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# MEMORIAL DAY 2015



*Gens. Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17 marked the 100th Anniversary of the Soldiers' Monument at Santa Ana Cemetery, Cal. Shown are: Sec/Treas. Terry Shaw, PDC Glen Roosevelt, PCCs Charles Beal and Dan Henry, Br. James Blauer, PCC Joe Hart and Chaplain Scott McKee.*



*Ben Harrison Camp 356's ceremony at Indianapolis' Crown Hill Cemetery paid special tribute to Gen. Geo. Henry Chapman.*



*Col. James D. Brady Camp 63 conducted its annual event at Virginia's Hampton Nat. Cemetery, highlighting four Medal of Honor recipients interred there.*



*NC DC Dennis St. Andrew and Sec/Treas. John France participated in the ceremony at Raleigh Nat. Cemetery and presented a wreath in a Union soldier section.*



*The Chesapeake Dept.'s Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2 and Irish Brigade Camp 4 marched in Washington, DC. The Grand Review of the Armies took place on the same streets in May 1865.*

*As a veteran in old age  
He was loyal to the red, white and blue,  
Which placed his name on the page  
Of heroes the recording angel drew.*



*John A Logan Camp 4 staffed an SUV CW booth at the Bennett Place NC Historical Site Memorial Remembrance, honoring U.S. military. Past CC Roscoe Reeve laid a wreath at the closing ceremony.*



*Edward D. Baker Camp 6's Chaplain D.H. Shearer read Gen. Order 11 at Eugene, Oregon's Pioneer Cemetery. Co. B, 71st Penn. Vol. Inf., SVR, provided the color guard and firing detail. Photo by Kathy O'Neal.*



*Milwaukee's C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 and Aux. 4 hosted a Mass at St. Vincent Palotti Church. Skies cleared afterward for musket, rifle and cannon salutes outside.*



*Pennsylvania's Baker-Fisher Camp 101 participated at the Harbor Baptist Church, Philadelphia's Laurel Hill Cemetery and at Ft. Washington's American Legion Post 10.*



*Michigan's Gen. Israel B. Richardson Camp 2 participated in Birmingham's service. Afterwards, the camp moved to Pontiac's Oak Hill Cemetery and namesake Gen. Richardson's gravesite.*



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## KUDOS IN ORDER

**Col. Vincent B. Barker**, U.S. Army Reserve, and PCC of Old Abe Camp 8 (Wis.) was recently promoted to brigadier general and assigned as Commander (Troop Program Unit), 310th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Indianapolis, Ind.



Reno, Nevada's **Wm. Passmore Carlin Camp 25** has received the U.S. Army Patriotic Civilian Service Award. The Camp supported the Mineral County Museum dedication ceremony last August at the Aurora Cemetery, commemorating the Aurora Veterans' Monument and Nevada's Sesquicentennial. Brothers in full dress uniforms fired a Civil War period mortar. The Camp also supported Mineral County's Armed Forces Day 2014 with demonstrations, displays and reenactments. Shown: CC John Riggs, SVC David Davis and JVC Ed Carson (Col. Ret).



*On The Cover: Color bearers listen attentively during the 2015 Lincoln Tomb Ceremony on April 11th, at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Illinois.*



*More than 150 turned out for the re-dedication of the Sultana monument and memorial.*

## SULTANA MONUMENT REDEDICATED—A SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENT

By CC David McReynolds

On May 3rd, William A. McTeer Camp 39 re-dedicated the Sultana memorial at Knoxville’s Mount Olive Cemetery. Last year, PCC George Lane committed the Camp to participate in the Blue & Gray Reunion & Freedom Jubilee. CC David McReynolds developed this into a memorial for the many “forgotten” tragic deaths, occurring when the Sultana sank on April 27, 1865.



*Photograph of the dedication of the USS Sultana monument in Knoxville’s Mount Olive Baptist Church burial ground at the 3rd U. S. Cavalry reunion, July 4, 1916. (Photo courtesy of Norman Shaw.) “Dozens assembled there, . . . old men in then-unstylish beards and hats, but also with children, perhaps grandchildren or even great-grandchildren, with flags flying, to unveil their monument, Knoxville’s last new monument to be witnessed by actual Civil War veterans—just as their nation tried to stay out of another war.” (From Jack Neely’s article in the April 30, 2015 edition of the Knoxville Mercury.)*

The Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission designated the combined events of “Reconstruction Tennessee” and the “Blue & Gray Reunion & Freedom Jubilee” as the state’s 2015 signature sesquicentennial event. These events were held in Knoxville from April 30th through May 3rd.

The sinking of the Sultana ranks as the worst maritime disaster in U.S. military history with some 1,800 deaths. Most of the “passengers” on the steamboat were Union soldiers, recently released from Confederate prisons. Many were sick and malnourished. There were 2400 passengers on board a boat built for only 376. The overcrowding led to the explosion of the ship’s four boilers that had been known to be defective and in need of repair.

There were 463 Tennesseans aboard the Sultana. Most were members of the 3rd Tenn. Cav., formed in Knoxville.

The survivors of the Sultana tragedy met in Knoxville in April each year until only one showed up in 1930. On July 4, 1916, survivors dedicated an impressive monument made of pink Tennessee marble in the Mount Olive Baptist Church Cemetery.

But over time, despite the existence of excellent books and magazine articles written about the Sultana, it became largely forgotten.

In 1987, the Association of Sultana Descendants and Friends was organized and began meeting annually.

Camp 39 committed to invite as many Sultana descendants as could be found. Over 150 attended and at least 43 were descendants of Union soldiers on the Sultana that fateful day.



*PCC George Lane recites a prayer of re-dedication.*

The Craggy Top Brass, which includes CJVC Steve Wallace, started the event with a prelude of period music.

DC Mike Downs greeted the guests and initiated four new brothers, including two Juniors: Cub Scout Garrett Chapman and Paddy Fitzsimons, who joined the event via Skype from Belfast, Northern Ireland. Joseph McReynolds and Patrick Chapman were also initiated.

