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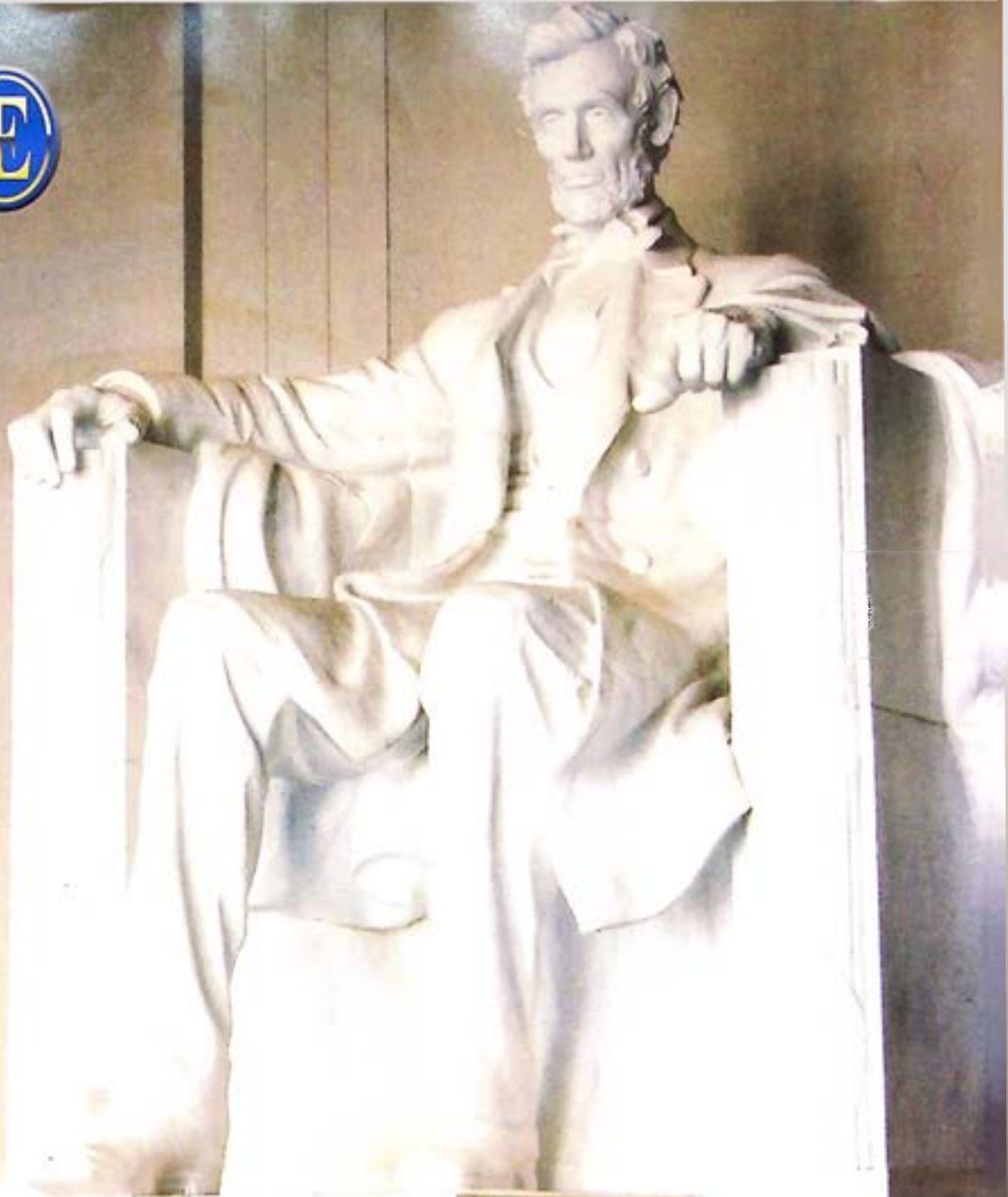
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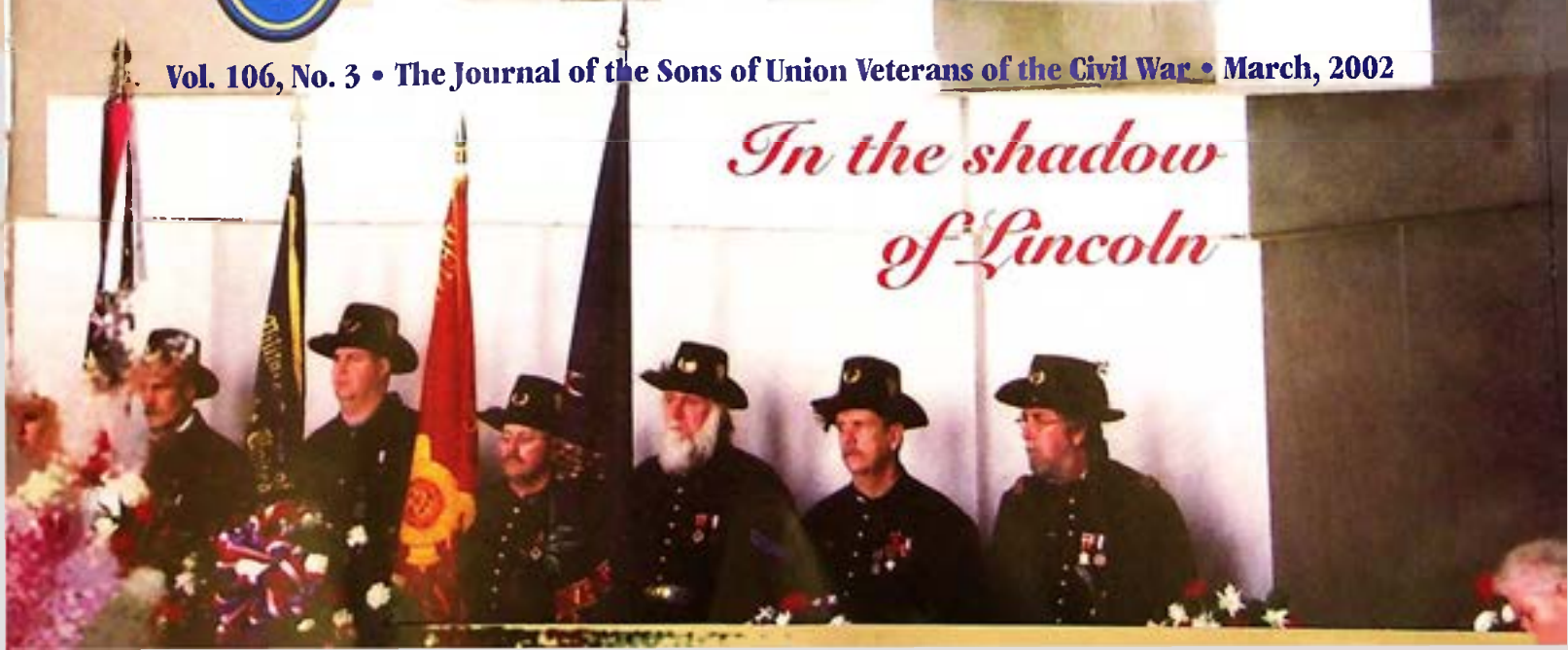
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*In the shadow  
of Lincoln*



# A Tribute To President Lincoln



Peter A. Dixon, left, master of ceremonies and chairman of the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee, addresses attendees while, at top, floral tributes are presented by the National leaders of all five GAR Allied Orders. The Gettysburg Blues provides a Color Guard. Below musical selections are offered by the United States Army Band.



