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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS
OF THE CIVIL WAR

LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Sunday, August 9, 1998
9:00 a.m.

Prelude **Keith Ashley**
Musician, SUVCW

Processional *Onward Christian Soldiers*

Draping the Three Charters..... **Rev. George W. Pucciarelli**
National Chaplain, SUVCW

Michelle Langley
National Chaplain, ASUVCW

Kathy Stiffler
National Chaplain, LGAR

Lighting of the Candles **Richard Orr**
Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW

Jacquelyn W. Johnston
National President, ASUVCW

Barbara Tyler
National President, LGAR

Invocation **Rev. George W. Pucciarelli**
National Chaplain, SUVCW

Hymn..... *In the Garden*

Reading **Michelle Langley**
National Chaplain, ASUVCW

Memorial to the Grand Army of the Republic **David Medert**
PC-in-C, SUVCW

EULOGY

Norm Furman, Past Commander-in-Chief..... **Joseph Rippey**
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PNP, LGAR

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LGAR

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Past National Presidents, Auxiliary..... **Betty J. Baker**
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Past Commanders-in-Chief, SUVCW **Richard Schlenker**
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Past National Presidents, Ladies of the GAR **Janice Corfman**
PNP, LGAR

Deceased Officers & Members, Auxiliary..... **Linda Fields**
National Vice President, ASUVCW

Deceased Officers & Members, Sons..... **Elmer (Bud) Atkinson**
PC-in-C, SUVCW

Deceased Officers & Members, Ladies of the GAR, **Lois Reffner**
PNP, LGAR

Hymn *The Old Rugged Cross*

Musical Rendition **Robert Eck**

Placing of Flowers for all Departments..... **National Chaplains**

Benediction **Kathy Stiffler**
National Chaplain, LGAR

Taps **Ivan Frantz, Jr.**
PDC, PA, SUVCW

Extinguishing of Candles..... **National Heads**

Recessional..... *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

TRIBUTE TO PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

Another year has come to a close and we again meet in National Encampment to evaluate the accomplishments of the present, to plan for the future, and to seriously reflect on the past. Let us for a moment pause and remember all those dedicated hard-working Sisters who gave of themselves and served as National Presidents.

Our first National Encampment was in 1887. At that time Sister Laura Miller of Lancaster, PA started the reign of National Presidents. Since that time, one hundred dedicated Sisters have served in the highest office that our Order can offer. Their leadership and devotion has been an inspiration to us all to continue to build for the future. Each one of these Past National Presidents gave to us and our Organization leadership, wisdom, understanding, and an example of true patriotism - an inspiration to us all.

God in His infinite wisdom has called, over the years, seventy-seven of these Sisters home. Each one of these Past National Presidents left something very special by their loyalty and dedication which contributed to the success of our Order. No greater tribute can be said to their memory than, "We, the living, dedicate ourselves to carry on the principles and objects of our Order and preserve it for Eternity." Let us remember with love and gratitude what they gave to us.

So much we cannot comprehend,
So much we can't explain,
But let us have faith, God is our friend
Despite our times of pain.
And let us be glad for memories sweet
Of those we loved and lost,
With Faith that we again shall meet
When life's divide is crossed.

TRIBUTE TO DECEASED OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

Throughout the years our officers and members have provided us with the strength, courage, and guidance that we need to succeed as an Organization. A day does not go by where we are not reminded of their acts of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty. They would not think twice about offering their services to help someone in need, whether it be visiting someone who was sick, taking a Sister to the doctor, or just lending a shoulder to cry on. Countless hours were spent volunteering at local hospitals, nursing homes, and crocheting or knitting scarves and mittens for needy children. If a Sister needed a ride to an Auxiliary meeting, all she had to do was ask and they were there. Their support for our Organization on the local, Department and National level was

unquestionable. They were always there to provide assistance wherever it was needed and many times wore "several hats" with a smile. Their greatest accomplishment, without a doubt, was instilling in us their same desire and love for this Organization. We can give them no greater tribute than to carry on what they have started and making certain that this burning flame does not dwindle and smolder. The longer we live, the more we learn and all of our experience doesn't really help when it comes to losing someone we care about. We will have the memories of all we have shared to bring us comfort and peace. We will always hold them dear to our heart. Dear Sisters, good night. We love you!

READING

May the current members of the Grand Army of the Republic find inspiration and encouragement in the memory of those who fought so hard to make this great nation what it is today. These words by Helen Steiner Rice so aptly describe some of the important qualities we saw in our departed members.

Heart Gifts

It's not the things that can be bought,
That are Life's richest treasures.
It's just the little heart gifts,
That money cannot measure.
A cheerful smile, a friendly word,
A sympathetic nod, are priceless little treasures
From the store house of our God.
They are the things that can't be bought
With silver or with gold,
For thoughtfulness and kindness and love are never sold.
They are the priceless things in life
For which no one can pay,
And the giver finds rich reward
In giving them away.

CAMPFIRE PROGRAM

Friday, August 7, 1998

7:00 p.m.

- Master of Ceremonies** **Lester "Al" Kern**
PA , SUVCW
- Entertainment** **New Dawn Singers**
- Posting of Colors** **Gettysburg Blues**
Sons of Veterans Reserve
- National Anthem** **New Dawn Singers and Assembly**
- Invocation** **Michelle Langley**
National Chaplain, ASUVCW
- Greetings** **Glenn Knight**
Department Commander, PA, SUVCW
- Address** **Dr. John Latschar**
Superintendent, Gettysburg Nat'l Battlefield Park
- Greetings** **Richard D. Orr**
Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW
- Greetings** **Jacquelyn Johnston**
National President, ASUVCW
- Greetings** **Barbara Tyler**
National President, LGAR
- Benediction** **Kathy Stiffler**
National Chaplain, LGAR
- Retiring of the Colors** **Gettysburg Blues**
Sons of Veterans Reserve
- Taps** **Ivan Frantz, Jr**
PDC, PA, SUVCW

COURTESY HOUR

National Chiefs of Staff Teresa Doyle and Steve Leicht were in charge of the Courtesy Hour. National President Jackie Johnston and Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr were escorted to their seats at the front of the room by their Personal Aides.

The Pennsylvania Department came in dressed as trainmen and sang the following tune to the National Heads:

WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH OUR LEADERS *(To the Tune of "I've Been working on the Railroad")*

We've been working with our leaders,
All the year just past.
We've been trying to get Rich and Jacq,
Just to stop and breathe at last.

We must read your General Orders,
Rear back and kick a little sand.
How'd you make those many visits,
All across this land?

Jackie don't you know,
It costs a lot to go?
Jackie won't you show
Your tickets to us?

Richard please excuse,
Our slow eternal muse.
Richard you are too
Pro-fuse.

Someone's in the suite with Jackie,
Someone's in the suite she kno-o-o-ows.
Someone's in the suite with Jackie,
Like mom and dad and those.

Fe-fi-fiddley I owe,
Richard please alone don't go-o-o-o,
Without a vest of mail at least,
Off to the great north east.
Remember when you go back home,
As has-beens caught in rhyme,
You'll always know that in old P-A,
You're welcome any time.

The following old Shaker hymn was played on the trumpet by PDC Ivan Frantz, Jr, PA:

SIMPLE GIFTS

'Tis a gift to be simple,
'Tis a gift to be free,
'Tis a gift to come down where you ought to be.
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.

The Connecticut Department sang *When the Red, Red Robin Comes Bob, Bob, Bobbin Along*.

The Maryland-Delaware Department sang the following to the tune of *I've Been Working on the Railroad*:

We are the Sons of Union Veterans,
Hip Hip Hooray.
We are the Sons of Union Veterans,
We will not fade away.

We are the Sons of Union Heroes,
Who answered Lincoln's call.
We are the Sons of Union Heroes,
Heroes one and all.

Brothers give a cheer,
Brothers give a cheer,
Give a cheer to Brother Orr.
Hoozah! Hoozah! Hoozah!

Brothers give a cheer,
Brothers give a cheer,
Give a cheer to Sister Johnston.
Hoozah! Hoozah! Hoozah!

The New Hampshire Department dressed as farm animals and sang *Old Lady Johnston Had a Farm*.

The New Jersey Department conducted a "Miss America Pageant."

The Ohio Department presented a framed picture of the Civil War Stamp Series issued by the U.S. Post Office to both Brother Richard and Sister Jackie.

All Departments brought greetings, best wishes, and gifts.

ALLIED ORDERS BANQUET
New Cumberland, Pennsylvania
August 8, 1998

Banquet Pianist **Keith Ashley**
 SUVCW

Greetings **Teresa Doyle**
 National Chief of Staff, ASUVCW

Toastmaster **Glenn B. Knight**
 Department Commander, PA, SUVCW

Pledge of Allegiance **Assembly**

National Anthem **Assembly**

Invocation **Rev. George Pucciarielli**
 National Chaplain, SUVCW

DINNER

Entertainment

Tribute to Fathers **Jennie Vertrees**
 National Senior Vice President, LGAR

Tribute to Mothers **Dolores Hubbard**
 National Junior Vice President, LGAR

Introduction of Guests **Glenn B Knight**
 Department Commander, PA, SUVCW

Benediction **Rev. Gene R. Stuckey, Sr.**
 Department Chaplain, PA, SUVCW

Pennsylvania Closing **Assembly**

JOINT OPENING

The Joint Opening of the Sons and Auxiliary was held Friday morning, conducted by Chiefs of Staff Teresa Doyle and Steve Leicht. Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr and National President Jacquelyn Johnston were escorted into the room to the podium.

National Officers of the Sons and Auxiliary were introduced and flowers were placed in a vase. Past Commanders-in-Chief and Past National Presidents were seated in chairs with gold ribbons. As they were introduced, their presiding year was given.

Sisters Dottie Kern, PDP, PA and Martha Wilson, PDP, PA sang the following to Commander-in-Chief Richard and National President Jackie:

Now the hour has arrived,
And your final tasks you do,
As convention days unfold and dreams come true.
You have worked and done your best,
Just to carry out the plans,
Now it's up to all of us to do the rest.
You traveled many miles and made many, many new friends,
Since you started your reign a very short year ago.
All good wishes now we bring
From each one of us to you,
And a cheery welcome sing,
Jackie and Dick.

Commander-in-Chief Richard and National President Jackie extended their greetings. Members were then excused to go to their meeting rooms.

FIRST SESSION

Friday Morning, August 7, 1998

10:00 a.m.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT JACQUELYN JOHNSTON: Before we formally open, I would like to welcome the New Hampshire Delegation and my Chief of Staff. Please come to my station.

President Jackie was presented a bowl containing money, a check, and flowers from the New Hampshire Department.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Teresa, thank you for that very impressive opening. I really appreciated the Sisters of the Pennsylvania Department performing the Exemplification of the Ritual yesterday. They did a very,

very wonderful job. Unfortunately, not everyone knew it was being held and some missed out on something that was really nice.

I also want to thank the Past National Presidents for my dinner last night. It was very nice.

Jill, would you please announce the name of our club?

JILL JAMIESON, DP, NJ: Our club name is Jackie's Jacks.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Did you ever play that game? They said I was the ball and they were all the jacks.

Sisters, we have a stenographer who is not a member of the Auxiliary, so when you speak, please go to the microphone and give your full name and where you are from to make sure you will be identified.

I will make the following appointments:

Parliamentarian.....	Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
Guide	Mary Scofield, PDP, CT
Assistant Guide	Amanda Kroger, PA
Color Guard #1.....	Joyce Norman, PDP, CT
Color Guard #2.....	Judy Trepanier, CT
Inside Guard	Mildred Ames, MD-DE
Outside Guard	Rose LoVette, PDP, NY
Musician	Ruth Huntington, PDP, CT
Escorts	Betty Mellor, PDP, MA
	Peggy Frantz, PDP, PA
	Sarah Cherry, DP, OH
Pages	Amanda Bunnell, MAL, CA
Ritualistic Work	Pennsylvania Delegation

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEES

Arrangements: Department of Pennsylvania Sons and Auxiliary,
Chairman Past Commander-in-Chief Bud Atkinson.

Credentials: Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME, Chairman;
Doris Warner, AP, ME; Marguerite Plante, PDP, RI; Cynthia Brown,
DP, MA

Election Committee: Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY, Chairman;
Mary Spalding, PDP, NH; Ann Iannitto, PDP, PA

Officers' Reports: Catherine Zapatka, PNP, CT and Dorothy Hilyard,
PNP, MD-DE, Co-Chairmen; Alice Doyle, PDP, VT

Resolutions: Esther Peiper, PNP, PA, Chairman; Peggy Schaefer, NCM
#3, PDP, WI; Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME

Restoration of Rank: Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA, Chairman; Danielle
Michaels, DP, WI; Emma Prince, PDP, CT

Encampment Press: Martha Johnson, National Press Correspondent,
PDP, PA, Chairman; Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA; Mary Jo Long, NCM
#2, PDP, PA

GREETINGS COMMITTEES

PRESIDENT JACKIE: We are not going to have a Greetings Committee to the Sons or to the Ladies because Richard, Barbara, and I decided we had so much to do and we bring our greetings to everybody at the banquet and at the campfire. We think we're going to say it enough so we are going to dispense with that one item that does take up some time.

Thank you Sisters Margaret Atkinson; Mary Jo Long; all Pennsylvania members for volunteering; the Ladies of the Grand Army; my mother, Emma Wheeler, and Janice Broderick from New Hampshire; and Marguerite Plante from Rhode Island.

Response to the Recipient of the Patriotic Instructor's Gift: Emma Prince, PDP, CT

Response to all other Guests: Catherine Zapatka, PNP, CT

Guides, Color Guards, and Escort escorted the Pennsylvania Encampment Committee to the altar.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters and Brother Bud Atkinson, we extend to you a hearty welcome. Sisters, with me salute.

BETTY KOCH, PNP, LGAR: Sister National President, to you, your officers, and delegates, we extend to you greetings and wish for you a happy, productive, and harmonious Encampment. We would like to present you with a gift from the Committee.

*New Cumberland Auxiliary #7 also presented
President Jackie with a gift.*

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you. I want to thank these ladies and Mrs. Mary J. Bannon for getting me my stenographer. She worked very hard hunting one down here. I really appreciate it. I know she put a lot of hours into it and she deserves a good "thank you" for that.

PC-IN-C BUD ATKINSON: I would like to welcome you all here to the Encampment. I hope you have a wonderful one. If there is anything we can do, holler for Bud Atkinson. My name is now Aloysius; so call Bud Atkinson and he'll take care of it for you! (*laughter*)

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much.

The Guides and Color Guards escorted them from the room.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Membership: Linda Fields, NVP, PDP, NY, Chairman; all Department and Auxiliary Vice Presidents

Legislative: Peggy Schaefer, NCM #3, PDP, WI, Chairman; Ellinore Johnson, PNP, WI, Chairman Emeritus

Constitution, Rules, & Regulations: Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY, Chairman; Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME; Alice Doyle, Dept. Secy-Treas, VT

Ritual Committee: Esther Peiper, PNP, PA, Chairman; Sarah Cherry, DP, OH; Cynthia Brown, DP, MA

Revision of Blanks: Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME, Chairman; Doris Warner, ME

Rehabilitation: Emma Prince, PDP, CT, Chairman

SPECIAL APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Encampment Site: Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY

New Auxiliary Recruiter/Organizer: Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA

Membership List Coordinator: Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY

Life Membership: Florence Spring, PNP, NJ, Chairman; Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY; Frances Murray, PNP, ME

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Welcome to the 112th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. It is absolutely wonderful to see so many members and delegates here today. Before the official opening of business, I wish to give out my gifts.

Sister National Secretary, will you please call the roll of National Officers who will take position in front of my station. *Not present was Elizabeth Phillips, Washington DC Representative, MD-DE.*

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I hope you will accept this little token of my appreciation. I know all of you worked very hard this year. I know everybody is looking forward to each of your reports, and we certainly appreciate all that you have done for our Order.

NATIONAL OFFICERS: Thank you, Sister President.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister National Secretary, please call the roll of Past National Presidents who will take position in front of my station.

The following responded (11): Dorothy Hilyard, MD-DE; Emma Wheeler, NH; Eileen Coombs, ME; Esther Peiper, PA; Catherine Zapatka, CT; Beatrice Greenwalt, NY; Ora Moitoso, RI; Frances Murray, ME; Florence Spring, NJ; Margaret Atkinson, PA; and Betty Baker, NY.

PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS: Thank you, Sister President.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: By the way, if you wonder who that handsome guy is that's taking pictures around all these places, it's my husband. I'd

have made him come to the meeting, but I thought that would be kind of mean.

Sister National Secretary, please call the roll of Past Department Presidents who served their Departments during the 1997-1998 year who will take positions in front of my station.

The following responded (9): Dorothy Bianco, CT; Elizabeth Ferrin, ME; Dorothy Hilyard, MD-DE; Mary Spalding, NH; Ruby Kissinger, NJ; Rose LoVette, NY; Sarah Cherry, OH; Beverly Knight, PA; and Danielle Michaels, WI.

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS: Thank you, Sister President.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister National Secretary, please call the roll of Department Presidents who have recently been installed for the 1998-1999 term who will take positions in front of my station.

The following responded (10): Catherine Zapatka, CT; Elizabeth Ferrin, ME; Florence Foight, MD-DE; Cynthia Brown, MA; Janice Broderick, NH; Jill Jamieson, NJ; Rose LoVette, NY; Sarah Cherry, OH; Catherine Hartman, PA; and Danielle Michaels, WI.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters, it was a pleasure having breakfast with you this morning. I want to thank you and wish you a most successful year. Keep up the good work. Work hard and keep your Auxiliaries and Departments growing. I really appreciate all your work and efforts along that line.

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS: Thank you, Sister President.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister National Secretary, please call the roll of the Appointed Officers who will take positions in front of my station.

APPOINTED OFFICERS: Thank you, Sister President.

Guides and Color Guards escorted Lizzie Firczuk and Daria Gasparini, representatives from Save Outdoor Sculptures, to the altar.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters Lizzie Firczuk and Daria Gasparini, we welcome you to our 112th National Encampment. Sisters, with me salute.

Guides and Color Guards escorted them to the President's station.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters, these ladies are from Save Outdoor Sculptures and they wanted to have a minute to explain their project to us.

LIZZIE FIRSZUK: Good morning, everybody. As you know, Civil War sculpture makes up an important part of the public monuments in the United States - 56 percent of these monuments are in need of preservation.

Save Outdoor Sculptures can help the Sons of Union Veterans members and the Auxiliary coordinate preservation efforts for these symbols of our heritage. To provide the best care possible for outdoor sculpture, it is necessary to follow three steps. The first is to obtain a condition assessment from a conservation professional. This person will provide cost estimates and determine if the piece requires more complex conservation treatment or basic maintenance.

Secondly, if the sculpture does need treatment, a qualified conservation professional must be employed to carry out the work. And, finally, regular maintenance should be organized for all sculptures on a consistent basis. These three steps: condition assessment, conservation treatment, and maintenance, will help ensure our Civil War history and yours.

Your ultimate responsibility is to preserve a work of art, an irreplaceable treasure that must be approached with the utmost care, skill, and sensitivity. If the conservator is inexperienced, uses inappropriate materials, or cuts corners to reduce costs or to save time, the damage can be devastating and often irreparable.

When the conservator is highly qualified and sensitive to aesthetic and art historical concerns, and knowledgeable about materials and methods, the results can bring new life to sculpture. SOS is happy to provide referrals for conservation professionals. The SOS 2000 award can help SUV Camps and the Auxiliaries cover the preservation costs with support for assessment, treatments, and maintenance training.

I don't know if you've noticed, but we have a table outside in the hallway. We'd be happy to answer any question that you have. Thank you very much for giving us this opportunity to speak this morning.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Emma, would you please respond?

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: We are so pleased that you came to tell us about the preservation of monuments because we are very much interested in our Civil War monuments. They are deteriorating and we would like to have them fixed, so I am glad that you came and told us about this. Thank you for coming.

Guides and Color Guards escorted the guests from the room.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: This 112th Annual National Encampment of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will come to order. I wish to extend a warm welcome to all present and hope you will find the meetings interesting and productive.

Sister Chaplain, you will proceed to the altar, open the Bible, and ask Divine Blessing. Parade rest.

The meeting was opened in ritualistic form. The Guide reported all entitled to remain.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Vice President, you will take over my duties while I read my report.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT REPORT

Thank you so much for electing me to the position of National President at the 111th National Encampment in Utica, NY. I have tried to fulfill all the duties of the office to the best of my ability and with the time and energy left after coming home from my full time job.

In Memoriam

We have been very fortunate this year. We have made it through one year without losing a single Past National President; however, that has been tempered by the loss of several Past Department Presidents and Auxiliary Sisters. We lost a very good friend and worker in Past Commander-in-Chief Norman Furman. He has sung to our National Presidents for so many years. He will be greatly missed.

Finances

As explained at previous Encampments, our National Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor must raise the funds to support our National Auxiliary. This is an extremely difficult job. I feel sorry for these individuals for all the sale tables and raffles they have to hold to earn money. We have managed to stay in budget through the benevolence of our National Officers who supplement with their own funds to cover their expenses.

I personally feel that if every member of our Order gave a nominal donation of \$10 each, and each Department and stand-alone Auxiliary gave \$10 to \$25 each, we would not have to ask these officers to earn a dime. I realize that we have some members who are elderly, in nursing homes, and cannot afford this; however, I believe that more than 90% of our members are able to donate this modest sum. I would ask that each one here take this message back home. When you have an Auxiliary meeting, ask your membership and Auxiliary to make these donations and send them to the National Treasurer designated for a 70%/30% split between the Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor funds. If you would follow through on this prior to December 1998, our incoming money officers would know what they must earn. Naturally, Department donations must wait until their Encampments in 1999.

Recommendation #1: That the per capita tax of 75¢ per quarter remain the same for the 1998/1999 year.

If the reports of the National Treasurer and Director of the Budget show that we have not kept within budget and ended our year with a deficit, we can address the subject of an increase from the floor.

I do not know what we can do to enforce the prompt filing of Quarterly Reports. We have a \$5.00 late fine which has not seemed to make much of a difference. Sisters, a majority of Departments and stand-alone Auxiliaries are represented here at National. Please, Sisters, help your Auxiliary Secretaries and Treasurers to get their reports in on time as well as your Department Secretaries and Treasurers. Our National Secretary and Treasurer spend a lot of time trying to get these reports and payments. They should not have to use their resources and time in this manner.

As I have traveled, I have found that many Auxiliaries or Departments do not have more than one signer on their bank accounts. This can become a real problem if someone is sick, injured, or dies while in office.

Also, the positions of Secretary and Treasurer are very important ones. I believe that one needs to have some guidance when elected to these offices.

Recommendation #2:

- A. That we suggest to each Auxiliary and each Department that, if at all possible, they elect an Assistant Secretary/Treasurer not only to assist these officers, but to learn the job responsibilities in preparation to assume these positions at a future election.
- B. That the Assistant Treasurer or the President or a Trustee or Member of the Council be able to sign checks so that the Auxiliary or Department can always access their funds.

