

THE AUXILIARY VOICE

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR



Greetings Sisters!

My term as National President of this beautiful organization is finally coming to an end. I have been fortunate in meeting so many wonderful Sisters and participating in so many amazing events in honor of our ancestors these past two years. I cannot put down on paper or even say in words how much I have appreciated the friendships I've established or the acts of fraternity I've witnessed. It has truly been an unforgettable experience and I thank our membership for affording me the opportunity to create these memories that I will forever hold dear.

While I step back from the lead position of the Auxiliary, we must look on to our future. We must prepare ourselves to evolve. Our values and traditions must be upheld, however the way that we conduct business, recruit, and obtain funds must change. We need to seek out new ideas in these areas and live by trial and error. Some ideas will work, and some will not. Our organization is a living entity that will die if we do not attempt to progress along with our current society's mentalities. So all I ask our members as a last request before stepping down is that we try. I believe that we will succeed and grow our numbers, but we need to try.

For all that will be traveling to the National Encampment in Nashua, I wish you safe travels and look forward to greeting you in person. To our members who are unable to attend, I wish you all the best. And as always, please remain safe.

In F., C., & L.,
Allison Pollitt
National President
ASUVCW

Change is the law of life. And
those who look only to the
past or present
are certain to miss the future.

John F. Kennedy



by NP Allison Pollitt

It's not hard to believe that history is one of my favorite subjects considering the kind of organization we belong to. Unfortunately, what is often lost over time is our own history. Our national website offers biographies of our founding members, Past National Presidents, and a general background of how the Auxiliary came to be. What I'd like to focus on is a specific individual without whose extensive support, the ASUVCW might not exist today.

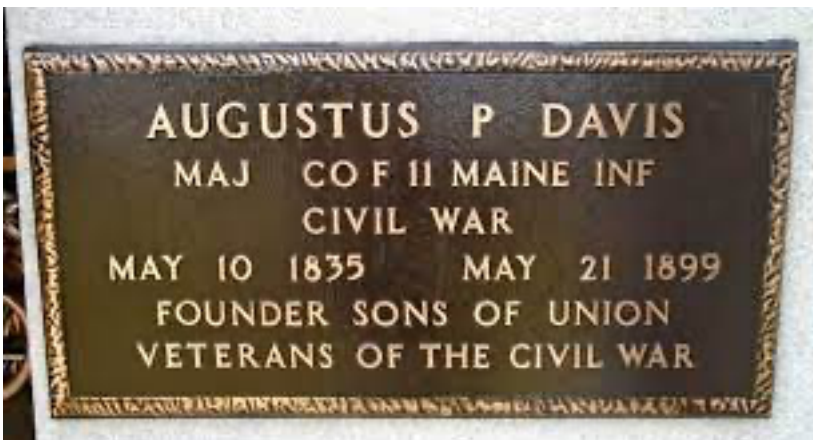
Major Augustus P. Davis of Gardiner, Maine volunteered to serve in the English Navy, seeing battle during the Crimean War. After serving four years, he returned home to serve in the US Navy until he mustered out in 1860 as a Petty Officer. One year later, at the age of 26, he joined the 11th Maine Infantry where he was immediately elected Captain. After being wounded in the leg while in combat in 1862, Davis offered a resignation, accompanied by a surgeon's letter concerned for the tubercular deposits in his right lung that had developed. However, upon returning home to Maine, he assumed the post as Provost Marshall until his discharge from military service in 1865, but not before a promotion to Major.



After the war, Major A.P. Davis established himself in Pittsburgh, PA providing insurance to manufacturers. He became highly active in various veteran organizations including the Grand Army of the Republic. In 1877, he proposed an organization comprised of sons of GAR members. This idea was rejected another three times before a group young men gathered in November 1881 in GAR Post 3's meeting room in Pennsylvania where the Sons of Veterans Pennsylvania (now Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War) was formed.

So how did Major A.P. Davis help organize the Auxiliary? The first National Encampment held by the Auxiliary (at that time "Ladies' Aid Society") was conducted in 1887 in Akron, Ohio. Miss Laura F.

Martin had been serving as the National President for two years while the organization officially formed into divisions and societies within a handful of states. The largest obstacle at this time of infancy was the lack of funds with which to purchase much-needed supplies. By January 1886, Major A.P. Davis had donated his own money for the Auxiliary to be fully supplied with blanks, constitutions, rituals, charters, etc.



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But he didn't stop there. Major A.P. Davis went on to design the Auxiliary's badges, seals and rank straps worn at that time. This amounted to a total of \$312.03. Quite a large sum for that time. It was also at the first National Encampment that the members voted to make Major A.P. Davis a life member of the organization in appreciation of his fantastic contributions.

Major Augustus P. Davis finally passed from this life on 21 May 1899 after battling illnesses in his home in Pittsburgh, PA. He was laid to rest at Allegheny Cemetery in Pittsburgh where it is estimated that several thousand visitors paid their respects. Upon his death, he bequeathed an additional \$250 to the Ladies' Aid Society. Acting for our National Organization, our National President continues to recognize this distinguished man's contributions by awarding a much deserving Brother of the SUVCW who exemplifies the same unselfish service, support, encouragement, and respect with the Major Augustus P. Davis Award.



from the National Treasurer...



Greetings, Sisters!

Just a reminder to send in your Annual Department Treasurer's Report (D04) and the Annual EIN Reporting Form (D11). These forms, along with detailed instructions and timelines, can be found on our website or can be obtained by contacting me. As a reminder, Auxiliaries and Departments are required to file Form 990-N (e-Postcard) with the IRS annually. Information regarding the 990-N, including the link to file online, can be found at <https://www.irs.gov/charities-nonprofits/annual-electronic-filingrequirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard>.

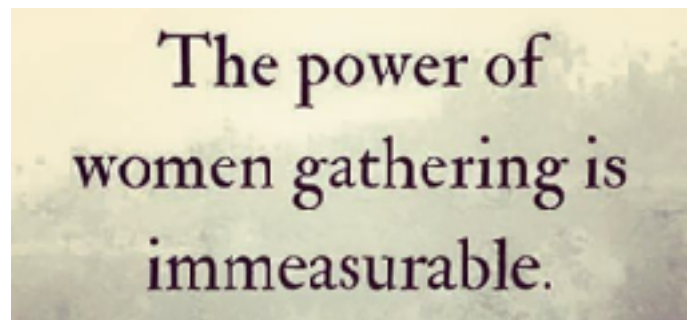
As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at treasurer@asuvchw.org.
Yours in F., C., and L.,
Amy Miller, National Treasurer

from the National Vice President...

Hello Sisters! My name is Sue Freshley, I am your National Vice President, and am currently campaigning to be your National President.

One of the best times of the year is coming up – our National Encampment in Nashua, New Hampshire! While there is much work we accomplish at this event, more importantly our National Encampment is a celebration of us, every Sister. The Auxiliary comes together to honor the traditions of our organization and remember with fondness and gratitude the Sisters who have worked so diligently to provide a path for each of us to follow. And we gather to reinvigorate the path for the future of the ASUVCW. If you've never been to a National Encampment, I'd highly recommend attending one – the fellowship is astounding.