Commander-in-Chief George Powell, left, visits Anderson College (Lincoln's summer home) at Soldiers' and Airmen's Home.



Martha Stewart, center below, and Mrs. Lura Lynn Ryan, First Lady of Illinois, to Martha's right, stand under Lincoln's Copper Beach tree near Anderson Cottage.



Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Commander-in-Chief George L. Powell (back row, center) joins Gordon R. Bury, second from right, commander-in-chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion and other MOLLUS members and their guests under the Copper Beach tree near Anderson Cottage. The tree is a central element in many stories about President Lincoln and his family's life at the summer White House.

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## Leopold Karpeles, Lion-Hearted Hero of the Civil War

By *Douglass R. Knight*  
Commander, *William Tabor Camp No. 162*  
Department of Mass.

Approximately 8,000 Jewish-Americans served in the Union Army during the American Civil War (1861-65); of that number, at least 8 received America's highest award for bravery: the Congressional Medal of Honor-- awarded only for the most extreme heroism on the field of battle. Leopold Karpeles of Massachusetts was one of these unique men.

Born in Prague, Bohemia--then a part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire--on 9 September 1838, Leopold Karpeles emigrated to the United States and settled in Massachusetts, working as a clerk in Springfield shortly before the Civil War.

War broke out in 1861, and on 15 August 1862, Karpeles enlisted in the 46th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment, which had been organized to serve for a period of 9 months. Leopold Karpeles and the 46th Mass. served in North Carolina from November 1862 thru July 1863. Upon the conclusion of this service, the 46th Mass., to include Karpeles, was honorably discharged.

Leopold Karpeles, who had been promoted from private to corporal, "received testimonials from the colonel, lieutenant colonel, and major of the 46th Mass. for his soldierly bearing and conspicuous bravery while in that regiment." (Wilkinson, p. 507.)

On 7 March 1864, Leopold Karpeles then re-enlisted in the new 57th Massachusetts Infantry Regiment. Shortly thereafter, Karpeles--in light of his previous service and the testimonials of his commanders--was promoted to Color Sergeant, and given the honor of carrying the regiment's national colors. . . a most hazardous duty.

In April 1864, the 57th Mass. was ordered to the front under the command of Colonel Frank Bartlett, a Haverhill man and Harvard graduate, where it was assigned to the 1st Brigade, 1st Division of the 9th Corps, Army of the Potomac. In command of the 1st Brigade was Colonel, later Brigadier General, Sumner Carruth of Andover. Brigadier General Thomas Stevenson, a Bostonian, commanded the 1st Division. In fact, there were so many New Englanders in general, and Massachusetts men in particular, in the 9th

Corps, that one might rightly say that the 9th Corps was to the Civil War what the 26th "Yankee" Infantry Division was to World Wars I and II.

Early in May 1864, Union Lieutenant General Ulysses S. Grant initiated a campaign to bring the Civil War to a victorious conclusion by marching overland from Northern Virginia to attack the Confederate capitol at Richmond, hammering Confederate General Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia to destruction in the process. Lee, however, met Grant's forces head-on in the Wilderness--a region west of Fredericksburg--and one of the most terrific battles of the Civil War ensued there on 5 May.

Casualties had been so horrendous on the first day of fighting that the 9th Corps--to include the 57th Mass.--was ordered up from their position in the rear, where they had been held in reserve during the first day of battle.

On 6 May, the 1st Division of the 9th Corps--to include the 57th Mass.--went into action against the seasoned veterans of Lee's Army of Northern Virginia. Forming a line of battle, the 57th Mass. advanced thru dense woods and thick brush, as clouds of both gunsmoke and the smoke of forest fires choked the men in the hot Virginia sun.

Intermingled with this were the screams of the wounded: those who were too badly wounded to crawl away from the flames, or who could not crawl fast enough, were burned alive. This was the hell that greeted the men of the 57th Mass. as they entered their first battle together.

As they advanced thru these dense woods, amidst great clouds of smoke and gunsmoke--and amidst the screams of men being consumed by the flames, the 1st Division ran smack into a Confederate counter-attack. Overwhelmed, outnumbered, and scattered in the dense woods, the whole 1st Division--to include the 57th Mass.--fell back in confusion.

Then, there in the middle of these dense woods, filled with great clouds of smoke and gunsmoke, with the screams of the wounded echoing in their ears, Color Sergeant Leopold Karpeles jumped atop a tree stump in full view of the enemy; he held high the National colors of his adopted country, waving them

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## was one of the few honored with Congressional Medal

back and forth defiantly in the face of the enemy; and he called out to his comrades of the 57th Mass. "For God's sake, boys, don't forsake your colors! Don't forsake your colors!" (Wilkinson, p. 82.)

With that timely display of courage, 3 officers and 34 men gathered around Karpeles and his American flag. Colonel Bartlett then formed them on line, and they delivered a volley into the faces of the on-coming Confederates, which sent them staggering. Then Colonel Bartlett ordered his men to fix bayonets, and he and Color Sergeant Karpeles led them in a charge which sent the Confederates flying to the rear.

The 57th Mass. went into battle that day (its first battle, it will be remembered) with 548 men--and lost 262 of them, mostly killed and wounded. Colonel Frank Bartlett of Haverhill was among the wounded: it was his third serious wound of the war with as many regiments in just two years.

But the fighting was not over for Leopold Karpeles and the other men of the 57th Mass. On they marched to Spotsylvania, where they suffered more dreadful losses from 10 to 18 May, in what turned out to be another colossal meatgrinder of human flesh. In just two battles (the Wilderness and Spotsylvania), Grant had lost a total of almost 65,000 men from an army of less than 120,000 men.

The next objective for the Union Army was to cross the North Anna River, and attack Lee's entrenchments head-on in another costly frontal assault, as Grant continued his inexorable drive on Richmond. For this, the 1st Division of the 9th Corps assembled the exhausted survivors of the Wilderness and Spotsylvania, and attacked on 24 May. "In a charge upon the Confederate entrenchments, Color Sergeant Karpeles was severely wounded while carrying the [National] colors; he successfully carried them to the rear, preventing their capture after the collapse of the charge [after which, the rebels counterattacked]." Wilkinson, p. 139.) The 57th Mass. took into that fight 237 men, of whom it lost 38, mostly killed and wounded--leaving just 199 men out of the original 1000 members of the regiment in less than three weeks of fighting!

The war was finally over for Leopold Karpeles; he was evacuated to a hospital in the rear. His

wounds were so bad that he would be hospitalized until 7 May 1865--almost a year after being wounded, and a month after Lee's surrender to Grant at Appomattox--whereupon he would be discharged for disability.

Although he stood only 5'5" tall, Leopold Karpeles stood head and shoulders above most other men. For his actions in the Wilderness on 6 May 1864, Karpeles was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor--making him one of just 8 Jewish-Americans, and the only Jewish-American from Massachusetts, to be so honored.

## The Medal

The Medal of Honor was designed in the early days of the Civil War to represent the valiant efforts of the Union Army, Navy and Marines.

THE ORIGINAL - The Navy's Medal of Honor was the first approved and the first designed. The initial work was done by the Philadelphia Mint at the request of Secretary of the Navy Gideon Welles. The Mint submitted several designs for consideration,

and the one prepared by the Philadelphia firm of William Wilson & Sons was the design selected.

For all practical intents and purposes, the Navy Medal of Honor remains the same today as it did when it was born. The only change has been in the attachment that connects it to the ribbon, and the ribbon itself.

