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FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT —

“Respecting our Past, while paving our Future!”

This has been an amazing year! I want to thank all the Sisters who showed their confidence in me by electing me as your National President. I also want to thank all the Sisters and Brothers across the land who showed such courtesy, kindness and generosity to me and my family during our travels. It has truly been an honor to serve you. I look forward to seeing many of you at the National Encampment in Richmond, Virginia this August. We will undoubtedly enjoy the customary Encampment elements and likely begin some new traditions of our own!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Rachele M. Campbell, ASUVCW National President

Allied Orders Thank You

I would like to thank the fantastic National Heads of the Allied Orders that I have had the pleasure of working with this year: National President Cindy Zerkowski of the Woman’s Relief Corp; National President Judy Rock of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; National President Ellen Higgins of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865. You have all added warmth, friendship and humor to this year. May our paths continue to cross in the years ahead. Now, what to say to Commander-in-Chief Tad D. Campbell . . .



Allied Orders Family Tree

The memories will stay with me always. Thank you for everything. I pray that the Fraternity of all of our organizations will continue to grow and that our common mission of “remembering the Boys in Blue” will continue to bring us closer together. — *Rachele M. Campbell, ASUVCW National President*

Trea\$urer Time

In this issue, with the National Encampment ahead of us, I would like to talk about the budget. Each year at the Encampment the Treasurer proposes a budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Based upon the floor discussion the proposed budget can be adjusted. Once the budget is to the satisfaction of the voting delegates it is approved by majority vote. The proposed budget presented is typically based upon the previous year's allocations and spending. Additionally, feedback provided from the President, Vice President, and the Council is considered. Last year's approved budget expenses were distributed as follows:

- Patriotic (Wreaths, Donations, Dues and Scholarships) – 9 %
- Convention/Encampment (Site Committee and Officer Expenses) – 24 %
- Communications (Printing, Postage, Web-Site) – 32 %
- Operational (Office Supplies, Supplies for Auxiliaries, and National Officer Expenses) 35%

Income from per capita dues and supply sales, along with funds raised by the Patriotic Instructor and the Chief of Staff, were projected to satisfy the above expense categories. It is worth noting that Life Membership and Honor Roll receipts are not considered in the budget and are moved directly to our Permanent Fund (savings).

With all this said, my message to you today is that we are well on track this year to cover last year's approved budgeted expenses. Furthermore, next year I expect the same. I look forward to seeing you at our National Encampment to take part in the voting for the upcoming budget. If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please call me at 1-978-208-0543, write to 174 Maple St., Methuen, MA 01844, or email massflynn@verizon.net.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Mary Flynn, National Treasurer

Ruminations of the Patriotic Instructor

I wish all have been in the best of health and happiness since our last printing. As we carry on the duties and pledges of our "Boys in Blue", let us remember it is now our duty to care for the veteran, widow, and orphan. Hopefully you have thanked a veteran, proudly flown your American flag, placed flags or flowers on veterans' graves, or visited a VA hospital. There are so many worthwhile organizations in need of our help that provide for the veterans. If not fund raising for these organizations, perhaps a few hours at their facility would be beneficial. Have any of you Sisters given talks to a school or gathering? Please be mindful that this keeps the memory of our Civil War soldiers and their heroic acts alive. So little of our American heritage is being taught in schools today. Another gift we can give is a donation of blood, especially if you have O-. Donate it in the honor of your Civil War veteran. Let it be known that the little things we give or do mean so much to those in need.

I have been tremendously humbled with the wonderful response of donations given to the Patriotic Instructor's Fund. Therefore, I sincerely thank, from the bottom of my heart, the many individual Sisters, Auxiliaries, and Departments who have generously given. Your kindness is extremely breathtaking.

Happy 4th of July! Until we see or hear from each other, I ask God's face to shine upon you and provide for your needs. Hopefully, I'll see you at the National Encampment in August. Best wishes to all.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,
Denise Oman, National Patriotic Instructor



Sisters of Anna M. Ross Auxiliary No. 1 at a recent fundraiser

Sisters in Need of Prayers and Special Thoughts

*God bless you each and every day,
And keep you in His care,
God grant your peace and happiness
And answer every prayer.*

Darlene Waltenbaugh

Historian's Reflections

REHABILITATION

This is an excerpt from the Report of Rehabilitation Committee found in the 1950 Proceedings, presented by PNP Sister Edith B. Nile.