Wreath Presentations

It was a privilege and honor to be able to lay wreaths in the name of the National Auxiliary at the following:

1. Comrade Albert Woolson's Monument in Gettysburg, PA, commemorating the 41st GAR Remembrance Day.
2. The Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC on February 12th.
3. The Lincoln Tomb in Springfield, IL, as part of the Lincoln Death Day Ceremonies, April 15th.
4. General Ulysses S. Grant's Tomb, Manhattan, NY, on April 26th.
5. The Civil War Monument in the West Street Cemetery, Milford, NH, during the Memorial Day Parade. My local Sons and Auxiliary are in charge of this portion of the ceremony each year.

6. The flower laying ceremonies at the Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, NH, in honor of all our G.A.R. veterans on May 30th.

This year I was very disturbed to find that the cost of a flower wreath in Washington, DC, was \$75.00. If the wreath were left at the Memorial, it might be justified. Unfortunately, within half an hour of the ceremony, after people have left the area, these wreaths are removed and thrown away. I had an artificial wreath made up for Springfield, IL and used it again at Grant's Tomb.

Recommendation #3: That the National continue to provide wreaths at Comrade Woolson's Monument, Gettysburg, PA; the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, DC; the Lincoln Tomb, Springfield, IL; Grant's Tomb, Manhattan, NY; and that we give the \$25.00 donation to the Cathedral of the Pines, with the National President or her representative attending each one.

Recommendation #4: That we get a vote of the Encampment as to whether we should use an artificial wreath at some or all of these ceremonies to save expenses.

Scholarship Award

We had 23 applications for the National Scholarship of \$400. The final decision was a very, very difficult one to make. The young people applying all worked hard, had out-standing grades, contributed to their community, church, and school, most had ancestry, and all were deserving of aid.

The Scholarship was awarded to Sister Rachel A. Ashley, 34465 Crew Road, Pomeroy, OH 45769-9715. She is the daughter of Keith and Emma Ashley and, along with her family, is an active member of the Frost Auxiliary in OH. She will be initially attending Hocking Technical College in Nelsonville, OH, to obtain her Associate Degree and then looks forward to going on to Ohio State University to complete her Bachelor's Degree. We wish Rachel the best of success in her pursuit of her career choice.

Recommendation #5: That we continue to give our \$400.00 scholarship and that the Recipient be the choice of the National President.

Last year it was recommended that we develop a standard application form. Sister Frances Murray sent me a form she used in her Maine Auxiliary. I edited it very little. We did realize that if we had a transcript of their school grades and a recommendation from a teacher that this would help in the decision process. I have forwarded a revised form to the Forms Committee for consideration of adoption.

New Auxiliaries

We have instituted the following new Auxiliaries:

1. Mary Ann Bickerdyke Auxiliary #2, in Aurora, IL, on April 16.
They have 12 members.
2. Auxiliary #26 to Vienna Camp #46, Portsmouth, OH on May 31, 1998. They have 14 members with several applications still to be received.

There are several Auxiliaries that are in the process of being formed, two of which are in Taunton, MA and Westfield, MA. Keep up the good work, Sisters. We are, at last, growing again. And, don't forget to continue recruiting new members for our established Auxiliaries.

Publicity

Sisters Margaret Atkinson and Betty Baker were adamant that we should be advertising for members. However, the committees they appointed reported that little or nothing was done. We have set aside funds for advertising that have never been used. I asked several individuals to chair this committee who all said they could not handle the job. Therefore, I left this committee unfilled.

I do not know what to recommend, Sisters. If you or other Sisters in your local Auxiliary can help in this area, please let the incoming National President know. I do believe that the Internet is a very viable place for publicity.

Recommendation #6: That the incoming National President put a paragraph in her First General Order asking for anyone who has expertise in the area of setting up and designing a website to contact her so that she can put together a committee to pursue this. This committee should design the site and obtain all related cost information. We should coordinate with the Sons of Union Veterans as a direct link off their site; that should be much less expensive.

If the cost is within our currently budgeted amount, with approval of the National President and Council, the website may be put on line. If the cost is more than budgeted, then the committee should report back to the National Encampment next year with samples of the site page and request an appropriation to implement this program.

General Orders & Correspondence

I have issued three General Orders this year. Early in September I wrote to each Department and Auxiliary President requesting information on their Encampment or other special times when I could

make my official visit. I have used e-mail and the telephone in addition to writing.

Sisters, right now, let me apologize and ask your forgiveness for information I promised I would send and have not sent yet. Piece by piece, I have been trying to get your answers to you. Working full time for a company that has changed ownership, and which has had two different CEO's, has made it extremely difficult for me to get extra time to complete these tasks. I would appreciate any reminders on information I promised to get you, and after Encampment I will continue to follow up and get the information to you.

Sons of Union Veterans

I have had a wonderful year with the Sons. Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr was extremely warm, friendly, and helpful throughout the year. He has answered all my e-mails promptly and has written in support wherever it was needed. With National President Barbara Tyler of the Ladies, we have set up the National Encampment Agenda without any controversy. We have all been willing to compromise and work with each other for the good of our respective orders and for the greater good of the Memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Recommendation #7: That the Sons be given a "Love Gift" of \$250.00.

The Banner

The Banner has been being printed faithfully for more than two years. Brother Glenn Knight, Editor of *The Banner*, asked me to bring the following up for consideration:

1. That we print our General Orders in *The Banner* the same as the Sons.
2. That we raise our per capita tax to cover the \$6.00 cost of *The Banner* and send it to all our members.

This would save us the expense and effort of printing and mailing our General Orders. Brother Knight has also asked us to submit more articles on the Auxiliary. Right now he is dedicating one page to Auxiliary News. We need to take advantage of this opportunity.

Recommendation #8: That we print our General Orders in *The Banner* and that we raise our per capita tax \$6.00 to cover the cost of having *The Banner* sent to each member.

Sisters, I really have no strong opinion on this. I have put this recommendation in for your consideration. Whatever you decide is fine

with me. We have always had the option of purchasing a subscription to *The Banner*, but I am not sure that many of our members know about it. If you decide to keep the present system, I would urge the incoming National President to mention in her first General Orders that *The Banner* can be purchased with the address and cost so that our Sisters can take advantage of the news printed in it.

Committees

To those who have faithfully served on the various Committees, I give you my heartfelt thanks. We look forward to the reports of these Committees on their activities this year.

If any member is willing to serve on a Committee in the future, please give your name and committee preference to the incoming National President. I am sure she would greatly appreciate it.

Allied Orders

I have expressed my love and appreciation to each of the heads of our Allied Orders in my General Orders No. 3. It has been an extreme pleasure to meet with them all over the country. Sister Beverly Goodenough, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans; Sister Linda Bennett, National President, Woman's Relief Corp; and Sister Barbara Tyler, National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Thank you for making my year a most memorable one.

Membership

During my travels this year, there have been a few minor misconceptions regarding membership in the Auxiliary. I would like to clarify some of these misconceptions:

1. A woman may have full membership with all privileges including working up to be National President based on her own lineage or based upon her husband's lineage.
2. Once a woman has joined the Auxiliary, she remains a member as long as she pays her dues and is a member in good standing.
3. Membership at Large. I have been told by Members at Large that they feel all alone and left out. I do not know how to remedy this. I would encourage Auxiliaries in states that have Members at Large to contact these sisters and encourage them to join one of the established Auxiliaries. Invite them to activities you are planning. If anyone has any other ideas on how to include these Sisters and make them feel like vital members, please pass this on.

Travels & Activities

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- September 1 -** Milford, NH Labor Day Parade
- September 13 -** Massachusetts Department President and Department Commander's Reception
- September 20 -** Testimonial given me by New Hampshire Department and John W. Spalding Aux. #38
- October 3-5 -** Central Regional Meeting, Milwaukee, WI
- October 18 -** New England Regional Meeting, Queechee, VT
- October 25 -** Testimonial for Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr
- November 8 -** Visited Sarah Emma Edmonds Seelye Auxiliary, Houston, TX
Dedication of Medal of Honor Headstone to Manchester, NH Civil War Soldier buried in Galveston, TX
- November 12-16 -** Remembrance Day Ceremonies at Gettysburg, PA
- December 10 -** Civil War Era Christmas Party, Hillsboro, NH, sponsored by W.W. Brown Camp #1
- January 14 -** Ladies Night, Hillsboro, NH, sponsored by W.W. Brown Camp #1
- January 28-31 -** National President Barbara Tyler, Ladies of the G.A.R., Testimonial
- February 10-13 -** Lincoln Birthday Lunches, Banquets, and Lincoln Memorial Ceremony put on by the Lincoln Birthday Committee and MOLLUS
- February 14 -** 5th Rhode Island Civil War Exposition at the Warwick Mall, Warwick, RI
- March 21-23 -** Stayed with Martha Van Gundy, PDP, CO-WY, Colorado Springs, CO. Met with Sons who wished to know more about the Auxiliary.
Visited with Daisy Anderson, widow of Civil War veteran Robert Ball Anderson, in Denver, CO.
Also met with two Sons and one of their daughters who is a Member at Large.
- March 25 -** Lot Smith Aux. #1, Salt Lake City, Utah. Visited with President and Secretary/Treasurer of the Auxiliary and four or five members of the Sons.
- March 26-30 -** Visited PNP Betty Woerner, Torrance, CA. Attended California/Pacific Encampment in San Luis Obispo, CA
- April 4 -** Rhode Island Department Encampment
- April 11 -** Lunch with Austin Blair Auxiliary members, Jackson, MI
- April 15 -** Lincoln Death Day Ceremonies, Springfield, IL
- April 16 -** Instituted Mary Anne Bickerdyke Auxiliary, Aurora, IL
- April 17 -** Visited with Auxiliary members at Iowa Department Encampment, Des Moines, IA

- April 18 -** New Hampshire Department Encampment, Hillsboro, NH
April 24 - Massachusetts Department Encampment, Westborough, MA
April 25 - Maryland-Delaware Department Encampment, Frederick, MD
April 26 - Placed a wreath at Grant's Tomb, Manhattan, NY
May 2 - Connecticut Department Encampment, E. Hartford, CT
May 18-25 - Put out 204 flags on Civil War Veterans' graves in Milford, NH
May 23 - Vermont Department Encampment, Mount Holly, VT
May 24 - Attended Memorial Day Sunday Services at the Congregational Church, Milford, NH with the Allied Orders of Milford
May 25 - Memorial Day Parade with services at West Street Cemetery Civil War Monument
May 30 - Memorial Day Services at Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge, NH
June 12 - New York Department Encampment, Ithaca, NY
June 13 - New Jersey Department Encampment, Gibbstown, NJ
June 19-21 - Ohio Department Encampment, Mt. Union College, Alliance, OH
June 26 - Maine Department Encampment banquet, Waterville, ME
June 27 - Pennsylvania Department Encampment, W. Middlesex, PA
July 11 - Fort Donelson Aux. #1, Nashville, TN
July 12 - Provisional Aux. #2, Beaufort, SC
July 18 - New England Regional Auxiliary, Weirs, NH

I want to publicly thank each one who has made arrangements for me and met with me throughout the year. I have enjoyed every minute that we have spent together.

Official Family

I want to thank each member who took offices this year. I have enjoyed working with each of you, meeting you as I traveled, and have appreciated all you have done for me as well as our Order. We have had a very successful year because of your efforts.

I feel I need to give special mention and thank you to our Secretary and Treasurer who have gone all out once again, in spite of very difficult personal circumstances.

I also want to mention an unofficial member of this official family, Sister Margaret Atkinson, who, although she did not hold an elected office, has been there every time I have called or e-mailed.

A great big thank you goes to our money earners this year: National Chief of Staff Teresa Doyle and National Patriotic Instructor Ruby

Kissinger. We are all looking forward to your reports.

In Appreciation

My travels have been made much easier and so much fun by the hospitality and courtesy extended to me by each member. Every Department and Provisional Auxiliary has treated me royally. Thank you all so very, very much.

Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr has been a joy to work with. We have not had one disagreement all year and have worked very well together. Thank you, Dick, for everything.

My mother and father, PC-in-C Ken and PNP Emma Wheeler have been more help than anyone can imagine. They have been there for me all year. They have traveled to most places I have visited. Mom has shared driving and they both have helped financially and spiritually. They both traveled the country in 1964/1965 for Mom's year and 1976/1977 for Dad's year. Now they have done it a third time. The Auxiliary and Sons have played a very important role in their lives. Thank you for everything.

A great big thank you goes to John W. Spaulding Auxiliary #38, Thomas M. Carr Auxiliary #7, and Keene Auxiliary #11 for all the support you have given me this year. I have used the brief case given to me at my testimonial on all my travels.

I was very fortunate to have my cousin Bonnie Morse, PDP, and my aunt Martha Baldwin, PDP, with me often this year. They were planning to be here until Bonnie's "granddaughter" set her wedding on this Saturday. Thank you, Bonnie, for all your help and support.

I also want to thank my husband. It has not been easy for him to have me gone all the time and living with the mess I have made in the house. I still have much to do when I get home to finish up this year as well as 1996, but once I have gotten that under control, I am sure he will appreciate getting the house back to normal.

Closing

Sisters, there has been much dissension in many of our Auxiliaries this year and between the Auxiliary and the Sons. If we are going to grow and to accomplish the great feats we are capable of, we must be able to work together for the good of our Order. If our Union Soldiers each insisted on his own way, would only fight if he were put in a certain position, etc., we would not have won the Civil War. I know that many have hurt feelings. I am asking each one who feels they have been wronged to look deep into their hearts and then go to those who have hurt you and try to work out your differences. Forgiveness is something we all need to give and we all need to receive. Let us move on with the work set before us 112 years ago.

Jacquelyn W. Johnston

National President

LINDA FIELDS, NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, PDP, NY: Sisters, you've heard the report by our National President. What is your pleasure?

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH

SECONDED by Mary Spalding, PDP, NH

That we accept this fine report, spread it in full in the Proceedings, turn this report and all Officer's reports over to the Committee on Officers' Reports, and give a rising vote of thanks to Jackie for this report.

SO VOTED AND DONE

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: Sister National President, as Past National President and your mother, I have been given the privilege of presenting the Love Token from the National Organization to you. It gives me great pleasure to give it to you because you have really worked so hard this year. I know how hard you have worked. I hope you will have a chance to rest after the Encampment before you finish the other messes you've got!

PRESIDENT JACKIE: She keeps on me all the time!

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: I have a reputation for being miserable and I guess I am. Somebody has to do it, so I guess I do it. But really, Jackie, you have done a good job. We have traveled with you and we know what you have done. I hope that everything goes fine for this Encampment and that you will spend this wisely. Remember, I said "wisely!"

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Pay off the bills from traveling?

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: She's always spending money she doesn't have, so I said, "Spend it wisely!" Get something that you really can look at and say, "The National did this for me."

PRESIDENT JACKIE: She doesn't know, but I'm also going to steal her diamond ring. Back in the old days when diamonds didn't cost so much, the National always gave the National President a diamond ring. My mother doesn't even wear rings, but she wanted that diamond ring.

Ladies, I think you've been very, very good. It is 11:00 and we will recess for lunch at 11:30 in order to be able to be back here at 1:00.

The Chaplain closed the Bible for a brief recess.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister National Secretary, I know you've got lots of correspondence. Would you please read it?

The National Secretary read the following correspondence:

1. Thank you from Rachel Ashley, Frost Aux. #108, Ohio Dept., for the National President's Scholarship.

The National Secretary read the following endorsements:

1. Wisconsin Department endorsing PDP Peggy Schaefer for Patriotic Instructor.
2. Pennsylvania Department endorsing PDP Mary Jo Long for National Vice President.
3. Pennsylvania Department endorsing Anne L. Iannitto for National Press Correspondent.
4. Rhode Island Department endorsing Marguerite Plante for Council Member #3.
5. Maine Department endorsing PDP Elizabeth Ferrin for Council Member #2.
6. New York Department endorsing PNP Betty J. Baker as National President.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Sister President, may we have these people who've been endorsed stand for the ones who don't know them?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Would each one who just received an endorsement please stand up?

Standing were: Mary Spalding, NH; Ann Iannitto, PA; Marguerite Plante, RI; Betty Baker, NY; Mary Jo Long, PA; Peggy Schaefer, WI; and Elizabeth Ferrin, ME.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I know we have a slew of announcements. I am going to appoint Vivian Russell, PDP, NY to replace Danielle Michaels, WI on the Restoration of Rank Committee. Sister Danielle has made a recommendation to that Committee.

I know some of you are unfamiliar with the Restoration of Rank. If a member has had an office at the Auxiliary, Department, or National level, they have an honor and a position. And somewhere along the line - - I don't honestly know how it happens unless they get out of the Organization and then they come back into it - - they may have lost their rank. If they have, a recommendation may be made to the Restoration of Rank Committee to have the rank restored to them. Am I right, Parliamentarian?

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PARLIAMENTARIAN, PNP, NY: Also, if they move from one state to another and change their membership from one state to another, they lose all of their rank from that state.

Announcements were made regarding the banquet, sales of supplies, club meetings, and Election of Officers at 1:00 p.m.

EMMA ASHLEY, DELEGATE, OH: I want to personally thank Jackie and also the Auxiliary for my daughter Rachel's scholarship. It's going to come in very handy and we really appreciate it. We're all very proud to be part of this Organization. Thank you very much.

*The Chaplain attended the altar and the meeting
was recessed at 11:30 a.m.*

SECOND SESSION
Friday Afternoon, August 7, 1998
1:07 p.m.

*The Chaplain attended the altar and the Guard
reported all entitled to remain.*

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I have an apology to make. I was shown in our Constitution, Rules, and Regulations that our Election of Officers is to be held on the afternoon of the second day. Some people can't come on Friday because of work and they may want to be here for the Election of Officers.

We'll go right on with our reports. Sister National Vice President, would you like to read your report?

NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

One year ago I was privileged to accept the office of National Vice President. As National Vice President, my primary role was to do whatever was in my power to promote and increase membership in our Organization. Recognizing that any membership increase must start at the local Auxiliary level, I tried to encourage each Auxiliary to take advantage of any opportunity they had to seek out new members. I tried to promote the use of our Auxiliary brochures, charity events, historical society meetings as a means of securing new members. I also encouraged every member to carry an application blank with them at all times, so that we don't miss a chance to sign-up a new member while they are eager. I did have the opportunity to write to some of the Auxiliary and Department Vice Presidents to offer any assistance that I could. Unfortunately, I could not contact everyone as our records were incomplete. If we had a complete list of all Auxiliary and Department Vice Presidents, it would be very beneficial. I firmly believe that the National exists to support the local Auxiliaries. Our Sisters on the "front-line" need to know that there is someone supporting them in the background. The difficulty is that updated Auxiliary Officers lists are

not provided to our National Secretary on a timely basis. I know that our National Secretary Frances Murray has been diligent in her efforts to obtain this information.

Recommendation #1: That the Department Secretaries be required to send a copy of each Auxiliary and Department Installation blank to our National Secretary. A copy of the Installation blank can then be forwarded to the National Vice President for her use in contacting Auxiliary and Department Vice Presidents.

I did learn one thing from the Vice Presidents that I was able to reach and that was that the majority did not have any idea on how to go about setting up a special function that could attract new members. Our National Organization needs to develop a “kit” that will list suggestions and the “how to” steps for setting up special events that includes follow-up details. I know that it would be costly for our Organization to put together and distribute kits; however, I feel certain that we would benefit in the long run.

Recommendation #2: That the incoming National President appoint a committee to look into the possibility of preparing “Special Event Kits” and make them available to each Auxiliary or Department.

One area that needs further research on our part is the possibility of securing the names and addresses of the new members of the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. The Sons organization has had a substantial increase in membership over the last several years. I believe that we are leaving a “stone unturned” by not seeking a list of their new members and offering a personal invitation for their wives, daughters, etc. to join our Organization. Just telling the new member of the Sons that their wife is entitled to join is not enough. A personal invitation from the Auxiliary Vice President along with information about the local Auxiliary would be more meaningful. The information could include our brochure, Auxiliary meeting times, locations, upcoming social events, charity activities sponsored by the Auxiliary, etc. Anything that would spark someone’s interest and get them to come to a meeting.

Recommendation #3: That we contact the Sons organization and secure a list of their new members and this list be provided to the National Vice President. The National Vice President will then be required to provide the names and addresses to the local Auxiliary Vice Presidents to have personal invitations sent out and follow-up for resolution.

In order to secure new members, we need to continue to get the name of our Organization out in front of the public. There are countless numbers of people who never heard of us before and can’t believe that an organization exists today whose primary goal is to perpetuate the memory of our Union Soldiers. When pressed, they will associate us

with our Civil War re-enactors, which is great but not enough to keep us going in the future. In order to get more recognition from the public, I firmly believe that we need to be associated with a national charity such as “Ronald McDonald House” or “St. Jude’s Foundation,” etc., that the general public is familiar with and are willing to join us in supporting that charity. This has worked for several organizations. It will be a lot of work and expensive; however, we will enjoy the benefits that new members bring our Organization at all levels.

Recommendation #4: That the incoming National President appoint a committee to research possible charity organizations that we could sponsor and become associated with on a national level.

Sister Jackie, it was an honor to serve on your staff, and I hope that my efforts lived up to your expectations. I wish that I was able to travel more this past year; however, family commitments made that impossible. Maybe someday I will get “on-line” and at least make communications a little easier. I wish for you a most successful Encampment and a lifetime of memories.

Membership Report

Number of Departments	17
Number of Provisional Auxiliaries	<u>5</u>
Total	22

Reports Received	11
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Department/Provisional Auxiliary	Total New Members
Connecticut	1
Illinois	13
Maine	11
Maryland-Delaware	8
Massachusetts	10
Michigan	2
New York	10
New Jersey	0
Pennsylvania	24
Rhode Island	6
Wisconsin	<u>10</u>
Total New Members	95

Contest Winners:

Auxiliary with most new members winning 1st prize of \$50: Auxiliary #2, Mary Ann Bickerdyke, IL (13)

Auxiliary with most new members winning 2nd prize of \$25: Auxiliary #27, Gettysburg, PA (11)

Special Mention:

Members securing most members:

Frances Murray, PNP, Maine - 7
Margaret Atkinson, PNP, Pennsylvania - 7
Cynthia Brown, DP, Massachusetts - 8
Carolyn Billups, Pennsylvania - 8
Danielle Michaels, Wisconsin - 10

New York 50 year Member: Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP

Linda J. Fields
National Vice President, PDP, NY

*Carolyn Billups accepted second place prize for Gettysburg
Auxiliary #27 for bringing in the most new members.*

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Betty, are you ready with the National Council Report?

NATIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

We the undersigned members of the Council have audited the books of the Secretary and Treasurer and found them to be in very neat and accurate condition. We would like to commend Sister Eileen and Sister Frances for their dedication to their responsibilities and for their untiring efforts in behalf of this National Organization. We are fortunate in having Sisters of their caliber serving in these important offices.