ARMY MEDAL OF HONOR (1862)  
Struck from the same die as the Navy Medal of Honor, the original Army Medal differed only in the emblem that attached it to the same red, white and blue ribbon as the Navy. Replacing the anchor was an eagle perched on crossed cannon and clutching a saber in its talons. Replacing the words "Personal Valor" on the back of the Medal were the words "The Congress To" with an area to engrave the recipient's name.





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### General Orders No. 6

1. All 2nd quarter (January) reports are to be sent to the National Secretary. All Camp and Department Secretaries are reminded that a full and complete roster is required to be submitted with the January reports. This roster is to include the current Name, Address, Phone Number and Email address for each brother and are to be submitted as a typed or computer generated report. Hand written reports are to be avoided. Any report that is illegible will be deemed as a non submission and will be returned. Any camp or Department that fails to submit the required roster will be submitting an incomplete report and will NOT be in good standing. This means that your delegations will NOT be seated at your Department Encampment or the National Encampment until the rosters have been received.

2. As of February 1 all reports, forms, and communications from Department Secretaries are to be sent to the Executive Director, Brother Lee Walters, P.O. Box 1865, Harrisburg, PA 17105, (717) 766-6341 LEESUVPCC@msn.com.

### General Orders No. 7

The following has been submitted by Brother Charles Young, the National Patriotic Instructor and is hereby issued as a General Order of the Commander-in-Chief.

From the National Patriotic Instructor :  
 January 15, 2002

The events of September 11, 2001, the new millennium's Day of Infamy, has brought a new wave of patriotism to this country unseen since the beginning of World War II. Numerous flags and bunting deck the buildings and window sills in the big cities on the coasts, as well as the humble habitations of farm workers that dot the landscape of the plain's states. People have opened their hearts, and wallets, to help provide respite to those that suffered in that cowardly attack. Many forms of tribute and outpourings of support and assistance can be found in the newspapers almost everyday, and both Houses in Washington, D C, stand united in their pledge of success.

Throughout our gloried past our country has held together most during times of distress. We can trace it back to the earliest days of our Nation's beginning, from the streets of Lexington and Concord, to the British burning of the Capitol, from the decks of the Maine

and the Arizona, to the prison cells in Korea, Vietnam, and Iran. The United States has always awoken at times when their own were in peril. The pulse of the Nation quickened at these times. Flags were displayed for all to see and few there were that didn't rub his eyes and awake to see his part in it, and do all he could to support it. And now, we see it again and the heart of the Country beats as one. One in our resolve for justice, one, in our determination for success. One, in our efforts to see that this evil that crept into our homes that grim September morning, and stole that security that we as a Nation hold dear, will never succeed in this or any country in the world again. As Memorial Day approaches we can show appreciation again to those that made this country what it is, both past and present. We as descendants of those that rose up during one of Country's darkest and dire days, and who hold this day sacred more than any other, can show the way in honoring those that sacrificed. The following is published for all concerned:

I. It is ordered that all Camps within our Order set aside the month of May as a month of Memorial to all those Americans, past and present who suffered that that Nation might live.

II. All Camps are to do their utmost to see to it that all cemeteries within their jurisdiction are visited and that they do all in their power to honor those veterans that are interred there.

III. A moment of silence is to be observed by all the Camps, in all the ceremonies that are held on Memorial Day, for the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

IV. All Camp meeting halls should display the American flag and appropriate bunting as often as possible this Month, in honor of our country, and those that died protecting it.

V. No set program is prescribed, it is only hoped that all Son's remember the words that General Logan wrote when he instituted Memorial Day, and remember that he to swore to uphold that ...if other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts grow cold in the sacred trust, ours shall keep it well so long as the light of life remains in us.

### General Orders No. 8

1. At the request of the JVCinC, Department and Camp level Junior Vice Commanders are respectfully reminded

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of the importance to communicate with membership applicants as soon as possible. Your effort to establish these gentlemen as Brothers in Good Standing, in the Camp of their choice, is critical to the image of our organization. With the added turnover-time for applicants who are referred from the Office of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, the importance of prompt communication on your part is magnified. People who join an organization want to feel as though they are a valued part of it. Please give new applicants no doubt of that.

2. The G.A.R. Memorial Scholarship Applications are currently being accepted. The deadline for all material is March 31, 2002. Completed forms are to be sent to this office. All applications received will be forwarded to the Scholarship Committee. Please keep in mind that we award two \$1000 scholarships each year.

3. As we begin the season of our Department Encampments all sitting Department Commanders are reminded that the National Regulations, Chapter II, Article 4, Section 8 prevents any brother from being elected to more than three (3) consecutive terms as Department Commander or from him serving more than forty-five (45) consecutive months as Department Commander. Any Department Commander who is affected by this section who wishes to run for reelection MUST request an exemption from the Council of Administration prior to the election.

4. Brothers are reminded to support the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund, Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's Fund, the National Headquarters Fund and the Permanent Fund.

### General Orders No. 9

It has been the practice of past Commanders-in-Chief to recognize the recruiting efforts of the brothers of our Order. As no policy can be found to define how this is to be done I am listing the procedure to be used for the remainder of my term.

This recognition will be for the following:

1. Recruit 3 new members, or
2. Recruit 5 or more new members.

These brothers will be appointed National Aides for Recruiting. Those brothers who recruit 3 new members will receive a piece of ribbon in the National Colors which can be worn behind the membership badge of our Order as a sign of their efforts. Those brothers who recruit 5 or more brothers will receive in addition to the ribbon a certificate of appreciation for their efforts.

Each Camp Secretary is responsible to provide a list of the brothers who have recruited the required number of new brothers including the names of the new broth-

ers. This list is to be sent to the Department Secretary who is to verify that the new brothers named are on the Department roster. Once the names have been verified the Department Secretary is to forward the approved lists to the Commander-in-Chief.

### General Orders No. 10

This is to announce the forming of the Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring and the appointment of Brother Bill Cole as an Assistant Web Master to manage the web ring.

The Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring has been created to provide a direct sequential linking of camp and Department web sites. The purpose is to gain greater on-line exposure and increased 'hits' for camp web sites thereby getting the local SUVCW message to larger numbers of people. The Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring is managed by Assistant Webmaster Bill Cole under the supervision of Keith G. Harrison, PCINC, National Webmaster. Brother Cole is currently serving as the Junior Vice Commander of Lyon Camp #10, Vineland, New Jersey.

Prior to the official sanctioning of the ring a prototype was developed. Charter members of the ring include: The National Web Site, the New Jersey Department Web Site, Lyon Camp #10 - Dept. of New Jersey, Anna M. Ross Camp #1 - Dept. of Pennsylvania, Gov. Crapo Camp # 145 - Dept. of Michigan, Commodore Joel Abbot Camp #21 - Dept. of Rhode Island and George H. Thomas Camp #19 - Dept. of Pennsylvania.

All Camp and Department webmasters are urged to join their sites to the Sons Of Union Veterans Web Ring. This can be done by visiting the ring hub at: <http://P.webring.com>. Those desiring more information can e-mail Bill Cole at [billc@lyoncamp.org](mailto:billc@lyoncamp.org)

### General Orders No.11

It is my extreme pleasure to announce the creation of the following new Camps:

1. Greenwood Camp, 30 January 2002, Department of Colorado and Wyoming;
2. Maj. Robert Anderson Camp #139, 4 February 2002, Department of Michigan;
3. General George G. Meade Camp #5, 9 February 2002, Department of Maryland;
4. Admiral John L. Worden Camp #150, 19 February 2002, Department of New York

Congratulations for a job well done to all of the Brothers who worked so hard to get these camps formed.