I believe in our Auxiliary. I've witnessed the goodness of our members in our home Auxiliaries, as well as the Department and National levels. There is always a Sister to share her knowledge and wisdom freely while incorporating her mentorship with kindness and grace. The members of our Auxiliary do share in the lives of our Sister family. There isn't a day that goes by where a Sister doesn't pray and send positive energy out into the universe for the intention of another Sister or a member of a Sister's family. It doesn't matter what the reason is or how long prayers are needed, our Sisters are there for us. I've seen Sisters who have known each other for decades come together in the kind of comfortable companionship of old friends, even though they might have spoken but a few times all year. We simply share special bonds in our Auxiliary.



NEVER
UNDERESTIMATE
WHAT WOMEN CAN
ACCOMPLISH
WHEN THEY STAND
TOGETHER

We are fortunate to have Sisters who work for our Auxiliary tirelessly, without complaint and are always willing to do one more thing for the good of our members. The good works our Auxiliary performs are noteworthy. Just a few examples: our love of country is demonstrated by our support of veterans in need – there is often a fundraiser going on; our devotion to community is demonstrated each time the Auxiliary gives a scholarship – which is provided by our generous donations to our Patriotic Instructor and by supporting her fundraising efforts. Our Patriotism is physically demonstrated by the wreaths our National Patriotic Instructor provides with her fundraising efforts. The ASUVCW is invited to present wreaths at many prominent national ceremonies such as the Memorial Day remembrance at the Tomb of

the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, Grant's Tomb, Lincoln's Tomb, and the Woolson monument on Remembrance Day. The ASUVCW presents a wreath that stands side by side with the wreath the President of the United States presents at the same ceremony. I get goosebumps just thinking about it.

In the past year we have welcomed a number of new members and a new auxiliary, but I need to ask each Sister for just a little more. We need to strengthen our membership base. People don't want to be isolated any more. They want (and need) to belong to organizations where they can contribute their time and talents at their own comfort level. Tell the people around you about our Auxiliary – those with whom attend religious services, the PTA at your child or grandchild's school, other clubs you belong to, your workmates, your family reunion. Put something up at your local library and coffeeshop, at retirement communities, junior high and high schools, community colleges, and universities. The options are endless. We Sisters just need to be creative and tell others why the ASUVCW is an organization worthy of everyone's precious time. We are going to succeed in making sure our Auxiliary is there for future generations. I know this because I have seen so many Sisters who believe in our Auxiliary, who are freely willing to commit to the works that need done in our communities, our Departments, and our Nation. Our Sisters who live by the words in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.

See you in Nashua!

Sue Freshley, National Vice President



Department of Texas -Louisiana SUVCW 29th Encampment

Sisters of the Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1 were honored along with Camp Commander John Vander Meulen of the Edward Lea Camp #2 Brothers and Department Commander Michael Lance to welcome SUVCW Commander-in-Chief Bruce Frail and ASUVCW Department President of New England Anna Frail to the Great State of Texas for the Department of Texas-Louisiana, SUVCW 29th Encampment held on April 29.

Auxiliary sisters provided coffee and donuts in the morning, which were enjoyed by all. As a special gift the sisters presented handmade patriotic cockades to all attendees for their Encampment. The Auxiliary also helped with serving lunch.

Commander-in -Chief Frail was presented with a Dallas Cowboys jersey #55!

President Anna Frail was recognized and presented with the beautiful Clara Barton Brooch and Award Certificate along with a bouquet of spring flowers from the Department.

Sisters of the Auxiliary were thanked and presented a bouquet of red roses from the Department.

The officers and brothers of the Edward Lea Camp hosted a very outstanding SUVCW Department Encampment this year!



Auxiliary Secretary/Treasurer, Jana Marsh; President of the Department of New England, Anna Frail; President of Auxiliary, Vali Reyes; Member, Norma Pollard

Submitted by President, Vali Reyes



One hundred years ago our Civil War ancestors met at the same time as the Allied Orders.

When a city held the encampment, the events within the community were more than just meetings and after-meeting parties. The Union Veterans' heroic and brave actions were celebrated with

dinner, balls, and parades. These older gentlemen were the past leaders of their communities and were held up as examples of dutiful, righteous members of the land. As they met to strengthen their diminishing order, they were entrusting the Allied Orders to continue their works and remember the Union Boys in Blue.

Our National Order was meeting for the Thirty-seventh time. Guides and Color Guards were given red, white and blue sashes to wear. And a drill team of young ladies from Wisconsin did not disappoint their viewers. Mrs. Emma Finch was elected the National President. In her report she wrote:



GAR Parade National Encampment Saratoga NY Sept 11 1907

“Each day I have tried to do all that I could, the best that I could and have relied on all the officers and members to do likewise. The records show how splendidly you have stood by me and upheld me in all my efforts. All of you have given a year of service, your efforts have been unstinted, and your loyalty, devotion, helpfulness and accomplishment has been the work of all of us, working shoulder to shoulder, and to each and every member must be accorded the credit of having made possible the report of our combined efforts.”

We continue the principles of our Order, created by our fathers and handed down through the years to keep the memories and true history alive. Let us celebrate our accomplishments by

including your works in the reports to National and come to the National Convention to interact with our Sisters and hear how the Auxiliary work is making a difference.

Respectfully,
Danielle Michaels, PNP
National Historian



from the National Secretary...

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 Judy Morgan 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 provide a copy of your Department reports to your corresponding National Officer so that the National Officers can complete their reports to be presented at National Encampment.

Department Vice Presidents	Report to Sister Sue Freshley at VicePresident@asucwv.org
Department Chaplain	Report to Sister Rosemary Martin at chaplain@asucwv.org
Department Patriotic Instructor	Vacant
Department Secretary	Report to Sister Judy Morgan at secretary@asucwv.org
Department Treasurer	Report to Sister Amy Miller at treasurer@asucwv.org
Department Charitable Activities	Report to Sister Kim Villalva at kdanisk@yahoo.com

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

At the National Encampment Department Presidents will be expected to dress in all white. 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 Judy Morgan at or before the National Encampment, for inclusion in the National Proceedings.

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

Recommendations and Resolutions

<https://asucw.org/national-encampment/recommendations/>

Candidates for National Office

<https://asucw.org/national-encampment/natl-officer-candidates/>

Submitted by Judy Morgan, National Secretary

137th National Encampment Reminders

ATTIRE – All National Officers (including Appointed) and Department Presidents should wear appropriate business attire in white during the sessions while at the Encampment. All attendees should strive to wear white so that they are able to fill in for an absent station if necessary.

APPOINTED OFFICERS – If you are attending the Encampment and are interested in serving in an appointed position, please notify the National President as soon as possible. The following positions will be appointed: Parliamentarian, Guide, Assistant Guide, Color Guards 1 and 2, Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Escorts and Pages.

APPOINTED COMMITTEES – If you are attending the Encampment and are interested in serving on a committee, please notify the National President as soon as possible.

Sisters will be requested to serve on the following committees: Credentials & Registration Committee, Committee on Officers Reports, Committee on Committee Reports, Recommendations Committee, Resolutions Committee, Elections Committee, Greetings Committee, and Response Committee.

ENDORSEMENTS – Those Sisters wishing to run for a National Office shall send endorsements and a letter of intent to the National Secretary before July 30, 2023. These will be published on the National Website.

