstone will present no difficulty. However, Brother Wheeler asked if the Order might be able to assist with the \$150 cost of having a stone installed and set. PC-in-C Krieser suggested that this be left to the Past Commander-in-Chiefs. The offer was gratefully accepted.

National Quartermaster Wheeler then presented a sample certificate for issuance upon the death of a Brother, to be offered for sale by the Quartermaster. A similar Resolution of Respect Certificate was created by the Pvt. Richard Taylor Camp 53 of Huntsville, AL, and was submitted to the Council for their review, along with Membership Certificates created for both Associates and Juniors. After lengthy discussion, the Council unanimously voted not to approve the Resolution of Respect Certificate as presented, noting confusion with regard to some of the wording used on the certificate. It was further decided that official certificates and forms of the Order – particularly membership certificates – should come through the National Quartermaster, in order to achieve a standard of style and quality. It was, therefore, a unanimous vote to reject the Associate and Junior certificates proposed by Taylor Camp 53. SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the certificate created by National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit and presented by National Quartermaster Wheeler be adopted once it is re-worked somewhat with additional color added. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously with the abstention of National Quartermaster Wheeler.

National Secretary Michael Bennett then presented a request from Durgin Camp 7, Department of New Hampshire, for a license from the Council of Administration to sell t-shirts featuring the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War name and/or logo. A sample was provided for the Council's inspection. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn and seconded by many to approve this license, to expire at the National Encampment in August of 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

National Quartermaster Wheeler moved that an original Sons of Veterans Certificate, currently in the possession of the Charitable Foundation, be duplicated and made available for sale by the Foundation. The motion was seconded by Council Member D. Brad Schall. JVC-in-C Kuhn pointed out the confusion and misrepresentation that would occur by permitting a Brother to place his own name on a certificate featuring the name Sons of Veterans, an organization which no longer exists under that name. Following that discussion, the Council voted unanimously not to permit the sale of this certificate.

National Quartermaster Wheeler then reminded the Council that he had been investigating making 2' x 4' SUVVCW flags available for sale. Further examination showed that the flags under consideration would be computer-generated rather than silk screened. Concerns were raised regarding the appearance and durability of these flags, especially if used outside. C-in-C Darby also brought up the need to indicate that these flags are not to be used as a replacement for Camp flags. Council Member Stephen reported that a Brother stated to him that U.S. Flag code provides that only a State flag or POW flag may fly on the same pole with an American Flag. It was the belief of many members of the Council that this was inaccurate. National Quartermaster Wheeler moved and JVC-in-C Kuhn seconded that a sample run of these flags be produced. The motion passed unanimously with the abstention of National Quartermaster Wheeler.

PC-in-C Krieser reported that dozens of Brothers have not yet received their copies of National Encampment proceedings, either because they were not in attendance at recent National Encampments at which they were distributed, or because they simply did not take advantage of the opportunity to obtain them. Noting that he believes he does not have the authority to incur the expense of mailing them out, and asked for the Council's guidance in how to complete this distribution. PC-in-C and National Quartermaster Emeritus "Bud" Atkinson noted that it had been the duty of the National Quartermaster to mail copies of National Encampment Proceedings out to Brothers who did not receive them at subsequent Encampments, which he did on many occasions. Council Member Stephen moved that PC-in-C Krieser, in his capacity as National Secretary for Proceedings, be authorized to mail National Encampment proceedings out to Brothers entitled to receive them, with additional extra copies being provided to the National Quartermaster for sale to Brothers who may desire them. The motion was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn and passed unanimously.

PC-in-C Michaels indicated that the Council needed to vote on the amount of dues and application fee to be required for those applying for membership via the National website, and also provided a spreadsheet that showed, merely for informational purposes, the breakdown numbers of Camps and Brothers in each membership category in each of our Departments, adding that we all need to do what we can to assist our Camps and Departments in resuming an increase in membership and a strengthening of our Camps.

Noting that the current dues for those applying through the National website is \$31, with an additional \$10 application/initiation fee, C-in-C Darby asked the Council to indicate whether any changes should be made to these amounts. SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the amounts remain the same, and that they continue to be pro-rated for those who apply during the second half of the calendar year. The motion was seconded by PC-in-C Michaels and passed unanimously.

National Treasurer Newman requested a complete list, with contact information, for all of our National Organization's Bonded Officers. According to our Constitution and Regulations, Bonded Officers include the Commander-in-Chief, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer, Assistant National Treasurer(s), National Quartermaster, National Patriotic Instructor, National Member-at-Large Coordinator, and the Executive Director. National Secretary Bennett will provide this information.

Council Member Kennedy then asked if the Council might develop some guidelines for the Special Projects Fund to prevent the entire Special Projects Fund budget to be used in the first month of the fiscal year, and to prevent this fund from being used solely as a way to circumvent other funding application methods, such as the Memorials Grant Fund process. C-in-C Darby suggested that the Program & Policy Committee might create a policy for the expenditure of money out of the Special Projects Fund. PC-in-C Michaels added that perhaps a written application form should be required as well. Council Member Kennedy moved that the Program & Policy Committee be tasked to create a policy for the Special Projects Fund. The motion was seconded by Council Member Schall and passed unanimously. Considerable discussion concerning our budget, reserve funds, and permitted allocations then took place.

With no further business to come before the Council, JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Schall and passed unanimously.

Following a closing prayer offered by JVC-in-C Kuhn, the meeting was ended at approximately 10:30 AM .

Respectfully Submitted
in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVCW

**Council of Administration Meeting
September 20, 2005
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania**

The Council of Administration meeting was opened by Commander-in-Chief Donald Darby at approximately 8:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance. A moving opening prayer was then offered by National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski. After the roll call of officers, the following were recorded present:

Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby
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Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief Stephen Michaels
National Washington D.C. Representative and Past Commander-in-Chief Andrew M. Johnson
Additional Past Commanders-in-Chief present included George L. Powell, Elmer F. "Bud" Atkinson, Charles W. Corfman, and Gordon R. Bury, II.
Guests of the Council of Administration were: National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, National Chief of Staff Henry Shaw, PCC, National Graves Registration Officer Bob Lowe, PDC, National Webmaster Ken Freshley, Executive Director Lee F. Walters, PCC, Banner Publisher John Hart, Pennsylvania Department Commander Eric J. Schmincke, PCC, and SUVCW Charitable Foundation Board Member Robert Petrovic, PDC.

To begin the meeting, Commander-in-Chief Darby noted that he has signed four new Camp Charters since our National Encampment in August, and 492 new members have been registered since May 1, 2005, indicating a welcome growth to our Order. C-in-C Darby then reported that as National Chief of Staff Shaw has assembled all of the National Officer and Committee reports submitted, he will give an abbreviated report of those which may require immediate attention. Oral reports from Officers will then be accepted from those present who did not submit written reports previously. These reports will be limited to five minutes.

The report of National Webmaster Ken Freshley was examined, with the potential purchase of available SUVCW domain names to be the first matter for discussion – interrupted only by a request for Chief of Staff Shaw to pay the required \$1 penalty for failure to wear his SUVCW membership badge to the meeting. Brother Freshley reported that the price will be \$7.95 per year to secure the domain names suvcw.net, suvcw.biz, suvcw.us, and suvcw.info, with a likely discount if we should purchase each of them for a minimum of five years. A motion was made by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn, and seconded by Council Member Leo Kennedy, that the SUVCW secure these four domain names for a period of five years, to ensure that they are not taken and used by others. Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief James Pahl inquired as to whether these domains could then be set up so that someone who entered any one of them would be redirected to our suvcw.org website. It was confirmed that this would be possible and would be the intention of the National Webmaster. The motion was then passed unanimously. It was noted that the suvcw.com domain registration is currently held by a domain squatter, and Brother Freshley agreed to make contact with this individual in an attempt to obtain this domain name as well.

Brother Freshley then addressed the subject of available suvcw.org e-mail addresses which are currently not being used by our Order. If they are to be provided to anyone, Brother Freshley recommended that they should only be used as alias addresses, so that received messages are forwarded from those addresses to the users' existing personal accounts and do not take up our allowed space on the server(s). It is believed, from previous discussion and investigation, that approximately 20 suvcw.org e-mail addresses might be available. Council Member Kennedy expressed concern that messages sent by users of suvcw.org e-mail addresses might be misconstrued by others as official messages from the SUVCW. Brother Kennedy suggested that the limited number of available addresses be provided only to Past Commanders-in-Chief. JVC-in-C Kuhn refined this suggestion to become a motion which indicated that the addresses should be provided to our past Commander-in-Chiefs free of charge. Each year, the outgoing Commander-in-Chief will be provided with one of these addresses until the available addresses are all in use, after which time the Past C-in-C with the earliest term of office will be asked to surrender his address, so that the newest PC-in-C may have one. This motion was seconded by Council Member Kennedy. PC-in-C Powell asked, as one who would benefit from this, if there should not be a nominal charge for the use of the suvcw.org addresses, suggesting \$25 per year. JVC-in-C Kuhn expressed his belief that the Order could easily afford to provide these addresses to its Past Commanders-in-Chief without charge as an additional thank you for their service, especially as there is no additional cost for doing so. The motion passed with only Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Pahl voting in opposition.

The report of our Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief was next looked at, with emphasis on Brother Kuhn's concerns regarding significant delays experienced by some individuals attempting to join our Order, due to what appears to be slow action on the part of some Departments or Camps. Part of Brother Kuhn's suggested remedy would be increased use of the internet to allow an applicant to apply, pay dues, and be assigned to a Camp all while online. C-in-C Darby noted the importance of a signature in order to process a membership application completely and SVC-in-C Pahl added that amendments to our Constitution and Regulations could be required for the proposed procedures. SVC-in-C Pahl moved that Brother Kuhn work with the National Webmaster to develop a plan outlining recommended remedies for his concerns to present to the Council by or before the mid-year COA meeting for their review. The motion was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn and passed unanimously.

The next items of business dealt with the SUVCW Graves Registration Database and the report of National Graves Registration Officer Bob Lowe, PDC. Pennsylvania Department Commander Eric Schmincke was also present to help clarify technical issues. Brother Lowe's report addressed the Council's request, following the 2005 National Encampment, to investigate the addition of enhancements to the existing database, and to determine the feasibility/costs were such enhancements to be added by the present database designer/programmer, Brother Nathan Orr, or if an independent software company or individual should be retained to redesign the database using new software. Nine suggested enhancements to the database were presented to Brother Orr, and his estimates for time and cost were provided. Following extensive discussion on the database and the graves registration program, a motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn and seconded by National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler to have the first seven enhancements on the Graves Registration Officer's list completed by Brother Orr. A friendly amendment was made by C-in-C Darby to separate the motion into two parts. This was accepted by Brothers Kuhn and Wheeler, and the amended motion addressed only the first three enhancements: 1. Adding SEA (lost/buried at sea) a searchable feature for the Cemetery State field. 2. Adding MIA (missing in action) as above. 3. Making the Medal of Honor field searchable to determine number and names of recipient. This motion passed unanimously and National Secretary Michael Bennett was directed to make contact with Brother Orr and to establish an agreement regarding the Council's expectations, a deadline for completion, and price.

A second motion by JVC-in-C Kuhn then noted that, as it was determined that Brother Lowe, with input from members of his Committee and the COA, felt confident he could create a set of business rules for the functioning of the database, he should do so and report back to the Council by the mid-year COA meeting, or sooner if possible. As it is hoped that Civil War Memorials will be added to this database, it was directed that National Civil War Memorials Officer Todd Shillington and his Committee should be included in the creation of these business rules. The motion was seconded by Council Members Leo Kennedy and D. Brad Schall, and passed unanimously.

With much appreciation and recognition for the hard work of Brother Orr in bringing the graves registration database into existence with his own database program, it was agreed that the current software will not allow the graves registration program to easily expand and change as is now evidently required. Therefore, the Graves Registration Committee will also begin to research an alternative database program that will enable the growth and adaptability desired to continue permitting the program to move forward. PC-in-C Andrew Johnson, as one of the National Officers with whom this project first began, noted that in a few years, if not already, this graves registration database will be the brightest star in our organization's crown.

The matter of the printed Graves Registration Brochure was then discussed, comparing the printed version available from the National Quartermaster with a full-color brochure that could be regularly updated as needed and made available free of charge on the SUVCW website. Brother Wheeler noted that he has sold perhaps five of these brochures since being elected National Quartermaster, and that placing the brochure on the website will cause no great harm to his sales, but will prevent the surplus of brochures that may accumulate and then quickly become outdated if he were to continue to have them printed and made available for sale. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn and seconded by Council Member Schall that the Graves Registration Brochure be placed on the National Website and made available to anyone who would like to download and print it, rather than be offered for sale by the National Quartermaster. The motion passed unanimously.

It was then reported that the Department of Missouri is requesting permission to use the SUVCW name and images of the SUVCW crest and badge on items relating to the 2007 National Encampment in St. Louis, MO. It was moved by SVC-in-C Pahl and seconded by Council Member Hanby that a license to use the Sons' name and images of the SUVCW crest and badge on 2007 National Encampment items be granted to the Department of Missouri. The motion passed unanimously.

C-in-C Darby showed a Civil War book to the Council which a company would like to offer for sale to our membership for \$40, providing a \$5 commission to the SUVCW for each book sold. One of the authors of the book is a member of the SUVCW. If approved by the Council, the SUVCW Charitable Foundation will use an advertising page in the Banner to promote this sale. A motion was made by National Quartermaster Wheeler, seconded by Council Member Schall, for the Foundation to take on this project and make the book available for sale to our members. The motion passed unanimously.

A discussion then took place regarding the date of the Council's next meeting. Due to holidays and a variety of other conflicts, March 11, 2005 was selected, with the location tentatively set for Milwaukee, WI.

A membership certificate was then shown to the Council of Administration that was created by Lone Star Camp 1, Department of the Southwest. As an official document offered for sale by the National Quartermaster, with National authority, a Camp may not produce and distribute their own membership certificates, even at no charge to their own members. The National Secretary will make the Lone Star Camp aware of this.

C-in-C Darby then opened the floor for the receipt of oral reports from Officers present.

SVC-in-C Pahl noted that the next issue of The Banner was currently at the printer and hopefully would be circulated within a week. This year's second issue is expected to be ready for publication by Christmas, with issues 3 and 4 back on the normal schedule. He noted that many photographs were taken during the Remembrance Day weekend, the best of which should be featured in the next issue.

National Secretary Bennett then gave a report and passed out a written summary of his activities for the previous three months, including the four new Camp Charters prepared since the National Encampment, and the assistance and documentation provided to the many other Camps having received permission to form. Other work has included the creation of an updated Department Officers list containing contact info for the five key Officers from each Department, and having that posted on the National Website, as well as compiling and having posted a similar list for our Camps-at-Large. With permission and assistance from the Commander-in-Chief, Secretary Bennett has also been able to present each new matter on the Council's Electronic Boardroom prior to the start of voting, so that the specific motions can be read and understood. Updated Electronic Boardroom vote reports have been provided to the National Webmaster for posting as new matters have been decided. Brother Bennett assisted with the reassignment of e-mail addresses and passwords to those new to the Council, and to those whose Office has changed. Camp Officer Election reports were also sent to all Camps-at-Large, along with instructions and an offer of assistance should it be needed. Secretary Bennett then offered his apologies for the length of time he has taken in assembling the minutes from the Post-Encampment COA meeting. The minutes will be e-mailed to the Council for their review upon Brother Bennett's return home.

National Treasurer Newman then presented his written financial report. As always, the report was most comprehensive and little discussion was required. In an attempt to save time, Brother Newman simply offered to answer any questions All was found to be in order. Brother Newman did mention that he's currently off-line, with computer difficulties, but that he hopes and expects to be back up and running shortly.

National Quartermaster Wheeler reported that it has been his pleasure to serve the Order as Quartermaster since the last meeting of the Council, and noted that he continues to work on new projects. It was noted that many vendors are raising prices, and that he is working to maintain the lowest possible costs for our members. Brother Wheeler added that orders are up and sales are up, with more than \$3000 in sales made at the National Encampment alone. Brother Wheeler noted one incident in the past few months in which an order broke open in the mail, as was confirmed by a note from the post office acknowledging a damaged parcel. Brother Wheeler suggested the Brother whose order this was make a report to the Post Office. As it was not insured, the purchaser was given the opportunity to send another payment and reorder, which he did. Also, a pair of SUVCW cufflinks was returned by a Brother in damaged condition. As the Quartermaster could find no record of the sender having made the purchase in the last year, and no guarantees are made with regard to items purchased from the National Quartermaster, the cufflinks were returned to the individual who made the complaint. Brother Wheeler also suggested that only the listing that appears on the National Website be used for publication in The

Banner, as he will keep that updated. Lastly, it was reported that more than \$1300 in sales were made in Gettysburg during the Remembrance Day weekend.

A report from the SUVCW Charitable Foundation was then made by Brother Robert Petrovic, who noted that National Webmaster Ken Freshley will soon be creating the Foundation's website, providing information about the Charitable Foundation as well as a complete listing of merchandise currently available for sale. Following the launch of the website, the Foundation will then begin to solicit grants. New products planned for sale include grill ornaments featuring the SUVCW badge and SVR items.

C-in-C Darby then asked PC-in-C George Powell, in his capacity as Chairman of the National Encampment Credentials Committee, to provide the proposed Credentials Committee job description to the Constitution and Regulations Committee for their review prior to presentation to the next National Encampment. PC-in-C Darby also noted that the proposed new National Encampment credentials policy remains on the COA's Electronic Boardroom for those who have not yet voted. While a majority on the Council have already voted in favor of the new policy, the vote is not yet closed. Council Members were encouraged by the C-in-C to cast their votes by November 22, 2005 .

The subject of sales of merchandise at National Encampments then was discussed, in light of complaints by a Department that the sales by the National Quartermaster and the Charitable Foundation, which took place inside the Encampment meeting room, both were a distraction from the business meeting, and served to reduce sales of Camp and Department items which were relegated to an adjacent room. National Quartermaster Wheeler noted that he attempted to shut down his sales immediately when the gavel dropped, indicating the resumption of the business meeting, but that it was difficult to entice some Brothers to leave his tables at times. It is Brother Wheeler's opinion that most of his business was done at the start of the day, on breaks, and at lunchtime. He further noted that the National Quartermaster has offered merchandise for sale inside the

meeting room at National Encampments for many years, and that the presence of these items - most of which relate to the operation of the Order - and the ability for Brothers to purchase them at the Encampment and save on shipping is a service to our membership. Brother Petrovic, on behalf of the Foundation, agreed that the Quartermaster has, historically, been present in the meeting room with merchandise for sale. He further noted that items sold by the Quartermaster and the Foundation, produce income that benefits the entire organization and all of its members, unlike the Camp and Department sales which benefit individual projects or subgroups of the Order. A lengthy discussion then took place regarding sales by the Quartermaster and Foundation inside the meeting room when the Encampment was not in session, space requirements, as well as the placement of the Credentials Committee table inside the meeting room as well. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn, seconded by Council Member Hanby, that so long as space permits, both the National Quartermaster and Charitable Foundation will be permitted to offer merchandise for sale within the meeting room of the National Encampment, provided that they not conduct business while the Encampment is in session. The motion was passed unanimously, with National Quartermaster Wheeler abstaining.

Past Commander-in-Chief Gordon Bury then addressed the Council meeting regarding the possibility of funds being raised for the Order through cooperation with corporate entities, by which donations may be made to the SUVCW and deductions will be earned by donors. An example was given in which an individual obtaining a mortgage through PC-in-C Bury's company would cause a \$250 donation to be given to the Memorial Fund in their name, and that individual would earn the \$250 tax deduction. C-in-C Darby suggested that the Charitable Foundation, as a 501(c)(3) entity, should oversee such a project and that a presentation should be made to the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Before asking Brother John Hart to address the Council, C-in-C Darby offered his congratulations, echoed by many, for the contribution of Brother Hart's Delaney- Delacey Guard Fife and Drum Corps during the events of the weekend. Many agreed that these youth were second to none, and several parade participants noted that they would be honored to march behind them any time. C-in-C Darby's only request was that Marching Through Georgia, despite it being a post-Civil War song, should be added to the group's play list. Brother Hart then spoke about The Banner, confirming that the current issue should be in the mail during the coming week. He also presented his idea that having an appointed Editor for The Banner, serving under the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, would provide both continuity and a seasoned and experienced controlling hand to ensure quality and timely production of our newsletter. The present system provides for the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief to serve as the sole Editor, usually taking the first two or more issues to learn the job, only to then turn the position over to his successor after, at most, the fourth issue. SVC-in-C Pahl, as the present Editor, was asked to report on this concept at the Council's mid-year meeting. Brother Hart also noted that he has been working on a few other problems, one dealing with the Department of Connecticut and some zip codes in that State not receiving The Banner. It is hoped this problem may now be rectified. In conclusion, Brother Hart thanked the many Brothers who expressed their sympathy and heartfelt wishes to him after his wife's passing, and said he would remember that until his dying days. Brother Hart then received a round of applause in return, as appreciation for his fraternal and dedicated service to the Order.

A five minute break was then taken by the Council.

The matter of sending a contribution for hurricane relief, tabled by the Council in early September, was brought up for further discussion. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn, and seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler, with an friendly amendment by Council Member Schall, that the matter should be left as outlined in C-in-C Darby's General Order 3, whereby each Brother is encouraged to "live up to the Charity portion of F. C. & L, and contribute to the Hurricane Relief Fund" of his choice. The amended motion passed unanimously.

C-in-C Darby mentioned that a Brother in Louisiana reported that, as a result of the hurricanes, the home of Jefferson Davis has been severely damaged. Noting that Davis was a Secretary of War under President Buchanan, and also led a Regiment of U.S. Troops in the Mexican War, this Brother asked if the SUVCW would contribute funds towards historical restoration. A request to this Brother for additional information and a point-of-contact for such donations has, thus far, gone unanswered. JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that, should such information be forthcoming, the matter be handled in the same way that the Council voted to address general hurricane relief, leaving such contributions up to the personal beliefs and generosity of individual Brothers. National Quartermaster Wheeler offered a second to the motion. It was further pointed out that this historic site will be eligible for, and will likely receive, substantial Federal funding, and may not require additional assistance. It was agreed that the subject should be tabled until it is clearer what the future holds for this site, and Brothers Kuhn and Wheeler withdrew their motion and second. Information regarding potential unmarked burial locations of Union soldiers on a Louisiana battlefield may also be provided by this Louisiana Brother, which the Council can address at that time.

JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that the Council approve the continuation of the SUVCW's current policy to waive dues for any Brother serving in an active combat zone. This motion was seconded by PC-in-C Steven Michaels, and passed unanimously.

JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that specific income and expense line-items in the budget be created for Remembrance Day, to include wreaths and program. The motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler and passed unanimously .

Brother Kuhn then asked if close proximity to an airport was a requirement for Departments selecting potential sites for a National Encampment. PC-in-C Charles Corfman indicated that nothing is mandated, but that there are many things which the Committee would like to see, and strongly suggest. Brother Kuhn noted that shuttle services to an airport really needs to be a requirement for a facility to be chosen as a National Encampment site, as are the presence of elevators if the Encampment is to be held in a multi-level building. PC-in-C Corfman agreed that a multi-floor location can not be considered if there are no elevators. Brother Kuhn suggested that perhaps these things should be made requirements by the Encampment Site Committee, rather than merely recommendations.

Brother Petrovic reported that contracts have been signed with the hotel in St. Louis for our 2007 National Encampment, with room rates of \$92. The dates are August 9-12, 2007 , and an airport shuttle is available. He added that the DUVCW will be meeting along with us, and essentially two hotels will be used to accommodate all of our combined needs. The Daughters will also be a part of the Allied Orders Banquet, which will add approximately 100 people to our expected banquet numbers.

PC-in-C Michaels asked SVC-in-C Pahl if the National Auxiliary would be permitted to use a portion of their Auxiliary page(s) in The Banner for recruiting messages or an advertisement. Brother Pahl reported that there would be no problem with that.

National Treasurer Newman reported that since he took office in September of 2001, the Order has been able to significantly increase our gross assets. This had been one of his objectives, noting that the Order had been losing money in some previous years.

With no further business to come before the Council, Chaplain Kowalski was asked to offer a closing prayer.

The meeting was closed by Commander-in-Chief Darby at approximately 10:45 am .

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVCW

Council of Administration Meeting
March 3 2006
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The Council of Administration meeting was opened by Commander-in-Chief Donald Darby at approximately 8:30 AM with an opening prayer by National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit. After the roll call of officers, the following were recorded present:

Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief James B. Pahl
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn
National Secretary Michael S. Bennett
National Treasurer Max L. Newman
National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler
Council Member David Stephen
Council Member Leo Kennedy
Council Member Daniel Murray

Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief Stephen Michaels

Additional Past Commanders-in-Chief present included Alan R. Loomis.

Guests of the Council of Administration were: National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, Executive Director Lee F. Walters, National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit, and SUVCW Charitable Foundation Board Member Robert Petrovic.

Council Member D. Brad Schall, Council Member James Hanby and National Counselor Robert E. Grim were excused.

To begin the meeting, Commander-in-Chief Darby noted that National Chief of Staff Shaw had assembled all of the National Officer and Committee reports submitted, and that they were available for review by any members of the Council who had not yet received them. C-in-C Darby then directed the Council's attention to the report of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, and his recommendations. JVC-in-C Kuhn elaborated on his observations regarding delays that take place between the time an applicant submits an internet application, and when he receives confirmation of being accepted as a member in a Department and Camp. Some Camps and Departments are able to do this quickly. Others are taking many months to complete the process. JVC-in-C Kuhn's recommendation is that the internet application process be altered to enable a member's application to be submitted online, be accepted by the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief,

be processed, and be forwarded directly to the National Executive Director so that the new member may begin to receive the Banner as soon as possible, as well as to the Department, if applicable, where the new Brother lives. SVC-in-C Jim Pahl expressed concerns that this proposal would require amendment to the National Constitution and Regulations. A lengthy discussion then took place concerning the acceptance of online payments, the ways in which applicants could be registered with the National Organization and then made available for transfer to Departments and Camps, and the changes to our Constitution that may be required in order to implement JVC-in-C Kuhn's plan. If a Department, at its Encampment, approves and sponsors JVC-in-C's proposal, it can be brought to the floor of the National Encampment for ratification. Council Member Stephen agreed to bring this matter before the Department of Iowa's Encampment for their consideration.

JVC-in-C Kuhn then unveiled his advertising program, consisting of audio CDs containing public service announcements about the SUVCW which he would like to produce and distribute to each Camp in our Order. Brother Kuhn played a 60 second and 30 second version of the announcements he created, with professional voice-over and music, which were very well received by the Council. The cost for producing these will be very low, as CD media is quite inexpensive, and the only other expense would be the postage to send them to our Camps. Brother Kuhn also noted that our current print advertising is not seeing much result, and that the internet is currently our biggest avenue of recruiting. Commander-in-Chief Darby suggested that perhaps the 30 second spot could be played when a visitor first logs onto the National website, or at least available to be played by a first time visitor if desired.

National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler was then asked to give his report on changes in shipping expenses, explaining how the costs of envelopes and packing materials are calculated, as well as how the shipping costs to our members are derived. He further noted that orders consisting entirely of paper materials can be mailed book-rate, which will help even more to keep postage costs down.

C-in-C Darby then directed the Council's attention to Chaplain Kowalski's report which describes a seminar or study piece he is now preparing. Having received many requests for assistance, his is now preparing a guide to serving as a chaplain. It was suggested that the guide, when completed, could be made available both in print, as well as on the National website.

C-in-C Darby then pointed out National Counselor Bob Grim's work since the last COA meeting, which resulted in rendering decisions on nine different issues. C-in-C Darby pointed out that many of these requests are a result of Camp and Department Officers not being familiar with the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations, in which many of the answers sought can be found.

As previously requested by the Council of Administration, Business Rules for the Graves Registration Database were provided in the report of Graves Registration Officer Bob Lowe. These rules, as well as specifics of data entry, were discussed by the Council. JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that the Graves Registration Database Business Rules proposed by Brother Lowe be accepted, so that a Database Administrator may be appointed and the Graves Registration Committee can begin communications with software providers. The motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler, and passed unanimously.

A report from National Webmaster Ken Freshley confirmed that the domain names approved for purchase by the COA have been acquired. They include suvcw.net, suvcw.biz, suvcw.us and suvcw.info. The addresses are now set up so that anyone who links to those sites, will be redirected to our suvcw.org website. Brother Freshley is still working to obtain the suvcw.com domain, which is being held by a domain squatter.

The report from Washington D.C. Representative Andrew Johnson, suggested that the SUVCW resolution regarding the protection of war memorials should be rewritten and resubmitted to the American Legion and other veterans groups. It was moved by SVC-in-C Pahl, and seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn, that as no one knows what PC-in-C Johnson thinks should be included in this resolution in order to gain the support of other organizations better than he, Brother Johnson should be requested to submit a rewritten resolution that he feels would be appropriate for our Order, and submit it electronically to the Council for consideration. The motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Director's report made two requests. The first relates to an excess of Banner issues currently on hand at the National Headquarters in Harrisburg . While each issue typically has press overruns, there are boxes of extras left over from a few recent issues, and Executive Director Lee Walters feels the space could be better used. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn that the excess issues be destroyed. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a friendly amendment to indicate that the Executive Director could dispose of them as he sees fit – with discussion including the possibility of making them available to the membership at the upcoming National Encampment in Harrisburg . Brother Kuhn withdrew his motion to allow Brother Pahl's amendment to stand as a motion on its own. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously.

Additionally, Executive Director Walters requested the purchase of one additional four drawer steel file cabinet as well as an additional steel storage cabinet, both to match cabinets currently in use at the National Headquarters. A motion to approve that request was made by Council Member Leo Kennedy, and was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn. The motion passed with one lighthearted vote in opposition from SVC-in-C Pahl.

During the course of the preceding discussion, JVC-in-C Kuhn was asked to pay the required \$1 fine for failing to wear his SUVCW membership badge, which he did willingly, with apologies for the oversight.

The report submitted by National Memorials Officer Todd Shillington was then discussed, with extensive conversation and debate regarding the recent vandalism to monuments at the Gettysburg National Military Park and actions the SUVCW could or should take. JVC-in-C Kuhn suggested that we separate the discussion into two different issues, the reward being offered for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the damage, and the repair of the damage itself. Brother Kuhn further suggested that the SUVCW not add to the current fund to be used as a reward, noting that thirty six or thirty seven thousand dollars has already been raised for that purpose, and any additional funds donated from the SUVCW for that puprose would hardly be noticed, and would likely not have a significant effect on a positive outcome being derived from that money. He therefore moved that the SUVCW contribute no money to the reward. This motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler and passed unanimously. Brother Kuhn then moved that the SUVCW contribute \$5000 to the Gettysburg National Military Park towards repair of the three damaged monuments. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a second. C-in-C Darby asked where the funds would come from, the General Reserve Fund being discussed as one possibility. National Quartermaster Wheeler suggested that the money come from funds to be raised at the annual Remembrance Day Ball. SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his opinion that the funds should not come from the Ball, as the event is advertised as a function from which proceeds will be given to the National Military Park , to be spent wherever the Park deems them to be the most needed. While these vandalized monuments may end up being the area of greatest need, that should be the decision of the Military Park. Wherever the money comes from, SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his belief that the SUVCW should do this, noting that this is the reason we are here. Much support was expressed for those sentiments. Council Member Kennedy then pointed out that the SUVCW already has a working venue through which funds are made available for monument restoration and repair: the Civil War Memorial Grant program. And while this situation certainly merits attention and some action, there are vandalized memorials back in Brother Kennedy's home state of Rhode Island that are equally in need of financial assistance. He further added that if the SUVCW is going to give additional funds, outside of the Memorials Grant Program, to assist with the repair of the Gettysburg Monuments, a project for which other funding is clearly being made available by other organizations and entities, then one might also request that additional funding be made for damaged memorials in Rhode Island, or elsewhere across the country, especially noting that the same additional funding by other groups will likely not be as forthcoming for those. While not Gettysburg , the monuments in Rhode Island are just as

important, if not more so, to the people of Rhode Island . Council Member Dave Stephen expressed his agreement that the monuments at Gettysburg , while so very important, are no more important than those in his home state of Iowa . It was then suggested that the Gettysburg Camp and Department of Pennsylvania could request, through the existing Memorials Grant program, \$500 for each of the vandalized Gettysburg memorials, which could be supplemented by additional funds from the Memorials Grant fund if money exists at the end of the year. It was agreed that, while all would like to see the Gettysburg Monuments repaired, having funds come from the SUVCW Memorial Grant program would likely be the best and fairest way to contribute. Brother Kuhn withdrew his original motion, and Brother Pahl withdrew his second. JVC-in-C Kuhn was asked to speak with members of the Gettysburg Camp to ensure that they would complete the appropriate paperwork in order to request funds from the Memorials Grant program.

National Treasurer Max Newman brought forward for discussion the matter of Camps or Departments that requested money from the Memorials Grant fund either for the solicitation of estimates, or architectural surveys. After discussion, the Council agreed that the money in the Memorials Grant fund are to be awarded for actual physical work on memorials: cleaning, repair, construction, etc. It was noted that there are specific rules for this fund which would prohibit grants for surveys and estimates. National Secretary Bennett noted that no rules of that nature are provided on the Grant Application, and suggested that if there are additional rules and guidelines for this program, they should be published along with the application for the benefit of Camps and Departments which may consider applying for grants. C-in-C Darby noted that there were specific rules drafted for this program, approved by the Council, which have not yet been included on or with the Grant Application Form. SVC-in-C Pahl noted that this is Committee work which should be handled by the Memorials Committee.

Sandy Folaron, Vice President of the Milwaukee Soldiers Home Foundation, was then introduced to the Council, and given the opportunity to address the group about the good works taking place to restore and preserve the buildings on the grounds of the Milwaukee Soldiers Home. In response, a Memorial Grant applied for by the C. K. Pier Badger Camp of Milwaukee was presented to Ms. Folaron to assist the Foundation in their work.

A return to Brother Shillington's report from the Memorials Committee explored his recommendation that the Council adopt a policy outlining the Order's position on the movement of Civil War memorials, adding that memorials should only be moved when in imminent or certain danger of theft or destruction, and not moved from the location selected by the Civil War veterans, or the local citizens, merely for the sake of convenience. Council Member Stephen expressed his opinion that there may be times when there are good reasons for such a move, other than imminent danger, and that a move could improve a monument's visibility, safety, accessibility, etc. Council Member Kennedy suggested that wording might be included to indicate that any move of a memorial should maintain the reverence connected with the memorial's original placement. Rather than vote on the policy recommended by Brother Shillington, a motion was made by SVC-in-C Pahl to refer the matter back to the Memorials Committee, indicating the Council's concerns, and asking that they draft a new policy for the Council's review. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kennedy, and passed unanimously.

C-in-C Darby addressed the matter of the SUVCW's cooperation with the U.S. Army's current investigation to determine what items became property of the Sons through the Deed of Conveyance, and what items were specifically itemized as being turned over to the Smithsonian following the final Encampment of the G.A.R. in 1949.

The report of the National Encampment Site Committee was then examined, noting proposals for 2008 from the Departments of Iowa and Massachusetts . As this was only the second occasion in recent memory in which more than one Department had made a legitimate proposal for the same year, the Council then discussed the matter of how the decision is to be made. After review of the Constitution and Regulations and the official Job Descriptions of SUVCW Officers and Committees, Commander-in-Chief Darby observed that a conflict exists between the current National Regulations and the Job Description for the Encampment Site Committee approved in 1994, and ruled that wherever such conflicts may exist between these two documents, the Regulations supersede or override the Job Descriptions. With that clarified, the Encampment Site Committee's recommendation of Boston , Massachusetts as the site for the 2008 National Encampment was accepted by the Council as our Order's decision.

A brief discussion was then held regarding the SUVCW's efforts to have Memorial Day returned to May 30 th, noting that the petition being assembled by Brother Alan Peterson of the Department of California & Pacific continues to grow, but does not yet contain signatures from many of our members.

Past Commander-in-Chief Loomis then addressed the Council regarding the Lincoln Tomb Observance being held April 15, 2006 , and the other associated activities and events taking place that weekend. The medallion for Lincoln 's Birthday was also mentioned, PC-in-C Loomis noting that PC-in-C Ed Krieser has taken that project over on behalf of the Charitable Foundation.

A report from the Committee on Real Sons & Daughters requested additional certificates to present to Real Sons and Real Daughters at ceremonies. A certificate originally created by PC-in-C Kent Armstrong and used by PC-in-C Michaels will be made available for this purpose and can be passed from Commander-in-Chief to Commander-in-Chief to be used for various recognitions such as this.

National Treasurer Max Newman was then given the floor to lead the Council through his lengthy financial report, with special emphasis given to our budget, the Permanent Fund, and the Life Member program.

National Secretary Bennett then offered his report. The first item noted was a listing of merchandising licenses. Most licenses are due to expire at this year's National Encampment, and Secretary Bennett will be contacting the Camps and Departments holding licenses to invite them to reapply if desired. The Charitable Foundation, also, needs to reapply for the licenses granted it to produce and sell SUVCW items. A roster of the COA, and a listing of all Electronic Boardroom votes for the year were then distributed for the review of the Council. C-in-C Darby encouraged all Council Members to visit the Electronic Boardroom and cast their votes in a more timely manner, preferably within 7 days, to expedite the work of the Order. Secretary Bennett then listed the several Camps that currently have authorization from their Departments and our C-in-C to form, and are hopefully working towards being able to apply for a Charter. It was noted that the LeValley-Heusted Camp 255, Department of Michigan, recently had their Charter Application approved. Five issues were then addressed by Secretary Bennett as requiring attention. The first was that of circulation difficulties with The Banner, where delivery of the newsletter is inconsistent in some areas –noting that in some cases entire Camps or Departments have not received an issue. This prompted discussion of the US Postal Service's different delivery methods, such as bulk-rate vs. second class periodical-rate. Brother Pahl said he would inquire of his USPS contact to determine what the difference in rates would be. It was also suggested that a date be included on the outside of the wrapper, which may have an impact on its timely delivery. A second issue dealt with corrections and updates required on our annual reporting forms, noting that the forms have not yet been altered to reflect changes approved by last year's National Encampment, and would benefit

from other changes as well. Secretary Bennett was asked to send his suggestions to SVC-in-C Pahl, so that this can be addressed by the Programs and Policy Committee. Brother Bennett then suggested that additional information and instructions need to be included on the National website wherever a membership application is provided, to clearly explain when the Internet Application is appropriate to use, and when the Standard Application Form 3 should be used. The forms are being used incorrectly by some of our Camps and Departments, with the Internet Application often used in place of the Standard Application Form 3. In response to inquiries coming from the membership, and the need for information contained on old Charter Application paperwork and other documents, Brother Bennett expressed a need for our Order to locate, retain, and better organize, our National records. Several possible individuals and entities were suggested as currently in possession of such materials. Brother Bennett agreed to research some, SVC-in-C Pahl volunteered to look into another. Executive Director Walters said that he would itemize the materials currently stored at our National Headquarters. He also noted that an additional, small storage space can be leased from the National Civil War Museum to add to our National Headquarters should the space be needed. Following a lengthy discussion, Commander-in-Chief Darby suggested that at the end of each year, immediately following the National Encampment, all the records, documents and materials of completed work accumulated during the previous administration be turned over to the Executive Director for archiving. A motion to that effect was then made by National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler, and seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn. The motion passed with three votes in opposition. Lastly, Secretary Bennett mentioned his own intention to rework and update the instructions for forming a new Camp and applying for a Charter. To do so, he asked clarification concerning when a newly forming Camp is first required to submit reports and pay per capita fees to a Department or National. While entitled to conduct business and recruit members, SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his opinion that until a Camp is Chartered, having received approval by the Commander-in-Chief of their Charter Application Form 55, they are not yet a Camp and it would not be appropriate for them to submit reports or payments. The Council concurred.

Executive Director Walters was then asked to present the new National Headquarters lease agreement offered by the National Civil War Museum. The changes from the previous lease agreement are a reduction in the length of the lease from five to two years, and an increase in rent from \$200 to \$250 per month. A motion was made by SVC-in-C Pahl to accept and sign the lease agreement. The motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler and passed unanimously. To have all information which may be needed in the future, Brother Walters was asked to inquire as to the additional cost of adding the supplemental storage room discussed earlier.

The subject of ROTC/JROTC medals was then addressed and discussed at length. With recent publicity of the program, there has been a significant increase in requests for this award. One single school district in Philadelphia, PA, for example, has made requests for 17 medals. Similar difficulties have arisen in other parts of the country as well. With the response to the program currently much greater than anticipated, many Camps and Departments are finding themselves unable to absorb the cost of providing these medals to every unit that requests one. Options were discussed including developing a less expensive medal, or replacing the medal with a simpler ribbon and certificate. National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit gave his recommendation that a two-part program be implemented in which a medal may be presented when a Camp or Department is willing and able to purchase it, but a less expensive ribbon with certificate can be provided upon any request, with the cost being covered by the National Organization. A revised application form will have to be created if the program is to be changed, and Brother Butgereit provided a sample to show how the form could be altered to serve our needs. It was also noted that more info on the award needs to be included on the National website, and a suggested new ROTC/JROTC Award section was provided by Brother Butgereit. SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the present program be continued as it is currently configured, and that the National Patriotic

Instructor be asked to submit his report and proposal to the National Encampment for their review. The motion was seconded by PC-in-C Michaels, and passed with the opposing vote of National Quartermaster Wheeler.

JVC-in-C Pahl then announced that the next issue of The Banner would be coming soon, and showed the cover featuring Father Corby at Gettysburg . Brother Pahl also noted that the Camp in Detroit , MI had their legal action against the City of Detroit over the GAR property removed to the United States Federal District Court . The City's attempt to have the case put back into the City's Court failed. There have been RFPs for an outside entity to purchase the property, restore it and erect a memorial or plaque to identify it as a GAR building. Members of the Sons and Daughters are being permitted to serve on the Committee to review the proposals as they come in. The contents of the building had been removed and transferred to Historic Fort Wayne. While the City denies knowledge of that, it is believed that it can be proven that such was the case, and a motion for summary judgment is currently being pursued.

National Quartermaster Wheeler suggested that an article in The Banner might be helpful to our membership in explaining the differences between the War Medal and the Military Service Medal, as well as how the medals are to be applied for. SVC-in-C Pahl agreed to print whatever Brother Wheeler submits. Brother Wheeler then asked if it would be possible to obtain a complete roster of our National membership, so that he can confirm those ordering certain merchandise are, in fact, Brothers in Good Standing. With authorization from Commander-in-Chief Darby, Executive Director Walters is able to provide that information. Brother Wheeler then asked about progress with updated Rituals, noting that a new printing will be required soon. It is hoped that the Committee headed by PC-in-C George Powell will have completed Rituals ready by the National Encampment so that a printing can be done soon thereafter.

Executive Director Walters presented three magnetic ribbons, as are typically placed on vehicles, which the Griffin Camp 8 in Scranton , PA intends to produce and offer for sale at \$5 each. The Charitable Foundation has a right of first refusal on this item, and declined to exercise any claim to it at this time. Two of the ribbons feature the Sons name and or logo, and therefore require a license from the National Organization in order to be produced and sold. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn and seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler that the license be granted. SVC-in-C Pahl amended the motion to indicate that the license would expire two years from the 2006 National Encampment. Brother Kuhn amended his motion to indicate that this license, as well as the license already granted to the Davis * Camp for the creation and sale of a postage stamp, will expire at the National Encampment in 2008. Brother Wheeler attached his second to the new motion, which passed unanimously.

PC-in-C Michaels expressed the Auxiliary's appreciation to the Council for patronizing their luncheon, and also noted that a Soldiers Home Gift Shop is located right outside the meeting room which the Council Members should feel free to visit and patronize as well.