By Order of:  
 George L. Powell  
 Commander-in-Chief

Attest:  
 Edward Krieser, PCinC  
 National Secretary

## Inquiries and Responses

# How many Civil War veterans went on to become president?

By Jerry Orton

Edited By Richard Orr

Past Commander-in-Chief

It is generally assumed that only six Civil War veterans went on to become president. They were: U.S. Grant, Rutherford B. Hayes, James A. Garfield, Chester A. Arthur, Benjamin Harrison and William McKinley.

However, this is not the case. Emil Frey, who rose from sergeant to brevet major while serving with the 24th and 82nd Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiments and was captured at Gettysburg, also became president.

The reason Frey's name wasn't on the above list is that he became president of Switzerland, not the United States, on January 1, 1894. He is the only Civil War veteran known to have risen to the post of chief executive of a foreign nation.

Emily Frey was a Swiss who came to America to take a brief look at the pioneer sodbusters who were opening up the middle west. While he was in Illinois, the war broke out. Frey was young and he came from a people whose thorough preparedness discouraged attacks by larger nations of Europe. The martial spirit infected him and he enlisted in Chicago to follow the colors, not the plow.

The military talents of the youthful German speaking Swiss must have registered at once on his officers. He was mustered in July 8, 1861, as a sergeant of Company E, 24th Illinois, a three year regiment. On August 29, young Frey was commissioned second lieutenant and transferred to Company H.

He became a first lieutenant on New Year's Day of 1862.

In September of 1862 the young Swiss, after resigning that commission was sworn in as captain of Company H in the 82nd Illinois. He served in that capacity during the rest of the war.

Captain Frey led his men in campaigns around Bowling Green, KY, Nashville, TN and Tusculumbia and Huntsville, AL and in action at Chancellorsville, VA on May 2, 1863. Made prisoner in the Battle of Gettysburg, he was taken to Staunton, VA and then to Richmond. There in March of 1864 he and four other Union officers were designated hostages for certain Confederate captives and were closely confined for 77 days in the basement of Libby Prison.

Frey was paroled January 14, 1865. Returning to his regiment, he was mustered out of federal service on June 9, 1865 after being brevetted major, United States Vol-

unteers, "for gallant and meritorious services during the war."

By then Frey was eager to see his homeland again, not to mention regain his war jaded health. He returned to Switzerland and embarked on a career in journalism, editing the daily newspaper, "Nachrichten" at Basel. This led him in to politics. He was elected repeatedly to the Swiss House of Representatives and served one term as speaker.

Frey made one more lengthy United States sojourn. The post of minister (ambassador) to the United States became vacant and the logical Swiss weren't about to fill the position with a plumber of local demagogue. Not while they had a man who had ducked minnie balls with Americans who were rising in influence.

Frey served from 1882 to 1887 (some sources say 1888) as his country's representative here. He later became Swiss secretary of war, then elected vice president. In keeping with Swiss custom, the Federal Assembly one year later elected the one time Illinois volunteer President of the Swiss Confederation.

Note: I called the Swiss Embassy in Washington, DC. Emil Frey's portrait hangs in the office of the Swiss political officer. The Swiss American Historical Society Publications sent me a book written about him. It is entitled, An American Apprenticeship, The Letters of Emil Frey 1860-1865. It is a great book. Also, the Civil War museum in St. Augustine, FL, has a hand written scroll with all the prisoners of Libby Prison with Emil Frey's name among them. You need the magnifying glass! Hopefully some descendants can be found to join one of the allied orders or have his grave marked with a Civil War maker. He came with his cousin Theodore Chatoney, who died in the Civil War at Andersonville Prison. This book gives a much more detailed account of his experience in the United States. He lived from 1838-1922. In 1897 he became head of the International Telegraph Union. In 1906 he chaired the first international conference on labor protection.

Andrew Johnson held a commission from the state of Tennessee as a Brig. Gen. so there were 8 men who became president of the U.S. who were Civil War vets.

This story was found in "The Grand Army Yank," Vol. 4, No. 1, January-February 1969, by the late PDC Ernest G. Wells, Cambridge, Mass. To his memory this story is shared with to you. Please share it with others.



# Parade of the American Soldier

Phelps Camp #66 participated in the annual Branson, Missouri veterans' Day Parade November 11, 2001. This year a large, enthusiastic crowd turned out to show its support for all of America's veterans.

Phelps Camp participated in the festivities with its "Parade of the American Soldier." This program features one authentically equipped soldier in every

## The Drummer Boy of Mission Ridge

John S. Kountz was born in Richfield Center, Lucas County, Ohio March 25, 1846. At fifteen and a half years of age he enlisted as a drummer boy in the 37th Regiment of the Ohio Volunteer Infantry. In the army he showed great courage; in one instance, at the imminent risk of his own life, he rescued from drowning a soldier who had broken through the ice of the Kanawha River. He took part in a number of battles. In the charge of Mission Ridge he was hit in the thigh by an English explosive ball, rendering necessary amputation of the limb.

When at Mission Ridge the order came to charge the enemy's works, Kountz threw away his drum, and seizing a musket from one of the slain, charged with the men and fell under the enemy's works. This incident furnished the subject of a descriptive poem from Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood, entitled The Drummer-boy of Mission Ridge, of which we annex two verses:

He pressed to the front our lad so leal and the works were almost won; A moment more and our flags had swung o'er muzzle of murderous; But a raking fire swept the van. And he fell 'mid the wounded and the slain. With his wee wan face turned up to Him who feelth His children's pain. O glory of Mission Ridge! Stream on like the roseate light of morn, On the sons that now are living, on the sons that are yet unborn! And cheers for our comrades living and tears as they pass way,---- And three times three for the Drummer-boy, who fought that day!

At the age of twenty-five he was elected county treasurer, and later recorder. Retiring from political life in 1887, he entered the fire insurance and real estate business.

He ardently devoted himself to the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic, occupying various positions with such marked efficiency that in July, 1884, he was chosen its Commander-in-Chief, being the only private soldier who has been called to that eminent position.

He was one of the originators of the Soldiers' Memorial Building in Toledo.

American war from the revolution to Dessert Storm. This is the same program enjoyed by the delegates who attended the National Encampment at Springfield, Missouri last August. This a rare and special program as it honors all soldiers who have fought and died for America. This program is always well received, especially by veterans.

The Phelps Camp also participated in the Veterans' Day Parade in Springfield, Missouri November 10th. Their "Parade of the American Soldier" received an enthusiastic reception in this parade too.

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## Wisconsin SUVCW camp celebrates centennial

On Saturday, 10 November 2001, members of Milwaukee's CK Pier Badger Camp #1, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, held a centennial celebration at the Milwaukee Public Library's historic Centennial Hall. Planning for this once in a lifetime experience had been ongoing for the past 18 months.

All present at the event were invited to step back in time as the Camp officers performed the 1886 Sons of Veterans opening and closing rituals. Most Camp members appeared in period uniform and dress which added to the sense of returning to the past.

Special guests include Past Commander-in-Chief Ed Kreiser, Dept. of Michigan PDC Jim Lyons and Dept. of Wisconsin Commander Randy Novak. Wisconsin Governor Scott McCallum sent the Camp a Gubernatorial Commendation, and Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist issued a special Proclamation declaring November 10, 2001 as "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Day" in Milwaukee.