Day after day, all over our great nation, women are volunteering their services to Veteran Hospitals freely. They are giving their service in order to have a part in doing things for those who have done so much for America.

The services rendered by our Auxiliary members can be measured only in terms of heart-warming acts of comfort and kindness. Acts that are so important to the welfare of the hospitalized Veteran.

Our hospitals are overflowing with boys of other wars, and now we are engaged in the Korea combat where many of our American boys will lose their lives, and many will be hospitalized for life.

Rehabilitation service is important, and we should all give a generous amount of our time to this activity. The little things we do may seem so small as hardly meriting the giving of anything to them, but all these small things put together have made many a boy happy.

Records show a large percentage of the hospitalized boys have not been visited by family or friend in the past year. This is especially true in mental cases. Our activities in these hospitals, give Veterans the comforting assurance of deep interest in their welfare.

These words ring true sixty-five years later. Sadly, additional war veterans have been added. There is still a need to have a presence in caregiving at the hospitals to let these veterans know that we care. Become involved, adopt a unit, collect items of need—soap—socks—lotion, lip balm, sponsor a party, buy donuts, candy, bring cards, blankets—Be creative, they will love whatever you donate—be active...



Using PNP Nile's last line in her report---
"Let us all renew our efforts to a larger scale in Rehabilitation work."

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty —
Danielle Michaels, PNP, National Historian



Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson Memorial Plaza Project

Support the efforts of the Department of Illinois to improve and beautiful the final resting place of the founder of the Grand Army of the Republic in Petersburg, Illinois

Visit the Department's website for more information:

<http://www.suvcwil.com>

At left: NP Rachele Campbell and CinC Tad Campbell, with their daughter Emelia at Dr. Stephenson's grave in April.

Life Memberships

Hattie Edmunds — Thomas M. Carr Auxiliary No. 7, Dept. of New Hampshire

Joyce Nadeau — Member-at-Large, Dept. of Maine

Laura Stevens — Member-at-Large, Dept. of Maine

Doris Warner — T. W. Hyde Auxiliary No. 11, Dept. of Maine

Betty Warner-Downs, PNP — Gov. Isaac Stevens Auxiliary No. 1, Auxiliary-at-Large

Consider a Life Membership for yourself or someone else!

After making a one-time payment, a Sister may become a Life Member. She will remain a member of her local Auxiliary and may provide any additional support she deems fit, but will never be subject to per capita dues again. The cost for Life Membership is as follows:

Under Age 50 = \$350.00

Age 50 – 64 = \$250.00

Age 65 – 89 = \$200.00

Age 90 and above = FREE

Information and the Life Membership Application Form may be found on the national website or may be obtained from National Treasurer Mary Flynn, 174 Maple Street, Methuen, MA 01844.

FROM THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

As a reminder, this year I am asking for every Department to participate in the Great Basket Challenge at the National Encampment. Here is how it will work: I am asking each department to fill a basket with all sorts of goodies of their choosing. Be Creative, use a theme, or highlight special products from your home state! These baskets will then be raffled off. But, the fun doesn't stop here! The Department basket that sells the most tickets will be awarded a superb prize to take home to their Department! For those wishing to participate there will also be a second category for baskets put together and donated by individual Auxiliaries and Auxiliaries-at-Large. Tickets will be offered for a donation of \$1.00 each, or six tickets for \$5.00. I will provide the tickets and bags. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty — Ann M. McMillin, PDP, National Chief of Staff

The Future of Our Order

By Margaret Atkinson, PNP

Anna M. Ross Auxiliary in Philadelphia is very proud to have two young members who have chosen unusual paths to follow.



KATIE IANNITTO, daughter of PNP Anne Sosnowski, after obtaining a degree in glass from Temple Tyler Art college in Philadelphia, went to Italy to study glass blowing, and subsequently went back to Italy to study stained glass procedures. Now back in Pennsylvania, she has begun her own business, Green Glass Art.