We have kept ourselves in readiness to serve the National Organization and the following items have been brought before the Council and action has been taken:

1. Notification was received from our National Secretary that Utah Provisional Auxiliary #1 is four quarters behind in paying their per capita tax. According to our By-Laws disbandment action should be taken. We the members of the Council would hate to see our Organization lose an Auxiliary without taking every possible step to prevent it. We therefore offer the following suggestion: That the incoming National President notify each member of the Auxiliary of their per capita tax situation and pending disbandment action of their Auxiliary with the hopes that they would get together and pay the per capita tax. If no response is received by December 31, 1998, the Council will proceed with disbandment.
2. The Department of Massachusetts has approached the Council with the problem of not being able to get past officers to turn over the property of the Department to the newly elected officers. The Council

voted to send a letter to the 1997 Department President and the Department Secretary-Treasurer requesting that they honor the obligation of an officer that they took and turn over the Department property to the current Department officers. The Council would like to inform this Organization that should this situation occur in the future they would only respond upon receipt of a formal written request from the sitting Department President. Upon receipt of formal request, the National President or Council will provide necessary assistance.

3. It has been noticed that our insignia/logo has been used without the proper authorization. The Council would like to suggest that the National President appoint a committee to pursue the process of copyrighting of our insignia/logo to prevent further abuse by any person or group for personal gain. The use of our logo should be limited to our members for stationary, forms, certificates, invitations, etc. only. Any other use must have prior permission from the National President.

4. The National Council would like to suggest that this Organization try pre-registration for the 1999 Encampment.

Sister Jackie we hope you have enjoyed your year of service to the National Auxiliary.

Betty J Baker, PNP, NY, Council #1
Mary Jo Long, PDP, PA, Council #2
Peggy Schaefer, PDP, WI, Council #3

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much. I can make a statement about Massachusetts as I had written the Past Department President. I found out after our Council Meeting that the situation has been corrected and they are all right now.

Sister National Secretary, are you ready with your report?

NATIONAL SECRETARY REPORT

Another year has flown by as National Secretary. Thanks to PNP Betty Baker for getting our membership list up-to-date. That is a hard thing to do. I am hoping the new revised quarterly report form will help us with address changes.

We lost 108 members last year but took in 185. We lost four Auxiliaries last year and gained four new Auxiliaries. These are listed in my Auxiliary report.

The Mary Ann Bickerdyke Aux. in Illinois was formed by e-mail with Dennis Kelly of Philip H. Sheridan Camp #2. Thanks to National President Jackie for going out and instituting this Auxiliary. Special thanks to Department President Sarah Cherry for instituting Auxiliary to Vienna Camp #46 in Portsmouth, Ohio. I never received the Charter

papers, applications or checks which were mailed to me, and Sarah stepped up to institute the Auxiliary the end of May.

I am embarrassed to say that the Proceedings for 1995-1996 are still not finished. I have my fingers crossed that they will be done this summer. Because of some problems with the printing, only some of the 1996-1997 Proceedings have been sent out. Thank you to Stenographer Judy Morgan for a great job on these and to PNP Betty Baker for handling the mailings of these Proceedings.

Between postcards and letters, I have tried to keep the National Officers and Past National Presidents up-to-date on what is going on within the National Organization and events that are happening across the country.

We have received Charter fees for two new Auxiliaries in Massachusetts: L.A. Tiffit Aux. #20 in Westfield, MA and General D. N. Couch Aux. #26 in Taunton, MA. These will be formed in September. Congratulations to the members of the Massachusetts Department on this upcoming event.

There are still some kinks to be worked out in the paperwork for forming new Auxiliaries. Having a member be able to transfer to a new Auxiliary charter is a big help. We will be working on the paperwork for chartering new Auxiliaries at this Encampment.

PNP Margaret Atkinson, our National Recruiter, is to be commended for all the hard work that she is doing for recruitment. I am glad our numbers are more pleasing to her this year than other years.

My special thanks to Anna M. Ross Aux. #1, Philadelphia, PA for handling the bulk mailing of the General Orders. This is of tremendous help to me.

We have had some serious illnesses within our working National Officers. PNP Margaret Atkinson has been through a lot of illness problems this year and my special Sister and friend, National Treasurer Eileen Coombs, is not in good shape. Hopefully Eileen's problems will end with surgery in September. No matter how ill, they kept up with their National duties.

I know many of the older members do not want to hear this, but I must tell you that if it were not for e-mail, the work of the Auxiliary would slow down a lot. I think I spend more time on Auxiliary e-mails than I do my own at the office. It is so great to e-mail someone and have an answer within the hour, or the next day. This is something the National Organization really needs to look at in the future.

I wish to thank all the Sisters for keeping my spirits up in the emotional stress that I have been through since January. Being divorced after 36 years of marriage, having to clean out my eight-room house that I have lived in for 25 years a few weeks ago, and moving into an efficiency apartment, has not been easy for me. Your phone calls and cards arrived at times when I really needed someone to care. On top of all this, I had to get ready for National. It has not been easy and I thank all of you for your support and help.

National President Jackie, it has been my pleasure to work with you this year. We grew up together in the Organization and it is nice to see you at the top. I feel you took on too much in your travels but that was your choice and I know that you have enjoyed your travels throughout the country as well as the pleasure of having your Mom and Dad join you on many occasions. As many of us PNP's know, it is not easy to be National President and travel so much when you have a full-time job. I hope that you can get some rest after this weekend, but please don't rest until you have the Proceedings transcribed for 1995-1996.

**Standing of Departments
June 30, 1997 – June 30, 1998**

Department	1998		1999		
	# Aux.	# Members	# Aux.	# Members	
California-Pacific	2	16	2	14	
Colorado-Wyoming	1	2	1	1	
Connecticut	2	67	2	65	
Illinois	2	8	2	20	
Iowa	3	39	3	36	
Maine	6	69	6	71	
Maryland-Delaware	5	58	5	62	
Massachusetts	3	80	3	83	
Michigan	1	1	1	15	
New Hampshire	3	33	3	34	
New Jersey	4	59	4	58	
New York	9	123	8	105	
Ohio	7	109	8	125	
Pennsylvania	12	313	11	337	
Rhode Island	4	28	4	32	
Vermont	1	24	1	22	
Wisconsin	4	30	4	37	
Prov. Aux. #2					
Beaufort, SC	1	8	1	9	
Prov. Aux. #1					
Kokomo, IN	1	6	1	6	
Prov. Aux. #1					
Salt Lake City, UT	1	6	1	6	*
Sara Emma Edmonds					
Seely Prov., TX	1	8	1	10	*
Prov. Aux. #1					
Ft. Donelson, TN			1	7	
Member at Large	-	49	-	58	
Total	73	1,136	73	1,213	

* No report from Prov. Auxiliary #1, Salt Lake City, UT for quarters of September 1997, December 1997, March 1998 and June 1998 or the Prov. Auxiliary in Texas.

SUMMARY

Annual Period June 30, 1997 – June 30, 1998

Auxiliaries in good standing June 30, 1997		73
Auxiliaries gained	4	<u>+4</u>
		77
Auxiliaries lost by Charter Surrender	4	<u>-4</u>
Auxiliaries in good standing June 30, 1998		73
Members in good standing June 30, 1997		1,136
Gained by Initiation		167
By Organization	0	
By Transfer	11	
By Reinstatement	<u>7</u>	
	185	<u>+ 185</u>
		1,321
Members lost:		
by Honorable Discharge	16	
by Death	25	
by Transfer	14	
by Dropped	52	
Correction	<u>1</u>	
	108	<u>- 108</u>
Members in good standing June 30, 1998		1,213 *

* These figures are based on no reports from the Prov. Aux. in Utah or Prov. Aux. in Texas.

Included in above figures are 58 Members at Large.

Auxiliaries gained:

7/14/97 - Austin Blair Aux. #7, Jackson, MI reinstated
 7/20/97 - Ft. Donelson Prov. Aux. #1, Ft. Donelson, TN
 4/16/98 - Mary Ann Bickerdyke Aux. #2, Aurora, IL
 5/31/98 - Aux. #26 to Vienna Camp #26, Portsmouth, OH

Auxiliaries lost:

9/30/97 - Allentown Aux. #26, Allentown, PA
 9/30/97 - William Thrust Aux. #9, Peoria, IL
 6/30/98 - Zach Chandler Aux. #1, Michigan
 6/30/98 - Allen H. Jackson Aux. #45, Schenectady, NY

Nat Gain Auxiliaries: 0
Net Gain Members: 77

Frances A. Murray
National Secretary

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much, Sister Frances. As I said, we gained 77 members. Let's keep it up. Sister National Treasurer, are you ready with your report?

NATIONAL TREASURER REPORT

This has been a busy year for me. It has had many problems I did not have in previous years and the challenge was much greater. In spite of the difficulties, at times I have enjoyed the year.

Every effort was made to fill orders for supplies promptly. At times I had to wait for orders from the supplier. I have tried to keep an adequate supply of badges on hand. In regards to the badges, I found it necessary to order six Department President badges. I had orders for three, because the Departments that placed the orders found their Department President badges got lost or were missing. The manufacturer did not have a die for the top bar of the badge but he was able to make one for a reasonable price.

Correspondence has been heavy, as usual, this year. At times I was slow with my replies due to my personal situation.

I want to thank everyone for your fine cooperation, which enabled me to complete the I.R.S. forms when I received them. I sent them in early, so thank you for making that possible.

In January I was informed by the owners of my apartment complex they would be doing complete renovations to my apartment. My first thought was what was I going to do with all the National supplies. Marguerite and Aram Plante with two of their sons came to my rescue. They moved all the supplies and some of my furniture and personal belongings to their place, because they had room for them. When the renovations were completed, they moved everything back for me. My thanks to them. All the while this was going on, I had health problems, which made it difficult for me. Thanks to all for understanding when replies and orders were slow. I did my best under the circumstances.

We have a new Auxiliary in Illinois and, I believe, one in Ohio. There is one to be instituted in Massachusetts right away, and possibly another very soon. We are growing.

It is difficult to stay within the budget, especially with the postage. The United Parcel Service increased their prices and the post office increased their prices for parcel post and insurance. In January, the post office will increase first class stamps to 33¢, therefore I will need to increase the postage rate in January. I will have no choice.

I have found that new Auxiliaries and many MAL members are

ordering supplies along with all the others that usually order. I believe with each member receiving the General Orders, it has increased interest in ordering supplies. I have filled many orders for brochures, which I sent as quickly as possible. They are proving to be a success by the amount of surcharges I receive.

When the certificates of deposit in the Fleet Bank in Rhode Island and Dauphin Bank in Pennsylvania were to mature, I consulted the National President. She gave me the approval I needed to roll them over. I refer you to Page 29 of the C.R.&R. at the top of the page. It states, "Certificates of deposit may be rolled over by the approval of the President." When the certificate of deposit in the Norwest Bank in Iowa was to mature, it was voted at the Council meeting at the close of last year's Encampment that I could move it to the Fleet Bank in Rhode Island.

I have the following recommendations:

Recommendation #1: That the interest from the Permanent Fund investments be used for expenses of handling Life Membership, Honor Roll, and MAL.

Recommendation #2: That a committee be appointed to check the changes that have been voted on for the C.R.&R beginning after the present C.R.&R was printed in 1991. Then have copies made for the Treasurer and insert them in the C.R.&R.'s when members order them. The Treasurer has approximately 900 C.R.&R.'s on hand.

HONOR ROLL

Caroline Riddell, PNP, PA	PNP Association	\$10.00
Dorris Schlenker, PNP, MD-DE	PNP Association	10.00
	PC-in-C Eugene & Jennie Russell	10.00
	Bea's Honeys	10.00
	Margaret's Marvels	10.00
Mary Buchanan, PDP, CT	PNP Esther Peiper	10.00
	PNP Frances Murray	10.00
Helen Loll, PDP, NJ	PNP Esther Peiper	10.00
	PNP Anne O. Clayton	10.00
	PNP Marion Combs	25.00
	PNP Frances Murray	10.00
	NJ Department Aux.	15.00
	Garfield Aux. #18, NJ	10.00
Ruth Appleby, PDP, RI	PNP Esther Peiper	10.00
	PNP Frances Murray	10.00
	PNP Ora Moitoso	10.00
Edwin Kramer, PDP, PA	PNP Esther Peiper	20.00
Orma Altland, PDP, OH	PNP Esther Peiper	15.00

	PNP Frances Murray	10.00
	PNP Marion Combs	15.00
Fred Combs, PC-in-C, NJ	PC-in-C Eugene & Jennie Russell	<u>10.00</u>
		\$250.00

These Sisters and Brothers are a great loss to our membership.
“Others may take their places, but none can replace them.”

I hope I have met all of your expectations of this office.

To my National President, Jacquelyn Johnston, I have been happy to be a part of your official family this year. I hope when your Encampment is over you will get some much needed rest and I trust you will have many fond memories.

To National Secretary Frances Murray, this has been a difficult year for you, but in spite of it all, you have carried on. You have always been ready to help me when I needed it. You made a visit to my home along with Betty Baker and Michelle Langley to help move some of my things while the renovations were going on. I thank you for all your help.

To Marguerite and Aram Plante and their two sons, Ronald and Richard, thank you for moving and storing everything for me during the renovations. It is very much appreciated. I pray no one ever has to go through what I had to. It was a very trying time for me.

To Ruby Kissinger, National Patriotic Instructor and Teresa Doyle, National Chief of Staff, it was a real pleasure to work with you this year.

I thank the Past National Presidents for any help they gave me.

Thanks to all Members, Auxiliaries, Departments and National for your many letters, orders, cards, cooperation, and particularly for your understanding. I hope and pray 1999 will be a better year for me. My best wishes to all for good health and happiness in 1999.

It has been a pleasure to serve National and I look forward to 1999 to be a great year. God Bless all of you.

Eileen R. Coombs, PNP
National Treasurer

NATIONAL TREASURER FINANCIAL REPORT**MEMBERSHIP AT LARGE**

Ruth Sanford	\$10.00
Cindy Nettles	10.00
Casey Nettles	10.00
Juanita Douglas	10.00
Mavis Sutherland	10.00
Reita Burgess	15.00
Paula Chodaki	10.00
Sara Anderson	10.00
Rita Harned	10.00
Katrinka Conant	15.00
Donna Smith	<u>15.00</u>
TOTAL	\$125.00

FINANCIAL REPORT**Balance August 1, 1997****\$10,848.66****Receipts:**

Supplies	\$ 2,223.41	
Per Capita	3,754.25	
Patriotic Instructor (97)	1,169.70	
Patriotic Instructor (98)	1,356.62	
Chief of Staff (97)	1,317.27	
Chief of Staff (98)	3,126.10	
Interest	1,689.17	
Late Fines	95.00	
Registration (97)	405.00	
Publicity	655.00	
Charters (IL & MA)	60.00	
Transferred from Savings for Rituals (by vote of 1997 Encampment)	1,228.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>76.00</u>	
	\$17,155.52	<u>+17,155.52</u>
		\$28,004.18
Checks not cashed: #433	\$ 6.00	
#429	<u>25.00</u>	
	\$31.00	<u>+31.00</u>
Total Receipts		\$28,035.18

Disbursements:

Office Expense	\$ 413.29
Postage	1,228.82
Goodwill	850.00
Printing: Rituals (1,000)	1,228.00

Brochures (10,000)	793.00	
Envelopes (2,000)	101.85	
General Orders	133.75	
Travel - National President	2,000.00	
Supplies, Badges - Includes		
PNP Badge	2,148.85	
Life Membership Dues	90.00	
Publicity	7.50	
Recruiting	356.88	
Bond	136.00	
Historian	100.00	
Miscellaneous	465.98	
Wreaths:		
Remembrance Day, Gettysburg	30.00	
Lincoln Memorial, Washington	75.00	
Cathedral of the Pines, Donation	25.00	
Convention:		
Convention Committee	400.00	
Room, Secretary & Treasurer (97)	528.00	
President, Secretary, & Treasurer Board	150.00	
Chief of Staff Allowance	50.00	
Stenographer (Judy Morgan)	250.00	
Musician	30.00	
Gratuities	25.00	
Mileage	214.85	
G.A.R. Memorial, Mohawk Valley		
Alzheimer's Association of Utica	350.00	
National President's Testimonial	200.00	
Love Token - Sons	250.00	
Chaplain, Memorial Service	25.00	
Nat'l Congress of Patriotic Org.	25.00	
National President's Scholarship	400.00	
Extra work on Proceedings (97)	250.00	
Total Disbursements	<u>\$13,331.77</u>	<u>-13,331.77</u>
Balance in Checking Account		\$14,703.41

PERMANENT FUND

Balance August 1, 1997	\$9,243.80	
Honor Roll	250.00	
Membership at Large	125.00	
Interest	<u>176.08</u>	
	<u>\$9,794.88</u>	
Withdrawn for Rituals	<u>- 1,228.00</u>	
	8,566.88	
Fleet Certificate of Deposit 8036081056	<u>7,000.00</u>	

Total Permanent Fund		\$15,566.88
	SUMMARY	
Checking Account		\$14,703.41
Savings 936549716		8,566.88
Fleet Bank C.D. 8036081056 (Permanent Fund)		7,000.00
Fleet Bank C.D. 8036081048 (Patriotic Fund)		7,500.00
Fleet Bank C.D. 8041231733 (Investment Fund)		3,000.00
Fleet Bank C.D. 8041231741 (Investment Fund)		2,000.00
All First (Dauphin) Bank 90678 (Patriotic Fund)		<u>14,189.62</u>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		\$56,959.91

Estimated Inventory: \$3,465.86

Eileen Coombs, PNP, ME
National Treasurer

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much, Sister Eileen. Since we have no further correspondence to read, we will go on with our Officers' reports. Sister Ruby, do you have your written National Patriotic Instructor Report?

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR REPORT

In Utica, New York in August, 1997, I was very honored to be elected to serve as National Patriotic Instructor.

As this was my first National Office, I, naturally, had some hesitation about being able to fulfill the obligations of my office.

Raising money is not an easy task and since I realized that just donations and a sale table would not be enough to reach my goal, other means of fund raising had to be initiated. I found several methods to use.

Some of these methods brought in more money than others, but I reasoned that regardless of the amount the results brought in, they all added to my fund. Some of my fund raising was on the local level and some were on the Department and National levels. My first endeavor was to send out a letter of appeal to which I received a very good response.

I tried to attend as many organization functions as possible. I was not able to attend the testimonial for our National President, but I was at Gettysburg; four New Jersey Sons affairs; the Pennsylvania Department Appomattox Day luncheon; the re-enactment held at Mullica Hill, NJ; two craft shows; and my own Department Encampment. At all of these affairs, I took the opportunity of selling chances and/or items from my sale table, in addition to accepting donations.

It has been a very busy year, but it has also been a rewarding one. I

not only got to see and correspond with many old friends, but to also meet and correspond with many new friends. I would like to sincerely thank all the members and friends who contributed to my fund.

I would be remiss if I did not thank the members of my own Auxiliary for all their support and help this past year. They helped out at the craft shows, selling chances, handling some of the fund raising projects and helped transport sale items, among other things for me. Their help was greatly appreciated.

I sincerely hope that my efforts on behalf of the National Organization this past year will meet with the approval of our membership and that I have fulfilled the obligations of my office to their satisfaction.

Sister National President, it has been an honor to be a member of your official staff this past year and I wish for you a most satisfactory Encampment.

To my successor, I pledge my loyal support and wish her a successful year.

Once again, thank you all for your support.

The following is my consolidated report of Departments:

Number of flags distributed by Auxiliaries.....	4,055
Number of patriotic entertainments given.....	86
Number of national anniversaries observed.....	115
(One Dept. answered "All")	
Number of patriotic papers read in Auxiliary	133
Number of occasions the Camp and Auxiliary have united in patriotic meetings	65
Amount expended for patriotic work.....	\$3,603.64
How many members fly the flag on Memorial Day.....	334
(One Department answered "All")	

Special Mention:

Connecticut:

Eight members took part in Memorial Day parades.

Sister Emma Prince continues to spend many hours at the Veterans Home and Hospital. Sisters Mary Scofield and Joyce Norman worked bingo at the hospital.

On May 26, DP Dorothy Bianco, Joyce Norman, and Camellia Polzun took part in the dedication of the restoration of a Civil War monument on the South Green in Middletown, CT following the Memorial Day parade.

DP Dorothy Bianco and Joyce Norman, representing the Department Auxiliary appeared on a local cable channel in Middletown, called "The Veterans Corner," sharing information about the Auxiliary and camps in Connecticut.

Sister Polzun reported watching an antiques and collectibles show where a woman found an original Confederate flag with 11 stars valued at around \$40,000 in a brown paper bag in her attic.

Sister Joyce Norman informed Auxiliary #20 that there are original

Civil War flags on display at the State Capitol building in Hartford that were carried by Civil War veterans in a parade when the new state capitol building was opened. She also reported that a Lincoln banner had been discovered in a home in Norwich, CT and is being restored.

Massachusetts:

Members of Auxiliary #128 traveled to Gettysburg in November, held a ceremony, placed 160 flags on the graves of Massachusetts Union soldiers, and marched in the annual Remembrance Day parade with Camp #21.

New Jersey:

In addition to placing flags on Civil War graves in Gloucester County, members participated in Memorial Day ceremonies with local VFW and American Legion Posts following the parade held in Bridgeport.

Informational brochures were distributed and questions regarding our Organization were answered.

A number of old GAR delegate badges and old photographs of GAR Encampments were found by one of our members while attic cleaning and were turned over to the Auxiliary for preservation.

New York:

Auxiliary #1 held a special Abraham Lincoln program where all members read articles that they had researched about Abraham Lincoln.

Ohio:

PDP Wilda Brown and her husband went to Union Cemetery and placed 200 flags on veterans graves.

Rhode Island:

Many members assisted the Department Sons in the restoration work of Old North Burial Ground Cemetery in Providence.

Members participated in several educational programs in elementary and secondary schools and in living history programs bringing Civil War and GAR artifacts and lecturing about Rhode Island's role in the Civil War.

The Rhode Island Veterans Home in Bristol was visited, where Civil War and GAR readings and poems were presented.

Members participated in the 5th annual Civil War Exposition weekend at the Warwick Mall where over 30,000 visitors came. PNP Jackie Johnston participated as a juror with Adjutant General Centracchio to select the "Best Presentation to the Public Award."

Flags were also given to one of the Providence cemeteries this year.

Ruby Kissinger, PDP, NJ
National Patriotic Instructor

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much. National Chaplain Michelle Langley, may we have your report?

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN REPORT

Sister National President Jackie, it was an honor and a pleasure to serve you and be a member of your official family this past year. I wish for you a very harmonious and constructive encampment.

The following Departments reported to me: New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Wisconsin, Illinois, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Iowa, New Jersey, Maine, Pennsylvania, New York, Ohio, and Michigan.