JVC-in-C Kuhn presented two questions to the Council. The first was an inquiry as to when the Department of Pennsylvania would get funds from National for use towards the 2006 Encampment. The short answer was "when it is requested." National Treasurer Newman noted that as soon as a letter is received, he will disburse the funds. Brother Kuhn's second issue was to ask why our Order makes a profit on the membership badge, suggesting that the basic membership badge of our Order should be made available to any member who wants one at cost, plus shipping. It was reported, however, that even at the current price, which includes some modest profit to the Order, the National Quartermaster has difficulty in keeping enough on hand to fill all of the many orders he receives.

Council Member Dave Stephen brought up the question which had arisen regarding a work-study program and the need for workers compensation insurance. C-in-C Darby noted that if a Camp wanted to assume the liability of insurance on their own, they were welcome to do so. This may permit a contract to be entered into between a school and a Camp, but not between a school and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Brother Stephen then informed the Council of an Iowa battle flag belonging to a Cedar Rapids Masonic Lodge which, with the help of a local carpenters union, was sealed in a case and is now on display at the Masonic Library and Museum in Cedar Rapids . Brother Stephen recommended the Grand Lodge of Iowa for consideration for the Founders Award. It was noted that, as of this date, no other recommendations for this award have been received. C-in-C Darby announced that April 15th will be the cut-off date, after which the Council will make a decision on the recipient(s) for this award. Lastly, Brother Stephen asked if the requirement that a copy of a soldier's discharge be provided with an application to the SUVCW is necessary in this day of information so readily available via the internet and other sources. It was agreed that a discharge is not necessary, but the proof should be from a primary source such as National Archives records or an Adjutant General's reports. An internet citing of those sources would, technically, not be sufficient.

National Secretary Bennett provided the answer to a question plaguing the Council for almost a year and a half, stemming from a discussion and subsequent vote regarding advertising space to be provided to the National Quartermaster and the Charitable Foundation in The Banner. Brother Bennett explained that the difficulty arose when a motion was made, but further discussion changed the course of the Council's thinking, so that when the vote was finally taken, votes were likely cast for a decision other than the specific wording of the original motion. To eliminate the confusion, National Quartermaster Wheeler restated his original motion, that Foundation Advertising should be included in every issue of The Banner. The motion was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn. SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his feeling that in this case, as with most matters concerning the content of The Banner, the decision should be left to the discretion of the Editor. The motion was defeated. Brother Kuhn moved that Foundation advertising should be included in The Banner, free of charge, at the discretion of the Editor. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dan Murray, and passed with a somewhat jokingly opposing vote from SVC-in-C (and Banner Editor) Pahl. Brother Kuhn then moved that a National Quartermaster advertisement be included in every issue of The Banner, free of charge. This too was seconded by Council Member Murray. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a friendly amendment that the free advertising space be provided at the discretion of the Editor, rather than mandating that it be provided in every issue. The amendment was accepted, and the motion passed unanimously.

SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the Council of Administration meeting be adjourned. This was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn and, as it was noted that this was the longest COA meeting in recent memory, the motion passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Council, Chaplain Kowalski was asked to offer a closing prayer.

The meeting was closed by Commander-in-Chief Darby at approximately 1:30 PM .

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVCW

**Council of Administration
Electronic Boardroom Vote Records
2005 - 2006**

August 15, 2005

A motion was made by Council Member Leo Kennedy, and was seconded by Council Member Brad Schall, to accept and approve the Pre-Encampment COA Meeting Minutes from 8/4/05 as presented by National Secretary Michael Bennett and revised per suggestions/corrections from the Council.

Votes in favor: 7

Votes against: 0

Abstentions: National Secretary Bennett,
and Council Members Hanby and Murray

No Vote: Treasurer Max Newman

August 27, 2005

A motion was made by Charlie Kuhn, seconded by Brad Schall, with an accepted friendly amendment by Jim Pahl that the wording on the banner to be carried by non-uniformed members of the Allied Orders at the Remembrance Day Parade in 2005 will be "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the other Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic www.suvcw.org"

Votes in favor: 9

Votes against: 0

No Votes: Treasurer Max Newman, Council Member Brad Schall

September 1, 2005

A motion was been made by JVC-in-C Charlie Kuhn to table any discussion on Hurricane Relief to be provided by the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, until the November Council of Administration Meeting so that we can get a "better picture of what is going on and how much relief they are getting." The motion was seconded by SVC-in-C Jim Pahl.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: Council Members Leo Kennedy and Daniel Murray

No Vote: Treasurer Max Newman

October 27, 2005

A motion has been made by Council Member James Hanby that we approve the press release as revised and transmit it to the national media as well as to the Departments for forwarding to their local media. A contact person with complete contact info should also be provided in the event that further questions arise, or that an actual quote is required. The motion was seconded by Council Member D. Brad Schall.

Votes in favor: 11

Votes against: 0

November 3, 2005

The following motion for Policy regarding National Encampments was made by JVC-in-C James Pahl, with an accepted friendly amendment and then a second by Council Member James Hanby

Alternates, Visitors and Delegation Size.

Section 1. Any Brother who attends the National Encampment and registers as an Alternate or Visitor may be admitted to the business sessions. They may address the Encampment or speak to any issue being considered, upon being properly recognized by the Commander in Chief.

Section 2. Only a registered delegate or alternate who has been issued voting credentials by the Credentials Committee, may vote on any issue before a National Encampment. All such votes shall be cast by appropriate display of a voting card as issued by the Credentials Committee.

Section 3. In the event of a Department not having a full complement of Delegates present but does have Alternates present, the head of the delegation may present the alternate to the Credentials Committee, who - upon a finding that everything is in order - shall issue voting credentials and a voting card to the Alternate. This may take place at any time during the Encampment.

Section 4. The Department Commander shall act as the head of delegation. In the absence of the Department Commander, the Department Senior Vice Commander, or in his absence the Department Junior Vice Commander shall be the head of delegation. If the Department Commander, Senior Vice Commander and Junior Vice Commander are not present, then a head of delegation shall be elected by the delegates of that Department present.

Section 5. If the number of Delegates registered for a Department exceeds the number of Delegates allowed, it is the responsibility of the head of the delegation to determine who may receive voting credentials. In no case will the Department be able to cast more votes than the maximum allowed, nor shall the Credentials Committee issue more voting credentials than a Department is entitled to.

Votes in favor: 10

No vote: JVC-in-C James Pahl

December 6, 2005

The minutes of the Post Encampment Council of Administration meeting in Nashua, NH were presented by National Secretary Bennett. With minor corrections having been made at the suggestion of members of the Council, primarily to grammar and spelling, Commander-in-Chief Darby has asked for a vote to accept the Minutes as corrected. A motion was made by Secretary Bennett and seconded by Council Member Hanby that revised minutes be accepted as presented.

Votes in favor: 9

(National Treasurer Max Newman offered verbal support of minutes, but interrupted computer access prevented electronic boardroom vote)

Votes against: 0

No vote: Council Member D. Brad Schall

January 8, 2006

The minutes from the Gettysburg COA Meeting having been prepared and distributed by National Secretary Bennett, a motion was made by Council Member D. Brad Schall and seconded by Council Member James Hanby to accept and approve the minutes as presented.

Votes in favor: 10

Votes against: 0

No vote: Council Member Dave Stephen

January 29, 2006

Rhode Island Department Commander Joseph S. Hall, Jr. has requested permission from the Council of Administration to hold the election of Camp Officers for Rhode Island's Camp 7 on March 4, 2006, outside of the period defined as permissible by our Constitution and Regulations. It is Commander Hall's belief that elections held in November 2005, as well as subsequent attempts to hold elections since that time, were not done so correctly or in accordance with the C & R. He intends to attend the March 4th elections personally to oversee the process and ensure that all regulations are properly followed. A

motion was made by Council Member D. Brad Schall, and seconded by National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler that permission be give to the Department of Rhode Island and Camp 7 to hold these elections on March 4, 2006, to be immediately followed by the installation of those elected.

Votes in favor: 11

Votes against: 0

9. February 16, 2006

Upon a suggestion and request for computer software by National Webmaster Ken Freshley, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charlie Kuhn made a motion that the National Organization, SUVCW, purchase an "Adobe Acrobat Writer 7.0 Professional" software upgrade that, when added to Brother Freshley's current version of "Acrobat Writer 7.0 Standard," will permit him to create fill-in PDF files. The motion was seconded by Council Member D. Brad Schall.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: 0

No vote: Council Member Dave Stephen,

Council Member Dan Murray, and PC-in-C Steve Michaels

10. February 18, 2006

Following communications between Council Member James Hanby and the present owner of four patent documents awarded to SUVCW founder A.P. Davis for two badge designs, a Camp Seal and a button, resulting in an offer to sell, Brother Hanby moved that the National Organization, SUVCW, purchase three of the four documents for \$600, receiving the fourth at no charge in exchange for a letter acknowledging the donation which the seller or his designee may use in obtaining a tax deduction. The motion was seconded by Council Member D. Brad Schall.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: 0

No vote: Council Member Dave Stephen,

Council Member Dan Murray, and PC-in-C Steve Michaels

11. February 21, 2006

The Davis * Camp has requested authorization to cause US postage stamps to be made and then sold featuring the SUVCW Logo and/or Crest. These are legal US stamps printed by a third party under license from the USPS. They will be made available to be affixed to the special event cover that is being produced for the National Encampment and will be available prior to and after the Encampment. Council Member D. Brad Schall made a motion that the Davis * Camp be given this license. The motion was seconded by Council Member James Hanby.

Votes in favor: 8

Votes against: 0

No vote: Council Member Dave Stephen, Council Member Dan Murray, and PC-in-C Steve Michaels

12. April 19, 2006

At the request of National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit for permission AND \$75 to obtain three proofs from Herman Werks for a less expensive ROTC Medal, a motion was made by Council Member D. Brad Schall and seconded by Council Member Dan Murray that permission and funds of \$75 be provided for this purpose.

Votes in favor: 10

Votes against: 0

Abstention: PC-in-C Steve Michaels

13. May 9, 2006

With the minutes of the COA Meeting held in Milwaukee, WI on 3/11/06 having been prepared and distributed by National Secretary Bennett, a motion was made by SVC-in-C James Pahl and seconded by Council Member Leo Kennedy to accept and approve the minutes as presented.

Votes in favor: 9

Votes against: 0

No Vote: SVC-in-C Jim Pahl, National Treasurer Max Neman, and Council Member Dave Stephen,

Note: There are 11 voting members of the Council of Administration, plus the Commander-in-Chief who may vote, but usually only votes in the event of a tie. The other voting members are the Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, National Secretary, National Treasurer, National Quartermaster, Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief, and five elected Council Members.

Note: All dates provided for Electronic Boardroom votes represent the date the first vote was cast. The actual motion may have been a day or two before, and the remaining votes were likely cast in the days that followed.

APPENDIX 3
General Orders of the Commander-in-Chief

General Orders No. 1
SERIES 2005-2006
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1. It is my honor and privilege to be elected your Commander-in-Chief for the upcoming year, a year that will take us to our 125th Anniversary. My deepest gratitude to the delegates for their faith in me to lead what I consider the best Brotherhood in the world for the next year. We have accomplished much and have still more to accomplish in the coming years. All correspondence requiring the attention of the Commander-in-Chief should be sent to the above address.
2. My thanks to the Department of New Hampshire for hosting the Encampment, the Credentials Committee for another outstanding job, and the National Site Committee for all their hard work this year.
3. On behalf of the Order I wish to congratulate all the new Presidents of the Allied Orders. I look forward to working with all the Allied Orders to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.
4. All business correspondence should be directed to the National Executive Director, Lee Walters, P.O. Box 1865, Harrisburg, PA 17105-1865.
5. All supply requisitions, with payment, are to be sent to the National Quartermaster, Danny Wheeler, PCINC, 501 Willow Ave, Ithaca, NY 14850.
6. All billing for payment and tax-deductible donations to various funds of our National Order are to be sent to the National Treasurer, Max L. Newman, 4995 E. Wilkinson Road, Owosso, MI, 48867-9616.
7. All purchase requests for the SUVCW Eagle Scout Certificate are to be sent, with payment, to our National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler at the address in item 5.
8. All Civil War Memorials grant requests are to be sent to the senior elected member of our National Council of Administration: David Stephen, 3207 Waveland Drive NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405
9. All purchase requests for the SUVCW ROTC award are to be sent, with payment, to the National Patriotic Instructor, Bruce B. Butgereit, 1691 Summerfield Street, Kentwood, MI 49508-6499.
10. The deaths of Brothers are to be reported to our National Chaplain, Jerry W. Kowalski, 206 E. Grantley, Elmhurst, IL 60126 (PapTom@msn.com) Please include the deceased's name, date of death, Camp and Department.
11. A roster of all elected and appointed National Officers and Committee members for the 2005-2006 administrative year can be found on the National Website: www.suvcw.org
12. Please see the ad for Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. There will be a Council of Administration meeting held at the Eisenhower Inn on the Sunday following at 8:00 a.m.
13. Camps and Departments should ensure that Memorial Day activities are carried out in accordance with the wishes of the Grand Army of the Republic. Let us be sure that their actions and sacrifices are "kept ever green in our memory."

14. We have much to do in the year. The Department of Pennsylvania is working hard to make the upcoming Encampment "one to remember!" Start making plans to attend the 125th National Encampment in Harrisburg, PA.

Ordered this 7th day of August 2005

By Order of:
Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary

General Orders No. 2
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1. Brothers, it is with deepest sympathy that I write this General Order. For those of you who attended the 124th National Encampment, you will know that Brother John Hart was called away for a family emergency. As it is His will in these matters, God choose to call John's wife Meg home.
2. Brother Hart was doing the work of the Order as he has done in the past with great vigor and love. Those Past Commanders-in-Chief that have worked with John on THE BANNER, know his dedication.
3. Please join with me, in keeping Brother John and his family in our thoughts and prayers in their hour of need.

Ordered this 8th Day of August 2005

By Order of:
Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary

General Orders No. 3
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1. Brothers, I am sure that all of you have been watching the news concerning the events that have occurred in the aftermath of the Hurricane in our Southland. Our fellow citizens are in dire need of assistance.
2. It is requested that we live up to Charity portion of F.C. & L, and contribute to the Hurricane Relief Fund of your choice.

Ordered this 6th Day of September 2005

By Order of:
Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief

Attest:
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary

General Orders No. 4
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1. Brothers, we have done much over the years to record and collect the history of the Grand Army of the Republic, as is our purpose. We have however, not been as successful in recording the history of the Sons. Brother Gary Gibson published a book on the SUVCW a number of years ago, and Brother Bob Wolz has been kind enough to contribute some of the SUVCW history to THE BANNER over the past issues. While these items deal mainly with the National Organization, we need to account for the work of the Camps and Departments. Many of the "Old Guard" are slowly slipping from our ranks. Before they are gone we need to record their images and memories of the "good old days."
2. Therefore it is ordered that each Camp begin writing the history of the Camp, to include photographs of the Camp Commanders, and other officers . These histories will then be forwarded to the Department, which will do the same for the Department level. Once completed the Camp and Department histories will be forwarded to National for inclusion into the National History.
3. I realize this will not be an "overnight" project, but the sooner we get started the better. We are quickly approaching the 125 Anniversary and it would be great to report the progress of the project to the National Encampment in August 2006. As I or one of the National Officers attend your Encampment next Spring one of the first questions we will ask is "How is the history project doing?" What will your answer be?

Ordered this 6th Day of September 2005

By Order of:

Donald E. Darby

Commander-in-Chief

Attest:

Michael S. Bennett, PDC

National Secretary

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1. Brothers, it has come to my attention that the 1st of October 2005 is a very special day. Brother Clifton Gaunt, A.A. Sherman Camp 18, Department of Massachusetts will celebrate his 104th birthday.
2. Brother Gaunt has been ill these last few weeks, but he is home now. Please join me in wishing Brother Gaunt good health, good wealth, and a VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

Ordered this 25th Day of September 2005

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
Michael Bennett
National Secretary
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1. Brothers, it is with deepest sympathy and a heavy heart that I report the death of Past Commander-in-Chief Donald Leroy Roberts. PCinC Roberts passed away on 12 October 2005.
2. Brother Roberts was Commander-in-Chief from 1985 to 1986 and hailed from the Department of New York. He claimed his eligibility through his maternal grandfather, Byron Cronk of Company B, 121 st New York Cavalry. PCinC Roberts was very active in the SUVCW at all levels of the Order. He also shared equal commitments to his Church, the Grange and Cub Scouts.
3. A memorial service will be held on Monday, 17 October 2005 , at the Candor Funeral Parlor, 137 Main Street , Candor , New York . Viewing hours are 5 pm to 7 pm on Monday prior to the 7 pm service. Brothers wishing to make donations in memory of PCinC Roberts should send them to the MARCH OF DIMES. Please remember PCinC Roberts' family in your thoughts and prayers during their hour of need.
4. It is ordered that the National Web site, the Charters of all Departments and Camps and membership badges be draped in black for a period 30 days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 14th Day of October 2005

Donald E. Darby
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Attest:
Michael Bennett, Secretary
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1. Brothers, it is with deepest sympathy and a heavy heart that I report the deaths of two Real Sons.
2. On 24 December 2005, Brother Julius Cogswell Ward, age 84 answered his final muster. He was the son of Rev. Julius Augustus Ward of the 46 th Wisconsin .
3. On 26 January, 2006 , Brother Claremont Deem, age 95, answered his final muster. He was an active member of the General Benjamin Fearing Camp 2, Department of Ohio.
4. All charters, the National Web site, and membership badges will be draped in black for thirty (30) days from the date of this General Order

Ordered this 3rd Day of February 2006

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
Michael Bennett, Secretary,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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1. The Department of Southwest has voted to approve the change of their Department name to the Department of Texas during their Department Encampment June 2005. The Department, being unable to locate their original charter, also voted at that time to request a new charter. Following the vote of the Encampment they requested that the Commander-in-Chief grant the name change and new charter.
2. I, as Commander-in-Chief, find this request to be well taken and approve the name change of the Department of Southwest to the Department of Texas.
3. In regard to the issuing of a new charter, I approve that request as well with the following provision:
 - a. To retain the Department original date of rank, the replacement for the lost charter will include all the names of the original charter members of the Department of Southwest. If these names can not be located, the space will be left blank. This General Order will be affixed to the back of the replacement charter.

Ordered this 3rd Day of February 2006

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Attest:
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1. By a majority vote of the Council of Administration, a Press Release was approved for issue to the news media, and State and local government entities.

2. Camps and Departments are directed to give the widest possible dissemination of this press release. The release is as follows:

“The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War wishes to take this opportunity to alert the public to an unfortunate trend in recent years to desecrate Civil War Memorials erected in honor of the men who fought in the Civil War.

The biggest problem centers on Civil War Memorials that include Civil War Cannons. In an all too typical scenario, individuals claiming to represent a Civil War Museum approach local officials they perceive to be responsible for the Civil War Memorial. In point of fact, these individuals are private collectors or persons acting on behalf of private collectors. They make the local officials aware of how valuable the cannon is and suggest it may be in danger of being stolen or damaged. They offer to buy the cannon and place it on display at a museum where it will be safe for everyone to enjoy. They agree to substitute a reproduction so the local community will still have a cannon, and it will require little or no maintenance.

The price offered to the local officials is always far less than the real value of the cannon memorial. However, it is always in the thousands of dollars and the local officials, often being pressured for operating funds, see nothing wrong with the arrangement since they will still have a cannon reproduction for display purposes.

In most cases the local officials, be they government, civic or veterans groups, are unaware that they probably do not hold legal title to the cannon they propose to sell. Most of these Memorial cannons were placed in cemeteries, public squares or community parks by local Civil War Veteran’s organizations (GAR) or their descendants such as the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW). The SUVCW is a Congressionally chartered organization and the legal heir to the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). Many of these cannons were either given to the GAR or loaned to the GAR or SUVCW by the United States Government. Those on loan from the United States Government must be returned to the government if they cease to be a Civil War Memorial.

Regardless of ownership, these Civil War memorials should not be desecrated. They are priceless relics placed by our ancestors to remind us of the sacrifices they have made not only for themselves, but also for future generations. The placement of these Civil War Memorials generally involved impressive dedications ceremonies attended by the entire community, including widows and children of fallen soldiers. The understanding everyone had at the time of placement of these Memorials was they would remain as a permanent memorial – not until the community felt an economic need to sell them.

The public would be outraged if a modern memorial to military veterans were to be sold just because it had a monetary value. When the SUVCW discovers the desecration of a Civil War Memorial, it takes an active role in trying to preserve the memorial and recover the cannon. In several cases not only have local officials been embarrassed regarding their actions relating to Civil War Memorials but also in recovering the cannons it proved costly. Those who buy these cannon from local officials are always willing to sell them back; but at a much higher price.

Every community should be vigilant and avoid involvement in trying to enhance their General Funds at the expense of our Civil War veterans.

Ordered this 3rd Day of February 2006

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Attest:
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Brothers, once again it is my sorrowful duty to report the lost of yet another Past Department Commander. While attending the Department of Maryland Encampment this weekend it was reported the PDC Robert J. Eck had passed away and was buried on 22 April 2006.

PDC Eck was the Maryland Department Commander for the term 1999-2000. He was the founder of the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp in Roanoke, Va. Brother Eck was involved in the Oliver Tilden Camp, New York City early in his SUVCW career. He was a hard working and inspirational leader who forged a useful relationship with the Sons of Confederate Veterans while recruiting loyal Sons deep in the valley of Virginia.

Brother Bob and his family were welcome everywhere as charming hard working Americans. Bob was also in great demand wherever a bagpiper was needed. He marched in thousands of parades, played a thousand marches on his pipes and is remembered wherever the pipes sound and the Boys in Blue are remembered.

All Charters and the National Website will be draped in black for a period of 30 days as the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War mourn the passing of Past Department Commander Robert J. Eck.