KRYSTI ATKINSON, granddaughter of PNP Margaret Atkinson, graduated from St. Michaels College in Vermont with degrees in Journalism and Anthropology. Leaving her current position, she has volunteered to go to Micronesia in mid-July to teach English to High School Students for one year. Located in the South Pacific, she will live on the island of PohnPei under the auspices of World Teach.

Our best wishes go with these fine young members of our Order.



“On to Richmond!”

2015 ASUVCW and SUVCW National Encampments

The 2015 annual SUVCW and ASUVCW National Encampments (Conventions) will be held August 20-23 in Richmond, Virginia. If you have any questions or concerns please contact National Secretary Tricia Bures, 11526 Bona Vista Ct. SW, Olympia, WA 98512. Phone: 360-786-9451. Email: asuvcw@verizon.net.



The Department of the Chesapeake invites you to Richmond, Virginia for the 2015 National Encampment. The Omni Hotel Richmond will serve as our headquarters from August 20-23. The Omni is at the center of Richmond’s financial, judicial, and legislative districts, blocks from State Capitol and just eight miles from Richmond International Airport. The hotel is located in the historic Shockoe Slip district and is close to first class dining and entertainment venues. The hotel has 361 guest rooms, a heated indoor pool and outdoor sun deck, 24-hour dining, full-service restaurant, ATM, business center, etc. Reserve your room now by calling (800) 843-6664. You may also book reservations online by following this link:

<http://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/richmond/meetings/allied-orders-of-grand-army-of-republic-national-encampment-8>

Additional details and forms are available at:

<http://www.suvcw.org/?p=1554>



Delegates to the National Encampment are encourage to visit the following links to learn more about items that will be coming up for a vote.

Recommendations and Resolutions
www.asuvcw.org/recommendation.html

Candidates for National Office
www.asuvcw.org/Candidates.html

“Voting is a right best exercised by people who have taken time to learn about the issues.”

Tony Snow, 26th White House Press Secretary

TENTATIVE ENCAMPMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday August 20, 2015

8:00 am - Noon	Morning Tour -Richmond Area (Meet in Hotel Lobby)
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Afternoon Tour- Petersburg (Meet in Hotel Lobby)
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Registration (Mezzanine Area)
4:00 pm	Council Meeting (Potomac Salons E,F &G)
6:00 pm	PNP Meeting (TBD)
8:00 am – 9:00 pm	Exhibit and Vendors setup (James River Salons A&B)
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Registration (Mezzanine Area)
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	“Servant Leadership” Training (Potomac Salons E,F &G)

Friday August 21, 2015

7:00 am - 8:00 am	Registration (Mezzanine Area)
8:00 am - 8:45 am	Memorial Service (James River Salons C&D)
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Joint Opening (James River Salons C&D)
10:00 am -12:00 pm	Exemplification of Ritual and Opening (Potomac Salons E,F &G)
12:00 pm -1:30 pm	Recess for Club Lunches
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Business Session (Potomac Salons E,F &G)
3:00 pm	Patriotic Instructor Presentation
5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	PNP’s and PC&C Banquet (TBD)
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Campfire & Courtesy Hour (James River Salons C&D)
8:00 am - 9:00 pm	Exhibit and Vendors (James River Salons A&B)

Saturday August 22, 2015

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Registration (Mezzanine Area)
9:00 am - 11:30 am	Business Session (Potomac Salons E,F &G)
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Recess for Lunch
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Business Session (Potomac Salons E,F &G)
3:00 pm	Installation of New Officers
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Pre-Banquet Reception (Pre-Function Area)
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Allied Orders Banquet (James River Salons A,B &C)
10:00 pm - 2:00 am	Open House (Hospitality Room 321)
8:00 am - 3:00 pm	Exhibit and Vendors (James River Salons A&B)

Sunday August 23, 2015

7:00 am - 8:00 am	Non-Denominational Church Service (Potomac Salon E&F)
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Old and New Council Meeting (Potomac Salon E&F)
9:00 am - 10:00 am	New National Officers Meeting (Potomac Salon E&F)

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

All National Officers and Department Presidents should be prepared to wear white attire and white shoes during the meeting sessions of the Encampment. To our other Sisters, if possible please bring a white outfit to fill a station if needed.

