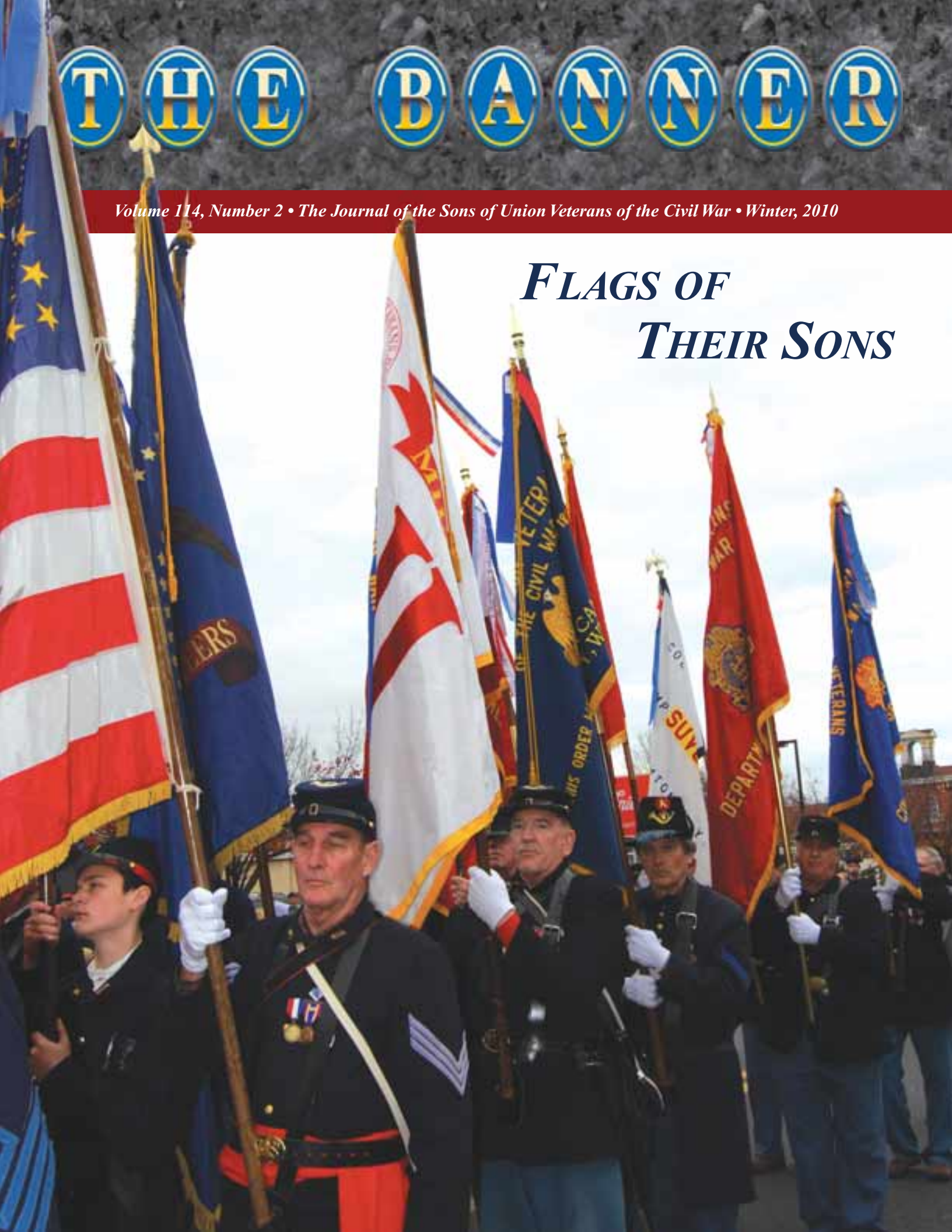


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*PCinC Lowell V Hammer, PCinC Keith G. Harrison,
and PCinC Gordon R. Bury II*

movie "Dog Jack," which debuted in October at Pittsburgh's Soldiers & Sailors Museum. They performed during a campfire scene, filmed four years ago in Darlington, PA. The film is about a young runaway slave who finds a dog and becomes involved with the Union during the Civil War.

KUDOS IN ORDER

PCinC Keith G. Harrison (1994-95) was elected the 58th Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) on October 10th in Fort Knox, KY. He is the second MOLLUS CinC from Michigan and the fourth brother to have served as CinC of both the SUVCW and MOLLUS. The others were MG U.S. Grant III, PCinC Gordon R. Bury II and PCinC Lowell V. Hammer.

GA/SC GRO & Memorial Officer Ernie Blevins' documentary video promoting his Dept.'s bid for the 2014 Nat. Encampment was screened at the Dixie Film Festival in Athens, GA on October 17th. View it online at YouTube as "Dept Georgia & South Carolina 2014 Encampment Campaign" and IMDB.com as "The Road to Marietta 2014."

Sgt. Jones Bradbury Camp 149's John Brown has been awarded the 2009 Milestone Award at the 16th Annual March of Dimes Philadelphia Achievement In Radio Awards held on November 5th in Bala, PA. He is a veteran Traffic Anchor in Philly.

The 49th IA Inf. Reg., SVR, was awarded the Deputy AG's personal Challenge Coin by IA Army NG BG Steven E. Bogle. This coin is given to military units and individuals who have distinguished themselves by actions "above and beyond" the call of duty. The General said, "I am honored to present the 49th Iowa soldiers with this award for keeping the memories alive and telling the stories of the sacrifices of those who have gone before us. Well done, gentlemen." The 49th was the first non-serving unit to receive this award.

The Company Singers of Huntington, IN's Champion Hill Camp 17 appeared in the



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GENERAL ORDER NO. 2

1. It is with deep regret that I announce the passing of Brother Bill Upham Jr. of the Dept. of Wisconsin, son of William Upham, Sr. Br. Upham passed away on August 16 at the age of 93. Brother Upham was a Veteran of World War II. His father had been wounded and captured at First Bull Run and later became the governor of Wisconsin in 1894.

2. Condolences and cards may be sent to the Upham family at 2429 E. Bradford Street, Milwaukee, WI 53211-4802.

3. It is ordered that the Nat. Web site, the Charters of all Departments and Camps and membership badges be draped in black for a period of 30 days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 18th Day of August, 2009.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 3

1. The National Council of Administration met in session on August 13 and voted that in order to have a more complete record for the Order it is necessary to have copies of all Dept. Bylaws on file at the Nat. Headquarters.

2. Thus, it is ordered that all Dept. Commanders send a copy of their Dept. Bylaws to the Executive Director by September 30, 2009. The copy shall be signed by the Dept. Commander, either the sitting DC when the Bylaws were written or the current DC. Your cooperation is appreciated.

A. This will be a onetime deal. From this date forward as Bylaws are sent in for approval of changes, the CinC will forward an approved copy to the Department and to the Nat. Headquarters.

3. Also approved by the CoA, Dept. Secretaries are expected to mail the Form 35 to the Nat. Headquarters on or before May 31 each year. They should have in their possession the Form 27 from the Camps before April 30 each year. As of May 2010 Dept. Secretaries will include copies of the Form 27s from each Camp when filing Form 35 to National. This allows the Executive Director to better prepare reports.

Ordered this 24 day of August, 2009

GENERAL ORDER NO. 4

1. It is with deep regret that I announce the passing of Past Commander in Chief Charles "Chuck" Corfman of the Dept. of Ohio. In addition to being a Commander-in-Chief, Brother Corfman was Past Dept. Commander of the Dept. of Ohio and Past Camp Commander of Given Camp 51. Br. Corfman's involvement and leadership within the Order has made a difference to the many Brothers that knew him.

2. Condolences and cards may be sent to Br. Corfman's wife, Mrs. Janice Corfman, 9057 State Route 83, Holmesville, OH 44633-9727. Janice is the Ohio Dept. President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

3. It is ordered that the Nat. Web site, the Charters of all Departments and Camps and membership badges be draped in black for a period of 30 days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 30th day of September, 2009

GENERAL ORDER NO. 5

1. Upon the recommendation of Ohio Dept. Commander Robert W Davis, and being fully satisfied that all efforts to preserve the Camp have been taken, IT IS ORDERED the Charter of the Brig. Gen. Samuel A. Gilbert Camp 5, Dept. of Ohio, is revoked for failure to submit Annual Camp Reports and Per Capita Tax.

2. The Charter and all Camp materials, financial and material, shall be surrendered to the Department.

Ordered this 25th day of October, 2009

GENERAL ORDER NO. 6

Brothers,

Today is Veterans Day. This day is set aside to remember the men and women that cannot relax – that stand, or had stood, in vigil to protect not only our freedoms, but protect us as well.

The Veteran is the wall that protects us and does not ask for recognition – yet deserves it from all of us. Please remember, with thanks, all of the Veterans serving our Country across the world, and all of those that have already done so. To the brave Brothers of our Order that are Veterans – we collectively thank you for your service.

On this day, please take a moment to remember the recent losses at Ft Hood, Texas and their families. Long may their ideals wave over us to protect our Country.

Ordered this 11th day of November, 2009

GENERAL ORDER NO. 7

I am honored to report the hard work of Brother Jerome Kowalski has been approved in the form of a Chaplin's Handbook to be place online for the use of the Brothers of the Order. This guide is available for our use in the many religious aspects of the Order.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY AROUND THE COUNTRY

NEW YORK

Col. John B. Weber Camp 44 held a formal ceremony on November 21st in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo, to dedicate a new headstone for Capt. Philip J. Weber, 89th USCT. Philip J. Weber was also a 2Lt. in the 116th NY Vol. Inf. Conducting the ceremony were CC Bill Tojek, Brs. Mike Erb, Mark Hageman, Jr., Mark Hageman, Sr., Edward Spear, Bob Wiltshire, and Bill Christen.