The Sisters of ASUVCW Auxiliary #4 presented a check to



*C.K. Pier Badger Camp #1's namesake is Col. Colwert K. Pier of the 38th Wisconsin Infantry. Col. Pier's great grandson, Carl Liebert, center, is a Camp #1 member, along with PDC Frederick Murphy, left, pictured in a 5th new York Duryee's Zouaves lieutenant colonel uniform. At right is Department of Wisconsin Commander Randy Novak.*

the Camp and provided refreshments, including an American Flag birthday cake. The Stars and Stripes were apparent around the hall. With flags and flag bunting conspicuously displayed, and following tradition, an American flag and crossed swords covered the altar. A fine trumpet duet version of the National Anthem, played by two students from South Milwaukee High School,

added a musical touch to the patriotic atmosphere.

Brothers and guests perused several tables of G.A.R. and Sons artifacts belonging to the Camp, some which had rarely been on display. Every attendee received a commemorative centennial badge and program that listed the original 1901 Camp charter members and a roster of current members.

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## Monument and Memorials Restoration Fund

The Monument/Memorial Restoration Fund Committee is looking for Camps or Departments that are in need of money. As all of you know one dollar of the National dues is earmarked for Monument/Memorials restoration. So far this year the committee has authorized \$1,700.00 to be paid. There is still money available for distribution.

Each camp or Department may request up to \$500.00 for the restoration of a monument or memorial. The criteria for requesting the funds is that the monument or memorial must have a Memorial Assessment Form on file with the National Memori-

als Committee and then file a request using the SUVCW Civil War Memorial Fund Request form.

A copy of the request form, with appropriate supporting documents, should be mailed to each member of the Fund Committee; Donald Darby, Ronald Gill and Robert Petrovic (addresses are available in the October 2001 BANNER under Council of Administration Voting members, page 17).

Donald E. Darby  
Restoration Committee Chairman  
darby@horizonview.net

## Wisconsin camp celebrates 100 years

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The centennial badges were designed and manufactured by Brother Bob Erffmeyer, a Camp member and descendant of one of the Camp's charter members.

PDC Steve Michaels delivered a patriotic presentation on the restoration project for Milwaukee's Civil War monument, the Victorious Charge. Camp #1 members have been active in raising funds for the monument, considered to be Wisconsin's most significant Civil War memorial and badly in need of refurbishing. Following the presentation, Camp

Commander Rev Maurice Felton presented Brother Michaels with the first "Commanders Leadership Award", a special commendation for Brother Michaels' key role in reviving the Camp after membership severely dwindled ten years before.

Camp #1 Senior Vice Commander Kent Peterson, who also served as centennial event coordinator, remarked that, "it seemed rare that an organization which depends entirely on volunteer help and a small budget to carry out its mission should survive for 100 years, but with the caliber of dedicated members we have today, it will surely last one hundred more."

*Gary Kersey (left) asked Charles Lakatos (right) to build him a replica of President Abraham Lincoln's Springfield, Illinois home. The project took from August to December. Only three such replicas exist. Kersey, a former school teacher, and a noted Lincoln scholar has taken it around the country for programs; including the Civil War Institute at Gettysburg College where he did a special program attended by history buffs. The plans for the home were purchased for \$50.00. The house is built on a scale of one inch to one foot. The model has furnishings to match those of the Lincoln home. The model is 37 inches tall on a base of 43 1/2 inches by 50 1/2 inches. The roof and sides are removable so the interior can easily be inspected. The two story house is complete with doors and windows that open as well as a stair case.*

## Mr. Lincoln's Home



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Questions? Bill Kooser at 630-668-4882 or e-mail: [signalsofficer@illinoisuvcw.org](mailto:signalsofficer@illinoisuvcw.org)

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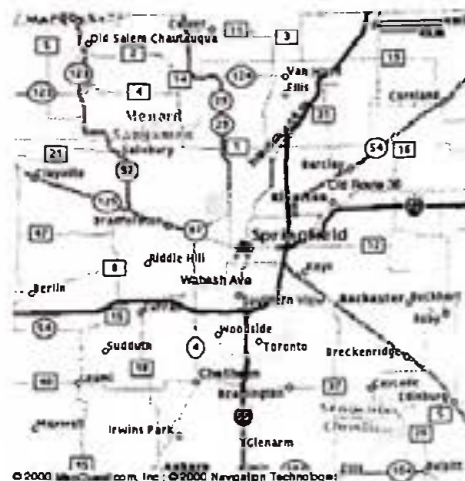
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### GENERAL ORDER 2002-1 28 January 2002

1. Effective 01 December 2001, Captain Charles A. Davis, SVR, is relieved of duty as Commander of Company A, 5th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District.
2. Effective 01 December 2001 the commission of Charles A. Davis as Captain in the Sons of Veterans Reserve is terminated and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-2 28 January 2002

1. Effective 01 December 2001, 2nd Lieutenant James L. Spencer, SVR, Company A, 5th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, is commissioned Captain, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 30 November 2004 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-3 6 February 2002

1. Effective 29 January 2002, 1st Sgt. David E. Allyn, SVR, Commander of Company G, 5th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, is commissioned a Captain, SVR, and appointed Chief of Staff of the Sixth Military District.
2. This commission will expire on 28 July 2003 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-4 6 February 2002

1. Effective 29 January 2002, Pvt. Daniel R. Earl, SVR, Company C, 8th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, is commissioned a Captain, SVR and appointed Adjutant General of the Sixth Military District.
2. This commission will expire on 28 July 2003 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-5 6 February 2002

1. Effective 29 January 2002, Pvt. Daniel M. Bunnell, SVR, Company C, 8th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, is commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant, SVR and appointed Chaplain of the Sixth Military District.
2. This commission will expire on 28 July 2003 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-6 2 March 2002

1. Effective 26 February 2002, 1st Sgt. David E. Allyn, SVR, Commander of Company G, 5th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, is commissioned a First Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 25 February 2005 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-7 2 March 2002

1. Effective 18 February 2002, Pvt. Ronald Cannon, SVR, is appointed Adjutant, Company A, 5th California Volunteer Infantry, Sixth Military District, and is commissioned a Second Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 17 February 2005 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-8 2 March 2002

1. Effective 15 October 2001, Second Lieutenant Charles E. Kuhn, Jr., SVR, Adjutant Gettysburg Blues, Second Military District, is re-commissioned Second Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 14 October 2004 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

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*At the Santa Ana Cemetery, California*

# Civil War Monument Restoring

*By Charles Beal  
Sgt. William Pittenger Camp #21  
Department of California & Pacific*

In 1998, Gene Platt (Geno-o) was at the grave of his wife, Jean, when he noticed the horrible condition of the Civil War monuments (AKA headstones) in the cemetery. He took it upon himself to restore one of the monuments and received permission from the cemetery manager to restore the others.

Geno-o grew up in Granite, Maryland spending hours watching a monument maker, and learning how to produce monuments. He uses a white-pigmented sealer on the monuments and the base and lettering are done in gold color. He uses drills, brushes and sealer to perform his work on the different types of Georgia marble. He is very meticulous in his work, it doesn't matter how long it takes to do one monument, it is done right.

Geno-o has spent his own money for supplies

and donated his time to this project. Along the way, many individuals and organizations have supported his work and donated to his cause to keep it going.

Geno-o also restored the 8 foot high "Soldiers Monument" that was dedicated "To The Unknown Dead of the Civil War 1861-65" in 1915.

There is some controversy to this project. Opponents say that his efforts will cause the monuments to deteriorate. Others want the monuments to remain in their original state. His work has not gone unnoticed, Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez paid tribute to his efforts in 2001.