WHY IS FUNDRAISING SO IMPORTANT TO OUR AUXILIARY?

BY KIM VILLALVA, NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

As I thought about what to write for this edition of the Auxiliary Voice, every idea I had seemed to echo the same old plea for asking for fundraising support for the National Chief of Staff Fund. Not there's anything wrong with this "same old plea" because it is an extremely important one. But I wanted to approach this topic perhaps a bit differently, and in a way that might encourage some "out of the box" thinking this summer for all of us. Many of our auxiliaries are ready to get out into the community for summertime festivals and these opportunities are not only vital to our member recruiting efforts and community education and support, but they are also great opportunities for us to fundraise.

Hey!
Think
outside
the box!



Recently, I spoke at a quarterly Veterans Breakfast in honor of the approaching Memorial Day holiday. I discussed my most recent book, *Lincoln: The Servant Leader*, and I added material about the origins of Memorial Day, Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, and Lincoln's promise "...to care for him who shall have borne the battle..." from his Second Inaugural Address. And because my audience was all veterans (and some spouses) I added in story after story about Lincoln's relationship with soldiers—powerful stories of gratitude, respect and more.

After my presentation, I was visiting with a WWII veteran. I had been told that he had quite a story all his own from his time in WWII. But instead of telling me about his service, he wanted to talk about the Civil War. He told me he had been raised in Louisiana as a young boy and recounted several stories about

growing up at that time.

What really touched me from our conversation was the emotion that surfaced every time he reflected on the Civil War, on the loss of Lincoln and on the struggles our country faced after the war. He had such respect for this time in our history and for all the soldiers who served, suffered and for those who "gave the last full measure of devotion." He carried this passion and respect for Civil War veterans with him when he served in WWII.



Sisters, why do we fundraise?

Why is the National Chief of Staff fund so vital to our Auxiliary?

It is vital because it allows us to continue to tell the story of a time in our nation's history when brother fought brother, when wives and family members wondered if and when they would ever see

their loved ones again and waited for exceedingly long times for word...when soldiers faced fears and battles that we can only read about or imagine through documentaries and movies...and when soldiers made the ultimate sacrifice at a time when our young nation was struggling for its identity.

Our funds may seem like they just cover typical expenses for an organization such as ours. And unless we REALLY love fundraising, it can become very challenging to find new ways to

ask for financial support from those in our community or other historical groups who may support our mission.

But when we look beyond "fundraising" to see why we exist...to see why we need to exist, we realize how very vital this fund is. It is our duty "to perpetuate the memory of the services and sacrifices of the Union Veterans of the Civil War..."

In today's world where the digital age continues to expand through leaps and bounds and the challenges of the day can easily overshadow history, we, Sisters, we are needed more than ever to keep telling the story of the Civil War veterans who sacrificed so much for our country.

Through our simple conversation that day, the WWII veteran I met reminded me of how important we are. As we honored the memory of all of those who sacrificed their lives for our country on Memorial Day, let us be renewed in our efforts to collectively fundraise for our Auxiliary this summer. Remember why we ask for financial support—the memory of our Civil War veterans is too important to ease up on our efforts.

Thank you, Sisters, for any and all support you can lend this summer to raise funds for the National Chief of Staff Fund.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Kim Villalva, National Chief of Staff



from the National Graves Registration Officer...

When I was young, Memorial Day meant I would go with my parents to watch the parade, then go on a picnic.

As I grew older and participated in Jackson High School Marching Band, Memorial Day was more meaningful. It was a high honor for your marching band to lead the parade, then play the National Anthem at the wreath laying ceremony afterwards.

It wasn't until I became an Auxiliary member of Austin Blair #7 that I learned the true meaning of Memorial Day. As I prepared to read the Poem "When the Boys in Blue are Gone" I became acutely aware and thankful of the sacrifices of those who served in the Civil War--and what the heavy, extreme price that was paid by our Civil War Ancestors truly meant.

When I sat looking for pictures of past Memorial Day events, it occurred to me that since last Memorial Day we have had four Brothers of our Michigan Sons, and an Auxiliary Sister pass away. All of them had been so active in our organization, honoring our Civil War ancestors. Their examples of service had shaped my thoughts and how I now strive to honor those who served in the Civil War.



June was a shining example of "Remembering our Boys in Blue"—I will always hold dear the memorable nine years we shared representing our Auxiliary. And to keep these memories close, I will promise to continue (God willing) in these duties we once shared.

Thank you for your selfless dedication and example of honoring our Civil War Ancestors...God has a much-deserved place of rest for you in heaven dear Sister June!

In F, C, and L, Connie Horning, Auxiliary National Graves Registration Officer





Reminders:

Please remember to have your Chaplain Reports, Form D06, to me by June 30, 2023. Please send your reports to: Rosemary Martin, 8209 Skipwith Drive, Frederick, MD 21702. Thank you to those who have already submitted your reports!

For those who need prayers or have a special event in their lives or a special request, please let me know through leaving a message at 301-682-7336 or an e-mail to chaplain@asuvcw.org. Also, if you use Facebook, please feel free to visit and to post on The Chaplain's Corner, ASUVCW to share celebrations or difficulties and requests for prayers. Thank you so much to all those who have shared and responded.

The Love of God

There is nothing in all creation that will ever be able to separate us from the love of God which is ours through Christ Jesus our Lord. —Romans 8:39

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way that I should go, for to you I lift up my soul. Rescue me from my enemies Oh Lord, for I hide myself in You. Teach me to your will, for you are my God, may Your good Spirit lead me on level ground. – Psalm 143: 8-10

These Bible verses inspired me to read countless articles and Bible verses about the love of God. This research made me realize that I was trying to fit an eternity into one article. However, abridged articles and combined effort is below.

As we go through life, we will experience many different kinds of love. But there is one love that is unlike any other, and that is the love of God. His love is perfect and unchanging. It is pure and unending. It is amazingly beautiful, and it is available to us no matter where we are in life. His love for us is unwavering and steadfast.

God Himself is love and when we experience His love, it can often be overwhelming. His love is so pure that it can be difficult to understand. However, even though it is difficult to understand, it is easy to experience, and when we allow ourselves to experience God's unconditional love, it can change our lives forever. To be loved by God unconditionally means to be loved by God without any conditions or expectations attached. God's unconditional love is not based on anything we have done or anything we can do; it is simply a gift from Him. He is loyal to us. It is a love that is perfect, complete, and always there for us, no matter what. It is a love that is entirely free and given to us simply because we exist. His love is pure, His love is the essence of who He is, and it cannot be taken away. Love is who God is. *"So, we have come to know and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him."* – 1 John 4:16

God is a God of love; His love endures forever.

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A Prayer of Love and Reflection:


Almighty God, thank you for loving us so much that nothing in our past, present, or future can separate us from your love. Your love transcends all understanding and experiencing it is our life's greatest joy. Your Word says that no matter what happens around us, Your love will never leave us. Your love gives us the hope that we so desperately need. Your peace and You will always be with us. You chose to love us so much that You died in our place. Your love for us cannot be explained, but it overflows in our hearts, and it is from this overflow that we can now love others as You love. May we show patience, tolerance, kindness, caring, and love to all. Please grant compassion unto us that we may help all fellow souls in need. Bless us with Your love and may we be loyal to one another as You are loyal to us. May we embrace your love and walk in your gentleness, protection, and mercy. In Thy name we pray. Amen.



Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Rosemary Martin, ASUVCW National Chaplain 2022-2023

Credits/References: "10 Prayers to Experience God's Love" (therapyforchristians.com); "10 Attributes of God's Love" (courageforlife.org)



The ASUVCW awards a scholarship of up to \$1000.00 to high school seniors and college students (male or female) annually. Applications are accepted from January 1 until June 30 for those that meet eligibility requirements. Please visit the national website, asucw.org, for details. Completed applications and references may be sent to:

ASUVCW Scholarship
Allison Pollitt, NP
116 Liberty Parkway A08
St Robert, MO 65584

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

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 – 84 = \$200.00
- Age 85 and above = FREE

The Life Membership Application Form (A15) may be found on the National website at asucw.org under Forms/Auxiliary.



DEPARTMENT OF IOWA ENCAMPMENT



On April 22, 2023, the Department of Iowa held their Department Encampment at a Veterans Home in Marshalltown, IA. They were pleased to welcome Anne Frail, the President of the Department of New England.

Submitted by Mary Rittel

**Front row- Carolyn DeLay, Jay Kline, Julie Kline
Back row- Mary Rittel, Sharon Gahman, Denise Sasse, Marilyn Rittel,
Anna Frail (Dept. of New England President), Linda Linn**

Antietam Camp and Auxiliary #3

Attend Memorials

April 2, 2023 Walkersville, Maryland. The Department of the Chesapeake Antietam Camp and Auxiliary #3 attended the Sons of the American Revolution Marker Service for Brother Ron Harbaugh at the Glade Cemetery.



National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin and JVCinC Kevin Martin and Dept. Cdr. George Tommy at the gravesite of Ron Harbaugh

Sons of Union veterans hold ceremony for Union dead affected by landslide



Members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War recite the Pledge of Allegiance before beginning a resumption ceremony at the National Cemetery in Vicksburg National Military Park. {Photo by John Surratt / The Vicksburg Post}

It was a small, quiet afternoon ceremony on March 25 in the National Cemetery at the Vicksburg National Military Park as men dressed in Union blue honored soldiers whose bodies would soon be relocated so the landslide that disturbed and exposed their graves could be repaired.

“We assemble once more to pay to our ancestors our tribute of love and respect, and within these sacred bonds to pledge our dedication to their memory and to the principles for which they fought,” said Henry Duquette, National Graves Registration Officer of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the organization conducting the resumption ceremony.

“We need to remind our people of their duty to these soldiers, sailors, and Marines who wore the blue and were dedicated to the flag for which they fought and to the country for which they died,” Duquette added.

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a consultant to an ambitious National Park Service project to repair and restore an area of the National Cemetery reserved for US Colored Troops that was damaged by a landslide following heavy rains caused by weather events in 2020 and 2021. The slide affected some 50 to 80 graves.

The project involves disinterring the graves and relocating the remains so the slide area can be stabilized and repaired. After the repairs, the remains will be reinterred. The project also seeks to learn more about the soldiers buried in the section and possibly identify some of the remains. ¹⁵

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“Today, we are truly overwhelmed and humbled,” said George Huttick, commander of the SUVCW’s Department of Tennessee. “No words an adequately express our collective feelings over a lifetime of studying the pain and suffering of the American Civil War. Nothing can prepare one for the silent testimony of row upon row of markers of white, both large and small.

“Those who fought in the American Civil War are part of us; part of our history. No number of wreaths, flags, no amount of music or memorializing will ever do them justice,” he said. “But it is good for us to honor them and their sacrifice. We are bound by oath to stand in eternal solidarity with our brothers and safeguard their memory for [the memory of] their legacy so their legacy will never die.”

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of the Union veterans who fought and worked to save the Union.

The organization was formed in 1881 and chartered by Congress in 1954 as the legal successor to the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization of Civil War veterans including U.S. Colored Troops and was the country’s first veterans organization.

Starting in April, the National Park Service will begin a multi-year, multi-phase project to stabilize portions of Vicksburg National Cemetery in Vicksburg National Military Park to address grave disturbances and erosion caused by the severe weather events.

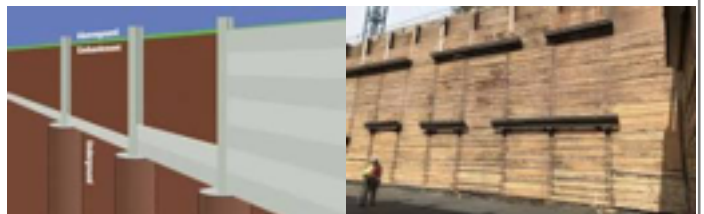
The park will begin the stabilization project by temporarily relocating [the] approximately 50 to 80 endangered burials this summer and constructing a soldier pile and lagging wall early next year to prevent further erosion.*

Once stabilization is complete, the park will reinter the bodies and complete other mitigation measures. the Park Service has committed approximately \$4.686 million for the first two phases of the project.



Newspaper article submitted by Julie Huttick, President TN ASUVCW Joseph H. Rider #62

*Soldier Piles are steel H piles that are vertically driven or drilled into the earth at regular intervals prior to excavation. As excavation progresses in stages, horizontal lagging in the form of timber or precast concrete is added behind the flanges to create the Soldier Pile and Lagging Wall.



LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY



The 67th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony was held on Saturday, 15 April 2023 in Springfield, Illinois. Addresses were given by SUVCW CinC Bruce Frail and MOLLUS CinC Robert Pollack. The 33rd IL Volunteer Regiment Band offered several Civil War styled musical selections, and Co A 14th Michigan Infantry Regiment presented the colors. All five of the Allied Orders were represented to lay a wreath in honor of President Lincoln.

Photos by PNP Danielle Michaels

THE DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN



The Department of Michigan held their annual meeting in Midland, MI on April 1st, 2023, in conjunction with the Sons. National President Allison Pollitt and National Vice President Sue Freshley were graciously welcomed by those in attendance. With the use of Department President Connie Horning's cell phone, another member was able to participate in the meeting "virtually." Congratulations to the newly elected officers serving the 2023-2024 term!

THE LOUISA VOLKER #215 AUXILIARY IN MISSOURI



On April 22, 2023, Sisters Colissa Alexander, Kelly Noack, and Kathie Roussin volunteered to participate in a Spring Cleaning Day/Park Day event at the Pilot Knob Missouri Historic site.



On April 29, 2023 Sisters Colissa Alexander, Kelly Noack, Kathie Roussin, Twyla Warren, and Junior Member Abbie Warren joined the Camp Fletcher Sons to participate in the annual DeSoto Missouri Farm and Tractor parade.

Submitted by Colissa Alexander, President, Louis Volker #215 Auxiliary

DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON



**National Chaplain Rosemary
Martin and
National President Allison Pollitt**

On April 6, 1866, a Menard County surgeon, Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson, created the Grand Army of the Republic. One hundred-fifty seven years (and nine days) later, on 15 April, 2023, the Department of Illinois SUVCW held the annual Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson ceremony at his gravesite in Petersburg, Illinois. Attendance seems to grow every year as this event evolves.