The National President has designated the following Sisters to serve appointed positions during the 2015 National Encampment in Richmond, Virginia:

- Parliamentarian** Beverly Graham, PDP (CA & Pacific)
- Guide** Hope Parker, DP (NY)
- Assistant Guide** Barbara Day, PDP (CH)
- Color Guard #1** Katelynn McMillin (PA)
- Color Guard #2** Gracie McMillin (PA)
- Inside Guard** Lisa Smith (MI)
- Outside Guard** Susan Fallon (WI)
- Escorts** Jan Davis (MI); Kathy Heltemes (WI)
- Pages** Emelia Campbell (CA & Pacific); Sarah Palmer (MO)
- Musician** Paula Vessels (AZ)

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The National President has designated the following Sisters to serve on the following committees during the 2015 National Encampment in Richmond, Virginia:

- Credentials & Registration**..... Tricia Bures (CA & Pacific) Chair; Helen Granger (MI); Wanda Langdon, PAP (OH)
- Officers Reports** Virginia Twist, PNP (NY) Chair; Cindy Eddy, PAP (CA & Pacific);
Viola Loder-Smithcors, PDP (NJ); Barbara Lynch (OH)
- Committee Reports** Anne Sosnowski, PNP (PA) Chair; Cynthia Brown, PNP (NH); Karen Hamann, PDP (MI);
Allison Michaels, PDP (WI)
- Recommendations** Danielle Michaels, PNP (WI) Chair; Judy Trepanier, PNP (CT);
Ellen Higgins (NJ); Judy Rock (MI)
- Resolutions**Diane Mellor, PNP (MA)
- Elections** Michelle Langley, PNP (NY) Chair; Sue Freshley, PAP (OH); Rebekah Thomas (CA & Pacific)
- Greetings Committees**
To the SUVCW Rachelle Campbell NP (CA & Pacific); Judy Rock (MI); and any Sisters wishing to participate
- Response Committees**
To the SUVCW Nancy Greenwalt Hilton, PNP (OH)
To the LGAR.....Diane Mellor, PNP (MA)
To the Recipient of the P.I. Donation.....Jane Graham, PNP (OH)

MORE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT INFORMATION

VOTING DELEGATES

Please reference the Constitution, Rules and Regulations for detailed information concerning voting delegates. Alternates will be seated as voting delegates as spots become available. Voting delegate status automatically goes to the following:

1. All Past National Presidents in good standing, and all sitting National Elected and Appointed Officers (except the National Personal Aide) in good standing.
2. All sitting and past Department Presidents in good standing. A Department may also send two (2) voting delegates.
3. All sitting Auxiliary Presidents and Auxiliary-at-Large Presidents in good standing, and one (1) voting delegate from each Auxiliary.
4. National Membership-at-Large delegate allotment is based on the total NMAL membership at the time of the Annual Per Capita Report.



NATIONAL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

If you will not be able to attend the National Encampment, please send a copy of your report to National Secretary Tricia Bures before July 30th. If you will be attending the National Encampment, please be prepared to read a summary of your report, and have two (2) copies of your full-length report to be submitted to the National Secretary and the Encampment Committee on Officer Reports. Please try to keep your oral summary report to approximately five (5) minutes or less.

DEPARTMENT OFFICER REPORTS

All Department Officers shall please provided a copy of your Department reports to your corresponding National Officer no later than July 1st so that the National Officers can complete their reports to be presented at National Encampment.