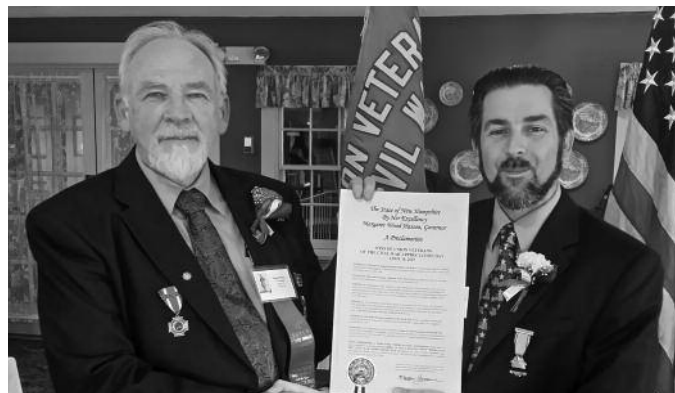
Historical background, as well as the history of the survivors and their descendants, were presented. CC David McReynolds then led a ceremony adapted from that of the GAR that included a Color Guard and Firing Detail from the Wm. Blount High School AFJROTC program. The Craggy Top Brass performed the “Star Spangled Banner” and one trumpet played “Taps” after the 21-gun salute. PCC George Lane recited a prayer of re-dedication and a benediction in song with a medley of “Tenting Tonight” and “Battle Cry of Freedom” was performed.



## CIN C CAMPBELL'S TRAVELS



*CinC Campbell speaks to those gathered for the 59th annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, held April 11th at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Ill.*



*CinC Tad Campbell attended New Hampshire's 133rd annual encampment in Concord on April 18th. Governor Maggie Hassan signed a proclamation, making the day the "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Appreciation Day." DC David Nelson (left) and CinC Campbell hold the issued proclamation.*



*CinC Tad D. Campbell initiated new Oliver Tilden Camp 26 members during the U.S. Grant ceremony in New York on April 26th.*



*CinC Campbell presents the Meritorious Service Award (without Gold Star) to PDC Terry Dyer at the Illinois Dept. Encampment on May 9th. Dyer received the award for his service as a Civil War lecturer and as a docent/historian of Rockford's Veterans Memorial Hall, and his vision and dedication to restoring and upgrading the gravesite of Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson in Petersburg, Ill.*



*CinC Tad Campbell and his wife, ASUVCW Pres. Rachelle Campbell, attended Arizona's Picacho Peak Camp 1's meeting in Phoenix on May 16th. Also present was DUVCW Margaret Warner Wood Tent 1 Pres. Verna Maleski and Picacho Peak Aux. 1 Pres. Barbara Metzger. Submitted by PCC David A. Swanson*



*On May 30th, CinC Campbell placed a wreath at the tomb of the Civil War unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.*



**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION  
MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 11, 2015  
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.**

The meeting was opened by CinC Tad D. Campbell at 8:01 P.M. Br. Pierson led the attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Chaplain Kowalski providing the invocation. CinC Campbell gave general opening comments.

The Nat: Secretary called the roll and recorded the following members and guests as present: CinC Tad Campbell, SVCinC Eugene Mortorff, JVCinC Donald Martin, Nat. Secretary Alan Russ, Nat. Treasurer Richard Orr, Nat. Quartermaster Danny Wheeler, Council Members Donald Shaw, Ed Norris, Walter Busch, Brian Pierson, and Immediate PCinC Ken Freshley. PCinCs included: Stephen Michaels (Banner Editor), Edward J. Kreiser, James B. Pahl, and Perley E. Mellor. Guests included: Exec. Dir. David Demmy Sr., MO PDC Robert Petrovic, Brs. Jerry Kowalski, (Ill.), Kevin L. Martin and Mike Paquette (Chesapeake), and Jim Crane (OH).

CofA Member Steve Hammond was excused by CinC.

Sec. Russ stated that, with regard to communications, he had received a letter, also addressed to the CinC, from Dept. of the Chesapeake, requesting to revoke three charters.

Commander-in-Chief Campbell gave a brief introductory report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICER REPORTS**

**Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief**

Recommendation, Item 3, page 5

Alonzo Cushing Recognition – It is recommended the event to be an official Nat. SUVCW event to be held at the Cushing Monument at Gettysburg immediately following the parade.

B. Br. Orr moved; Br. Norris seconded for this to be a National event, and for the SVCinC to coordinate with Military Affairs Comm. Motion passed.

**National Secretary**

Recommendation 1, page 8

It is recommended the Sesquicentennial Signature Event Comm. be instructed to no longer accept applications or submit them to the Council of Administration for approval.

Br. Orr moved, Br. Norris seconded to accept the recommendation with a caveat to accept applications for August 20, 2016. Motion passed.

Recommendation 2, page 8

It is recommended the CinC direct the C&R Committee to resolve the conflict between and within the Nat. Regulations and Job Description to show that the budget is presented for review by the Nat. Encampment and subsequently approved by the Council of Administration.

CinC to send to C&R Committee.

Recommendation 3, page 9

It is recommended the CinC direct the C&R Committee to add in Chap. III, Art. IV, Sec. 3 that the office of Camp-at-Large and Dept. Organizer is also excluded from appointment by the CinC.

CinC to send to C&R Committee.

Recommendation 4, page 9

It is recommended the CinC direct the C&R Comm. to amend Chap. II, Art. VI, Sec. 2 to reflect that the charter fee is to be forfeited “one year from the date of the application.”

CinC to send to C&R Committee.

Nat. Graves Registration Officer

-Recommendation 1, page 23. Recommendation for a change in the Regulations, Chap. V, Art. IV, Badges, Section 2(b) as reads “All elected officers of the National Organization, while holding such office, and past elected National officers who have served a full term or who have been elected to fill an unexpired term and who served until the end of that term, a ribbon, the center a broad stripe of old gold, with a narrow border of red, white and blue on each side. All elected Department officers, while holding office or having been granted emeritus status by his Department Encampment, a ribbon with a red center, and the red, white and blue border on each side.”