Recently, stones have been available for sponsorship to be laid in the walkway in front of Stephenson's monument. Many members, camps, auxiliaries and departments have done this already. Additionally, each of the Allied Orders has a beautiful, dark gray marble bench along the walkway where visitors may rest or reflect. The ceremony itself included several addresses by local officials and historical societies and a cannon salute.



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHESAPEAKE ENCAMPMENT



April 1, 2023 in Ellicott City, Maryland. The Department of the Chesapeake Auxiliary joined the SUVCW Department of the Chesapeake in an Encampment at the Turf Valley Resort. On Friday, March 31, a Ceremonial 136th Encampment Opening occurred in the Captain's Quarters, followed by a tour on the *USS Constellation* at the Baltimore Inner Harbor, Maryland. A group dinner followed at Mission BBQ in Ellicott City.

National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin, Department President Denise Thompson



National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin, Dept. VP/PDP Barbara Day, and Dept. President Denise Thompson performing the Auxiliary part of the Joint Memorial Service



Dept. President Denise Thompson receiving the Dept. Dr. Mary E. Walker Award from Dept. Commander Brian Horqan

On Saturday, April 1, National Chaplain Rosemary Martin and SUVCW Department Chaplain Tim Sedmak held a Joint Memorial Service. National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin, Dept. VP/PDP Barbara Day, and Dept. President Denise Thompson conducted the Auxiliary Memorial Service. National Representatives Rosemary Martin and Kevin Martin each presented a red rose, a white rose, and a blue delphinium in memory of PNP Betty Baker. The name of each departed SUVCW Brother was presented with the ringing of the Odell Bell and a red rose by a Brother and a Sister during the SUVCW part of the service.

Award Presentations occurred during the luncheon. Department Commander Brian Horgan presented the Department Dr. Mary E. Walker Award to Department President Denise Thompson. Department President Denise Thompson presented Department of the Chesapeake Auxiliary Awards. She presented the Clara Barton Award for Most Outstanding Sister to National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin. She presented the Gen. John A. Logan Award for Most Outstanding Brother to Department Senior Vice Commander George Tommy Chapman.



National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin receiving the Dept. Aux. Clara Barton Award from Dept. Pres. Denise



Sr. Vice Cdr. George Tommy Chapman receiving the Dept. Aux. Gen. John A. Logan Award from Dept. Pres. Denise Thompson



Dept. Vice Cdr./Counselor George Tommy Chapman, Dept. Pres. Denise Thompson, Dept. VP Barbara Day, National Rep./Jr. Vice C-in-C Kevin Martin, National Rep./Nat. Chaplain/PDP/Dept. Council Member Rosemary Martin, Dept. Secretary/Treasurer Danielle Vance, and Dept. Commander Brian Horgan

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK ENCAMPMENT 2023

May 5-7, 2023 Callicoon, New York. The Department of New York held their Department Encampment/DUVCW Convention at the Villa Roma Resort. On Friday, May 5, the SUVCW sponsored an Allied Orders Campfire. On Saturday, May 6, the Allied Orders had a Memorial Service where all Orders draped their respective Charters. The business meeting followed. National Representative/National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin installed the Department Auxiliary Officers.

In the evening, an Allied Orders Banquet included awards. Auxiliary Sister Hope Parker, Past Department President, received an SUVCW Department Dr. Mary E. Walker Award from Department of New York Commander Jeff French, in the SUVCW Court of Honor.



Dept. Council Member PAP MAL Betty Wheeler, Dept. President/PDP Diane Theetge of Aux. 72, Natl. Representative/Natl. Chaplain/PDP (Chesapeake) Rosemary Martin, Dept. Secretary/Press Correspondent PDP Hope Parker of Aux. 15, Dept. Chaplain Tina Meaker of Aux. 15, Dept. Vice President/Chief of Staff Erica Hilton of Aux. 15, and (front) Dept. Treasurer/PNP Virginia Twist of Aux. 72

Photo Credit: Kevin Martin



Encampment Everlasting

~ *In Memoriam* ~

THE AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR EXTENDS ITS SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO ALL THOSE WHO KNEW THESE CHERISHED SISTERS:



Betty J. Baker, Past National President (PNP), age 78, of Ovid, New York, passed away on January 21, 2023, after a hard fight with cancer. She was a member of D. G. Caywood Auxiliary #72, Department of New York.

She proudly served at her local Auxiliary, Department, and National levels in a great number of positions prior to holding the office of National President from 1996-1997 and again from 1998-1999. Sister Betty was a strong advocate for encouraging members to take an active role in the Auxiliary, as well as remaining proud of our past while looking towards the future.

A largely attended Memorial Service was held for her and the Ritual Service given by the New York Department.

Virginia C. Michaels, age 94, of Milwaukee/West Bend, Wisconsin, passed away December 5, 2022. She was an ASUVCW life member and a member of the C.K. Pier Badger Auxiliary #4, Department of Wisconsin. In 2013, she volunteered at the National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic in Brookfield.





Peggy Gene Murphy, Past Department President (PDP), age 79, of Des Moines, IA passed away May 7. She was a member of Gen. Dodge Auxiliary #8, Department of Iowa.

Janet O. Hilyer, PDP, age 86, of Geneva, New York, passed away February 14, 2023. She was a member of D.G. Caywood Auxiliary #72, Department of New York.



Colleen D. Warren, Past Auxiliary President (PAP), age 69, of Bonne Terre/St. Louis, Missouri, passed away May 15, 2023. She was a founding member of Louisa Volker Auxiliary #215, ASUVCW at large, Missouri.

June K. Lloyd, PDP, age 81, of Williamston, Michigan, passed away May 20, 2023 under the care of Elara Hospice with members of her family and friends by her side. She was an ASUVCW life member and member of the Austin Blair Auxiliary #7, Department of Michigan.



A Tribute to Professor Jay S. Hoar

Michael T. Naya, Jr. (2023)

Michael T. Naya, Jr., is a junior at Kean University. Michael is pursuing his B.A. in History with his teaching certification. Since 2016, Michael has interviewed over two-hundred World War II veterans about their wartime experiences. Michael is an honorary member of the 5th Marine Division Association, the 307th Bomb Group Association, and of the Kenilworth Rotary Club. He is an associate member of the Kenilworth Historical Society, Archivist for the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors, and Historian for the USS Yorktown (CV-5) Club.

Michael T. Naya, Jr. wrote to me as Editor of our Auxiliary Newsletter and asked if he could include an article about Professor Jay S. Hoar, author of many books about the Civil War and Interviewer of the last survivor of the Battle of Gettysburg.

Since our Organization strives to preserve the memory of the Civil War, I decided to include Mr. Naya's article in its entirety in our newsletter.

Karen Schwarz, Editor *The Auxiliary Voice*

Professor Emeritus Jay S. Hoar passed away on April 12, 2023, at the age of eighty-nine. Many of you may not know Professor Jay Hoar by name but he is the author of the North's Last Boys in Blue Volume I, Volume II, and the South's Last Boys in Grey in which he chronicled over forty years of research, interviews, and correspondence with the last Civil War veterans' families. In addition to this Professor Hoar was the author of *Our Youngest Blue and Grey: Callow Brave and True*, *Our Eldest and Last Civil War Nurses*, and *Montana's Last Civil War Veterans*. Although Professor Hoar was a professor of English, his work on the American Civil War has proved invaluable for hundreds of American historians. Jay was a member of the Sons of Union Civil War Veterans and honored by the Daughters of Confederate Veterans. In an April 28, 2019, interview with the author he shared his memories of meeting one-hundred- and one-year old James Lurvey, the last survivor of the Battle of Gettysburg.