Department Vice Presidents	Report to Sister Linda Kronberg at michgal1865@yahoo.com
Department Chaplain	Report to Sister Anna Frail at mommyalf23@verizon.net
Department Patriotic Instructor	Report to Sister Denise Oman at e3427@netzero.com
Department Secretary	Report to Sister Tricia Bures at asuvcw@verizon.net
Department Treasurers	Report to Sister Mary Flynn at massflynn@verizon.net
Department Charitable Activities	Report to Sister Marilyn Eckman Rittel at rittelm@gmail.com

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

At the National Encampment Department Presidents will be expected to dress in all white and will have a special section in which to sit with all the other Department Presidents. Each Department President should prepare a written summary of her Department's activities since the last National Encampment. If the Department President will be at the National Encampment she should be prepared to read a summary of her report and have two (2) copies of the full-length report for submission to the National Secretary. Please try to limit oral reports to two (2) minutes or less. If she is unable to attend, the Department President should submit her written report to National Secretary Tricia Bures at or before the National Encampment, for inclusion in the National Proceedings.

NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

Department and Auxiliary Aides have been tasked with raising \$15.00 (or more) to go towards the National Chief of Staff fund, which helps defray operating costs for the Auxiliary. Please send contributions, made payable to “National Organization, ASUVCW”, to Ann McMillin, PDP, 622 N. Pitt Street, Carlisle, PA 17013.



NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Please help contribute to the good work that the National Patriotic Instructor does and donate to the National Organization. A portion of your contribution will go toward a donation given to a patriotic organization within the National Encampment’s Host Department. Please forward any contributions, made payable to “National Organization, ASUVCW”, to Demise Oman, PAP, W 291 N 2173 Elmhurst Dr., Pewaukee, WI 53072.

NATIONAL PRESS CORRESPONDENT

The National Press Correspondent collects photos, press releases, newspaper articles, etc., to be placed in the National President’s scrapbook, as a remembrance of her term in office. Please send such items to Anne Michaels, 835 N. Cass Street #27, Milwaukee, WI 53132.

NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDES

Similarly, the National Personal Aides collects photos of the National President’s time in office, which she combined into a “Memory Book” documenting her travels. Please send any and all photos to Beverly Graham, PDP, 5107 Alan Avenue, San Jose, CA 95124 (or) Rosemary Martin, 8209 Skipwith Drive, Frederick, MD 21702.



NP Rachelle Campbell presents a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day. She was accompanied by her father, Dean Bursheim (at right) and a VFW escort (at left).



NP Rachelle Campbell with her husband CinC Tad Campbell during Memorial Day services at Arlington National Cemetery



2015 ASUVCW National Encampment Pre-Registration Form

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

DEPARTMENT: _____

AUXILIARY NAME & NUMBER: _____

I will be attending the National Encampment as a (***select only one***):

- Delegate
- Alternate
- Past National President
- Guest

() If under 18 years old, check – Must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

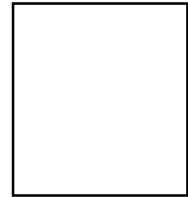
Please complete this form and send with check or money order (no cash) for **\$10.00**
made out to “**National Organization, ASUVCW**” and mail to:

Tricia Bures, National Secretary
11526 Bona Vista Ct SW, Olympia, WA 98512-9009

Important Reminder: This form does ***NOT*** replace a completed Credentials Card
and current Membership Card, both of which are required to complete your
registration at the Encampment. ***You will not be able to register at the
Encampment without both of these cards.***

Pre-registration deadline is July 31, 2015

**Auxiliary to Sons of Union
Veterans of the Civil War**
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Gilroy, CA 95020-7545



We're on the Web!

www.asuvcw.org

**Also check us
out of Facebook!**

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War can be obtained through eligibility in several ways:

1. Women who are lineal or collateral descendants, of soldiers, sailors or marines regularly mustered and honorably discharged from the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion 1861-1865. Daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, niece, grandniece, etc., & legally adopted daughters qualify.
2. Mothers, wives, widows, daughters & legally adopted daughters of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in good standing. (Not Associates)
3. Associate Memberships: Available to women who do not qualify through heredity, #1 & #2 above, who demonstrate a genuine interest in the Civil War and can subscribe to the purpose and objects of the Auxiliary. An Associate may vote and hold any office except that of National Vice-President and National President. Associates may not exceed one-third of the total membership of the Auxiliary at the time of election.
4. Junior Membership: For young ladies of not less than six (6) years of age.

For a membership application, please visit:

www.asuvcw.org/mem.htm