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# 59th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony April 11, 2015

## OAK RIDGE CEMETERY SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

*Photos by PCinC Steve Michaels and Br. Paul Zeien*







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Should be changed to read “All elected and appointed officers of the National Organization, while holding such office, and past elected National officers who have served a full term or who have been elected to fill an un-expired term, or past appointed National officers who have served and completed more than five consecutive terms and who served until the end of that term, shall be entitled to wear a ribbon, the center a broad stripe of old gold, with a narrow border of red, white and blue on each side. All elected Department officers, while holding office or having been granted emeritus status by his Department Encampment, a ribbon with a red center, and the red, white and blue border on each side.”

I have underlined the additional terminology within the changed regulation for convenience only, the underlined portions if approved would be in the regulation without being underlined. I have looked through the list of officers contained within this email and all the required officers are included who need to be notified of proposed changes in the SUVCW Regulations. I request that the Chairmen of the proper committees please present these changes to their committees for review and addition to the Nat. Encampment Agenda.

Secretary was directed to advise submitter to submit the recommendation in the proper manner, as described in the Regulations of the Order.

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## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN REPORTS

There were no recommendations noted in the Committee Reports.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM DEPT. REPORTS

### Dept. of Colorado & Wyoming

- Recommendation 1, page 40. Reports & recommendations submitted to the COA should continue to be forwarded to the Depts. annotated with action taken to facilitate an exchange of information. The current plan is to continue to distribution of minutes and reports after they are approved. No additional action required.

- Recommendation 2, page 40. A summary of actions approved by the national encampment (in a little more detail than the highlights that appear in the Banner) be sent to the Depts. No action required.

## OLD BUSINESS

### Status of Published Proceedings

2104 Proceedings are with Brs. Freshley and Campbell for review.

2012 and 2103 Proceedings are in the hands of the respective outgoing and incoming CinCs.

1986, 1990, 1993 and 2002 Proceedings are not on the Nat. website. This will be looked into.

Banner Editor Replacement Status. Br. Norris stated Br. Crabtree is the strongest candidate for the position. Further action is pending his acceptance and subject to Council of Admin. approval.

Pictures for Monument Database, Br. Busch. See pages 19 and 20 of officer reports. The consensus was to continue with actions being taken.

Open Items list was reviewed.

Br. Wheeler reminded the council that the Ritual is still out of date and the “pocket” size is very difficult to read. Br. Pierson will review annual proceedings for changes to be made to the ritual. Once the updates have been approved, he will convert it to the smaller size, retaining readability.

## NEW BUSINESS

Investment of Additional Funds. Br. Orr stated the council had previously approved investing \$400,000 in mutual funds to increase income. This has been successful. Also, the last of the certificates of deposits has matured. Br. Orr moved, Br. Russ seconded to invest \$100,000 in corporate/municipal bonds, with the intention they be held to maturity. Motion passed.

Nat. Website. Brs. Orr and Wheeler stated there is no index, and it is not user friendly. It was also agreed that it is not easily searchable. Br. Freshley suggested putting together a “punch list” with the expectations for items.

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# Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson Ceremony April 11, 2015



In Memoriam



## ROSE HILL CEMETERY PETERSBURG, ILLINOIS

*Photos by PCinC Steve Michaels and Br. Paul Zeien*





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The punch list will be presented to webmaster for further action. Br. Freshley was asked by CinC Campbell to be the point person for punch list items.

Penn. Dept. Order 9, Series 2014-2015. Br. Orr stated there are problems within the Dept., which may have a significant effect on the dept. in the next six months. Eleven of the 26 camps want to split from the Dept. again.

Encampment Comm. update. The hotel reservation system for the Nat. Encampment at Richmond has had problems. These have been, or are being, addressed. CinC Campbell asked Br. Crane to communicate with the other Allied Orders. Cost of radios for comm. communications at encampments will be charged to comm. expenses.

Br. Orr discussed using a shirt vendor. Shirts will have to be ordered from the company. These will be on the SUV CW Facebook page. A date will be set for order cutoffs.

Br. Orr reported that PCinC Bud Atkinson had found a number of old badges in his attic, which were boxed up and given to Br. Wheeler. Nat. Historian Br. Wolz went through the badges and reconditioned ribbons which needed it. These badges will be auctioned, and include some special and rare badges. The special and rare badges will have starting minimum bids on them. The auction will be restricted to brothers of the Order.

Br. Orr addressed an issue with the Pledge of Allegiance, reminding all that it is "one Nation under God", and not "one Nation, under God."

Br. Pierson presented some concepts of what the Eagle Scout patch could look like. He will email the pictures to the council so they can review them in better detail. No further action was taken at this time.

Br. Petrovic discussed problems with Lincoln Tomb Ceremony. There are problems getting enough people to come to the luncheon. He inquired as to if we should consider doing away with luncheon. No action taken at this time.

Br. Russ moved to not tie the Spring Council of Admin. meeting to Springfield. CinC Campbell ruled the motion out of order. The issue will be addressed by the incoming CinC.

Memorial University. Br. Michaels stated an additional new module for new members is being developed. The Power Point and script are there in draft form.

Br. Wheeler inquired as to if an annual report can be emailed. No decision was made.

Scholarships. Br. Orr stated that, according to the Scholarship committee report, the committee stopped taking applications on March 31. These nominations need to go to CinC Campbell before June 30, and the

committee also needs to send them to Br. Orr, so he has the needed information for issuing the checks later.

Br. Norris inquired of Br. Orr concerning the issue where camps did not submit their bylaws on time. Br. Orr advised that we are awaiting the IRS on this.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Chief of Staff Kevin Martin had a flyer for a Dept. of New York event on May 29, 2015, in the event anyone was able to attend.

Br. Martin advised that two dept. encampments, Vermont and Maine, did not currently have Nat. representation. Chaplain Kowalski volunteered to attend the Maine encampment.

#### CONCLUSION:

CinC Campbell provided closing comments, followed by Chaplain Kowalski giving the Benediction.

Meeting was officially adjourned at 10:22 PM.