The 155th NY Vol. Inf. re-enactors fired the ceremonial salute. The Union Vol's Fife & Drum Corps performed and flowers were placed by DUVCW sisters and P.G. Cook Camp 223. Pres. Lincoln (David Kreutz) then recited the Gettysburg Address, the 155th NYVI performed the "silent mourn" from the 1861 Army Regulations and Chap. Bob Wiltshire offered a prayer for the Armed Forces.

Among the 35 present were Col. Luther Burnette, USARet., and his wife, Georgia, who represented the Bennett Wells American Legion Post 1780 at the service. Post 1780 is made up of African-American veterans.

The Service was scheduled to coincide with the 53rd Anniversary of Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, PA.

Photo to Right: CC Bill Tojek (left) and OD Mark Hageman, Jr. (right) during the ceremony re-dedicating the tombstone.



FLORIDA

Gen. William S. Harney Camp 8 gathered at Greenwood Cemetery in Orlando to mark the annual Remembrance Day celebration, recalling the Gettysburg Address of President Abraham Lincoln.

Photo to Left: Council Member David A. Hoover, CC Robert V. Chandler, Chap. Msgr. William R. Cavins, and Br. Gene L. Thompson II conduct the Remembrance Day 2009.ceremonies.

OREGON

The 4th annual Oregon Remembrance Day ceremony at Salem's City View Cemetery began with the parading of the colors by Co. B, 71st PA Vol. Inf., SVR. Following an opening prayer, CC Tony Pasillas made a few welcoming remarks and Rev. D.H. Shearer then recited Lincoln's Gettysburg address. CC Pasillas placed a wreath in honor of the Civil War veterans buried in the ceremony and a bugle sounding Taps concluded the event.

At the request of San Diego's Sgt. Wm. Pittenger Camp, special honors were paid at the grave of Cpl. Henry B. Callahan, a Gettysburg veteran buried in the cemetery. Callahan is the ancestor of Pittenger Camp Br. Dean Poole.

Photo: (Left to right): CC Tony Pasillas, Brs. Randy Fletcher, D.H. Shearer, Steve Betschart, Mark Stevens, Doug Sebranek.



NEBRASKA

Shiloh Camp 2 held its annual Remembrance Day Celebration on Saturday, November 21st. The event was presented in the State Capitol Building Rotunda in Lincoln.

Assisting in the program were Brothers from Victor Vifquain Camp 1 and Harrison Camp 53-2, Brs. Jim and Andrew Braden of the Iowa Rifles and Sisters of the DUVCW and ASUVCW. Members of the Iowa Rifles and Nebraska Rangers served as Color Guard, door sentries, and guarded the Lincoln Memorial statue.

Speakers for the program included retired Supreme Court Justice Tom Dawson and University of Nebraska Dept. of History Chair Kenneth Winkle.



UNKNOWN'S REMAINS PUT



The Battle of Franklin, TN was fought November 30, 1864.

Thousands lined the streets and filled Historic Rest Haven Cemetery in Franklin, Tennessee, to honor a Civil War Unknown Soldier whose remains were found on the Franklin Battlefield. The remains were found about a quarter mile north of Winstead Hill, near the site of the McNeely house. The soldier was buried in a wooden coffin and was wearing a frock coat. Buttons found in the grave were Union eagle and "I" buttons. He was probably a Federal soldier, but this unusual mix of buttons caused some to think he might have been a Confederate soldier wearing a Federal coat.

The soldier, discovered on a construction site last May, lay in state at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where more than a thousand people from 29 states and three foreign countries paid their respects. Confederate and Union chaplains presided over the October 10th funeral service and a horse-drawn caisson carried the Soldier's coffin, draped with US and Confederate flags, in a military procession.



Color Sgt. Daniel E. Krock, 49th IA Vol. Inf., SVR, from Des Moines, stands guard at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The church founded in 1827 and the oldest west of the Appalachians, was used as a barracks during the Civil War and later as a stable for the military's horses and mules. Today it has a congregation of over 1,000 members.



Between five and seven thousand lined the streets and pressed against the cemetery ropes. Following the chaplains' brief graveside service and a flag ceremony, the blue and the butternut-clad pallbearers lowered the hand-made coffin into the grave. Then, men in Union and Confederate uniforms deposited into the open grave dust from the 18 states whose units had fought in the Battle of Franklin. The climax came with two Real Sons depositing soil from their fathers' states, Georgia and Indiana.

T O R E S T A T F R A N K L I N



The SVR's 1Sgt. David Du Bruccq, 10th TN Inf.(US); 7th MD Co. Maj. Kenneth Early, Commanding General BG Robert E. Grim; Real Son Harold Becker, and Fort Donelson Camp 62 CC Sam C. Gant. Photo by Scene Through The Lens, LLC.

The grave of Franklin's Unknown Soldier is marked with a special monument made with pieces of the original limestone columns of the Tennessee State Capitol found stored behind the old Tennessee State prison. Three sections of the Tennessee columns were arranged and then cap pieces added to create the monument.

Brs. Sam Gant, CC Mike Downs and PCinC Bob Grim contributed to this article.



Indiana's D.D. Porter Camp 116 CC Mike Downs and BG Bob Grim, SVR

At the end of the service the casket was carried to the Rest Haven Cemetery by a horse drawn caisson with the procession following. The downtown area had been closed to traffic, allowing approximately 600 men and women in Civil War attire to march the half mile long route with 1500 civilian onlookers.

The ceremony was overseen by the Mayor's Battlefield Task Force (BFT). Fort Donelson Camp 62 CC Sam C. Gant chaired the Unknown Soldier Burial Sub-Committee, which planned and carried out the re-interment. Camp 62 and Sam Davis SCV Camp 1293, commanded by Camp 62's Larry Cockerham, were hosts.

SVR Commanding General BG Robert E. Grim supervised the re-interment. DUVCW PNP Patricia Mullenix, SVR 7th MD Co. Maj. Kenneth Early, TN DC Charles Engle also attended. 93-year-old Real Son Harold Becker represented his father, Charles Conrad Becker, 128th IN Inf., who fought in the battle. 1st Sgt. David Du Bruccq, 10th TN US, SVR, commanded the Honor Guard and the pallbearers. PDC Clyde Getman, Dept. Chaplain, served as Union chaplain for the service. The 49th Iowa Inf., SVR, traveled from Des Moines to serve as guards at the coffin and to carry their regimental colors in the procession.



CC Mike Downs later remarked, "One of the interesting parts of the program was the "Dust to Dust" ceremony. The "dust" was gathered from every state that had soldiers at the 1864 Battle of Franklin then after the coffin was lowered a representative of each of the states scattered their 'dust' on the grave. Sam Gant asked me to represent the state of Illinois, which I felt honored to do. At the "Dust to Dust" ceremony the real son, Mr. Becker, represented Indiana and Mr. Brown scattered the "dust" from the state of Georgia, while BG Robert Grim, SVR, represented the State of Ohio."





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Brother Kowalski's hard work on this project was inspirational.

I am also proud to report Patriotic Instructor handbooks are now available online for your use. Approved by the National Patriotic Instructor Don Martin, these are the hard work of Brother Bruce Butgereit. Please review these booklets for the inspirational messages they offer. My thanks go out to both Brothers for their great work.

Membership Application Forms – Brothers, we need to make sure we are using the updated version of these forms. Changes have occurred over the past years for many reasons, but all have strengthened the application form. At the end of the 2010 National Encampment in Kansas, any older version of an application being received will need to be returned and the applicant will be asked to complete the most recent version. These are available on the SUVCW.ORG website.

When reporting new Brothers to National, please remember to send a copy of the application along with the Form 30 and check for inclusion into the database. The same holds true for Dual membership – an application and check need to be included. Any Brother changing from Associate to Member needs to include a copy of his ancestral documentation.

Life Membership reimbursement will be using a new form. The form will be sent to the Department and the Department MUST get the form out as soon as possible to the Camps that are eligible for reimbursement. No reimbursements will be posted after the deadline. The current form may still be used this year; however the new form will be the only form that can be used after June 30 2010.

Ordered this 27th day of November, 2009

GENERAL ORDER NO. 8

1. It is with deep regret that I announce the passing of Real Son Robert Warner of the CpL. Patrick Coyne Camp 1 of Wichita, KS. Br. Warner passed away today at the age of 92. He was the son of Pvt. William C Warner of the 9th IN Cavalry. William Warner's service

included being a prisoner near Selma, AL, and upon his release he was traveling north on the Sultana when it exploded on April 27, 1865. Pvt. Warner survived the explosion and went many years before talking about it to family.

2. Funeral arrangements are pending and the Dept. of Kansas will post them when available. Br. Warner is survived by his daughter, Gail Keen, and the Camp is in contact with her. Condolences and cards may be sent to the Camp thru Thomas E Schmidt at 404 North Walnut St, Peabody, KS 66866.

3. It is ordered that the Nat. Web site, the Charters of all Departments and Camps and membership badges be draped in black for a period of 30 days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 7th Day of December 2009.

