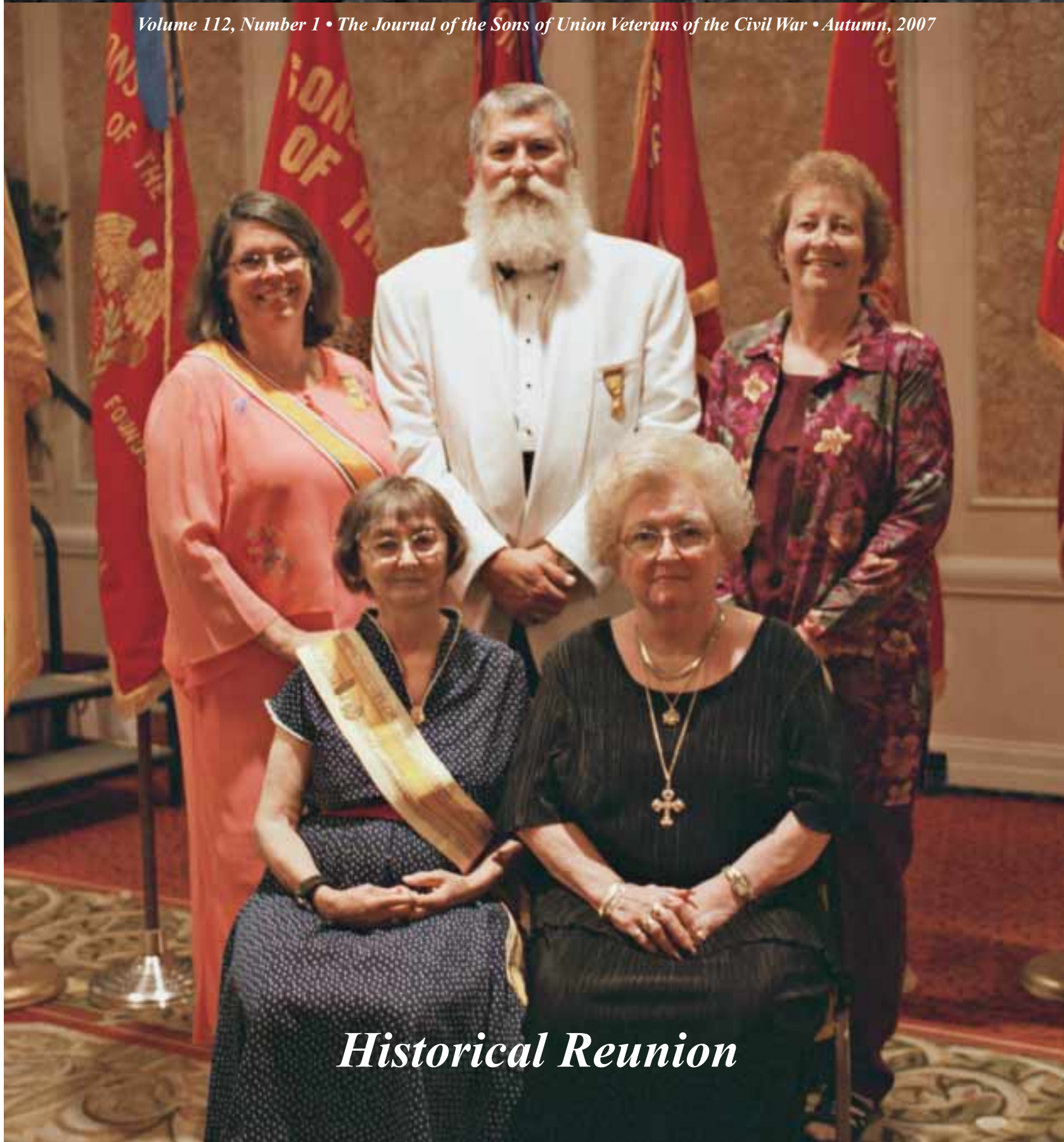


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Photo at left: Following an Encampment Tradition, it was SVCinC Kuhn who caught some zzz's during a break in this year's convention business. Photo by PCC Dan Earl

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In 2007, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War has 6,045 brothers in Good Standing. This total represents 5,088 Members; 18 Real Sons; 352 Life Members; 3 Honorary Members; 130 Juniors; and 454 Associates. The total reflects an increase in membership of 16 from 2006 for a 1% gain. Membership is spread throughout 240 Camps in 26 Departments, 10 Camps-at-Large, and a National Membership-at-Large (NMAL). (The NMAL is composed of Brothers, who live in a state that is not currently administered by a Department.)

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Deadline—April 15
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Deadline—August 15

On the Cover:

For the first time in several decades, the heads of all Allied Orders met during our National Encampment. (Standing left to right) Woman's Relief Corps Nat. Pres. Marcia Butgereit (MI), Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn (PA), and Auxillary to the SUVCW Nat. Pres. Judith Trapanier (CT). (Seated left to right) Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Nat. Pres. Phyllis Houston (OR) and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Nat. Pres. Beverly Massey (IN). Photo by Sr Cher Petrovic.



**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
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GENERAL ORDER NO. 1

1. The Grand Army of the Republic has sounded its final tattoo and that long line of blue has marched off into the sunset leaving behind a rich history and a legacy that will endure as long as we make it. We are all that is left of their dreams, hopes and desires. Their blood courses through our veins. They have passed the torch of freedom and democratic government to us and we must not fail in the sacred charge to pass it along to future generations.

2. We too as an organization have a rich history. Just as our forefathers defended this great Nation, we have done the same. The blood of Sons have been spilt on every battlefield since it's conception and our banners have flown over San Juan Hill and in the muddy trenches of France. Even today Sons serve all over the world and some still die for the cause of freedom and liberty. We owe it to every Brother of our Order who has ever put on a uniform of the United States Armed Forces to keep the history of this Order intact in a permanent way so that our deeds will be known by future generations.

3. It is for this reason that I have proposed several committees be formed and with their implementation, we will be placed on good footing for the future. The great history of this organization must be preserved for future generations to study and understand in a permanent location. The problem of archival and artifact storage has plagued this organization for many years. Records, files and documents have disappeared that were almost invaluable. Important historic documents have been saved from public auction by concerned Brothers of this Order when these items should never have left our possession to begin with. Camp and Department artifacts have disappeared and have surfaced at antique dealers about the Nation because of not having a permanent location to store them. This must stop. With action taken at the 126th National Encampment on this recommendation a Long Range Planning Committee has been established and charged with examining the problem, finding solutions and reporting back to the 127th National Encampment in Boston with their recommendations for a solution to the problem.

4. As we move into the next decade the 150th anniversary of the American Civil War will be upon us. We as the living breathing descendants of the "Boys who wore the Blue" have a moral obligation to lead this Nation in this observance. Many functions will take place throughout the Nation and the Order will benefit from endorsing some of them, by setting up memorable ceremonies that will fall under the public eye and producing memorabilia that will serve to remind ours and future generations of the sacrifices of our forefathers. With action taken at the 126th National Encampment on this recommendation a Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee has been charged with just that and to prepare the Order for this venerable time in this Nations History.

5. Also My Brothers, we are quickly approaching the Sesquicentennial of the forming of the Grand Army of the Republic. As per action taken at the 126th National Encampment on a recommendation made by Past Commander in Chief Richard Orr, I have appointed the GAR Sesquicentennial Committee to serve through 2016 National Encampment in order to lead the Nation during this monumental celebration.

The Headquarters of the Commander in Chief of the National Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be at the following address:

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The administrative Headquarters of the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be at the following address:

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1865 execdir@suvvw.org

All Bills of the National Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War must be filed with the National Treasurer at the following address:

Max L. Newman, 4995 E. Wilkinson Road, Owosso, MI
48867-9616 (989) 743-3525, treasurer@suvvw.org

All correspondence concerning the Order shall be directed to the National Secretary at the following address:
PDC Donald D. Palmer Jr., 147 Lucerne Place Dr., Ballwin,
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7. As per the report of the National Treasurer at the 126th Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, all Camps and Departments are required by the Internal Revenue Service to have an Employee Identification Number (EIN). Those Departments and Camps that do not have an EIN will now be required to report separately to the Internal Revenue Service and will not be included under the blanket report of the National Order. Check with the National Treasurer to see if your Camp or Department has an EIN on file with the National Order.

8. All applications for Civil War Memorials Grant funds should be sent to following address:

PDC D. Brad Schall, Chair, 2754 Woodacre Court, Lincoln,
CA 95648, Phone: (916) 408-4482 Fax: (916) 408-4482
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9. All Camps and Departments should make every effort to keep their web site updated and fresh. This information is vital to a growing organization. Sites that are out of date only cause frustration to those who may wish to contact us or for those wishing to join our Order. Our Order can not afford to discourage a single applicant from joining by ineffective and out-dated information posted to a public forum. Please update your site if it has not been done recently and continue to update it regularly. This will alleviate many problems down the road. This same information should also be transmitted to Lee Walters our Executive Director if it varies from the posted information.

10. I would like to extend my congratulations to the newly elected National Presidents of the Woman's Relief Corp, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic (WRC), Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861 - 1865 (DUVCW), The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic (LGAR) and the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of

the Civil War (ASUVCW). I wish you a productive year and extend the Brotherly love of our Order to each of your Orders.

11. This administration will continue the practice established some time ago of recognizing Brothers for their recruitment efforts. Brothers that recruit 5 new Members or Associates into the Order will be recognized as a National Aid and Brothers that recruit 3 new Members or Associates into the Order will be entitled to wear a piece of National ribbon behind their Membership or Associates Badge. I look forward to seeing our Order grow and wish to recognize all those Brothers that accomplish exceptional recruiting goals.

12. We have a busy year ahead of us. With you, my Brothers, we will advance the Order on the road to the future. I do not know what that road may hold ahead for us, but with you I make this solemn trust, that I will try my hardest to grow and help the Order as a whole.

