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By L. Dean Lamphere, Jr, PCC



Greetings Brothers,

I Hope all is well with you and yours. I would like to thank again all of the Camps for welcoming of the Department Representatives and Officers doing installations the last three months. It was observed that all Camps are caring for their members and the work of the order with plans for upcoming events and programs.

Candidates interested in running for Department office should submit their letter of intent to Nominations Committee Chairperson Rick Danes at redanes@aol.com, as communicated in Department Orders they should be submitted to the committee by April 1, 2017.

If you have recommendations for the Department Lincoln and Dr. Mary Walker please forward those through the Department Chief of Staff David F. Wallace, PDC at dwallace74@outlook.com.

Camp Commanders and Camp Secretaries please remember that Camp Annual Report (Form 27) is due at Department Headquarters April 30, 2017.

Finally, as we head into the second quarter of 2017, the Department Encampment is scheduled for 6 May 2017, at the Great Lakes Christian College in Lansing, don't forget to pre-register. The Department is hosting the 136th National Encampment, August 10-12, 2017, also in Lansing. As with any effort of this type, "many hands make light work," so please consider to lend a hand if called upon by any of these events organizers. If you are interested in supporting, assisting or helping in any way during the National Encampment please let Don Shaw, PDC (p31713@aol.com) or Paul Davis, PDC (pdmarcomm@aol.com) or myself at ldlampherejr@gmail.com.

Respectfully your servant, in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.



Department Orders #14 Series 2016 – 2017
Headquarters, Aurora, IL
14 December, 2016
L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander

1. The Brothers of the Gen. John A. Logan Camp No. 1 of Grand Rapids, in a scheduled authorized meeting with a representative of the Department of Michigan present, and in accordance with the steps outlined within the Constitution and Regulations of our Order, have voted to disband the Camp effective immediately, and have opted to request Honorable Discharges from our Order.
2. The authorized representative of the Department of Michigan has accepted and taken possession of, on behalf of the Department, the Charter and other materials of the Camp, conveying it to Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum for inclusion with the Department's archival materials. The authorized representative also conducted a review of the Camp's accounts and has conveyed a report to this office.
3. The Department Secretary is requested to offer any assistance required in the preparation of any Honorable Discharge paperwork, if requested, and to convey Form 30 paperwork to National Headquarters along with a copy of these orders.
4. The Department Signals Officer is requested to make the necessary updates to the Gen. John A. Logan Camp's webpage on the Department's website.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

By Order of:

/s/

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander,
Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

/s/ Attest:

Richard Denny, Secretary
Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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**Department Orders #15  Series 2016 – 2017
Headquarters, Aurora, IL
February 18, 2017
L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander**

The Brothers of the Lockwood Camp No. 139 of Alpena, in a scheduled authorized, and in accordance with the steps outlined within the Constitution and Regulations of our Order, have voted to disband the Camp effective immediately, and have opted to request Honorable Discharges from our Order.

An authorized representative of the Department of Michigan will take possession of, on behalf of the Department, the Charter and other materials of the Camp, conveying it to Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum for inclusion with the Department's archival materials.

The Department Secretary is requested to offer any assistance required in the preparation of any Honorable Discharge paperwork, if requested, and to convey Form 30 paperwork to National Headquarters along with a copy of these orders.

The Department Signals Officer is requested to make the necessary updates to the Lockwood Camp's webpage on the Department's website.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

By Order of:

/s/

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/s/ Attest:

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Department Orders # 16  **Series 2016 – 2017**
Headquarters, Aurora, IL
February 19, 2017

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander
 Headquarters, Aurora, IL

Brothers are reminded that the 2017 Department Encampment will be held at the Great Lakes Christian College in the City of Lansing, Michigan on May 6, 2017. Please arrange to attend if you can. Preregistration materials are contained in the current edition of the Michigan's Messenger. There is a direct link on the home page of the Department web site (<http://suvcwmi.org/133rdDeptEncampment/133DEindex.php>) that will take you to the preregistration materials should you wish to do that.

All Camps are encouraged to bring their Camp Flags to the Department Encampment to be displayed with the Department Colors.

Effective on and for the day of Saturday, May 6, 2017, the headquarters of the Department of Michigan shall be at the Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W. Willow Hwy., Lansing, Michigan, to allow for the transaction of business by the 133rd Department Encampment. Thereafter, it shall revert to the address it had prior to this transfer or to such other place as the Department Commander shall designate in his Department Orders.

Any brother interested in holding a Department elected office should submit his letter of interest, credentials, and any letters of endorsement to the Department Nominating Committee no later than April 1, 2017. The chair of the Committee is Brother Rick Danes. Please direct your information to him and he will share the same with the Committee. He may be reached through email at redanes@aol.com, or through regular mail at 2612 Burns Street, Dearborn, Michigan 48124.

Persons wishing to make nominations for presentation of the Department's Abraham Lincoln Award or Department's Dr. May Walker Award may continue to present their candidates to the Committee through the Department Commander. The address to which nominations should be sent is 1062 Four Seasons Blvd Aurora, Illinois 60504. Nominations must be received by April 1, 2017.

On behalf of myself and the other brothers who acted as installing officers for the Department for camp officer installations these past few months, I would like to thank all those brothers from the various camps who displayed such hospitality and friendliness to us as we visited with your camps. Your kindness, which was displayed in dozens of different ways, was very much appreciated.

Please remember to get those form 22's, form 22MI's and rosters in to us. By in large they are all accounted for now. That makes the work we must do with them at the department level so much easier having them all in, in a timely fashion.

Hoping to see as many of you at the Department Encampment as possible next month, I remain, until that time,

Yours In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

By order of:

/s/

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr
 Commander, Department of Michigan

/s/ Attest:

Richard Denny, CC
 Secretary, Department of Michigan



Senior Vice Commander

David S. Smith, LM, CC, DSV

Brothers,

Welcome 2017! Spring is almost here, and the beginning of Another year's new projects and events to honor our noble ancestors!

First, I wanted to send a reminder to all Camps to send in their Camp histories to the Department to be forwarded on to National. This was discussed in C-in-C Martin's GO#1 in reference to PC-in-C Darby's General Order from 1995, and needs to be completed. This will help future Brothers to understand the history of our Camps, along with where we have been and what we have done.

Second, I know that many of you have received a package in the mail that may have left you with questions. Please do not hesitate to contact via e-mail (wyattusmagnus@gmail.com) if you have any questions for me, and we can schedule a time to discuss.

Third, as was stated previously, the 2017 National Encampment Commemorative Badge is in stock, and orders are being taken (<http://suvchwmi.org/2017NatEncampment/badge.php>). The badge's design has several historical cues of significance from George Armstrong Custer and the 1914 GAR National Encampment in Detroit. There were only 200 badges available for purchase, and once they are gone, they are gone. At this time, they have been selling quite nicely. Get yours while they are still available.

I hope to see you at the Department Encampment in Lansing on 06 May!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Patriotically Speaking

Gary A. Granger, Department Patriotic Instructor

This newsletter I would like to send a reminder that Camps should be sending in their Patriotic Instructor Reports. Activities from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. Then answer the seven questions on the Patriotic Instructor form.