By order of:	Attested:
Leo F Kennedy	PDC Donald Palmer
Commander-in-Chief	National Secretary

ADDENDUM TO ROSTER

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MD DSVC Gene Mortorff's phone number: (717) 619-7053
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Attention

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Help us honor the service and sacrifices of your
Union Civil War Officer Ancestor

The Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) was established on April 20, 1865. Currently, the MOLLUS has 21 State Commanderies nationwide. *Hereditary Membership* is available to direct male descendants (18 years and older) of a commissioned officer in the United States Army, Navy or Marines who served during the Civil War, or male descendants of a brother or sister of any such officer.

For additional membership information, visit the MOLLUS Web Site at:
<http://suvcw.org/mollus.htm>

or

Email Keith G. Harrison (SUVCW PCinC and MOLLUS SVCinC) at:
pcinc@prodigy.net



"Before Manassas, there was Mexico"

Many Civil War leaders like Grant, Sherman, McClellan and soldiers they commanded saw action in the Mexican War.

The Descendants of Mexican War Veterans is an organization of men and women who have an ancestor or interest in the Mexican War of 1846-1848.

Visit www.dmwv.org or send request SASE to:
D.M.W.V. National Office., P.O. Box 461941. Garland, TX, 75046-1941

Descendants of Mexican War Veterans



NEW YORK CASUALTY AT ANTIETAM RETURNS HOME⁽¹⁾

David M. Dziewulski and CC Raymond LeMay, III, G.L. Willard Camp 154

Over the last eleven months, the New York Nat. Guard, NPS, and VA worked to return a soldier's remains found at Antietam Nat. Battlefield to his home state of New York.

Bone fragments, a belt buckle, pieces of leather and metal buttons⁽²⁾ were discovered in "The Cornfield" in October 2008. The button's design, issued early in the war, identified the remains as those of a New Yorker. Over 60 NY infantry regiments were heavily involved in the action at the cornfield. He was probably a teenager and buried where he fell. When other Soldiers were moved into the Nat. Cemetery near the battlefield, his grave near a rocky outcropping, was overlooked. A ground hog disturbed the remains and brought them to the surface.⁽³⁾



G.L. Willard Camp 154 and the 125th NYVI re-enactors, led by CC LeMay, enter the NY Military Museum for the SUCVW Burial-Memorial Service.

CC Raymond LeMay, III, Brs. Thomas J. Capstraw and PCC Charles "Chuck" Greenfield acted as the Color Guard when the casket arrived at the New York State Military Museum on September 16th. The Brothers also conducted the SUCVW Burial-Memorial Service. Also participating in the ceremony were Camp Council Paul W. Grady, SVC Robert Hensel, PI and Guard Peter Bond, Brs. Richard Touchette, Robert Fickies, and David Dziewulski.

On September 17th, the Battle of Antietam's 147th anniversary, the soldier was buried at the Gerald B. Solomon Saratoga Nat. Cemetery, the first unknown there. Camp members arrived along with Br. Charlie Slater, Tanner Camp 134. The Camp Guard consisted of Brs. Greenfield, Thomas Capstraw, Robert Fickies, DJVC Douglas E. Deuel, Dept. PI Lyman Baker and CC Thomas Crouse of Binghamton's David Ireland Camp 137. All fell in, proceeded to the gravesite and stood guard.

The funeral procession, which included CC LeMay, stopped for a brief ceremony and then proceeded to the gravesite, where the Camp wreath was placed and the funeral service was performed. The Camp's wreath was the only one to be placed on the grave.

1 - compiled from the New York Military Museum website, press releases from the Division of Military and Naval Affairs of New York State

<http://www.dnma.state.ny.us/pressroom/presindx.php?id=1253040053>) and from the National Guard <http://www.ng.mil/news/archives/2009/09/091809-Honors.aspx>.

2 - A team of NPS archeologists, with forensic analysis provided by the Smithsonian Institution determined the nature of the remains. "(We) recovered 401 fragments from 24 different bones out of a total of 206 in the adult human skeleton," said Dr. Stephen R. Potter, regional archeologist for the NPS, who led the analysis team, "most of them coming from the skull and both legs and feet."

3 - Washington Post, December 28, 2008, accessed on line 09/29/09 at <http://civilwarlibrarian.blogspot.com/008/12/news-antietam.html>

FROM THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

PI Reports. Please visit the Nat. website's Patriotic Instructor page : <http://www.sucv.org/NatPatrioticPage.htm>.

You'll find the new PI Manual, fill in forms, and of course, instruction and power point presentations. The manuals are the work of Past Nat. PI PDC Bruce B. Butgereit (MI). The forms can be completed electronically and printed out for submission.

The Camp, Dept. and Nat. Patriotic Instructors' responsibilities include completing the Annual Report. Per our ritual, "... *You are further required to file a report upon blanks prepared for the purpose...*" Sadly, this practice is often neglected.

The reports are compiled and presented to the CinC and the Nat. Encampment, helping our Order identify strengths and weaknesses. Remember:

1. **Camps must submit their reports** (based on a January to December calendar) **NLT 1 Feb.** to the Dept. PI. Camp Commanders are responsible if the Camp has no PI
2. **Dept. reports must be filed with me no later than 1 June.**

Memorial University. In 1900, the Sons established Memorial University, a college in Mason City, IA. It was not only to educate, but also to instill patriotism in its students, and prepare them for an active role in American society. The University closed in 1910.

Memorial University was recently re-established on our Nat. web site to continue the original's patriotic and educational ideals. In 2008, an education course for Junior and Junior Associates was developed and made available through this web site. In 2009, the curriculum was expanded with an Officer Training Course. Even if you already know about our Order, I challenge you to sign up and see how you do. To enroll, contact me at d76lm@yahoo.com. Since last September, 63 Brothers have enrolled and 28 have graduated.



**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION
MEETING MINUTES
22 NOVEMBER 2009 - GETTYSBURG, PA**

The meeting was opened by CinC Leo F. Kennedy at 8:04 am. Nat. Chaplain Jerome Kowalski offered the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by CinC Kennedy. The roll of officers was called, with the following recorded as present:

CinC Leo F. Kennedy, SVCinC James Hanby, JVCinC Brad Schall, Nat. Sec. Donald D. Palmer, Jr., Nat. Treas. PCinC Richard D. Orr, Nat. QM PCinC Danny L. Wheeler, Council Members Robert Petrovic, Perley Mellor, Kenneth Freshley, Tad Campbell, William Vieira, Nat. Counselor PCinC Robert Grim, Washington DC Rep. PCinC Andrew Johnson, Banner Editor PCinC Stephen A. Michaels, and Exec. Dir. David Demmy. Additional PCinCs present included Bud Atkinson, James B. Pahl and Charles Kuhn. PCinC David V. Medert was excused. Guests included: Nat. Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, Asst. Nat. Treas. Max Newman, Nat. GRO Bruce Frail, Eugene Mortorff (Dept of MD), PDC Bruce Butgereit (Dept of MI), and Br. Marc Finnegan (Dept of IL).

The Council was asked to observe a moment of silence, honoring PCinC Charles Corfman, who passed away on 30 September.

Old Business

Housekeeping. Status of the on-line boardroom voting was provided. Nat. Sec. Palmer's compilation of voting results to date for the 2009-10 administrative year was referenced. Submission of Dept. By-Laws to the Exec. Dir. required by General Order 3 is nearly complete, with a few Dept. By-Laws still requiring CinC signature.

Executive Director's Recommendations.

+ Require Departments to send original membership app along with Form 30. Nat. Treas. Orr noted that original apps are Camp property and only copies should be submitted to National.

+ New Camp documentation. Nat. Sec. Palmer noted that much info is included on Form 50 and that applications, transfer paperwork, checks, etc., should be submitted to Nat. HQ only after a copy of the approved charter application has been submitted to the Exec. Dir. Nat. Treas. Orr moved, Br. Mellor seconded to review Form 50 completeness and forward new Camp formation roles and responsibilities to Departments. **Motion passed.**

+ Outdated Forms. Nat. Treas. Orr noted that Nat. forms can't be changed or customized. CinC Kennedy offered a Gen. Order, declining outdated membership application forms after the next Nat. Encampment. Exec. Dir. Demmy noted that Form 30s and membership apps do not provide for dual membership and upgrades from Associate to Member. JVCinC Schall moved, SVCinC Hanby seconded to have the Program & Policy Comm. review Form 30 and the membership application form. **Motion passed.**

Nat. Encampment Registration Spec. Committee. Credentials Comm. Chair Walt Busch recommended dissolution, as it had completed its work. PCinC Pahl noted that a Nat. Encampment had established the committee and only a Nat. Encampment could dissolve it. The next Nat. Encampment will address this as a housekeeping motion.

Nat. GR Comm. Recommendations.

+ Establish a Nat. website link to the Instructional Booklet, assisting those wishing to access data and/or incorporate data into the database. CinC Kennedy tasked the Program & Policy Comm. with reviewing the booklet and making recommendations by 1 Jan 10.

+ Establish a Memorial University educational program focused on the booklet. The Program & Policy Comm. was tasked with reviewing the proposed program as a potential addition to the University curriculum.

+ Upgrade the server from MySQL4 to MySQL5, recovering some search options. Br. Freshley was tasked with researching this.

+ Establish a policy for obtaining VA headstones. Nat. QM Wheeler noted that original documentation is needed if no stone exists. He uses footnote.com, which contains original documentation. Where stones exist, a photo is needed so the VA can determine if the stone is "serviceable." Nat. GRO Bruce Frail, with support from Wash. DC Rep. Johnson, was tasked with drafting a VA interaction policy for obtaining new/replacement headstones.