13. In closing, I would like to thank every Brother of the Order for their support and their vote of confidence by placing me to the Office of Commander in Chief. I am honored that the Brothers of this Order have chosen me to lead them over the next 12 months. I am sure that it will be an exciting time for both the Order and me. May God bless the United States of America, this Order and you, my Brothers.
So ordered this 18th day of August, 2007.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2

1. A discussion arose at the Post Encampment Council of Administration meeting concerning the determination of the seniority of Council Members. Because of this discussion I have made the following ruling;

Council I. Members that are re-elected to consecutive terms will calculate their seniority based on their election to the position of Council Member from their first term of office. When there are two Council seats voted on at any election, the Brother who receives the first election to the first vacant Council seat will be senior to the second Brother to fill the second Council seat even though both men were elected on the same day.

So ordered this 18th day of August, 2007.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 3

1. After a lawfully chosen Hearing Council was selected and proper notice conformant to the Constitution and Regulations of the Nat. Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was given to both parties, the Hearing Council assigned to take testimony in the matter of Commander-in-Chief James B. Pahl vs. Keith D. Ashley, PDC, convened and held a hearing in abstentia on August 9, 2007 at the Hilton Frontenac Hotel at 1 PM local time in St. Louis, Missouri.

2. The Hearing Council was unable to reach a consensus as to guilt or innocence of Brother Keith D. Ashley, PDC.

3. The Constitution and Regulations as well as the Digest of the Nat. Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are mute in this circumstance.

4. It is my ruling that if a Brother who is brought before a Hearing Council and a consensus of guilt or innocence is not reached by the Hearing Council, he must be treated as if he were found not guilty.

5. In as much as Keith D. Ashley, PDC had resigned from the Order in a letter dated July 18, 2007 to Brooks Grant Camp #7, Dept. of Ohio and this letter was not received prior to the date of the hearing, he resigned while under suspension. Therefore, as stated in the Constitution and Regulations of the Nat. Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (Chapter V, Article 1, Section 3(e) General Discharge for the Good of the Order - a certificate of a less than honorable discharge, but not a punitive discharge issued to a Brother who has been dropped for nonpayment of dues or is not in good standing at the time he requested a discharge.) Keith D. Ashley, PDC is only entitled to a General Discharge for the Good of the Order as he was not found guilty by the Hearing Council and he resigned while under suspension leaving any proof of guilt or innocence unanswered.

6. In resigning from the Order, Keith D. Ashley, PDC also resigned his Life Membership. Should he ever seek and be granted admission to the Order in the future, his Life Membership will be reinstated under the terms of his original life membership.

7. In as much as Keith D. Ashley, PDC was a Past Dept. Commander the matter of past honors must be addressed. Since the Constitution and Regulations, as well as the Digest of the Nat. Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, are mute regarding past honors when a Brother resigns from the Order, it is my ruling that under such circumstance the Brother also resigns all claims to past honors. Should the former Brother seek readmission to the Order, he must seek restoration of rank through the process provided in the Constitution and Regulations of the National Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Such a former Brother will still be listed on the rolls of the Order, Department or Camp as a Commander for the terms during which he served but without rights to the respective past honors associated with his past service.

8. All parties to this case have the right to appeal this ruling to the Nat. Encampment. Written notice to the Nat. Secretary of the intent to appeal must be received by the Nat. Secretary at least 30 days prior to the Nat. Encampment.

9. In the absence of any language in the Constitution and Regulations of the Nat. Order Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War regarding the time to appeal to the Nat. Encampment, it is my ruling that such appeal must be made to the next following National Encampment if the ruling is issued prior to 30 days before the Nat. Encampment or the right to appeal is foregone. In the case of the ruling being issued within 30 days of the Nat. Encampment, the appellant must appeal to the next following Nat. Encampment or the right to appeal is foregone.

10. Any appeal of this Order and Ruling must be made to the 127th Nat. Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to be held in Peabody, Mass., August 7-10, 2008.

So ordered this 18th day of August, 2007;

Attest:

Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.
Commander in Chief

Donald Palmer
National Secretary



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES

Pre Encampment—9 August 2007—St. Louis, MO

The meeting was opened by CinC James B. Pahl at approximately 8:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. An inspirational opening prayer was then offered by Nat. Chaplain Jerome Kowalski. Upon the roll call of officers, the following were recorded present: CinC James B. Pahl, SVCinC Charles Kuhn, JVCinC David V. Medert, Nat. Sec. Michael S. Bennett, Nat. Treas. Max L. Newman, Nat. Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler, Council Members Leo Kennedy, D. Brad Schall, Daniel Murray, James Hanby, and Eric Schmincke, Immediate PCinC Don Darby, Nat. Counselor Donald Shaw, Nat. Washington D.C. Representative and PCinC Andrew M. Johnson. Additional Past CinCs present included Stephen A. Michaels, Edward J. Krieser, Keith G. Harrison, Charles W. Corfman and Richard L. Greenwalt.

Guests were: Nat. Chief of Staff Donald Palmer, Exec. Dir. Lee Walters, Nat. Chaplain Kowalski, Assist. Nat. Treas. Eugene Mortorff, Banner Publisher John Hart, Foundation Dir. Robert Petrovic representing the MO Host Committee, and Brs. Neal Breough from the Dept. of MI, Blair Rudy from the Dept. of TX, and Co. Harvey Linscott from the Dept. of FL.

CinC Pahl asked for a vote to affirm all votes of the Electronic Boardroom. A motion to do so was made and duly seconded, and passed unanimously.

A motion was made to amend the policy on the use of the name and emblem of the Order to add *challenge coins* to the list of items which Brothers, Camps and Departments are authorized to use the SUVCW name and symbols upon. The motion was seconded, and considerable discussion and debate took place, following which a vote was taken. The motion failed.

Br. Breough was then recognized by CinC Pahl and given the floor to address the Council on a recommendation for Honorary Membership. After his presentation, and some discussion, no motion was made.

PCinC Michaels then addressed the Council regarding his work as Editor of *The Banner*, presenting the 2006-2007 budget break-down and also showing a proposed budget of costs that would be incurred if the Banner was published by ProGraphics of WI. Banner Publisher John Hart was then given an opportunity to give his own presentation and proposal from Dunmore Publishing Inc. In addition to expressing their appreciation for Br. Hart visiting the meeting to share this information, the Council also extended their gratitude for his work on the Banner over the last six years, noting that the Banner has come a long way in that time. It was the Council's position that they would provide advice and guidance to the Banner Editor, but would allow him the latitude to make the final choices he felt were best for the publication

CinC Pahl then shared Br. Schall's request for clarification by asking the question, "What is the \$7 Encampment Registration Fee for?" After discussion, it was agreed that as funds (currently \$1,500) are given to the Encampment Comm. early on to help with some of their up-front expenses, the Fee goes back to the Nat. Organization to help offset that expense. It does not, as some have suggested, cover the cost of producing and distributing Encampment Proceedings, nor does it cover transcription and other related expenses. It was noted that the cost of producing Proceedings is in excess of \$6,000 per Encampment.

The subject of discussion groups, such as those hosted by Yahoo, was brought up and it was noted that at least two now exist for the Sons of Union Veterans. Discussion then took place, regarding the use of the SUVCW name or logos being used on these sites, as well as what guidelines or restrictions should be followed. SVCinC Kuhn recommended that the matter be referred to the Program & Policy Comm. for their review and recommendations.

Whereupon the CinC declared the Council to be in Executive Session and respectfully asked all guests to temporarily leave the meeting room.

Upon resumption of the regular meeting, PCinC Darby requested that the CinC issue a General Order directing that all PCinCs whose Encampment Proceedings are outstanding, and who are delinquent in providing the materials needed to complete those Proceedings, be required to turn over all such materials by the Gettysburg Council of Admin. meeting in November of 2007. The Proceedings of any who do not comply with this Order will then be compiled with the materials that are available—even if that should mean that those Proceedings merely list the date and location where the Encampment was held, and the names of those who were elected to Office. The motion was seconded by SVCinC Kuhn and passed unanimously.

Nat. Chaplain Kowalski was given a moment to update the Council on his progress with the *Chaplain's Handbook*. He noted that he would be meeting with Camp and Dept. Chaplains during the Nat. Encampment, and asked for instructions as to what to do with this material when it is compiled. It was agreed that this should be referred to the Programs and Policies Comm. for their review before it is made available to the membership. PCinC Corfman requested that it also be provided to the Council for their review, electronically, before being made available to the Order.

Treas. Newman then updated the Council on our progress with submission of IRS Form 990s, noting that both the IRS and our new Auditors are working with us to bring this matter to a speedy resolution. He also briefed

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PENNSYLVANIAN ELECTED TO SONS' HIGH POST



Charles E. Kuhn Jr. was born and raised in Gettysburg PA. He is a 1975 graduate of Gettysburg High School and is very active in the local community. He is an Eagle Scout and received the Vigil Honor of the Order of the Arrow in his youth.

He joined the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Gettysburg Camp #112, more than 15 years ago and served in every office of the Camp. He became active in the Pennsylvania Dept. and served in every office at that level with his service as Department Commander from 2001-03. He was elected to the Nat. Council of Administration and in 2005, was elected Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief and last year, Sr. Vice Commander in Chief. In 2002, the Nat. Organization honored him with the Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award, as the most outstanding Brother in the Nation. In 2003, he received the Meritorious Service Award. Br. Kuhn is active in the SVR, where he serves on the General Staff as Provost Marshal. He is co-chairman of the SUVCW's Remembrance Day Committee.

He has served from 1998 to present on the Gettysburg Joint Veterans Memorial Day Commission, the last 6 years as Chairman. He's also served for 13 years as his Church Treasurer, 8 years as Parish Treasurer and is currently the President of the Church Council. Br. Kuhn is also on the board of Directors for the Lincoln Fellowship of Pennsylvania, and a member of Good Samaritan Lodge 336, Free and Accepted Masons.

His Union ancestor, Zachariah Oyler, was drafted in 1863, serving in the 91st Pa. Vol. Inf. and received a medical discharge.

Br. Kuhn is currently employed by County Line Quarry as a NECEPT Certified Concrete and Aggregates Technician. He resides in East Berlin with his wife of 28 years, Joanne.

LEO KENNEDY NEW JVCINC

PDC Leo F. Kennedy was elected Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief at the 126th Nat. Encampment, held in St. Louis.

Br. Kennedy is a descendent of Stephen and George Kettle, who both served the Union from Rhode Island, and is a Life Member, joining the Sons in 1988. He has held every position in Col. Zenas R. Bliss Camp 12 and in the Dept. of Rhode Island. Br. Kennedy joined the SVR in 2001 and is a captain, serving as Nat. Public Information Officer.