Sworn this 23 rd day of April 2006

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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In accordance with Article IX, Amendments, National Constitution and Regulations (Updated August 2004) this General Order is issued.

“ The Brothers of the Department of Iowa at its 2006 Department Encampment with all of its officers and members there in assembled hereby the following change to the National Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Whereby the delays that take place when members join the order from the National web site are excessive, and

Whereby the need for our Order to grow in order to thrive in the future is paramount, and

Whereby the technology being now available to address this delay of getting members into the Order almost immediately, and

Whereby members can become a member with the aid of this technology within days rather than weeks and in some cases months under the current system, and

Whereby the Office of Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief has presented a plan to the National Council of Administration for the correction of these delays and they have approved the plan for action, and

Whereby the National Constitution and Regulations must be modified to allow this process to take place because members and associates must be attached to a Department pursuant to Article V, Section Fifth and can not be temporarily attached to the National Headquarters,

We hereby propose and move the following change to the wording in Article V, Section Fifth of the Constitution of the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War:

Fifth: Eligibles from states where no Department exists may become Members-at-large attached to National Headquarters, *except that new members through the National recruitment program may be temporarily attached to National Headquarters, pending transfer to a Department or a Camp within one year of enrollment.* Dues for such Members shall not be less than five dollars (\$5.00) per annum more than the National per capita tax. Membership applications fees for new Members-at-large shall not be less than five dollars (\$5.00) which shall be placed in a Permanent Fund.

We also hereby propose and move the following change to the wording in Article V, Section Two, Part B of the Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

The Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief shall be responsible *for* processing applications and issuing dues cards for all approved applications that come to him through the National recruitment program as well as promoting membership and organization under the direction of the Commander-in-Chief.

We hereby submit these proposed changes to both the Constitution and Regulations of the Order and aspic the Brothers of the 125 th National Encampment to act on them.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
The Brothers of the Department of Iowa
Entered this 12 day of April, 2006

Ronald F. Rittel, Commander
Department of Iowa
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ATTEST

Dennis L. Geesaman, Secretary/Treasurer
Department of Iowa
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War”

3. This proposed amendment requires a two-thirds vote of the members present and entitled to vote at the National Encampment, and shall become effective when favorably acted upon and ratified by not less than 50% of the Departments, and proclaimed in general orders, whereupon they shall be and become a part of this Constitution.

Sworn this 18th day of May 2006
Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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- The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Scholarship Committee has submitted two names as their recommendation to receive the SUVCW Scholarship for this administration. I find these applicants to be deserving of this award and so announce the recipients.
- Corey Alexander Strain of Barrington, NJ, a graduate of Haddon Heights High School who will be attending Rutgers University. Corey is a member of Col. Louis R. Francine Camp 7, Department of New Jersey
- Dane Aaron DiFebo of Bangor, PA, a graduate of Bangor Area High School and is currently attending Ursinus College. Dane is a member of Joel Searfoss Camp 273, Department of Pennsylvania.
- Please join me in wishing these two young men all the best in their college endeavors.

Sworn this 12th day of June 2006

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
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Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
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- In accordance with Article IX, Amendments, National Constitution and Regulations (Updated August 2004) this General Order is issued.
- “ The Brothers of the Department of Wisconsin at its 2006 Department Encampment with all of its officers and members there in assembled hereby the following change to the National Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

A Resolution

The Department of Wisconsin, at its 123rd Encampment, held in Saukville on June 10 th, 2006 , unanimously approved and hereby submits the following resolution, changing the National Constitution of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Whereas, the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War has operated as a benevolent, non-profit corporation since its Congressional chartering in 1956; and

Whereas, the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War has received competent legal counsel, advising that a change of tax code status from 501(c)(4) to 501(c)(3) is possible; and

Whereas, the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and its subordinate units would benefit from such a change, including but not limited to tax deductible donations from donors, grant money from private and public sources, and lower postage rates on corporate mailings;

Therefore , let it be resolved that the following Article X, entitled “Dissolution of Corporation,” be added to the Constitution:

"This organization is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or other purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) Internal Revenue Code.

"Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law) or (b) by an organization contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

"Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code), or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes."

Respectfully submitted:

Kent A. Peterson

Commander

Department of Wisconsin

Attest:
PCC Brian G. Peters
Acting Dept. Secretary
Department of Wisconsin

Sworn 12 th day of June 2006
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Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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Brother Jerome Kowalski is hereby appointed as a member of the National Committee on Lincoln Tomb Observance effect this 12 th day of June 2006.

Sworn this 12th day of June 2006
Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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1. The Military Affairs Committee has recommended that BG David V. Medert be re-appointed as Commanding General of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.
2. I find this recommendation to be well taken and approve the re-appointment of BG David V. Medert as Commanding General of the Sons of Veterans Reserve for a period ending 28 July 2009 or until properly relieved.

Sworn this 19th day of July 2006

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

APPENDIX 4
Speeches of the Commander-in-Chief

**Lincoln Tomb Observance Speech
April 15, 2006**

**Quoted from the speech given by SUVCW Commander-in-Chief Fouche
at the last Encampment of the GAR.**

Over the years you have heard many speeches on our most favored President. Today I would like to do something a little different. First I would like you to close your eyes, and clear your mind. Everyone ready. Now I will say one word, LINCOLN, did you see him? Some of you may have seen the Great Emancipator, the Rail-splitter, the young man doing his schoolwork on a shovel, or the most beloved President of the United States. You see to each of us, Lincoln means something different.

Many things have changed since I was in school in southeast Ohio. When I went to school there were four things that were constant. The day began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and the Lord's Prayer. I can tell you that on test day, I said more than one prayer. The other things that were constant, a picture of President Washington and President Lincoln were in every room, looking down on us. President Washington, one of the founders and 1st President of our country, who taught me that honesty, was to be held above all else. President Lincoln, who made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve our Country, taught me that I wanted to love my country as much as he did.

So today we honor and pay our respects to President Lincoln who means something different to each of us.

There is one other thing that I would ask of you for next year. Bring just one person that is not a member of the Allied Orders to this ceremony. So that they may see the splendor of this monument, and witness our devotion to President Lincoln and to our past.

**Commander-in-Chief Memorial Day Message
at the Civil War Tomb of the Unknown
Washington D.C.
30 May 2006**

Let us remember their heroic acts, their devotion to country and the flag of their nation; their deeds and sacrifices. Go over the history of the troops engaged in actual battles and realize the vast outlay of human life alone. The records of three hundred fighting regiments show that of their number one of every three was either killed, or wounded.

These soldiers stood at Antietam, they faced the heights of Donnelson and Fredericksburg, stood fast amid the cedars of Stone River, met the fearful shock at Shiloh, became granite columns with the rocks of Chickamauga, formed a living wall against treason's mightiest power at Gettysburg, and moved unfaltering into the slaughter pen of Cold Harbor and climbed up rocky precipice and mountainside to portals of glory on Lookout, Kennesaw and Mission Ridge.

Can we comprehend the loss of human life, even that comprehension will be but a dim picture of the reality unless our imagination be vivid enough to fill all its lines and spaces with privation and suffering, unless we can call up the summer's tempest and the winter's sleet, unless we can behold those ranks bearing their burdens under the heat of the tropic sun; behold them fording streams and battling alike with the enemy, ice and swift flowing currents, marching day after day through swamps, standing on the lonely picket post until too wearied to be even wakeful; unless we can behold gaunt starvation making hollow the cheek and dimming the light of the eye; unless we can see the long line of trenches for shroudless bodies and hear the pitiful cry for water and prayer for succor, I believe our imagination will come for short of reality.

The roar of the cannon and the crash of musketry on the plains and forest of the Southland were echoed by the cries of the orphan and the wail of the widow amid the vales and hills of the Northland; the blare of the trumpet and the bugle sounding the charge yonder became the cry of lamentation and the funeral dirge here.

The outlay was alone shattered limbs and wasted forms, but desolate hopes, ruined homes and broken hearts; not alone the piled dead yonder, but the sacrifice and sorrow worse than death itself here. In the shadow of 500,000 graves, in the very daily presence of those that returned diseased and broken down, with Libby still vocal with the echo of suffering with the memory of Belle Isle, Salisbury, Millen and Andersonville lighted as though the lurid fires of hell, standing under the clouds of grief that darkened half a million homes, we proclaim the roll of honor for the Grand Army of the Republic.

That roll was made and completed in the days of old; it was written in the red blood from human hearts, its letters more bright and more precious than were they writ in purest gold and were they ineffaceably burned on the pages of history.

APPENDIX 5
Attendees of the 125th National Encampment of the
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
125th Annual National Encampment
Attendees by Department**

Department of California and Pacific

Gary E. Parrot	Rick T. LaRosa	Glen L. Roosevelt	Floyd Farrar	Dean I. Poole
David Schleeter	Jay C. Wood	Tad D. Campbell	Daniel R. Earl	Jerry Sayre
Robert J. Kadlec	Daniel Bunnell	Bob Lowe	William E. Tisch	D. Brad Schall

Department of Connecticut

Raymond Jarvis	Donald R. Reid	Edward L. Wittkofski		
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Department of Florida

Phillip R. Hinman	Brett D. Brown	Harvey K. Linscott	Robert M. Jones	
Charles D. Custer	Daniel W. Hans	William R. Cavins	Gene L. Thompson	

Department of Iowa

Ronald Rittel	David Stephen	Jeffrey Stephen	Robert A. Kennedy	C.R. Stephen
William P. Callahan, Sr.				

Department of Illinois

Ronald E. Clark	Steven Westlake	Stuart Stefany	Jerry Kowalski	Terry Dyer
William E. Johnson, Jr.				

Department of Indiana

Jeffrey B. Gill	Ronald B. Gill	Alan R. Loomis	Alan J. Teller	Eric Fricke
Michael W. Beck	Bruce R. Kolb	Edward J. Krieser	Allen W. Moore	Gib Yong, Jr.
Jack O. Shaw				

Department of Kansas

Alan L. Russ	Roy A. Lafferty	James R. Kopke	Randal L. Durbin	Craig Sundell
Robert L. Wandel				

Department of Kentucky

Douglas B. Windle	Keith G. Karcher	Lindin R. Lairson	Carlis L. Lairson	Jim Kiger
John R. Burch, Sr.	Robert P. Orbach	John A. Mills, III	Jim Kiger	John Witt
Daniel Colon	Steve Clifford			

Department of Maine

James W. Brown	Leonard Wyman			
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Department of Maryland

Ralph R. Miller	Logan W. Hovis	Eugene Mortorff	James R. Hanby	Mark Day
Michael Beard	A. Kendall Chew III	John E. Archer	Adrew M. Johnson	Charles Odell
Robert C. Stine	Michael A. Paquette	Karl Woodcock	Keith R. Young	Neil Hanlon
Stephen S. Hammond				

Department of Massachusetts

Frank J. Tucker	Paul T. Jancewicz	Edward T. Kelley	Edward Norris	Kevin Tucker
Richard Lufkin	Richard Eccleston	John W. Bates	Timothy Callahan	George Maple
A. Dean Sargent	Robert D. Pollock			

Department of Michigan

Ronald G. Shull	Paul A. Arnold	Dean Lamphere, Jr.	William B. McAfee	Chuck Worley
Donald W. Shaw	Max L. Newman	Richard E. Danes	Dennis G. Felton	James B. Pahl
Keith G. Harrison	Richard Greene	Bruce B. Butgereit	William E. Truss	Edgar J. Dowd
Neal F. Breaugh	Matthew L. Adair	Robert C. Grove Sr.		

Department of Missouri

Gary L. Sheel	Robert M. Petrovic	Walter E. Busch	Charles E. Funk	Don Palmer
Richard H. Kottemann				

Department of Nebraska

Merle Rudebusch Paul J. Hadley

Department of New Hampshire

Daniel W. Murray David Proper

Department of New JerseyWayne R. Johnson Merritt W. Sturgeon Buzz Smithcors Robert Wilhelm Bruce Sirak
William Ford David Hann**Department of New York**Peter Lindemann Danny L. Wheeler Lawrence R. Brown George J. Weinmann Jack Hilyer
Earl E. Allen Robert G. Dauchy Dale E. Theetge Lyman E. Baker Phil Kissel
Elijah A. Monroe Todd Shillington Michael S. Bennett Raymond B. Wheaton**Department of Ohio**Charles W. Corfman Ken L. Freshley Charles W. Reeves James G. Hilton Tim Graham
John Kennedy Timothy L. Traver James H. Houston Robert E. Grim Kent Dorr
Bradley A. Tilton Donald E. Darby James T. Crane David V. Medert Craig Keller
Henry E. Shaw, Jr.**Department of Oklahoma**

Carl Fallen John D. Irons Gene D. Turner Phil Owens

Department of PennsylvaniaJohn T. McNulty John M. McNulty Robert Graves Kimber D. Smith Harry Lamb
Howard R. Longacre Ray H. Longacre Lester A. Kern Donald W. Prye Dave Acheson
Ivan E. Frantz, Jr. Eric Schminke Robert L. Baker John C. Martin Albert El
David J. Klinepeter Richard D. Orr John A. O'Neal James L. Brown Peter Eisert
Howard Wolfe Richard Brooks Peter T. J. DeLuke William Radell Kelly Betz
Richard G. Hoover John R. Ertell Wayne N. Blattner Harold Gennaria Jeff Heagy
Warren P. Parks Leslie T. Keller Arlin A. Kramer Richard R. Long John Hart
Douglas B. Eaby David Sosnowski P. Eugene Mascioli David W. Demmy John Deppen
Larry C. Sheibley Gregory E. Kline George L. Powell Elmer F. Atkinson Lynn E. Kyle
Lyne E. Kyle, Jr. Richard Essenwein Thoms C. Blesedell Nathaniel A. Hall Lee F. Walters
Donald M. Fry Joseph Long, Jr. Victor L. Fox Charles E. Kuhn Al Sweeney
D. Michael Klinepeter**Department of Rhode Island**William C. Vieira Joseph S. Hall David J. Duggan Michael Lannigan Leo Kennedy
Elsworth W. Brown George H. Rutter, Jr. Stephen E. Hackett Bruce Frail**Department of Southwest**

Brian R. Glass Blair G. Oneal

Department of Tennessee

Charles H. Engle Goeffrey C. Hintze Talbot S. Hackett Douglas K. Fidler, PhD

Department of Vermont

Merlin Doyle

Department of Wisconsin

Garen Engquist Mikko Lagunero Thomas Brown Stephen A. Michaels

Department-at-Large

Adam Gaines Charles E. Sharrock

Total In Attendance: 244 from 26 Departments

APPENDIX 6
Past Commanders-in-Chief of the
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

YEAR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1881	Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania
1882	Harry T. Rowley	Pennsylvania
1883	Frank P. Merrill	Maine
1884	Harry W. Arnold	Pennsylvania
1885	Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1886	Walter S. Payne	Ohio
1887	George B. Abbott	Illinois
1888	George B. Abbott	Illinois
1889	Charles L. Griffin	Indiana
1890	Leland J. Webb	Kansas
1891	Bartow S. Weeks	New York
1892	Marvin E. Hall	Michigan
1893	Joseph B. Maccabe	Massachusetts
1894	William E. Bundy	Ohio
1895	William H. Russell	Kansas
1896	James L. Rake	Pennsylvania
1897	Charles E. Darling	Massachusetts
1898	Frank L. Shepard	Illinois
1899	A.W. Jones	Ohio
1900	Edgar W. Alexander	Pennsylvania
1901	Edward R. Campbell	Maryland
1902	Frank Martin	Indiana
1903	Arthur B. Spinks	Rhode Island
1904	William C. Dustin	Illinois
1905	Harvey V. Speelman	Ohio
1906	Edwin M. Amies	Pennsylvania
1907	Ralph Sheldon	New York
1908	Edgar Allan, Jr.	Maryland
1909	George W. Polliet	New Jersey
1910	Fred E. Bolton	Massachusetts
1911	Newton J. McGuire	Indiana
1912	Ralph M. Grant	Connecticut
1913	John E. Sautter	Pennsylvania
1914	Charles F. Sherman	New York
1915	A.E.B. Stephens	Ohio
1916	William T. Church	Illinois
1917	Fred T.J. Johnson	Pennsylvania
1918	Francis Callahan	Pennsylvania
1919	Harry D. Sisson	Massachusetts
1920	Phelam A. Barrows	Nebraska
1921	Clifford Ireland	Illinois
1922	Frank Shellhouse	Indiana
1923	Samuel S. Horn	Pennsylvania
1924	William M. Coffin	Ohio
1925	Edwin C. Irelan	Maryland
1926	Ernest W. Homan	Massachusetts
1927	Walter C. Mabie	Pennsylvania
1928	Delevan B. Bowley	California
1929	Theodore C. Cazeau	New York
1930	Allen S. Holbrook	Illinois
1931	Frank C. Huston	Indiana
1932	Titus M. Ruch	Pennsylvania
1933	Park F. Yengling	Ohio
1934	Frank L. Kirchgassner	Massachusetts
1935	Richard F. Locke	Illinois
1936	William A. Dyer	New York
1937	William A. Dyer	New York
1938	William L. Anderson	Massachusetts

YEAR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1939	Ralph R. Barrett	California
1940	J. Kirkwood Craig	Minnesota
1941	Albert C. Lambert	New Jersey
1942	Henry Towle	Maine
1943	C. Leroy Stoudt	Pennsylvania
1944	Urion W. Mackey	Michigan
1945	H. Harding Hale	Massachusetts
1946	Neil D. Cranmer	New York
1947	Charles H. E. Moran	Massachusetts
1948	Perle L. Fouch	Michigan
1949	John H. Runkle	Pennsylvania
1950	Cleon E. Heald	New Hampshire
1951	Roy J. Bennett	Iowa
1952	Frederick K. Davis	Washington & Oregon
1953	U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1954	U.S. Grant III	Maryland
1955	Fredrick G. Bauer	Massachusetts
1956	Fred E. Howe	New York
1957	Albert B. DeHaven	Maine
1958	Earl F. Riggs	California
1959	Harold E. Arnold	Rhode Island
1960	Thomas A. Chadwick	Vermont
1961	Charles L. Messer	New York
1962	Chester S. Shriver	Pennsylvania
1963	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1964	Joseph S. Rippey	New York
1965	W. Earl Corbin	Ohio
1966	Frank Woerner	California
1967	William H. Haskell	Massachusetts
1968	Frank M. Heacock, Sr.	Pennsylvania
1969	Fred H. Combs, Jr.	New Jersey
1970	George L. Cashman	Illinois
1971	Norman R. Furman	New York
1972	John C. Yocum	Pennsylvania
1973	Allen B. Howland	Massachusetts
1974	John H. Stark	Pennsylvania
1975	Clarence J. Riddell	Pennsylvania
1976	Kenneth T. Wheeler	New Hampshire
1977	Harold T. Beilby	New York
1978	Richard L. Greenwalt	Ohio
1979	Elton O. Koch	Pennsylvania
1980	Richard E. Wyman	New Hampshire
1981	Harry E. Gibbons	New York
1982	Richard C. Schlenker	Maryland
1983	William L. Simpson	Pennsylvania
1984	Eugene E. Russell	Massachusetts
1985	Donald L. Roberts	New York
1986	Gordon R. Bury II	Ohio
1987	Richard O. Partington	Pennsylvania
1988	Clark C. Mellor	Massachusetts
1989	Charles W. Corfman	Ohio
1990	George W. Long	Pennsylvania
1991	Lowell V. Hammer	Maryland
1992	Elmer F. Atkinson	Pennsylvania
1993	Allen W. Moore	Indiana
1994	Keith G. Harrison	Michigan
1995	David R. Medert	Ohio
1996	Alan R. Loomis	Indiana

YEAR	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1997	Richard D. Orr	Pennsylvania
1998	Andrew M. Johnson	Maryland
1999	Danny L. Wheeler	New York
2000	Edward J. Krieser	Indiana
2001	George L. Powell	Pennsylvania
2002	Robert E. Grim	Ohio
2003	Kent L. Armsrong	Michigan
2004	Stephen A. Michaels	Wisconsin

HONOR CONFERRED BY THE COMMANDERY-IN-CHIEF

1883	A.P. Davis	Pennsylvania
1899	R.M.J. Reed	Pennsylvania
1939	Horace M. Hammer	Pennsylvania
1953	Albert Woolson	Minnesota

SONS OF VETERANS

1881	Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1882	Alfred Cope	Pennsylvania
1883	Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1884	Edwin Earp	Massachusetts
1885	Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1886	Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania
1887	Louis M. Wagner	Pennsylvania

THE POST SYSTEM

1889-90	George W. Marks	New York
1890	George T. Brown	New York

PAST GRAND DIVISION COMMANDERS

Isaac S. Bangs	Maine
A.V. Bohn	Colorado
Frank Challis	New Hampshire
Charles S Crysler	Missouri
A.P. Davis	Pennsylvania
E. Howard Gilkey	Ohio
H.P. Kent	Massachusetts
William Maskell	Illinois
Walter S. Payne	Ohio
R.M.J. Reed	Pennsylvania
William Ross	Maryland
Raphael Tobias	New York
Leland J. Webb	Kansas