It is EASY to file your Camp PI Report! Just seven yes or no questions. The deadline for your Camp's PI Report is April 1, 2017. There is a fill-in enabled form on the Department website.

The form can be e-mailed to me at: hagranger@hotmail.com. My wife and I share this e-mail and it is viewed daily.

You may also fax the report. Please call before faxing because it is connected to my home telephone and we have restrictions on it so I don't get a lot of junk mail and I will need to press a button to accept the fax. You can mail your report to me at: Gary Granger PI, PO Box 41, Corunna, MI 48817.

Also, you can telephone me at: (989) 494-4993 and place your report over the phone with either my wife, Helen, or me and if I am not there please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible.



Governor Henry Crapo Camp No. 145

Submitted by: David Wallace, PDC, Department Chief of Staff

Veterans Memorial Restoration Grant Secured by Camp

The Gov. Crapo Camp's grant application for \$2,000 for the project in the Flushing City Cemetery was approved prior to the National Encampment. The American Legion Post No. 283 of Flushing had spear-headed the project announcing it at the 2016 Memorial Day ceremony. The cost for the project was \$10,000 and was completed in mid-October. The monument was originally constructed in 1906.

John Howe, Commander of the American Legion Post, contacted the Camp to see if we would be willing to take the lead in conducting a rededication ceremony. Using the SUVCW Memorial Dedication Service based on the 1917 GAR Service of Dedication, the Camp, with the participation of the 14th Michigan, SVR, Department Chaplain, the Rev. Charles Buckhahn, and members of the American Legion Post No. 283 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 5666, rededicated the monument at 11 AM on 11 November 2016.



Future Michigan's Messenger Publications Submittal Dates and Publication Dates

Winter - March 1 for a March 15 Publication

Spring- June 1 for a June 15 Publication

Summer – September 1 for a September 15 Publication

Fall – December 1 for a December 15 Publication

**Send all articles to Rick Danes, Editor, preferably at mimessrd@aol.com
or to 2612 Burns Street, Dearborn, Michigan 48124-3204**

ALL PUBLICATIONS WILL BE MADE ON TIME

Please do not send me photos without the names of persons in the photo and a suggested caption. Thanks for your support!



Brothers Lost

*Submitted by the Rev. Charles F. Buckhahn, PCC
Department Chaplain*

Lansing/Sunfield Curtenius Guard Camp #17 has lost a Brother and National Lie Member — William R. Hager. He was born September 13, 1938, in Sunfield Township MI. He died on January 4, 2017. Brother Hager's great Grandfather was also named William R. Hager, who was a private in Co. E of the 6th Michigan Cavalry.

Bill's's Obituary is given below. Please keep our grieving brothers of Lansing/Sunfield Curtenius Guard Camp in your thoughts and prayers.

William R. "Wild Bill" Hager, age 78, of Woodland passed on January 4, 2017 at Spectrum Health Pennock Hospital surrounded by his family after a brief illness. Bill was born on September 13, 1938 in Sunfield Township to Kenneth and Ila (Munson) Hager. He was a 1956 graduate of Woodland High School and went on to serve in the Army. In 1958 he married the love of his life Elmerna Soules whom preceded him in death. Bill retired after 30 years from Clark Equipment in Battle Creek and then worked part time in "Earls Sportstop". He enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching wildlife in the backyard and his westerns on TV, and spending time with friends and family sharing stories over a cold beer. Bill was a member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles 3782. The family will miss his unique to the point sense of humor and take it or leave it attitude. He will be dearly missed by; children; Kelly (Rich) Courtney, Gary (Diana) Hager, Tina (Ralph) Livingston, grandchildren; Dustin Courtney, Cassidy (Denny) Kilmartin, Cassaundra (Jake) Goodner, William (Alecia) Hager, Kendra (Rebecca) Hager, Trevin Teike, Kalli (Matt) Mier, great grandchildren; "Bubba" Chanse Courtney, Taryn Teike; sisters Sarah Studt, Jackilyn (James) Hilliker, Ivy Rairigh, good friends Linda (Chuck) Berry, along with many nieces, nephews and friends. Preceding Bill in death are siblings Nancy Margosian, Dean Hager and Myrna Decker, brother in law Wendel Studt. Visitation will be held on Sunday, January 8, 2017 from 2pm until 5pm at Koops Funeral Chapel, Lake Odessa, MI. Funeral services will be held on Monday, January 9, 2017 at Koops Funeral Chapel at 11am. Burial will take place in Woodland Memorial Park immediately following the service. Donations in Bill's name can be made to Fraternal Order of the Eagles 3782, Woodland MI

General Benjamin Pritchard Camp # 20 has informed me of the passing of one of their, and one of our, brothers; Brother Robert Richard Roy. He passed away on February 23rd in Kalamazoo, Michigan, at the age of 95. He was a WWII veteran, following in the footsteps of his great grandfather, Private Michael Ryan of the 1st Michigan Calvary, Company G. Brother Robert's obituary is given below. Please keep our brothers in Camp #20 and the Roy family in your prayers.

Robert Richard Roy of Portage passed away on Thursday, February 23, 2017. Age 95. Robert was born in Kalamazoo on November 12, 1921, the son of the late Bert Richard Roy and Gladys Mary (Daniels) Roy. He served his country in the United States Army during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion Post #475 in Schoolcraft. He belonged to the VA Trust Fund and the Civil War Historical Society. He was married to Annette (Clark) Roy; who preceded him in death in 1976. He is survived by two daughters, Nancy Hyet and Judy (Joseph) Savasta; four grandchildren, Floyd M. "Bob" (Rochell) Hyet IV, Andrew J. (Nancy) Hyet, Cristina Savasta and Michele Savasta; one sister, Roma (Jack) Minshall; and three nieces, Gloria, Terri and Kate. He was preceded in death by his sister, Wanda Ganger. Private interment will take place in Mt. Ever-Rest Memorial Park, South.

*"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."
"Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest
from their labors, for their deeds follow them!"
Revelation 14:13*

Robert Finch Camp No. 14
Submitted by: David S. Smith, LM, DSVC

On 14 January 2017, the 2017 Officers of Robert Finch Camp No. 14 were installed. At the end of the meeting, Brother Ted Mattis had the Commander's badge pinned on him by his wife Marise, and outgoing Commander and now PCC David Smith had the PCC badge pinned on him by Military & Veteran Affairs Officer Calvin Murphy. Newly installed Commander Mattis took the helm and closed the meeting per ritual to kick off his term.



Above L-R: Newly installed Commander Ted Mattis, his wife Marise, and PCC Jan White

On 13 October 2016, Camp 14's Military & Veteran Affairs Officer Calvin Murphy was selected to attend the Traverse City Honor Flight to Washington D.C. During the trip, he had the rare honor of placing a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Brother Murphy is a Vietnam Veteran having served in the United States Army. He is an ardent supporter of Veterans and their families. Calvin is also the Post Commander of VFW Post 6333 in Kaleva.

Robert FinchCamp No. 14's next meeting will be at 11:30AM on Saturday, 04 March 2017 at the Elks Lodge in Traverse City.

Right: Brother Calvin Murphy at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington D.C.