Br. Kennedy has served on both the Nat. Graves Registration Committee and the Nat. Communication and Technology Comm. From 1997 to 2003, he was the Nat. Grave Registration Officer. He served on the Council of Administration, 2004-07, and was on the Memorial Grants Committee. In 1998, his Dept. named him the outstanding member of the year and in 2001, he received the meritorious service with gold star award. He was also honored as a Kentucky Colonel at the 2003 Nat. Encampment.



Br. Kennedy has served 26 years as a Deputy Chief with the City of Cranston Fire Depart.; as a member of the RI Critical Incident Stress Management Team; a communications specialist with RI 1 - DMAT, Dept. of Homeland Security; and as the Ops. Officer-Town of Smithfield Emergency Management Agency. He is a member of IAFF, IAFC and serves on the RI Urban Search and Rescue Team. He received three commendations for service at the World Trade Center from Sept. 11 to Sept. 26th, 2001.

Since 1988, Br. Kennedy has been a member of Battery B, 1st RI Light Artillery a living history unit and part of the RI State Militia. Sgt. Kennedy received the State Militia Meritorious Service award in 1998, 15-year service award from the RI State Militia, and the Military Order of St. Barbara. He is a graduate of Providence College and was elected to the Eta Lambda Honor Society.

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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
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GENERAL ORDER NO. 10

1. I have been asked to make a ruling on several matters by the Dept. of Ohio.

2. The honor of Past Dept. Commander is bestowed upon a brother upon the successful completion of a term as Dept. Commander.

3. A Past Dept. Commander is entitled to credentials to a Nat. Encampment, to be granted by the Department so bestowing the honor, so long as that brother is in good standing.

4. The honor of Past Dept. Commander may not be transferred to another Department, even if the brother so honored is a dual member of a Camp in another Department. The section in the Nat. Regulations for "Restoration of Rank" only applies if a brother loses the honor of Past Dept. Commander for some reason; such as resignation, discharge, transfer to a Camp in a different Department, being dropped from membership for failure to pay dues, etc.

5. A Past Dept. Commander is not eligible for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to the Nat. Encampment, even if said brother is a dual member of Camps in more than one Department.

6. All delegates and alternate delegates to a Nat. Encampment must be elected to such office at their respective Dept. Encampment. If a brother is not so duly elected, the Dept. Secretary shall not issue a delegate card, nor an alternate delegate card to such brother.

Ordered this 24th day of June, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 11

I am pleased to announce the winners of the two scholarships annually awarded by the Order. Acting upon the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee, the winners are:

Stephen Rushfeldt, a student at Tri-State University in Angola, Indiana and a member of the Ben Harrison Camp 356, Dept. of Indiana.

Vincent W. Slauch, a student at the Pennsylvania State University, University Park Campus and a member of the General George H. Thomas Camp 19, Dept. of Pennsylvania.

Ordered this 25th day of June, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 12

1. A resolution was introduced and adopted by the Dept. of Wisconsin in 2006, to amend the Constitution of our Order.

2. This Resolution was provided to the Commander-in-Chief at least forty (40) days preceding the 125th Nat. Encampment.

3. On June 12, 2006, then Commander-in-Chief Don Darby published the text of this proposed Amendment in his General Order #13.

4. On August 12, 2006, this Resolution to Amend the Constitution was presented at the 125th Nat. Encampment of our Order in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania and this resolution was approved and adopted by well over 2/3's of the voting delegates present.

5. All 26 Departments of the Order have held their 2007 Encampments.

6. 24 of these Departments have ratified this resolution.

WHEREFORE, pursuant to Nat. Constitution, Article IX, I hereby declare our Constitution has been amended, by adding Article X - Dissolution of Corporation - as follows:

"This organization is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or other purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future U.S. Internal Revenue law) or (b) by an organization contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future U.S. Internal Revenue law).

"Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code), or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes."

Ordered this 11th day of July, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 13

On June 24, 2007, I filed with the Nat. Council of Administration a proposed Complaint against Brother Keith Ashley, asking of the Nat. Council of Administration, permission to exercise Summary Discipline, pursuant to Nat. Regulations, Chapter V, Article VI, Section 17(A).

This matter was posted to the electronic boardroom of the Council of Administration for vote on the same day.

I have today inspected the boardroom and find the Council of Administration has voted in favor of this action.

Therefore, the Complaint stands as formally filed and I call upon Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn to proceed pursuant to Nat. Regulations, Chapter V, Article VI, Section 17(B).

IT IS ORDERED that the membership in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War of Keith Ashley of the Dept. of Ohio is hereby SUSPENDED. Keith Ashley shall not be present at nor participate in any function of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at any level.

Ordered this 14th day of July, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 14

1. Effective Wednesday, August 8, 2007, Nat. Headquarters shall be established at The Hilton St. Louis Frontenac, 1335 South Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, Mo.

2. The next meeting of the Council of Administration shall be at 8:30pm, Thursday, August 9, 2007.

3. The 126th Nat. Encampment of our Order shall commence with the Joint Opening Ceremonies on Friday, at 9 AM, Friday, August 10, 2007.

4. I have been privileged to issue several awards and recognitions, including:

To **Alan Russ**, Dept. of Kansas, with the approval of the Nat. Council of Administration, the Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star

To **Bob Lowe**, Dept. of California/Pacific, with the approval of the Nat. Council of Administration, the Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star

To **Gene Turner**, Dept. of Oklahoma, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Mark Edwards**, Dept. of Oklahoma, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Bill Lowe**, Dept. of Michigan, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Clark McCullough**, Dept. of Pennsylvania, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Jerry Strowsnider**, Dept. of New York, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Larry Green**, Dept. of New York, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Randy Fletcher**, Col Edward D. Baker Camp 6, Camp at Large (Oregon), the Meritorious Service Award

To **Sam Gant**, Dept. of Tennessee, the Meritorious Service Award

To **Phillip Soyring Jr.**, Dept. of New York, the Meritorious Service Award

To non-member **Jesse Lasorda**, a Certificate of Recognition for devotion to the GAR plot of the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lansing, Mich.

To the **Lansing Board of Water and Light, Maintenance Construction Resource Center**, a Certificate of Recognition for devotion to the GAR plot, by donation of personnel and equipment, Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lansing, Mich.

To **Thomas P. Lauria**, Dept. of Tennessee, Certificate of Recognition upon his retirement from the United States Air Force

To **Bruce Gosling**, Dept. of Michigan, National Aide for recruiting seven new brothers

To **Michael Virts**, Dept. of Maryland, National Aide for recruiting at least five new brothers

To **John Moscoe**, Dept. of Maryland, National Aide for recruiting five new brothers

To **Michael LaMott**, Nat. Aide for recruiting five new brothers

Ordered this 29th day of July, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 15

1. The General John Sedgewick Camp-at-Large 10, a Nat. Camp-at-Large, located in the State of Oregon, is hereby ordered suspended for failure to submit their annual report and per capita.

2. All Past Commanders-in-Chief and others holding materials for unpublished past proceedings shall turn all such materials over to James Hanby no later than the Order's Remembrance Day observances in Gettysburg, Penn., 2007 - for collating and publishing of their proceedings. After that point, those missing proceedings will be published with the materials at hand, even if that is nothing more than the place and date of the Encampment and reporting on the election of officers.

Ordered this 11th day of August, 2007.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 16

I am pleased to announce the winners of various awards, presented at the 126th National Encampment of our Order in St. Louis, Missouri:

To Douglas E. McGovern, Patrick Coyne Camp #1, Dept. of Kansas, the Meritorious Service Award

To Lindsay Misegades of St. Charles, Mo., on behalf of the Council of Administration, the Founders Award, for her unselfish efforts directed towards preserving the memory of unknown soldiers, including those who fought for the Union during the Civil War. Ms. Misegades has undertaken significant work at the Jefferson Barracks to lead others in decorating nearly 3000 graves. This project included soliciting donations of supplies, creating the decorations, and coordinating more than 100 volunteers to decorate the graves of unknowns scattered over some 20 acres on the Barracks grounds. She then led her crew in removing these decorations in January 2006.

To the Luray-Carlisle Reunion Camp 1881, Dept. of Maryland, the Joseph S. Rippey New Camp Award

To the HARRIET LANE, newsletter of the Lt. Commander Edward Lea U.S.N. Camp 2, Dept. of Texas (as edited by Michael L. Lance), the Marshall Hope Award for best Camp Newsletter.

To the Michigan Messenger, newsletter of the Dept. of Michigan (as edited by Rick Danes), the Marshall Hope Award for best Dept. Newsletter

To the Dept. of Pennsylvania, with the greatest numerical growth in membership during the past fiscal year of the Order, the Augustus P. Davis-Conrad Linder Award

To the Dept. of New Hampshire, with the greatest percentage growth in membership, the U.S. Grant Cup

To Gen Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20, Dept. of Michigan, John Keith, Commander, the Abraham Lincoln CinC award to the most outstanding Camp in the Order.

To Glen Roosevelt, Generals Sedgwick-Granger Camp 17, Dept. of California/Pacific, the Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award as the most outstanding brother during my term in office

To Nat. Treasurer Max L. Newman, Henry Wallace Camp 160, Dept. of Michigan, the Cornelius F. Whitehouse Award as the most outstanding brother during my term in office.

Ordered this 11th day of August, 2007

By Order of:

James B. Pahl
Commander-in-Chief

Attested:

Michael Bennett
National Secretary



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the Council on the IRS mandate that tax exempt entities must report to the IRS beginning in 2008—the specifics of which have not yet been determined. Those Camps or Departments that do not have an EIN (Employer Identification Number) are required to get one. Treas. Newman then presented his budget for 2007-2008, noting that he had created a conservative budget for the coming year. With a couple of minor modifications, it was moved and seconded that the proposed budget be presented to the Encampment. The motion passed unanimously.

Treas. Newman presented the Council with a proposed Records Retention Policy for the Order's use, based on the IRS mandate. PCinC Darby suggested that this become a part of our Regulations, rather than a policy. Br. Kennedy moved that adoption of this schedule as a regulation be recommended to the Encampment. The motion was seconded by Br. Hanby, and passed unanimously.