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Alan L. Russ, PDC

National Secretary



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# U.S. GRANT CEREMONY HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL



New York's Oliver Tilden Camp 26 held its annual ceremony, observing the 193rd Birthday of President and Gen. U.S. Grant at the Grant National Memorial in Manhattan, NY, on April 26th. CSVK Arthur P. Kirmss, PCC John Portanova, DC George J. Weinmann co-hosted the event, which welcomed the following dignitaries: CinC Tad Campbell; NY DSVC Paul Ellis-Graham; NY DJVC Matt Hereford, Aux. NP Rachele Campbell, NY Aux. DP Gloria Fisher, NY DP Eileen Sleckman, Nat. PI Caren Cleaveland; DUVCKW Past Presidents Lynne Dolan and Janice Guy, SCV Camp 985's James DeSalvo, UDC NY Chap. Pres. Elaine Marlowe Mitchell; Greenpoint Monitor Museum Pres. & Aux. sister Janice Lauletta-Weinmann, Soldiers' and Sailors' Mem. Assoc. Pres. Peter Galasinao, NY CWRT Past Pres William Finlayson, Grant Monument Assoc. Pres. & Camp 26 Br. Frank Scaturro, and members of Moses Baldwin Camp 544, Admiral John Worden Camp 150 and Kady Brownell Tent 36.



Keynote speaker was Waldron K. Post, III, MOLLUS. Providing music for the event were: Brs. Eugene (Violin) and Louse Bender (Singer), Robert Fries (bugler) and SVC Arthur P. Kirmss (Singer, guitar & Civil War flute). In addition, Sgt. George Rand, Co. I 83rd NYV (9th NYSM) SVR led the color guard and Brs. Marc Hermann, Mark Goret, John Gregor, Philip Brown, James Bond, Bill Webb, Charles Lirio, Steve Riley and Capt. Gary A. Collier participated.

CinC Tad Campbell initiated Camp 26's new brothers: John Portanova, Jr., Richard Miller, Esq. and Willie E. Cooper. Br. Charles Lirio was the recipient of the Bob Wilder Lord "Patriot of the Year" award. Camp 26 brother Marc Hermann accepted SUVCW certificates of appreciation on behalf of two NYPD officers, who apprehended two teenagers spray painting and defacing the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument in Manhattan.

The program was dedicated to the memory of former Treasurer Cornwell C. Martin, Sgt.-at-Arms Phil Kissel, Co. I, 83rd NYVI (9th NYSM) SVR member Pvt. Philip A. Schlesler (Camp 544 brother) and PCinC Richard Greenwalt.







## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

What does Loyalty mean?

Its synonyms are faithfulness, allegiance, wholeheartedness and devotion.

Loyalty denotes commitment over a long period of time. A loyal friend sticks by in adverse circumstances. A couple of the best examples of loyalty and friendship in the bible are those of David and Jonathon, recorded in 1 Samuel, Chapter 20. Jonathon saves David's life and defends David to his father, Saul. Years later, David showed kindness to Jonathan's sole surviving son in an act of loyalty and friendship.

Woodrow Wilson once said "Loyalty means nothing unless it has at its heart the absolute principle of sacrifice." The kind of loyalty that does not require you to make regular sacrifices does not really exist. If it does, it is only in the imagination. The point here is that you must be willing to accompany your allegiance to the object of your loyalty with regular giving of time, money and resources. It may not be convenient, but it is usually necessary.

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## FAREWELL TO REAL SON CARSON WARD YEAGER

By Ill. Dept. Sec Steve Aarli,  
PCC of John A. Logan Camp 26  
PM of Star in the East Lodge 166, Rockford, Ill.

On April 4th, Real Son Carson Ward Yeager, age 97, was laid to eternal rest at Ladies Union Cemetery in Stockton, Ill. Graveside services were conducted by Chicago's Gen. Philip H. Sheridan Camp 2 and Hinsdale Masonic Lodge 934 from Hinsdale, Ill.

Br. Yeager was a member of Camp 2 and a Past Master of Lodge 934, serving as Master in 1989. He was a 50-year member, first joining Plum River Lodge 554, Stockton, Ill., in 1940. He joined Camp 2 in 2004.

Camp 2 conducted a service, using the GAR and Sons rituals with Chaplain Jerry Kowalski and several other brothers performing various speaking roles. Br. Ron Ashe, a Past Master from Freeport Masonic Lodge, conducted the Masonic funeral service.

About 80 attended, including Camps 2 brothers, Illinois Dept. officers, lodge members, family and friends. The local VFW provided a 21 gun salute, Mulligans Battery, SVR, fired three rounds and a bugler played "Taps" to end the service.

Carson Ward Yeager was born on Sept. 23, 1916, near Stockton, Jo Daviess Cty. Ill. His father, Peter, was a Private in the 146th Illinois Inf., serving from Sept. 5, 1864 to July 8, 1865. He passed away in 1928 when Carson was about 12. Br. Carson was also a member of Hinsdale's Union Church, active with the Shriners, BSA, and the Sons of the American Revolution.

*Photos by PCinC Steve Michaels*

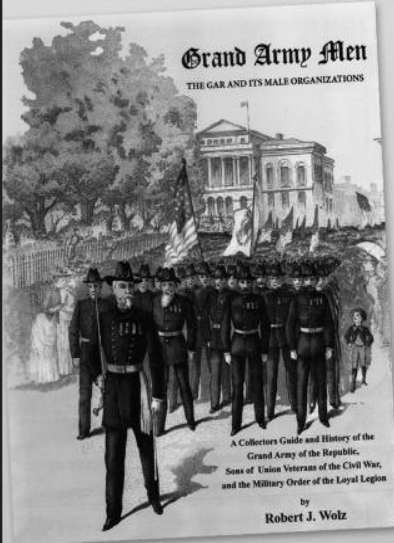




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## RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING YOUTH

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### MISSOURI

On April 23rd, Wm. T Sherman/Billy Yank Camp 65's CC Noel Stasiak and PCC Jack Grothe presented the SUVCW's ROTC Award to Cadet Augustus T. Kihn during ceremonies at Washington University.