"It was June 22, 1949, I was five weeks beyond my sixteenth birthday. It was my first trip away from home and what happened was that Life Magazine had published a group pictorial, with pictures one and a quarter inch square picture, thirty union army survivors from the Civil War, and thirty on the opposite page old Rebs. This was May 30, 1949. I was living in Rangeley, Maine where my ancestry were the first white settlers up there, five generations back from me. Luther Hoar was the first white settler. I looked around and found that James Lurvey was one hundred and one and pictured from Goffs Falls, New Hampshire. That is a suburb of Manchester. I wrote a letter to Goffs Falls and it read to his daughter Gladys to come over from Maine and visit her father.

I had always revered or looked up to elderly people, they always fascinated me. I became interested in the Civil War, and there were a number of small things adding up. There was a last surviving Civil War widow in my hometown, Ella (Gram) Rowe, widow of Ebben Rowe who served in the 20th Maine Infantry. When I was fourteen, she gave me a list of all the men who went through the Civil War from the Rangeley Lakes region. There were about forty-five names there, another thing she gave me six months later, a reunion badge of the 20th Maine Reunion, 1913 at Togus, Maine. Located there was the earliest veterans care facility in the United States. She gave that to me, and I was beyond thrilled.

I became suspicious right away that meeting James Lurvey would have a profound impact. It stirred me up interest wise and I was a marked person from that point for the rest of my life. I was reading about that time Ordeal by Fire, a one volume history of the Civil War. My interest grew. I saw that veteran next April on Patriots' Day 1950. He had been in a hospital and my brother, and I shook hands with him. My brother shook hands with him, and he had never seen a Civil War veteran before that point.

I have reached countless Civil War veterans' widows throughout the years. Widows were very choice human beings to reach and ask them questions. It was not a great number of them that I had contact but I did have the pleasure to meet quite several. In regard to sons and daughters of Civil War veterans I was fortunate to correspond with scores, dozens of children of Civil War veterans. I was fortunate to speak to the generation after the Civil War, the sons and daughters of the 1800's, grandsons of Civil War veterans who served in World War I, and great grandsons who served in World War II. That passion and interest took over my life. The writing, I am a creative nonfictionist. I have a special writing process that I have developed which called for me actually living the research. Quite often this included going out to the home where the old veteran lived and meeting some of his children and their descendants.

I slept in the beds of several old rebels and that to me was thrilling. They had huge headboards, very old-fashioned beds, antique beds, and furniture. I saw the wheelchairs that the veterans were pushed around in by their relatives and several other items of theirs. It became my chief interest in both my working life and my retirement life. I've been retired now for twenty-one years but every year since then I have been completing my writing field and trying to wrap things up carefully and place them where they will endure for ages. My very best renditions of my books, those are at Bethel, Maine in the Bethel Historical Society. I feel privileged to have become the creator of a writing field that had not been known or thought of and it developed beautifully. I made lots of wonderful lifelong friends, most of them unfortunately are no longer with us but I treasure their memories.

Retired Professor Emeritus means I have been recognized as an outstanding professor in my field. Be sure to put across the idea that everybody now believes I am straight by the book, by the numbers of a historian, but I am not. I am an English major with a Master's Degree in English from Bread Loaf School of English, Vermont.

I served in the Navy between June 27, 1956, to June 17, 1960, aboard the USS Macon. Alongside Task Force 47 I took part in Operation Inland Seas, the celebration of the completion of the Saint Lawrence Seaway in 1959. Overall, I have lived a good life and am proud of all that I have done."

In addition to being named Professor Emeritus, Jay Hoar has also been featured as the guest speaker at a number of veterans associations and reunions. In the late 1980's he was the keynote speaker for reunions of the last surviving Spanish American War veterans. He had sold his books at countless historical societies, reunions, and Civil War related events. Professor Hoar was my friend and I hope in reading this article his life is as inspiring to you as it is to me.



ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY MEMORIAL DAY



May 29, 2023 Arlington, Virginia. National President Allison Pollitt, National Personal Aide Anne Michaels, and National Chaplain Rosemary Martin were present at the morning Official Presidential Memorial Day Commemoration at the Memorial Amphitheater at the Arlington National Cemetery. They saw the Parade and Dismissal of Colors, the Arrival and Departure of the Official Party, and heard the United States Navy Band and Sea Chanters Chorus, Welcome by Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Mark A. Milley, Remarks by the Secretary of Defense The Honorable Lloyd J. Austin III, the Memorial Day Address by the President of the United States The Honorable Joseph R. Biden Jr., Taps, and Invocation and Benediction by Chaplain (Colonel) James Foster.

ASUVCW National Chaplain Rosemary Martin, National President Allison Pollitt, National Personal Aide Anne Michaels

In the afternoon, National President Allison Pollitt presented the ASUVCW wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.





**National President Allison Pollitt
Arlington National Cemetery**

**Luminaria at
Fredericksburg National Cemetery**



TRADITIONAL MEMORIAL DAY 2023 ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY



May 30, 2023 Arlington, Virginia. The Lincoln-Cushing Camp of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War conducted Traditional Memorial Day (Decoration Day) Services at the Arlington National Cemetery. Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (ASUVCW) National Representative/National Chaplain/Past Department President (PDP) Rosemary Martin and Department of the Chesapeake President (DP) Denise Thompson attended the ceremony at the Tanner Amphitheater at the Arlington National Cemetery.

Each year, the ladies' organizations of the Allied Orders rotate the reading of a poem. This year, National Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin, representing the ASUVCW, had the honor of reading an excerpt of the poem, "Memorial" by E. A. Duncan, MD, first presented in 1873. She also laid an ASUVCW wreath at the Tomb of the Civil War Unknowns at the end of the Ceremony.



Natl. Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin at the Tomb of the Civil War Unknowns after placement of the ASUVCW wreath.



DP Denise Thompson & Natl. Chaplain/PDP Rosemary Martin, with the ASUVCW wreath between them, in front of the Tomb of the Civil War Unknowns.



**Tomb of the Civil War Unknowns
Arlington Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia**
The ASUVCW Wreath is located on the right next to the Presidential Wreath and on the left side of the United State of America flag.



The Ceremony

The remains of 2,111 Union and Confederate soldiers are buried beneath the Tomb of the Civil War Unknowns. While exact numbers are unknown, estimates indicate that nearly half of the Civil War dead were never identified.

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Dept. of Calif. & Pacific Gen. W.S. Rosecrans Aux. No.2

We were busy this Memorial Day Weekend. Attending 3 Services. Sat. was with the Brothers out in Riverside, CA, Mon. was Wilmington, CA in the morning & Long Beach, CA in the afternoon.