PCinC Darby then questioned whether all Brothers known to have materials belonging to the Nat. Organization had turned them over for archiving at the Nat. Headquarters as directed. It was unclear if a specific Brother had yet done this, and Br. Schmincke agreed to make the necessary inquiry to confirm this.

Treas. Newman then showed the design for a bench to be placed at the Grant Estate in Galena, IL. Some discussion took place, regarding specific text to appear on the memorial, which was followed by a motion from PCinC Darby that the additional funds required, less than \$500, be allocated from the additional monies added to the Monuments and Memorials Fund. The motion was seconded by Br. Schmincke and passed unanimously.

Sec. Bennett then brought up minor matters for discussion, including the completion of Camp Charters and the need for an update to the current ROTC application form. He also presented a newly designed Camp Organization Instructions Form 50 and Camp Charter Check-Off Sheet Form 53, more closely matching the current procedures being followed. They were referred to the Program and Policy Comm. for review.

Br. Hanby noted that a resolution was provided to the Nat. Sec., recommending that the CinC or his designee be present at the Andrew Johnson Nat. Cemetery in Greenville, TN to honor the 200th anniversary of Pres. Andrew Johnson's birthday on Dec. 29, 2008.

PCinC Darby, who will end his service on the Council of Admin. at the end of this Encampment, offered his thanks to the Council and Order for seven years of fun.

Br. Kennedy also stated his appreciation to the Council, noting that his term of service has been an outstanding adventure.

Br. Schall noted that he too has had a fun three years, so much so, that he intends to run for another three.

Chief of Staff Palmer thanked the Council as well, and reminded the Council that he would be running for the office of Nat. Secretary.

PCinC Krieser reported that a Disciplinary Hearing was held in the matter of CinC James Pahl v. Keith Ashley on August 9, 2007, at which Keith Ashley was not found guilty by the hearing panel. PCinC Pahl directed that Br. Krieser forward his recommendations regarding the required use of all internal remedies before litigation is initiated for all matters relating to the SUV CW to the Constitution and Regulations Committee.

Compliments were offered to Chief of Staff Palmer for his outstanding work in soliciting, organizing and assembling all of the Officer and Committee Reports.

CinC Pahl offered his appreciation to the Council for their service, and with no further business to come before the Council, ordered that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 11:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted in F, C, & L,
PDC Michael S. Bennett, National Secretary

A FRATERNAL THANK YOU

Brothers:

At the 126th National Encampment of our Order, I passed on the badge of the Commander-in-Chief to another and stepped down from a position that I have truly loved.

I thank you all ever so much for conferring upon me this honor, to have been your Commander-in-Chief, the privilege of representing you all across this great land.

Being elected at the 125th National Encampment in Harrisburg, presiding over the 50th anniversary celebration of Remembrance Day, the Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies, all of the Department Encampments, late and canceled airline flights, laying a wreath at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, appearing at the National Convention of the Sons of Confederate Veterans (and living to tell about it), countless ceremonies...it has all be wonderful.

I have seen countless brothers, quietly going about the work of the Order; not asking for or seeking recognition - proudly wearing the member badge of the Order and seeking to educate one more soul about our great heritage. Of this, I shall always be most proud.

Thank you all.

Jim

James B. Pahl

Past Commander-in-Chief

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

BROTHER TREASURES ANCESTOR'S MEDAL OF HONOR

When Bill Doan joined the Wisconsin Department's C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1, many of the brothers there couldn't believe their eyes and ears. Br. Bill's Civil War ancestor, Franklin Johndro, was a Medal of Honor recipient. What's more, Bill proudly showed everyone his ancestor's preserved medal and other memorabilia at the Camp meeting.

As a young boy, he remembered them always hanging on the wall, but hadn't taken a real interest in them until, as an adult, the family passed these treasures to him to safeguard.



Br. Bill Doan escorts then CinC Jim Pahl during his Camp's annual Lincoln Luncheon

26-year old Franklin Johndro enlisted as a private in Co. A, 118th NY Infantry (Adirondack Regiment) at Queensbury, New York in August 1862. After serving in the defense of Washington, the regiment fought in the Battle of Drury's Bluff, Cold Harbor.



MOH Recipient Franklin Johndro



On September 29, 1864, during the Battle of Chapin's Farm, Virginia, the 118th captured Fort Harrison and held it against three enemy assaults. The fort was about 20 rods from the foot of a slight hill occupied by the enemy. Every charge on the hill had been repulsed at the foot of the hill. Many rebels found protection there, but could not retreat. After the enemy's third assault, a few sharpshooters were sent out as a picket of observation. The captain of Company A saw the unfortunates and pointed out to Pvt. Johndro the danger these rebels were putting his men in. Days earlier, the regiment received Spencer seven-shooting rifles...the first issue to Union infantry troops. Despite a heavy fire from enemy sharpshooters, Johndro persuaded 25 rebels to "come in" with him.

Johndro's luck ran out a month later, when he was captured at the Battle of Fair Oaks, taken to Libby Prison and later, transferred to Salisbury Prison. The war was winding down and after six months, he was paroled and returned to his unit.

Upon his return, on April 6, 1865, he was presented the Medal of Honor by President Lincoln. As the medal was pinned to his breast, the colonel remarked, "Johndro, if I owned this Medal of Honor and had won it in the way you did, I should think more of it than I do the eagles that I carry on my shoulders."

Upon muster out, each member of the unit, including Johndro, was given his Spencer rifle. Johndro married, had two sons, and returned to logging, moving his family to the fresh forests in Michigan. He died April 5, 1901 in North Bay City, MI, and was buried at Glen Falls, NY.

Br. Bill Doan serves as his Camp's SVC and is an independent retirement and estate planner.



Br. Bill Doan proudly shows his ancestors photo and MOH



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION MEETING MINUTES

Post Encampment - 12 August 2007 - St. Louis, MO

The meeting was opened by CinC Charles Kuhn at 8 AM. The opening prayer was offered by Nat. Chap. Jerome Kowalski, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The following officers were present: CinC Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., SVCinC David V. Medert, JVCinC Leo Kennedy, Nat. Sec. Donald D. Palmer, Jr., Nat. Treas. Max L. Newman, Nat. QM Danny L. Wheeler, Council Members Daniel Murray, James Hanby, Eric Schmincke, D. Brad Schall, Robert Petrovic, Immediate PCinC James Pahl and Washington, D.C. Rep. PCinC Andrew Johnson. Additional PCinCs present included Charles W. Corfman, Lowell V. Hammer, Edward J. Krieser, George L. Powell, Stephen A. Michaels and Donald E. Darby. Guests included: Exec. Dir. Lee Walters, Nat. Chap. Kowalski and Past Nat. Sec. Michael Bennett.

CinC Kuhn issued the new username and password to the Council for the Electronic Boardroom. He then initiated a discussion on 2007-08 membership dues for Nat. Members-at Large. A motion was made by SVCinC Medert moved, PCinC Pahl seconded that membership dues remain \$31, prorated in July for 6 months, with a \$10 application fee. Motion passed.

Br. Petrovic moved, JVCinC Kennedy seconded and the council voted to appoint Alan Russ as NMAL Coordinator for the 2007-08 administrative year. Motion passed.

On waiving membership dues for Brothers serving in a combat zone: PCinC James Pahl moved, Br. Hanby seconded and the council voted that dues and application fees for Brothers serving in a combat zone be waived. Motion passed. Note: Camps must supply the letter requesting the waiver.

Regarding the sale of 2007 Nat. Encampment items: Br. Schmincke moved, Nat QM Wheeler seconded and the Council voted unanimously to grant approval to the Dept. of MO to sell items associated with the 2007 Nat. Encampment until they are gone.

On the pre-1996 Life Membership reimbursement: Br. Hanby moved, Br. Schall seconded to keep the reimbursement at \$6. Motion passed.

CinC Kuhn opened a discussion on the on-line application, noting that his goal is to complete the process by the end of the 2007-08 administrative year. Appointment of Jerry Sayre, Dept. of California & Pacific Co., as an Aide to the Comm. on Membership was noted. SVCinC Medert mentioned that many of the contacts listed on Dept. websites are out of date. He followed this with a motion to have any changes in contacts listed on Dept. websites be sent immediately to Exec. Dir. Walters and Nat. Webmaster Ken Freshley. Second was made by Br Hanby. Motion passed.

CinC Kuhn initiated a discussion on database software for Graves Registration and other functions of the Order. This was turned over to the Comm. on Communications & Tech. Resolution is sought by the end of the 2007-08 administrative year. Br. Schmincke offered to serve as

consultant, and was subsequently appointed as an Aide to the Committee.

PCinC Powell distributed a list of proposed changes to the Credentials Set-Up process from the Spec. Comm. on Nat. Encampment Registration. Discussion ensued on purchasing computers to support the Nat. Encampment. PCinC Pahl moved that a committee explore purchasing three (3) laptops, issuing them to the Nat. Sec., the Exec. Dir. and Editor of the Banner, making sure the laptops get to the Nat. Encampment, and that the Nat. Treas. investigate the purchase's feasibility. PCinC Powell offered a friendly amendment to include a printer, network switch and cables, and have the committee report back at the next Council meeting. Accepted by PCinC Pahl; Br. Schmincke seconded. Motion passed, with one CoA member in opposition.

The CinC asked the Program and Policy Comm. to investigate how to make Credentials information part of the Nat. Database per the list of proposed changes submitted by PCinC Powell.

On distribution of Nat. Encampment proceedings: CinC Kuhn requested that the Credentials Card include a box to be checked if a copy of the proceedings is requested. This change was forwarded to the Program and Policy Comm. per the 126th Nat. Encampment. In addition, the CinC asked the BANNER Editor to place an ad in the BANNER, advertising copies of old proceedings currently available to be disposed of in Spring 2008.

CinC Kuhn initiated a discussion on the "domain squatter" and the suvcw.com domain, noting that this issue was passed to the Council of Admin. for action by the 126th Nat. Encampment. PCinC Pahl recommended sending a "less than friendly" letter to the suvcw.com domain squatter. The CinC volunteered to contact the Nat. Counselor and request that a letter be sent on behalf of the Order.