APPENDIX 7
National Encampments of the
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
1st	1882	October 18	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
2nd	1883	August 6 - 7	Columbus, Ohio
3rd	1884	August 27 - 30	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
4th	1885	September 17 - 18	Grand Rapids, Michigan
5th	1886	September 1 - 2	Buffalo, New York
6th	1887	August 17 - 19	Des Moines, Iowa
7th	1888	August 15 - 17	Wheeling, West Virginia
8th	1889	September 10 - 13	Patterson, New Jersey
9th	1890	August 26 - 29	St. Joseph, Missouri
10th	1891	August 24 - 29	Minneapolis, Minnesota
11th	1892	August 8 - 12	Helena, Montana
12th	1893	August 15 - 18	Cincinnati, Ohio
13th	1894	August 20 - 23	Davenport, Iowa
14th	1895	September 16 - 18	Knoxville, Tennessee
15th	1896	September 8 - 10	Louisville, Kentucky
16th	1897	September 9 - 11	Indianapolis, Indiana
17th	1898	September 10 - 14	Omaha, Nebraska
18th	1899	September 7 - 9	Detroit, Michigan
19th	1900	September 11 - 13	Syracuse, New York
20th	1901	September 17 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
21st	1902	October 7 - 9	Washington, D.C.
22nd	1903	September 15 - 17	Atlantic City, New Jersey
23rd	1904	August 17 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
24th	1905	September 18 - 20	Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
25th	1906	August 20 - 23	Peoria, Illinois
26th	1907	August 20 - 21	Dayton, Ohio
27th	1908	August 25 - 27	Niagara Falls, New York
28th	1909	August 24 - 26	Washington, D.C.
29th	1910	September 20 - 22	Atlantic City, New Jersey
30th	1911	August 20 - 25	Rochester, New York
31st	1912	August 27 - 29	St. Louis, Missouri
32nd	1913	September 16 - 18	Chattanooga, Tennessee
33rd	1914	September 1 - 3	Detroit, Michigan
34th	1915	September 28 - 30	Washington, D.C.
35th	1916	August 30 - 31	Kansas City, Missouri
36th	1917	August 22 - 23	Boston, Massachusetts
37th	1918	August 20 - 21	Niagara Falls, New York
38th	1919	September 9 - 11	Columbus, Ohio
39th	1920	September 22 - 23	Indianapolis, Indiana
40th	1921	September 27 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
41st	1922	September 26 - 28	Des Moines, Iowa
42nd	1923	September 4 - 6	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
43rd	1924	August 12 - 14	Boston, Massachusetts
44th	1925	September 1 - 3	Grand Rapids, Michigan
45th	1926	September 21 - 23	Des Moines, Iowa
46th	1927	September 13 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
47th	1928	September 18 - 20	Denver, Colorado
48th	1929	September 10 - 12	Portland, Maine
49th	1930	August 26 - 28	Cincinnati, Ohio
50th	1931	September 14 - 17	Des Moines, Iowa
51st	1932	September 19 - 22	Springfield, Illinois
52nd	1933	September 19 - 21	St. Paul, Minnesota
53rd	1934	August 14 - 16	Rochester, New York
54th	1935	September 9 - 12	Grand Rapids, Michigan
55th	1936	September 22 - 24	Washington, D.C.
56th	1937	September 6 - 9	Madison, Wisconsin
57th	1938	September 5 - 8	Des Moines, Iowa
58th	1939	August 29 - 31	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
59th	1940	September 10 - 12	Springfield, Illinois
60th	1941	September 15 - 18	Columbus, Ohio
61st	1942	September 15 - 17	Indianapolis, Indiana
62nd	1943	September 20 - 23	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
63rd	1944	September 12 - 14	Des Moines, Iowa
64th	1945	October 1 - 4	Columbus, Ohio
65th	1946	August 25 - 29	Indianapolis, Indiana
66th	1947	August 10 - 14	Cleveland, Ohio
67th	1948	September 26 - 30	Grand Rapids, Michigan
68th	1949	August 28 - 31	Indianapolis, Indiana
69th	1950	August 20 - 24	Boston, Massachusetts
70th	1951	August 19 - 23	Columbus, Ohio
71st	1952	August 24 - 28	Atlantic City, New Jersey
72nd	1953	August 23 - 27	Buffalo, New York
73rd	1954	August 8 - 13	Duluth, Minnesota
74th	1955	August 21 - 25	Cincinnati, Ohio
75th	1956	September 1 - 15	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
76th	1957	August 18 - 22	Detroit, Michigan
77th	1958	August 17 - 21	Boston, Massachusetts
78th	1959	August 16 - 20	Long Beach, California
79th	1960	August 21 - 25	Springfield, Illinois
80th	1961	August 20 - 24	Indianapolis, Indiana
81st	1962	August 19 - 23	Washington, D.C.
82nd	1963	August 18 - 23	Miami Beach, Florida
83rd	1964	August 16 - 20	Providence, Rhode Island
84th	1965	August 15 - 19	Richmond, Virginia
85th	1966	August 14 - 15	Grand Rapids, Michigan
86th	1967	August 6 - 10	Chicago, Illinois
87th	1968	August 18 - 22	Wilmington, Delaware
88th	1969	August 17 - 21	St. Louis, Missouri
89th	1970	August 23 - 27	Miami Beach, California
90th	1971	August 15 - 19	Boston, Massachusetts
91st	1972	August 13 - 17	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
92nd	1973	August 5 - 9	Palm Springs, California
93rd	1974	August 18 - 22	Bretton Woods, New Hampshire
94th	1975	August 10 - 14	Rochester, New York
95th	1976	August 15 - 19	Columbus, Ohio
96th	1977	August 14 - 18	Des Moines, Iowa
97th	1978	August 13 - 17	Grand Rapids, Michigan
98th	1979	August 12 - 15	Hartford, Connecticut
99th	1980	August 10 - 14	Richmond, Virginia
100th	1981	August 9 - 13	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
101st	1982	August 14 - 18	Providence, Rhode Island
102nd	1983	August 15 - 19	Portland, Maine
103rd	1984	August 12 - 16	Akron, Ohio
104th	1985	August 10 - 15	Wilmington, Delaware
105th	1986	August 10 - 13	Lexington, Kentucky
106th	1987	August 9 - 12	Buffalo, New York
107th	1988	August 14 - 17	Lansing, Michigan
108th	1989	August 13 - 16	Stamford, Connecticut
109th	1990	August 12 - 15	Des Moines, Iowa
110th	1991	August 11 - 14	Indianapolis, Indiana
111th	1992	August 13 - 16	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
112th	1993	August 13 - 15	Portland, Maine
113th	1994	August 11 - 14	Lansing, Michigan
114th	1995	August 10 - 13	Columbus, Ohio
115th	1996	August 8 - 11	Columbus, Ohio
116th	1997	August 7 - 10	Utica, New York

NUMBER	YEAR	DATES	LOCATION
117th	1998	August 6 - 9	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
118th	1999	August 19 - 22	Indianapolis, Indiana
119th	2000	August 17 - 20	Lansing, Michigan
120th	2001	August 10 - 12	Springfield, Missouri
121st	2002	August 9 - 11	Springfield, Illinois
122nd	2003	August 8 - 10	Fort Mitchell, Kentucky
123rd	2004	August 12 - 15	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
124th	2005	August 4 - 7	Nashua, New Hampshire
125th	2006	August 11 - 13	Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

APPENDIX 8
National Treasurer's Spreadsheets



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GENERAL FUND

INCOME

	6425	5991.86	4188	6150
Members Paid (Prorated)				
Per Capita Dues (\$14.50)	\$93,162.50	\$86,881.91	\$60,729.25	\$89,175.00
L.M. 1996 & 2001 Programs Per Capita (\$14.50)	\$1,174.50	\$0.00		\$1,160.00
Sale of Supplies	\$24,000.00	\$26,886.66		\$29,000.00
Shipping & Handling	\$1,600.00	\$1,653.85		\$1,600.00
Nat.Pat.Inst.Sales of ROTC Metals	\$1,000.00	\$2,737.50		\$2,000.00
Subscriptions Banner	\$800.00	\$615.00		\$600.00
Advertising in the Banner	\$1,500.00	\$132.00		\$500.00
Reg Fee Nat. Encamp't	\$1,500.00	\$1,533.00	\$913.00	\$1,500.00
App. Fee New Camps	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$400.00
WebPage Service Revenue	\$360.00	\$240.00		\$360.00
Aux. Love Gift	\$0.00	\$250.00		\$0.00
Donations	\$50.00	\$2.00		\$50.00
NMAL Donation	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	1.	\$1,000.00
Interest-CD's	\$8,800.00	\$6,762.02	\$550.52	\$9,620.48
Misc.	\$50.00	(20.00)	2.	\$42.49
TOTAL INCOME	\$134,397.00	\$129,273.94	\$62,192.77	\$137,007.97
Balance Forward from previous FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =	\$134,397.00	\$129,273.94	\$62,192.77	\$137,007.97
Transfer to GAR Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,600.11
Transfer to Permanent Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfer to Senior Vice CinC Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transfer to Nat HQ Fund	\$0.00	1,493.43	\$1,482.08	\$1,185.00
Transfer to CW Heritage Def. Fund	\$0.00	0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Transfers to Other 5 Funds	\$0.00	1,493.43	\$1,482.08	\$4,785.11
TOTAL INCOME - TRANSFERS =	\$134,397.00	\$127,780.51	\$60,710.69	\$132,222.86

EXPENSES

Supplies	\$18,000.00	\$19,292.41		\$21,000.00
Dies	\$0.00	\$75.00		\$0.00
Ship & Handling	\$1,600.00	\$1,200.00		\$1,600.00
C-in-C Allowance	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00		\$7,500.00
Nat. Sec. Allowance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
Nat. Tres. Allowance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
Nat. QM Allowance	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
Nat'l Elected Officers Requested to ...Represent				
C-in-C @ Dept. Encp's	\$7,000.00	\$953.44		\$7,000.00
Banner Editor Travel Expenses				\$1,500.00
Executive Director	\$17,000.00	\$16,500.00	\$4,250.00	\$17,000.00
Ex Dir's Expenses	\$2,500.00	\$1,899.78		\$2,500.00
CofA Per Diem	\$700.00	\$350.00		\$500.00
Nat. Encamp Host Comm.	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00
Past C-in-C Jewel	\$400.00	\$0.00		\$450.00
Office Expense	\$1,700.00	\$581.93		\$1,700.00
Special Projects	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	1.	\$2,500.00
Contingency Fund	\$5,000.00	\$0.00		\$5,000.00



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Telephone	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$300.00
Postage	\$750.00	\$394.62		\$600.00
Web Page	\$500.00	\$474.25		\$500.00
Graves Reg. Comm.	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00
Record Storage	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Awards	\$350.00	\$449.94		\$500.00
Scholarships	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		\$1,000.00
Software	\$1,000.00	\$210.62		\$800.00
Internet Cable for HQs Office	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$38.89	\$500.00
Proceedings Transcribe	\$600.00	\$600.00		\$600.00
Print Proceedings	\$10,000.00	\$4,817.72		\$2,142.86
BANNER * See Banner Note Below	\$35,000.00	\$37,206.42		\$37,500.00
National Encp Site Comm Exp	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00
National Encp Exp	\$1,000.00	\$1,575.34		\$1,500.00
Nat'l Encp Photographer plus Expenses	\$2,000.00	\$250.82		\$300.00
Nat'l Encp Photographer Supplies & Albums	\$250.00	\$201.47		\$250.00
SCV CinC's Nat Encamp Exp	\$450.00	\$147.96		\$400.00
Accounting-Audit	\$4,500.00	\$0.00		\$4,500.00
Accounting Allowance	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$600.00	\$2,400.00
Officers Bond	Paid Up 'till Aug.1, 2007	\$0.00		Paid Up 'till Aug.1, 2007
Misc Committee Exp	\$500.00	\$0.00		\$500.00
Misc Expenses	\$317.00	\$62.00		\$300.00
Bank Charges	\$130.00	\$0.00		\$130.00
Special Life Payment	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Bad Debt	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$50.00
Depreciation-Computer - 5 Yrs	\$400.00	\$0.00		\$400.00
Depreciation-Office - 5 Yrs	\$800.00	\$0.00		\$800.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$134,397.00	\$107,143.72	\$6,388.89	\$132,222.86
Gross Gain/Loss	\$0.00	\$20,636.79	\$54,321.80	\$0.00
GAR FUND				
INCOME				
Nat.Pat.Inst.Appeal	\$100.00	\$115.45		\$120.00
Blue&Gray Ball	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00
Donations	\$300.00	\$5.00		\$300.00
Escheated Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest	\$3,380.00	\$2,460.61	\$110.10	\$2,959.89
SUB-TOTAL INCOME	\$8,780.00	\$7,581.06	\$110.10	\$8,379.89
Balance Forward from previous FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,600.11
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =	\$8,780.00	\$7,581.06	\$110.10	\$11,980.00
EXPENSES				
Scholarships	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		\$1,000.00
Postage	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Lincoln Memorial	\$100.00	\$85.95		\$100.00
Lincoln Tomb	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$2,200.00



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GAR Remembrance Day Costs:				
Woolson's Monument Wreath	\$50.00	\$35.00		\$50.00
Amplification Equipment Rental	\$200.00	\$150.00		\$200.00
Memorial Services Program Printing	\$50.00	\$45.48		\$50.00
Other Mesc. Costs	\$400.00	\$85.00		\$400.00
SVR Costs: Liability Insurance	\$275.00	\$275.00		\$275.00
Streamers	\$270.00	\$252.00		\$270.00
Mailing	\$150.00	\$148.11		\$150.00
Postage	\$160.00	\$139.73		\$160.00
Cathedral of Pines	\$100.00	\$100.00		\$100.00
Tomb of Unknown	\$200.00	\$287.85		\$300.00
Congress of Pat. Org.	\$25.00	\$0.00		\$25.00
Special Projects	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		\$1,000.00
GAR Campfire	\$500.00	\$500.00		\$500.00
Grant Tomb	\$200.00	\$200.00		\$200.00
Blue & Gray Ball Donation	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00		\$5,000.00
Bank Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$8,780.00	\$6,404.12	\$0.00	\$11,980.00
Gross Gain/Loss	\$0.00	\$1,176.94	\$110.10	\$0.00
General Funds Used to Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,600.11
PERMANENT FUND				
INCOME				
NMAL New Members (\$5.00)	50	20	12	50
NMAL New Member Fees	\$250.00	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$250.00
HonorRoll Cont.	\$400.00	\$131.00		\$400.00
Interest	\$4,350.00	\$4,456.82	\$340.03	\$6,331.27
Miscellaneous/Donations	\$300.00	\$0.00		\$300.00
Life Member Fees	\$7,000.00	\$7,750.00		\$7,000.00
SUB-TOTAL INCOME	\$12,300.00	\$12,437.82	\$412.03	\$14,281.27
Balance Forward from previous FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =	\$12,300.00	\$12,437.82	\$412.03	\$14,281.27
EXPENSES				
L.M. Per Capita: 1996 & 2001 Programs (\$18.00)	\$1,458.00	\$0.00		\$1,440.00
L.M. Reimbursement Pymts: Pre-2001 Programs (34)	\$2,108.00	\$942.00		\$2,108.00
Life Member Cards	\$20.00	\$0.00		\$20.00
Postage to Mail L.M. Cards	\$10.00	\$0.00		\$10.00
Misc	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,596.00	\$942.00	\$0.00	\$3,578.00
Gross Gain/Loss	\$8,704.00	\$11,495.82	\$412.03	\$10,703.27
General Funds Used to Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



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SENIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF FUND

INCOME	(Prorated)	6425	5991.50	4188	6150
Members Paid		750	692	258	650
New Members (\$5.00)		\$6,425.00	\$5,991.50	\$4,188.25	\$6,150.00
Per Capita Dues (\$1.00)		\$81.00	\$0.00		\$80.00
L.M. 1996 & 2001 Programs Per Capita (\$1.00)		\$3,750.00	\$3,460.00	\$1,290.00	\$3,250.00
Reg.Fee,New Members		\$200.00	\$50.00		\$50.00
Donations		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest		<u>\$10,456.00</u>	<u>\$9,501.50</u>	<u>\$5,478.25</u>	<u>\$9,530.00</u>
SUB-TOTAL INCOME					
Balance Forward from previous FY		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =		<u>\$10,456.00</u>	<u>\$9,501.50</u>	<u>\$5,478.25</u>	<u>\$9,530.00</u>
EXPENSES					
Office		\$400.00	\$28.19		\$400.00
Telephone		\$381.00	\$0.00		\$380.00
Postage		\$575.00	\$65.92		\$575.00
E-mail		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Membership Ads		\$9,100.00	\$1,508.79		\$8,175.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>\$10,456.00</u>	<u>\$1,602.90</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$9,530.00</u>
Gross Gain/Loss		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$7,898.60</u>	<u>\$5,478.25</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
General Funds Used to Balance		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS FUND

INCOME	(Prorated)	6425	\$5,989.68	4188	6150
Members Paid		\$3,212.50	\$2,994.84	\$2,094.00	\$3,075.00
Per Capita Dues (\$0.50)		\$40.50	\$0.00		\$40.00
L.M. 1996 & 2001 Programs Per Capita (\$0.50)		\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00
Donations		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Long Term Invest.		\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest, CD's		<u>\$1,050.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$2,094.00</u>	<u>\$3,215.00</u>
SUB-TOTAL INCOME					
Balance Forward from previous FY		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund		\$0.00	\$1,493.43	\$1,482.08	\$1,185.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =		<u>\$4,403.00</u>	<u>\$4,488.27</u>	<u>\$3,576.08</u>	<u>\$4,400.00</u>
EXPENSES					
Rent		\$2,400.00	\$2,680.00	\$3,500.00	\$2,400.00
Telephone		\$950.00	\$901.84	\$76.08	\$950.00
Insurance		\$500.00	\$500.00		\$500.00
Furnishings		\$553.00	\$406.43		\$550.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>\$4,403.00</u>	<u>\$4,488.27</u>	<u>\$3,576.08</u>	<u>\$4,400.00</u>
Gross Gain/Loss		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
General Funds Used to Balance		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,493.43</u>	<u>\$1,482.08</u>	<u>\$1,185.00</u>



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ITEM	2005-2006 PROPOSED	2005-2006 ACTUAL YTD 6-Jul-2006	2006-2007 PER CAPITA & BUDGET INCOME ACTUAL TO DATE Jul 1 - Jul 11, 2006	2006-2007 PROPOSED BUDGET July 12, 2006
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CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL PRESERVATION FUND

INCOME				
Members Paid (Prorated)	6425	5991.50	4188	6150
Per Capita Dues (\$2.00)	\$12,850.00	\$11,983.00	\$8,376.50	\$12,300.00
L.M. 1996 & 2001 Programs Per Capita (\$2.00)	\$162.00	\$0.00		\$160.00
Donations	\$50.00	\$0.00		\$50.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
SUB-TOTAL INCOME	\$13,062.00	\$11,983.00	\$8,376.50	\$12,510.00
Balance Forward from previous FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =	\$13,062.00	\$11,983.00	\$8,376.50	\$12,510.00
EXPENSES				
Grants	\$13,062.00	\$11,982.50		\$12,510.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$13,062.00	\$11,982.50	\$0.00	\$12,510.00
Gross Gain/Loss	\$0.00	\$0.50	\$8,376.50	\$0.00
General Funds Used to Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

CIVIL WAR HERITAGE DEFENSE FUND

INCOME				
Donations	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		\$300.00
Interest	\$2.00	\$1.43		\$2.00
SUB-TOTAL INCOME	\$1,002.00	\$1.43	\$0.00	\$302.00
Balance Forward from previous FY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Transferred from General Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME + BAL. FOR'D =	\$1,002.00	\$1.43	\$0.00	\$302.00
EXPENSES				
Grants	\$1,002.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
Misc Expense	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,002.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gross Gain/Loss	\$0.00	\$1.43	\$0.00	\$302.00
General Funds Used to Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL GROSS GAIN/LOSS	\$8,704.00	\$41,210.08	\$68,698.68	\$11,005.27



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GRAND TOTALS				
GRAND TOTAL INCOME	\$184,400.00	\$173,773.59	\$78,663.65	\$185,226.13
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES	\$175,696.00	\$132,563.51	\$9,964.97	\$174,220.86
GROSS BALANCE	\$8,704.00	\$41,210.08	\$68,698.68	\$11,005.27
GENERAL FUND	Minus (-)	\$28,535.89	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
GAR FUND	Minus (-)	\$1,176.94	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
PERMANENT FUND	Minus (-)	\$11,495.82	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
SVC-IN-C FUND	Minus (-)	\$0.00	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
NATIONAL HQ'S FUND	Minus (-)	\$0.00	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
CW MEMORIAL PRES FUND	Minus (-)	\$0.00	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
CW HERITAGE DEFENSE FUND	Minus (-)	\$1.43	= Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
		\$41,210.08	= Total Reserves for Fiscal Year 2005-2006	
		\$26,210.08	= Total Amount Permanently Deposited into Savings Accounts	
		\$15,000.00	= Special Fund for Publishing Backlog of National Encampment Proceedings	
NET BALANCE		34 of 34 Depts. Paid to Date	26 of 34 Depts. Paid to Date	
Note:	Proposed	Actual		Proposed
Total Interest Paid into Budget - FYTD:	\$17,582.00	\$13,680.88		\$18,913.64
Total Interest Accumulating in 4 New CD's th	30-Jun-2006 =	\$6,397.88		\$8,382.70
Total Interest Earned - Fiscal Year to Date th	30-Jun-2006 =	\$20,078.76		\$27,296.34

**SPECIAL FUND FOR PUBLISHING
BACKLOG OF NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT PROCEEDINGS**

SPECIAL FUNDS AVAILABLE			\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
New Special Funds				\$0.00
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS			\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
EXPENSES				
Print Proceedings - 118th ??				\$2,142.84
Print Proceedings - 119th ??				\$2,142.86
Print Proceedings - 120th ??				\$2,142.86
Print Proceedings - 121st ??				\$2,142.86
Print Proceedings - 122nd ??				\$2,142.86
Print Proceedings - 123rd ??				\$2,142.86
Print Proceedings - 124th ??				\$2,142.86
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$0.00	\$15,000.00
BALANCE OF SPECIAL FUNDS			\$15,000.00	\$0.00