+ Establish experience-based guidelines for advancement within the GR structure. Nat. Treas. Orr recommended against such a measure. CinC Kennedy suggested that an educational program be developed to assist Camp and Dept. GROs learn the processes.

Program & Policy Comm. Nat. MAL Coord. Alan Russ and PDC Vieira were commended for their support. Recommendations:

+ Accept the Chaplain's Handbook as amended and add to the Nat. website. Nat. Treas. Orr moved, Br. Mellor seconded to accept the recommendation. **Motion passed.**

+ Establish a separate position, promoting Memorial Day restoration to May 30, per PDC Alan Peterson. Recommend adding task to the Dept. Pat. Inst. job description. Br. Petrovic moved, JVCinC Schall seconded to accept the recommendation. **Motion passed.**

+ Adopt the Patriotic Instructor's Handbook as amended, per PDC Butgereit, and add to the Nat. website. Nat. Treas. Orr moved, Br. Mellor seconded to accept. **Motion passed.**

+ Approve Camp/Dept. Nat. Eagle Scout Coor. job descriptions presented by Br. Petrovic. Br. Mellor moved, JVCinC Schall seconded to approve. **Motion passed.**

CinC Kennedy called for a break at 9:15 am and reconvened at 9:30 am.

New Business

Treasurer Report.

The Nat. Order is taking hits on interest income due to low interest rates and a shortfall is projected. A change in address was requested from Asst. Treas. Newman to the current Nat. Treas., regarding the Vanguard Mutual Funds. SVCinC Hanby moved, Br. Mellor seconded to approve. **Motion passed.** Nat. Treas. Orr also requested approval for using ESB Bank as a depository. SVCinC Hanby moved, Nat. QM Wheeler seconded to approve. **Motion passed.**

New Form 10. Nat. Treas. Orr proposed a new form for Life Member reimbursement. Nat. Treas. Orr moved, Nat. QM Wheeler seconded to abolish current Form 10, effective 30 Jun 10, and use the new form, effective 1 Jan 10. **Motion passed.** PCinC Orr also noted that new Camp Treasurers should notify IRS of a change in address via Form 8822.

Proposed Policy on Funds for the Nat. organization. SVCinC Hanby moved, JVCinC Schall seconded to adopt. PCinC Pahl opined that there was no need to send this through the Program & Policy Comm. and should be sent to the IRS auditors immediately if passed. **Motion passed.**

Negative credit rating. Nat. Treas. Orr noted that the Nat. Order can't obtain credit cards. The credit report only shows back taxes, IRS fines levied and the fact that the organization has not borrowed any money.

Relocated Brothers. BANNER Editor Michaels and JVCinC Schall discussed the need to keep these Brothers active and an integral part of the organization. Nat. Treas. Orr and Br Freshley offered to allow a query of the membership database with password protection. CinC Kennedy tasked Nat. Treas. Orr, Br. Freshley and JVCinC Schall with having process operational by December 31st, and report at the Spring CofA meeting. Exec. Dir. Demmy was tasked with providing a CD with the database to Br. Freshley.

Gettysburg 150th Anniversary. PCinC Kuhn suggested a ceremony at the battlefield's Peace Light on 1 July 2013. Based on poor attendance at the 125th anniversary, the NPS will not sponsor it. For the Nat. Order to sponsor, a permit must be applied for. Gettysburg Camp 112 offered to coordinate. An essay contest for college-age students is also being considered. SVCinC Hanby moved, JVCinC Schall seconded that the Civil War Sesquicentennial Comm. subcommittee continue investigation. **Motion passed.** PCinC Kuhn was also tasked with investigating providing live streaming video of 2013 Remembrance Day program and the parade over the internet. The videotaping of yesterday's parade raised a question as to whether the Order could stop individuals from profiting from the parade. PCinC Orr responded that the parade's a public display and the Order can't stop attempts to profit from it.

Individual IRS Reports. Asst. Nat. Treas. Newman reported on IRS form submission for tax years 2004-07, confirming per diem wasn't reported as individuals' income. Expense reports (2008-09) from CinC Kennedy and Nat. Sec. Palmer were requested.

CinC Kennedy called for a break at 10:40 am and reconvened at 10:55 am

2011 Nat. Encampment. Br. Mortorff (Dept. of MD) reported progress in northern Virginia and requested a merchandise license for Garfield Camp 1 (MD), to produce blue, red and

yellow hat bands with the SUVCW logo.

SVCinC Hanby moved, Br. Petrovic seconded, to allow the Camp to produce and sell the hat bands. **Motion passed.**

Central Region Assoc. link. Br. Petrovic requested a link to the Nat. website similar to the New England Region Assoc. link. With no objections, CinC Kennedy tasked Br. Freshley with establishing the link. Br. Petrovic also reported on the Lincoln Tomb observance next April in Springfield, IL. There had been a lack of cooperation from the Dept. of IL regarding the GAR Founder's ceremony in Petersburg, IL. Next year, a subcommittee will handle the Stephenson ceremony. Nat. QM Wheeler offered a flag for the Stephenson gravesite.

Nat. QM Action. 25 of the ROTC uniform replacement ribbons were requested. CinC Kennedy responded that the Nat. QM has the authority to do this without requiring permission from the Council of Admin.

Civil War Ball. PCinC Atkinson reported that turnout was good. Approximate income is \$3300, comparable to last year.

Expense Report Forms. Nat. Treas. Orr noted the forms were deleted when the reimbursement policy was removed from the website. Br. Freshley offered to place the forms back on the website.

JVCinC Candidate. Br. Mellor reported that he'll be seeking the office at the 2011 Nat. Encampment in northern Virginia.

With no further business to come before the Council, CinC Kennedy asked Nat. Chap. Kowalski to provide a closing prayer and subsequently adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Respectfully Submitted in F, C, and L,
PDC Donald D. Palmer, Jr.
National Secretary

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During the 1890s, Philadelphia's GAR Post 2 invited high school classes to visit the post hall. It also tried to institute lectures in area schools. In Wisconsin, several GAR posts instituted "children's campfires," where veterans related the Union war experience to young people. Some members were detailed to visit schools on Memorial Day.

Today, throughout our Order, Camps are carrying on the work started by the GAR.

The Camp That Never Sleeps

Since 2001, New York City's Oliver Tilden Camp 26 and the Greenpoint Montior Museum have operated a "Road Show." Each year, CC George J. Weinmann, SVC Arthur Kirmss, PCC John Portanova, and Sr. Janice Weinmann, ASUVCW, visit ten to twelve local schools dressed in Civil War uniforms. The Weinmanns are also officers of the museum.



The Camp's interactive Civil War history lessons promote an interest in art, engineering, history, music and writing; patriotism and an appreciation of soldier sacrifices; appreciation of immigrants' role in the Civil War; and GAR's example of community service.

One to four classes participate at a time, ranging from 20 to 110 students. Children either write an essay on what they learn, write a letter to a Civil War Soldier or from a Civil War soldier, or draw a picture of something covered during class. The best work is recognized annually at an award ceremony. Last year, 27 students, their family members, teachers, and others gathered at Brooklyn's Church of the Ascension, near where the USS Monitor was built.

The Church was built from funds Thomas Fitch Rowland received from the construction of the USS Monitor. Dressed in Civil War uniforms, a student color guard opened the ceremony. Slides showed all the class visits, taking parents inside the classroom. A Civil War concert by SVC Arthur Kirmss and the Church organist concluded the program. Visit the "Road Show" website at <http://greenpointmonitormuseum.org/index.htm>

A Sure Bet

Wm. B. Keith Camp 12's PDC Al Peterson was a part-time security guard at Las Vegas' Helen Marie Smith Elementary School when the school's staff and 5th graders' discovered he was an SUVCW member. During US History, he spoke on Memorial Day and was invited him back on his days off to help students. He also spoke at the 5th graders' graduation.

In 2007, Camp 12 adopted the school and PCC Len Baker and Br. Bill Branigan were enlisted to help. The Camp started an essay contest in the 5th grade classes and a flag poster contest for the 3rd and 4th graders, giving out Barnes & Nobel gift certificates.

The Camp taught the meaning of the U.S. Flag and the pledge, presenting K through 3rd graders with small hand-held U.S. Flags, and 4th and 5th graders with patriotic bookmarks. The school received a new outdoor U.S. Flag. Each week, two 5th graders were chosen to properly retire the flag at day's end.

Later, a Veterans Day program and a Pres. Lincoln impressionist were added. This past November, the Camp spoke on the difference between Flag Day, Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Parents come to the programs and thank the brothers for what they are doing. .

Br. Peterson adds, "I am so honored and blessed that I can be a part of the students lives and pass on whatever knowledge I have. They treat me as one of the staff and it's like a family there."=





2009 Trimborn Farm Civil War Weekend

PCC Tom Brown (left) of Wisconsin's C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 talks to area 5th graders about the GAR and the Sons during the 2009 Trimborn Farm Civil War Weekend school day.

8th Grade Reenactors

Chalone Peaks Middle School 8th-graders participated in the ninth annual school-sponsored Civil War reenactment last year at San Lorenzo Park in King City, CA. Bitterwater-Tully Union School Dist. students attended the event for an all-day field trip and they were able to watch classmates participate in the "Battle of Gettysburg".