CinC Kuhn asked SUVCW name and logos licensing applicants to present their requests. Council Member Petrovic presented a banner that McCormick Camp 215 (Dept. of MO) wishes to sell for \$175. PCinC Pahl moved to approve this request through the next post-Encampment Council of Admin. meeting provided that one of the GAR badges shown is changed to the badge of our Order. The motion was amended, indicating the GAR badge be on the left and SUVCW membership badge on the right. Br. Schmincke seconded. Motion passed.

Regarding the Garfield Camp 142 (Dept. of OH) badges/challenge coins: PCinC Pahl moved to recall the badges/challenge coins, have the Camp refund all money and destroy the die. The motion was amended to state returned funds be placed in the Nat. Monuments and Memorials Fund. QM Wheeler seconded. Motion passed. The CinC asked the Nat. Sec. to send a letter highlighting the actions requested by the Council of Admin. to the Camp on behalf of the Nat. organization.

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MEMORIAL DAY INSPIRES GERMAN OBSERVANCE

Paderborn, Germany, the sister city of Belleville, IL, held its first Memorial Day ceremony this year, honoring fallen American soldiers and other victims of war. The observance included a Mass and Marc Skubich, an SUVCW Associate and German citizen, laid flowers at the monument of the German Assoc. of Repatriated Prisoners of War. The observance, held in accordance with the Memorial Day Ritual of the Sons, was sponsored by members of the German-American Circle of Friends of Paderborn and is intended to be an annual event.



Memorial Day 2007 in Paderborn

A six-page program, including the Hymns of the USA and Germany, the 2003 official ecumenical prayer for peace and the poem, "The Unknown Dead," was distributed to those who attended.

The monument's inscription, translates as "We warn the world . . . make use of peace to preserve freedom" inspired Br. Marc to draw a line from the Civil War to the present. "The first march of neo-Nazis through the city of Paderborn, some weeks ago, reminded all of us, that in these times, when we fight this hard war against terrorism, anger and hate appear more and more on both sides. It is the duty of all of us, that we, as democrats, must face offensive all attempts whose intention is to sow discord and to incite the people of this country against each other."

An annual Memorial Day ceremony in Paderborn shall also give the people a forum to further understand American history.

"In Germany, many people see America only as an exporter of war," Brother Marc said. "Too few take a closer look at the history of America's policy of military action. Of course, this policy is sometimes quite dangerous and it is criticized. But, it is based upon the matured conviction that only a free world will bring America and its Allies security, and in the end, peace. This, in fact, cannot be compared to the world domination fantasies of ancient empires."

Paderborn, located about 60 miles southwest of

Hanover, suffered large-scale destruction due to mass bombing in 1945. It is now a successful city of 142,000 people, known for its high-tech industries, higher education, and its active interest in American sports.

Br. Skubich found the SUVCW on the internet when searching for information about the Civil War. He's very interested in American military history and politics. After a short communication with Br. Alan Russ, he was accepted for NMAL membership in February 2006. He told the editor that he wants to live the principles he was sworn to by joining the SUVCW.



Br. Marc Skubich organized this year's Memorial Day observance in Paderborn, Germany

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

One of the hardest things about our religion has to do with treating others the way you yourself want to be treated. I had an experience at East Troy, WI, while I was in high school. During my junior year, I got into an altercation with one of my classmates. We started insulting one another, raised our voices and started getting red in the face. I then said something to him that really got him mad. He cold cocked me . . . hit me right in the mouth and knocked me down. Well, I wanted to get even, I wanted him to feel bad and look small. So I stood up, and with a big grin on my face presented him with my right cheek. He hit me again. This time I had learned my lesson. I picked myself up, apologized and walked away.

The lessons I learned from this incident were many . . . that I can hurt people by the things that I say, that a sucker punch hurts, and that walking away is sometimes a very smart thing to do.

Finally, I learned that the Lord does not want us to take everything He has told us literally. Sometimes turning the other cheek means not trying to get even—rather than offering a target. I doubt that He really meant for us to cut off our hands or pluck out our eyes if they lead us into temptation. I feel pretty confident on this one, because I have never seen any clergyman who had only one eye or one hand because he was invoking this admonition.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty
Chaplain Jerry

FROM THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

By D. Brad Schall, PDC

Patriotism is nothing new to SUVCW Brothers, it's almost a given. We wouldn't be in the Sons if we weren't respecting a family member or expressing a love for American Civil War history. We believe in the great sacrifices that the Boys in Blue made and hope to instill in others their principals of Patriotism.

Most Patriotic Instructor activities are at the Camp and Dept. levels, while the National level is mostly related to reporting and administrative. The Nat. Patriotic Instructor chairs the committee on Americanization and Education. We will get into that in a later edition. You all know the Camp Patriotic Instructor; he's the one who leads the Pledge of Allegiance.

Camp Patriotic Instructor's Job Description:

Purpose

The purpose of the office of Patriotic Instructor is to educate and provide Brothers and the general public with information that will help to foster patriotism among the membership and the populace in general.

Activities

The activities of the Camp Patriotic Instructor should include: (1) Presenting at each Camp meeting information on such items as - (a) Civil War military, civilian and other great American leaders, (b) National and State holidays, (c) The U.S. Flag, (d) Duties of citizenship such as voting, (e) Great Civil War battles and battles of other wars, and (f) Great American artifacts and sites; (2) Providing public displays and orations on patriotism as called upon; (3) Providing awards of recognition to deserving individuals as deemed necessary or ordered by the Camp.

Eagle Scout Recognition Prog.

ROTC/JROTC Recognition Prog.

Last Soldier Prog.

SUVCW Scholarships

Civil War Memorials

Real Sons and Daughters

Educational Section for Teachers

GAR Post Records Proj.

Adopt a School Prog.

Flag Program

Flag Code changes

History of the Allied Orders

MOLLUS

SVR

Grave Registration Proj.

SUVCW Foundation

Let's look at what's available on our national website (www.suvcw.org) that could assist your camp:

November	6	Election Day	November	22	Thanksgiving
November	11	Veterans	December	7	Pearl Harbor Day
November	17	Remembrance Day	December	25	Christmas Day
November	19	Dedication Day			

Between now and the end of the year holidays (always an opportunity):

If I can be of any assistance to you or if you have suggestions for future articles, please contact me at dschall@starstream.net.
The next time you see a veteran, say THANK YOU.

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MARYLAND

Corrected Gravestone Dedicated



Washington D.C.'s Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2 recently held a Memorial Service, dedicating a new gravestone for Pvt. David N. Brink of Co. A, 1st MI Cav. Pvt. Brink died at 22 in the Alexandria's Washington Street Hospital in June 1862 and was buried in what became the Alexandria Nat. Cemetery.

After a request by a descendant, the VA replaced the gravestone, which read "David P. Frink."

Monument Dedicated to Ohio Soldiers Killed in Battle of Lynchburg

Taylor-Wilson Camp 10, including historian Dr. Clifford Potter, remembered nine members of the 91st Ohio Vol. Inf., who were killed in action during the Battle of Lynchburg on June 17-18, 1864 and buried next to the South River Meeting House at the Quaker Mem. Presbyterian Church.



1Lt George B. Stroup of Co. D, Sgt. Calvin Stiles of Co. F, Cpl. John Bell of Co. D, Pvt. William Dickey of Co. I, Pvt. Louis Graham of Co. C, Pvt. Samuel L. McKee of Co. I, Pvt. William Randall of Co. F, Pvt. Isaac Strausbaugh of C, and Pvt. James J. Swanger of Co. E were honored.



Dept. of Maryland Brothers at the Chantilly Battlefield. From left to right: MD PDC Keith Young, TX PDC Michael Beard, MD PDC Lee Stone, DJVC Michael Paquette, Lincoln-Cushing Camp 2 SVC Michael Virts, Dept. Signals Officer John Moscoe, Harper's Ferry Camp Br. Frederick Bird, and Camp 2 PI Robert Armidon

Following their August meeting, members of the Luray-Carlisle Reunion Camp set the headstone of Wade Laconia, Co. K, 28th PA Inf., at the Antioch Church Cemetery near Luray, VA.

In addition to his military service, Laconia was also a detective of policeman in or near Philadelphia for 16 years, a sailor for eight years, worked in the oyster packing business and in other jobs in various parts of the country.



Those shown include - kneeling from left to right, CC Robert Moore, SVC Dave Marston. Standing left to right, Sec/Treas. Donnie Seal and JVC Mike Bell.

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KENTUCKY CAMP DEDICATES MONUMENT

by PDC Timothy H. Downey and SVC David Gambrel

The Maj. James H. Bridgewater Camp 7, held a monument dedication in June for its namesake in the Logan's Creek Cemetery in Stanford.

Bridgewater was born in 1835 in Virginia and when the Rebellion broke out, he became a 2Lt. in Co. F, 3rd KY Inf. Later that year, Bridgewater organized a 21-man KY State Guard Company of Secret Service Men referred to as "Bridgewater's Scouts", successful at chasing guerrillas throughout central Kentucky. In June 1864, Bridgewater became commander of Co. A, Hall's Gap Battalion. His unit twice skirmished against the notorious William Clarke Quantrell during his failed raid into Kentucky.

After the war, Bridgewater ran unsuccessfully for the State House of Representatives and worked for the Freedman's Bureau. On July 17, 1867, while in a saloon in downtown Stanford, at least five men shot him while his attention was diverted by a game of cards. He was buried with full Masonic Rites in the Logan's Creek Cemetery. Among those who took part in the service was Thomas W. Napier, who had served as a lieutenant colonel in the 6th KY Cavalry, CSA and was a lodge brother of Bridgewater.

The Bridgewater Camp held its first meeting in September 2006. An SVR Company, named Bridgewater Scouts, was formed the same night. Camp membership has quickly grown, including Bridgewater's great-great-grandson, Wayne Bennett of MI, who attended the service.

Br. Dave Gambrel began researching the Major several years ago and located his grave. Marking the grave was the Camp's first project.



Members of Bridgewater Camp 7 after dedication ceremony. Br. Wayne Bennett, Bridgewater's great-great grandson is kneeling in front.

INDIANA

Last May, 25 members of Morton High School's Senior Class participated in a graduation ceremony at the Indiana Soldiers & Sailors Home. This graduation was no ordinary graduation from an ordinary High School.