Geno-o hopes that the Santa Ana Cemetery will become a showcase in our nation and he hopes other cemeteries will follow what he has accomplished here.

On November 11, 2001 Gene-o was awarded a certificate of appreciation by the Department of California & Pacific.

**The annual meeting of the  
New England Regional Association  
will be held Saturday July 20, 2002 at the  
New Hampshire Veterans Association Hall,  
located on Lakeside Ave., at Weirs Beach,  
in Laconia, New Hampshire.  
The meeting is open to ALL members in good  
standing of the Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War and the Allied Orders.**

## OLIVER TILDEN CAMP NO.26 OF NEW YORK CITY SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR GENERAL U.S GRANT BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE 2002

The annual commemoration of the birthday of General Ulysses S Grant will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2002 at the National Monument on 122d Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan. The ceremony which includes the initiation of new members of the Oliver Tilden Camp will begin at 11 a.m.

Each year the General Grant Committee Solicits "Memorials and Boosters" from our members and from organizations to help us defray the cost of the Ceremony. "Memorials" honor our Civil War Ancestors or deceased Brothers. "Boosters" allow organizations to demonstrate their support of this annual commemoration by having their name and address appear in the printed program.

Your financial support of this effort is very much appreciated. Please complete the following form and return it with your check, payable to Oliver Tilden Camp #26, SUVCW.



Send the form and check to SVC John Portanova, 6307 71st. Street, Middle Village NY 11379. You will receive a copy of the program

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## The SUVCW and the IRS

by Jim Pahl,  
National Counselor

Several brothers have called me over the past few weeks with questions about charitable contributions to the Order. I have done some research into the Internal Revenue Code and the various publications of the IRS.

The dues each brother pays to his Camp is not tax deductible. See page 163 of the 2001 edition of IRS Publication 17. You cannot take any type of deduction for your time in participating in activities of the Order, but you can deduct your out of pocket expenses (be sure to keep receipts to prove these expenses). The rules for out of pocket expenses include that these expenses must be un-reimbursed, incurred because of direct connection with participating in an SUVCW activity, expenses you incurred only because of participating in an SUVCW activity and not part of your personal, living or family expenses. Purchasing and maintaining special clothing is deductible if the clothing is necessary so you can participate in an activity, it is not suitable for every day use and you must actually wear the clothing to participate in the activity. (SVR activities qualify here, as does Camp and/or Department guards).

You can also deduct 14 cents per mile for your travel to and from activities of the Order. Be sure to keep a specific log, that includes the date, beginning milage, ending milage, number of miles and a description of the activity you participate in. I encourage each brother to obtain a copy of Publication 17, as it is of great assistance in helping you prepare your tax return. It is full of useful information and surprisingly easy to read.

Any donation to a Camp, Department or any fund of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, is fully tax deductible. IRS Publication 78 lists all of the organizations that are designated by the IRS, who can receive tax deductible donations. Upon checking the 2001 edition of this publication in writing this article, the SUVCW is still so listed as such an organization.

You can also obtain a copy of the IRS letter to the National Organization that confirmed any donations to the Order are tax deductible, by going to the web page of the Order. This document is available in .pdf format, so that you can print it on your own printer in exactly the same appearance as the original letter in the files of the National Treasurer.

## Plans Readied for 137th Anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's Death

Members of our Order are invited to participate in a memorial service to mark the 137th anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's death to be conducted on

*Monday, April 15, at 11:00 a.m. at the Lincoln Tomb,  
Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, Illinois.*

Wreaths may be ordered for delivery at the Lincoln Tomb from local Springfield florists. If you choose to do that, instruct your florist to have your wreath delivered c/o The Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, April 15, 2002.

Hotel reservations may be made by calling 1-800-468-3571 or direct to the Renaissance Springfield Hotel at 1-217-544-8800. Mention Sons of Union Veterans and Lincoln Tomb Ceremony when calling for special rate.



## Nebraska Civil War Veteran Receives Grave Marker

The Department of Nebraska, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, recently dedicated a military head stone at the grave site of Martin Van Buren Dailey. Family members spent over two years researching the history of Martin Van Buren Dailey before they discovered his burial site at the cemetery in Friend, Nebraska. The grave was marked with a simple GAR flag holder so it was decided to obtain a military head stone for his grave.

Finding the exact grave site of this Civil War Veteran was challenging because of his travels following the Civil War. Information on Dailey in the records at the Nebraska State Historical Society and the Veterans Administration were not complete.

Dailey was born in Adams County, ILL, in 1844 and moved to Iowa. Early in the Civil War he traveled to Denver to enlist in the Third Colorado Infantry in 1862, Third Infantry merged with the

Second Colorado Calvary. The unit saw action in Missouri and Arkansas and fought skirmishes with Native Americans in Kansas and Colorado.

Following the War he lived in Nebraska, then moved to Kansas, and eventually ended up in California. About a year before he died, in 1917, he returned to Nebraska to live with his daughter.

His Great Grandson, Herman Rudiger from Oklahoma, who is a member of the SUVCW in Nebraska obtained a military headstone for his grave site. The dedication and memorial service was conducted jointly with the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Rev. John Horton, a family member from Kansas. The 1st Nebraska re-enactors provided taps and the volley. The grave marker was set by a great great grandson, and Vietnam War Veteran, who traveled from Alaska to attend the ceremony.



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### GENERAL ORDER 2002-9 9 March 2002

1. Effective 14 February, 2002, First Lieutenant Robert D. Champlin, SVR, adjutant general, Fourth Military District, is commissioned Captain, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 13 February 2005 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-10 9 March 2002

1. Effective 15 February, 2002, First Lieutenant Emmett P. Taylor, III, SVR, inspector general, Fourth Military District, is commissioned Captain, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 14 February 2005 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-11 9 March 2002

1. Effective 15 February, 2002, Sgt. Lyman E. Elliott, Jr., SVR, adjutant, Cushing's Battery, Fourth Military District, is commissioned Second lieutenant, SVR.
2. This commission will expire on 14 February 2005 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

### GENERAL ORDER 2002-12 9 March 2002

1. Effective 15 February, 2002, at the written request of the commander of Cushing's Battery, Fourth Military District, SVR, and with the written approval of the Fourth Military District Commander, the SVR commission of Second Lieutenant William L. Teshner, Cushing's Battery, Fourth Military District, is declared null and void.

David V. Medert  
Brigadier General, SVR  
Commanding

Attest:  
Lt. Col. Henry E. Shaw, Jr.,  
Adjutant General  
Sons of Veterans Reserve

## Son of Civil War veteran joins Pennsylvania camp

The Rev. Martin Landis at the age of 94 has joined the General John S. Hartranft Camp #15 in Harrisburg, PA. The oath of membership into the SUVCW was administered by Camp Chaplain David W. Demmy, Sr. in a ceremony at the National Civil War Museum, high atop Reservoir Park in Harrisburg. His father, Aaron Martin Landis Sr., enlisted in the 187th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry at the age of 15.

In relating the exploits of his father, The Rev. Martin Landis noted his father saw action in three Civil War battles; the last at Cold Harbor, VA. Following this battle he visited three escaped slaves who ran away from their master in Richmond, VA. The slaves asked the young soldier if he would escort them to the first point of what was known as the "underground railroad." With the permission of his company captain he complied with the slaves request. Later he had the good fortune to meet one of these ex-slaves in a store in downtown Harrisburg.