CC Frank C. Avila and PI Paul E. Lavrischeff again represented Phil Sheridan Camp 4 at the annual event. They were joined by Lincoln Camp 10 PCC Timothy P. Reese and Br. Donald Fusilier. In addition to learning about the Civil War in their classrooms, the students were encouraged to make their own Civil War uniforms, issued toy replica muskets, and organized into regiments for a mock battle. Brs. Frank, Paul, Tim, and Don assisted with information about the life of the soldier, period arms, medicine, and the GAR and SUVCW.

The Start of Something Big

On a trip to Detroit's John A. Logan School in early 2009, PDC Bruce Butgereit, of Grand Rapids' Gen. John A. Logan Camp 1, learned Principal Cruz needed a new US Flag for the school. After a brief conversation with the principal about the SUVCW, he knew Camp 1 was about to adopt a school. The Camp envisioned providing Civil War history programs for the students, including an annual patriotic essay and poster contest

The September 11th Flag presentation perpetuated the memory of the GAR and promoted fraternal relations. Participating were Dearborn's Sgt. John S. Crosbey Camp 427, Detroit's Sarah Sterling Tent 3 (DUVCW), Grand Rapids' Champlin Corps 41(WRC), WRC NMAL and Grand Rapids' Eva Gray Tent 2 (DUVCW). The school's new 8' x 12' flag was a gift from the WRC. The Color Guard included Camp 427 Brs. Keith and Ian Kushnir, Howard Fite, Jerry Olson, Ed Binkley, Aaron Schrader, Jerry Radloff, and Rick Danes.



The program's speakers included both the Detroit Mayor's Exec. Assist. and the Public Schools Superintendent. Camp 1's CC Bill Truss and Br. Colin Butgereit helped the students raise the Flag. Detroit Public Schools retired teacher and DUVCW PNP Celestine Hollings led the Pledge of Allegiance. Over 500 voices speaking in unison was a moving experience.

Br. Bruce said, "We answered the call of educating our youth in the proper respect for the flag of the United States. The call for patriotism was met in remembering the sacrifices that allowed us to raise the flag that morning. By 'adopting' the John A. Logan School, we have committed ourselves to more than just a one-time event."

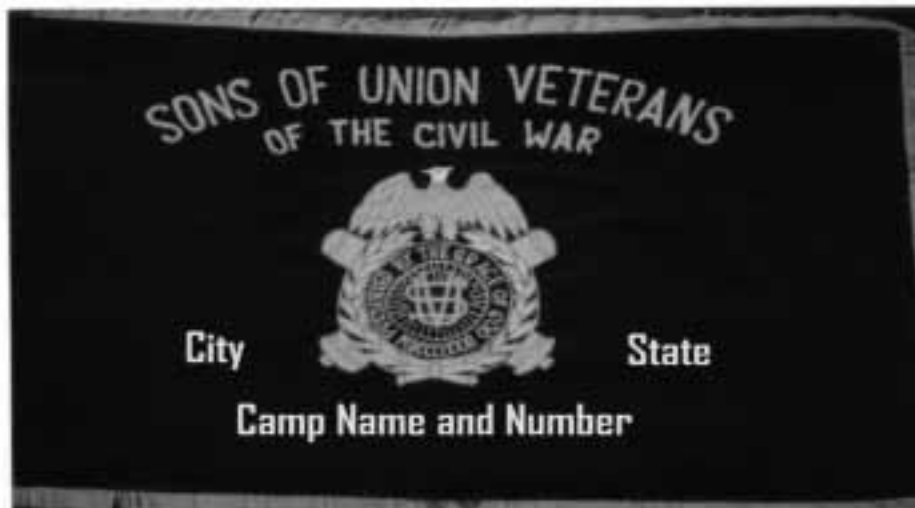
Plans for a school color guard are underway. A local business is designing t-shirts and sweatshirts for the color guard. As an introduction, each student received the SUVCW Flag Facts Flyer. The Sons will return in May of 2010 to conduct educational programs on the Civil War and Memorial Day and its connection to General Logan.

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CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC

Phil Sheridan Camp 4, Abraham Lincoln Camp 10, Alfred Pleasanton Camp 24, Mary Walker Aux. 52, and Co. C, 8th CA Inf., SVR, marched in San Jose's Veterans Day Parade on November 11th. A total of 26 members participated. A 9-man volley was fired in front of the reviewing stand.



Photo by Br. Linn Malaznik

COLORADO/WYOMING

The theme was Abraham Lincoln's 200th Birthday at the All Service' Ball in Grand Junction, on November 13th. The Ball ended a year-long salute to Pres. Lincoln by the Lincoln Bi-Centennial Committee, the Museum of Western Colorado, the SUVCW and the hosts, The Field of Dreams Vietnam Veterans Group. The Sons put up a Civil War display for about 350 veterans and their spouses to enjoy.



L to R: PCC Bill Buvinger, PDC Gary Parrott, Abraham Lincoln (John Foreman), DC Garry Brewer, PCC Rhy Paris, and Br. Terry Hammer, Jr, Legion of the West, Camp 7

FLORIDA



L to R: Chap. Msgr William R. Cavins, GRO David Hoover, CC Robert V. Chandler, and Br. Gene L. Thompson II.

Gen. Wm. S. Harney Camp 8 gathered November 28th, despite the 42 degree weather, to cleanup the GAR Plot at Orlando's Greenwood Cemetery. The cleanup anticipated the formal Christmas wreath laying at the GAR monument scheduled for December 5th.

INDIANA

DC Jack Shaw and new John B. Anderson Camp 223 CC Phil McClure hold the Camp's new charter as fellow Camp officers look on during the formal presentation and Installation ceremony in Bartholomew County.



Recently, Ben Harriuson Camp 356 attended a dedication ceremony along with Civil War re-enactors, and more than 50 family members and guests at the Swift Pioneer Cemetery in a little park owned by the town of Wynnedale, Marion County. After many years of research, John Swift found the final resting place of his 3rd Great Grandfather, Pvt. George Swift, Co. F, 3rd IN Cav., and his 4th Great Grandfather, Pvt. Thomas E. Swift, NC Militia (War of 1812).



From Indiana State Library documents, it was learned that in 1940, Thelma Murphy visited the cemetery and recorded the names visible on the remaining gravestones. No gravestones have been seen in there for at least 30 years, and until recently, were nearly forgotten. Ben Harrison Camp 356 assisted John Swift in obtaining new military gravestones for both George and Thomas Swift and was honored to have participated in the rededication ceremony.

MAINE

On November 19th, DC Morris C. Berry and Dept. members presented the 2009 SUVCW Founders Award to Morrill Worcester and the Worcester Wreath Company. The presentation was made at the Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough during a wreath presentation from Mr. Worcester's "Wreaths Across America" foundation. The award recognized his work, laying over 100,000 evergreen wreaths in cemeteries across the nation in December, honoring our nation's veterans.



L to R: Br. Ed Tyler, DC Morris Berry, Mr. Worcester, Brs. Fred Elwell and Larry Smith.

MASSACHUSETTS

On Dec. 7th, Evergreen Cemetery Superintendent David DeMar, was honored by the Nat. CinC, Bay State Camp 61, the Leominster Mayor and Veterans Service Officer for his efforts in caring for veterans gravesites and for keeping the three Parrott rifles from leaving the cemetery. Supt. DeMar also assisted CC Steve Twining in registering 278 Civil War soldiers' graves at the cemetery, including that of Samuel Hall, a/k/a "Buckskin Sam," who also authored 10 cent novels. December 7th was chosen as a symbolic date for the presentation.



L to R: Camp Chaplain PDC Robert Knight, Nat. CofA member PDC Perley Mellor (representing CinC Kennedy); Supt. David DeMar, Camp 61 CC Steve Twining, Leominster Mayor Dean Mazzarella, & VSO Rick Voutour. Photo by PDC Bill Ryerson.

MICHIGAN

March to the Sea Camp 135 restored and rededicated the GAR monument in Sturgis recently. The monument, a mortar tube, was originally erected in 1875 in honor of

local men who served. Concerned that the weakness of the original mounting was an invitation to theft, the cemetery removed the monument and stored it in one of the cemetery barns for several years.



L to R: Brs. John Dudd, David Gosling, Rick Shaffer, Chris Herrmann, Carl Holsinger and CC Bruce Gosling perform the SUVCW monument rededication service at Sturgis' Oak Lawn Cemetery.

Last Spring, the Camp began working with a local citizen and the Sturgis' Cemetery Dept. to restore the monument to its original site in the cemetery's GAR section. The base was prepared and the mortar was replaced in time for Memorial Day observances. The masonry work and the refinishing of the mortar were completed in late summer.

A formal rededication service was conducted by the Camp on October 4th with more than 20 local residents in attendance.

Unmarked Grave Monument Dedicated by Br. Tom Jenkins, Robert Finch Camp 14 GRO

Robert Finch Camp 14 cooperated with Battle Creek's Robinson's Battery re-enactors in dedicating a new headstone at the previously unmarked grave of Sgt. John P. Sinclair, original member of Battery C, "Robinson's Battery", 1st MI Lt. Art. The re-enactors researched, found the grave and ordered the monument. Camp 14 offered to perform a service when the stone was in place. The re-enactors also participated and fired the three-gun cannon salute.