Robert Finch Camp No. 14 Officers for 2017 include:

Commander: Ted Mattis
 Guide: Chris Skillman
 Sr. Vice Commander: John Lantzer
 Guard: Walker Schwander
 Jr. Vice Commander: Joseph Conger
 Guard: Noah Lints
 Secretary: Dale Aurand, PDC
 Graves Registration Officer: John Sawyer
 Treasurer: Patrick Lints
 War Memorials Officer: Scott Schwander
 Camp Council: George Goodrich, PCC
 Historian: George Goodrich, PCC
 Camp Council: William Skillman, PCC
 Military & Vet Affairs Officer: Calvin Murphy
 Camp Council: Jan White, PCC
 Boy Scouts Coordinator: Jeff Morse
 Patriotic Instructor: H.G. Smith
 Signals Officer/Webmaster: Jan White, PCC
 Chaplain: John Lantzer
 Quartermaster: Ted Mattis, CC



CARTE DE VISITE PHOTO OF CPL. JOHN C. PALMER

Co. B, 3rd MICHIGAN VOLUNTEER CAVALRY

Submitted by Arthur O'Leary, Portage, Michigan, Jan. 2017

In May, 2016, I purchased this Civil War Carte de Visite photo of John C. Palmer from Mr. Richard Ferry (DBA the Florida Confederate). The CDV came from the collection of the late Gary Bizacky of Spring Lake, Michigan. Palmer had signed the back of the CDV with his name and home address in Great Britain.

Census, military, and pension records from the U.K. and the U.S. revealed Palmer's unusual story. A native of Devonshire in Great Britain, Palmer probably came to the United States in the summer of 1862. He enlisted from Oakland County into the 3rd Michigan Cavalry in Jan. 1864. He was discharged at San Antonio, Texas in Feb. 1866. By 1871, he was back living in England. He died there during WW1. Although he received a pension for his Civil War service, he never became a U.S. Citizen. He remained a British Subject.

When I was a kid in Chicago in the 1950's and 60's, I recall watching on TV the WW2, Tyrone Power film, "A Yank in the RAF". It struck me that Palmer was "A Brit in the 3rd Michigan Cavalry".

The CDV is a full standing view of Charles Palmer posed in front of a painted photographer's back drop. He is dressed in a Union Cavalry uniform and he wears a non-regulation slouch hat. He is also wearing a sword belt and he holds an unsheathed cavalry saber at his front. The CDV is backmarked "Bogel & Sheppers, Photographers, Crn. Main & Third Sts, Baton Rouge, La.". It is signed in ink, "John C. Palmer, St. Peter, Tavy, Tavistock, Devonshire, England".

.John Charles Palmer was born May 11, 1842 in the District of Tavistock, County of Devon, England. Tavistock takes its name from the River Tavy. His parents were William and Betsy (maiden name Chubb) Palmer. At various times, the father's occupation was listed as laborer, farmer, and "Regrate". This is an archaic term for someone who bought up agricultural commodities and provisions to sell near the same market at a profit. A regrate was a retailer.

Charles is listed in both the 1851 and 1861 UK Censuses. He was still living with his parents in Peter Tavy.

On July 30, 1862, a 19 year old John Palmer arrived in New York aboard the ship "Etna". He had sailed from Liverpool. The name and age conform to our man.

Palmer was in the Union Army from Jan, 1864 until Feb, 1866. From 1866 until 1868, he lived in Milford, Oakland County, Michigan. From 1868 until 1879, he lived at Tavistock and Prince Town, Devonshire, England. He is listed as a farmer in the 1871 UK Census. From 1879 until his death in 1916, he lived Newcastle on Tyne.

On June, 12, 1870 Palmer married Elizabeth (maiden name Bray) at Petertavy, Tavistock. She was born about 1840 in Petertavy and was listed as three years his senior. Her parents were Elias and Margary Bray. Elizabeth died May 20, 1903 at age 63. She is buried in All Saints Cemetery, Newcastle on Tyne.

One daughter, Emmeline Palmer, was born to Charles and Elizabeth. She was born Sept. 11, 1869 at Royal Farm, Dartmoor, Devon. This was prior to her parents' marriage. Who knows? Emmeline's married name was Warneford. Palmer had one grandchild, May.



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In later years, Palmer fell on hard times. After his wife's death, he wound up at the Saint Joseph Home in Newcastle. This was a poor house run by the Catholic Order of the Little Sisters of Charity to aid the impoverished elderly. Palmer spent his final days with his daughter and granddaughter at 10 Picton Terrace, Newcastle. He died March 12, 1916 at age 73.

The 3rd Michigan Cavalry was organized in Grand Rapids between August and Nov. 1861. Its served during the War in the Western Theatre. Palmer enlisted Jan. 6, 1864 at New Hudson in Oakland County. When he joined the Army, he was described as 5'6" tall. He had brown hair, gray eyes, and a fair complexion. He was a farmer.

Palmer joined his regiment on May 30, 1864 at Duvall's Bluff, Ark. He initially served at Brownsville and Little Rock, Arkansas. The Regiment then went to New Orleans and Baton Rouge, La. The latter is where this CDV was made. After Gen. Richard Taylor surrendered the last major Confederate force east of the Mississippi River in May, 1865, Palmer marched overland with the 3rd Michigan to San Antonio, Texas. They were a part of the Federal occupation and a part of the show of force designed to get the French out of Mexico. It worked.

Palmer was discharged at San Antonio on Feb. 6, 1866. The regiment was disbanded at Jackson, MI. in March. When Palmer left the army, he purchased his Spencer Carbine and accoutrements for \$10.00. One wonders what became of those items. Since the Army Bean Counters of the day were not concerned with serial numbers, no one will ever know. For some reason, he was promoted to Corporal on Apr. 19, 1866.

Palmer applied for a pension in 1906. Eventually this was approved. After he died, his widowed and impoverished daughter tried to get some help from the U.S. Government through the Consulate in Newcastle on Tyne. She was not successful. According to his Pension records, Palmer is buried with his wife in All Saints Cemetery, Newcastle. His daughter provided an estimate for having her Father's information added to her Mother's headstone. Sadly, this was never done.

SOURCES.

Service and Pension Records, U. S. National Archives
Ancestry.com



Graves Registration

By Rick Danes, Department Graves Registration

At the March Graves Registration Committee Meeting, I will announce that that the Department Database now has 69,885 Civil War Soldiers' Gravesites recorded, and 3,825 gravesites from "other Wars". We believe that there are as many as 100,000 Civil War soldiers buried in Michigan, but there are still some areas that we have very little information from. Can you help? Spring is upon us, and what better reason to get out and get in shape and help the Department at the same time? Our 2017 Committee meetings at the State Library are scheduled for March 11, June 10, September 9, and December 9 – all at 10 AM – all are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENT: EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ALL MICHIGAN'S MESSENGER ARTICLES MUST BE SENT TO A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS – EDITOR@SUVCWMI.ORG. ALL E-MAILS TO THE GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER MUST BE SENT TO DGRO@SUVCWMI.ORG. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. R. DANES

General Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20

Civil War Soldier Receives a Purple Heart

By John R. Keith, Camp Commander

A few months back, Bro. Bill Brennan PDC & Camp 20 Chaplain discovered in a local periodical that a Civil War soldier was a Purple Heart recipient. We had never heard and anybody we asked had never heard that any Civil War Veteran had ever received that medal or that it was even available to them.