The following is a consolidated report:

1. Number of members present on Memorial Day302
2. Number of members attending Sunday Memorial Services.....193
3. Number of deaths which have occurred since April 117
4. Number of funeral occasions where the
Burial Service of the Order was used7
5. Amount expended for floral and grave
decorations, including donations.....\$1,357.31
6. How many times was a committee appointed to
confer with the Camp69
7. Number of children assisting Auxiliary on Memorial Day234

My sincere thanks to all Sisters and Brothers who participated and helped in any way with the Memorial Service. To my successor, may your year be as pleasant as mine has been for me.

Michelle Langley, PDP, NY
National Chaplain

PRESIDENT JACKIE: National Press Correspondent Martha Johnson, may we have your report?

PRESS CORRESPONDENT REPORT

It has been a pleasure serving as National Press Correspondent for our National President Jacquelyn Johnston.

I looked forward to receiving material from the members and Auxiliary and Department Press Correspondents, and as much as I would have enjoyed reading each piece, I was a little overwhelmed at times. I want to thank each and every one who took the time to gather and send articles of interest for our President's press book.

Sister Jackie, I want to thank you for allowing me to serve in this office and I sincerely hope you will enjoy reading the many interesting articles.

I also want to wish for you and the National officers a happy, harmonious and rewarding Encampment.

Martha Johnson, PDP, PA
National Press Correspondent

A presentation was made to President Jackie of her activities during the past year.

MARTHA JOHNSON, NATIONAL PRESS CORRESPONDENT, PDP, PA: Much to the thanks of everyone in this room, there are articles of very interesting things that have happened throughout this past year for Sister Jackie. Jackie, it was too many for one book, so we have two. I made a bag for them so they would be easier to carry. Enjoy.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you. These are gorgeous, and there's purple trim on the bag! All of these things will be on display either in the hospitality room or in my room.

Sister Emma Wheeler, are you ready with the Budget Director Report?

BUDGET DIRECTOR REPORT

This has been a very hectic year for me. Jackie has already listed her travels. Her father and I have gone with her on every trip except to Houston, Texas; Sarasota, Florida; Washington, DC; Pennsylvania Encampment; and Nashville, Tennessee.

Sister Jackie, it has been a pleasure traveling with you this year and I wish for you a most successful and harmonious Encampment.

	1997-1998	1998-1999
Income	Actual	Estimated
Per Capita Tax	\$3,754.25	\$ 3,500.00
Per Capita Fines	95.00	20.00
National Chief of Staff 1997-1998 only	3,126.10	2,500.00
Patriotic Instructor 1997-1998 only	1,356.62	2,000.00
Sales of Supplies, Handling & Postage	2,223.41	1,250.00
Sale of Proceedings	0.00	0.00
Registration Fee (1997 Encampment)	405.00	200.00
Interest on CD's	1,689.17	1,600.00
Charters	60.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	76.00	0.00
Publicity	655.00	0.00
Checks not cashed	<u>31.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Sub-total	\$13,471.55	\$11,070.00

Overage to be taken from Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor Funds

601.00

Total Income	\$13,471.55	\$11,671.00
Expenses		
Goodwill	\$ 850.00	\$ 850.00
Proceedings	250.00	1,600.00
Encampment Stenographer (250.00)		
Mailing for 1997 Proceedings Only		
Printing for 1997 Proceedings Only		
President's Travel	2,000.00	2,000.00
Postage	1,212.36	1,500.00
Mailing General Orders (563.00)		
National President (128.00)		
National Secretary (277.60)		
National Treasurer (220.34)		
Printing	2,256.60	1,200.00
Roster & General Orders (134.60)		
Rituals (1,228.00)		
Envelopes (101.00)		
Advertising Pamphlets & MAL (793.00)		
Honor Roll	0.00	30.00
Badge & engraving	182.88	300.00
Membership Badges	1,662.78	0.00
Life Member Dues	90.00	90.00
Scholarship	400.00	400.00
Miscellaneous Office Supplies & Functions	355.40	350.00
Treasurer's Bond, One year	136.00	136.00
National Encampment Committee	400.00	400.00
National President's Testimonial	200.00	200.00
Wreaths & Other Memorials	125.00	200.00
LBNCC (Lincoln Birthday) - 25.00 (25.00)		
Gettysburg Remembrance Wreath (30.00)		
National Congress of Patriotic Organizations - 25.00 (0.00)		
Grant's Tomb		
Lincoln's Tomb - 40.00 (0.00)		
Cathedral of the Pines - 25.00 (25.00)		
Wreath for Washington, DC - 75.00 (75.00)		
Mileage to National for Officers	214.85	350.00
Commander-in-Chief's gift	0.00	0.00
Love Token, Sons	250.00	250.00
Musician	30.00	30.00
Allowance for Chief of Staff	50.00	50.00
Room for National President, if needed	0.00	250.00
Rooms for National Secretary & National Treasurer	528.00	530.00

Allowance for Meals (National: President, Secretary, Treasurer)	150.00	150.00
Gratuities	25.00	25.00
Memorial Service, Chaplain	25.00	25.00
Recruiting	0.00	100.00
Publicity	<u>0.00</u>	<u>655.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$11,393.87	\$11,671.00

1997-1998 Profit **\$2,077.68**

Emma Wheeler, PNP
Director of the Budget

EILEEN COOMBS, NATIONAL TREASURER, PNP, ME: I'd like to point out that the reason we have a lot of expense for supplies is because I ordered more badges this year than any other year I've been in office.

DANIELLE MICHAELS, DP, WI: Sister Wheeler, I don't know if this is the proper time, but I remember last year we talked about looking into name badges for when we would be out recruiting or talking to the community. I don't know if anything was done on that, but I'm just questioning. Was that ever considered in the Budget?

EMMA WHEELER, NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE BUDGET, PNP, NH: It wasn't considered in the Budget, but it may be in the Badge Committee Report.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: If not, we'll bring it up.

We have been pushing right along. I know that I want to get a lot more reports done since tomorrow's going to be a real tough day with our Officers' Committee Report, financial reports, and Election of Officers. We will take a short break.

The Chaplain closed the Bible for a brief recess.

Guides, Color Guards, and Escort brought the representative of the recipient of the National Patriotic Instructor's Gift in Memory of the Grand Army of the Republic to the altar.

RUBY KISSINGER, NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR, PDP, NJ: Sister National President, I'd like to introduce Kathy Trostle from Lebanon VA Medical Center in Lebanon, PA.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Kathy, on behalf of the National Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I extend to you a hearty welcome. Sisters, with me salute.

Guides and Color Guards, you will please escort our guest to my

station.

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR, RUBY KISSINGER, PDP, NJ: Ms. Trostle, we are happy that you could be with us today to accept this check for the Lebanon VA Medical Center.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Would you please tell us a little bit about the Medical Center?

KATHY TROSTLE: Good afternoon, everyone. First of all, I would certainly like to bring greetings from everyone at the Lebanon VA Medical Center. I would especially like to extend thanks from the veterans at the Lebanon Hospital that you are helping today.

I do want to assure that the medical conditions are being well taken care of by the government at the VA Medical Center. All their medical and physical needs are being met as best we can do, and it is our pleasure to do so.

The donation that I accept today from your Organization helps us to provide things for veterans that the US Government cannot provide. Some things that we have purchased in the past are television sets and birthday parties we've put on for the veterans.

It's kind of a lonely place if you're from out of town and spending your birthday in the hospital, and we are able to put on these parties. We purchase flowers for services in the chapel on Sundays, and extra things that, if you were going into a hospital yourself and didn't expect to be there, your community hospital would just put on your bill. This type of donation goes for the things that really enhance the lives of veterans at the Medical Center, and I truly thank you for that.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Emma Prince, would you please respond. She volunteers at the Rocky Hills Veterans Home.

EMMA PRINCE, PDP, CT: It is my pleasure to respond to you. I know what the needs are that the government does not supply, and it gives me great pleasure to say I know where that money is going to go. God bless you for receiving it. Give my love to all the veterans.

FRANCES MURRAY, NATIONAL SECRETARY, PNP, ME: Emma, please tell her how many hours you volunteered.

EMMA PRINCE, PDP, CT: Oh, about 58,000, but who's counting? I'm going into my 49th year of volunteering, so I don't know exactly how many hours.

KATHY TROSTLE: I would like to add that I do run the volunteer program at the Lebanon VA Medical Center. We'd love to have you come over for a visit. It's an honor to meet you and I salute you for the

work you've done.

EMMA PRINCE, PDP, CT: I love what I'm doing.

KATHY TROSTLE: Many of my volunteers tell me that they feel guilty coming in because they say they get so much more out of it than they feel they give. I'm just glad that everybody benefits from it because it's truly coming from the hearts of the volunteers.

Any of you that would like to see more of the hospital with a tour, or visit with some of the veterans, even if it's for one time, I would personally love to do that. You can contact me anytime.

EMMA PRINCE, PDP, CT: Volunteering even one hour a week helps.

KATHY TROSTLE: Definitely it does. Thank you.

Guides and Color Guards escorted Kathy Trostle from the room.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister National Secretary, would you please read the Washington, DC Representative's Report?

WASHINGTON, DC REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

My responsibilities have been provided by a job description, for which I am grateful; plus the guidance from Richard Schlenker, the Washington DC Representative for the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and husband of that dearly beloved wife, Dorris, who has passed away.

I also owe thanks to National Secretary Frances Murray. She has been so kind in sending along the data on the health of our members. She takes so much interest in all.

In carrying out my duties when the National President is functioning in her official capacity, I have kept a low profile. A good example was on February 12, 1998 at the Lincoln Birthday affairs such as the Wreath Laying Service at the Lincoln Memorial and later at the luncheon at Channel Inn held by the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee. Later that same day, I attended an evening dinner at Fort McNair. Here I was introduced to National President Jacquelyn Johnston. She delighted a group of prospective members who I introduced to her. She is a true example of a devoted member of our Auxiliary.

I have attended funeral services for departed Members of the Lincoln Cushing Camp #2 and the Auxiliary. I also attended most of the joint meetings of the Camp and Auxiliary, serving in my capacity as the Washington DC Representative.

This responsibility gives me pleasure and great pride. I will, in the coming year, continue to give my support to this important endeavor on

behalf of the National Auxiliary.

Elizabeth Hartshorn Phillips
Washington DC Representative

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Betty, could we have the Membership at Large Report?

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AT LARGE REPORT

The Membership at Large program has had a busy year. Many inquiries have been answered, and from them we have gained 15 new members. We have also been able to transfer Sisters into Departments where they can have an active part in the Auxiliary.

Dues notices were sent out at the beginning of the year and two late notices. At the present time, we only have 17 members that have not paid for 1998, but I am hopeful that it was just an over-sight and we will be 100% soon.

I sent out a mailing and took a poll to see how many were in favor of giving a donation to the two fund raisers and it was acceptable.

I would like to make the following suggestion to the Revision of Blanks Committee. That the certificate of membership that is given out to Members at Large be changed and that we consider a second version of this certificate to be available to all members. The obligation could be removed, as this is already on our application and not needed. This would make the certificate more suitable for hanging.

I have enjoyed working on the MAL and the contact with the members has been most rewarding. The consolidated report is as follows:

		Members
June 30, 1997		49
Gained	15	<u>+15</u>
		64
Transferred	1 Tennessee	
	1 Wisconsin	
	1 Ohio	
	1 Michigan	
	1 Pennsylvania	
Dropped	$\frac{1}{6}$	<u>-6</u>
June 30, 1998		58

On October 24, 1997 I opened checking account #01-304-489654 with Tompkins County Trust. A total of \$1,332.98 was transferred from the Farmers Bank in Pomeroy, Ohio. The account has both the National

Treasurer's name and my name on it.

Balance October 24, 1997		\$1,332.98
Ten Deposits		<u>686.00</u>
		2,018.98
Withdrawals:		
Per Capita	\$209.00	
Editor of <i>The Banner</i>	330.00	
Initiation Fees and Supplies	101.85	
Donations to Fund Raisers	50.00	
Postage	<u>25.60</u>	
Total Expenses	\$716.45	<u>-716.45</u>
Balance July 1998		\$1,302.53

Sister Jackie, it was a pleasure serving on your staff.

Betty J. Baker, PNP, NY
Membership at Large Coordinator

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you. Sister Bea Greenwalt, do you have your Historian Report?

NATIONAL HISTORIAN REPORT

I continue to enjoy the office of Historian and have received articles this year from Wisconsin, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Maine, and New York. I listened very carefully to National President Jackie's report, but did not hear of any outstanding historical event pertaining to the Auxiliary that occurred during her travels. Last year National President Betty Baker had the pleasure to represent the Auxiliary at the joint meeting and visit by the last living Union Veteran widow and the last living Confederate Veteran widow held at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania which was a very memorable event for our Organization's history.

It was interesting to trace back and find that the earliest Auxiliary Charter was issued on March 13, 1887 to Shepley Auxiliary #2 of Maine, signed by National President Kate E. Hardcastle Carr of Pennsylvania. I thought this was unusual to be listed as #2, being the first Auxiliary, but could not find an Auxiliary #1. I would like any information pertaining to this, if any of you know.

Our Auxiliary Organization continues to grow with new Charters being added each year. I went back to my year as National President in 1990 and listed the new Auxiliaries that have been added:

1990 - At Kittaning, Pennsylvania the Sara A. Crawford Auxiliary #43 Charter was issued with 21 members. That Charter was signed by National President Bea Greenwalt and now has 46 members.

1994 - At Columbus, Ohio the Gov. William Dennison Auxiliary #1 started with 10 members, has grown to 17 members and is very active. Sarah Cherry of that Auxiliary is in her second year as Ohio Department President, following another Columbus Auxiliary Member, Wilda Brown, and other active members helping to build the Ohio Department. The Gov. William Dennison Auxiliary #1's Charter was signed by National President Florence Spring.

1995 - Three Auxiliary Charters were issued and signed by National President Margaret Atkinson. The Lot Smith Provisional Auxiliary #1 at Salt Lake City, Utah began with 6 members. The Sumner's Needham Auxiliary #128 at Lawrence, Massachusetts began with 19 members. The Col. Jacob M. Campbell Auxiliary #16 at Johnstown, Pennsylvania began with 23 members.

1996 - Ohio Department President Wilda Brown instituted Eliza Garfield Auxiliary #142 in Cleveland in April. National President Margaret Atkinson presented a Charter to the President of the new Garfield Auxiliary at the Ohio Department Encampment in June. PNP Frances Murray presented Eniz Bliss Auxiliary #12, Rhode Island with their full Charter. The Auxiliary was instituted as a Provisional Auxiliary in 1993 by then National President Frances Murray.

1997 - Three new Auxiliaries were issued Charters signed by National President Betty Baker. The Sara Emma Edmonds Seelye Provisional Auxiliary #1 at Houston, Texas began with 7 members and in 1998 has 9 members. The Austin Blair Auxiliary #7 at Jackson, Michigan began with 11 members and has grown to 13 members. This Auxiliary used the original Charter issued to Auxiliary #7 signed by National President Margaret Schroeder in 1941. The Fort Donelson Auxiliary #1 at Fort Donelson, Tennessee began with 5 members and has grown to 11 members.

1998 - There were two new Auxiliaries issued Charters signed by National President Jacquelyn Johnston. The Mary Anne Bickerdyke Auxiliary #22 at Aurora, Illinois began with 12 members. Vienna Auxiliary #26, Portsmouth, Ohio has 14 members with several applications still to be received. Two more Auxiliaries are in the process of instituting and the Membership at Large has increased by 15 new members.

My hope is that next year there will be many more new Auxiliaries to report on as our Organization continues to grow.

Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
National Historian

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much, Sister Bea. Since we do have such a wonderful representation here today, I want to take just a second to tell you that Sister Bea has been compiling for several years now a complete history of the Auxiliary.

In my General Orders and when I have written to some of our older members who are in ill health, I have suggested that if you have records from your Auxiliaries and Departments, to please send them to Sister Bea. If you want them back, tell her. I'm sure she'll be glad to give them back to you. She has been working diligently and computerizing the history of our Auxiliary. That's something for which I think we owe her a big "Thank you."

Sister Teresa Doyle, are you ready with your written report?

NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

This Encampment seemed so far away, and now it is here. I hope that everyone has had a wonderful year. I know it has been a busy year as always for everyone. I attended very few meetings outside of Vermont this year, but I did get to a few, including a trip to Gettysburg which was impressive. My sister accompanied me there and got many beautiful pictures of the ladies and gentlemen in their period dress.

During the past year I distributed raffle tickets for a drawing at this Encampment to all Departments and National Aides, sold tickets at meetings, had 50/50 raffles, and had sales tables where I could. I also had a special raffle at Gettysburg and a sales table there. Donations of handiwork and other items for raffles and sales were received from various members.

I was very fortunate to have members from the New England area who helped to raise funds, helped on the sales tables, provided handiwork and gave me much positive support. Thanks to everyone for their help. I'd like to give a special thank you to Sister Mary Scofield (who not only donated items for fund raising, but also sold items for the Chief of Staff fund while at a New England Regional meeting which I did not attend), Sister Joyce Norman who provided many items for the sales table and raffles, Sisters Judy Trepanier and Mary Willey for providing afghans for the afghan raffle, and Sister Eileen Coombs who is always helpful in the recording and processing of funds received and with much other needed advice.

I would like to thank National President Jackie for choosing me for her Chief of Staff; many thanks to her and her mother, PNP Emma Wheeler, for their generous contributions and support of the Chief of Staff Fund. Without their help it would have been a much more worrisome task. I know they have had a long year filled with much travel. I wish them the best, and a lot of rest, in the coming year. As

Sister Jackie knows, "There can be only one!" - and she was it this past year.

Special, special thanks to my mother and father, Merlin and Alice Doyle. They gave me the courage and assistance to make it through this year, and made the travel possible and pleasant.

In conclusion, I would like to again thank everyone who provided items and donations of money. I hope that the amount raised will be sufficient to support the work of the Order in the coming year.

Teresa Doyle, VT
National Chief of Staff

PRESIDENT JACKIE: That little inside joke is that I'm a big "Highlander" fan, and "there can be only one."
National Counselor Dorothy Hilyard, may we have your report?

NATIONAL COUNSELOR REPORT

I want to thank our National President for appointing me her Counselor this year. I felt this was quite an honor.

My duties have been easy as our President knows our work well and has deep roots in our Organization and a family which stands by her.

Jackie, I wish for you a wonderful Encampment and to let you know I love you.

To our incoming officers, I pledge my loyal support.

Dorothy Hilyard, PNP, MD-DE
Counselor

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Believe it or not, last but not least, my Personal Aide Janice Broderick. May we have your report?

NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE REPORT

Thank you, Sister Jackie, for appointing me as your Personal Aide. I have enjoyed working with you this past year.

In addition to taking care of Sister Jackie's scrapbook, working on her Testimonial and, of course, helping here at National, I was able to go to the New England Regional meeting in Queechee, Vermont in October.

In November, I accompanied Sister Jackie, her parents, her cousin, and her aunt to the 41st GAR Dedication Day Ceremonies in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

In February I attended all of the Lincoln Birthday ceremonies and functions in Washington, DC.

Sister Jackie, it has been a pleasure serving with you this year and I wish for you a most successful and harmonious Encampment.

Janice Broderick, DP, NH
National Personal Aide

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you. Before we start on the next round, would anyone like to make any announcements?

Announcements were made regarding the banquet, campfire, courtesy hour, club meetings, and supplies.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Our Committee is going to meet right after we recess today. If anybody has any recommendations for anything pertaining to the C.R.&R., we'd really like to have it ahead of time.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I think I will continue with one or two committee reports, if they are ready.

Sister Peggy, are you ready with your Legislative Committee Report?

NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Last year at the Encampment in Utica, I was sorry to report that nothing definite had been done in Washington about Social Security and Medicare. There were lots of ideas, theories, and rhetoric, but nothing concrete and no bills even close to be voted on. Unfortunately, this situation has not changed one bit. Just a lot more ideas (some good and some bad), a lot more rhetoric (again, some good and some bad), and more theories than ever. Eventually something will be worked out. In the meantime, I will be eligible to start collecting Social Security, but I will not apply until something concrete has been decided.

The Year 2000 Problem (aka Y2K or The Millennium Bug)

I told you last year about the Year 2000 problem. Besides the very possibility of computers translating a date coded "08/06/00" as "August 6, 1900," the coding used to program the computers is very old, in computer terms, like the late 1950's and early 1960's. As computer technology changed, so did the coding systems, or computer languages. The old languages have not been used for twenty or twenty-five years. Everyone who knew these languages is either retired or in a much higher position, and you would not expect vice-presidents to do grunt programming projects. So not only must the programs be changed to accommodate four-digit years for dates, but a whole lot of people must be trained to learn these obsolete languages. The latest official estimate by the head computer "poo-bah" in Washington is that conversion of all government programs will not be completed until 2019! Here in the US and in Canada, most small businesses are just ignoring the problem.

Several times already, my MasterCard has been rejected by small merchants because the expiration date on the card is 03/01/00. In other parts of the world, Year 2000 is totally being ignored. The reasoning is that the US will come up with a solution for them before an actual problem occurs. There is good news, but it probably comes too late to help. President Clinton, just two weeks ago, woke up to the fact that there may be total chaos in a little more than a year. He has called for a conference of computer experts to be held in October to discuss the problems, and to come up with a solution. In the meantime, do not be surprised if things go wrong when the time comes. For instance, the Social Security Administration has completely converted its entire system to fix the problem. Social Security will have no problems; however, the Treasury Department has not converted its programs to print and send out checks. The government will know what amount of money you should be getting, but the money may not get to you. Good luck!

No More Unknown Soldiers?

It is very possible that there may never be any more burials in the Tomb of the Unknowns in Washington. The recent disinterment of the Vietnam hero may start a trend. The family of 1st Lt. Michael J. Blassie knew both when and where he died, and the place where the body of the Unknown had been found. Since both places were identical, they went to congress to plead for the body for DNA testing. The technology exists to identify all men and women who died defending our country where an actual body exists. DNA testing cannot be done on the Korean unknown soldier; most men in the Korean War were shot down in their planes. The planes usually burned with the crew still in them. It's not pleasant, but all that was left were bits and pieces in the charred planes. And DNA was not known during World War II. There are no laws that even mention the disinterment of bodies from the Tombs of the Unknowns. Unless there is a law passed prohibiting such incidents, the only Unknown Soldiers may be the original World War I man brought back to this country from France by the USS Olympia and the World War II hero.