*(Front row left to right): Camp 14's Br. Jim Morse, GRO Jim Slis, Br. Paul Timmerman, Chaplain Don Gray, Historian George Goodrich, PCC Neal Breough, CC Jeff Morse, Br. Jim Ribby, GRO Tom Jenkins, and Br. Ted Mattis
(Back row left to right): PCC Bill Skillman, SVC Dale Aurand, Br. John Dyle, and Color Bearer Joe Congers.*

Sgt. Sinclair lived in the Traverse City area late in life, mysteriously disappearing in Fall 1912 while reroute to his cabin on Long Lake. His remains were found in the woods in October 1913, identified by the pocket watch he carried. He was interred in the GAR plot and had lain there unidentified for 95 years until Camp 14 and the battery gave him a soldier's last rights service.

On November 10th, at the Courthouse Square Assoc. and Museum's Veteran's Day program in Charlotte, DJVC Paul David Arnold presented Director Jeri Bohms with a \$100 check to help defray the cost of digitizing A. S. Williams GAR Post 40's records.



A memorial book, two books of maps, a photograph book, and a scrapbook were found in the city's American Legion Post's storage. Last spring, Br. Dennis Zank of Lansing/Sunfield's Curtenius Guard Camp 17 learned of these records, which were donated to the Courthouse Square Assoc. and Museum for safekeeping and digitization. Br. Zank then requested his Dept. help pay for digitizing the records. Upon completion of the digitization process, the MI Dept. and Camp 17 will be receiving a copy of the Post records.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Recently, PDC Dan Meehan (left) and Dept. PI Lance Robicheau (right) of Rochester's Charles W. Canney Camp 5, returned 26 GAR markers to Civil War Veterans graves in Candia. The markers were provided by a member of Candia's American Legion who said the markers sat in a 55-gallon drum for years and he did not know what to do with them.



Both brothers, with the aid of the Camp's previous research, set out to return the markers. The first marker and flag were placed at the grave of Pvt. Henry Walker Rowe, a Medal of Honor recipient from Candia.

The pair is also working with the town to remove six GAR markers from graves of non-civil war veterans and place them on the appropriate graves.

NEW JERSEY

Pvt. Lorenzo Reynolds, Co. A, 11th NJ Inf., was born Sept. 9, 1838 and died March 23, 1911. A new headstone dedication ceremony was held in Neptune on October 3rd, by the Gen. Geo. Armstrong Custer Camp 17. Left to right are DC Daniel J. Lynch, CSVC Michael Truex and CJVC Michael Todd.



Pvt. Frank Hartshorne was also honored on November 7th with a headstone ceremony at the Hartshorne Cemetery in Middletown.

OHIO

Last Civil War Veteran of Pike County Honored by CC Don Martin

Sgt. Richard Enderlin Camp 73 honored Pvt. Samuel Ake Shattuck on October 3rd, as Pike County's Last Union Soldier. The ceremony at McBee Cemetery West opened with uniformed Camp members marching into the area. CC Donald Martin spoke and Pastor Darby Beekman, Mt. Holy Church of Christ in Christian Union conducted the Invocation and Benediction. Shattuck was a member of this congregation.

Mr. Shattuck's relatives attended and one guest related how she stayed with his family and he bought her candy. DC Bob Davis, DSVC Chuck Reeves, DCoS Jonathan Davis, PDCs Jim Huston and Ray Nagel were also present.

Pvt. Shattuck was born May 31, 1842. At age 19, he mustered into Co. B, 73rd OVI, serving with the Army of the Potomac, fighting at Bull Run and elsewhere. After getting wounded at Gettysburg, he mustered out and married Lydia Walls. He helped build Mt. Holy Church of Christ in Christian Union by donating the lumber and taught many Sunday School lessons there. He died on Nov 12, 1940, at age 98.

The guest speaker was PCinC David V. Medert. Mrs. Rita Perry of Waverly unveiled the plaque. Her G-Grandfather, Lt. Col. Thomas Higgins, was the 1st Commander of Co. B, 73rd OVI, in which Shattuck served. Col. Henry Shaw, SVR Deputy Co., laid a wreath, which was followed by Taps played by Br. John Huffman, 1Sgt, 122nd Army Band, OH NG.



Gen. John Morgan's Raid through Ohio Remembered

The Dept. participated in ceremonies at Portland, commemorating the 146th anniversary of the Battle of Buffington Island; the only Civil War battle fought in Ohio.



OH DC Robert Davis (left) and SVR Commanding General and PCinC Robert E. Grim at Buffington Island ceremony.

The Battle of Buffington Island resulted from the legendary Morgan's Raid". By July 18, 1863, they were near Portland on the Ohio River with West Virginia on the opposite bank.

When Morgan and his men tried to cross at Buffington Island, they were met by 6,000 Union soldiers and two gunboats. After a day of fierce fighting, Morgan and his main force escaped. However, Gen. Morgan and a remnant of his raiding party (360 men) surrendered on July 26, 1863, near Steubenville.

Veterans of Three Wars Honored

Over 100 people gathered in a rural Perry Cty. cemetery recently, to pay tribute to an American Revolutionary War veteran, two War of 1812 veterans and a Union Civil War veteran. John Jacob Storts served in the Rev. War; two of his sons served in the War of 1812; and his grandson served in the Union Army. All four are buried within 100 yards of each other. The Hocking Valley SAR Chapter President organized an impressive ceremony to honor his ancestors, involving Ohio's leaders of three major male lineage societies.



OH Soc. of the War of 1812 Pres. Eric Johnson (center) served as emcee, describing the military service of the War of 1812 veterans while OH Society SAR Pres. Wm. A. "Tony" Robinson (left) served on the SAR Color Guard and described the service of the Rev. War vet, and SVR Commanding General and PCinC Robert E. Grim (right) described the service of the Civil War vet. The three then unveiled bronze flag holders placed at the three grave sites.

TEXAS

Fort Worth's Gen. J.J. Byrne Camp 1 recently honored Cpl. C.W. James, ancestor of Bns. Christopher and Casey Blair. The ceremony included placement of a GAR flag holder at Thurmond Fairview Cemetery.



Pvt. James enlisted in Co. B, 79th IL Inf. on August 28, 1862 and shortly afterwards, was captured at the Battle of Stones River. After his release the following April, he was promoted to Full Corporal. Later, he was wounded at the Battle of Lovejoy Station and was

honorably discharged in June 1865.

Among those paying tribute were the American Ex-POW-Fort Worth Chapter (who also donated a medallion) and descendants of Cpl. James. A Boy Scout Venturing Crew provided an artillery salute. To close, all sang the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Central Region Meets

The Central Region Assoc. (Allied Orders of the GAR) met in annual Conference in Kokomo, IN, on Oct. 3rd. All five Allied Orders were represented among the 27 participants. A tour of the Seiberling Mansion was followed by a visit to the "Kokomo Cannon," which Congress awarded to Thos. J. Harrison GAR Post 30 in 1882.

Mike Beck gave a presentation and led a discussion on recruiting. CRA Co. Walter Busch then presided over the business meeting. 2010 officers include Co. Lee Ann Teller, SVC Mike Beck, JVC Robert Petrovic, Sec/Treas. Jack Shaw, PI Barbara Knopke; Chap. Walter Busch, Color Bearer Maggie Grothe, Guide Roy Lafferty, and Hist. Alan Teller. The banquet featured Lincoln memorabilia collector James R. Butcher, who brought some of his collection and spoke on Lincoln's relationship to the church and religion.

The CRA now has a web site thanks to Walter Busch: <http://www.grantcamp.org/centralregionassoc.htm>. Past CRA Commanders are asked to submit short biographies to alan.teller@comcast.net.





ATWATER'S GRATE DAY CELEBRATION

By Rachelle M. Campbell
Nat. ASUVCW Press Corres.

On October 10th, the Allied Orders gathered in Atwater, Ohio, to rededicate a Union monument in the local cemetery. The memorial was dedicated to John Henry Grate who served in Co. F, 6th OH Cav. and rose to the rank of GAR Commander-in-Chief after the war. He was among the last surviving GAR members, dying at Atwater in 1949 at age 103. His monument, originally erected by the SUVCW and Auxiliary in 1950, was severely damaged in March 2009 when an uninsured driver slammed into it after losing control of his vehicle.

After several months of fundraising and restoration efforts, the monument was restored in its original location and properly rededicated in a moving ceremony. Wreaths were placed by CinC Leo Kennedy and Aux. NP Nancy Greenwalt Hilton.

The event included a pancake breakfast, parade and living history demonstrations, and later, a dinner and Civil War ball.

HEADSTONE DEDICATED

On October 10, the Nebraska's Sons, Daughters and Auxiliary met in Eagle to dedicate a headstone for Pvt. Wyatt Hogan, Co. B, 2nd Kansas Colored Inf., serving from 1863 to 1865. The regiment fought at Jenkins Ferry, Ark. and used as their battle cry "Remember Poison Springs!"

American Legion Post 197, the Inspiration Singers, and Rev. Don Coleman assisted with the ceremony.



CHARTERING CEREMONY SUPPORTED

On October 17th, the Dept. of Georgia and South Carolina DC Eric Peterson, Dept Graves & Memorial Officer PCC Ernest Everett Blevins, Brs. Alexander Platt, and Michael Woods attended the chartering ceremony for Amanda Stokes Tent 2, DUVCW at Atlanta's Anisley Country Club. Blevins, Platt, and Woods served as the Color Guard.