After some investigation I found the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor. After contacting them by email and phone, I added our Private Lewis Sergeant Company H of the 76th Illinois Infantry, (he enlisted at age 15), to their Civil War Purple Heart recipients, which now totals only 18, Private Sergeant is the only known Purple Heart Recipient from Michigan. He was born in Kalamazoo, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Orcutt Post 79 in Kalamazoo and is interred in Mountain Home Cemetery, also in Kalamazoo So we have someone very unique here in Kalamazoo, MI.

This site is to the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor main home page, go to advanced search and for conflict select Civil War.

<https://www.thepurpleheart.com/visit-us/>

Or go to this site for Private Sergeant's page.

<https://www.thepurpleheart.com/roll-of-hon.../profile/default...>



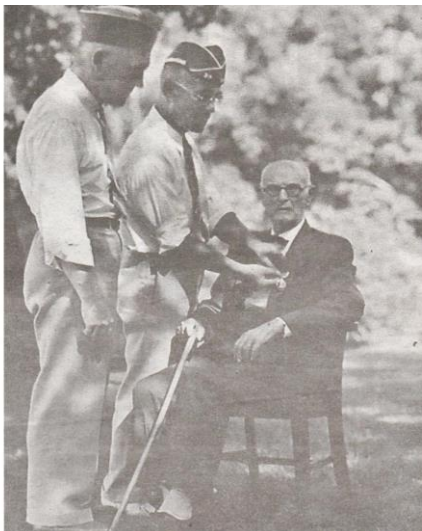
The short history of the revised Purple Heart. On February 22, 1932 -- the 200th anniversary of George Washington's birth -- the War Department (predecessor to the Department of Defense) announced the establishment of the Purple Heart award in General Order No. 3:



By order of the President of the United States, the Purple Heart established by General George Washington at Newburgh, August 7, 1782, during the War of the Revolution, is hereby revived out of respect to his memory and military achievements.

By Order of the Secretary War

Douglas MacArthur General Chief of Staff



Private Lewis Sergeant received his Purple Heart in 1939, at the time you had to apply for it and it was not given posthumous. He died two years later at the age of 97!

21st Michigan Infantry

By James B. Pahl, PCinC

(The account is based upon and quotes frequently from "Michigan in the War" compiled by J. Robertson, Adjutant General.)

"God bless our nation's banner, long may it wave and dip;
We'll fly it while our life-blood runs – we 'don't give up the ship.'"

With the rendezvous at Ionia, recruiting for the regiment commenced on the 15th of July, 1862 and recruiting took place throughout the 4th Congressional district, including the counties of Barry, Ionia, Montcalm, Kent, Ottawa, Muskegon, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Mason, Manistee, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Manitou, Osceola, Emmet, Mackinac, Delta and Cheboygan. The regiment was mustered into the service of the United States on September 4, 1862, under Colonel Ambrose A. Stevens of Saranac.

A beautiful silk flag was provided by the ladies of Ionia and delivered to the 21st on September 6. The center of the flag was decorated with the American eagle, holding its quiver of arrows, olive branch, ect. Over this, a small National flag and beneath it the words "Union" and "Constitution". This flag was carried through all of its engagements, brought back to the State and at a celebration on July 4, 1865, was formally returned to the ladies. This flag is displayed in the lobby of the Ionia County Courthouse today. A separate banner is below the flag with the regiment's battle honors.

The regiment left its quarters at Ionia on the 12th of September, 1,008 strong, under orders to report at Cincinnati. They were immediately pushed forward into Kentucky via Louisville and became engaged in the realities of war. On October 1, the regiment broke camp at Louisville and entered upon a long march through Kentucky and on October 8, bore an important part in the battle of Perryville, suffering 24 wounded (1 mortally) and three missing – Col. Stevens being among the wounded.

From Perryville, the regiment moved to Bowling Green and then on November 4, proceeded to Nashville, arriving on the 12th. They remained upon the general advance of General Rosecrans on Murfreesboro. They were engaged at Lavergue on the 27th of December and Stewart's Creek on the 29th. Assigned to Sill's brigade of Sheridan's division, they participated in the five days of battle at Stone River, sustaining a loss of 17 killed, 85 wounded and 37 missing.

The regiment remained at Murfreesboro, employed on picket duty and as guard for forage trains until June 24, 1863. It then advanced with the army on Tullahoma. During July it was stationed on the Nashville and Cumberland railroad. On September 2, the regiment crossed the Tennessee and advanced with the corp of Major General McCook to Trenton, Ga and then made a forced march toward Chattanooga. They came into line of battle at Chickamauga on September 19 and participated in the battle, sustaining a loss of 11 killed, 58 wounded, 35 missing and 3 prisoners. Of the missing, 21 were known to be wounded. While advancing to the support of General Thomas, it became heavily engaged and captured prisoners from four different rebel divisions. The 21st was in the hottest of the fight, behaved with great courage, never yielding except when overcome by immense odds. After a brave but fruitless effort against a perfect torrent of the enemy was compelled to give way.

After Chickamauga, the regiment was detached from its brigade by order of General Thomas and placed under General Smith, Chief Engineer of the Department. The regiment performed duty as engineer troops, forming part of Engineer Brigade and was on that duty during the engagement of Mission Ridge. It was stationed until June 11, 1864 on the north side of the Tennessee River and employed in building a bridge over the river and the erection of storehouses in Chattanooga. They were then ordered to Lookout Mountain, where they were engaged in building hospitals, running mills and the performance of the usual picket duty.

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They were relieved of further duty with the Engineer Corps on September 20 and left Lookout Mountain for Tullahoma and then Nashville. They joined forces under General Rosseau and participated in the pursuit of the rebels under General Forrest, beyond Florence, Alabama and returned to Florence on October 11. On October 18th, the regiment was ordered to and garrison Dalton, Georgia. They were relieved on October 30 and ordered to join its corp.

November 1 saw the regiment join the 14th Army Corp and assigned to the 2d brigade of the 1st division. On the march they assisted in tearing up railroad track and destroying everything in its rear, reaching Atlanta on the 15th. They moved with General Sherman's army on the 16th towards Mulledgeville and arrived on the 22nd. Moving beyond, they arrived at the works in front of Savannah on December 10. They relieved a part of the 20th army corps and held positions on the south side of the canal, being the most exposed position on the whole line. They were obligated to lie in the trenches without tents and lightly clad, suffering extremely from cold and short rations.

During the 25 days occupied on the march from Atlanta, they were only issued two and ½ days rations, being mainly supplied with subsistence procured by foraging on the inhabitants of the country through which it passed. The regiment remained at Savannah until January 20, 1865, refitting and re-clothing the men and getting ready for the campaign through the Carolinas.