Arlington National Cemetery

Last December, after his death, it was discovered that M. Larry Lawrence, the American ambassador to Switzerland, a very wealthy man and a large contributor to the Democratic Party, had lied when he said that he had served in the Army during World War II. He wanted to be buried at Arlington, and the surest way was to invent military service. Even though he had lied, it came out that President Clinton had granted Mr. Lawrence a waiver allowing him to be buried in the National Cemetery. This led to an investigation of the whole matter of burial in the cemeteries and of waivers. Rep. Terry Everett (R-Alabama) said that the investigating panels found "no situations of outright misrepre-

sentation, fraud, or illegality except that involving Lawrence,” but there has “undoubtedly been favoritism” and “arm pulling” over burial waivers in the past and present administrations. Rules governing waivers have been written and adopted for the first time. There have been 113 waivers granted over the years. One hundred of those waivers were for widows whose husbands are buried in the cemetery. Veterans are happy with the legislation. At present, all burial sites at Arlington will be full by 2025. Even though negotiations are under way to purchase more land adjacent to the cemetery, space will be limited for the burial of veterans.

Restoring the Original Star Spangled Banner

The real, original Star Spangled Banner that flew over Ft. McHenry to inspire Francis Scott Key's magnificent poem which became the lyrics for our National Anthem is being cleaned. The flag, being over 175 years old, presents a major challenge to the Smithsonian Institution. Time is not kind to fabrics of any kind. The flag weighs 150 pounds and its size is 1,020 square feet. The flag has been the property of the Smithsonian for 91 years and its last cleaning was in 1964. A special team of conservationists has been appointed to oversee the project. In addition to mending and cleaning the flag, the project included the remodeling of the two story atrium where the flag has been on display, and the installation of a new glass case specially treated to prevent further deterioration. The completion date for the project is expected to be late in 2001.

Changes in Estate Tax Laws

If you have a sizable estate that will pass to your heirs, there are new, more liberal laws about taxes. At the present time, each taxpayer receives a unified tax credit equal to a \$600,000 exemption on estate taxes owed. Anything under that amount can be transferred at death to the heirs free from federal taxes. Anything over \$600,000 is taxed at a federal rate that can go as high as 55%. Under the new law, the \$600,000 exemption increases to \$625,000 in 1998, and continues to rise each year until it reaches \$1,000,000 in 2006. Of course, a spouse continues to inherit the entire estate without taxes. Be sure to check with your lawyer to determine if any changes need to be made to your will or other documents because of the exemption increase, and you can still give monetary gifts to as many people as you choose each year without tax. The gift amount is currently \$10,000, but will increase to \$1,000,000 by \$1,000 yearly increments in 2006.

Automatic Deposit of Social Security Checks

Remember, Social Security will no longer send you a monthly check beginning January 2, 2000. Remind all your older friends that if they do not have a bank account or a checking account by the of this year, they will not get their money.

Itinerant Civil War Cannons
(From *The Stars and Stripes*)

Veterans and Civil War buffs in Union City, NJ awakened one December morning to the deafening silence of their missing Civil War cannons. Fearful that the descendants of General Robert E. Lee had raided Ellsworth Park and wheeled the century-old artillery pieces south to Savanna, the vets took to their bugles and signaled assembly.

Alas, upon investigation, the culprit turned out not to be the general's ghost, or his descendants, but was, as so often is the case, the enemy within. It seems a parks commissioner with the disarming name of James Madonna had cleverly infiltrated local government, and, when the time was ripe, gave the historic guns, valued at \$20,000 each, to an itinerant trash dealer.

Madonna (no relation to the diva) was quoted as taking the gossamer wings approach by saying, "It's just one of those things." Sources close to the parks official, who asked not to go on record, said the unfortunate incident might well hurt the commissioner's chances of being named honorary general in charge of the next Civil War battle reenactment in New Jersey.

An equal opportunity offender, the parks official also outraged descendants of World War I veterans by playing a roll in "deep-sixing" a 1918 artillery piece that had been displayed near Pallisade Avenue.

Val Forgett, president of the Naval Arms Co. of Ridgeville, traced the cannons as far as a scrap yard in Garfield. There the molten trail turned stone cold. Forgett suspects Union City's pieces of history are on their way to the Land of the Rising Sun, and will eventually be returned to the United States in the slightly altered form of Hondas, Toyotas, and perhaps a Lexus or two.

Meanwhile, a staff writer for the New Jersey *Journal* reported that the FBI had taken an interest in the cannon caper and had visited City Hall, but agents would not confirm they had turned up a "Smoking Gun."

At press time, *The Stars and Stripes* was unable to determine whether Commissioner Madonna's position is elective or appointed. In either case, first printed while General Grant's and Confederate General Jeff Thompson's guns were roaring in 1861, stands ready to receive - should Madonna decide term limits are not to his liking - a notice saying: "In search of: Two used cannons. Must be in good condition. Cash. No questions asked."

New National Cemetery in Joliet

Of all people, Republican Congressmen from Illinois are having a fit about naming the huge new National Cemetery outside Chicago for the greatest of all Republicans from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln. The House Veterans Affairs Benefits Subcommittee met at the end of April to discuss the cemetery, still under construction, and its name. They thought that no one, especially no Republican, would object. How

wrong they were! Among the objections:

- There are too many things and places in Illinois named for Abraham Lincoln. People get confused, and do not know where they are, or what is located at which site.
- Lincoln is buried in Springfield, Illinois, at the Oak Ridge Cemetery. People will think that he is buried in the cemetery in Joliet that bears his name.
- There is only one National Cemetery named after a person, the Zachary Taylor National Cemetery. And the reason for this exception is that President Taylor himself is buried there. This is not true. The National Cemetery in Milwaukee is the Wood National Cemetery. The cemetery is not named for the material contained in a tree trunk. It is named, as is Fort Leonard Wood, for General Leonard Wood, Teddy Roosevelt's commanding officer in Cuba.

The chairman of the subcommittee apologized for any hurt feelings, and promised that Congress will be consulted on the naming of national cemeteries in the future, but definitely stated that the name of the Illinois cemetery will remain the Abraham Lincoln Cemetery.

Peggy Schaefer, PDP, WI, Chairman
Legislative Committee

PRESIDENT JACKIE: That is always a wonderful report. Peggy does an excellent job.

FLORENCE SPRING, PNP, NJ: I'd like to make one comment about those cannons. Union City, New Jersey is my home town. That property where the cannons stood was donated by my family with the understanding that the park be named after Colonel Ellsworth. The cannons were supplied by the New Jersey Department of the Sons. Nothing was ever told to the Organization until after these cannons were sold for scrap metal. When the Sons from New Jersey registered a protest, they were told by the man who had done this "Well, nobody ever showed any interest before" and that "It's over and done with."

MOVED by Florence Spring, PNP, NJ

SECONDED by several

That the report be received, spread in full in the Proceedings, and the Committee be discharged with thanks.

SO VOTED.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Esther Peiper, are you ready with the

Ritual Committee Report?

RITUAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We received inquiries from the Department of Wisconsin and the National Secretary sent one from the Department of Pennsylvania.

1. Received from Wisconsin Department regarding the wording of our Ritual Prayers:

Whereas our Nation was created by a diverse population that had brought their strengths, values, and religions to America, and whereas many of their offspring have fought and died for their values to keep our Country one Nation, undivided and whole, it would be most fitting to change the language of our prayers to become more inclusive of different faiths by referring to a Supreme Being or Creator rather than references to the Redeemer or Savior.

The Committee has given this our thought regarding God and Country. We use old Bibles in our ritual work and the Civil War was fought from 1861 to 1865. Our Organization was formed by the Grand Army of the Republic. We give honor to the Veterans of all wars. Our Pledge of Allegiance states "One nation under God" and we would not want that changed. We, the Committee, do not approve any change in our Ritual Prayers.

MOVED by Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
SECONDED by many
That the Committee be sustained.

DISCUSSION:

VOICE: The reason for that is not to eliminate God, but to eliminate specific reference to Jesus Christ to accommodate our Jewish and Muslim friends. That's all that we're asking.

ESTHER PEIPER, PNP, PA: We feel very strongly about it. This Organization represents the Veterans of the Civil War and their ancestors. We were instructed to keep this by the Daughters of the American Revolution when they formed the Organization. I see no reason whatsoever and I don't think any of the girls that signed our report see any reason to change the ritualistic prayers that we say at the opening and closings of our meetings.

When we take a member in, they swear to live up to the obligation. I think our prayers are included in that obligation. When you agree to abide by the rules and regulations of this Order, you also agree that you will be willing to serve under these conditions.

I ask all of you to think about it as you vote. I truly feel we're honoring our forefathers by leaving them the way they are.

SO VOTED

2. Received from National Secretary and sent by Pennsylvania Department with a similar change from Wisconsin Department:

A. Junior members could be initiated at age 8, be issued a membership card, attend regular meetings and be allowed to participate in all functions, excluding voting and holding elective offices.

B. Each Auxiliary would not be required to pay per capita tax on junior members.

C. Each Auxiliary would set an annual dues for each junior member at their own discretion.

D. At age 12, junior members would become regular members, to include voting privileges and ability to hold elective offices.

The Committee approves Sections A, B, & C. Section D is covered by the C.R.&R. The Committee feels the time is here for all of our members to give this ruling our attention.

Some thought should be given to the holding of elective office in the Auxiliary as our Guides and Color Guards are elected and the 8 to 12 age can do beautiful floor work and they love taking part.

At Department and National Encampments, these offices are appointed. For this reason, the Committee feels the ruling should be turned over to the C.R.&R. Committee.

The Ritual Committee thanks you, Sister National President, for this appointment and wish for you success and all the good things that life can bring. May God bless.

Esther G. Peiper, PNP, PA, Chairman
Sarah Cherry, DP, OH
Cynthia Brown, DP, MA

PEGGY SCHAEFER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #3, PDP, WI:

You see these young girls sitting here with Mom or Grandmom, and there's no reason why they shouldn't be entitled to membership.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I have seen that happen all across the country and I have had this brought up to me at three or four Department Encampments that this would be a good idea. I think that's just what Sister Esther said, but it should be handled by C.R.&R. Committee.

MOVED by Emma Prince, PDP, CT

SECONDED by Mary Spalding, PDP, NH and Margaret Atkinson, PNP,
PA

That we accept this Committee's report, spread it in full in the
Proceedings, and discharge the Committee with thanks.

SO VOTED

*Department Reports from New Jersey; New York;
Maryland-Delaware; Ohio; Rhode Island; Vermont; Wisconsin;
Pennsylvania; and Provisional Auxiliary #62, Fort
Donelson, TN were read during this session.*

*The Chaplain attended the altar and the meeting was
recessed at 4:00 p.m.*

THIRD SESSION
Saturday Morning, August 8, 1998
9:00 a.m.

*The Chaplain attended the altar and Guard reported
all entitled to remain.*

The minutes of Friday's sessions were read, corrected, and approved.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Frances, are you ready with the Revision
of Blanks Report?

REVISION OF BLANKS COMMITTEE REPORT

Our Committee has again revised the quarterly report form by making
the Life Membership (I hope) easier to understand and revising the back
page to make it easier for secretaries to report members in the Lost or
gained columns. Forms are attached to this report for review.

The Rehabilitation Report has been revised by adding the price list to
the front of the report. I still am not satisfied with the form and,
hopefully, next year we will be adding more information to the report.

I forwarded National President Jackie Johnston the scholarship
application that the Department of Maine uses. What we have asked for
besides name, address, and phone number is where the applicant
graduated from high school, college accepted to or currently attending, is
the applicant a descendant of a Civil War veteran and what that
relationship is, if the applicant is related to anyone in the G.A.R. family,
and if the applicant is a member of the Sons or Auxiliary. We are also
asking for a brief essay on "What My Heritage Means to Me", one
written recommendation from a teacher or professor, and a transcript.

Memorial Services	Needlework
Senior Centers	Baking
Senior Citizens Transportation	V.F.W.
All Hours Transportation	American Legion
Bulk Mailings	Eastern Star
Office Work	Bingo Parties
Sewing	

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you, Sister Emma. That was a tremendous report!

EMMA PRINCE, REHABILITATION CHAIRMAN, PDP, CT: I'm sure not all the mileage or hours have been reported, so this report could have been even better.

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH

SECONDED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY

That this fine report be accepted, the consolidated report be spread in full in the Proceedings, and that the Committee be discharged with a rising vote of thanks.

SO VOTED AND DONE

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Greenwalt, are you ready with the C.R.&R. Committee Report?

CONSTITUTION, RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We have received recommendations of changes to the Constitution, Rules and Regulations from the Pennsylvania Department; the Wisconsin Department; and the National Recruiter/Auxiliary Organizer, PNP Margaret Atkinson.

Due to the fact that we have several C.R.&R books still on hand and due to the fact that the last printing of these was 1991, the Committee considered the following request with much thought and discussion before coming to our decision on the following recommendation from

the National Recruiter Auxiliary Organizer, PNP Margaret Atkinson:

I have been the National Recruiter Auxiliary Organizer for the past several years. I have had the opportunity to discuss our rules and regulations with persons who are considering either joining individually or beginning an Auxiliary.

It has bothered me considerably for sometime that we give them information, for instance, how many are needed to begin an Auxiliary and so forth. That is not backed up by what is printed in the C.R.&R.

If they do join, or begin an Auxiliary, we then have to tell them that

changes have been made and try to explain them. Many changes have been made since 1991 when it was printed.

If you are a regular attendee at National or take the time to correct your C.R.&R when you get your General Orders after the National Encampment, it can be kept up-to-date after a fashion, if you can find the room to put in the additions. However, it is only for the past two years that everyone received the General Orders, so the bulk of our membership are using outdated C.R.&R's.

The ideal situation would be to reprint it in loose leaf form, in which pages could be changed as regulations are adjusted at National Encampment.

In a casual conversation with the National Treasurer this past year, she mentioned to me that she still had a large stock of them. It is regrettable that so many were printed at that time. An alternative would be to print a small supplement that could be folded to place in the book and would be distributed by the National Treasurer. If someone could set it up on the computer, it could be copied, thus incurring a minimal cost.

After my first year as National President, I printed a small supplement in the General Order which could be inserted. A copy of that is enclosed, and she did send a copy of the 26 changes that have been made in the past three years.

I would like to request that the Committee consider reviewing all changes made to the C.R.&R. since it was printed in 1991 and either have a new one printed, or make up a supplement in page order. Thus someone reading Page 8, for instance, would check the supplement to see if anything was noted as a change for Page 8.

I appreciate your Committee's consideration of this request.

Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
National Recruiter

The Committee discussed her suggestion of a small notebook. If we don't put the new changes in the C.R.&R. books, we are wasting a lot of time at Nationals discussing and voting on changes. A small loose leaf notebook would be easy to add pages to. Yes, with computers it is easy and very inexpensive to print new pages of changes. We agreed with Sister Margaret on this.

In her letter of recommendation, she suggested that the C.R.&R. Committee consider reviewing all changes made since the printing in 1991 up to the present.

The Committee did not receive her letter soon enough to be able to do this research. We recommend that the newly elected President appoint a Committee to work on that project during the year and present a feasible, workable, small loose leaf notebook, that by computer we would only need to print a very small amount at a time, and each year add new changes.

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, ME
SECONDED by Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP, PA and Catherine
Hartman, PDP, PA
That the Committee be sustained.

DISCUSSION:

CAROLYN BILLUPS, PA: I think this is a great idea. One thing that can be done for people like me who have a hard time reading normal print, is to possibly e-mail it to those people who have visual impairments so that we can blow it up to whatever size we want.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: With a loose leaf notebook, you could do that on your own.

SO VOTED

The C.R.&R. Committee received similar recommendations about junior members from both the Wisconsin and Pennsylvania Departments. This we also had a lot of discussion on and for three people to decide something, it was kind of impossible. I will read what the Wisconsin Department suggested as to Junior Membership:

Whereas our Organization is family-oriented and the missions can only be continued in the future by teaching them to our youth, we recommend that a Junior Membership, ages 8 to 12, be created to instill our values and patriotism in youth. Patriotism is not necessarily part of the schools' curriculum.

What better method to teach our young than to allow them the hands-on experiences and give them ownership of our actions as active participants in our Order. Junior Membership would be as an apprenticeship, allowing them to learn from others.

The junior members would not be able to hold office nor vote until full membership at age 12.

Pennsylvania Department's recommendation:

The Department of Pennsylvania Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War would like to propose that the National Auxiliary adopt Junior Membership similar to what is currently used by the National Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

A. Junior members could be initiated at age eight, be issued a membership card, attend regular meetings, and be allowed to participate at any functions, excluding voting and holding elective offices.

B. Each Auxiliary would not be required to pay per capita tax on junior members.

C. Each Auxiliary would set annual dues for each junior member at their own discretion.

D. At age 12, junior members would become regular members to include voting privileges and ability to hold elective offices.

Beverly Knight, DP
Pennsylvania Department

The Committee agreed with both Departments that ages eight up to age 12 could be called junior members and be allowed to attend meetings. They could be appointed to offices of Guide, Assistant Guide, Color Guards, Personal Aides, and any other appointed offices.

Several of us got our start going with our mothers. But the Committee cannot agree with "A" from Pennsylvania Department, that they should have membership cards. We felt that should be a special honor when they become age 12 and initiated as a regular member and they would then be given their card and their badge.

The Committee feels that the junior members not pay any dues until initiated as full members at age 12, and receive their membership cards and badges at that time, making it a special honor.

The Committee did suggest that if an Auxiliary wanted to make ribbon-type badges for the eight- to 12-year olds to wear when they served in the appointed office, that would be nice.

The Committee would like discussion from the floor on this as far as them receiving their membership cards and being initiated at age eight.

DISCUSSION:

DANIELLE MICHAELS, DP, WI: Sisters, let's make it very simple. We, many times, mirror the Sons, and the Sons already have badges for their junior members. They also give their junior members a membership card. The badges are like their badges, nothing is created. What they have is a white ribbon with red and white lines going through it.

The Sons have the ribbons. We don't have to create a new one. We can just do that, too, with our junior members.

I hope all of you realize it's difficult to recruit. It's a lot easier when you take the whole family. We have these members who could easily

learn from us, they come with us anyway when we take them out, at least I take my children out with me when we go out recruiting, and it would be nice for them to participate.

It's easy for them to participate. My daughter dresses up in Civil War garb. She shows other children her age how to play the games that they did back then, how to respect the soldiers and the parents, and it all looks back at our Organization.

To me, it is very simple. We already have our badge, the men already have the ribbon, and we don't have to create anything. We already have the membership card, and we could easily scratch in Junior Member.

Thank you for your consideration.

PEGGY SCHAEFER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #3, PDP, WI:

Last weekend we went out recruiting. There was a whole family: mother, father, teenage boy, two teenage girls, and a nine-year-old girl. They all wanted to join, but since we could not take in the nine-year-old girl, they changed their mind and said “We want something for the whole family.”

PEGGY FRANTZ, PDP, PA: This was my Committee’s suggestion that got sent on to National for this Junior Membership program.

I would like to address the other issues which were not covered in Wisconsin’s proposal. That was the per capita tax and also the discretion of each Auxiliary to set their own dues.

To back up what Wisconsin has said, my suggestions were made with what the Sons currently do. They do not charge their junior members per capita tax and it is my understanding that some Camps do not even charge a member fee to their junior members.

If a per capita tax were assessed to these junior members, we felt that it might be a family hardship. If you have a family of four where all members are belonging to the Auxiliary and Sons, we are talking sometimes in excess of \$50 of membership just covering per capita fees.

Our thought was that someone of the ages between eight and 12 could join. Many of the organizations are available to young people for those ages and their membership fees are very reasonable. Most times they are under \$10.

As for dues, an Auxiliary may want to charge a junior member just a few dollars to cover bookkeeping costs and that is why our wording was “at their own discretion.”

My daughter, age 10, has been sitting in every session of every Auxiliary meeting that I have attended and every Department Encampment that I have attended from the age of three months. She is not eligible to join this Auxiliary, and yet she has belonged for a minimum of two years to the Daughters because in their program, they may join at age eight.

She is so excited about this prospect. She has asked me at least three times, “Did it finally pass?” And I have to tell her, “No.” This is why we tried in Pennsylvania to come up with some of these details on our proposal, and I am really glad that we have Wisconsin here, as well, who are thinking along the same line.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: I think all of the proposals are good. I like what both Sisters are saying, and I definitely think we have to go with the eight-year-old because once they get to 12-years-old and start becoming teenagers, you’ve lost them. You will have four years of foundation with these girls and in keeping them active, they will stay in the Auxiliary.

I have done the same thing that Peggy has done. My granddaughters have come with me for a long time. I have had granddaughters who have held money offices as soon as they were able to. I helped them. As parents, we are here as role models and where better to be a role model than in our Organization.

In summary of the Committee, we do fully agree that, yes, the eight-year-olds are getting more interested and that they are coming into the meetings more often. We are asking, should we reduce our age to age eight and take them in as a full member at age eight instead of making them a junior member? If you are giving them cards, badges, and responsibilities, you are almost saying they are a member.

BEVERLY KNIGHT, PDP, PA: Sister, this is not what we are saying. Any organization that a young person belongs to issues a membership card, even if you just print it up in a different color so they know it is not a full-fledged membership card.

A membership pin is issued in any organization that a young person belongs to. I put the ribbon on my son's badge. All they do is take a regular pin and put the junior ribbon on it, and then when they are a full-fledged member at age 12, change the ribbon.

I feel they need that membership card - because if we are going to be checking cards and only allowed Auxiliary members to attend meetings, then you don't want the daughters that are not Auxiliary members to be able to come into the sessions.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Then why not reduce the age to eight as a member?

BEVERLY KNIGHT, PDP, PA: My daughter is age eight. She is not ready to become a full-fledged member. She doesn't care if the per capita gets voted from \$1 per quarter to \$1 per half. She does not need that voting privilege. She just needs the privilege to attend these meetings.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: The Committee is in agreement with that.

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: I am in agreement with these Sisters and I think two-thirds of the Past National Presidents are in agreement with them. We want these kids at eight years old to be junior members and I think they should have a card. You could just print "Junior Member" on a card and give it to them. It doesn't have to be fancy. If the individual Auxiliaries want to give them a badge, that's up to them.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Would you give them a different card then when they get to age 12?

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: Yes, when they become a full member. We want them to be full members at 12. I think you had half of that all right. I think maybe you could “jimmy” the other part, and come back with it so that we would all approve of it, because I think it’s great. I don’t want them paying dues and collecting per capita tax. Our Secretaries and Treasurers are really over-burdened, and I don’t think per capita tax should be paid on eight-, nine-, ten-, eleven-, up to twelve-year-old girls. Just forget the dues and per capita tax, and let them enjoy and get used to the Organization.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: That is basically what the Committee said.

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: I thought that was a very nice proposal and I’m sure that all of us will agree with you. All you have to do is word it that you don’t make them pay dues and per capita tax. We have enough to attend to.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: If I change the Committee’s report that they are to receive membership cards, then you are agreeing with the Committee?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: If you are going to adopt the card, who is going to have the cards done? Is this going to be an added expense to the National Organization?

ANTONIA SCHMINCKE, DELEGATE, PA: Do you know how I made my business cards? On the computer on business card forms. Anyone can do it. Rip them apart and hand them out.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Who is going to mandate who is going to do that? Each Auxiliary or the National? You have to think about that.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Talk about “taking off” the computer. Anybody, any place in our country can “take off” of the computer and make their own membership card. Think about that. They can take our logo; they can take everything. They can print their own membership card and show it to people, and say that they are a member. That’s one trouble with our computers.