The commencement exercise was held at the Home's "Lincoln Hall," which was packed from the front row to the balcony with family, friends and numerous veterans' organizations, including the SUVCW. Attending were DC Bruce Kolb, Ben Harrison Camp 356 CC Mike Beck, Orlando A. Somers Camp 1's PDC Alan Teller and the DUVCW's LeAnn Teller.

Br. Kyle D. Conrad of Brook, has received a \$4000 grant from the Newton County Community Foundation. Br. Conrad was indexing all Newton Co. CW burials and noticed how many Civil War veterans' graves were not marked with a flag holder. Many private headstones don't indicate military service. The funding allowed Br. Conrad to purchase and place 145 flag holders. Six of these were for Confederate veterans. To date, he has identified 246 veterans and another 13 who need additional research. Not bad considering Newton County wasn't formed until 1860 and is the youngest of Indiana's 92 counties.

INDIANA SONS ASSIST DUVCW

by Sr. Vickie Day, Rebecca Otis Tent 54, Fort Wayne

With the help of Indiana's Sons, the Department's DUVCW completed a special project, supporting U.S. troops overseas. The sisters were able to purchase 60 AT&T global 150 minute phone cards. Four family members and friends, currently serving in Iraq, were sent 2 cards each. The rest were sent to Ramadi, Iraq, where they were distributed to Army National Guard troops, who needed them the most. Sent were six boxes of goodies that included 22 bags of beef jerky, several boxes of slim jims, chips, raisins, pop tarts, cookies, and candies. The boxes arrived safely and were greatly appreciated.

IOWA

Brothers from six Iowa Camps coordinated the dedication of a newly cleaned pioneer cemetery near Arlington, Iowa. The Groat Cemetery is the final resting place of three 1812, twelve Civil War and two WWII veterans. The ceremony was held in conjunction with the town's annual Arlington Days celebration and featured several local veteran, historical and patriotic groups.

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WISCONSIN

Union Soldier's Wallet Returns to Minnesota

Cpt. James Bryant of Co. D, 1st Minnesota Infantry fought in the battle of Gettysburg and was wounded in the thigh. He lost his wallet on the battlefield. The wallet was retrieved by Pvt. David Morgan Rife, Virginia Infantry, and was kept by his family in Michigan for 150 years. Recently, Michigan's Maj. Henry F. Wallace Camp 160 Treasurer, Br. Mike McMillan, contacted Minneosta's Col. Wm. Colvill III Camp 56 SVC Brent Norlem, informing him that Pvt. Rife's descendants wanted to return the wallet to Bryant's descendants. Camp 56's Br. Bruce Cottington located three descendants, who agreed to donate the wallet to the Litchfield, Minn. GAR Hall Civil War Museum.

In a ceremony held this summer in Litchfield's Central Park, the wallet was symbolically exchanged between a Confederate and a Union re-enactor. Appropriate remarks were made by DC Brian Peters, CC Garen Engquist, the mayor, state senator and state representative. A picnic lunch was then served in the Hall while a quartet in period dress played Civil War music.



Br. Matt Arndt (left) and his father Br. Ron Arndt (right) at the Ghost Dinner with members of the Ho Chunk tribe.

Tomah Wisconsin's Blue Wing Ho-Chunk Native American cemetery dates to the early 1800's. With the help of the Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post, Br. Don Jager, Old Abe Camp 8, was able locate three Ho-Chunk soldiers buried there and order new headstones for them.

At the recent dedication, the Camp was received with great dignity and honor by the Ho Chunk and was asked to be part of the ceremony for a fallen warrior (soldier)...a rare privilege for non-Native Americans.

After all ate, the Ho-Chunk drummers beat out a song, honoring the fallen soldiers. Camp brothers then went to the graves of the soldiers: 3rd WI Inf. private Charles Clearday, Omaha Scout Edwin Nash, and John Sherman, a 3rd WI Inf. scout for General W. T. Sherman – no relation. A member of the Ho-Chunk with tribal colors stood guard over the graves. All three Brother's parts were done by tribe members. The Nation's flag grommets were buried in the sod and ashes of our National Flag were spread over the graves.

As the ceremony closed, the Ho-Chunk sang along with the drummers, who neared the graves and beat out the "Flag Song".

NEBRASKA

Harrison Camp 53-2 recently dedicated new GAR memorials at the Wisner and Pilger cemeteries. The memorials were completed with grants furnished by National Civil War Memorials program.



Pictured: Honor guard members (L-R) Br. Dale Moeller, CSVV Rick Marx, CC Nathan Raabe, CJVC Mark Glaubius and DC Norm Weber.

The Department recently dedicated a new headstone for Pvt. Nicholas S. Vasser, Co. L, 2nd NE Cav. His unmarked grave was identified during a walk through the cemetery to verify and GPS the graves of 64 Civil War veterans.

Brothers from three Nebraska's three Camps participated in the ceremony. Sisters from the DUVCW laid roses. One unique aspect of the dedication was that four Lyons High School graduates and members of the SVR took part in the program: PDC Paul Hadley, CC Robert Roscoe, Br. Terry Brizendine and DC Norman Weber.



A new headstone was dedicated to Private James Henry Baker, Jr (1846-1928) Co. H 33rd Indiana. Shiloh Camp of Lincoln, Harrison Camp of Wisner and Vifquain Camp of Omaha were assisted by the DUVCW and Auxiliary.

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RHODE ISLAND

By DPI Stephen Hackett

Recently, Col. Zenas R. Bliss, Camp 12 conducted the GAR Service of Dedication at North Scituate's Civil War monument. The monument, which depicts an artilleryman holding an upright sponge-rammer, had been in vandalized about a decade ago. Camp 12 got measurements, quotations for repair estimates and received a grant from the Nat. SUVCW Memorial Grant Fund, which allowed the missing sponge-rammer to be replaced early this spring.



During the ceremony, PDCs Joe Hall and Bob Bromley provided a very moving rendition of Echoing Taps. PCCs Mike Lannigan and Steve Hackett also participated. Scituate Town Council Pres. Bob Budway and State Rep. Carol Mumford presented a wreath at the foot of the statue. The ceremony became a Department-wide affair when members of Maj. Sullivan Ballou Camp 3, Elisha Dyer Camp 7, Gen. Elisha Hunt Rhodes Camp 11 and Camp 12 took part. All were proud to honor the boys from Scituate, who served their country in time of need.



The 3rd RI Heavy Artillery presents the colors

CALIFORNIA & PACIFIC



Heritage Society of Pacific Grove's Don Seals presents 1901 Dept. of California & Nevada Souvenir program to PCC Timothy Reese of newly formed Abraham Lincoln Camp 10.

CAMP-AT-LARGE--NORTH CAROLINA

For the first time, the Sons participated at every National Cemetery in NC. The 3621 known and 15274 unknown Soldiers who died in NC were honored this past Memorial Day. Not since the days of the G.A.R. has this happened. The Charlotte Gibbon-Burke Camp participated at the Salisbury National Cemetery, while the newly organized Raleigh Logan Camp covered the Raleigh National Cemetery and the Fayetteville Ruger Post covered the National Cemeteries in New Bern and Wilmington. The Ruger Camp paid special tributes to two commanders of J.C. Abbott GAR Post 15 in Wilmington. 1Sgt John S.W. Eagles, Co D, 37th USCT & Cmdr, 1890-1901 and Pvt Joseph S. Sharp, Co B, 37th USCT & Cmdr 1887-1889.



AUXILIARY NEWS

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CONNECTICUT SISTER LEADS AUXILIARY

Judith Trepanier was installed as National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW on August 11th at the 121st Nat. Encampment in St. Louis.

Judy is a member of Conklin-Sellew Auxiliary 20, Dept. of Connecticut, which she joined in 1974. She has served in many offices at the local and Dept. level, including Dept. President from 2000-2002. At the National level she has served as Vice President, Council member, Assist. Patriotic Instructor, and Personal Aide.

Her eligibility is through her great-great grandfather John L. Sage, Co. D, 24th Connecticut Inf.

A life-long resident of Cromwell, Judy is the daughter of PNP Mary Scofield, and has four children, 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is retired from the electric light company, where she was employed for 33 years.

Her interests include actively participating in her local church activities and country line dancing.

MISSION COMPLETED

By PDP Jan Harding, Nat. VP

When Carol LaRue Nat. Web Mistress, heard that National would be held in St. Louis she became very excited. Here was an opportunity to memorialize her third Great Uncle. In all the years that he had lain in repose at the Jefferson Barracks Cemetery, no family member had ever visited to place a flower on his grave.



NVP Jan Harding and PDP Carol LaRue

For a year, we planned to make a way to get to that cemetery. Asst. Dir. Larry Williams planned for us to come to the cemetery and the grave of Cpl. Jesse Adams.

Br. Gary Scheel guided us to the cemetery and we soon arrived at the stone we had come to see. Jesse L. Adams died at the City Gen. Hospital in St. Louis April 21, 1862 from gunshot wounds received at Shiloh. Carol placed Rosemary we had brought from Maryland. We sang "The Vacant Chair" and offered a prayer. In several emotional moments we honored him.

Jesse L. Adams GAR Post 493, Indiana, was named in honor of Jesse. His brother Earl and brother-in-law Abraham Lowey were charter members. We had a blessed day we will long remember.

ENCAMPMENT WELL ATTENDED

The 121st ASUVCW Nat. Encampment, held August 9-12 in St. Louis, was opened by NP Barbara Mayberry, with a total of 56 voting members and 16 guests registered from 15 states. Sitting Nat. Officers and Appointed Floor Workers performed the Exemplification of the Ritual with PNP Betty Baker, acting as President.

Changes to the Constitution, Rules and Regulations regarding Dual Members were adopted: 1) per capita tax will be paid on dual members unless they are life members; 2) a member of two Departments will have only one vote at National; 3) dual members may be listed on a new Auxiliary's charter, provided there is a minimum of five non-dual members also on the charter; and 4) when an Aux. is organized, the membership thereof shall be not less than five members. The paragraph that outlines the procedure for Provisional Auxiliaries will be deleted.

Twenty-four dual members were listed in addition to the increase of 20 regular members. This is the first growth in membership since 2001. The Michigan Dept. was presented a new charter and the California-Pacific Dept. was reinstated. Congratulations to these two Departments on their growth.