They marched up along with Savannah river to Sister's Ferry, remaining there until February 5. They then crossed into South Carolina and continued movement in the vicinity of the river until nearly opposite Columbia, where they turned left, crossed the Black and Saluda rivers and struck the railroad at Winnsboro, where they assisted in destroying the track as far north as Blackstock Station. They then turned east, crossed the Great and Little Pedee rivers north of Cheraw and then crossed the Wateree at Rocky Mountain on pontoons made from wagon boxes covered with tent flies and canvas, the high water having carried away the pontoon bridge. Cape Fear river was crossed on the 13th of March and met the enemy at Averysboro on the 16th. They again encountering the enemy at Bentonville on the 19th, where the regiment was heavily engaged, losing six officers and eighty-six men killed and wounded out of 230. The march resumed and they crossed the Neuse river, arrived at Goldsboro on the 25th.

After a march of 64 days from Savannah, only 12 days of rations had been issued to the regiment, the main supply having been obtained by foraging. They remained in camp near Goldsboro until April 11 when they began to move in the direction of Raleigh, reaching there on the 14th. They then moved on Haywood on the Cape Fear river where they remained until the surrender of Johnston's army, when the regiment started for Richmond. Still part of the 14th corp, they engaged in a friendly race with the 20th corp in which the 21st Michigan reached that point ahead of any other troops, marking 280 miles in less than eight days. From Richmond, the march was continued to Washington, D.C. where the regiment participated in the review of General Sherman's army on the 24th of May. They were mustered out of service on June 8, when it proceeded to Michigan, arriving at Detroit on the 13th. June 22, 1865 the regiment was paid off and disbanded.

The reports of the regiment show a membership of 1,477 officers and men, with 1 officer and 40 men killed in action, 2 officers and 31 men died of wounds, 3 officers and 291 men died of disease.

PROPOSED DEPARTMENT BY LAW CHANGES

01 March 2017

Brothers,

The following proposed changes to the Department of Michigan Bylaws are provided to each Camp Commander for review by their respective Camps at least 60 days prior to the Department Encampment per ARTICLE XVII – Amendments, Section 2.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty, 2016 – 2017 Department of Michigan Bylaws Committee
David S. Smith, PCC, SVDC, Chair Hon. James Pahl, PCinC

[ADDITION/AMENDMENT]

This amendment to the Bylaws at the 132nd Department Encampment was made invalid due to a change in the amount of awards allowed to be presented by the Department Commander in the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations. This change was made at the 2016 National Encampment in Springfield, Illinois.

ARTICLE XVIII - Awards and Insignia, Section 4.

~~ORIGINAL (as approved at the 132nd Department of Michigan Encampment)~~

Authorization for a Department Doctor Mary Edwards Walker Appreciation Award is provided. The Department Commander may confer the award which is presented to Sisters of the Allied Orders in recognition of outstanding, sustained and conspicuous service to the Department of Michigan of the SUVCW in furtherance of its mission and goals. The medal and certificate would be presented to a recipient with a red ribbon to denote it was presented by a Department. The Department Commander may present up to 3 awards per administration upon recommendation of any Past Commander-in-Chief, Past Department Commander or current Camp, Department or National elected officer.

AMENDED

Authorization for a Department Doctor Mary Edwards Walker Appreciation Award is provided. The Department Commander may confer the award which is presented to Sisters of the Allied Orders in recognition of outstanding, sustained and conspicuous service to the Department of Michigan of the SUVCW in furtherance of its mission and goals. The medal and certificate would be presented to a recipient with a red ribbon to denote it was presented by a Department. The Department Commander may present up to **2** awards per administration upon recommendation of any Past Commander-in-Chief, Past Department Commander or current Camp, Department or National elected officer.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of the addition.

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[AMENDMENT - REMINDER]

No action is required as this amendment was approved by the 132nd Department of Michigan Encampment, and no modifications were required. It is included herein to ensure that it is resubmitted to the Commander-in-Chief with any additional amendments to the Bylaws as approved by the 133rd Department of Michigan Encampment.

ARTICLE XXII – Annual Encampment, Section 5.

The Department Commander may appoint an Assistant Department Secretary - Proceedings, to help the Department Secretary compile the official record of each Department Encampment. The Department Proceedings shall include the minutes of the business meeting, each officer's report and other such items so as to make a complete record of the Encampment. The proceedings of each Encampment, when approved by the outgoing and incoming Department Commander, when published, become the official record of that Encampment. The official record of that Encampment shall be published to the Brothers of the Department in an electronic format.

Bylaws Committee: No action required by the 133rd Department Encampment.

[ADDITION]

ARTICLE XXII – Annual Encampment, Section 6.

Election of Officers shall be by roll call of Camps or any other method approved by the Department Encampment.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of the addition.

[AMENDMENT]

ARTICLE XXII – Annual Encampment, Section 1.

ORIGINAL

All delegates to the Annual Department of Michigan Encampment, including Past Department Commanders, current and Past Camp Commanders, Department Officers, and Camp Delegates, or Camp Alternates serving in the absence of the Camp Delegates, shall be charged a Registration Fee. Delegates who preregister with the Department Secretary shall be charged a discounted registration fee as described in the Department of Michigan Operating Guidelines. Only paid registrants shall be entitled to vote at the Department's Annual Encampment. Registration fees for the next Annual Encampment shall be reviewed and may be revised by the current Annual Encampment. Fee structures will be published in the next Michigan's Messenger following the Annual Encampment.

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AMENDED

All delegates to the Annual Department of Michigan Encampment, including Past Department Commanders, current and Past Camp Commanders, Department Officers, and Camp Delegates, or Camp Alternates serving in the absence of the Camp Delegates, shall be charged a Registration Fee, **unless waived in Section 2 below**. Delegates who preregister with **an appointed Brother serving as the Chair of the Credentials Committee** ~~the Department Secretary~~ shall be charged a discounted registration fee as described in the Department of Michigan Operating Guidelines. **Only those properly registered paid registrants** shall be entitled to vote at the Department's Annual Encampment. Registration fees for the next Annual Encampment shall be reviewed and may be revised by the current Annual Encampment. Fee structures will be published in the next Michigan's Messenger following the Annual Encampment.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of the amendment.

[AMENDMENT]

ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 12

The following amendments have been provided regarding ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 12. As there are several differing amendments prepared, the Department Encampment will need to vote affirmative to only one of the proposed amendments or none.

ORIGINAL

The Nominating Committee shall consist of five Brothers who are NOT currently elected to an office of the Department. The committee's purpose shall be to prepare a slate of officers, listing one Brother for each elected office (of the Department), for presentation at the Annual Encampment. Nominations from-the-floor will continue to be accepted at the Encampment.

OPTION A. AMENDED

The Nominating Committee shall consist of five Brothers who are NOT currently elected to an office of the Department. The committee's purpose shall be to prepare a slate of officers, listing one **or more Brother(s)** for each elected office (of the Department), for presentation at the Annual Encampment. Nominations from the floor will continue to be accepted at the Encampment.

Bylaws Committee: No recommendation as amended.

OPTION B. AMENDED

Sixty days before the Department Encampment is scheduled to meet, the Department Commander shall appoint a Nominating Committee.

The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to select and present a slate of candidates for each of the elected Department offices. One brother and only one brother is to be selected for each elected position on the slate.