**Melinie Caines,
Dept. Pres..
Jeanette Kilis Aux.
Pres & Mary Ann
Kilis Aux Chaplain in
Riverside, CA.**

**in Long Beach, CA at the grave of a
Medal of Honor recipient. Not
shown in the picture was our Aux
VP Cynthia Day-Elliott.
Thank you Melinie Caines**



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHESAPEAKE

Lansdowne (Hull Memorial) Christian Church GAR Service



Lansdowne Christian Church
LANSDOWNE, MARYLAND
(HULL MEMORIAL)
FOR GOD AND OUR COUNTRY

DEDICATED TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC FOR
MEMORIAL SERVICES ON THE SECOND LORD'S DAY
IN MAY OF EVERY YEAR



May 28, 2023, Lansdowne, Maryland. A local veteran of the American Civil War, Charles Wesley Hull, and his wife Mary donated the ground and building of the Lansdowne Christian (Hull Memorial) Church, now placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the United States Department of the Interior. This gift was to honor the Union Army soldiers of the Civil War. Historically unique, it is the only church in the United States ever dedicated to the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR). The GAR, Dushane Post #3 of the "Grand Army" and the female auxiliary of the Dushane Corps #3 gave three beautiful stained-glass windows to the church, two years after it was built in 1905. These windows which are dedicated to and are centered around the G.A.R. still remain intact today.

Each year on the last Sunday in May, a special GAR Memorial Service is held, now carried on by the descendant's subsequent heirs, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) and also by the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (ASUVCW). This year celebrated the 118th Anniversary of the GAR Service held at the Lansdowne Christian Church (Hull Memorial). PDP/National Chaplain Rosemary Martin (Antietam Auxiliary), Department President Denise Thompson (Antietam Auxiliary), and PDP/Historian Anne Blackburn (James A. Garfield Auxiliary) performed a Memorial Day Tribute as part of this Service. Lois Neilson (Garfield Auxiliary) also attended the service.

Left to right: PDP/Historian Anne Blackburn, PDP/National Chaplain Rosemary Martin, and Department President Denise Thompson



Photo Credits: Kevin Martin and Rosemary Martin

HISTORIC WASHINGTON CEMETERY G.A.R. PLOT IN HOUSTON, TX

On this Memorial Day May 29, sisters of the Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary 1 joined sisters of the Sarah Emma Edmonds Detached Tent 4, DUVCW and brothers of the Edward Lea Camp 2 SUVCW for their Memorial Day service held at the Historic Washington Cemetery G.A.R. plot in Houston, TX. The service was conducted by Commander John Vander Muelen, Edward Lea Camp 2.

Tribute was paid to our namesake, Sarah Emma Seelye, with a reading of her biography by Becky Feaster, Tent President and by laying of two wreaths next to her headstone by Becky Feaster, Tent President and Vali Reyes, Auxiliary President.

Honors were rendered to the veterans buried in the G.A.R. plot with a reading of their names, a flag, and a red rose placed on their headstones. An Honor Guard Salute was given followed by Taps.

This Memorial Day service was a very moving and beautiful tribute to all veterans. It was a beautiful day despite the short rain shower followed by sunshine! Auxiliary members in attendance, Vali Reyes, President, Jana Marsh, Secretary/Treasurer, Norma Pollard.



Pictured: Members of Sarah Emma Selye Auxiliary 1 ASUVCW, Sarah Emma Edmonds Detached Tent 4 DUVCW, Lt. Commander Edward Lea Camp 2 SUVCW

SISTER ANTHONY O'CONNELL #10 DEPARTMENT OF OHIO



Sister Wanda Leaman addresses the crowd at the annual Memorial Day ceremony at historic Spring Grove Cemetery in Cincinnati, Ohio. There are 999 men buried in a section of the cemetery devoted to Civil War soldiers. Every year, members of General William H Lytle Camp #10, Dept. of Ohio SUVCW and Sister Anthony O'Connell #10 ASUVCW, host a service that is increasing well attended by the community. The cemetery sets up a large tent but people sit all around on the grass as well.



Jim Houston, Mike Mershon, and Judy Brown present wreaths at the Civil War monuments.



Following the ceremony, rose petals are sprinkled upon the graves in the Civil War section of the cemetery. The writing is fading with time but the sacrifice of the soldiers is not forgotten.

ASUVCW NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SCHEDULE

TENTATIVE

Thursday August 2, 2023

8:45 am – 4:30 pm	Portsmouth Naval Museum/Harbor Tour	Hotel Front Entrance
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Exhibit Room Open	Bookman & Courier Rooms
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	ASUVCW Registration	Lucida Ballroom Pre-function
4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	ASUVCW Room Set up	Lucida Ballroom
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Lynn GAR Museum Tour	Hotel Front Entrance
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	ASUVCW Council Meeting	Times Room
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	MAL Meeting	Times Room
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm	PNP Meeting	Times Room
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm	New England Beer & Wine Reception	Calibri Room
4:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Committees can meet	

Friday August 3, 2023

7:00 am	Breakfast on your own	
7:00 am – 9:00 am	ASUVCW Registration	Lucida Ballroom Pre-function
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Joint Memorial and Opening	Helvetica Grand Ballroom
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	ASUVCW Business Meeting	Lucida Ballroom
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	Bistro Buffet Area
	Committees can meet for lunch	
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm	ASUVCW Business Meeting	Lucida Ballroom
3:00 pm	Patriotic Instructor Presentation	Lucida Ballroom
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	PCinC and PNP Banquet	Bistro Lounge
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm	Campfire	Helvetica Grand Ballroom
8:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Courtesy Hour	Helvetica Grand Ballroom
10:00 pm – 12:30 am	New England Beer & Wine Reception	Calibri Room
5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Committees can meet	

Saturday August 4, 2023

7:00 am – 8:30 am	SVR Breakfast	Ashland Room
8:00 am – 8:45 am	ASUVCW Registration	Lucida Ballroom Pre-function
8:45 am – 12:00 pm	ASUVCW Business Meeting	Lucida Ballroom
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	Bistro Buffet Area
1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	ASUVCW Business Meeting	Lucida Ballroom
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Cocktail Hour	Pre-function, Bookman & Courier
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm	Allied Orders Banquet	Helvetica Grand Ballroom
10:00 pm – 1:00 am	National President & Commander-in-Chief Joint Reception	Garamond Room and Courtyard

Sunday August 5, 2023

7:00 am – 8:00 am	Religious Service	Calibri Room
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Old and New Council Meeting	Times Room



2023 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- Rank _____
- Alternate- Rank _____
- 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 made out to "National Organization, ASUVCW"
Early Bird Pre-Registration = \$10.00 (Deadline July 15, 2023) and mail to:

Judy Morgan, PDP, National Secretary
8250 Frost Rd., Coolville, OH 45723

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.

Early Bird Pre-Registration Deadline is July 15, 2023

(Registration at the door will be \$20.00)

2023 National Encampment Numbered Souvenir Badge Only 150 Made!

The Department of New Hampshire Presents the 2023
National Encampment of the Allied Orders Souvenir Badge.



USS KEARSARGE

USS Kearsarge is best known for her defeat of the Confederate commerce raider CSS Alabama off Cherbourg, France during the American Civil War. The battle between Kearsarge and Alabama is commemorated by the United States Navy with a battle star on the Civil War campaign streamer. In addition, 17 of Kearsarge's crew received the Medal of Honor for valor during this action.