2004-2005 Balance Sheet

Date of Report: June 30, 2005

Total Assets FY 2004-05 vs. FY 2005-06

<u>Bank Accounts</u>	<u>Jun. 30, 2005*</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Jun. 30, 2006**</u>	<u>Net Gain or (Loss)</u>
Checking 2	\$ 63.61	\$ 94.20	\$ (132,480.48)	\$ 132,322.67	\$ -	\$ (63.61)
Checking 2 Savings	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 165,983.44	\$ 45.50	\$ (151,028.94)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
CW Heritage Defense Fd	\$ 712.00	\$ 1.43	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 713.43	\$ 1.43
GAR Account 2	\$ 300.65	\$ 30.66	\$ -	\$ 1,176.28	\$ 1,507.59	\$ 1,206.94
General Account 2	\$ 10,047.10	\$ 50.60	\$ -	\$ 14,425.93	\$ 24,523.63	\$ 14,476.53
Permanent Account 2	\$ 303.95	\$ 7,921.76	\$ 500.00	\$ 3,104.06	\$ 11,829.77	\$ 11,525.82
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TOTAL Bank Accounts	\$ 21,427.31	\$ 174,082.09	\$ (131,934.98)	\$ 0.00	\$ 63,574.42	\$ 42,147.11
					\$ 63,574.42	\$ 42,147.11
<u>Asset Accounts</u>				June 30, 2006		
GAR Account 2 - CD	\$ 34,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,000.00	\$ -
GAR Account 3 - CD	\$ 46,430.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 46,430.63	\$ -
GAR Fund CD 4	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -
GAR Fund CD 5	\$ 4,850.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,850.00	\$ -
General Fund 2 - CD	\$ 170,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 170,000.00	\$ -
General Fund 3 - CD	\$ 73,518.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 73,518.63	\$ -
National HQ Fund 3 - CD	\$ 31,074.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,074.97	\$ -
Permanent Fund 2 - CD	\$ 105,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 105,000.00	\$ -
Permanent Fund 3 - CD	\$ 13,822.59	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,822.59	\$ -
Permanent Fund Bonds	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
Permanent Fund CD 2	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
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TOTAL Asset Accounts	\$ 548,696.82	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 548,696.82	\$ -
						\$ -
<u>Investment Accounts</u>						
Permanent Fund Savings Bonds	\$ 24,432.00	\$ 1,224.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25,656.00	\$ 1,224.00
* 3 US Savings Bonds @ \$5000 each						
Nat HQ Long Term Invest***	\$ 19,860.00	\$ 3,360.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,220.16	\$ 3,360.16
*** As of 6-30-2004						
TOTAL Investment Accts	\$ 44,292.00	\$ 4,584.16	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,876.16	\$ 4,584.16
						\$ 46,731.27
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OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 614,416.13	\$ 178,666.25	\$ (131,934.98)	\$ 0.00	\$ 661,147.40	\$ 46,731.27

June 30, 2004 TOTAL: \$ 614,416.13

NET OVERALL TOTAL: \$ 661,147.40

** Note: Does not include any 2006 Annual Per Capita

Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Net Gain or (Loss) \$ 46,731.27

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Certificate of Deposit
Maturity Dates

Fund	Certificate No.	Purchase Amount	Product Description	Current Rate	Issue / Renewal Date	Maturity Date	Bank
Permanent - 2	# 158764-60 / or # 443411560	\$15,000.00	Fixed Rate	4.3300%	8/23/2002	10/23/2006	Northwest Savings Bank
GAR - 4	# 158765-70 / or # 4434411570	\$25,000.00	Fixed Rate	4.3300%	8/23/2002	10/23/2006	Northwest Savings Bank
GAR - 5	# 107210	\$4,850.00	Step-Up Rate	5.1000%	6/19/2006	6/19/2008	ESB Bank
General-2 CD	# 3370303475	\$170,000.00	Fixed Rate	4.0100%	8/6/2005	9/6/2006	Republic Bank
Permanent-2 CD	# 3370303504	\$105,000.00	Fixed Rate	4.0100%	8/6/2005	9/6/2006	Republic Bank
GAR-2 CD	# 3370303512	\$34,000.00	Fixed Rate	4.0100%	8/6/2005	9/6/2006	Republic Bank
General-3 CD	# 3370629539	\$76,032.42	Fixed Rate	5.0000%	5/30/2006	8/30/2007	Republic Bank
Permanent-3 CD	# 3370629547	\$14,311.89	Fixed Rate	5.0000%	5/30/2006	8/30/2007	Republic Bank
GAR-3 CD	# 3370629555	\$48,027.07	Fixed Rate	5.0000%	5/30/2006	8/30/2007	Republic Bank
Nat'l HQ's 3 CD	# 3370629563	\$32,143.43	Fixed Rate	5.0000%	5/30/2006	8/30/2007	Republic Bank
CD's Total Value:		\$524,364.81					
Long Term Investments:		As of:	6/30/2005		As of:	6/30/2006	
International Growth Investor			\$10,121.90			\$12,982.92	The Vanguard Group
U.S. Growth Fund Invertor			\$9,738.77			\$10,237.24	The Vanguard Group
L. T. Investments Total Value:			\$19,860.67			\$23,220.16	
U.S. Savings Bonds, 3 Bonds Series EE		\$15,000.00	1/1/1994	4.4200%		\$30,000.00	U.S. Treasury
		Purchase Value	Purchase Date	Yield		\$25,656.00	Total Value At Maturity
						Current Value 7/1/2006	
All Investments Total Value:		\$573,240.97					1/1/2024

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
9/1/2001	\$ -		\$ 53,812.86		\$ 53,812.86	Permanent Funds transferred from Mason State Bank - Fund Money Market Account
9/1/2001	\$ 53,812.86		\$ 20,546.15		\$ 74,359.01	Life Member Funds transferred from Mason State Bank - from General Fund Money Market Account
9/30/2001	\$ 74,359.01	\$ 114.90			\$ 74,473.91	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
11/13/2001	\$ 74,473.91			\$ 202.17	\$ 74,271.74	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
12/31/2002	\$ 74,271.74	\$ 415.78			\$ 74,687.52	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
1/24/2002	\$ 74,687.52		\$ 250.00		\$ 74,937.52	Dep #LM-02-001: 1 New Life Member, Age 65 or over: (LM #600) Paid in Full.
2/4/2002	\$ 74,937.52			\$ 415.78	\$ 74,521.74	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
3/6/2002	\$ 74,521.74		\$ 830.00		\$ 75,351.74	Transferred Life Member Fees from Life Member Fund of 2000-2001
3/6/2002	\$ 75,351.74		\$ 1,047.18		\$ 76,398.92	Transferred Bal. of Life Member Fund Interest Income from Life Member Fund of 2000-2001
3/6/2002	\$ 76,398.92		\$ 148.13		\$ 76,547.05	Transferred Bal. of Permanent Fund Interest Income from Permanent Fund of 2000-2001
3/6/2002	\$ 76,547.05			\$ 76,000.00	\$ 547.05	Transferred Funds to 29 Month CD at 4.19% Interest - Interest to be Paid Monthly
3/29/2002	\$ 547.05	\$ 227.91			\$ 774.96	Interest on 29 Month Permanent Fund CD
4/9/2002	\$ 774.96			\$ 227.91	\$ 547.05	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
6/3/2002	\$ 547.05		\$ 1,080.00		\$ 1,627.05	Dep #LM-02-002: 2 New Life Members Age 65 or over & 1/3 New Life Member, less than age 65 (LM's #601 & 602 Paid in Full + #610 @ 1/3)
6/30/2002	\$ 1,627.05	\$ 1.09			\$ 1,628.14	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
10/1/2002	\$ 1,628.14	\$ 2.07			\$ 1,630.21	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
12/9/2002	\$ 1,630.21		\$ 155.00		\$ 1,785.21	2001 Honor Roll & Donations transferred from General Fund Checking2 Account

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
12/9/2002	\$ 1,785.21		\$ 1,350.00		\$ 3,135.21	Transfer of Dep #02-055 & Dep #02-058: 3 New Life Member Fees @ Age 65 or over & 1/3 New Life Member Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM's # 603, 604 & 605 Paid in Full + #610 @ 1/3); & 1 Honor Roll & 1 Donation
12/9/2002	\$ 3,135.21		\$ 10,795.00		\$ 13,930.21	Dep #LM-02-003: Joseph Rippey Bequest of \$10000.00; 2 Life Member Fees, 1 less than 65 & 1 age 65 or over (LM's # 606 & 607) Paid in Full; & 2 Honor Roll Donations
12/19/2002	\$ 13,930.21		\$ 267.00		\$ 14,197.21	Dep #LM-02-004: 1 Life Member Fee @ Age 65 or older (LM # 608) Paid in Full; & 2 Honor Roll Donations
12/31/2002	\$ 14,197.21	\$ 3.30			\$ 14,200.51	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
1/16/2003	\$ 14,200.51		\$ 530.00		\$ 14,730.51	Dep #LM-03-005: 1 Life Member Fee @ less Age 65 (LM # 609) Paid in Full; & 3 Honor Roll Donations
2/6/2003	\$ 14,730.51		\$ 90.00		\$ 14,820.51	Dep #LM-03-006: 1/3 Life Member Fee @ over Age 65 (Therefore LM # 610) Paid in Full
2/19/2003	\$ 14,820.51			\$ 6.46	\$ 14,814.05	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
03/31/03	\$ 14,814.05	\$ 9.03			\$ 14,823.08	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
04/11/03	\$ 14,823.08		\$ 100.00		\$ 14,923.08	Dep #LM-03-007: 4 Honor Roll Donations for 7 people
04/11/03	\$ 14,923.08			\$ 9.03	\$ 14,914.05	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
04/29/03	\$ 14,914.05		\$ 500.00		\$ 15,414.05	Dep #LM-03-008: 1 Life Member Fee (LM # 611) Paid in Full
5/19/2003	\$ 15,414.05		\$ 33.34		\$ 15,447.39	Transfer of Dep #03-071: 1 Honor Roll Donation
5/19/2003	\$ 15,447.39		\$ 313.00		\$ 15,760.39	Dep #LM-03-009: 1 Life Member Fee (LM # 612) Paid in Full; 1 Honor Roll Donations; & 1 Perm Fd Donation

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
5/29/2003	\$ 15,760.39		\$ 145.00		\$ 15,905.39	[Transfer from Checking 2] NMAL New Member Fees (2000-01 & 2001-02) - NOT previously done!
5/29/2003	\$ 15,905.39		\$ 500.00		\$ 16,405.39	Dep #LM-03-010: 1 Life Member Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM # 613) Paid in Full
5/29/2003	\$ 16,405.39		\$ 100.00		\$ 16,505.39	[Transfer from Checking 2 Savings] FY2003-2004 NMAL New Member Fees per C&R
6/13/2003	\$ 16,505.39		\$ 10.00		\$ 16,515.39	Dep #LM-03-011: 1 Honor Roll Donation
6/17/2003	\$ 16,515.39		\$ 20.00		\$ 16,535.39	Dep #LM-03-012: 2 Honor Roll Donations
6/24/2003	\$ 16,535.39		\$ 1,685.48		\$ 18,220.87	[Telephone Transfer]: Transfer Extra Permanent Funds from FY 2001-2002
6/30/2003	\$ 18,220.87	\$ 9.86			\$ 18,230.73	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
6/30/2003	\$ 18,230.73		\$ 3,264.81		\$ 21,495.54	[Transfer from General Account-2] Transfer Extra Permanent Funds from FY2002-2003
6/30/2003	\$ 21,495.54		\$ 88.76		\$ 21,584.30	[Transfer from Checking-2] Transfer Extra Permanent Funds from FY2002-2003
6/30/2003	\$ 21,584.30	\$ 10.88			\$ 21,595.18	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
12/8/2003	\$ 21,595.18		\$ 4,890.00		\$ 26,485.18	Dep #LM-03-013: 11 LM Fees: (LM #'s 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623 & 624) New Life Members less than age 65 (8); New Life Members Age 65 or over (3); Nine (9) Civil War Soldiers being honored by our Brothers in the SUVCW
12/11/2003	\$ 26,485.18		\$ 155.00		\$ 26,640.18	Transfer Money [Checking 2 Savings] NMAL New Member Fees
12/11/2003	\$ 26,640.18			\$ 20.74	\$ 26,619.44	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
12/23/2003	\$ 26,619.44		\$ 20.00		\$ 26,639.44	Transfer Money [Checking 2 Savings] 2 Honor Roll Donations
12/30/2003	\$ 26,639.44		\$ 25.00		\$ 26,664.44	Dep #LM-03-014: 1 Honor Roll Donation
12/31/2003	\$ 26,664.44	\$ 11.50			\$ 26,675.94	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
2/18/2004	\$ 26,675.94		\$ 1,185.00		\$ 27,860.94	Dep #LM-03-015: 3.5 LM Fees: (LM's 625, 626 & 627 + 6XX) New Life Members less than age 65 (1); New Life Members age 65 or over (2.5); Nine (4) Civil War Soldiers being honored by our Brothers in theThe Order; Nine (1) Camp Member being honored by a Brother in theThe Order.
3/30/2004	\$ 27,860.94		\$ 1,250.00		\$ 29,110.94	Dep #LM-03-016: 4 LM Fees: (LM's 628, 629, 630 & 631) New Life Members less than age 65 (1); New Life Members Age 65 or over (3) [NOTE: LM#628 Stopped Payment on Check; Therefore LM Voided until New Check is Issued]
3/30/2004	\$ 29,110.94	\$ 13.58			\$ 29,124.52	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
4/7/2004	\$ 29,124.52			\$ 500.00	\$ 28,624.52	Returned Item Chargeback - LM Fee: (LM#628) Donald J. Smith, He Stopped Payment on Check
4/7/2004	\$ 28,624.52			\$ 9.00	\$ 28,615.52	Returned Item Chargeback Fee - For LM Fee: Sent letter on 05-05-04
5/10/2004	\$ 28,615.52		\$ 125.00		\$ 28,740.52	Dep #LM-03-017: Bal of over 65 LM Fee (LM #632) Therefore, Paid in full!
6/21/2004	\$ 28,740.52		\$ 1,045.00		\$ 29,785.52	Dep #LM-03-018: 2 LM Fees @ Age 65 or over (LM's #633 & 628) +1Honor Roll Donation+1Donation
6/30/2004	\$ 29,785.52	\$ 14.37			\$ 29,799.89	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
7/9/2004	\$ 29,799.89			\$ 27.95	\$ 29,771.94	Transferred Interest to Checking2 Account
7/14/2009	\$ 29,771.94			\$ 15.00	\$ 29,756.94	Transfer of FYE 6-30-04 Monies into Gen. Fd-2 Sav'g Acct - Transferred to wrong account by mistake!
7/15/2004	\$ 29,756.94			\$ 29,000.00	\$ 756.94	Transfer to Perm.Fd2 CD: Renewal @ 2.02%
7/31/2004	\$ 756.94		\$ 500.00		\$ 1,256.94	Dep #LM-03-019: LM Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM #634)

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
9/2/2004	\$ 1,256.94		\$ 195.00		\$ 1,451.94	Transfer NMAL New Member Fees to Perm. Fund
9/7/2004	\$ 1,451.94		\$ 40.00		\$ 1,491.94	Dep #LM-03-020: 1 Honor Roll Donation
9/23/2004	\$ 1,491.94		\$ 750.00		\$ 2,241.94	Dep #LM-03-021: 2 LM Fees, 1 @ less than Age 65 & 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM #'s 635 & 636)
9/30/2004	\$ 2,241.94	\$ 2.83			\$ 2,244.77	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
10/5/2004	\$ 2,244.77		\$ 10.00		\$ 2,254.77	Dep #LM-03-022: 1 Honor Roll Donation
11/16/2004	\$ 2,254.77		\$ 20.00		\$ 2,274.77	Dep #LM-03-023: 1 Honor Roll Donation for 2 Deceased Camp Brothers
11/29/2004	\$ 2,274.77		\$ 510.00		\$ 2,784.77	Dep #LM-03-024: 1 LM @ less than Age 65 (LM # 637) + 1 Honor Roll Donation
12/8/2004	\$ 2,784.77		\$ 25.00		\$ 2,809.77	Transfer 2003-04: NMAL New Member Fees
12/30/2004	\$ 2,809.77		\$ 250.00		\$ 3,059.77	Dep #LM-03-025: 1 LM @ Age 65 or over (LM # 638)
12/30/2004	\$ 3,059.77	\$ 1.23			\$ 3,061.00	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
1/24/2005	\$ 3,061.00		\$ 510.00		\$ 3,571.00	Dep #LM-03-026: 1 LM @ less than Age 65 (LM # 639) + 1 Honor Roll Donation
2/7/2005	\$ 3,571.00		\$ 775.00		\$ 4,346.00	Dep #LM-03-027: 2 LM, 1 @ less than Age 65 & 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM # 640 & 641) + 1 Honor Roll Donation
2/24/2005	\$ 4,346.00		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 5,346.00	Dep #LM-03-028: 2 LM @ Age 65 or over (LM # 642 & 643)
3/4/2005	\$ 5,346.00		\$ 1,250.00		\$ 6,596.00	Dep #LM-03-029: 3 LM, 2 @ less than Age 65 & 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM # 645 & 646, 647)
3/18/2005	\$ 6,596.00		\$ 750.00		\$ 7,346.00	Dep #LM-03-030: 2 LM, 1 @ less than Age 65 & 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM # 648 & 649)
4/12/2005	\$ 7,346.00	\$ 2.30			\$ 7,348.30	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
4/12/2005	\$ 7,348.30		\$ 550.00		\$ 7,898.30	Dep #LM-03-031: 1 LM Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM #'s 650) & 1 Honor Roll
4/20/2005	\$ 7,898.30		\$ 250.00		\$ 8,148.30	Dep #LM-03-032: LM Fee @ Age 65 or over (LM #644)

Permanent Fund Savings Account

Date	Balance Forward	Interest Paid on Account	Deposit Into Acct.	Withdrawals/ Transfers To CD's, Etc.	Grand Total	Details or Remarks
6/30/2005	\$ 8,148.30		\$ 1,010.00		\$ 9,158.30	Dep #LM-03-033: 3 LM, 2 @ less than Age 65 & 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM # 651, 652 & 653) + 1 Honor Roll Donation
6/30/2005	\$ 9,158.30	\$ 3.95			\$ 9,162.25	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
6/30/2005	\$ 9,162.25			\$ 8,858.30	\$ 303.95	Transferred Money to New "Permanent Fund 3 - CD @ 3.70% APR
7/19/2005	\$ 303.95		\$ 530.00		\$ 833.95	Dep #LM-05-034: MD Dept commander's Challenge grant to Permanent Fund (\$500) plus Md Department Annual Donation (\$30)
7/19/2005	\$ 833.95		\$ 2,250.00		\$ 3,083.95	Dep #LM-05-035: 5 LM Fees, 4 less than Age 65 & 1 Age 65 or over (LM # 654, 655, 656, 657, 658)
9/30/2005	\$ 3,083.95	\$ 1.28			\$ 3,085.23	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
10/18/2005	\$ 3,085.23		\$ 2,250.00		\$ 5,335.23	Dep #LM-05-036: 4.5 LM Fees, 4 less than Age 65 & 1 Age 65 or over (LM #659, 660, 661, 662, 664 (1/2 Pymt))
11/2/2005	\$ 5,335.23			\$ 500.00	\$ 4,835.23	Forwarded to SUVCW Charitable Foundation. Funds were sent to the National Organization Permanent Fund by the Department of Maryland by Mistake.
11/12/2005	\$ 4,835.23		\$ 500.00		\$ 5,335.23	Dep #LM-05-037: 1 LM Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM # 663)
11/14/2005	\$ 5,335.23		\$ 100.00		\$ 5,435.23	Dep #05-001, 7/19/2005 & Dep 05-005, 10/18/2005, NMAL New Member Fees
12/1/2005	\$ 5,435.23		\$ 250.00		\$ 5,685.23	Dep #LM-05-038: 0.5 LM Fee, 1 less than Age 65 (LM #664 (1/2 Pymt))
	\$ 5,685.23	\$ 2.45			\$ 5,687.68	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
1/18/2006	\$ 5,687.68		\$ 301.00		\$ 5,988.68	Dep #LM-03-039: 1 LM Fee, 1 @ Age 65 or over (LM # 665) + 3 Honor Roll Donation

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2/21/2006	\$ 5,988.68		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 6,988.68	Dep #LM-03-040: 2 LM, 2 @ less than Age 65 (LM # 667 & 668) - (NO LM #666 Issued - LFW)
3/6/2006	\$ 6,988.68		\$ 500.00		\$ 7,488.68	Dep #LM-05-041: 1 LM Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM # 669)
4/2/2006	\$ 7,488.68	\$ 3.27			\$ 7,491.95	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
6/16/2006	\$ 7,491.95		\$ 330.00		\$ 7,821.95	Dep # LM-05-042: 1 LM Fee @ Age 65 or over (LM # 670) Plus (3) Honor Roll Donations
6/30/2006	\$ 7,821.95		\$ 500.00		\$ 8,321.95	Deposit # LM-05-043: 1 LM Fee @ less than Age 65 (LM # 669)
7/2/2006	\$ 8,321.95	\$ 3.76			\$ 8,325.71	Quarterly Interest on Savings Account
7/7/2006	\$ 8,325.71		\$ 3,504.06		\$ 11,829.77	Transfer "End of Fiscal Year" Balance Remaining in Checking-2 Savings Account to Perm. Fd-2 Sav'g Acct

Honor Roll

Note: Funds are deposited into Permanent Fund Savings Acct.
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In Honor of Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Rank	Company	Regiment	Donation From	Amount	Reported
Siddall	George	---	---	H	2nd Pennsylvania Inf.	Joseph W. Bonner, 9 Tara Lane, Delran, NJ 08075-5411; Garfield Camp 4, NJ Dept	\$ 25.00	Yes
Virts	Richard	A.	Pvt.	---	Independent Rangers of Loudoun County, Virginia	Michael Vierts, 8750 Georgia Avenue, Apt. 1415B, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3631, of Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2, MD Dept.	\$ 11.00	Yes
Blake	William	---	Cpl.	E	81st Indiana Volunteer Infantry	Robert B. Reid, 4839 Hershilt Ave., Long Beach, CA 90808-1130, of Gen W S Rosecrans Camp 2, Cal/Pac Dept.	\$ 15.00	Yes
Lockie	James	D.	---	---	J S Durgin Camp 7, NJ Dept.	IBEW Local 456 Retirees Club, 1295 Livingston Avenue, North Brunswick, NJ 08902; In Honor of Departed Brother of Local 456 and SUVCW:	\$ 50.00	Yes
Root	Marshall	Samuel	2nd Lt.	K	103 Ohio Volunteer Infantry	William R. King, James A Garfield Camp 142, OH Dept.; In Honor of:	\$ 15.00	Yes
King	Joseph	---	Pvt.	G	103 Ohio Volunteer Infantry	William R. King, James A Garfield Camp 142, OH Dept.; In Honor of:	\$ 15.00	Yes