The Publicity Committee presented a sample design of the new informational brochure, which was approved by the membership. These new brochures will be available from the Supply Officer.

The Nat. Patriotic Instructor's two Gifts in Memory of the GAR were presented to Assist. Dir. Larry Williams of Jefferson Barracks Nat. Cemetery and to PNP Michelle Langley, NY Dept., for the American Civil War Memorial in Waterloo, NY.

Thanks to Maggie Grothe and Cheryl Petrovic for their hard work on the Encampment Committee. Great job, Sisters!

NH AUXILIARY COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL FIRST YEAR

Charles W. Canney Auxiliary 5 has completed a busy first year, completing several charitable works. The sisters collected unused yarn and turn it into afghans and lap throws. We present these afghans, along with a thank you card, to the veterans at the conclusion of SVR programs at area nursing homes and adult day care. A local quilting store held a workshop at which 10 lap-quilts were sewn throughout the summer. These too will be presented to the Auxiliary to be given to veterans in nursing homes.

The Auxiliary has collected food at its monthly meetings which was donated to area food pantries. Unused sample-sized toiletries were donated to a women's shelter, and food coupons were clipped for distribution to military families.

The sisters also cleaned cemeteries and placed flags on graves. They participated in the annual Civil War Day at the Rochester Public Library, arranging for the guest speaker.



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The Nat. Counselor will review the letter prior to release.

PCinC Powell presented two versions of golf shirts the Dept. of PA would like to sell. The first incorporated the SUVCW logo with the words "Department of Pennsylvania". It was noted that if it was only for sale to Dept. members, that a license was not needed. The second incorporated the SUVCW coat of arms. PCinC Pahl moved to approve the request. Council Member Hanby seconded. Motion passed.

Council Member Petrovic presented a polo shirt, showing the PCinC's badge. Motion made by PCinC Powell to allow Br. Petrovic to produce shirts/jackets featuring the PCinC badge, for sale to any PCinC. Second was made by SVCinC Medert. Motion passed, with one CoA member in opposition.

There was no old business to be brought before the Council.

Under new business, CinC Kuhn noted that there are currently no requirements in the Constitution & Regulations for a Camp to hold meetings. SVCinC Medert moved, Council Member Hanby seconded and the council voted to adopt a policy stating that Camps must hold meetings at least twice each year. Motion passed.

PCinC Pahl presented the \$250 "love token" from the Auxiliary to CinC Kuhn. The CinC tasked the National Secretary to send a letter of thanks.

On seniority, CinC Kuhn ruled that when a Brother on the Council of Admin. is elected to a second consecutive term, his seniority begins on the date he was elected to

his first term.

CinC Kuhn announced the Memorial Grant Comm. for 2007-08. Senior Council Member Schall will serve as Chairman, with brothers Murray and Hanby also serving on the Committee.

For the "Good of the Order", Br. Hanby announced three new Lincoln Fellows: Jim Crane (Dept. of OH), Nat. Webmaster Ken Freshley, and Meade Camp 5 (Dept. of MD).

On behalf of the Dept. of MO, Br. Petrovic thanked the Council for the opportunity to host the 2007 Nat. Encampment.

QM Wheeler reported that sales at the Nat. Encampment topped \$6,100. The previous record was \$3,100.

PCinC Pahl offered to serve as Assist. Nat. Counselor for Digest.

PCinC Michaels suggested that a reminder be sent to Dept. webmasters to update Dept. websites when new officers are elected.

Exec. Dir. Walters highlighted his report's recommendation to only use the current version of forms.

With no further business to come before the Council, CinC Kuhn adjourned the meeting at 10:15 AM.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

PDC Donald D. Palmer, Jr., Nat. Secretary

FINAL MUSTER

William L. Woodstock
Willard Camp 154 (NY)
June 18, 2006

Kenneth H. Miller
Crittenden Camp 2 (KY)
June 25, 2006

Charles D. Platt
Centennial Camp 100
(CO&WY)
August 5, 2006

Kenneth Dickey
McClellan Camp 91 (OH)
September 3, 2006

Delbert Plaskett
McClellan Camp 91 (OH)
October 16, 2006

William E. Morris
Duffield Camp 1 (KY)
October 19, 2006

James C. Wood
Alexander-French Camp 28
(MI)
October 28, 2006

Frederick Wismer
Lockwood Camp 139 (MI)
November 11, 2006

Edward Hogan
McClellan Camp 91 (OH)
December 2, 2006

Robert O. Nay
Byrne Camp 1 (TX)
January 27, 2007

Leo F. Cohoon
Wa-Bu-No Camp 250 (MI)
February 14, 2007

Charles Shaw
Stewart-Hope Camp 126
(NY)
March 6, 2007

John J. MacArthur
Buford Camp 4389 (NY)
April 3, 2007

CC Charles White
L.G. Armstrong Camp 49
(WI)
July 17, 2007

Dale K. Gubbe
Nash-Hodges Camp 43 (MI)
July 27, 2007

Lyle R. Anderson
Brooks Camp 7 (OH)
Unknown

Norman Brunelle
Abbot Camp 21 (RI)
Unknown

James Herlinger
NMAL
Unknown

John Leander
Hecker Camp 443
Unknown

Derald Schultz
Sheridan Camp 2 (IL)
Unknown

Michael Trowbridge
Cadot-Blessing Camp 126
(OH)
Unknown

Donald Willey
Phillip Triem Camp 43 (OH)
Unknown



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SPECIAL ORDER 2007-01 22 July 2007

1. Effective 20 July 2007 and by virtue of General Order 13, Series 2006-2007, as promulgated by CinC James B. Pahl, National Organization, SUVCW, Keith D. Ashley, PDC, Ohio, was suspended from membership in the SUVCW. This suspension is pursuant to the provisions of Chap. V, Art. VI, Sec. 17(A) of the SUVCW Regulations.

2. Insofar as Keith D. Ashley has been suspended from membership in the SUVCW as so set forth in Par. 1, supra, he is therefore not a member in good standing of the SUVCW and thus not eligible to maintain membership in the SVR. Pursuant to the provisions of Chap. IV, Art. I, Sec. 2 of the SUVCW Regulations, the said Keith D. Ashley is hereby suspended from membership in the SVR, and, specifically suspended from membership in Battery I, 1st Ohio Lt. Art., SVR.

3. The foregoing suspension, disciplinary in nature, shall remain in full force and effect, pending resolution of the Disciplinary Proceedings against the said Keith D. Ashley by the Hearing Council.

HENRY E. SHAW,
COLONEL, SVR
ADJUTANT GENERAL

JR. DAVID V. MEDERT
BRIGADIER GENERAL, SVR
COMMANDING

SVR ARTILLERY SCHOOL HOSTED AT JEFFERSON BARRACKS

The 4th Military District and the National Civil War Artillery Association (NCWAA) conducted a School of the Piece, a muzzle-loading artillery safety program, June 23-24, at Jefferson Barracks City Park in south St. Louis County, MO.

NCWAA chairman Jim Newkirk and three NCWAA instructors, SVR Gen. Charles Corfman of Holmesville, OH, and eight local instructors qualified 76 participants from Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, and Kentucky. Current NCWAA-approved drill practices were taught for Civil War-era field guns and mountain howitzers and for 18th-century fieldpieces.

The next SVR School of the Piece will be held at the Bos-cobel, Wisconsin Sportsman's Club on May 16-17, 2008.



Artillery school participants from Company M, 1st Missouri Light Artillery, with their battery.

SVR PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following are promoted to:

2nd Military District

Maj. Todd A. Shillington, Commander of the 2nd Military District. *(Pictured Below)*



Capt. John M. Hart, Jr., Commander of the Delaney-Delacy Guard, is re-commissioned.

Captain Michael C. Harris, Commander of Co. C, 28th PA Vol. Inf., is re-commissioned.

1st Lt. Russell J. Manning, Adjutant of Co. C, 28th PA Vol. Inf., is re-commissioned.

3rd Military District

1st Lt. Larry J. Ebert, Commander of Co. D, 27th IN Vol. Inf., is re-commissioned.

6th Military District

2Lt. Daniel R. Earl, Adjutant of Co. C, 8th CA Vol. Inf., is re-commissioned.

7th Military District

Maj. Talbot S. Hackett, Jr., Dist. Co. at his written request, is relieved of command and transferred to the SVR Inactive Reserve at his present rank of Major.

1st Lt. Kenneth V. Early, Chief of Staff, is promoted to Captain and appointed District Co.

1st Lt. Eric B. Peterson, Chaplain, is reassigned and appointed Chief of Staff.



"Before Manassas, there was Mexico"

Many Civil War leaders and troops got their start in the war with Mexico. Leaders like Grant, Sherman, McClellan, and many of the soldiers they commanded, saw action in the Mexican War.

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Descendants of Mexican War Veterans



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PETROVIC, SCHALL ELECTED TO COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

PDC Robert Petrovic was elected to the Council of Administration, his second term. He previously served from 2001-2004. Br. Petrovic joined the Sons in 1984 as a member of St. Louis' W.T. Sherman Camp 65 and served as Camp Secretary/Treasurer for ten years before helping form U.S., Grant Camp 65 in that city. That same year (1995), he helped form the Department of Missouri and was elected its first commander. He also helped organize Co. A, 2nd Missouri Infantry (SVR) and has served as its Adjutant.

Br. Bob has been Nat. Eagle Scout Coordinator, on the Real sons & Daughters Committee, Encampment Site Committee, and chairman of the eBay Surveillance Committee. In 2002, Br. Petrovic became one of the founding members and a director of the SUVCW Charitable Foundation, placed in charge of its merchandise program.

In 2004, he was awarded the Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star, the Order's highest honor. He served as chairman of this year's 2007 National Encampment in St. Louis.

PDC Brad Schall was re-elected to the Council of Administration, having just completed three years with that body.

In 2002, Br. Schall sold his business, DBS Specialty Foods, a meat brokerage company and retired to Lincoln, CA. Since then he has organized and commanded the Gen. Alfred Pleasonton Camp 24 and served on the staff of two other Camps. He's commander of Co. B, 8th CA, SVR. After serving as Dept. Commander, Br. Schall served as chairman of the Fraternal Relations Committee, on the Nat. Comm. on the C&R and as a National Aid to the Memorials Comm. He is also co-chairman of the SUVCW foundation.