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The Nominating Committee shall consist of five brothers who are not currently serving in an elected Department office. Past Department Commanders and Brothers who have a good understanding of the Department operation and a knowledge of candidates who possess good administrative and leadership potential are to be preferred for members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee, from the date appointed, shall within 10 days select one of its members to serve as the Nominating Committee Chair. The Nominating Committee Chair will manage and direct the activities of the Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee Chair shall within 10 days of being selected Chair of the Nominating Committee, first solicit interested candidates via submission of a candidate's letter of intention which shall contain his desire and credentials for serving in that office.

This request for letters of intent for elected offices shall be requested of and be announced via a Department Order from the Department Commander addressed to all brothers in all Camps of the Department within 5 days following the request of the Nominating Committee Chair.

The deadline for receipt of letters of intent for elected offices shall be not later than 30 days before the Department Encampment.

The Nominating Committee shall provide a slate of candidates at least 20 days before the Department Encampment.

When the slate is selected, the Nominating Committee Chair will report the slate to the Department Commander who shall, 15 days before the Department Encampment, publish the slate on the Department website for the benefit of the Brothers in all Camps of the Department.

In the event there are not a sufficient number of candidates to fill the slate, the Nominating Committee members shall solicit suitable candidates to fill any open positions on the slate.

The Nominating Committee Chair shall not serve more than one term as the Nominating Committee Chair in three consecutive years. In addition, the Nominating Committee Chair is to be a non-voting member of the Nominating Committee and will vote only in the event there is a tie from the remaining members of the Nominating Committee.

If there is more than one candidate expressing interest in the same position, the Nominating Committee shall select only one Brother for that position.

All other multiple candidates not selected by the Nominating Committee for its proposed slate will then be allowed to address the Encampment regarding their candidacy. Nominations from the floor are to be accepted at the Department Encampment.

Bylaws Committee: No recommendation as amended.

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OPTION C. AMENDED

Elimination of the Nominating Committee with DELETION OF Section 12, and amend Section 1 to delete "Nominating". This would also require an ADDITION in ARTICLE XXII – Annual Encampment, Section 7. "Election of Department Officers is to follow the same process and procedure utilized by the National SUVCW organization for the election of National Officers. Candidates seeking Department Office shall submit a letter of intention, credentials, and letters of endorsement to the Department Secretary or another Brother designated by the Department Commander prior to 60 days before the Department Encampment. These items provided by the candidate will be posted upon the Department of Michigan website for review prior to 30 days before the Department Encampment. Nominations from the floor are to be accepted at the Department Encampment."

Bylaws Committee: No recommendation as amended.

[AMENDMENT]

ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 4

ORIGINAL

The Bylaws Committee shall be chaired by the Senior Vice Commander and shall annually review these Bylaws, bringing any necessary revisions to the attention of the Department membership. The Bylaws Committee shall, after approval of the Commander-in- Chief, submit copy of revised Bylaws to Department Signals Officer in electronic format for posting on the Department Website. Camp Commanders and Secretaries shall also receive a copy of the newly amended Bylaws.

AMENDED

The Bylaws Committee shall be chaired by the Senior Vice **Department** Commander **and also include the Department Counselor and Department Secretary. Additional Brothers may be added to the Committee as necessary by the Senior Vice Department Commander with consent of the Department Commander. This Committee** ~~and~~ shall annually review these Bylaws, bringing any necessary revisions to the attention of the Department membership. The Bylaws Committee shall, after approval of the Commander-in- Chief, submit copy of revised Bylaws to **the** Department Signals Officer in electronic format for posting on the Department Website. Camp Commanders and Secretaries shall also receive a copy of the newly amended Bylaws.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of the amendment.

[ADDITION]

Per General Order 22, Series 2013 – 2014 (Ken Freshley PCinC) the following addition minors should be added to the Department Bylaws as recommended by Donald Martin, CinC.

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ARTICLE XXIV - Minors

The Department of Michigan and all subordinate Camps shall remain in full compliance with General Order 22, Series 2013-2014; the National Policy Regarding Minors adopted by the Council of Administration 11 July 2014, plus any subsequent Policy, General Order, and/or Regulation of the Order regarding minor's participation in any and all activities of the Order occurring within the Department.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of this addition.

[AMENDMENT]

ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 1

This amendment includes the establishment of the Credentials Committee as a standing committee.

ORIGINAL

The Standing Committees shall be as follows: Bylaws, Legislative, Membership, Graves Registration, Civil War Memorials, G.A.R. Records, Communications and Technology, Nominating and Ceremonies and Rituals.

AMENDED

The Standing Committees shall be as follows: Bylaws, Legislative, Membership, Graves Registration, Civil War Memorials, G.A.R. Records, Communications and Technology, Nominating, ~~and~~ Ceremonies and Rituals, **and Credentials**.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of this addition.

[ADDITION]

ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 13 (or appropriate sequential Section number)

The Credentials Committee shall consist of three appointed Brothers with one designated as the Chair. The Chair will handle the process of preregistration of Delegates as prescribed before the Department Encampment. At the Department Encampment, the Credentials Committee will ascertain that all Delegate credentials are in order, and issue each approved Delegate a voting card and Delegate ribbon. Visitors to the Encampment may receive a Delegate ribbon as a souvenir if sufficient quantities are available. All Delegates that have not preregistered will be registered by the Committee. Upon completion of Delegate registration, the Credentials Committee will prepare a record of the statistics of the Delegates, along with the allowed voting strength of each Camp within the Department.

Bylaws Committee: Recommends adoption of this addition.

INFORMATION SHEETS FOR MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

DATE: May 5-6, 2017

PLACE: HOTEL: Quality Suites 901 Delta Commerce Lansing MI 48917

MEETINGS: Great Lakes Christian College 6211 W Willow Hwy Lansing MI 48917

You may **register** for your **hotel rooms now until April 1, 2017...** (517-886-0600).

Register under Allied Orders-GAR. **Guest rooms are \$97.00 + tax.**

This price includes a hot or continental breakfast every morning.

FRIDAY EVENING MEAL AT HOTEL: \$12.95...Best of the Southwest...flour tortillas, corn tortilla chips, iceberg lettuce, seasoned ground beef, seasoned chicken Mexican ride, black beans, shredded cheese, tomatoes, onions, black olives, jalapenos, sour cream.

SATURDAY MEALS AT COLLEGE:

Lunch...Sandwiches, 2 soups, salad bar, dessert and beverage.

Banquet...Pot roast and one other meat, veggies, potatoes, salad bar, dessert, beverage.

TIMES OF MEALS AND PRICES NOT YET AVAILABLE. WILL BE ANNOUNCED WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

THIS SHEET IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY AT THIS TIME. MORE INFORMATION AND ORDER FORMS WITH ALL PRICES WILL BE OUT AFTER THE NEW YEAR.

ADS FOR PROGRAM: Must be in to Helen Granger by **April 1, 2017.**

PRICES: ¼ page...\$15.00....½ page...\$25.00.....full page...\$40.00.