*Shown: CC Stasiak, Cadet Kihn, PCC Grothe, and Lt. Col. Chad Callis, Gateway Army ROTC Battalion Cmdr.*



### OREGON



*Capt. Steve Betschart presented a medal and a \$100 scholarship to Cadet Robert Jeffries.*

On May 8th, Salem's McNary High School AFJROTC program held its annual recognition ceremony. SVR Capt. Steve Betschart of Edward D. Baker Camp 6 presented the SUVCW ROTC Award to Cadet Staff Sgt. Robert Jeffries. Additionally, he was given a \$100 scholarship check from the Camp. McNary's program has only been around for the past three years, but has made great strides in developing leadership, patriotism, and academic excellence. This is one of two JROTC programs in the Salem area.

On May 29th, the North Salem High School Army JROTC program held its 30th anniversary awards program. Capt. Betschart was there to present the SUVCW award to Senior Cadet 1st Sgt. Boris Ochoa. Ochoa plans to enlist in the U.S. Army after graduation.

*By PCC Steve Betschart*

### PENNSYLVANIA



In April and May, Mt. Union Church Camp 502 participated in four high school JROTC Annual Awards Ceremonies in western Pennsylvania and northern Maryland. Two of the Army and Air Force units provided drill demonstrations. Two others held a formal military ball and banquet as part of the ceremony. At each ceremony, a Camp representative presented the SUVCW award certificate and medal to a deserving cadet who had been nominated by their commander.

*Shown: Cadet Darren Evans of Uniontown's Laurel Highlands High School displays his award with CSVV Bob Wrigley.*

### WISCONSIN

On May 8th, C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1's PCC Dave Howard presented the national SUVCW's award to Cadet Richard Brown. He was Commander of Greenfield High School's AFJROTC Bravo Squadron and received a Color Guard and a Drill Team Ribbon also.

On May 28th, Camp 1's Br. Dean Collins presented awards to three ROTC cadets at Milwaukee's Marquette University: Cadet Bryan Tordoff (Air Force), Cadet Kenneth T. Krueger (Army), and Navy Midshipman Angela Alberico.



## CHESAPEAKE

James A. Garfield Camp 1 and guests recently paid tribute to President Lincoln at their annual dinner, named for the fallen commander-in-chief. The event was held at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins on the evening of the 150th anniversary of the tragic incident.

Highlighting the program was a \$500 donation to the Civil War Trust to further its battlefield preservation initiatives. Mr. Douglas Ullman, Jr., accepted the check on behalf of the Trust. Following the presentation, noted Lincoln scholar Br. Bob Mullauer spoke on Lincoln's last day.

On hand for the dinner and presentation was DSVC Kevin Martin and his wife Rosemary. Camp 1 held their first "Lincoln Dinner" in 1999 and the affair has grown to become the Camp's signature event.



*Mr. Douglas Ullman, Jr. accepts donation from CC W. Faron Taylor. Photo courtesy of Br. Brian Quillin, II*

## KENTUCKY

Sgt. Elijah P. Marrs Camp 5 participated in the commemoration of Abraham Lincoln's 2nd inauguration in Richmond, Kentucky, on March 4th, 150 years to the day of the event in 1865. The camp presented the colors and provided an honor guard for the ceremony.



*Brs. Doug Harper, Doug Carter, Jim Fox, Mary & Larry Elliott (as Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln), Jack Mills, John Kalbfleisch, Bob Orbach and Phillip Seyfrit.*

Lincoln's second inaugural speech is quite possibly the greatest speech ever given by an American president. Using this event as a beginning to heal the nation torn by

Civil War, this oration featured the classic line "with malice toward none, and charity for all." Lincoln was portrayed by Larry Elliott of Louisville.

The camp assisted the Madison County Division of Historic Properties, the Battle of Richmond Association and the Madison County Civil War Roundtable in the occasion.

Established in 1999, Camp 5 primarily serves central Kentucky.



*DC John Kalbfleisch, CSVC Tom Vaselopulus, Camp Sec/Treas. Jack Mills, and CC Phillip Seyfrit. Not shown are Brs. Bill Williams and Doug Windle.*

Sgt. Elijah P. Marrs Camp 5 helped unveil and dedicate three new Historical Markers on May 30th. The markers were located at the Battle of Richmond, Camp Dick Robinson and Camp Nelson; all three were important Civil War sites in central Kentucky.

The Richmond marker highlights the role of the "Old State Road" during the first major battle of the Confederacy's 1862 Kentucky campaign, fought on August 29 & 30, 1862, resulting in a Confederate victory.

The Camp Dick Robinson marker denotes the role of the camp in keeping Kentucky in the Union. Established by William "Bull" Nelson at the behest of Abraham Lincoln, the camp was the first violation of Kentucky's neutrality during the late summer of 1861. It trained Kentuckians and East Tennesseans, counting Geo. Thomas, Wm. Sherman, and Andrew Johnson among them.

Camp Nelson was a very large training and supply depot, and is known for the recruiting and mustering of Negro troops during the war's last two years. Established by Ambrose Burnside in late 1863, it was named for Union MG Wm. "Bull" Nelson.

## MISSOURI

On April 11th, Phelps Camp 66 and Holmes Brigade, U.S.V., participated in the funeral of Union Maj. Raphael Guido Rombauer in Carthage. A native of Hungary, Rombauer served in the 1st Missouri Inf. (90 days) and Campbell's Ill. Battery, then joined the 1st Ill. Lt. Art., becoming the regiment's major in 1864. While at Cairo, Ill., in 1861, Rombauer assisted U.S. Grant by translating





*Brothers of Phelps Camp escorted the remains of Major Rombauer to the gravesite.*

messages sent in Hungarian from dept. headquarters in St. Louis. Following the war, Rombauer became a prominent businessman in southwest Missouri. He died in Kirksville in 1912, but his cremated remains remained unclaimed until 2014, when they were found by his great-great-granddaughter. Maj. Rombauer now rests alongside his first wife and two children.