Aaron Martin Landis always considered it a high honor to have been selected as one of the eight guards to stand around the body of the President Lincoln as his body lay in state in Independence Hall, Philadelphia. Following the war he married and joined the Harrisburg Police Force. He became chief of police in 1885. That year his wife died. He resigned from the police department and was elected alderman of



David W. Demmy welcomes Real Son Rev. Martin Landis, right, to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

the 6th Ward in Harrisburg. He was elected to six consecutive six year terms for a total of 36 years – a record for continuous service as an alderman surpassing any other alderman's record in the city of Harrisburg.

In 1905 at the age of 57 he married a 38 year old widow, Susan Gertrude Bender. Two years later Aaron Martin Landis, Jr. was born. Our new SUVCW member is a retired pastor of the Church of God denomination. He married in 1928. He has a daughter from that marriage. He married a second time in 1952. His son was born in 1954. There is 106 years between the birth of his father, In 1848 and his son in 1954.

## Final Muster

*It is with sadness that we report the death of the following Brothers:*

John Babcock, Jr Elisha Dyer Camp 7	Fred M Cardone Brindle #52	Robert Holzborn Gen. McKean Camp 3	James F. Pykare Garfield Camp 142
Clayton Baker, Jr. Haskell-Marston Camp 56	Russell K Dutcher, Jr NJ Member at Large	Dennis D Kelly Gen. Sheridan #2	Dr. Edward A. Staples Member-At-Large
Elmer J Bennett McLaughin Camp 12	John Ferry Ezra Griffin #8	Charles W Larkin Garfield Camp 4	Everett J Tingley John W Spalding # 38
John C. Bettencourt Gen. Wright Camp 22	Lee W Green Fearing Camp 2	George W Long Past Commander-in-Chief	Victor E Tullar Joseph Gaston Camp #3
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## Gen. A.C. Voris Camp holds ceremonies in CW Memorial Chapel

Summit County, Ohio's General A. C. Voris Camp ended 2001 by holding ceremonies in a Memorial Chapel erected by Akron's Civil War Veterans in the 19th Century.

On December 1, 2001 the Camp initiated four new members and swore in its officers for 2002 inside the Buckley Chapel. The 125-year-old chapel is located inside the entrance to Akron's Glendale Cemetery.

Past Commander-in-Chief Gordon Bury conducted the installation of officers. Karl Schaeffer, Voris Camp Chaplain and PCC of the McClelland Camp conducted the initiation. Bury is currently serving as the National Commander-in-Chief of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) and Schaeffer is currently serving as its National Chancellor.

Richard Acker, David Allison, Larry Williams and Ralph Witt were mustered into the camp. The officers sworn in included: Robert Rock, Commander; Rick Acker, Senior Vice-Commander; Larry Williams, Junior Vice-Commander and PCC; Paul Huff.

During the program Voris Camp Commander Paul Huff presented two framed resolutions of appreciation. The first went to Marion and Roderic Dibbert. Marion is the descendant of General Alvin Coe Voris, the camp's namesake. The Dibbert family has provided both financial and spiritual help to the camp in its two years of existence. Cleveland's James Garfield Camp also was honored for its financial and moral support since the camp's beginning.

Jon Silvis, National G.A.R. Highway Chairman and Junior Vice-Commander for the Ohio Department, presented Cemetery Superintendent John Conti with a \$200 check from SUVCW's National Monument Fund for the continued restoration of the chapel.

The Buckley Post of the Grand Army of the Republic erected the "Buckley Chapel" between 1875 and 1876. Upon entering the building, a visitor will see Colonel Lewis P. Buckley of the 29th Ohio Volunteer Infantry immortalized in a huge stained-glass window. To the viewer's right, the women of the United States Sanitary Commis-

sion are also commemorated in glass. Stone tablets mounted in the walls list the membership of the post.

Cemetery officials closed the chapel to the public five years ago when a structural engineer found dry rot in the massive wooden arches supporting its tile roof. Eventually, the Akron Civil War Memorial Society raised \$500,000 to restore the chapel's arches, walls and windows. The Voris Camp and Ohio Department had previously contributed \$215 to the fund.

The chapel holds tremendous importance to the Voris Camp. The camp's namesake, General Alvin Coe Voris was on the building committee of the chapel and delivered the oration at its groundbreaking ceremony in 1875. One of the chapel's stained-glass windows lists the Voris brothers who perished as prisoners of war in the South.

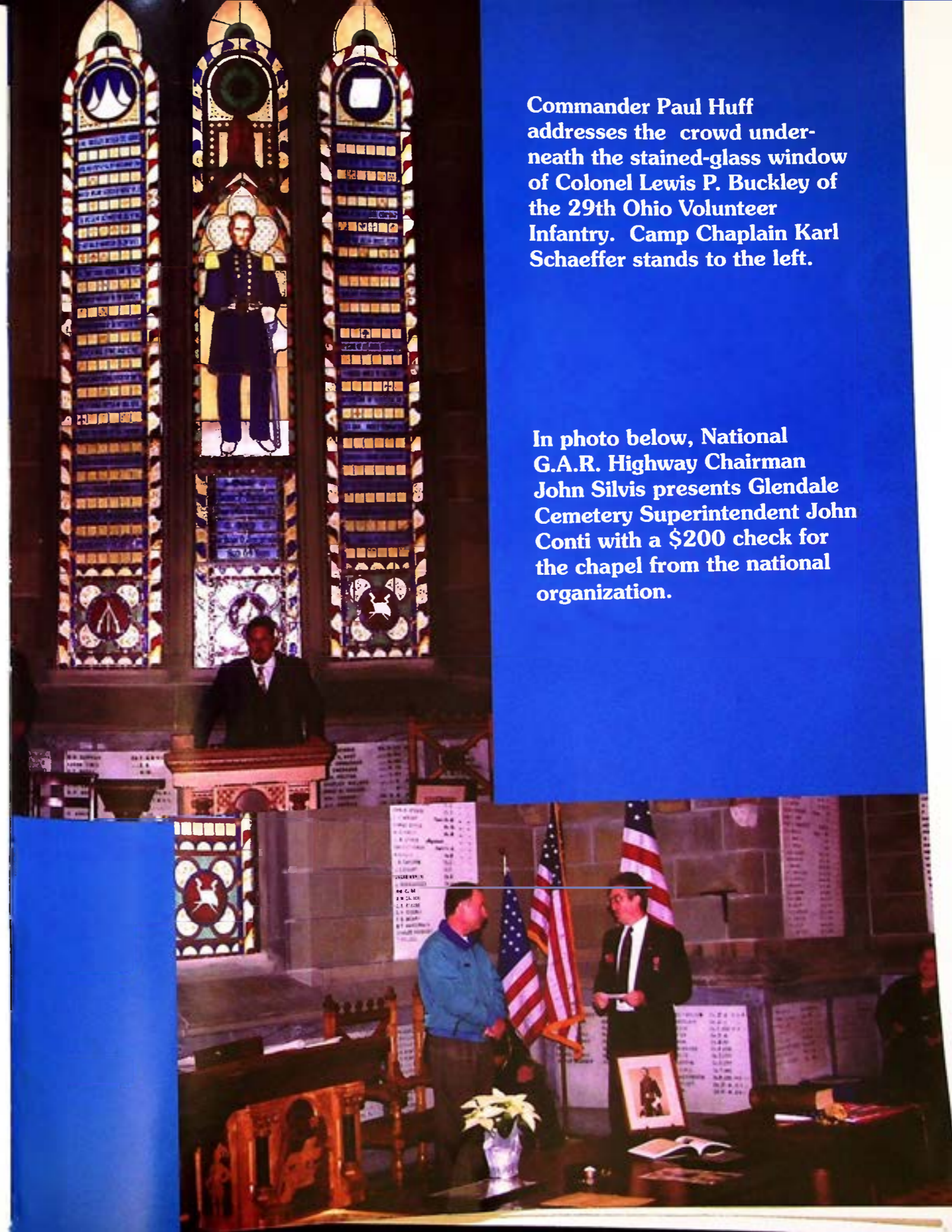
Voris had served as the Colonel of the 67th Ohio Volunteer Infantry for most of the Civil War. He, along with 300 of the 67th, assaulted Battery Wagner on July 18, 1864; and he, along with 150 of his men, became a casualty. Doctors were still pulling minie ball fragments from his wound ten years later. Toward the end of the war, Voris was promoted to Brevet Major General.