ANTONIA SCHMINCKE, DELEGATE, PA: I will be happy to do them for free.

JOYCE NORMAN, PDP, CT: If we take in Associate Members, why not take in junior members?

I think if we are going to have junior members, they all need to have one card, not each Department have their own.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: The Committee fully agrees that, yes, we should have junior members.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Bea, you have changed your Recommendation so we could vote on it?

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Yes. The Committee didn't feel as though they should have membership cards and badges, and I just crossed that out.

MOVED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
SECONDED by many
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

MOVED BY Danielle Michaels, PDP, WI
SECONDED by Peggy Frantz, PDP, PA and Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
That we allow the daughters to come in today to take the obligation at the altar and become Junior Members.
SO VOTED

Sister President Jackie, it has been a pleasure serving on the C.R.&R. Committee, but we were afraid that we were going to get tarred and feathered and sent out. Thank you for appointing us.

Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY, Chairman
Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
Alice Doyle, PDP, VT

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
SECONDED by Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP, PA and Martha Johnson, PDP, PA
That the Committee report be accepted, placed in full in the Proceedings, and the Committee be discharged with our great thanks.
SO VOTED

FLORENCE FOIGHT, DP, MD-DE: I would like to know why it is that these National Presidents are getting stuck with such great big bills traveling all over the country to help us and our Organization out.

Why can't we take some money sitting in the funds and use it to help pay their expenses? We are going to end up some day with no one willing to take the National President's job because we don't pay the expenses.

It's a lot different - I was looking back on some of the records, and 30 cents was considered a high amount to pay back 60 years ago for Auxiliary funds. But now with things the way they are, I think we ought

to redo our thinking and pay the National President's expenses to a greater extent. \$2,000 isn't very much when you think how much they have to travel.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I believe that when you take the position of National President, you know what it entails. I spent a great deal of money this year because I had a full-time job.

If you are retired or you can take a leave of absence, then you can travel by car. You can arrange special meetings. I insisted that I was going to every Department Encampment. The only one I could not make was Wisconsin; however, I did go there in October.

I think you know what you are supposed to do when you take this position, and until our numbers get up to 8,000 members or whatever, I don't think you can raise travel. I agree with you, it is very hard. If we were to give our National President a decent amount for travel, we would wipe out our treasury in no time.

Pennsylvania and Ohio have set up a fund at their Department Encampment for which they are earning money to help their people, and it could be 10 years before you have another person willing to go up as National President. But if you set up a fund, you as a Department can earn some money and give that to your National President to help towards her travel and expenses. It was the first time I had seen it happen and I thought it was an excellent, excellent idea.

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: It was suggested by Sister Florence Foight that where Sister Elizabeth Phillips is quite debilitated and unable to fulfill her duties as Washington, DC Representative, that we consider Sister Millie Ames taking over these duties. Sister Ames is always going with Richard Schlenker, who is the Washington, DC Representative for the Sons.

Last year Sister Phillips was the only one we knew in the Washington area. If she has an increasing health problem, I would see no problem as long as it was agreeable with her, and she felt she could not handle the task.

FLORENCE FOIGHT, DP, MD-DE: The main problem is she can't drive. Jim McCalferty was taking her some places, but he hasn't been available for some of the things, which means she can't go to anything.

It just seems like we are probably not getting the coverage we would have if we had somebody who was going to be there anyway.

I would suggest, Sister National President, that perhaps the Council could consult with Sister Phillips and see what her situation is. If she feels she is no longer able to properly represent us, I would assume it would then be up to Council to appoint someone to fill the two years which is the remainder of her term.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: We will leave this up to Council.

I would like to take a small break in here and tell the Sisters who have daughters who would like to become Junior Members that we will give them the obligation after the recess.

I would like to ask someone to make a motion that we can report to the Sons on asking the National Society Daughters of the Union 1861-1865 to attend the banquet only.

MOVED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA

SECONDED by Ora Moitoso, PNP, RI and Catherine Hartman, PDP, PA

That we invite the National Society Daughters of the Union 1861-1865 to the banquet at the National Encampment in Indianapolis next year.

This is a one-time gesture for the 50-year reunion.

SO VOTED

The Chaplain attended the altar for a brief recess.

Guides and Color Guards escorted Brother Edward Kreiser to the altar.

PEGGY FRANTZ, PDP, PA: Sister President, I have the privilege to present Ed Kreiser, Past Department Commander of Indiana.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Brother Kreiser, we wish to welcome you to our Encampment. Sisters, with me salute. Sister Guides and Color Guards, you will escort our esteemed Brother to my station.

EDWARD KREISER, PDC, IN: Thank you for having me here today. Next year is a very important year for all of the Allied Orders. It is the 50th anniversary of the last G.A.R. Encampment.

Before the Encampment starts on Thursday evening, the Indiana Department is hosting a special event for the Commemoration of the G.A.R. There is going to be a parade following much of the same route that the parade took in 1949.

We are inviting all of the Allied Orders to participate in this parade. Anyone who feels that they cannot walk in this parade can ride in a horse drawn carriage. We are inviting other organizations, both active military organizations as well as veterans organizations to participate in the parade. Everyone is encouraged to come and participate in the parade as well as the special banquet afterwards.

This banquet will be held in the Indiana Roof Ballroom. Anybody who was at the National Encampment in 1991 was taken there for the dedication of the plaque that was placed outside.

Those of you who got up into the ballroom area got a special treat. It is redone to the exact condition it was in 1949 with a starred ceiling. It looks like a starry night on the Spanish Riviera. It has a two-tiered balcony all around the room that looks like a Spanish seaport. In

addition to the starred ceiling, they can make clouds come over and add sound effects. We guarantee you will have a good time there.

So, by all means, come to next year's National Encampment.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I want you to take back a message, and it will save us from losing a Sister when we are so far behind. We have agreed with the Sons that they may invite the National Society Daughters of the Union 1861-1865 for a one-time shot to the banquet. Thank you.

Sister Emma, would you please respond?

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: Brother Kreiser, we are pleased that you have come to tell us about this very great occasion, and I assure we will have people riding in those carriages. I want to "gitty-up" you know!

So we accept your invitation, and we will be there. We hope that we will be greeted with open arms. Just being greeted with open arms, remember that!

Guides and Color Guards escorted Brother Kreiser from the room.

Mary Alice Frantz and Ann Marie Michaels were given the obligation and became Junior Members.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I want you young ladies to know that in 1957 I took the obligation at a National Encampment, just like you.

The report from Provisional Auxiliary #2, Beaufort, SC was read during this session.

The Chaplain attended the altar and the meeting recessed at 11:33 a.m.

FOURTH SESSION
Saturday Afternoon, August 8, 1998
1:00 p.m.

The Chaplain attended the altar and the Guards reported all entitled to remain.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I understand by our C.R.&R. that this is supposed to be the opening of our Election of Officers; however, as you can see, the room is very sparsely attended. I believe that's no fault of our Sisters, but that of the restaurant that can't keep up with us. We have

a few more reports to go through, so we will give them a few more minutes to join us.

Sister Margaret Atkinson, would you please give your reports for Restoration of Rank, Bulk Mailing, and Auxiliary Recruiter?

RESTORATION OF RANK COMMITTEE REPORT

The following recommendation was received from the Department of Wisconsin:

Recommendation #1: We now live in a mobile society and situations occur when our members move from their Auxiliary areas. Auxiliary members who have served our Order should be allowed to maintain their titles when they move out of their state without needing to request restoration of their rank. These Sisters have served the Order and should not be burdened to explain the reasons for their move nor request permission to retain the title they hold. Their works from the past have kept the Order alive and becomes part of the history of the Auxiliary no matter where they serve.

The Committee on Restoration of Rank has considered this request and agrees that members with a rank should retain all past honors.

Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA, Chairman
Emma Prince, PDP, CT
Vivian Russell, PDP, NY

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
SECONDED by Ora Moitoso, PNP, CT
That the Committee be sustained.

DISCUSSION:

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Sister President, would you

clarify if we are doing away with the Restoration of Rank and that we no longer need that Committee?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sister Margaret, is this to allow people to move from Auxiliary to Auxiliary?

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: For example, if you were Past Department President of New York and your job causes you to move to Ohio, you would transfer your membership to Ohio. After having served and done all of the work in the State of New York, we do not feel you should have to go through a lot of paperwork to apply to National to get your PDP title back.

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY:
Are PDP titles the only thing Restoration of Rank handles?

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: Quite honestly, I don't know.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I think there could be a case where a member for some reason got out of the Auxiliary, maybe she couldn't afford it, maybe she was ill, and then she wants to come back in. I think that one would still require Restoration of Rank; but it would cut down on all of the others that are just plain transfers from one place to another.

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY: I think you should explain that so in the future we understand. If PDP's retain titles wherever they may be, we should explain it. We would keep the Restoration of Rank Committee for all other transfers.

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: I was just handed this at Encampment. In five minutes we could not give this a whole lot of thought. Do you think this is something that perhaps this Committee can work on a little more thoroughly in the coming year and then make a recommendation at next year's Encampment?

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY: I would advise a little more thought on it.

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: The reason I like this is because I am sick of all of this. There is no reason why a person who has been in the Auxiliary, can't come back in and have their titles all given back to them.

I thought the simpler you make it, the better. I really can't see going through all this "rigamarole." We sound like the National Union in Washington!

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: The reason I said Past Department President, I was just using an example. We did not just think PDP.

JAN HARDING, DP, MD-DE: Isn't there an honorable discharge when one has to retire? Wouldn't that automatically give back your rank if you rejoin? It makes sense.

RHODA LEMANSKI, PDP, WI: I think that there was no honorable discharge made out for that lady; therefore, they felt they couldn't move her through the ranks.

EMMA PRINCE, PDP, CT: The way we understood it on the

Committee, was that if you moved to another state and never dropped out, why should you lose your rank of Past Department President or whatever. That's why we thought that they could join the other Auxiliary and still keep the rank they earned.

SARAH CHERRY, DP, OH: I was a member in Pennsylvania and I moved to Ohio. I had to get an honorable discharge in order to get my name put on the Charter in Columbus, OH. If I would have been President in my Auxiliary in Pennsylvania, I would have lost that rank. I had to go through all the chairs in Columbus, OH before I could go on to the Department.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: The Committee has recommended that a member be able to retain her titles when she moves from one place to another.

SO VOTED

MOVED by Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
 SECONDED by Catherine Hartman, DP, PA and several others
 Due to the fact that the in-coming National President will be appointing a committee for printing new C.R.&R.'s, that we eliminate the office of Restoration of Rank.

SO VOTED

GENERAL ORDERS MAILING COMMITTEE

For the three General Orders of the National President, the labels were prepared by Sister Betty Baker, List Coordinator, and sent to us prior to each mailing.

Approximately 1250 General Orders went out in each mailing. Any General Orders with incorrect addresses or forwarding addresses were returned by the post office to my home. I would then e-mail the information to Sister Betty Baker and Sister Frances Murray, the National Secretary.

The National Auxiliary is charged a fee for this service; therefore, I would urge all secretaries to record all changes of addresses on their quarterly reports.

The costs of the mailings were as follows:

Copying	\$376.75
Postage for three mailings	447.00
Return fees	16.50
Annual License fee	85.00
TOTAL	\$895.25

In addition to the above would be the cost of the labels supplied by

the Membership List Coordinator.

I would like to thank Auxiliary #1, Philadelphia, for volunteering their time to accomplish this project for our Order. They have volunteered to do it again next year.

Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
Auxiliary #1, Philadelphia

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Thank you very much. I think we need to see them and know who does it. Would any members of Auxiliary #1 who worked on this, please stand? (*Applause*)

MOVED by Eileen Coombs, National Treasurer, PNP, ME

SECONDED by Florence Spring, PNP, NJ

That the last two reports be accepted, spread in full in the Proceedings, and the Committees be discharged with thanks.

SO VOTED

NATIONAL RECRUITER/AUXILIARY ORGANIZER REPORT

It has been another busy year answering inquiries about membership. To date I have mailed information to 381 persons, the majority of them men. The leads were being forwarded to me by Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Danny Wheeler, who was picking them up on e-mail from persons reading the Sons' website on the internet. The Auxiliary was listed at the end of their request form, along with the three women's Orders. Feeling that our box on the form was being checked off in error by these men, in the spring I contacted the Sons' webmaster, PC-in-C Keith Harrison, and requested he reword it. It produced an immediate change. Prior to the change I was receiving several requests a day, now I only receive two to four a week.

All persons contacting me on e-mail are sent an immediate reply by e-mail after which I mail a letter accompanied by a brochure and application. Unfortunately, the majority are from states where we have no Auxiliaries, in which instance I try to guide them to MAL. If there is a Department in their state, I also mail a notice to a member of the Department requesting a follow-up. It is easier to gain a member by referring them to a Department as most of the Auxiliaries are widely scattered geographically.

All inquiries must be answered promptly as we have competition for members from the other Allied Orders. Many of these women are also contacting them for information at the same time. If one of the other Orders are able to offer a local unit, it adds to the difficulty of securing them for the Auxiliary.

The Sons are still listing us at the end of their magazine ads. I am grateful they have been willing to do this for us the past two years, but we need added advertisements that call attention to us as a woman's

organization with a mission of our own. Today's women tend to shy away from the connotation of an "auxiliary" unless they are made aware that, in addition to cooperating with the Sons, we have our own agenda.

Just a few weeks ago, I received three leads from Brother Bob Shaffer. The Sons now have a Main Page at Broderbund Software for the Family Tree Database and Bob has been designated as the aide to the Sons' National Signal Officer. He stated he would forward any leads he received that might be possibilities for the Auxiliary.

I also worked on founding new Auxiliaries by mailing initial information to 23 persons or camps considering beginning an Auxiliary. Many of this group received a follow-up letter a few months later.

They are as follows:

09-17-97 - Group of men re-activating Camp #209, Scottsdale, PA
10-28-97 - Teresa Stoikes, Eagle River, Alaska
12-03-97 - Missionary Ridge Camp #63, Chattanooga, TN
12-05-97 - John Cosby Camp #427, Melvindale, MI
12-05-97 - Iowa Dept. Aux. requested three kits, one for Indianola, IA
12-05-97 - Frederick Hackeman Camp #85, Bridgman, MI
12-30-97 - Franklin Berquist, Wichita, KS
01-07-98 - J. Sarge Saville, Portland, OR
02-04-98 - Maj. Gen. James Wilson Camp #1, Montgomery, AL
03-31-98 - Pat Covelens, Baker Camp #101, Warminster, PA
05-08-98 - James Hayward, Brandon, FL
05-26-98 - Gov. Isaac Stevens Camp #1, Washington
06-08-98 - Col. Louis Francine Camp #7, NJ
08-03-98 - Mrs. Nancy Findley Nash Hodges Camp #43, Blissfield, MI

The following group includes persons or camps who requested information the previous year and I mailed a follow-up letter on April 30, 1998:

Caroline Pence, Marietta, GA
Andrew Lefko, Downingtown, PA
Gen. Wright Camp #22, Elk Grove, CA
Ellsworth Camp #23, Santa Rosa, CA
Victor Viftuain Camp, Omaha, NE
Kay Wood-Bailey, Wyoming, DE
Donna Smith, Boynton Beach, FL. Donna is a member of N/MAL.

Some answered saying they were still working on it, while a few others said they could not generate any interest.

The final group I worked with in the initial stages of formation of an Auxiliary proved to have more positive results:

1. Massachusetts is expected to gain two new Auxiliaries this summer.
Gen. D.N. Couch Camp #26, Taunton is sponsoring a full Auxiliary.

Joyce Samuels and Dell Hotaling have an Auxiliary in Westfield ready for institution.

2. Philip Sheridan Camp #2, Illinois, first contacted me in December, 1997. The Mary Anne Bickerdyke Auxiliary #2 was instituted by our National President on April 16, 1998 as a full Auxiliary.
3. Sonia Scott, Portsmouth, Ohio originally spoke with me in June, 1997. Under the guidance of Sarah Cherry, Department President, an Auxiliary to Vienna Camp #46 was formed and instituted on May 31, 1998.

My goal was to contact every new camp instituted by the Sons the past two years. Unfortunately, health problems curtailed my activities for part of the year. It has become evident that one of the best sources of new members are the relatives of the many men who are joining the Sons. I had also planned to review the informational material on starting new Auxiliaries to make it even more understandable. Hopefully this can be accomplished soon.

It was very disappointing to me that we did not have an active Publicity Committee working this year. A working committee is needed to coordinate plans to publicize our Order. We had certificates printed to distribute to Girl Scouts receiving the Gold Award (the equivalent of Eagle Scout). Only a few were given out, including some I mailed, but this would be an excellent way to gain publicity if someone contacted the Girl Scout Councils and informed them of this award.

In August of 1995, the delegates voted to provide a \$200 allotment for publicity, and in 1996 they voted a \$300 allotment. In addition, from August, 1996 through March, 1998 we received \$875 in surcharges from new members to be added to the Publicity Account. I am certain more came in during this last quarter. Only a minuscule amount of this money has been spent on advertising of any type. Our page on the Sons' website is an excellent tool, but not everyone has a computer and not all

computer owners browse the internet. We have to use other sources of advertising.

I would strongly urge that the Publicity Committee be reactivated in the coming year and we follow through on the resolution passed at the 110th National Encampment in August, 1996 that the National Vice President be part of this Committee.

I would also make the following recommendations:

Recommendation #1: That the Department President be encouraged to designate a Department member to whom the National Recruiter could send the names of prospective members for Departmental follow-up.

As an explanation, this could be the Department Vice President or any

member with the time and facilities to communicate with prospective members. She would be familiar with the locations of the State's Auxiliaries, thus offering a more personal contact. We have to let perspective members know we are really interested.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
 SECONDED by Sarah Cherry, DP, OH and Jan Harding, Delegate,
 MD-DE
 That the Committee be sustained.
 SO VOTED

Recommendation #2: That we expand our page on the Sons' website, updating it periodically with information about the Auxiliary.

This page could include information about our participation in coming events such as Remembrance Day, Lincoln's Birthday ceremonies, etc. It could be used to advertise the institution of new Auxiliaries, showcase work that a particular Auxiliary may be doing on restoring a monument or grave stone, or mention any activity which makes it evident we are an active Organization. We could also include an application blank which the prospect could print off the computer and use for application. The Sons have done this already. The Ladies of the G.A.R. are in the process of having this done.

MOVED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY
 SECONDED by Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME and Mary Spalding, PDP, NH
 That the Committee be sustained.
 SO VOTED

I regret our total membership has not shown a substantial increase. We have an overall increase of 77, but we have to do a lot more than that. All I can hope is that there are no more names to be dropped from the roles as a result of verifying the names of our members for the National Membership List. On the plus side, we have gained enough members to cover the large loss as a result of this audit.

My expenses are as follows:

Postage	\$207.83
Copying of Applications	12.84
Large Envelopes	<u>2.99</u>
TOTAL	\$223.66

Communicating by e-mail whenever possible, and using my own copy machine has helped me to cut some costs.

Recommendation #3: We continue to provide \$200 in the budget for recruiting expenses.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
 SECONDED by Ann Iannitto, PDP, PA
 That the Committee be sustained.
 SO VOTED

I realize this is a long report; however, I felt that it was necessary in order to gain an understanding of the united effort needed to increase our membership.

Working on recruiting can be interesting, challenging, at times frustrating, but I thoroughly enjoy doing it. I thank National President Jacquelyn Johnston for assigning me to this position.

Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
 National Recruiter/Auxiliary Organizer

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
 SECONDED by Ann Iannitto, PDP, PA
 That this very fine report be accepted, spread in full in the Proceedings, and the Committee be discharged with a rising vote of thanks.
 SO VOTED AND DONE

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: If anyone wants to see the list of 382 people to see if there is a possibility that you can try to revive one of the leads for your state, just see me afterwards.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters, we are ready to proceed with the Election of Officers. Sister Guides, alert anyone outside who wishes to enter that once the nominations begin, no one may enter or leave the room.

Sister National Secretary, may we have the report of the Credential Committee?

NATIONAL SECRETARY FRANCES MURRAY: We have 83 voting members and 16 guests.

MOVED by Beatrice Greenwalt, Parliamentarian, PNP, NY
 SECONDED by Florence Spring, PNP, NJ and Catherine Hartman, PDP, PA
 That when there is only one candidate nominated for each office, that we set aside the Australian ballot and vote by acclamation. The National Secretary will place one unanimous ballot for each officer.
 SO VOTED

NATIONAL PRESIDENT

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: I would like to put the name of a very good, active member before this assembly. I'd like to place the name of Betty J. Baker for National President. You know she has served one term into our endorsement from the New York Department. We said that she had some projects that she had started, and we think that it would be nice if she went back and finished what she started. We hope that you enjoyed her when she was National President before. I feel as though she is a very pleasant person, being her mother, but the whole New York Department is endorsing Betty J. Baker for National President. Sister National President, the New York Department is proud and privileged to lend you and this Organization our most dedicated, loyal Sister for one more year, but remember, we get her back next year! SECONDED by the entire New York Delegation.

NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

CATHERINE HARTMAN, PDP, PA: I would like to place the name of Mary Jo Long from our great state of Pennsylvania. She has been Chief of Staff, Department Vice President, Department President, and a four-time Council Member. I think she would make a fabulous Vice President. SECONDED by the entire Pennsylvania Delegation.

NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: I place the name of my daughter, Jacquelyn Johnston, as First Member of Council. SECONDED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY.

NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #2

FRANCES MURRAY, NATIONAL SECRETARY, PNP, ME: I would like to place the name of Elizabeth Ferrin, Department of Maine, as Council Member #2. Elizabeth is currently Department President. She

has been Past Department President. She has been a Past President of New England Regional Association. She is carrying her Auxiliary on in Camden. I think she is a fine example from the State of Maine. SECONDED by Eileen Coombs, National Treasurer, PNP, ME.

NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #3

EILEEN COOMBS, NATIONAL TREASURER, PNP, ME: I live in the state where this girl comes from, but I still belong to Maine. It is my honor and privilege to nominate Sister Marguerite Plante, who has been a Past Department President in Rhode Island. She has served as National Patriotic Instructor, Vice President, Press Correspondent, and Chaplain. I think she is deserving of the honor of being the Third Member of

Council. SECONDED by Ora Moitoso, PNP, CT and Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH.

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

DANIELLE MICHAELS, DP, WI: I would like to nominate Peggy Schaefer for the office of National Patriotic Instructor. She has served at the Auxiliary level, State level, and National level at various duties, and no matter what duty we throw at her, she always comes out smelling like a rose. She is a true hard worker. She is our #1 fund raiser in our state, and we are proud to present her. SECONDED by Esther Peiper, PNP, PA; Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH; Florence Spring, PNP, NJ; and Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA.