Photo courtesy of DUVCW President Sarah Meyer



PENNSYLVANIA FLAGPOLE DEDICATION

On November 8th, John T. Crawford Camp 43 and the Sarah A. Crawford Auxiliary dedicated a flagpole that the Camp erected over the graves of the Camp's founders and namesakes in the Kittanning cemetery. There is a dusk-to-dawn light on the flagpole to illuminate it during the darkness.



7TH ANNUAL CIVIL WAR WEEKEND

Members of C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 and Aux. 4, MG John Gibbon Camp 4 and Lt. Alonzo Cushing Camp 5 worked together providing a revielle and retreat ceremony (shown), children's games, a narrated skirmish, a Lincoln-Grant press conference, and an indoor GAR display to the 7th Annual Trimborn Farm Civil War Weekend in Milwaukee County.

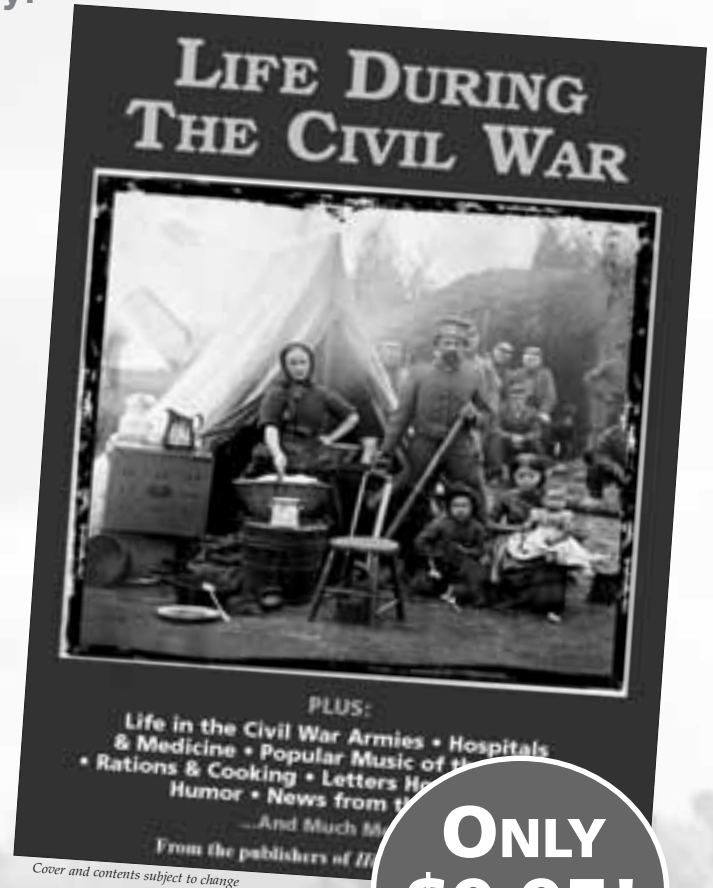
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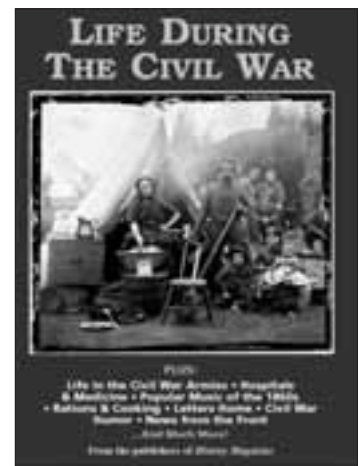
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The Color Guard standing inspection before marching into the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines.

IOWA VETS DAY

Co. A, 49th Reg. IA Vol. Inf. Dept. Honor Guard participated in Veterans Day ceremonies at Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Des Moines. The 15-man detachment marched in with their full compliment of colors and riflemen and was the only unit who chose to “stand to their colors” throughout the hour-long ceremony.



PA REDEDICATION

Co. B, 26th PVI, SVR, honored Sgt. Cyrus Davis during a ceremony on September 19th. Capt. Andy Lefko conducted the dedication of the new headstone and there was a great family reunion of fifty to sixty people that took place after the service. The ceremony was well presented by Sgt. Davis descendant Sheila Williamson. The SVR color guard and the 97th’s color, plus riflemen from both groups and the 97th’s fired volleys, followed by “Taps”.

Photo by Capt. Andy Lefko

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following are promoted to rank as such until 19 Nov 10:

- Lt. Col. Dave Allyn, 6th MD Co.
- Maj. Robert Champlin, 4th MD Adj.
- 1Lt. Randel O. Baehr, 4th MD PIO.
- Capt. Geo. J. Weinmann, commanding Co. I, 83rd NYVI (re-comm. ‘til 21 Nov 10).

- Maj. Stephen Michaels, 4th MD CoS.
- Maj. Emmett Taylor III, 4th MD IG.
- 1Lt. Jerome Kowalski, 4th MD Chap.

The following are promoted to rank as such until 21 Nov 12:

- 1Lt. Ray Sulger, Adj., Delaney-Delacy Guards
- 1Lt. Marc D. Witkowski, commanding the Nebraska Rangers
- 2Lt. David E. Heisler, Delaney-Delacy Guards
- 2Lt. Mark A. Glaubius, Adj. of the Nebraska Rangers

DSMs PRESENTED AT GETTYSBURG

On 21 Nov., the SVR Distinguished Service Medal was awarded to 1Sgt. David DuBrucq, Commander, and Pvt. Sam Gant, 10th TN USVI, SVR. 1Sgt. DuBrucq and Pvt. Gant played vital leadership roles in the historic reburial of the Franklin, TN, Unknown Civil War Soldier, which took place on 10 Oct. 09.

1Sgt. DuBrucq helped organize the burial service and stood sentry duty along with members of his unit as the Soldier lay in state in a flag draped coffin at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Franklin, TN from 8-10 Oct. 09. He commanded the pallbearers who lifted the Unknown’s coffin onto a horse-drawn caisson and then marched his unit in the funeral procession through the streets of Franklin to the historic Rest Haven Cemetery approximately one mile from the church.

Pvt. Gant served as a member of the City of Franklin’s Battlefield Taskforce, which was responsible for the planning of the reburial ceremony. As a member of this task force Pvt. Gant was instrumental in making sure the SVR and the SUVCW were selected for prominent roles in the reburial ceremony. He was responsible for coordinating much of the SVR activities associated with the reburial.

1Sgt. DuBrucq’s and Pvt. Gant’s strong commitment to the principles for which our Order was founded clearly distinguishes them as members of the SVR and most noteworthy recipients of this distinguished award.

ORDER MOURNS PCINC CHARLES “CHUCK” CORFMAN

PCinC Charles W. Corfman passed away September 30th of complications after heart surgery.

Br. Chuck was born Oct. 8, 1931, in Newton Falls, OH. He developed a love of music at an early age and at age 14, joined the Warren Jr. Military Band. Upon graduation from Newton Falls High School in 1949, he attended OSU, where he was a sousaphone player in the marching band. He graduated in 1952 and became a charter member of the OSU Alumni Marching Band. He dotted the “i” in Script Ohio in 1982. Once a year, he marched with the OSU Marching Band Alumni in a half-time show.

He married Janice Mae Krimmer on July 17, 1954. She survives, along with a daughter, three sons, and two grandchildren. Janice is an LGAR PNP, and currently serves as Nat. Treas.

Br. Corfman was a Charter Member of Wooster’s Given Camp 51 when it was re-organized in 1974 and served in all Camp offices. He claimed his eligibility through Christian Curfman, 37th IA Vol. Inf.

He was elected OH DC in 1981 and 1984. Nationally, he served on the Military Affairs and Site Committees, as Patriotic Instructor, JVCinC, and SVCinC. He was elected CinC on August 16, 1989, at the 108th Nat. Encampment in Stamford, CT.

That same year, he was promoted to Lt. Col. in the SVR and appointed Deputy Exec. Commander & Chief of Artillery. He had an intense interest in Civil War artillery and built his own cannon, which he displayed and used at numerous events. He attended the Civil War Artillery Association’s (now the NCWAA’s) organizational meeting and helped organize the 64th OVI at Mansfield. He had been a Sergeant and SVR Asst. Chief of Artillery when he was promoted to captain in 1988. At the Gettysburg 125th Anniversary re-enactment, he served as Deputy Chief of Artillery. BG Corfman served as SVR Commanding Officer from 1990 to 1996, after which he retired to the Cadre, but continued to instruct and advise artillery safety schools until last summer.

PCinC Corfman was also a 50-year member of Wooster United Methodist Church, where he was a faithful member of the Chancel Choir. He performed in many Tuba Christmases and Handel’s Messiah performances. He was active in community affairs and served as a 4-H Advisor, Advisory Council chairman, and Extension Advisory Council chairman.

PCinC Corfman was self-employed, selling farm equipment and raising livestock for many years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and was successful on occasion.



FINAL MUSTER

Elmer Meyers

Theo. Pfeiffer Camp 60 (PA)
December 29, 2008

Norman B Tannehill, Jr.

Washington Camp 120 (PA)
January 5, 2009

Austin W. Russell

Gov Sam Kirkwood Camp 4 (IA)
May 3, 2009

John M. McFeters

Austin Blair Camp 7 (MI)
May 13, 2009

Donald W. Pray

Phil Sheridan Camp 4 (CA&Pac)
June 7, 2009

Michael McKenzie

Wm. B. Keith Camp 12 (CA&Pac)
June 18, 2009

John B. May

Col. James Brady Camp 63 (MD)
August 20, 2009

Richard M. Kerr

Abraham Lincoln Camp 100 (NJ)
September 20, 2009

PCinC Charles Corfman

Given Camp 51 (OH)
September 30, 2009

John D. Burg

Victor Vifquain Camp 1 (NE)
October 14, 2009

Robert Warner (Real Son)

Cpl. Patrick Coyne Camp 1 (KS)
December 7, 2009

PCC Dwight Clinton Kennard, Jr.