## NEW YORK



During the month of May, Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp 26's PCC John Portanova went to a few schools, including Lee Road, to teach the 5th Grade the history of Memorial Day, the School of the Infantry Soldier, and the history of the GAR. Br. John has been going to schools and teaching the last 23 years as a living historian and since 1998 as a brother of Camp 26.

In the month of May, Br. John spoke to over eleven fifth grade classes in the Levittown School District.



## OHIO

Ringling church bells broke the silence between thunderstorms recently at the Bethesda United Methodist Church near Patriot, Ohio. Cadot-Blessing Camp 126 and Church members Henry Myers and David Carter took time out and joined our nation in remembering the 150th Anniversary of the surrender of Gen. Lee's Army at Appomattox Court House, Va.

At exactly 3:15 P.M., Myers and Carter rang the bells 20 times each or 10 times for each year of the conflict which cost our nation over 1 million casualties.

The Bethesda Church was only six years old when a Union Rally was held there in 1861 to solidify support for the cause. Some 14 Civil War Veterans are buried in the adjacent cemetery.

## TENNESSEE

On June 13th, Missionary Ridge Camp 63 participated in a roadside marker dedication ceremony in Cleveland, Tenn. The ceremony was sponsored by Baltimore, Maryland's James A. Garfield Camp 1 and hosted by Tim McCoy. DC Michael Downs who delivered the invocation represented the Department of Tenn., Ala., and Miss. PDC Sam Gant represented Fort Donelson Camp 62 and CC David McReynolds was there to represent Maj. William A. McTeer Camp 39. Members of Missionary Ridge Camp 63 were CC Jeff Webb, PCC Mark Kemp, SVC Mark Steele, JVC Robert Dobbs, Webmaster Harvey Scarborough and Tim Hill. Members of the NSDU 1861-1865 Inc., Boy Scouts of America, DCV and the SCV also attended.



*(Rear) DCV members, Br. Harvey Scarborough, SVC Mark Steele, JVC Robert Dobbs, PCC Mark Kemp, DC Michael Downs, PDC Sam Gant and CC Jeff Webb. (Front) Tim McCoy and CC David McReynolds*

## TEXAS

Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth Camp 18 participated in the 15th annual 'City of Gainesville, Texas, Medal of Honor Parade' on April 11th. The 4-day celebratory event amasses the largest gathering of Medal of Honor recipients at one time; this year, there were 16 MOH heroes. Gainesville is the only U.S. city that has a Medal of Honor host city program.

# DEPARTMENT NEWS



Brothers assembled for the parade as SVR members in Co. K, 1st US Inf. After marching through Gainesville's downtown main street, the parade double backs to the starting point where Camp 18 salutes all passing Medal of Honor recipients, who each ride in a separate military vehicle. Passing MOH personnel always returned a salute; the Brothers felt honored to have real heroes recognize them. *Submitted by PDC George Hansen. Photo by Br. Rick Erder.*

## WISCONSIN

On May 30th, Col. Henry Harnden Camp 2 formally rededicated the Civil War Memorial in Evansville, Wis. Mayor Sandy Decker participated on behalf of the City of Evansville. The memorial features a 30-pounder Parrott Rifle, manufactured for the U.S. Navy in 1863 and used during the Civil War.




*Brs. Virgil Matz, Thomas W. Brodd, PCC Ronald Knaus, William Raftery and Ester, PCC Alan Hembel, John Decker and his wife Sandy, the Mayor of Evansville, WI.*


In 1900, the Navy Dept. donated the artillery tube to Evansville's T.L. Sutphen GAR Post 41. The Post, in turn, donated the piece to the City of Evansville, which placed it on the City Hall lawn, on a stone base resembling a gun carriage.

The Evansville memorial was removed to Leonard-Leota Park in 1938 and later, suffered severe damage from vandalism.

In 2012, the Evansville Grove Society, a local historical society, and the Evansville Historic Preservation Commission started fund raising. The restoration project was completed in 2015, and has a value of \$35,000. The artillery piece was returned to its place of honor at City Hall. Baker Manufacturing Company, LLC served as a major contributor and as general contractor for the restoration work.



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## PENNSYLVANIA

John T. Crawford Camp 43 and Sarah A Crawford Aux. 43 held an Appomattox ceremony on April 19th in Kittanning Park. The soldiers from Armstrong County were remembered. These included Aux. President Mindy Eckler's Great Grandfather, John Snyder, and his brother Jacob Snyder were there for (both fifers with 3rd Pa. HA with Gen. Grant's HQ).



*PDC Richard Essenwein, CC Sam McKissick, Br. Joe McShane, CJVC Tim Nupp, Aux. Pres. Mindy Eckler, Srs. Samantha Eckler, Judy Pete and Aux. VP Trinette Frerotte.*

## TEXAS

150th Anniversary

President Abraham Lincoln's Death Observance

Col. Elmer E. Ellsworth Camp 18 organized an observance commemorating the 150th Anniversary of President Lincoln's death. The ceremony was held on April 12th, at Dallas' Greenwood Cemetery under the auspices of Gen. James J. Byrne Camp 1, and Latha Jane Boyd Tent 1 (DUVCW).

CC Paul Ridenour served as Master of Ceremonies. Keynote speeches were presented by Camp 1 CC David Appleton, Sr. Jeanette Marlow, DC Gene Willis, and MOLLUS Texas Cmdr. John Schneider. Dept. Chaplain Harold Sickler delivered the Invocation and Benediction.



*Co. K SVR Cmdr. Brook Thomas leading the military contingent plus all other Heritage group participants.*

Co. K, 1st US Infantry (SVR) led the military contingent. Music was provided by the Heritage Brass Band, headed by Camp 18's Larry Johnson. Taps and Retiring the Colors concluded the ceremony.

Greenwood Cemetery is the 2nd oldest cemetery in Dallas. The Lincoln observance took place in the GAR Lot where 110 Union soldiers and sailors are interned and an additional 34 are buried elsewhere in the cemetery. *Submitted by PDC George Hansen.*

## WISCONSIN

On June 6-7, C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 and Auxiliary 4 supported the 1st annual Trimborn Farm multi-era encampment in Greendale. Members provided a color guard, children's games, and information about their Civil War artifact display, the GAR and the patriotic work of their Orders.