Helen's address: PO Box 41, Corunna MI 48817.....**EMAIL...**hagranger@hotmail.com

Phone: 517-494-4993

IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT LINDA KRONBERG AT 517-423-3439

SUVCW Department Encampment Pre-Registration Form

(Check only one)

Camp Delegate Camp Commander Department Commander
 Alternate Camp Delegate Past Camp Commander Past Department Commander
 Past Commander-in-Chief

Name: _____ Camp Number: _____

Email Address: _____

SUVCW Pre-Registration Fee is \$5.00 (\$10.00 at Door). Make Checks Payable To: **Dept. of Mich. – SUVCW**

Mail by April 1, 2017 to:

Robert Payne, CC, Chairman, Dept. Credentials Comm.,

3940 Keller Road.

Holt, MI 48842

This form covers only the pre-registration fee. You will still be required to present at the door, a current Membership Card and Credentials Card issued by your Camp Secretary in order to register at the Encampment.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

MAY 5 – 6, 2017

Quality Suites, 901 Delta Commerce Dr. Lansing MI 48917
Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W Willow Hwy, Lansing MI 48917

ENTERTAINMENT-Friday night at hotel instead of on Saturday night.
We will be meeting at 12:15pm and 5:15pm in the Chapel for prayer prior to the meals.

**ALL MEAL RESERVATIONS AND MONEY MUST BE RECEIVED BY
APRIL 1, 2017
THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Make checks payable to: **AOECC**

Mail your meal reservation and check to:
Jim Pahl 445 W Maple St Mason MI 48854

Goodies Auction being held after the luncheon. Please consider donating cookies or brownies.

MEAL RESERVATIONS

_____ (number of meals) Friday night, May 5, 2017 **\$11.00** per person

Meal is at the hotel at **6:00pm**. Minimum of **25** meals for the group must be ordered in order to have the hotel cater it. **Everyone is welcome at this meal.**

BEST OF THE SOUTHWEST...Flour tortillas, Corn tortilla chips, iceberg lettuce, seasoned ground beef, seasoned chicken, Mexican rice, black beans, shredded cheese, tomatoes, onions, black olives, jalapenos, sour cream.

_____ (number of meals) Saturday Lunch, May 6, 2017 **\$11.00** per person

Meal is at the College at **12:30pm**.

MEAL INCLUDES...Salad Bar, 2 Soups, Deli meats and bread, and finger desserts.

There will be a **GOODIES AUCTION** following the luncheon. Please consider donating cookies, brownies, muffins.

_____ (number of meals) Saturday Banquet, May 6, 2017 **\$21.00** per person

Meal is at the College at **5:30pm**.

MEAL INCLUDES...Salad Bar, Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Ham, Pasta Alfredo Casserole, Hot Vegetables, Rolls and Butter, and Plated Desserts.

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

Your check will be acknowledged by E-Mail.

AMOUNT OF CHECK ENCLOSED \$ _____

SUVCW_____ **ASUVCW**_____ **DUVCW**_____ **WRC**_____

Information about the 2017 National Encampment

Please join us in Lansing, Michigan
or the **136th National Encampment**
of The Sons Of Union Veterans Of The Civil War
and the Allied Orders

August 10 - 13, 2017

Host Hotel is the Radisson located in down town Lansing just
a few blocks from the State Capitol.
For more information please visit: suvcwmi.org/2017encampment

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Gentlemen,

As the Department of Michigan has the honor of planning and hosting the upcoming 2017 National Encampment, the Program committee members are offering you first chance to place and/or renew an Ad/Memorial in the National Encampment Program Book. Following this page is the form that needs to be submitted, which contains all the guidelines and costs for the Ads and Vendor tables. Please note that the Ads need to be **print-ready**, and submitted in digital or paper form to the address listed. Receipt of Ad and payment will be confirmed via email. Deadline for submitting ads and memorials for the program book is July 15, 2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration, any time you could give your Department in this regard would be very greatly appreciated.

Karen Hamann, PDP
Dept of MI ASUVCW,
Vendor Room Committee
Program Book Committee
Fundraising Committee

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The Department of Michigan is looking for volunteers.

Michigan is hosting the National Encampment for the SUVCW this coming summer. We are looking for volunteers to work on the Encampment programs both leading up to and during the Encampment which will be held in Lansing from Thursday, August 10 to Sunday, August 13, 2017. If we all pitch in, it will make for a great time without too much burden on any single individual or group. Many hands make light work, as they say.

If you can help, please contact Don Shaw, Committee Co-chair at P31713@aol.com or Paul Davis, Committee Co-chair at pdmarcomm@aol.com.

2017 Allied Orders National Encampment Program Book Advertisement Order Form

Please help us defray the cost of hosting the 2017 National Encampment by placing an advertisement, memorial or booster ad in the Official Program Book of the 2017 Allied Orders National Encampment to be held in Michigan.

Express your pride and honor your Civil War ancestors and their units. Send greetings on behalf of your Auxiliary, Camp, Tent, Circle or Department. Congratulate the Commander In Chief and/or National Presidents on a job well done. Pre-2018 National Encampment Host Committee ads are also welcome.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP Code _____ Phone Number _____

Email _____

Organization _____

Ad Specifications and Requirements:

- Size of the Program Booklet is 8 ½" wide by 11" high (vertical)
- All ads are **black and white**
- No bleed ads will be accepted. Ad must fit within the 8 ½" by 11" page size.
- All ads must be complete and supplied in an electronic format. **A digital copy, 300 dpi or more in a jpg or pdf file format, and at the final size the ad is to be reproduced.**
- All ads must include all graphics, photos and any design elements in place as well as all type fonts must be imbedded.
- You may request a type only add and ads of this type will require that you send all text in either a Microsoft .doc or .docx file.
- Photo copies of ads or formerly printed ads, especially if they are already half-tone screened are not recommended and if submitted as such, the quality will not be guaranteed.

Ad sizes are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Page (ad area not to exceed 7" wide by 9-3/4" high) | Price: \$40 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Half Page (ad area not to exceed 7" wide by 5" high) | Price: \$25 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page (ad area not to exceed 3-1/4" wide by 4-1/4" high) | Price: \$15 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Ad 1-1/2" high by x 6" wide | Price: \$10 each |

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Mail this form and a check payable to the DEPT. OF MICHIGAN, SUVCW 2017 to:
Karen Hamann, 2312 Gady Road, Adrian, Michigan 49221. Also please include a printed copy of your ad.

Send all ad electronic files to:karenhamann31@gmail.com. If your files are too large to Email send a CD or other recordable media to the mailing address above.

DEADLINE : All orders must be received prior to July 15, 2017

2017 Allied Orders National Encampment Vendor And Display Table Order Form

There are a limited number of tables available. They are offered on a first-come-first-served basis.

All tables are standard 8 foot tables. The \$25.00 fee per table covers the duration of the Encampment. Vendor Tables will be in a secured room. Display tables will not be in a secured room.

Reservation Deadline:

Reservations and payment must be received before July 15, 2017.
Reservations will be conformed via Email.

Please Note: Vendors must have their goods packed up and removed from the Vendor area by 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 12, 2017.