In addition to the SUVCW, he is a member of the Sacramento Civil War Round Table, a former board member of the Tri-Valley Civil War Round Table, an active participant on the Round Table Speakers Bureau and Co-Chairman of the Friends of Alcatraz.

He and wife Patti have five children and 12 grandchildren.

REGULATIONS AMENDED AT NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Chapter II, Article IV, Section 2 amended - by adding the following sentence at the end of that section: The Department Treasurer or Department Secretary-Treasurer where the Department has joined the two offices and any Assistant Department Treasurer or Assistant Department Secretary-Treasurer may not serve concurrently on the Department Council.

Chapter I, Article X, Section 2 amended - by adding the word not between the words need and meet - so as to allow Associate Juniors: Section 2. Juniors shall be males at least

six (6) years of age but less than fourteen (14) years of age, who need not meet the qualifications stipulated in Article III of the Constitution and Section 5 of the Articles of Incorporation.

Chapter III, Article VII, Section 1 amended - by adding the following committees to the list of permanent committees: Civil War Heritage Defense Fund, Civil War Memorial Grant Fund, Ebay Surveillance and Scholarships.

Respectfully submitted in F,C, & L

PCinC James B. Pahl

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COLLECTING THE SONS

PAST CAMP COMMANDER'S BADGE—THE IRON CROSS

by PDC Robert J. Wolz, National Historian



Type V Obverse



Type I Clasp



Type II Clasp



Type I & II Obverse

Our regulations reflect a knowledge of heraldry and apply it to both badges and ribbon colors. Four cross shaped badges of increasing value were created to indicate levels of service and were combined with colors found in our flag.

The first was the Iron Cross or Past Camp Commander's badge. The bronze cross (War Service medal), the silver cross or Past Division/Department Commanders Badge and a Gold Cross, used as a Past Grand Division Commanders Badge and later, for Meritorious Service were also created.

Likewise a red, white & blue striped ribbon was used for membership. A blue centered ribbon was used for Camp Officers, a red centered ribbon for Division Officers, a white centered ribbon for Grand Div. Officers and a gold centered ribbon for Nat. Officers.

A brother who served the full term or completed a term as Camp Commander was entitled to wear an Iron Cross, symmetrical in shape, 1¼ inch by 1¼ inch. The design of the badge pendant was affixed to the center of the cross.

The Iron Cross was awarded after August 31, 1886, for Past Camp Commanders only and issued with Camp officers' ribbon only. Prior to this date, Iron Crosses with Div. ribbon (red), Grand Div. ribbon (white) and Commandery-in-Chief ribbon (gold) were awarded and are very rare.

Type I. Painted with a satin black enamel paint when issued. Hidden brass clasp affixed to the back of the ribbon at top. Clasp reads "Maj. A.P. Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa", features a row of stars with a large eagle with open wings holding leaves in its talons. Made by Bailey, Banks and Biddle of Philadelphia and cost \$.30 each.

Type II. Painted with a satin black enamel paint when issued. Hidden brass clasp affixed to the back of the ribbon at the top. Clasp reads "Maj. A.P. Davis, Pittsburgh, Pa". Made by Bailey, Banks and Biddle of Philadelphia.

Type III. Oxidized silver color finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SV" monogram. No visible pin bar. Simple brass clasp affixed on back, no wording. Manufactured by Charles Robbins Co, Attleboro, Mass., beginning in 1893. No hallmark.

Type IV. Oxidized silver finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SUV" monogram. No visible pin bar. Hidden clasp is plain brass. The bottom of the cross is hallmarked "Robbins Co., Attleboro, Mass". Manufacture started 1926.

Type V. Oxidized silver finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SUV" monogram. Hidden clasp is plain brass. No hallmark, but it was made by Joseph Davison of Philadelphia from 1930s to 1946.

Type VI. Oxidized silver finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SUV" monogram. Hidden clasp is plain brass. Hallmarked "Aug Frank, Phila" on the reverse at the bottom. Manufactured 1946 to 1973.

Type VII. Oxidized silver finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SUV" monogram. Hidden clasp is plain brass. Hallmarked "Aug C Frank, Phila.", but manufactured by Albert Bachmann of Philadelphia, 1974 to 1987*.

Type VIII. Antiqued shiny silver finish. The miniature badge pendant has the "SUV" monogram. Hidden clasp is plain brass. This badge is hallmarked Simon Brothers (S in shield) from 1987 to present.

*The Sons recovered the dies from the August Frank company when it went out of business and continued to use these dies when Albert Bachman was the manufacturer.



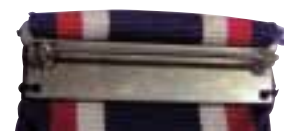
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Type VI Reverse



Type VIII Reverse



Type VIII Clasp

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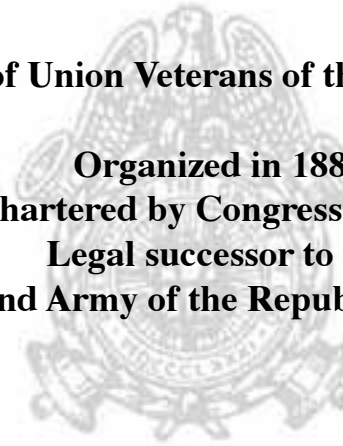
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* 201	Membership Certificate – Blue	each	\$0.10			
* 202	Membership Certificate – Tri-Color	each	\$5.00			
* 205	Membership Certificate – White	each	\$0.25			
* 206	New Member Certificate – Camp use only	each	\$3.50			
* 256	Credentials – National & Department	25	\$2.50			
257	Certificates For Camp Officer	1	\$1.00			
* 302	Rituals & Ceremonies – 2006 New Edition Please specify Small Book or Large Book - Price Reduced !	each	\$4.00			
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* 353	Associate Badge	each	\$20.00			
* 354	Junior Badge	each	\$20.00			
* 355	Camp Commander Badge - Camp use only	each	\$25.00			
* 356	Past Camp Commander Badge - Camp use only	each	\$25.00			
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* 358	Past Department Commander Badge - Dept. use	each	\$55.00			
377	Past National Officer Badge – past elected officers only	each	\$20.00			
378	ROTC Medal with Certificate (Camp Use Only)	Each	\$5.00			
359	50 Year Badge / 70 Year / 75 Year	each	\$30.00			
* 360	Miniature Badge (Member, Department Officer, National Officer, SVR)	each	\$8.00			
* 361	War medal (application must be included)	each	\$23.00			
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362	World War II Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
363	Korean Conflict Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
364	Vietnam Action Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
365	Persian Gulf Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
366	Military Service Medal	each	\$25.00			
367	Replacement Ribbon for Badges	6 in.	\$1.25			
368	Replacement Ribbon for Miniature Badges	6 in.	\$1.25			
369	Service Numerals (Attach to Badge - 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75)	each	\$5.50			
* 370	Bronze Recognition Button	each	\$10.00			
* 371	SVR Insignia for Badge	each	\$5.00			
372	Decal - inside of window	each	\$5.00			
373	Decal - reflective	each	\$5.00			
	For Miniature Badges Only					
374	1/8" or 1/2" stars - bronze, silver or gold	each	\$5.00			
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Organized in 1881
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REMEMBRANCE DAY 2007

Sponsored by the National Organization,
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Date: Saturday, 17 November 2007

Place: Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Parade Formation: Noon

Parade forms at: Lefever St. between Baltimore
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Parade Step-Off: 1:00 P.M.

Parade Route: Lefever St. to E. Confederate Ave.
To E. Middle St. to Baltimore St.
To Steinwehr Ave. to National Park

Parade Information & Registration Forms, contact:
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Music by the 28th Pennsylvania Regimental
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Period dress encouraged, but not required. Door
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Time: 9PM, 17 November 2007
Place: Eisenhower Inn,
Route 15 South of Gettysburg
Price: Advance tickets: \$15 per person.
At door: \$20.00 per person.

Ball Tickets: Make check out to: National C.W. Ball
Include a stamped, self-addressed envelope for tickets

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504	SVR Collar insignia 3/8"	pair	\$16.00			
505	SVR Tie Clasp	each	\$10.00			
506	SVR Membership Badge	each	\$12.00			
507	GAR Commemorative Badge	each	\$11.00			
508	Black Belt with gold tip, 55" cut to size and gold son's belt buckle	both items	\$23.50			
509	Presentation Folder for Certificates Blue with Gold Sons Emblem	each	\$1.50			
510	SUVCW Note Cards	5	\$3.00			
511	SUVCW "From the desk of" notepad	50 shts.	\$2.25			
512	Mourning Ribbon	each	\$0.25			
513	American Flag - 3x5 polyester	each	\$8.00			
514	American Flag - 4x6 polyester	each	\$10.00			
515	White Gloves (Circle one) S M LG XL	each	\$3.50			
516	SUVCW Death Certificates	5	\$4.00			
517	Replacement Boxes for Medals	each	\$.35			
518	SUVCW Ames Sword (not engraved)	each	\$360.00			
519	SUVCW Ames Sword (engraved)	each	\$425.00			
520	SUVCW Challenge Coin - 3 color	each	\$12.00			
521	Coin Holder	each	\$2.25			
522	Coin Stand	each	\$2.25			
523	Pocket Medal Holder	each	\$3.00			

* Sales restricted to members with appropriate
documentation.

For latest price change or new items check the
SUVCW National Web Page at <http://suvchw.org/id.htm>

Sub Total	
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Shipping & Handling: *1 \$99.99	\$3.00
Plus \$3.00 for orders \$100.00 - \$199.99	
Plus \$1.00 for each \$100.00 over \$200.00 or a fraction thereof	
All orders over \$100.00 will be insured for additional \$5.00	\$
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If purchasing either a Past Camp Commander or Past Department Commander Badge one of the following statements must be completed:

- The _____ Department/Camp will present this Past Department/Camp Commander Badge to
Brother _____ on _____,
_____, Department/Camp Secretary signature
- I declare that I have served the _____ Department/Camp as Commander and I was
awarded the honor of Past Department/Camp Commander for having completed the term of office for the year
ending _____ (Signature)