He returned to Akron to practice law and serve as a judge. He was a founding member of the Buckley Post and served as Department Commander for Ohio in 1876.

His son, Edward, was a charter member of the Sons of Veterans group affiliated with the Buckley Post. He also served as its first Captain.

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for Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief



Commander Paul Huff addresses the crowd underneath the stained-glass window of Colonel Lewis P. Buckley of the 29th Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Camp Chaplain Karl Schaeffer stands to the left.

In photo below, National G.A.R. Highway Chairman John Silvis presents Glendale Cemetery Superintendent John Conti with a \$200 check for the chapel from the national organization.

**Participants of the Centennial Celebration of C. J. Pier Badger Camp #1 gather at the Victorious Charge Civil War monument in downtown Milwaukee. Camp #1 has been helping raise money to restore this bronze sculpture, considered to be Wisconsin's most significant Civil War monument.**



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500	Neck Tie (blue or red)	each	\$16.00			
501	Tie Clasp with insignia	each	\$10.50			
502	Tie Tac (Polished Bronze)	each	\$5.00			
503	Cuff Links with insignia	pair	\$10.50			
504	SVR Collar Insignia 1/2"	pair	\$10.00			
504	SVR Collar Insignia 3/8"	pair	\$10.00			
505	SVR Tie Clasp	each	\$10.00			
506	SVR Membership Badge	each	\$10.00			
507	Gar Commemorative Badge	each	\$11.00			
508	Grave Registration Pamphlet	each	\$0.10			
<b>Sub Total</b>						
<b>1st Page Total</b>						
<b>Shipping &amp; Handling: 1st \$100.00</b>						<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Plus \$1.00 for each \$100.00 or fraction thereof over \$100.00</b>						
<b>All orders over \$100.00 will be insured</b>						
<b>TOTAL</b>						

\* Sales restricted to members with appropriate documentation.

For latest price change or new items check the Son's Web Page.  
<http://suvcw.org/ld.htm>

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State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
Camp: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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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  
Brother \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, Department/Camp Secretary.

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

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
2002 PRICE LIST OF SUPPLIES

(This List Supersedes All Previous Years)

Only Orders Received on Current Requisition Forms Will Be Honored

No.	Item	Unit	Price	Quantity	Color	Total Amount
101	Transfer Form (Form 4)	10	\$1.00			
102	Department Transfer Form (Form 4 1/2)	10	\$1.00			
105	Camp Council Quarterly Reports (Form 13)	10	\$1.00			
106	Statement of Account (Form 12)	100	\$3.50			
107	Notice to Delinquent Member (Form 14)	100	\$3.50			
108	Honorable Discharge (Form 6) Camp use only	10	\$1.00			
109	Promotion & Advertising Pamphlet	25	\$7.50			
111	Membership Application (Form 3)	25	\$2.50			
113	Application for War Medal (Form 5)	10	\$1.00			
114	Son's Letter-head Stationery	10	\$2.00			
115	Eagle Scout Certificate	each	\$0.35			
116	Son's Note Cards w/ & Envelopes Blue or Cream	10	\$4.00			
200	Membership Cards Camp use only	48	\$4.00			
201	Membership Certificate - Blue	each	\$0.10			
202	Membership Certificate - Tri color	each	\$5.00			
205	Membership Certificate - White	each	\$0.25			
256	Credentials - National & Department	25	\$2.50			
257	Certificates For Camp Officer	1	\$1.00			
300	Constitution & Regulations 2001	each	\$5.00			
302	Rituals & Ceremonies - Specify	each	\$5.00			
	Small Book or Large Book					
350	Life Membership Bar Life Member use only	each	\$6.00			
351	Membership Rosette	each	\$7.00			
352	Membership Badge	each	\$20.00			
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	\$20.00			
357	Department Commander Badge Dept. use only	each	\$30.00			
358	Past Department Commander Badge Dept. use	each	\$50.00			
395	50 Year Badge/70 Year / 75 Year	each	\$30.00			
360	Miniature Badge (Member, Department officer, National Officer)	each	\$8.00			
361	War Medal (Application must be included)	each	\$23.00			
	<b>Service Bars To Be Worn On War Medal Only</b>					
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			
367	Replacement Ribbon for Badges	6 inches	\$1.25			
368	Replacement Ribbon for Miniature Badges	6 Inches	\$1.25			
369	Service Numerals (Attach to Badge 25,30,35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75)	each	\$5.00			
370	Bronze Recognition Button	each	\$10.00			
371	SVR Insigna for Badge	each	\$5.00			
372	Decal (inside of window)	each	\$3.00			
372	Decal (reflective)	each	\$3.00			
	<b>For Miniature Badges Only</b>					
374	1/8" stars (bronze, silver, or gold)	each	\$0.50			
375	Silver Palm	each	\$1.25			
376	Neck Ribbon	36 inches	\$7.00			



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APRIL 27, 2002  
CHATTANOOGA, TN**



The Radission Read House will again be our hotel. The event this year will include a steam engine train ride from North Chattanooga to La Fayette, Georgia. This will be a Civil War interpreted ride. You will see Billy Goat Hill National Cemetery and many other places of Civil War interest. We will leave the train outside La Fayette for a march through town and a ceremony. We will then re-board the train for the trip back to Chattanooga, arriving in time for the evening Civil War ball at the hotel.

**ROUND TRIP ON THE CHATTANOOGA ANTIQUE RAILROAD TO  
LA FAYETTE, GA. (CLUB CAR AVAILABLE)**

NUMBER OF PERSONS \_\_\_\_\_ Fare @ \$45.00 each TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_  
(AFTER APRIL 1, 2002 THE COST IS \$50.00 PER PERSON)

THE PARADE ROUTE IN LA FAYETTE IS APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE LONG. I WOULD LIKE TO MARCH  
IN THE PARADE. NUMBER OF PERSONS \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

I CANNOT MARCH IN THE PARADE, BUT WOULD LIKE TRANSPORTATION FROM THE TRAIN TO THE PARK  
FOR THE DEDICATION CEREMONY AND RETURN. NUMBER OF PERSONS \_\_\_\_\_

**BLUE AND GRAY BALL  
HISTORIC RADISSION READ HOUSE**

The Eight Regimental Band from Rome, Georgia will play from 8:00 p.m. till? Period dress required. \$10.00 per person.

NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ GRAND TOTAL \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:  
SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE  
P.O. BOX 23172  
CHATTANOOGA, TN 37422

Please enclose a self addressed, stamped envelope.  
If you have any questions please contact Major Frank Harned at 423-843-2043

**IF YOU DESIRE ACCOMADATIONS AT THE RADISSION READ HOUSE  
YOU SHOULD MAKE THEM DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL.  
423-266-4121 or 1-800-333-3333.**

**Be sure to tell them at the time of your booking that you are with the  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
to get the special rate of \$89.00 per night.è**