Robert Finch Camp No. 14 (MI)
December 10, 2009

CHAPLAIN’S CORNER

We all know that a great many men who served in Mr. Lincoln’s armies carried a copy of the Bible or New Testament with them during the war. There had to be numerous reasons why - a gift from a loved one, something to remind them of home, familiar words of comfort when boredom or terror was on the horizon. Jesus dealt with real men. He was a tradesman and most of his followers were too. When they were scared and worried, he told them, “Be not afraid. It is I. I am with you.” The Boys in Blue had a right to be afraid - of being wounded, or killed. They were worried about the leaders in Washington City and the officers who led them in the field. They were worried about the families back home, about mortgage payments, about an enemy who might ravish and plunder their homes, about a host of things - just as we are today. The answer, then, is the same answer now: Trust that the Lord will bring us through these difficult times. We were not made for here - we were made to spend eternity in joy before the throne of God. Now we are but pilgrims on a journey, and sometimes the path is rough - but Jesus is there, we need not be afraid.

A new page has been added to the National website: <http://suvcw.org/Chaplain/NatChaplainPage.htm> It contains a great deal of material that may be useful to not only Camp and Dept chaplains, but also to individuals who may need material for presentations.

CHAPLAIN JERRY KOWALSKI

COLLECTING THE SONS

AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS (PART 2 OF 2)

By PDC Robert Wolz, National Historian



Type 5b



Type 7



Type 8



Type 9

In 1904, the Auxiliary changed their name to Sons of Veterans Auxiliary. And after 1925, through the Sons insistence, the Auxiliary went in a different direction with their badge designs. Changes were also made after the 1927 change from Divisions to Departments. Today, the Iron Cross is the only design similarity between the two Orders.

Type Va - Design very similar to Type I except on the ends of the Greek cross are only the letters "SV" at the bottom. The top pin bar reads "S of V Auxiliary". Same ribbon usage as outlined previously. No maker's hallmark.

Type Vb - same, but reddish copper finish

Type VI - The design is very similar to Type II except on the ends of the Greek cross there are only the letters "SV" at the bottom. The top pin bar reads "S of V Auxiliary". Manufactured by Joseph Davison, Philadelphia, Pa

AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

In 1925, the Auxiliary changed its name. Consequently, there were new badge designs.

Type VII - Rectangular pin bar reads "Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War" -copper finish pendant

Type VIII - Rectangular pin bar reads "Auxiliary to Sons of U.V." -chocolate bronze finish pendant

Type IX - The badge is 2/3 its former size. The pendant design is same as outlined above except the inscription reads: "Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1883." Reverse of badge is blank except for hallmark "JK Davison, Phila.". Pin bar reads "Auxiliary" with a round circle in center of bar with SUV

Type ** - Bakelite badge issued 1943 due to wartime metal shortages - proposed but no examples located

Type X - same except change of hallmark indicates change of manufacturer - Aug Frank, Phila

Type XI - manufactured by Bachmann Brothers (1973-1982) - Hallmarked Aug. Frank Co.

Type XII - manufactured by Simon Brothers

Officers' Badges

Top right: early Aux. Past Pres. badge, which mirrors the Sons' iron cross (date unknown and no backmark).

2nd from Top right: Division President's Badge (1904-27); backmarked Davison, Phila.

3rd from Top right: Past Division President's badge (1904-27); similar to Sons' PDC badge; backmarked "sterling" with the initials "J.K.D."

4th from Top right: Past Dept. President's Badge, post 1927 change from "Division" to "Department," but previous to major redesign of Auxiliary badges. Stamped "sterling" on the reverse with no backmark.

5th from Top right: PDP identification pin, backmarked Aug. Franks, Phila, PA - sterling, which predates the present-day bronze colored pin with no backmark.

Bottom right: Junior recognition pin. Backmark is "J.K. Davison Phila" Juniors were authorized by National ASUVCW in 1936, although several Departments authorized them previous to this. This program, discontinued in the 1950s, was reinstated in 1998.

i Ladies Aid Societies, Sons of Veterans, USA Proceedings of the First Nat. Encampment of Ladies Aid Societies of Sons of Veterans, USA 1887

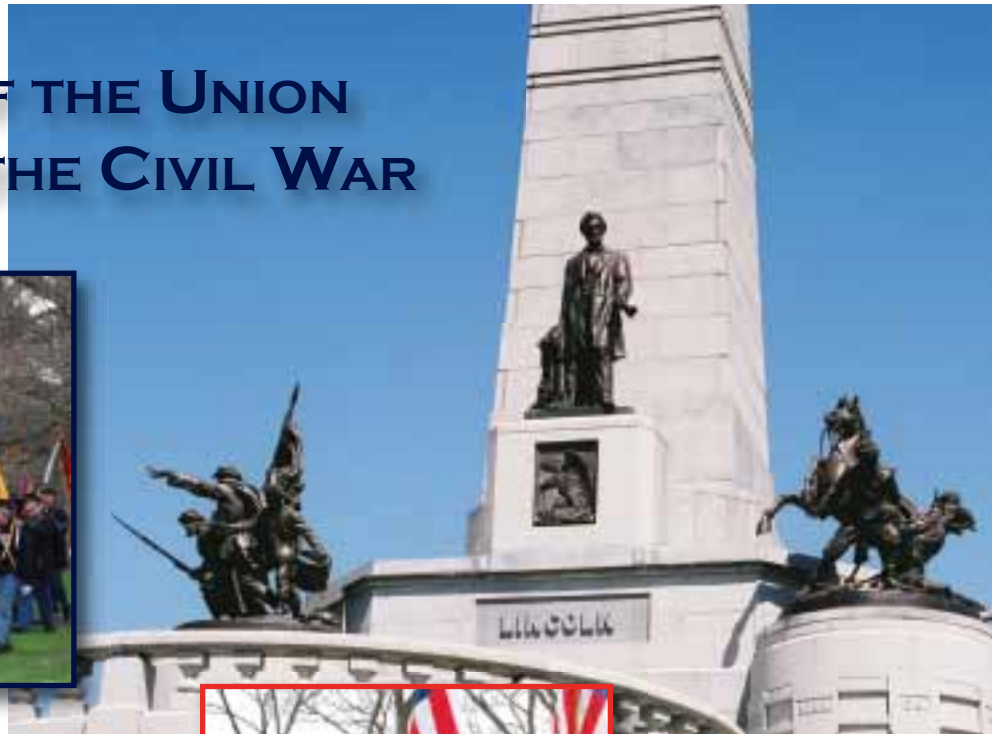
ii Ladies Aide Societies, Sons of Veterans USA Proceedings of the Second Nat. Encampment of the Ladies Aid Societies of the Sons of Veterans, USA 1997 pp5-7

iii US Patent Office Design Patent # D D017167 dated March 8, 1887

iv See Major A.P. Davis challenge to the Sons in 1888



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Great Myths of the Order

- 1. I told my wife I'd be home in two hours.*
- 2. The SUVCW? Sure, everyone knows about it.*
- 3. No problem. Call me anytime.*
- 4. Rituals and Ceremonials? No thanks. I have them memorized.*
- 5. Of course, I filled out the annual report properly.*
- 6. Our activities are always carefully planned out.*
- 7. Anyone can be a commander.*
- 8. Of course I know about the Civil War. Why do you ask?*
- 9. Sure, all of our members wear Badges of the Order.*
- 10. We don't need to recruit. Our members are immortal.*
- 11. Of course it's correct. We've always done it that way.*
- 12. We never spend Camp funds that aren't budgeted.*
- 13. I've been a member for years. Why do I need checklists?*
- 14. I would love to have another Camp help out.*
- 15. The Constitution and Regulations? They're just suggested guidelines.*
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You're Invited: 54th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony

All are invited to participate in the 54th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, commemorating the 145th Anniversary of President Lincoln's death. It will be held at the Lincoln tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, IL at 10 AM on Saturday, April 17, 2010.

Headquarters Hotel: State House Inn, 101 East Adams St. Room rate is \$97.99 for double or single, suite is \$107.99. A full breakfast buffet is included. Call 1-217-528-5100 for reservations and mention "Sons of Union Veterans". **Reserve your room by March 16, 2010.** After this, the remaining blocked rooms will be released. Ground level parking near the lobby and across 1st Street is free. **Shuttle service** will provide transportation between the tomb and the hotel.

Wreaths may be ordered from local Springfield florists. Instruct the florist to have the wreath delivered c/o the Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9 AM on Saturday, April 17th.

Luncheon will be held at the State House Inn (Headquarters Hotel) at 12 noon. The luncheon program will feature Mr. & Mrs. Max Daniels, Abraham & Mary Todd Lincoln portrayals. Luncheon cost is \$25 per person. Send registration form below to:

Robert M. Petrovic, PDC
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Make check payable to "National Organization, SUVCW." Cancellation of lunch reservations must be made by no later than April 1st.

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

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

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Please circle YES or NO if you will ride the bus to the Dr. Benjamin Stephenson ceremony near Petersburg after the lunch.

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