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: It is my pleasure to be able to place in nomination for office of National Chaplain, a sister from the Department of Pennsylvania, from the Philadelphia area, from my very own Auxiliary, Anne Iannitto. She has worked very hard in our local Auxiliary. She has been Past Department President, Vice President, and Chaplain. She works very, very hard at supporting the memory of the G.A.R. and our Union soldiers. I feel that she would make a very fine Chaplain. SECONDED by the entire Pennsylvania Delegation.

NATIONAL PRESS CORRESPONDENT

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: I should like to place the name of Mary Spalding from the Department of New Hampshire. Mary has worked her way through the Auxiliary in all capacities. She has worked her way up to Department President, and she has been that three times. She has worked very hard for the New Hampshire Department. The only drawback is that she lives in Massachusetts! But, I want you to know that she has put together a scrapbook in Massachusetts without any help from New Hampshire. You can really send your things to Mary and she will get it done. SECONDED by Lydia Chute, NH; and Janice Broderick, DP, NH.

The National Secretary cast the unanimous ballot. National President Jackie asked each officer if she would accept the office to which she was elected, and each officer accepted.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I now declare the elections closed. Sister Guards, you may now unsecure the door and let anyone in or out who may wish to do so. I also dismiss the Election Committee who may go back to their seats.

Do we have a report from the Life Membership Committee?

LIFE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Life Membership Program has experienced problems for several years. There has been some confusion concerning the program as it now stands.

The membership has asked our Committee to come up with some ideas and suggestions to help resolve the confusion and put forth some guidelines.

After several communications and a personal meeting here at Encampment, the Committee would like to submit for your consideration an application form and a set of guidelines developed for your approval. The Committee feels that the guidelines should be retained by the National Treasurer and sent to members interested in joining the Life Membership Program. The suggested guidelines are as follows:

1. The applicant should be a Member or Associate in good standing for at least one year prior to applying for Life Membership.
2. The Life Membership Program is open to all Sisters, lineal or associate.
3. The Sister will continue to pay dues to her Auxiliary for one year after applying for Life Membership to enable the National Organization to complete all the paperwork and notify the member's Auxiliary and Department of her status. The National Treasurer will inform your Auxiliary of this information.
4. Life membership entitles the Sister to all of the same benefits, rights, and privileges as dues-paying members or associates.
5. A Life Member remains a member of her own Auxiliary.
6. When the membership is issued and the Auxiliary and Department are notified, the quarterly per capita tax for that member will no longer be paid by her Auxiliary or Department.
7. In addition to a Life Membership Card and pin, to be attached to the membership badge, a certificate suitable for framing shall be issued to the member.

There is a one-time payment and the Committee recommends that the fee schedule be as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Fee</u>
65 and over	\$200

50-65	\$250
Under 50	\$350

The Committee recommends that the National President include information on the Life Membership Program in her first General Order.

The Committee hopes that these ideas and suggestions will meet with your approval and that they will enable our Life Membership Program to operate more easily and be less confusing.

The Committee would like to thank you for allowing us to be of service to the National Organization and hope that the confidence placed in us meets with your approval.

Florence Spring, PNP, NJ, Chairman
 Frances Murray, PNP, ME
 Betty J. Baker, PNP, NY

MOVED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY

SECONDED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA

That the Committee be sustained, the report be spread in full in the Proceedings, and the Committee be discharged with thanks.

SO VOTED

PRESIDENT JACKIE: May we have the Resolution Committee Report?

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION #1:

WHEREAS: The National Encampment Committee, Elmer Atkinson, Chairman, helpmate Margaret Atkinson, Program Director Joe Long, and the Pennsylvania Department have spent a very busy year to make the 1998 National

Encampment an outstanding and enjoyable one for our memory books.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that we express our gratitude and appreciation for their efforts on our behalf by a rising vote of thanks and applause.

RESOLUTION #2:

WHEREAS: The Holiday Inn of Harrisburg personnel have contributed to our comfort and welfare of our Organization.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that our Secretary write a letter of thanks to the Inn in appreciation of their service.

RESOLUTION #3:

WHEREAS: Our National President Jacquelyn Johnston has traveled and given her utmost to inspire all of us to put forth

every effort to advance our membership and pride in our Organization.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, we show our thanks to her for her year of faithful service by having the Guides and Color Guards circle the room twice as they escort the National President to the Past President's station, we sing *For She is a Jolly Good Person*, followed by applause.

RESOLUTION #4:

WHEREAS: The Commander-in-Chief Richard Orr has spent a year of attending all functions and participated in the endeavors of our National Auxiliary to bring us ideas, guidance and good fellowship.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that we give him a rising vote of thanks with applause, if he makes a visit to our meeting room. At the end of the response by our Sister, we all rise and state, "For he's a jolly good fellow", raise our right arm and shout, "Way to go, Richard!", and applause.

RESOLUTION #5:

WHEREAS: Our National Patriotic Instructor did so willingly accept the office to raise the funds for our patriotic work.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that we express our gratitude at the end of her financial report with a standing, "Hip, hip, hooray!" Then raise the right arm and shout, "Bravo, Ruby!"

RESOLUTION #6:

WHEREAS: We know how rough a job it is to raise the funds for Chief of Staff and how fleet of foot and hand our Teresa was this year.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that we show our appreciation at the end of her financial report by a rising, "Three cheers for our Teresa! Job well done!" shouted by all Sisters, and a round of applause.

RESOLUTION #7:

WHEREAS: Our elected and appointed officers gave of their time to carry out the business of our beloved Organization with their best efforts to secure it and inform our membership throughout the year as well as their complete attention to reports and details at this Encampment.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that we give them a hearty "Thank you" with love, and a round of applause.

RESOLUTION #8:

WHEREAS: We have received notice from the Maryland-Delaware Department of the effort put forth by Sister Helen Geppi to revitalize the Garfield Auxiliary.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved, that certificates be given to Department Secretaries to be used by the Department at their discretion when the occasion warrants.

We on the Committee of Resolutions thank you, Sister President, for appointing us to this Committee and thank the members for their attention and willingness to carry out our resolutions.

May God bless you all.

Esther D. Peiper, PNP, PA, Chairman
Peggy Schaefer, PDP, WI
Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME

MOVED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
SECONDED by Martha Johnson, PDP, PA and Mary Jo Long, NCM #2,
PDP, PA
That this very fine report be accepted, spread in full in the Proceedings,
and the Committee discharged with our grateful thanks.
SO VOTED

PRESIDENT JACKIE: May we have the Officers' Committee Report?

OFFICERS' COMMITTEE REPORT

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Recommendation #1: That the Per capita tax of 75 cents per quarter remain the same for the 1998/1999 year. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY
SECONDED by Martha Johnson, PDP, PA
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #2-A: That we suggest to each Auxiliary and each Department that, if at all possible, they elect an Assistant Secretary/Treasurer not only to assist these officers, but to learn the job responsibilities in preparation to assume these positions at a future election. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS, BUT DIDN'T KNOW IF THEY SHOULD BE ELECTED OR APPOINTED.

MOVED by Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME
SECONDED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
That the Committee not be sustained, but the National President make this a suggestion in her first General Order that, if possible, the Auxiliaries and Departments do this.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #2-B: That either the Treasurer or the President be

able to sign checks so that the Auxiliary or Department can always access their funds. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY

SECONDED by many

That the Committee be sustained.

SO VOTED

Recommendation #3: That the National continue to provide wreaths at Comrade Woolson's Monument, Gettysburg, PA; the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, DC; the Lincoln Tomb, Springfield, IL; and that we give the \$25.00 donation to the Cathedral of the Pines, with the National President or her representative attending each one. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA

SECONDED by Jill Jamieson, DP, NJ

That the Committee be sustained.

SO VOTED

Recommendation #4: That we get a vote of the Encampment as to whether we should use an artificial wreath at some or all of these ceremonies to save expenses. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Florence Spring, PNP, NJ

SECONDED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY

That the Committee be sustained.

SO VOTED

DISCUSSION:

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Now we are ready for the vote of the Encampment regarding using artificial wreaths.

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY:

Are you saying that the National should only use artificial wreaths?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I know that Dick Schlenker is very adamant about having flowers at Washington. Personally, I thought we could have done a whole lot better. I just wasn't happy. For the small flower wreath it was \$75.

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY:

You are not saying to use only one wreath?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: No. Use one and take it away. At Lincoln Memorial, what do they do? They throw it out. Within 30 minutes of

the ceremony it will be in somebody's ditch, dying.

FLORENCE SPRING, PNP, NJ: The only exception to that was Springfield because the Auxiliary's and the Sons' wreaths were placed right next to the tomb and left there. The rest took theirs back.

UNKNOWN: I think it is a wonderful idea. I think as we remove this wreath, which is re-useable, that we put a small spray of natural flowers in its place.

FAYE CARLISLE, PDP, PA: If we use an artificial wreath, which is nice, we could give the money that we would have spent on a live wreath to the Gettysburg Park. They need funds.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I don't think you would get the Organization not to place that wreath at the Woolson Monument.

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: Gettysburg is just a little bit different. All of the wreaths are identical. All of the National wreaths are with gold ribbons. All other ones have red ribbons.

I grant you, they are not gorgeous, but we are only charging \$30. That's all the florist charges. They are only there during the ceremony. I'm sure with the wind and cold, they are gone in no time. If we were to take our own wreath, it would stand out. It would not blend in with all of the others.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: That's why I suggested some or all.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: Having been a National President and having placed a wreath at these different places, to me it would have been an embarrassment to go back in front of those people that I had placed the wreath and dedicated our Auxiliary, to walk back up, pick up the wreath, and go with it.

LINDA FIELDS, NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, PDP, NY: We have been saying over the last couple of days how important it is to publicize our Organization. Well, I think to place a wreath, then 20 minutes later go get that and take it back, would be a detriment to our Organization. People are going to be looking and saying in their minds, "How cheap is that?"

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Then we need to raise the amount for wreaths from \$100 to \$300 - \$400, because we need it.

LINDA FIELDS, NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, PDP, NY: Then that's what we need to do. If we can't afford to place a wreath, we are in pretty sad shape. We better start raising money.

PRESIDENT JACKIE: I have gone many times to the Lincoln's Tomb Ceremony. It is not the normal thing to place the wreaths in the tomb. It only has happened once in the last 20 years because there was a blizzard that day.

FLORENCE SPRING, PNP, NJ: When I was National President, our wreaths were placed next to the tomb.

PEGGY SCHAEFER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #3, PDP, WI:
People line up as their Organization is called, hold the wreath, and they are expected to take it along with them when they go home. It's not actually placed anywhere. Our people are in possession of it all the time.
I can give you a good laugh. I saw one woman take her wreath and place it. Not too long after she placed that wreath, another women went up, took it back, and replaced it when her organization was called!

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY:
Sister Jackie, I don't know what they did when you were out there this year, but, just a year ago, my wreath was placed inside the tomb. It was left there.

CAROLYN BILLUPS, DELEGATE, PA: I have done a lot of floral tributes in other groups and other situations. It has been either chapter or division level, whichever the organization may be, but most of the people do present an artificial wreath. I even have a basket of roses that I take sometimes. At Decoration Day last year, my first Decoration Day at Arlington Cemetery, I felt very awkward about taking artificial, picking it up, and taking it home with me from there. It's a very sacred spot to me, so I went to the grocery store and got some red, white, and blue fresh cut flowers, and I presented those.

When I got the phone call this past May for Decoration Day, the person calling me knew me well enough that he could say something to me and I wouldn't be offended. He said, "By the way, Carolyn. They don't want the bunch of flowers." I asked him, "Well, do they want those expensive wreaths?" He replied, "You can bring your artificial wreath." They want them all wreaths, whether they are real or not, which I thought rather peculiar. I think it is more moving to just leave the flowers there.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: I don't like to see anybody putting a wreath and taking it back. We want to stand there, give it, and leave it.

MOVED by Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
SECONDED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY
That we do not take a artificial wreath and we do not take it back again

after we present it.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #5: That we continue to give our \$400 scholarship and that the Recipient be the choice of the National President. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
SECONDED by Emma Prince, PDP, CT
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #6: That the incoming National President put a paragraph in her first General Order asking for anyone who has expertise in the area of setting up and designing a website to contact her so that she can put together a committee to pursue this. This committee should design the site and obtain all related cost information. We should coordinate with the Sons of Union Veterans as a direct link off their site and that should be much less expensive.

If the cost is within our currently budgeted amount, with approval of the National President and Council, the website may be put on line. If the cost is more than budgeted, then the committee should report back to the National Encampment next year with samples of the site page and request an appropriation to implement this program. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS, BUT VOTED ON EARLIER.

Recommendation #7: That the Sons be given a "Love Gift" of \$250. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
SECONDED by Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP, PA
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #8: That we print our General Orders in *The Banner* and that we raise our Per capita tax \$6.00 to cover the cost of having *The Banner* sent to each member. THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT CONCUR.

MOVED by Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME
SECONDED by Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY and Florence Spring, PNP, NJ
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Recommendation #1: That the Department Secretaries be required to send a copy of each Auxiliary and Department installation blank to our National Secretary. A copy of the installation blank can then be forwarded to the National Vice President for her use in contacting Auxiliary and Department Vice Presidents. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
SECONDED by Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP, PA and Jan Harding, MD-DE
That the Committee be sustained and that this should be done by December 31.
SO VOTED

MOVED by Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME
SECONDED by Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
That these copies be in the hands of the National Secretary by December 31.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #2: That the incoming National President appoint a committee to look into the possibility of preparing "Special Events Information Manuals" and make them available to each Auxiliary or Department. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Emma Prince, PDP, CT
SECONDED by Jill Jamieson, DP, NJ and Beverly Knight, PDP, PA
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #3: That we contact the Sons organization and secure a list of their new members and this list be provided to the National Vice President. The National Vice President will then be required to provide the names and addresses to the local Auxiliary Vice Presidents to have personal invitations sent out and follow-up for resolution. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
SECONDED by several
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #4: That the incoming National President appoint a committee to research possible charity organizations that we could sponsor and become associated with on a national level. THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT CONCUR.

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
SECONDED by Ora Moitoso, PNP, CT
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

FROM THE COUNCIL REPORT:

Recommendation #1: Notification was received from our National Secretary that Utah Provisional Auxiliary #1 is four quarters behind in paying their per capita tax. According to our By-Laws disbandment action should be taken. We the members of the Council would hate to see our Organization lose an Auxiliary without taking every possible step to prevent it. THE COMMITTEE OFFERS THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTION: THAT THE INCOMING NATIONAL PRESIDENT NOTIFY EACH MEMBER OF THE AUXILIARY OF THEIR PER CAPITA TAX SITUATION AND PENDING DISBANDMENT ACTION OF THEIR AUXILIARY WITH THE HOPES THAT THEY WOULD GET TOGETHER AND PAY THE PER CAPITA TAX. IF NO RESPONSE IS RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 31,1998, THE COUNCIL PROCEED WITH DISBANDMENT.

MOVED by Eileen Coombs, National Treasurer, PNP, ME
SECONDED by Frances Murray, National Secretary, PNP, ME
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #2: The Department of Massachusetts has approached the Council with the problem of not being able to get past officers to turn over the property of the Department to the newly elected officers. The Council voted to send a letter to the 1997 Department President and the Department Secretary/Treasurer requesting that they honor the obligation of an officer that they took and turn over the Department property to the current Department officers. The Council would like to inform this Organization that should this situation occur in the future they would only respond upon receipt of a formal written request from the sitting Department President. Upon receipt of formal request, the National President or Council will provide necessary assistance. THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT CONCUR.

DISCUSSION:

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: I know that we do try to straighten everything out in the Departments. If the Department has an impasse and can find no possible way to get a situation corrected, isn't National there to help them?

FRANCES MURRAY, NATIONAL SECRETARY, PNP, ME: I agree with Margaret. These Departments try to solve their problems within their Departments. I think if a Department is crying for help and they bring a letter to National, that is what National is for, to help these Departments.

BEATRICE GREENWALT, PNP, NY: I totally agree with that.

SARAH CHERRY, DP, OH: A number of years ago we had a problem in our Department. If it wasn't for National President Margaret Atkinson and PNP Florence Spring coming, we wouldn't have gotten it resolved. We lost members over it, but it has helped the Department and it was able to grow. I feel that National has a right to come in if they are asked.

DANIELLE MICHAELS, DP, WI: Wisconsin had a similar situation. Had it not been for the intercession of National and Past National Presidents, Wisconsin would still have a problem. The person that we were dealing with respected National's decision and not the Department's. Therefore, National must step in to aid any chain of command lower than they.

MOVED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY
SECONDED by Cynthia Brown, DP, MA and Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
That the Committee not be sustained.
SO VOTED

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
SECONDED by many
That the National President and National Council be allowed to
intercede once they receive a written request from the Sitting Department
President.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #3: It has been noticed that our insignia/logo has been used without the proper authorization. The Council would like to suggest that the National President appoint a committee to pursue the process of copyrighting of our insignia/logo to prevent further abuse by any person or group for personal gain. The use of our logo should be limited to our members for stationary, forms, certificates, invitations, etc., only. Any other use must have prior permission from the National President. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS AND SUGGESTS THAT THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO COPYRIGHT OUR INSIGNIA OR LOGO TO PREVENT FURTHER ABUSE. PERMISSION FOR ANY OTHER USE MUST COME FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL.

MOVED by Margaret Atkinson, PNP, PA
SECONDED by Florence Spring, PNP, NJ and Jan Harding, MD-DE
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Recommendation #4: The National Council would like to suggest that this Organization try pre-registration for the 1999 Encampment. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Mary Spalding, PDP, NH
SECONDED by Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP, PA
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Who is going to handle this pre-registration?

BETTY BAKER, NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER #1, PNP, NY: It will be handled by the National Secretary.

BEVERLY KNIGHT, PDP, PA: I would like to volunteer to help Sister Frances with the pre-registration.

FRANCES MURRAY, NATIONAL SECRETARY, PNP, ME: Thank you, Bev.

FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Recommendation #1: That the interest from the Permanent Fund Investments be used for expenses of handling Life Membership, Honor Roll, and Membership at Large. THE COMMITTEE CONCURS.

MOVED by Betty J. Baker, NCM #1, PNP, NY
SECONDED by Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
That the Committee be sustained.
SO VOTED

Catherine Zapatka, PNP, CT, Co-Chairman
Dorothy Hilyard, PNP, MD-DE, Co-Chairman
Alice Doyle, PDP, VT

MOVED by Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH
SECONDED by several
That the Committee's report be accepted, spread in full in the Proceedings, and the Committee be discharged with thanks.
SO VOTED

PRESIDENT JACKIE: May we have the Patriotic Instructor's Financial Report?

NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>California-Pacific</u>				
Department	15.00			
Sale of Chances			5.00	_____
	<u>\$15.00</u>	\$00.00	\$5.00	\$20.00

<u>Connecticut</u>				
Department	25.00			
Dorothy Bianco, PDP		5.00		
Ruth Huntington, PDP		5.00		
Mary Scofield, PDP		5.00		
Judith Trepanier		5.00		
Anne Willeke, PNP		10.00		
Catherine Zapatka, PNP		10.00		
Sale of Chances			30.00	_____
	<u>\$25.00</u>	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$95.00

<u>Illinois</u>				
Department	12.00			
Auxiliary #11	5.00			
Florence Forbey, PNP		10.00		
Sale of Chances			5.00	_____
	<u>\$17.00</u>	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$32.00

<u>Indiana</u>				
Sale of Chances			10.00	_____
	<u>\$00.00</u>	\$00.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>

<u>Iowa</u>				
Department	25.00			
Auxiliary #16	5.00			
Mildred Graham		5.00		
Myldred Schofield, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			12.00	_____
	<u>\$30.00</u>	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$52.00

<u>Maine</u>				
Department	10.00			
T.W. Hyde Aux. #11	5.00			

Auxiliary #26	20.00			
Eileen Coombs, PNP		5.00		
Frances Murray, PNP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			35.00	
	<u>\$35.00</u>	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$80.00

Maryland -Delaware

Department	15.00			
Lincoln Cushing Aux.	10.00			
Elizabeth Phillips		10.00		
Dorothy Hilyard, PNP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			20.00	
	<u>\$25.00</u>	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$60.00

Massachusetts

Department	20.00			
Springfield Aux. #10	15.00			
Auxiliary #128	10.00			
Betty Mellor, PDP		20.00		
Adell Hotaling		10.00		
Jennie Russell, PNP		10.00		
Frank Tucker, PDC		5.00		
Sale of Chances			15.00	
	<u>\$45.00</u>	\$45.00	\$15.00	\$105.00

New Hampshire

Department	30.00			
Auxiliary #7	15.00			
Winifred Bassett, PDP		10.00		
Randy Dow		10.00		
Jackie Johnston, NP		50.00		
Emma Wheeler, PNP		35.00		
Sale of Chances			20.00	
	<u>\$45.00</u>	\$105.00	\$20.00	\$170.00

	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>New Jersey</u>				
Department	25.00			
Auxiliary #2	10.00			
Anne Clayton, PNP		20.00		
Marion Combs, PNP (In Memory of Fred)		25.00		
Florence Jansson, PNP		5.00		

Catherine Kahn	10.00			
Jane & Fred Mitchell	15.00			
Gloria Mulholland	15.00			
Thelma Ramaglia, PDP	15.00			
Margaret Schroeder, PNP	10.00			
Robert & Dolores Sharp	5.00			
Florence Spring, PNP	10.00			
Sale of Chances			150.00	

	\$35.00	\$130.00	\$150.00	\$315.00
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New York

Department	10.00			
Glidden Pierce Aux.	5.00			
Auxiliary #1	10.00			
Auxiliary #8	10.00			
Auxiliary #72	10.00			
Betty Baker, PNP		5.00		
Linda Fields, NVP, PDP		15.00		
Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			15.00	

	\$45.00	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$85.00
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Ohio

Department	25.00			
E. Garfield Aux. #142	10.00			
Frost Aux. #108	15.00			
Judy Morgan, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			10.00	

	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$65.00
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Pennsylvania

Department	25.00			
Anna M. Ross Aux. #1	10.00			
Carlisle Auxiliary #50	5.00			
Auxiliary #10	15.00			
Ellwood City Aux. #165	10.00			
Sarah Crawford Aux.	5.00			
Margaret Atkinson, PNP		20.00		
Mary J. Bannan		10.00		

	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
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Faye Carlisle, PDP	20.00			
Peggy Frantz, PDP	10.00			
Martha Johnson, PDP	10.00			
Beverly Knight, DP	50.00			

Mary Jo Long, NCM #2, PDP	10.00			
Esther Peiper, PNP	20.00			
Vivian Rockey	10.00			
Martha Wilson, PDP	5.00			
Sale of Chances			51.00	
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	\$70.00	\$165.00	\$51.00	\$286.00

Rhode Island

Department	25.00			
Marguerite Plante, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			12.00	
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	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$12.00	\$42.00

Vermont

HEK Hall Aux. #15	25.00			
Ethel Drew		5.00		
Francis Ingoldsby (In Memory of Elizabeth)		5.00		
PDC Floyd & PDP Louise Blodgett		5.00		
Alice Doyle, PDP		5.00		
Teresa Doyle, N/Chief of Staff		50.00		
Doris Lyon		5.00		
Iva Decker/Bev Moodie		5.00		
Patricia Reed		5.00		
Adeline Durkee, PDP (In Memory of Ned)		50.00		
Sale of Chances			65.00	
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	\$25.00	\$135.00	\$65.00	\$225.00

Wisconsin

Department	15.00			
Auxiliary #4	15.00			
Rhoda Lemanski, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			10.00	
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	\$30.00	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$45.00

Prov. Aux. #1, Houston, TX

Sale of Chances			31.00	
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	\$00.00	\$00.00	\$31.00	\$31.00

	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Members at Large</u>				
Donation	25.00			
		\$25.00	\$00.00	\$00.00
	<u>\$25.00</u>			
Total	\$542.00	\$705.00	\$496.00	\$1743.00

Clubs

Ann's Nutmeggers	15.00
Anne's Orchids	10.00
Bea's Honeys	10.00
Betty's Bluebirds	15.00
Caroline's 76ers	5.00
Dorothy's Peach Blossoms	5.00
Dorris's Wild Daisies	15.00
Edith's Glow Worms	5.00
Eileen's Golden Pages	5.00
Ethel's First Ladies	20.00
Flora's Flora Dora Girls	5.00
Florence's 4-B's	12.50
Florence's Spring Chickens	10.00
Florence's Violets	10.00
Fran's Fans	15.00
Isabelle's Liberty Girls	10.00
Jennie's Jewels	6.00
Kitty's Kittens	10.00
Lady Esthers	10.00
Lil's Bay Staters	5.00
Margaret's Marvels	20.00
Mary's Cherry Blossoms	5.00
Minnie's Whalers	5.00
Nellie's Belles	5.00
Ora's Golden Girls	10.00
Stella's Stars	<u>5.00</u>
Total	\$248.50

Miscellaneous

New England Regional	25.00
Exemplification of Ritual	43.25
Sale Tables:	
Gettysburg	29.00
National Encampment	<u>159.62</u>
Total	\$256.87

SUMMARY

Departments & Auxiliaries	542.00
Personal	705.00
Raffle	496.00
Miscellaneous	256.87
Clubs	<u>248.50</u>
Total	\$2,248.37

Expenses

Printing and stamps	<u>-58.00</u>
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GRAND TOTAL **\$2,190.37**

MOVED by Linda Fields, National Vice President, PDP, NY
 SECONDED by many
 That this fine report be accepted, spread in full in the Proceedings, and
 that we give her a round of applause.
 SO VOTED AND DONE

PRESIDENT JACKIE: May we have the Chief of Staff's Financial
 Report?

NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF FINANCIAL REPORT

	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>California-Pacific</u>				
Department	25.00			
Sale of Chances			10.00	<u> </u>
	<u>\$25.00</u>	\$00.00	\$10.00	\$35.00
<u>Colorado-Wyoming</u>				
Sale of Chances			11.00	<u> </u>
	<u>\$00.00</u>	\$00.00	\$11.00	\$11.00
<u>Connecticut</u>				
Department	25.00			
Dorothy Bianco, PDP		10.00		
Ruth Huntington, PDP		5.00		
Agnes Kerr		5.00		
Ora Moitoso, PNP		10.00		
Anne Scialla		5.00		
Mary Scofield, PDP		10.00		
Ann Willeke, PNP		10.00		

Catherine Zapatka, PNP	20.00			
Sale of Chances			46.00	_____

	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$75.00</u>	<u>\$46.00</u>	<u>\$146.00</u>
	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Illinois</u>				
Department	7.00			
Sale of Chances			15.00	_____
	<u>\$7.00</u>	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$15.00</u>	<u>\$22.00</u>

<u>Iowa</u>				
Department	25.00			
Auxiliary #16	5.00			
Myldred Schofield, PDP		5.00		_____
	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>

<u>Maine</u>				
Department	15.00			
Garfield Aux. #10	10.00			
Eileen Coombs, PNP		5.00		
Frances Murray, PNP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			41.00	_____
	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>	<u>\$41.00</u>	<u>\$76.00</u>

<u>Maryland -Delaware</u>				
Department	15.00			
Lincoln-Cushing Aux.	10.00			_____
	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>

<u>Massachusetts</u>				
Auxiliary #128	10.00			
Betty Mellor, PDP		20.00		
Jennie Russell, PNP		20.00		
Sale of Chances			5.00	_____
	<u>\$10.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$55.00</u>

<u>New Hampshire</u>				
Winifred Bassett, PDP		10.00		
Jackie Johnston, NP		1000.00		
Emma Wheeler, PNP		1000.00		
Sale of Chances			44.00	_____
	<u>\$00.00</u>	<u>\$2010.00</u>	<u>\$44.00</u>	<u>\$2054.00</u>

New Jersey

Department	15.00			
Anne Clayton, PNP		20.00		
Marion Combs, PNP		25.00		
Florence Jansson, PNP		10.00		
Ruby Kissinger, PDP		10.00		
Margaret Schroeder, PNP		10.00		
Florence Spring, PNP		10.00		
	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sale of Chances			5.00	
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	\$15.00	\$85.00	\$5.00	\$105.00

New York

Department	25.00			
Auxiliary #72	15.00			
Betty Baker, PNP		10.00		
Linda Fields, PDP		20.00		
Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP		5.00		
Michelle Langley, PDP		10.00		
Sale of Chances			15.00	
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	\$40.00	\$45.00	\$15.00	\$100.00

Ohio

Department	25.00			
Wm. Dennison Aux. #1	10.00			
Emma Ashley		5.00		
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	\$35.00	\$5.00	\$00.00	\$40.00

Pennsylvania

Department	25.00			
Auxiliary #10	25.00			
Ellwood City Aux. #165	10.00			
Margaret Atkinson, PNP		20.00		
Faye Carlisle, PDP		20.00		
Martha Johnson, PDP		10.00		
Dorothy Kern, PDP		5.00		
Beverly Knight, DP		10.00		
Esther Peiper, PNP		20.00		
Martha Wilson, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances			160.00	
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	\$60.00	\$90.00	\$160.00	\$310.00

Rhode Island

Department	25.00			
Marguerite Plante, PDP		5.00		
Sale of Chances				_____
	<u>\$25.00</u>	\$5.00	\$00.00	\$30.00

Vermont

HEK Hall Aux. #15	100.00			
Teresa Doyle, N/Chief of Staff	200.00			
Linda Pfeiffer		6.00		
	<u>Dept/Aux</u>	<u>Personal</u>	<u>Chances</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sale of Chances			96.00	_____
	<u>\$100.00</u>	\$206.00	\$96.00	\$402.00

Wisconsin

Department	15.00			
Auxiliary #4	15.00			
Rhoda Lemanski, PDP		5.00		
	<u>\$30.00</u>	\$5.00	\$00.00	\$35.00

Provisional Aux. #1, Houston, TX

Sale of Chances			11.00	_____
	<u>\$00.00</u>	\$00.00	\$11.00	\$11.00

Members at Large

Donation	25.00			
	<u>\$25.00</u>	\$25.00	\$00.00	\$00.00

Total	\$477.00	\$2581.00	\$459.00	\$3517.00
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Clubs

Ann's Nutmeggers	15.00
Anne's Orchids	10.00
Bea's Honeys	10.00
Betty's Bluebirds	15.00
Dorris's Wild Daisies	5.00
Edith's Glow Worms	5.00

Eileen's Golden Pages	5.00
Flora's Flora Dora Girls	5.00
Florence's 4-B's	7.50
Florence's Spring Chickens	10.00
Florence's Violets	10.00
Fran's Fans	15.00
Isabelle's Liberty Girls	5.00
Jackie's Jacks	15.00
Kitty's Kittens	10.00
Lady Esthers	10.00
Lil's Bay Staters	10.00
Margaret's Marvels	20.00
Margaret's Victory Girls	10.00
Marion's Maidens	50.00
Mary's Cherry Blossoms	5.00
Minnie's Whalers	10.00
Nellie's Belles	5.00
Ora's Golden Girls	<u>20.00</u>
Total	\$282.50

Miscellaneous

New England Regional	25.00
Exemplification of Ritual	43.25
Table Sales:	
Auxiliary #15, VT	6.00
National Encampment	85.00
Gettysburg	17.60
New England Reg. Mtg., MA	17.00
New England Reg. Mtg., NH	31.00
New England Reg. Mtg., VT	39.50
Vermont Dept. Encampment	<u>6.00</u>
Total	\$270.35

SUMMARY

Departments & Auxiliaries	477.00
Personal	2581.00
Raffle	459.00
Miscellaneous	270.35
Clubs	<u>282.50</u>
Total	\$4,069.85

Expenses Donated

Teresa Doyle:	
Postage	32.00
Raffle Tickets	16.00
Decorations	37.00
Hospitality Room Food	<u>95.00</u>

Alice Doyle: \$180.00
 Banquet Favors \$35.00

GRAND TOTAL \$4,069.85

MOVED by Eileen Coombs, National Treasurer, PNP, ME
 SECONDED by Louise Blodgett, PDP, VT
 That we accept this fine report, spread it in full in the Proceedings, and we give her a rising vote of thanks with applause.
 SO VOTED AND DONE

Announcements were made regarding the scheduled bus trip, memorial service, and banquet.

The Chaplain attended the altar for a short recess.

MOVED by Ora Moitoso, PNP, CT
 SECONDED by Mary Spalding, PDP, NH
 That any unfinished business be brought before the Council.
 SO VOTED

PRESIDENT JACKIE: Sisters, we are to receive our Installing Officer. You will receive her with the respect due her office and pay close attention during the service.

National President-Elect Betty Baker chose her mother, PNP Beatrice Greenwalt, NY, to be her Installing Officer.

INSTALLING OFFICER GREENWALT: I appoint the following staff who will take their positions:

- Guide.....Mary Scofield, PDP, CT
- Assistant GuideAmanda Kroger, PA
- Color Guard #1Joyce Norman, PDP, CT
- Color Guard #2Judy Trepanier, CT
- ChaplainSarah Cherry, DP, OH
- Musician.....Ruth Huntington, PDP, CT

INSTALLING OFFICER GREENWALT: Sister National President, have the Secretary's and Treasurer's books been duly audited by the National Council and been reported correct, and has that report been accepted by this National body?

PRESIDENT JACKIE: They have.

INSTALLING OFFICER GREENWALT: Sister National President, you are now relieved of the command of this National Organization, and in accordance with Chapter 1, Article 9 of the Regulations, having creditably and faithfully served a term as President, you are entitled to and will occupy for the ensuing year the seat of honor in this Organization, the Past National President's Chair.

*Past National President Jacquelyn Johnston's mother,
PNP Emma Wheeler, pinned the Past National President's
badge on her daughter.*

EMMA WHEELER, PNP, NH: It is a pleasure to present you with your Past National President's badge!

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: Sister Jackie, as President of the Past National President's Club, I am delighted to give you this pin to wear, which shows you are now a PNP.

We certainly welcome you to our club.

*Past National President Jackie is escorted around the room twice to
the singing of "For She is a Jolly Good Person," applause,
and is seated in the Past National President's chair.*

INSTALLING OFFICER GREENWALT: Sister Secretary, you will call the roll of officers-elect.

*The following officers-elect took places on the left as their names
were called. They were installed in ritualistic form.*

President..... Betty J. Baker, PNP, NY
Vice President Mary Jo Long, PDP, PA
Council Member #1 Jackie Johnston, PNP, NH
Council Member #2 Elizabeth Ferrin, DP, ME
Council Member #3 Marguerite Plante, PDP, RI
Patriotic Instructor Peggy Schaefer, PDP, WI
Chaplain Anne Iannitto, PDP, PA
Press Correspondent..... Mary Spalding, PDP, NH
Chief of Staff..... Michelle Langley, PDP, NY
Counselor Beatrice Greenwalt, PNP, NY
Personal Aide Linda Fields, PDP, NY
Director of the Budget Emma Wheeler, PNP, NH

INSTALLING OFFICER GREENWALT: You will escort to this station the National President. *(So done.)*

Sister President, now you can accept this gavel as the emblem of authority. Assume control of your National Auxiliary and preside with dignity, impartiality, and firmness.

If I had stood up here when I nominated you and told them all of the many, many offices, jobs, and committees that you do, we would still be standing here with just that nomination!

You are a very loyal member and it gives me great pleasure to pin this badge back on you so that you may get on the road and start traveling.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT BETTY J. BAKER: Thanks, but I don't know about the traveling!

Today you bestowed upon me a great honor by giving me the opportunity to lead our Organization into the future. For that I am humbly grateful. We are starting to see an increase in results of many hard-working Sisters. We are seeing a rise in our membership. We are seeing renewed interest in our Organization, and we are seeing patriotism spread all over the nation.

I intend to do everything in my power, with the Good Lord willing, to continue to see this happen; however, I cannot do this alone. I hope that with my guidance and enthusiasm, everyone will strive to further our Organization.

To my staff of officers, I look forward to working together as a team with one mission in mind, and that is to give the guidance and direction that this Organization needs to secure our future. We will need to instill in every member the same desire and dedication that's in our hearts so that our Organization will last for an eternity.

You will need to demonstrate to everyone around you the true meaning of patriotism, and what our fore-fathers fought and died for. So, let's please all work together.

Thank you. (*Applause*)

Has anyone anything to offer for the good of the Order?

MARGARET ATKINSON, PNP, PA: Sister Betty, I am delighted to see you up there. I know you are making a great personal sacrifice to do this for a second year. I know what you are going to have on your shoulders again, but we know that you can do it.

The entire Department of Pennsylvania is behind you, and anything that I can do to help you, you know I will. Thank you. I enjoy working with you.

MICHELLE LANGLEY, PDP, NY: Sister Betty, on behalf of the Department of New York and Auxiliary #72, we would like to present you with these roses. We know this is your favorite flower.

We hope you have a good year, and we all love you.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT BETTY: Thank you. You don't know how much I appreciate the New York Department. You are all great Sisters and I couldn't do it without you!

Additional congratulations and best wishes were given to President Betty by PDP Mary Jo Long; PNP Eileen Coombs; DP Elizabeth Ferrin for the Maine Department; PDP Peggy Schaefer for the Wisconsin Department; PDP Martha Johnson for the Pennsylvania Department; DP Sarah Cherry for the Ohio Department; and many others.

PRESIDENT BETTY: I would like everyone to take this one thought home with you and keep it close to your heart during the coming year: Let us not forget that we come from a proud past, and by working together in fraternity, charity, and loyalty, we will have a promising future for generations to come.

If there is no further business to come before this Auxiliary, we will proceed to close.

The Chaplain attended the altar and closed the Bible. Members sang the Closing Ode.

PRESIDENT BETTY: I now declare the 112th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War duly closed until August, 1999.

The Encampment closed at 4:20 p.m.

**LIST OF VOTING MEMBERS
ATTENDING THE 112TH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
OF THE AUXILIARY TO
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

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Gloria Murphy, D
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Council Member #3, PDP

COUNCIL MEETING
August 6, 1998

The meeting of the Council was held in the Headquarters room of National President Jackie Johnston. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer were audited and approved. Items acted on are in the report of National Council. Also present were National President Jackie Johnston, National Secretary Frances Murray, and National Treasurer Eileen Coombs.

OLD AND NEW COUNCIL MEETING
August 9, 1998

The meeting of the Old and New Council was held in the Headquarters Room of Past National President Jackie Johnston. Present:

OLD COUNCIL
Betty Baker
Peggy Schaefer

NEW COUNCIL
Jackie Johnston
Elizabeth Ferrin
Marguerite Plante

Also present, National Treasurer Eileen Coombs and National Secretary Frances Murray.

The final books of the Secretary and Treasurer were audited and approved. There being no further business, the Council adjourned to meet again in Indianapolis, Indiana in August 1999 prior to the opening of National Encampment.

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- 1941 † Mrs. Lillian S. Ball, Indianapolis, IN
- 1975 † Mrs. Catherine McCoy, San Diego, CA

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† Deceased

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No.	Year	Date	Place	State
1 st	1887	Aug. 17-19	Akron	OH
2 nd	1888	Aug. 15-17	Wheeling	WV
3 rd	1889	Sept. 10-13	Paterson	NY
4 th	1890	Aug. 26-29	St. Joseph	MO
5 th	1891	Aug. 24-29	Minneapolis	MN
6 th	1892	Aug. 8-12	Helena	MT
7 th	1893	Aug. 15-18	Cincinnati	OH
8 th	1894	Aug. 20-23	Davenport	IA
9 th	1895	Sept. 16-18	Knoxville	TN
10 th	1896	Sept. 8-10	Louisville	KY
11 th	1897	Sept. 9-11	Indianapolis	IN
12 th	1898	Sept. 12-14	Omaha	NE
13 th	1899	Sept. 7-9	Detroit	MI
14 th	1900	Sept. 11-13	Syracuse	NY
15 th	1901	Sept. 17-18	Providence	RI
16 th	1902	Oct. 7-9	Washington	DC
17 th	1903	Sept. 15-17	Atlantic City	NJ
18 th	1904	Aug. 17-19	Boston	MA
19 th	1905	Sept. 18-20	Gettysburg	PA
20 th	1906	Aug. 21-23	Peoria	IL
21 st	1907	Aug. 20-21	Dayton	OH
22 nd	1908	Aug. 25-27	Niagara Falls	NY
23 rd	1909	Aug. 24-26	Washington	DC
24 th	1910	Sept. 20-22	Atlantic City	NJ
25 th	1911	Aug. 22-25	Rochester	NY
26 th	1912	Aug. 27-29	St. Louis	MO
27 th	1913	Sept. 16-18	Chattanooga	TN
28 th	1914	Sept. 1-3	Detroit	MI
29 th	1915	Sept. 28-30	Washington	DC
30 th	1916	Aug. 30-31	Kansas City	MO
31 st	1917	Aug. 22-23	Boston	MA
32 nd	1918	Aug. 20-21	Niagara Falls	NY
33 rd	1919	Sept. 8-11	Columbus	OH
34 th	1920	Sept. 22-24	Indianapolis	IN
35 th	1921	Sept. 27-29	Indianapolis	IN
36 th	1922	Sept. 26-28	Des Moines	IA
37 th	1923	Sept. 4-6	Milwaukee	WI
38 th	1924	Aug. 12-14	Boston	MA
39 th	1925	Sept. 1-3	Grand Rapids	MI
40 th	1926	Sept. 21-23	Des Moines	IA
41 st	1927	Sept. 13-15	Grand Rapids	MI
42 nd	1928	Sept. 18-20	Denver	CO
43 rd	1929	Sept. 10-12	Portland	ME
44 th	1930	Aug. 26-29	Cincinnati	OH

45 th	1931	Sept. 15-17	Des Moines	IA
46 th	1932	Sept. 20-22	Springfield	IL
47 th	1933	Sept. 19-21	St. Paul	MN
48 th	1934	Aug. 14-16	Rochester	NY
49 th	1935	Sept. 10-12	Grand Rapids	MI
50 th	1936	Sept. 22-24	Washington	DC
51 st	1937	Sept. 7-9	Madison	WI
52 nd	1938	Sept. 6-8	Des Moines	IA
53 rd	1939	Aug. 29-31	Pittsburgh	PA
54 th	1940	Sept. 10-12	Springfield	IL
55 th	1941	Sept. 16-18	Columbus	OH
56 th	1942	Sept. 15-17	Indianapolis	IN
57 th	1943	Sept. 20-23	Milwaukee	WI
58 th	1944	Sept. 12-14	Des Moines	IA
59 th	1945	Oct. 1-4	Columbus	OH
60 th	1946	Aug. 25-29	Indianapolis	IN
61 st	1947	Aug. 10-14	Cleveland	OH
62 nd	1948	Sept. 26-30	Grand Rapids	MI
63 rd	1949	Aug. 28-Sept. 1	Indianapolis	IN
64 th	1950	Aug. 20-24	Boston	MA
65 th	1951	Aug. 20-24	Columbus	OH
66 th	1952	Aug. 24-28	Atlantic City	NJ
67 th	1953	Aug. 23-27	Buffalo	NY
68 th	1954	Aug. 8-13	Duluth	MN
69 th	1955	Aug. 21-25	Cincinnati	OH
70 th	1956	Sept. 9-13	Harrisburg	PA
71 st	1957	Aug. 18-22	Detroit	MI
72 nd	1958	Aug. 17-21	Boston	MA
73 rd	1959	Aug. 16-20	Long Beach	CA
74 th	1960	Aug. 21-25	Springfield	IL
75 th	1961	Aug. 20-24	Indianapolis	IN
76 th	1962	Aug. 19-23	Washington	DC
77 th	1963	Aug. 18-22	Miami Beach	FL
78 th	1964	Aug. 16-20	Providence	RI
79 th	1965	Aug. 15-19	Richmond	VA
80 th	1966	Aug. 14-18	Grand Rapids	MI
81 st	1967	Aug. 6-10	Chicago	IL
82 nd	1968	Aug. 18-22	Wilmington	DE
83 rd	1969	Aug. 17-21	St. Louis	MO
84 th	1970	Aug. 23-27	Miami Beach	FL
85 th	1971	Aug. 15-19	Boston	MA
86 th	1972	Aug. 13-17	Philadelphia	PA
87 th	1973	Aug. 5-9	Palm Springs	CA
88 th	1974	Aug. 18-22	Bretton Woods	NH
89 th	1975	Aug. 10-14	Rochester	NY
90 th	1976	Aug. 15-18	Columbus	OH
91 st	1977	Aug. 14-18	Des Moines	IA

92 nd	1978	Aug. 13-17	Grand Rapids	MI
93 rd	1979	Aug. 12-16	Hartford	CT
94 th	1980	Aug. 17-21	Richmond	VA
95 th	1981	Aug. 9-13	Philadelphia	PA
96 th	1982	Aug. 15-19	Providence	RI
97 th	1983	Aug. 14-18	Portland	ME
98 th	1984	Aug. 12-16	Akron	OH
99 th	1985	Aug. 11-15	Wilmington	DE
100 th	1986	Aug. 10-14	Lexington	KY
101 st	1987	Aug. 9-13	Buffalo	NY
102 nd	1988	Aug. 14-18	Lansing	MI
103 rd	1989	Aug. 13-17	Stamford	CT
104 th	1990	Aug. 12-16	Des Moines	IA
105 th	1991	Aug. 11-15	Indianapolis	IN
106 th	1992	Aug. 13-16	Pittsburgh	PA
107 th	1993	Aug. 12-15	Portland	ME
108 th	1994	Aug. 11-13	E. Lansing	MI
109 th	1995	Aug. 10-13	Columbus	OH
110 th	1996	Aug. 8-11	Columbus	OH
111 th	1997	Aug. 7-10	Utica	NY
112 th	1998	Aug. 6-9	Harrisburg	PA

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