The SUVCW's Dr. Mary Edwards Walker award recognizes ladies of the Allied Orders for their outstanding service, leadership and support at either the National or Dept level. The CinC may make up to five awards per administration; a Dept. Cmdr. may present up to three per administrative year. There is no obligation to make the award.



## NOT FORGOTTEN



FEBRUARY 1, 1928 – APRIL 6, 2015

### PCinC RICHARD L. GREENWALT

By PCinC Stephen A. Michaels

I spend my first National Encampment (1994), sitting next to PCinC Richard “Dick” Greenwalt, who answered my questions and explained in detail what was going on. Dick continued to be a kind and caring teacher years after he had retired from the profession.

Br. Dick joined Alliance, Ohio’s McClellan Camp 91 in 1965. He was elected Camp Cmdr. in 1967, Ohio Dept. Cmdr. in 1968, and Cmdr. of the Central Region Assoc. of the Allied Orders of the GAR in 1973. He served the Nat. Order as Patriotic Instructor, Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief and Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief, before being elected Commander-in-Chief at the 97th Annual Nat. Encampment in Grand Rapids, Mich., on August 13-17, 1978. He was Life Member 31.

Br. Greenwalt joined the SVR in 1971. By 1979, he had risen to the rank of Lt. Col. and Commander of the 3rd Military District. At various times, he also served as Nat. SVR Quartermaster, District Adjutant and Adjutant for his regiment, the 19th OVI.

Br. Dick’s father was a WWI veteran and during the Civil War, his grandfather, Peter R. Greenwalt, served in Co. I, 10th West Virginia Inf. Consequently, Dick was very patriotic and served as Chair of the Alliance Memorial Day Committee for many years.

He was often seen in parades, helping carry the large U.S. Flag with Alliance’s Shrine Club. He was a charter member of the Flag Unit and Past President of the Shrine Club for two different terms. He enjoyed volunteering to transport crippled children to the Shrine Hospital in Erie, Penn.

Br. Greenwalt was a 40-plus member of Conrad Masonic Lodge and served as Master twice. Prior to moving to New York, he was also a member of Council, Commandery and the Tadmore Shrine Temple of Akron. He was Past Royal Patron of Grace Court Order of the Amaranth and had been Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows.

He was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, where he served on session and was a Sunday school teacher for the Weaver Bible Class.

Br. Dick graduated with both a bachelor’s and master’s degree from West Virginia University with extensive graduate work from both Ohio State and Kent State Universities. He followed a 33-year career as a teacher in the footsteps of his teacher mother. He was proud that his daughter, Nancy, and grandson, James, also are/were in the “education business.”

Br. Dick was first married to Aux. PNP Jane Graham in June 1953. They had two daughters, Aux. PNP Nancy (J. Gregory) Hilton and Rebecca. He married his current wife, Aux. PNP Bea Greenwalt, in June 1980. He is further survived by stepchildren; step grandchildren; step great-grandchildren and step great-great-grandchildren.

## FINAL MUSTER

**Herbert L. Decker**  
Lockwood Camp 139 (MI)  
June 3, 2014

**PCC Kenneth S. Stinson**  
Jeremiah Smith Camp 1 (OK)  
September 24, 2014

**Keith A. Hodges**  
Nash-Hodges Camp 43 (MI)  
October 29, 2014

**PCC Bradford M. Welch**  
Joshua L. Chamberlain Camp 69 (ME)  
November 21, 2014

**Charles D. Boydston**  
Columbia Tigers Camp 432 (MO)  
December 2, 2014

**CSVC Neal LaFever**  
Montana-Chapman Compliment 2 (CO&WY)  
February 22, 2015

**PDC Ralph R. Miller, Jr. (LM)**  
Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2 (CH)  
February 24, 2015

**Robert T. Flaherty (LM)**  
Gen. Geo. Wright Camp 22 (CA&Pac)  
March 31, 2015

**Billy R. Brant**  
Westport Camp 64 (MO)  
April 6, 2015

**Raymond E. Elsasser**  
Jacob Parrott Camp 33 (OH)  
April 22, 2015

**Harley G. Lofton**  
Shiloh Camp 2 (NE)  
April 30, 2015

**Richard G. Osborn**  
Gen. Eugene A Carr Camp 5 (FL)  
May 9, 2015

**Winfred T. Hocking**  
Daniel Chaplin Camp 3 (ME)  
May 22, 2015

**Willis R. Adair**  
W.T. Sherman-Billy Yank Camp 65 (MO)  
May 25, 2015

**Richard L. Martin**  
Antietam Camp 3 (CH)  
May 29, 2015



# SVR GUIDON



*SVR Deputy Cmdr. BG Henry Shaw, Jr. (left) and SVR Commanding officer MG Robert Grim on honor guard duty at the president's coffin prior to the Sunday funeral procession to Oak Ridge Cemetery.*

## SVR Participates in Lincoln Funeral Reenactment

SVR members were among hundreds who participated in a reenactment of President Lincoln's funeral, marking the sesquicentennial of the May 4, 1865, event. The 2015 Lincoln Funeral Coalition spent the past six years planning the event, which included pallbearers who were descendants of the original pallbearers in Lincoln's funeral.

From May 1st to 3rd, a variety of events were held in Springfield, Ill. About 1250 Union Civil War reenactors were encamped at Lincoln Park and on the Benedictine University campus, where they conducted military drills and provided visitors an opportunity to learn about the Civil War. Several art shows, concerts and Civil War tea presentations were held throughout the city.



*Maj. Edward J. Krieser, 4th MD Cmdr. (left) and SVR Deputy Cmdr. BG Henry E. Shaw, Jr., discuss the funeral procession route.*

posted. A viewing continued until the funeral procession to the cemetery stepped off. SVR Cmdr. MG Robert E. Grim, Deputy Cmdr. BG Henry E. Shaw, Jr., and Capt. Timothy Downey, 3rd Mil. Dist. IG, all had an opportunity to serve in the honor guard.