Kearsarge was the only ship of the United States Navy named for Mount Kearsarge in New Hampshire. Subsequent ships were later named Kearsarge in honor of the ship.

The Department of New Hampshire of the Sons and Auxiliary are pleased to present this beautiful 2023 commemorative encampment badge to honor the legendary USS KEARSARGE.

There will only be 150 badges made. Now is your chance to own this unique collector's item. The medal depicts the battle between the USS KEARSARGE and the CSS ALABAMA with "KEARSARGE & ALABAMA" at the top and Cherbourg June 19, 1864 at the bottom. The anchor and line give it a nautical theme.

Enclose a check for \$35.00 plus \$10.00 for shipping if you wish to have it shipped. If you wish to pick you badge up at the Encampment, Enclose a check for \$35.00

2023 National Encampment USS KEARSARGE Souvenir Badge Order Form

____ Number of Badges Ordered @ \$35 each plus \$10 postage and insurance _____

____ Number of Badges Ordered @ \$35 each for pick-up at the Encampment _____

Name _____

Address _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email if you wish to have your Order confirmed: _____

Send this Order Form and check or money order made payable to Dept of NH SUVCW 2023 to

Daniel Murray
40 Lake Road
Brentwood, NH 03833-6206



**2023 National Encampment of the
Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic
August 5, 2023
Allied Orders Banquet Reservation Form**

Banquet will be held at 7:00 PM on Saturday, August 5, 2023.

Seating is limited.

All Reservations must be received no later than July 21, 2023

Entrée Choices:

Entrée 1 – Chicken Piccata

Entrée 2 – Herb Grilled Pork Chop with a Fig Port Reduction

All entrées served with:

Artisan field greens salad with a Sienna vinaigrette

Fresh baked rolls and whipped butter

Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Hot and Iced Teas

Dessert – Tiramisù Tulp

Reserve ___ Chicken Piccata entrée(s) at **\$42.00** per person. Total \$ 0

Reserve ___ Grilled Pork Chop entrée(s) at **\$46.00** per person. Total \$ 0

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Send checks, payable to **Dept of NH, SUVCW**, to:

**Daniel Murray
40 Lake Road
Brentwood, NH 03833-6206**



**2023
National
Encampment
Sand Polo Shirts
sizes M - 4XL
\$35.00 + shipping**

Shipping for shirts: \$10.00 each

Make checks payable to: **Dept of NH
SUCWV 2023**

Mail to: Daniel Murray, 40 Lake Road,
Brentwood, NH 03833-6206

2023
NATIONAL
ENCAMPMENT



ALLIED ORDERS
OF THE G.A.R
Nashua, NH

If picking up at National Encampment, put checkmark in "Pick-up" line.

Please PRINT

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City	
State	Zip
Tel No.	Email

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Description	Price	Qty	Total
Polo shirt size medium	\$35.00		
Polo shirt size large	\$35.00		
Polo shirt size extra large	\$35.00		
Polo shirt size 2X large	\$37.00		
Polo shirt size 3X large	\$37.00		
Polo shirt size 4X large	\$39.00		
	Subtotal		
	Pickup		<input type="checkbox"/>
	Shipping		
	Total		

**2023 Allied Orders National Encampment
Program Book Advertisement
Order Form**

Express your pride and honor your Civil War ancestors and their units. Send greetings on behalf of your Auxiliary, Camp, Tent, Circle or Department. Congratulate the Commander In Chief and/or National Presidents on a job well done. Pre-2024 National Encampment Host Committee ads are also welcome.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP Code _____ Phone Number _____

Email _____

Organization _____

Ad Specifications and Requirements:

- Size of the Program Booklet is 8 1/2" wide by 11" high (vertical)
- All ads are black and white
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- All ads must be complete and supplied in an electronic format. A digital copy, 300 dpi or more in a jpg or pdf file format, and at the final size the ad is to be reproduced.
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- You may request a type only add and ads of this type will require that you send all text in either a Microsoft .doc or .docx file.
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Ad 1-1/2" high by x 6" wide | Price: \$10 each |

Total Enclosed _____

Mail this form and a check payable to the **Dept of NH SUVCW 2023** to:
2023 Program Ads Book, % Kevin Tucker, PDC, 58 Forest Street, Wakefield, MA 01880
Also please include a printed copy of your ad.

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

DEADLINE : All orders must be received prior to July 11, 2023

2023 National Encampment
SVR Breakfast
Registration Form
Saturday 5 August 2023

Name _____

Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

SVR Unit or Camp _____

Number of seats required _____ X \$27.00 per person

Amount enclosed **\$ 0** _____

Reservations and Payment MUST be received by 15 JULY 2023

BUFFET Serving of eggs, bacon, sausage, potatoes, bread, coffee, tea, juice, pastries

NO AT THE DOOR SALES

Make Check payable to TAG-SVR

Return this form and payment to
Brig. Gen. Donald E. Darby
Deputy Commander, SVR
1382 Western Ave.
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

**Tour Registration
Allied Orders of Grand Army of the
Republic August 3, 2023
Limited to the first 49 orders received**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Spouse or Other Guest Names: _____

All tours include transportation in a Motor Coach.

8:15 – Load Motor Coach

8:30 – Tour departs Hotel

Stop 1: Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Historical Foundation, Portsmouth, NH The Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Historical Foundation is a non-profit, tax exempt organization dedicated to preserving the heritage of the Shipyard.

Stop 2: - Portsmouth Harbor Cruise. The Cruise, will take you through nearly 400 years of local and American history. From the settlement of the region in 1623, to Portsmouth Harbor's modern day role in the economy and defense of our country.

- **Note: In order to go on the tour you must include:**
 - The name, age and address for each individual. (The Navy Yard will not be able to accommodate last-minute changes to list)
 - Confirmation of USA citizenship status.
- Foreign Nationals may be allowed to attend but would need to supply additional information not less than two weeks prior to visit.
- Visitors must not have been convicted of a crime within a certain time frame (no felony convictions within 10 years, no misdemeanor convictions within 5 years; sex offenders will not be admitted).
- On day of visit all guests must provide a valid, government issued ID.

Costs: \$50.00 per person. – Includes a box lunch

#Tours _____ X \$50.00 each = _____
Make Check out to "Dept of NH SUVCW 2023"

Mail to:
Daniel Murray
40 Lake Road, Brentwood, NH 03833-6206

ALL TOUR REQUESTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY July 1, 2023

**2022 Allied Orders National Encampment
Vendor And Display Table Order Form**

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

All tables are standard 8 foot tables. The \$25.00 fee per table covers the duration of the Encampment. Vendor Tables will be in a secured room, outside isle and center isle. Setup may begin at NOON on August 03, 2023.

Reservation Deadline: Reservations and payment must be received before July 15, 2023. Reservations will be confirmed via Email.

Please Note: Vendors must have their goods packed up and removed from the Vendor area by 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 5, 2023.

Please Reserve _____ Outside Isle Tables @ \$25.00 each
Please Reserve _____ Center Isle Tables @ \$25.00 each

Total Enclosed _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP Code _____ Phone Number _____

Email _____

Organization _____

Mail this Form with check payable to **Dept of NH SUVCW 2023** to:

**2023 National Encampment Vendor Tables
% Daniel Murray
40 Lake Road
Brentwood, NH 03833-6206**