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ROBERT	L.	BOURBINA	30630 DROULLARD ROAD	LOT 292	WALBRIDGE	OH	43465	Ohio
DANIEL	J.	BURDICK	49 FOUR SEASONS ROAD		WEST FINLEY	PA	15377	Pennsylvania
ALAN	L.	RUSS, PCC	1100 SCHOOL	PO BOX 68	AUBURN	KS	66402	Kansas
JOHN	H.	CULLEY	4624 TABORWAY		MORRISON	CO	80465-	Colorado
LEE	F.	WALTERS, PCC	534 Saw Mill Road	Phone # 717-766-6341	Mechanicsburg	PA	17055	Pennsylvania
PAUL	D.	BORODIN	710 Jerdon Circle		North Myrtle Beach	SC	19582	NEW YORK
DAVID	J.	KLINEPETER, PCC				PA		Pennsylvania
SCOTT	K.	YOUNG				CAL/PAC		CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
DONALD	B.	CAHOON, JR., PCC	1660 Wyoming Ave		Scranton	PA	18509	Pennsylvania
BRADLEY	A.	TILTON, PCC	161 N. MC ELROY ROAD		MANSFIELD	OH	44905-2911	Ohio
WILBER	R.	BRANTHOVER	419 EAGLE STREET	PH: 1-440-352-3991	FAIRPORT HARBOR	OH	44077-5804	Vermont
PATRICK	J.	LENNON, JR.	PO BOX 4183		Santa Barbara	CA	93140-4183	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
Bob		Lowe, PDC	780 Paulsen Avenue		El Cajon	CA	92020-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
Pete	J.	Eisert	7 Halleck Drive		East Berlin	PA	17316-	PENNSYLVANIA
JAMES	H.	HOUSTON	955 Woodcreek Drive		Milford	OH	45150-1528	OHIO
THOMAS	C.	HEGDAHL	6469 ANALITIS DRIVE		LODI	CA	95240-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
JAMES	L.	SPENCER	101 SUNRISE MOUNTAIN ROAD	PH: 707-632-5006	CAZADERO	CA	95421-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
ROBERT	T.	FLAHERTY	7435 RUSH RIVER DRIVE		SACRAMENTO	CA	95831-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
BRUCE	L.	MITCHELL	101 SUNRISE MOUNTAIN ROAD	PH: 707-632-5006	CAZADERO	CA	95421-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
JASON	S.	SAYLER	101 SUNRISE MOUNTAIN ROAD	PH: 707-632-5006	CAZADERO	CA	95421-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
NATHAN	W.	SAYLER	101 SUNRISE MOUNTAIN ROAD	PH: 707-632-5006	CAZADERO	CA	95421-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
TODD		SHILLINGTON	15 PARK PLACE		HALLEY	NY	14470-	NEW YORK
JOSEPH	S.	CLOYD	1510 FIFTEENTH STREET	RD6	FOLSOM	NJ	08037-2800	NEW JERSEY
NEWTON	C.	COLEMAN	496 FERRY ROAD		SACO	ME	04072-	MAINE
WILLIAM	L.	SPENCER	101 SUNRISE MOUNTAIN ROAD	PH: 707-632-5006	CAZADERO	CA	95421-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
George	W.T.	Clark	185 Loch Lomond Rd		St. Johns, New Brunswick	Canada	E2J3S3	MAINE
Arthur	W.	Clark	9 Eydie Drive	Quispamsis	Rothsway, New Brunswick	Canada	E2E4Z2	MAINE
Claiborne	W.	Cowgill, Jr.	510 Island View Circle	Ph: 805-986-7457	Port Hueneme	CA	93041-3411	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
Elvin	E.	Brown	810 Rock Canyon Dr.		Duncanville	TX	75137-2944	SOUTHWEST
Henry	N.	Voudren	227 Pleasant St.	Apt. 323; Ph: 603-224-0230	Concord	NH	03301-	MAINE
Donald	J.	Smith	4096 Colby Avenue	PH: 614-231-3559	Columbus	OH	43227-2053	OHIO
Kenneth	V.	Olson	35 Sylvan road		New Britain	CT	06053-	Connecticut
Robert	C.	Stine	4325 Olley Lane		Fairfax	VA	22032-1843	MARYLAND
Wayne	R.	Johnson	200 W. Mantua Avenue		Manonah	NJ	08090-	Mew Jersey
James	W.	Peterson	7420 Leharne Drive	PH: (704) 364-3587	Charlotte	NC	28270	MAL
Mark	J.	Storm	521 Miles Avenue	PH: (570) 489-1281	Olyphant	PA	18447-1305	PENNSYLVANIA
RAYMOND	H.	LONGACRE	214 Philip lane	PH: (717)738-2807	EPHRATA	PA	17522	PENNSYLVANIA
JAMES	ALAN	BILLINGS	379 Fourth Street	PH: (906) 337-1152	ALLOUEZ	MI	49805-9605	MICHIGAN
THOMAS	A.	CORCORAN	759 Green Ivy Road		Mathias	NJ	26812	NEW JERSEY
Clarence	S.	Duncan, II	811 Auk Street #1		Kenai	AK	99611-6864	NMAL

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				STATUS 1=Active;2=UK;3=D;6=TS	NUMBER	P DATE			AMOUNT PAID OUT	For Year 2005
										\$0.00
ROBERT	L.	BOURBINA	McPHERSON #66	1	600	11/12/2001	\$250	11/12/2001	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
DANIEL	J.	BURDICK	Washington 120	1	601	4/15/2002	\$500	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
ALAN	L.	RUSS, PCC	Old Abe 16	1	602	4/18/2002	\$500	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JOHN	H.	CULLEY	Centennial 100	1	603	6/13/2002	\$500	5/3/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
LEE	F.	WALTERS, PCC	Gen John F Hartranft 15	1	604	7/28/2002	\$500	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
PAUL	D.	BORODIN	TILDEN #26	1	605	7/22/2002	\$250	8/1/2002	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
DAVID	J.	KLINPETER, PCC	Gen John F Hartranft 15	1	606	11/5/2002	\$250	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
SCOTT	K.	YOUNG	Phil Sheridan 4	1	607	11/12/2002	\$500	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
DONALD	B.	CAHOON, JR., PCC	GRIFFIN #8	3	608	11/27/2002	\$250	12/11/2002	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
BRADLEY	A.	TILTON, PCC	GEN WM McLAUGHLIN #12	1	609	12/18/2002	\$500	3/13/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
WILBER	R.	BRANTHOVER	H. E. K. HALL #28	1	610	12/27/2002	\$250	1/21/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
PATRICK	J.	LENNON, JR.	GEN WM ROSECRANS #2	1	611	4/7/2003	\$500	4/18/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Bob		Lowe, PDC	PITTINGER #21	1	612	5/1/2003	\$250	4/29/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Pete	J.	Eisert	GETTYSBURG #112	1	613	5/15/2003	\$500	5/15/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JAMES	H.	HOUSTON	???	1	614	7/15/2003	\$250	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
THOMAS	C.	HEGDAHL	Gen. George Wright Camp 22	1	615	7/24/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JAMES	L.	SPENCER	???	1	616	8/19/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
ROBERT	T.	FLAHERTY	???	1	617	9/22/2003	\$250	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
BRUCE	L.	MITCHELL	CAMP 16	1	618	10/1/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JASON	S.	SAYLER	???	1	619	11/1/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
NATHAN	W.	SAYLER	???	1	620	11/1/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
TODD		SHILLINGTON	???	1	621	11/5/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JOSEPH	S.	CLOYD	???	1	622	11/8/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
NEWTON	C.	COLEMAN	???	1	623	11/11/2003	\$250	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
WILLIAM	L.	SPENCER	CA 16	1	624	11/13/2003	\$500	12/5/2003	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
George	W.T.	Clark	Daniel Chaplain Camp 3	6	None Given	10/25/2003	\$0	12/1/2003	\$0	TRUE SON
Arthur	W.	Clark	Daniel Chaplain Camp 3	6	None Given	10/25/2003	\$0	12/1/2003	\$0	TRUE SON
Claiborne	W.	Cowgill, Jr.	Gen. W.S.Rosekrans #2	1	625	1/25/2004	\$500	1/25/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Elvin	E.	Brown	Lone Star #1	1	626	1/30/2004	\$250	1/30/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Henry	N.	Voudren	L. A. Tift #15	1	627	2/2/2004	\$250	2/2/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Donald	J.	Smith	NMAL	1	628	2/15/2004	\$250	2/15/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Kenneth	V.	Olson	Skinner #45	1	629	3/8/2004	\$250	3/8/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Robert	C.	Stine	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	1	630	3/14/2004	\$250	3/26/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Wayne	R.	Johnson	Col Louis R Francine #7	1	631	4/28/2004	\$250	5/10/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
James	W.	Peterson	MAL	1	632	6/1/2004	\$500	6/14/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Mark	J.	Storm	GRIFFIN #8	1	633	6/17/2004	\$500	7/2/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
RAYMOND	H.	LONGACRE	THOMAS #19	1	634	7/29/2004	\$500	7/29/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
JAMES	ALAN	BILLINGS	LYON #266	1	635	9/13/2005	\$500	8/31/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
THOMAS	A.	CORCORAN	Francine #7	1	636	9/13/2005	\$250	9/4/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Clarence	S.	Duncan, II		1	637	11/23/2004	\$500	11/28/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED

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JAMES	J.	DAVENPORT	901 GARRISON DRIVE		CORTEZ	CO	81321	Colorado
William	D.	Linn, II, Capt.	CMR 480 Box 415		APO	AE	09128	NEW YORK
Michael	Vere	Menor	929 E. Foothill Blvd.	Sp. #124	Upland	CA	91786-4046	Cal/Pac
Donald	Braden	Schall, Jr.	2754 Woodacre Court		Lincoln	CA	95648-8228	Cal/Pac
Richard	M.	Long	4 Devonwood Court		Voorhees	NJ	08043-3345	PENNSYLVANIA
Richard	R.	Long	4 Devonwood Court		Voorhees	NJ	08043-3345	PENNSYLVANIA
Robert		Long	8 Park Road	PH: (215) 343-6219	Amber	PA	19002-1119	PENNSYLVANIA
Michael	L.	Halfman	1015 S. Stagecouch Road	PH: (316) 218-9008	Wichita	KS	67230-9106	Kansas
SIDNEY	ROYCE	ENGLE	1280 Halifax Court	PH: (530) 365-7280	Ventura	CA	93004-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
Waldron	K.	Post	P. O. Box 1187		Woodstock	NY	12498-	NEW YORK
Patrick	S.	Boab, BrigGen(Ret.)	45 Southwind Court		Niceville	FL	32578-4807	FLORIDA
Joel	Wayne	Robbins	321 W. North Avenue	SPC #91	Lompoc	CA	93436-	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
John	William	Via, III, Dr.	6804 Glen Meadow Drive		Fort Worth	TX	76132	SOUTHWEST
Steven	D.	Long	P.O.Box 815		Montgomeryville	PA	18936-0815	PENNSYLVANIA
Douglas	C.	Reeser	391 Lower Dingle Hill Road		Andes	NY	13731-	PENNSYLVANIA
Galen	George	Good	9661 Midnight Sun Avenue		Las Vegas	NV	89147-8405	CALIFORNIA/PACIFIC
Franklin	C.	Bergquist	4255 S. Lauracle	PH: 316-655-1304	Wichita	KS	67216-4210	Kansas
Tad	David	Campbell	9110 Avezan Way		Gilroy	CA	95020-7545	
John	M.	Hart, Jr.	1175 Morel Street		Scranton	PA	18509-	PENNSYLVANIA
Frost	Homer	Decker	2060 Great Bend		Honesdale	PA	18431	PENNSYLVANIA
Robert	Todd	Griffin	9344 Brittany Drive	PH: 812-853-8467	Newburgh	PA	47630	INDIANA
Robert	Elliott	Graves	827 S. Jefferson St Apt #4		Allentown	PA	18103	PENNSYLVANIA
Ryan	M.	Long	4 Devonwood Court		Voorhees	NJ	08043-3345	PENNSYLVANIA
Lee	N.	Houser	74 West Main Street		Clifton Springs	NY	14432-1045	NEW YORK
Kimber	David	Smith	424 N. Main street		Allentown	PA	18104	PENNSYLVANIA
Raymond	William	LeMay III	4 Ball Place		Watervliet	NY	12189-	NEW YORK
Douglas	Kevin	Fidler	4033 Cave Mill Road		Maryville	TN	37804-3181	TENNESSEE
Hugh	D.	Mahoney, Sr.	525 Cheval Drive	PH: 941-497-2485	Venice	FL	34292	Pennsylvania
James	Warren	Halbert	7929 Ruxway Road		Towson	MD	21204-	MARYLAND
Paul	J.	Schewene	608 Oak Street		Newport	KY	41071-2052	KENTUCKY
Jeffery	T.	Wolfe	727 Thompson Street	P.O. Box 722	Lemont	PA	16851-0272	PENNSYLVANIA
Willard	F.	Hinkley	3 El Sereno Drive		Colorado Springs	CO	80906-3456	CO/WY
Scott	B	Miller	4 Overlook Terrace		Goshen	NY	10924-2120	NEW YORK

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JAMES	J.	DAVENPORT	BOWMAN #12	1	638	12/22/2004	\$250	12/29/2004	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
William	D.	Linn, II, Capt.	NY Camp-at-Large	1	639	1/10/2005	\$500	1/21/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Michael	Vere	Menor	GEN WM ROSECRANS #2	1	640	1/28/2005	\$500	1/28/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Donald	Braden	Schall, Jr.	Gen Alfred A Pleasonton #24	1	641	2/5/2005	\$250	2/5/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Richard	M.	Long	GRIFFIN #8	1	642	2/14/2005	\$500	2/14/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Richard	R.	Long	GRIFFIN #8	1	643	2/14/2005	\$500	2/14/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Robert		Long	GRIFFIN #8	3	644	4/18/2005	\$250	4/26/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Michael	L.	Halfman	COYNE #1	1	645	2/28/2005	\$500	2/28/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
SIDNEY	ROYCE	ENGL	Patchin # 26	1	646	2/28/2005	\$500	2/28/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Waldron	K.	Post	NY-MAL	1	647	2/28/2005	\$250	2/28/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Patrick	S.	Boab, BrigGen(Ret.)	Slemmer #6	1	648	3/16/2005	\$250	3/2/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Joel	Wayne	Robbins	GEN WM ROSECRANS #2	1	649	3/16/2005	\$500	3/5/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
John	William	Via, III, Dr.	Lone Star #1	1	650	4/6/2005	\$500	3/29/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Steven	D.	Long	GRIFFIN #8	1	651	5/25/2005	\$500	5/25/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Douglas	C.	Reeser	GRIFFIN #8	1	652	5/25/2005	\$250	5/25/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Galen	George	Good	KEITH #12	1	653	6/15/2005	\$250	6/15/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Franklin	C.	Bergquist	COYNE #1	1	654	7/6/2005	\$250	7/6/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Tad	David	Campbell	PHIL SHERMAN #4	1	655	7/6/2005	\$500	7/6/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
John	M.	Hart, Jr.	GRIFFIN #8	1	656	7/12/2005	\$500	7/12/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Frost	Homer	Decker	GRIFFIN #8	1	657	7/12/2005	\$500	7/12/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Robert	Todd	Griffin	Harrison #356	1	658	7/12/2005	\$500	7/12/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Robert	Elliott	Graves	Searfoss #273	1	659	7/24/2005	\$500	7/24/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Ryan	M.	Long	GRIFFIN #8	1	660	8/24/2005	\$500	9/7/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Lee	N.	Houser	CAYWOOD #146	1	661	9/24/2005	\$500	10/18/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Kimber	David	Smith	Searfoss #273	1	662	10/15/2005	\$500	10/18/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Raymond	William	LeMay III	Col George L Willard 154	1	663	11/1/2005	\$500	11/12/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Douglas	Kevin	Fidler	Robert Byrd #8	1	664	10/15/2005	\$500	11/22/2005	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Hugh	D.	Mahoney, Sr.	GRIFFIN #8	1	665	1/6/2006	\$250	1/12/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
James	Warren	Halbert	GARFIELD #1	1	667	1/30/2006	\$500	2/21/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Paul	J.	Schewene	Nelson-Garfield Memorial #3	1	668	2/4/2006	\$500	2/21/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Jeffery	T.	Wolfe	GRIFFIN #8	1	669	2/12/2006	\$500	2/26/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Willard	F.	Hinkley	CENTENNIAL #100	1	670	5/26/2006	\$250	6/7/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
Scott	B	Miller	Ellis #124	1	671	5/14/1901	\$500	6/19/2006	\$0	NOT ALLOWED
							FY2001-02	\$1,750		
							FY2002-03	\$3,750		
							FY2003-04	\$7,750		
							FY2004-05	\$8,000		
							Fiscal Year to Date: FY2005-06	\$7,750		
								<u>\$29,000</u>		

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1	DONALD	E.	GRADELESS	WISCONSIN	C.K PIER BADGER #1	193	3/1/1987	\$6	6113	2/8/2005	
2	WILLIAM	H.	UPHAM	WISCONSIN	C.K PIER BADGER #1	376	1/29/1995	\$6	6113	2/8/2005	\$12.00
3	ALLEN	W.	MOORE, PCC	INDIANA	SOMERS #1	240	9/22/1989	\$6	6114	2/8/2006	
4	NEIL	L.	REED	INDIANA	SOMERS #1	243	4/19/1990	\$6	6114	2/8/2006	
5	GARY	E.	DOLPH, PDC	INDIANA	SOMERS #1	284	12/30/1991	\$6	6114	2/8/2006	
6	MICHAEL	A.	PEARSON	INDIANA	SOMERS #1	342	3/19/1994	\$6	6114	2/8/2006	\$24.00
7	MICHAEL	L.	TROWBRIDGE	OHIO	CABOT - BLESSING #126	395	10/22/1995	\$6	6115	2/8/2006	\$6.00
8	RICHARD	L.	GREENWALT	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	31	1/1/1972	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
9	THOMAS	W.	GRAHAM	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	86	7/1/1976	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
10	LARRY	K.	SWOGGER	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	262	11/1/1990	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
11	JEFFREY		HILLIARD	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	277	6/11/1991	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
12	TOBIAS		HILTON	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	332	1/23/1994	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
13	PHILIP	L.	HILTON	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	396	8/17/1995	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
14	SAMUEL	L.	CRAWFORD	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	401	11/9/1995	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
15	KENNETH	M.	DICKEY	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	417	2/4/1996	\$6	6116	2/8/2006	
16	JAMES	G.	HILTON	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	509	5/30/1997	\$12	6116	2/8/2006	
17	PHILIP		FAZZINI	OHIO	MCCLELLAN #91	517	11/11/1997	\$12	6116	2/8/2006	\$72.00
18	GEORGE	A.	MCKENNA	NEW YORK	ELLIS #124	129	2/1/1982	\$6	6117	2/9/2006	
19	GEORGE	S.	MILLER	NEW YORK	ELLIS #124	337	2/12/1994	\$6	6117	2/9/2006	
20	MICHAEL	S	BENNETT	NEW YORK	ELLIS #124	535	12/31/1998	\$12	6117	2/9/2006	
21	LOUIS	D.	NEUBURGER, SR.	NEW YORK	ELLIS #124	541	2/28/1999	\$12	6117	2/9/2006	\$36.00
22	EDWARD	J.	KRIESER	INDIANA	PORTER #116	295	10/21/1992	\$6	6118	2/9/2006	
23	KENNETH	S.	KRIESER	INDIANA	PORTER #116	299	12/29/1992	\$6	6118	2/9/2006	
24	ALAN	R.	LOOMIS	INDIANA	PORTER #116	428	7/4/1996	\$6	6118	2/9/2006	
25	RONALD	B.	GILL	INDIANA	PORTER #116	433	8/14/1996	\$6	6118	2/9/2006	\$24.00
26	CHARLES	E.	SHARROCK, SR.	COLO. & WYO.	THOMAS E. BROWN #12	132	5/10/1982	\$6	6119	2/9/2006	\$6.00
27	DEAN	E.	PARKER	MICHIGAN	PRITCHARD #20	212	4/15/1988	\$6	6120	2/9/2006	
28	GARY	L.	GIBSON	MICHIGAN	PRITCHARD #20	214	4/15/1988	\$6	6120	2/9/2006	\$12.00
29	JACK	GORDON	GROTHER	MISSOURI	BILLY YANK # 65	242	4/19/1990	\$6	6121	2/10/2006	\$6.00
30	JAMES	A.	HERLINGER	NMAL	NMAL	62	9/1/1975	\$6	6122	2/10/2006	
31	FRED	W.	HERLINGER	NMAL	NMAL	63	9/1/1975	\$6	6122	2/10/2006	
32	ROBERT	G.	SCRUGGS	NMAL	NMAL	234	5/1/1989	\$6	6122	2/10/2006	
33	ROBERT	L	HAYNES	NMAL	NMAL	389	6/3/1995	\$6	6122	2/10/2006	