On Sunday, the hearse carried the replica coffin in a procession from the Old State Capitol building through the streets of Springfield to Oak Ridge Cemetery, 2.7 miles away. A funeral service was held and the coffin was placed in the same receiving vault that held Lincoln's coffin in 1865. The vault is located near the tomb of Pres. Lincoln, his wife and three of his four sons.

*Submitted by MG Robert Grim*

On May 2nd, thousands of spectators lined the streets to see the replica President's coffin removed from the funeral train car. The coffin, covered with a 36 star flag, was transported to the Old State Capitol building in a replica 1865 hearse, drawn by six black horses. The president's horse, "Old Bob," followed the hearse.

The procession included hundreds of Civil War soldiers and civilians in period dress. The only participants in modern dress were the captain and crew of the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln. President Lincoln's Own Band, a Civil War era reenactment group that portrays the 1865 U.S. Marine Band, played music of the era. It appeared in Steven Spielberg's 2012 movie "Lincoln".

Several dignitaries rode in Civil War era carriages from the train station to the Old Capitol building, where a ceremony was conducted. Afterwards, the replica coffin was placed on public display near the Old State Capitol Building and an honor guard was

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## SVR PERSONNEL ACTIONS

### CHANGES IN THE 4TH MILITARY DISTRICT

Maj. David Lamb, Dist. Cmdr., has resigned, effective 1 June 2015. The Commanding General accepted his resignation and thanked him for his distinguished service to the SVR and the members of the 4th Military District.

The 4th Military District staff have also tendered their resignations effective 1 June 2015. The Commanding General wishes to thank Capt. Court S. Stahr, 4th MD Chief

of Staff; Capt. Ronald F. Rittel, 4th MD Adj.; and Capt. Richard D. Grim, 4th MD IG for their distinguished service to the SVR and the 4th Mil. Dist.

Maj. Edward J. Krieser, PCinC, and former 3rd Mil. Dist. Cmdr., has been appointed to serve as the new 4th Military District commander, effective 1 June 2015. Maj. Krieser will announce his staff upon taking command.

It is with deep regret that the Commanding General, SVR, announces that the 49th Iowa Vol. Inf. (4th Mil. Dist.) has withdrawn from the SVR. The unit has been removed from the rolls of the SVR, effective 1 May 2015.

## SUVCW AUCTION AT NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

A sealed bid auction for the following items will be held at the Nat. Encampment. Any Brother is welcome to mail bids to PCinC Orr on any item. Highest bidder wins the item and will be notified at or after the Nat. Encampment. Mail bids must be received by the Nat. Treasurer NLT the mail delivery of 1 Aug. 2015. Hand delivered bids must be received by the Nat. Quartermaster or Nat. Treasurer by 3 PM EDT Saturday, 22 Aug. 2015 or the close of the Nat. Encampment, whichever occurs first. This auction is open only to Brothers of the Order. All bids must include the Camp name, number and Dept. to be valid. If there are any items which do not have a winning bid, those items will be offered to the general public after the Nat. Encampment.

The items are as follows (Photos available on the National website under "Communications." All items available for viewing at the Nat. Encampment.):

- 001 1995 Sons of Veterans Philadelphia Cadet Corps re-strike using original dies \$10
- 002 GAR membership badge type V with National Ribbon used 1886 - 1948 unmatched top bar and pendant \$50
- 003 GAR Aide de Camp National Staff Badge type V used 1886 - 1948 \$120
- 004 GAR membership badge type V used 1886 - 1948 matched top bar and pendant \$90
- 005 SUVCW Secretary to GAR Post badge issued 1927 to Sons serving as GAR post secretary \$120
- 006 Sons of Veterans Sterling Silver Past Department Commander Badge type 2 issues 1893 -1903 \$125
- 007 Sons of Veterans Sterling Silver Past Department Commander Badge type 2 issues 1893 -1903 \$125
- 008 Sons of Veterans Sterling Silver Past Department Commander Badge type 2 issues 1893 -1903 \$125
- 009 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War membership badge type 15 issued 1927 - 1946 \$20
- 010 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War membership badge type 18 issued 1946 - 1972 \$20
- 011 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Past Camp Commander issued between 1927 - 1946 \$30
- 012 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Past Camp Commander issued between 1927 - 1946 \$30
- 013 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Past Camp Commander issued between 1946 - 1972 \$30
- 014 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Associate badge type 1 issued between 1956 - 1972 \$30
- 015 Sons of Veterans Reserve Pennsylvania Brigade 1907 Encampment \$65
- 016 Sons of Veterans Reserve National Encampment Badge 1983 \$10
- 017 Gettysburg Centennial badge \$40
- 018 Sons of Veterans Reserve Pennsylvania Brigade Field Service badge circa 1915 \$50
- 019 GAR souvenir paperweight last GAR National Encampment 1949 \$35

PDC Bob Wolz, Nat. Historian, identified all items, repaired some and valued them. Values were concurred with by the Nat. Treasurer. Additional items, which need to have ribbons replaced or be repaired, will be added to the auction.

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# COLLECTING

## NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SOUVENIRS

By PDC Robert Wolz, National Historian

I have often advised that what one collects is strictly up to the individual. For a number of years, our female counterparts had more members and more money than we did.

Over the years, the Woman's Relief Corps (prior to 1950) presented paperweights and even a bank to all the members attending a national encampment. Our Auxiliary presented all participants an ashtray at Miami Beach in 1963 and a letter opener in 1981 for the Philadelphia encampment. Even more common, our Commander-in-Chief and National Auxiliary President presented notepads or pen sets as souvenirs. Other items have included ceramic plates, coffee cups and even a 6" high Liberty Bell for our 100th Anniversary in 1981. For some, these were disposable souvenirs that likely were thrown away. For others, they were simply dust collectors, but to those of us who love history they were mementos intended to remind us of friends, Brothers, Sisters and Comrades from days gone by.



*Allied Orders 1981 Letter Opener*



*1937 WRC Soldier Souvenir*



*1963 ASUVCW Souvenir*



*1967 ASUVCW IL Pen Set*



*GAR 1949 Souvenir*



*GAR Slouch Hat*



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