Please Reserve _____ Secured Tables @ \$25.00 each

Please Reserve _____ Display Tables @ \$25.00 each

Total Enclosed _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP Code _____ Phone Number _____

Email _____

Organization _____

Mail this Form with check payable to **Dept. of Michigan, SUVCW 2017** to:

2017 National Encampment Vendor Tables
Karen Hamann
2312 Gady Road
Adrian, Michigan 49221



2017 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SOUVENIR BADGE

The Department of Michigan presents the 2017 National Encampment of the Allied Orders Custer Souvenir Badge.

The badge is approximately 2.25 inches wide and 5 inches in length. The Custer medallion at the top is sculptured in bas relief. It is approximately 2.25 inches in diameter and is made of bronze tone metal. The GAR star and Custer badge are also made of metal and enameled in the colors as shown in the example. The ribbon is grosgrain in yellow.

This handsome, elegantly crafted badge will be available for pre-sale orders and will be delivered to you by USPS Priority Mail before the Encampment. Or you may pre-order the badge and pick it up when you arrive at the encampment.

To pre-order your badge, send a check in the amount of \$25.00 plus \$7.00 for postage and insurance.

You may also pre-order your badge for a payment of \$25.00 and pick it up at the Encampment.

Actual badge not shown. Please note these badges are not sequentially numbered.

2017 National Encampment Custer Souvenir Badge Order Form

_____ Number of Badges Ordered @ \$25.00 each plus \$7.00 postage and insurance \$ _____

_____ Number of Badges Ordered @ \$25.00 each for pick-up at the Encampment \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email if you wish to have your Order confirmed: _____

Send this Order Form and check or money order made payable to: Department of Michigan SUVCW
to Jan Davis P.O. Box 6517 Saginaw, Mi 48608



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*Recipient of the Marshall Hope Award for Best Department
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U.S. Grant Camp 67 Adds Two New Members

Submitted by Paul Davis, PDC

In November, members of the Grant Camp participated in the Gettysburg Remembrance activities. These included placing National and Michigan flags on the graves of Michigan soldiers and reading the names of those buried there; serving in the Honor Guard at the Woolson Memorial Monument; Marching in the parade; and conducting a Memorial Service at the 3rd Michigan Infantry Monument.



Nate Smith placing flags at Gettysburg

Most of the Brothers in Grant Camp have been sequester in Winter Quarters.

In January our Officers for 2017 were installed and we added two new members.

Bill Hanusik transferred into Grant and Dustin Oswald is a new member and was initiation during the January meeting.



Dustin Oswald



Laying wreaths at the Lincoln Monument during the Lincoln Birthday Celebration in Washington, D.C.

In February, Camp SVC Paul Davis was in Washington, D.C. to participate in the Lincoln Birthday celebration at the Lincoln Monument. He had the pleasure of meeting C-I-C Don Martin and SVC-I-C Mark Day as well as several members the Washington D.C. Commandery of MOLLUS.

When Spring arrives the Boys of Grant Camp will be busy with Memorial Services, Headstone Services and clean-up of GAR Plots and headstones in their geographical

Editor's Note: Why Michigan's Messenger is now distributed electronically:

In 2005 the Department was faced with rising printing and mailing costs for the nationally recognized Michigan's Messenger. Very few options were available to Department Officers, so the issue was put on the floor at the Department Encampment.

The Members voted to publish Michigan's Messenger in an electronic format, with each edition being forwarded to one person in each Camp (thereafter called a Camp Signals Officer), who would then distribute the newsletter to Camp Members.

As a result of this action by the Membership, dues have not been raised.

I believe that the Camps have the responsibility to report changes, so that we can continue to serve you, you must provide me with a current contact for electronic mailing.

I have tried to include every article that was sent to me prior to publication, so that all future issues will be timely. I welcome all constructive suggestions, and encourage all of you to submit relative news about your committees, your Camps, and your ancestors. This is your newsletter, and its success depends on you. Rick Danes, editor@suvcwmi.org.



2017 National Encampment Update

With the planning stages for the Encampment mostly completed, it is now time to focus on the full execution of those plans. In order to make our National Encampment successful and make the Department of Michigan a proud and gracious host, we are asking for volunteers, both Brothers and Sisters, to help with the many hands-on tasks that are before us.

Below you will see the Organizational Chart for the Encampment. There are several Task Groups shown which are managed by a Task Group Leader. Please review these various groups to see where your interest or interests are and consider volunteering your time and talents.

Some of these tasks require helpers before the Encampment such as Program Book Ad Sales, collating and stuffing goody bags, and making center pieces for the Banquet.

Within a few days of the Encampment we will need helpers to run errands, help with set-ups, post signs, and a variety of “go-fer” jobs.

During the Encampment, we will need helpers to distribute attendee goody bags, help with distribution and sales of badges and other fund raising items, assist with tours, serve as greeters and answer questions from guests, serve on the 24/7 help desk, and several more runner/”go-fer” jobs.

We are also looking for EMTs, nurses and doctors to assist with medical emergencies.

Thank you.

Co-Chairs Don Shaw and Paul Davis

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Table of Organization For 2017 National Encampment (rev. February 1, 2017)

Executive Committee	
Don Shaw, Chair	Bruce Gosling, Treasurer/Finance
Paul Davis, Co-Chair	Karen Hamann, National ASUVCW Representative
Jim Pahl	Dean Lamphere, SUVCW Dept. Commander
Keith Harrison	Jan Davis, ASUVCW Dept. President

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All Printed Items
Encamp. Book
Banquet
Program
Advertising
Signs
Campfire
Program
Memorial
Service Program
.....
Volunteers
Paul Davis
Jan Davis

BADGES
David Smith
Delegate
Ribbons
Delegate
Badge
Souvenir
Badge
.....
Volunteers
Gary Granger
Jan Davis
Gary Gibson

BANQUET
Dean Lamphere
Meal Choices
Tickets
Table Favors
Center Pieces Flowers
Rooms for Special
Dinners & Events: (SVR
COA)
.....
Volunteers
Vicki Weiss

* The LGAR POC is Beth Rock. She is not an Executive Committee Member per her choice.

Table of Organization For 2017 National Encampment (rev. February 1, 2017)

Executive Committee	
Don Shaw, Chair	Bruce Gosling, Treasurer/Finance
Paul Davis, Co-Chair	Karen Hamann, National ASUVCW Representative
Jim Pahl	Dean Lamphere, SUVCW Dept. Commander
Keith Harrison	Jan Davis, ASUVCW Dept. President

ENTERTAINMENT
Jim Pahl
Banquet Camp Fire Memorial Service Hospitality Greeters Color Guard
.....
Volunteers
Dean Lamphere Linda Kronberg

FUND RAISING
Karen Hamann
Ideas and Activities For Raising Funds T-Shirts Host T-Shirts Raffles Souvenir Items Michigan Items Vendor Tables and Contracts Ad Sales Goody Bags Items for Bags
.....
. Volunteers
David Smith Vicki Weiss Jim Pahl

ACTIVITIES & TOURS
Keith Harrison
Manage all aspects Venues Bus Transportation Tickets Docents
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Volunteers
Lisa Smith Dave Arnold

COMMUNICATIONS
Paul Davis
BANNER Pre-Registration Correspondence Orders Media Coverage Greetings, Invites Proclamations Publicity Advertising Media Webmaster Contact Website Content Photographer
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Volunteers
Jan Davis