

Department Orders No. 1
Series 2007 – 2008

1. Having been duly elected and installed at the 118th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan, held on 28 April 2007, command is hereby assumed.
2. Headquarters for the Department of Michigan, SUVCW will be located at 4033 Horizon Drive, Davison, MI 48423.
3. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Department of Michigan for electing me Department Commander.
4. Thank you to Past Department Commander J. Richard Greene and his staff for their outstanding service rendered on behalf of the Department of Michigan, SUVCW.
5. I would like to thank Commander-in-Chief and Michigan Brother James B. Pahl for acting as Installing Officer for the Department of Michigan.
6. I am pleased to report that my first official act as Department Commander was to sign Lockwood Camp No. 139's replacement Camp Charter.
7. Brother John Porterfield of Camp No. 250 passed away on 29 April 2007. All Camp Charters are to be draped for a period of 30 days in honor of Brother Porterfield.
8. Congratulations to this year's recipients of the Department's Membership Awards! The Governor Austin Blair Membership Award, for the most new Brothers, was presented to the March to the Sea Camp No. 135 of Centreville, MI and the Orlando LeValley Membership Award, for the largest percentage growth, was presented to the Sgt. John S. Cosbey Camp No. 427 of Dearborn, MI.
9. Congratulations to this year's recipients of the Department's Lincoln Award, for outstanding efforts to "Keep Green the Memory" of the Boys in Blue, Brother Matthew L. Adair and John P. Tragge, Esq.
10. I am pleased to report that 23 out of 26 Camps submitted their Camp Annual Reports and Per Capita Tax prior to the April 30th deadline. Because of this, the Department of Michigan has achieved a new level of reporting. This is something that we all can be very proud of. Next year's goal is to have all Camps submit their reports on time.
11. Effective 5 May 2007 Ulysses S. Grant Camp No. 101 of Detroit, MI is suspended for failure to submit Form 27 Camp Annual Report and Per Capita Tax.
12. Brothers are encouraged to plan to attend the 126th National Encampment in St. Louis, Missouri, August 9-12, 2007. Details are available in the "*Banner*" and on the National Website.

13. Brothers are encouraged to plan to participate in the Annual Remembrance Day Parade and Services in Gettysburg, PA on Saturday, 17 November 2007.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

/s/

Dennis C. Derr II

Commander

Department of Michigan

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

/s/

Kevin J. Lindsey

Secretary

Department of Michigan

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War