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34	GERALD	E	VINCENT	NMAL	NMAL	390 6/3/1995	\$6	6122	2/10/2006		
35	ROBERT	M.	MILLIGAN	NMAL	NMAL	425 6/19/1996	\$6	6122	2/10/2006		
36	JOHN		GREENE	NMAL	NMAL	431 8/1/1996	\$6	6122	2/10/2006		
37	DAVE		MCLAUGHLIN	NMAL	NMAL	558 12/31/1999	\$12	6122	2/10/2006		
38	SAMUEL	D	WANG	NMAL	NMAL	576 4/20/2000	\$12	6122	2/10/2006	\$66.00	
39	LESTER	D.	NADEAU, PDC	MAINE	GARFIELD #1	312 8/31/1993	\$6	6123	2/10/2005	\$6.00	
40	JOHN	D.	JENKINS	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	257 9/20/1990	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
41	GLENN	B.	KNIGHT	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	309 7/4/1993	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
42	GLENN	F.	KNIGHT	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	324 11/8/1993	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
43	CLAIR	M.	FASNACHT	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	350 8/18/1994	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
44	SCOTT	M.	FASNACHT	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	362 12/10/1994	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
45	FLOYD	D.	ATKINS, JR	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	400 11/9/1995	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
46	CHRISTOPHER	G.	KNIGHT	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	416 2/4/1996	\$6	6124	2/10/2006		
47	ALBERT	L	KEYSER III	PENNSYLVANIA	THOMAS #19	531 11/11/1998	\$12	6124	2/10/2006	\$54.00	
48	MARVIN	W.	REED	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	23 6/17/1967	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
49	JAMES	A.	TURNER, SR.	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	180 5/30/1986	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
50	STEPHEN	ANDREW	KAPPES	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	245 4/19/1990	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
51	STEPHEN	THOMAS	JACKSON	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	343 3/7/1994	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
52	STEPHEN	BRUCE	BAUER	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	387 3/26/1995	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
53	DOUGLAS	C.	FRAKER	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	422 6/4/1996	\$6	6125	2/10/2006		
54	DALE	D.	STEWART	INDIANA	HARRISON #356	424 6/4/1996	\$6	6125	2/10/2006	\$42.00	
55	NORMAN	A.	BOWEN	OHIO	McPHERSON #66	145 8/31/1983	\$6	6126	2/11/2006		
56	KENNETH	E.	MCCARTNEY	OHIO	McPHERSON #66	516 10/13/1997	\$12	6126	2/11/2006	\$18.00	
57	MAX	J.	RIEKSE	MICHIGAN	PLANT #3	528 9/1/1998	\$12	6127	2/11/2006	\$12.00	
58	PHILIP	W.	BERNSTORF, DR.	KANSAS	COYNE #1	205 1/1/1988	\$6	6128	2/11/2006		
59	JOHN	H.	HARTFORD	KANSAS	COYNE #1	266 3/6/1991	\$6	6128	2/11/2006		
60	THOMAS	L.	PAGE	KANSAS	COYNE #1	314 8/31/1993	\$6	6128	2/11/2006		
61	BORIS	N.	BULATKIN, II	KANSAS	COYNE #1	403 12/11/1995	\$6	6128	2/11/2006		
62	DOUGLAS	G	SMITH	KANSAS	COYNE #1	532 11/24/1998	\$12	6128	2/11/2006	\$36.00	
63	THOMAS	C.	ETTER, JR.	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	81 12/22/1975	\$6	6129	2/11/2006		
64	RICHARD	B.	ABELL	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	163 7/15/1985	\$6	6129	2/11/2006		
65	SCOTT	W.	STUCKEY	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	168 10/10/1985	\$6	6129	2/11/2006		
66	LOWELL	V.	HAMMER	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	179 5/30/1986	\$6	6129	2/11/2006		

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67	MELVIN	J.	BRADLEY	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	228	2/1/1989	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
68	EARL	R.	SMITH	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	232	3/10/1989	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
69	STEPHEN	H.	SIEMSEN	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	237	7/1/1989	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
70	EDWARD	S.	MILLIGAN	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	247	8/12/1990	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
71	LEE	D.	STONE	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	249	8/12/1990	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
72	CLYDE	H.	HAYNER, SR.	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	250	8/12/1990	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
73	MICHAEL	E.	MILLIGAN	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	280	8/20/1991	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
74	ANDREW	M.	JOHNSON	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	393	8/19/1995	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
75	KENNETH	D.	HERSHBERGER	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	427	7/4/1996	\$6	6129	2/11/2006	
76	JAMES	A.	MCCAFFERTY	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	504	3/1/1997	\$12	6129	2/11/2006	
77	RALPH	B.	MILLER, JR.	MARYLAND	LINCOLN-CUSHING #2	538	2/28/1999	\$12	6129	2/11/2006	\$102.00
78	ERNEST	L.	SNIDER	NEW YORK	NY-MAL	155	7/28/1984	\$6	6130	2/11/2006	
79	KENNETH	R.	FUHRMANN	NEW YORK	NY-MAL	223	12/10/1988	\$6	6130	2/11/2006	
80	WALTER	G.	CARROLL	NEW YORK	NY-MAL	227	2/1/1989	\$6	6130	2/11/2006	\$18.00
81	DANIEL	S	DOYLE	MICHIGAN	AUSTIN BLAIR #7	534	12/31/1998	\$12	6134	2/18/2006	
82	DONALD	E	HOCH	MICHIGAN	AUSTIN BLAIR #7	572	7/4/2000	\$12	6134	2/18/2006	
83	GORDON	R.	BURY, II	OHIO	ALVIN C. VORIS # 67	156	8/20/1984	\$6	6135	2/18/2006	
84	HAROLD	E.	BLOW, Jr.	MASSACHUSETTS	COUCH #26	304	2/28/1993	\$6	6136	2/18/2006	\$36.00
85	JAMES	M.	SULLIVAN	WISCONSIN	HARN DEN #2	373	1/29/1995	\$6	6137	2/24/2006	
86	VIRGIL	O	MATZ	WISCONSIN	HARN DEN #2	544	5/12/1999	\$12	6137	2/24/2006	\$18.00
87	STEVE		VODDE	ILLINOIS	COL. HECKER #443	555	12/1/1999	\$12	6138	2/24/2006	\$12.00
88	RALPH	E.	SHADEL, JR.	OHIO	GEN WM McLAUGHLIN #12	48	7/1/1974	\$6	6139	2/24/2006	
89	DALE		COLLIER, Jr.	OHIO	GEN WM McLAUGHLIN #12	246	4/19/1990	\$6	6139	2/24/2006	\$12.00
90	JAMES	G.	THOMPSON	MICHIGAN	GOV. CRAPO #145	355	10/16/1994	\$6	6140	2/25/2006	
91	RICHARD		GREENE	MICHIGAN	GOV. CRAPO #145	391	8/5/1995	\$6	6140	2/25/2006	
92	DAVID	F.	WALLACE	MICHIGAN	GOV. CRAPO #145	394	10/22/1995	\$6	6140	2/25/2006	
93	MICHAEL	JOSEPH	MCCREEDY	MICHIGAN	GOV. CRAPO #145	414	1/8/1996	\$6	6140	2/25/2006	\$24.00
94	JOSEPH		LONG, JR.	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	173	1/1/1986	\$6	6141	2/27/2006	
95	EUGENE		LONG	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	252	8/12/1990	\$6	6141	2/27/2006	
96	ANDREW	J.	LONG	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	271	6/11/1991	\$6	6141	2/27/2006	
97	RUSSELL	P	JONES	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	383	3/6/1995	\$6	6141	2/27/2006	
98	HOWARD		WOLFE	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	404	12/11/1995	\$6	6141	2/27/2006	
99	ROBERT	C	SHAFFER	PENNSYLVANIA	GRIFFIN #8	563	3/1/2000	\$12	6141	2/27/2006	\$42.00

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100	GALEN	B.	RITCHIE	NEW YORK	COL. GEORGE L WILLARD 154	66	9/1/1975	\$6	6158	3/21/2006	
101	JEROME	L.	ORTON	NEW YORK	COL. GEORGE L WILLARD 154	194	3/1/1987	\$6	6158	3/21/2006	
102	ALBERT	J.	GOODWIN, JR.	NEW YORK	COL. GEORGE L WILLARD 154	216	4/15/1988	\$6	6158	3/21/2006	
103	WILLIAM	J.	HALPIN	NEW YORK	COL. GEORGE L WILLARD 154	554	10/13/1999	\$12	6158	3/21/2006	\$30.00
104	MERLIN	T.	DOYLE	VERMONT	H. E. K. HALL #28	307	4/30/1993	\$6	6159	3/21/2006	
105	RICHARD	P.	REED	VERMONT	H. E. K. HALL #28	399	11/9/1995	\$6	6159	3/21/2006	\$12.00
106	CHARLES	J.	CREAGER	OHIO	TRIEM #43	59	4/1/1975	\$6	6160	3/21/2006	
107	ROBERT	J.	WOLZ	OHIO	TRIEM #43	61	8/13/1975	\$6	6160	3/21/2006	
108	JERRY	L.	WOLFORD	OHIO	TRIEM #43	85	12/31/1975	\$6	6160	3/21/2006	
109	CARL	R.	LATHAM, III	OHIO	TRIEM #43	89	3/11/1977	\$6	6160	3/21/2006	\$24.00
110	DANNY	L.	WHEELER	NEW YORK	SYDNEY #41	302	2/8/1993	\$6	6161	3/21/2006	
111	RON		BOWERS	NEW YORK	SYDNEY #41	506	5/1/1997	\$12	6161	3/21/2006	\$18.00
112	LARRY	R.	SMITH	MAINE	T. W. HYDE #46	513	9/2/1997	\$12	6162	3/21/2006	\$12.00
113	KEITH	G.	HARRISON	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	176	4/1/1986	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
114	MICHAEL	D.	MITCHELL	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	195	3/1/1987	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
115	NATHAN	LEWIS	HARRISON	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	196	5/1/1987	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
116	WILLIAM	R.	HAGER	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	210	2/15/1988	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
117	JAMES	B.	PAHL	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	238	7/1/1989	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
118	PAUL	D.	HODGES	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	274	6/11/1991	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	
119	JAMES	T.	LYONS	MICHIGAN	CURTENIUS GUARD #17	293	7/31/1992	\$6	6174	3/27/2006	\$42.00
120	RUSSELL	W.	HAWK, JR.	PENNSYLVANIA	RUHL #33	142	5/25/1983	\$6	6175	3/27/2006	\$6.00
121	JAMES	E.	HILTON	OHIO	DENNISON #1	213	4/15/1988	\$6	6182	4/20/2006	\$6.00
122	SABASTIAN	R.	HAFER	PENNSYLVANIA	GETTYSBURG #112	141	5/20/1983	\$6	6183	4/20/2006	
123	JAMES	A.	GETTY	PENNSYLVANIA	GETTYSBURG #112	419	2/28/1996	\$6	6183	4/20/2006	
124	GEORGE	E.	PAIR	PENNSYLVANIA	GETTYSBURG #112	515	10/9/1997	\$12	6183	4/20/2006	\$24.00
125	KEITH	D.	ASHLEY	OHIO	BROOKS-GRANT #7	147	3/20/1984	\$6	6184	4/20/2006	
126	GREGORY	E.	MICHAELS	OHIO	BROOKS-GRANT #7	519	2/2/1998	\$12	6184	4/20/2006	\$18.00
127	WAYNE	E.	MCELFRESH	OHIO	JOHN S. TOWNSAND #108	285	1/4/1992	\$6	6185	4/20/2006	
128	HOWARD	TERRY	FROST	OHIO	JOHN S. TOWNSAND #108	511	7/15/1997	\$12	6185	4/20/2006	\$18.00
129	WILLIAM	B.	NEAL	MARYLAND	APPOMATTOX #2	331	11/22/1993	\$6	6186	4/20/2006	
130	JAMES	R.	NEAL, SR.	MARYLAND	APPOMATTOX #2	348	6/14/1994	\$6	6186	4/20/2006	
131	ALBERT	L.	MCMULLIN	MARYLAND	APPOMATTOX #2	351	8/18/1994	\$6	6186	4/20/2006	
132	DAVID	B.	CARNEY	MARYLAND	APPOMATTOX #2	386	3/26/1995	\$6	6186	4/20/2006	
133	HOBERT	S.	HALSEY, JR.	MARYLAND	APPOMATTOX #2	503	2/28/1997	\$12	6186	4/20/2006	\$36.00

**National Organization - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
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Statement of Income, Expenses and Fund Balance for Fiscal Year 2005-2006**

As Reported by Max L. Newman, National Treasurer

Zero Based Accounting

Date	Item	Deposit	Grant Award	Balance
7/19/2005	2005 annual report per capita Dep #05-001	\$8,407.00		\$8,407.00
7/19/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-001	\$90.00		\$8,497.00
8/1/2005	2005 annual report per capita Dep #05-002	\$2,797.00		\$11,294.00
8/1/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-002	\$28.00		\$11,322.00
9/6/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-003	\$5.00		\$11,327.00
10/18/2005	2005 annual report per capita Dep #05-005	\$337.50		\$11,664.50
10/18/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-005	\$177.50		\$11,842.00
10/27/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-007	\$25.00		\$11,867.00
11/8/2005	Lyon Camp 10, NJ Dept; Ck 6080		-\$500.00	\$11,367.00
11/8/2005	George H. Thomas Camp 19, PA Dept; Ck #6081		-\$500.00	\$10,867.00
11/11/2005	Lake Park Friends/Wolcott Fund %C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1, WI Dept; Ck #6082		-\$500.00	\$10,367.00
11/12/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-008	\$24.50		\$10,391.50
12/1/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-009	\$11.00		\$10,402.50
12/14/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-011	\$4.50		\$10,407.00
12/30/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-013	\$12.00		\$10,419.00
12/31/2005	2005 camp status report per capita Dep #05-014	\$0.50		\$10,419.50
1/18/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-015	\$24.50		\$10,444.00
1/25/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-017	\$15.00		\$10,459.00
2/15/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-019	\$21.00		\$10,480.00
3/6/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-021	\$1.00		\$10,481.00
3/6/2006	Soldiers Home Chapel Fund, % CK Pier Badger Camp 1, WI; Ck #6144		-500.00	\$9,981.00
3/20/2006	Gov. Henry H. Crapo Camp 145, MI Dept; Ck #6156		-500.00	\$9,481.00
3/20/2006	Henry Casey Camp 92, OH Dept; Ck # 6157		-500.00	\$8,981.00
5/15/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-027	\$1.50		\$8,982.50
6/22/2006	"Friends of the Three Bears" GAR Post, % David G Caywood Camp 145, NY; Ck #6221		-500.00	\$8,482.50
6/22/2006	Sgt Samuel J Churchill Camp 4, NJ; Ck #6222		-500.00	\$7,982.50
6/22/2006	Sydney Camp 41, NY; Ck #6223		-500.00	\$7,482.50
6/22/2006	Cannon Committee of Avon, NY, % Abraham Lincoln Camp 6, NY; Ck #6224		-500.00	\$6,982.50
6/22/2006	11th Masseurchuettes Infantry Monument (MN200), Gettysburg National Park Service, % Gettysgurg Camp 112, PA; Ck #6225		-500.00	\$6,482.50
6/22/2006	114th Pennsylvania Infantry Monument (MN189), Gettysburg National Park Service, % Gettysgurg Camp 112, PA; Ck #6226		-500.00	\$5,982.50
6/22/2006	Smith's 4th New York Barrery Monument (MN128), Gettysburg National Park Service, % Gettysburg Camp 112, PA; Ck #6227		-500.00	\$5,482.50
6/22/2006	City of Ogdensburg, NY, "Spirit of Liberty", Soldiers' & Sailors' Monument, % General Newton Martin Curtis Camp 142, NY; Ck #6228		-500.00	\$4,982.50
6/22/2006	Owens Soldiers' Monument in the town of North Scituate, RI, % Col. Zenar R. Bliss Camp 12, RI; Ck #6229		-435.00	\$4,547.50
6/22/2006	New Historical Marker at the Site of Camp Blair, in Jackson, MI, % Austin Blair Camp 7, MI; Ck #6230		-500.00	\$4,047.50
6/22/2006	New Historical Marker at the Greenhut Memorial GAR Hall, % Col. John Bryner Camp 67, IL; Ck #6231		-500.00	\$3,547.50
6/22/2006	New large Memorial Bronze replica of the GAR Badge to be mounted on the Veterans Memorial Wall, % Henry Casey Camp 92, OH; Ck #6232		-500.00	\$3,047.50

**National Organization - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Civil War Memorial Preservation Fund LOG
Statement of Income, Expenses and Fund Balance for Fiscal Year 2005-2006**

As Reported by Max L. Newman, National Treasurer

Zero Based Accounting

Date	Item	Deposit	Grant Award	Balance
6/22/2006	New Stone & Concrete Memorial dedicated to GAR to be located at the Wisner Cemetery, in Wisner, NE, % Harrison Camp 532, NE; Ck #6233		-250.00	\$2,797.50
6/22/2006	New Monument to the Last Rhode Island Civil War Veteran, to be located in the Public Park in Hope, RI, % Elisha H. Rhodes Camp 11, OH; Ck #6234		-500.00	\$2,297.50
6/22/2006	New Monument called the " <u>Petoskey Civil War Confederate Cannon Fund</u> " to be located at the corners of Hwy 31 & Rose Street in Petoskey, MI, % Robert Finch Camp 14; Ck #6235		-500.00	\$1,797.50
6/22/2006	Three (3) new Memorial Signs along the trail to the Davis County Civil War Guerilla Raid Monument located at the intersection of Lilac Avenue and 265th Street, south of Bloomfield, IA; Ck #6236		-500.00	\$1,297.50
6/30/2006	No further Grant Applications received for Fiscal Year 2005-2006, therefore upon revisiting the existing Grant Applications, the Committee voted to award the remaining funds, on a need basis, to the following: An Additional Grant was Awarded to Grant Application #05-04 for the remaining funds of \$1,297.50 to "Friends of the Three Bears" GAR Hall Restoration Project of David G. Caywood Camp 146, NY Dept., on 6-30-06. Ck #6240		-1,297.50	\$0.00
7/5/2006	2006 camp status report per capita Dep #06-032 (Received Late)	\$0.50		\$0.50
				\$0.50
TTL Receipts for Fiscal Year 2005-2006:		\$11,983.00		
Total Grants for Fiscal Year 2005-2006:			-\$11,982.50	
End of Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Balance - Permanently Lost to General Fund Reserves:				\$0.50

Quartermaster Supply Sales including Nat'l Pat. Inst. ROTC Metal Sales Fiscal Year 2004-2005 (Less Refunds shown in Brackets)

		Q.M.'s Actual			Over-Payment	See Row 1064 for Refund of Overpayments						
Check Date	Total S&H S'+ Other	Shipping Cost	Insurance Cost	Refund Due +Bad Check	QM Supply Sales			P.I. ROTC			G. Total All Supply Sales Only	
					Supplies + S&H	Supplies	S&H	Badge Sales	S&H	Badges + S&H		
Total YTD:	\$ 1,653.85	\$ 1,483.98	\$ 35.00	\$ (77.00)	\$ 28,617.51	\$ 26,953.66	\$ 1,663.85	\$ 2,380.00	\$ 382.50	\$ 2,762.50	\$ 31,380.01	
	\$ 134.87	Less Refunds & Bad Checks=>			\$ (77.00)	\$ (67.00)	\$ (10.00)	\$ -	\$ (25.00)	\$ (25.00)	\$ (102.00)	
	= Excess S&H YTD		G. Total YTD=		\$ 28,540.51	\$ 26,886.66	\$ 1,653.85	\$ 2,380.00	\$ 357.50	\$ 2,737.50	\$ 31,278.01	
					Less Refunds & Bad Check=			\$ 31,278.01	G. Total YTD =		\$ 31,278.01	

Check #	Order #	Total S&H S'+ Other	Q.M.'s Actual Shipping Cost	Q.M.'s Actual Insurance Cost	Row 1064	Refunds			Refunds			G. Total Supply Sales	
						QM Supply Sales			P.I. ROTC				
						Supplies&S&H	Supplies	S&H	Badge Sales	S&H	Badges + S&H		
CK#6089	#309	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#309	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					
CK#6090	#363	\$ (3.00)	\$ -	\$ -	#363	\$ (3.00)	\$ -	\$ (3.00)					
CK#6195	#604	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#604	\$ (5.00)	\$ (5.00)	\$ -					
CK#6203	#462	\$ (3.00)	\$ -	\$ -	#462	\$ (3.00)	\$ -	\$ (3.00)					
CK#6204	#448	\$ (1.00)	\$ -	\$ -	#448	\$ (1.00)	\$ -	\$ (1.00)					
CK#6205	#487	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#487	\$ (10.00)	\$ (10.00)	\$ -					
CK#6206	#495	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#495	\$ (2.00)	\$ (2.00)	\$ -					
CK#6207	#501-A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#501-A	\$ (3.00)	\$ (3.00)	\$ -					
CK#6208	#566				#566	\$ (4.50)	\$ (4.50)	\$ -					
CK#6209	#645				#645	\$ (5.00)	\$ (5.00)	\$ -					
CK#6210	ROTC				ROTC	=>> See P. I. ROTC Metal Supply Sales =>>			\$ -	\$ (16.00)	\$ (16.00)		
CK#6211	ROTC				ROTC	=>> See P. I. ROTC Metal Supply Sales =>>			\$ -	\$ (9.00)	\$ (9.00)		
	Sub-Totals :	\$ (7.00)	\$ -	\$ -	Sub-Total :	\$ (51.50)	\$ (44.50)	\$ (7.00)	\$ -	\$ (25.00)	\$ (25.00)		
			Bad Checks			Bad Checks							
0667	589	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	589	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ (25.50)	\$ (22.50)	\$ (3.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -				
	Sub-Totals :	\$ (7.00)	\$ -	\$ -	Sub-Total :	\$ (77.00)	\$ (67.00)	\$ (10.00)	\$ -	\$ (25.00)	\$ (25.00)	\$ (67.00)	
												\$ (35.00)	
	Total YTD:	\$ (7.00)	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 28,540.51	\$ 26,886.66	\$ 1,653.85	\$ 2,380.00	\$ 357.50	\$ 2,737.50	\$ -	\$ 29,266.66
	\$ (7.00)											\$ 2,011.35	
	= Excess S&H YTD				G. Total YTD=	\$ 28,540.51	\$ 26,886.66	\$ 1,653.85	\$ 2,380.00	\$ 357.50	\$ 2,737.50	\$ -	\$ 31,278.01
					G. Total YTD =			\$ 31,278.01	G. Total YTD=		\$ 31,278.01		