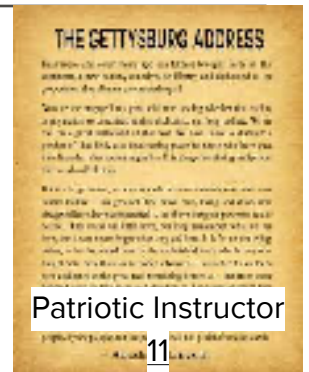




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THE AUXILIARY VOICE

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



Hello Sisters!

Please join me in welcoming spring, a time of beauty, grace, hope, and endless possibilities. There is so much to be grateful for in our world. In the past months, I have been learning patience and grace, and developing a renewed sense of family, especially with the Sisters of our Auxiliary. I have been reminded that we are all in need of a helping hand every now and again. And rather than looking at our failings as times of discomfort and embarrassment, they should be looked at as opportunities for growth within ourselves and those who have decided to give us this hand up. I thank each of my beloved Sisters who have telephoned, emailed, sent greeting cards, sent prayers and good wishes, and taken the yoke of my responsibilities like they are as weightless as feathers of angel wings. I am so grateful that the Sisters of

the Auxiliary are true sisters in every sense of the word.

We have so much to catch up on.

First, our 138th National Encampment of the National Organization Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is about 4 months away. This year's Encampment will be held in gorgeous, historic Lexington, Kentucky August 1st-4th, 2024. This is not just the time when we as Sisters perform the essential review of committee work, vote on upcoming changes to our governance, and elect our next group of officers, but a time of fellowship and friendship with our Sisters and Brothers of the SUVCW. Mark your calendars and begin your registration process. Our outstanding Newsletter Editor extraordinaire Sister Karen Schwarz has attached Encampment information and forms to this newsletter for your convenience. You can also find this Encampment information at asuvcw.org and suvchw.org. Please come! Your Sisters want and need you there.

Every Sister in attendance at our National Encampment has a voice, and the ASUVCW needs fresh perspectives and alternative input. You may be eligible to vote (please check with your Auxiliary or Department, register, and make sure you have been issued a proper credential card because it will be required). As a reminder, if you choose to run for a National office, please submit

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your letter of intention to run for that office to our National Secretary PNP Sister Judy Morgan. This will be posted on our National Auxiliary website. I encourage any Sister in good standing with the proper qualifications to run for an office. If your Auxiliary and/or Department may have any recommendations for the good of the order, please send these up the proper chain of command so these too might be posted to our National website. If you need guidance or assistance in these matters, please reach out to any of our amazing Past National Presidents, National Officers, Department Presidents, Auxiliary Presidents, or any Sister- someone will have the information you need.



An important event at this Encampment will be assembling candidates for National Treasurer. After 5 years, our National Treasurer Sister PDP Amy Miller will be stepping down. The Auxiliary needs qualified candidates- preferably those with accounting, bookkeeping, and/or legal skills. Our Treasurer must be bonded, per our Constitution, Rules, and Regulations (these are available at asucwv.org). Sister Amy has done an outstanding job in bringing our books into alignment with proper accounting procedures. Please join me in expressing our appreciation and deep respect for Sister Amy Miller and her achievements.

The offices of National Chief of Staff and National Patriotic Instructor will be presenting the National Auxiliary with the monies they have raised to benefit the good works of the ASUVCW at the 2024 National Encampment. Among the many things these monies will be used for are memorial wreaths laid at our country's national events and educational pursuits, including scholarship awards (please see information below on our ASUVCW scholarship). Departments and Auxiliaries, please send donations to the National Chief of Staff Sister AP Julie Huttick (Tennessee) and National Patriotic Instructor Sister DP Kim Villalva (Ohio). Sisters, I appeal to each of you individually to support these Sisters in their fundraising efforts. Sisters, as we are impacted by the ever-higher cost of living, if you can only afford \$1, please send it to these hardworking ladies – you will be making a difference today and in our tomorrows. Their contact information will be found later in this newsletter and at asucwv.org.



Speaking of making a difference, we are still in desperate need of Sisters to provide input for our committees that will contribute to a healthier, stronger organization. All committees need additional members. Meetings are agreed upon by the committee members, and are held via telephone, email, Zoom, etc. These are not necessarily in person meetings. The purpose of these committees is to build a framework for change that will be necessary for the continuation of our beloved organization, providing research and education to guide our actions. Committees will send or present recommendations at our 2024 National Encampment. Change is inevitable Sisters, but we can still have time to control our footprint and pass the legacy of our beloved Auxiliary on. Please choose a committee, contact the chair, or send your assignment request to me at president@asucwv.org. Committee chairs and members, please include me in your meetings.

Committees have been amended with chair appointments (chair to recruit members as necessary):

<p>Rebranding & Marketing – explore new ways to attract new members via Social Media and the ASUVCW website</p>	<p><i>PDP Anne Michaels and PNP Allison Pollit, co-chairs, Becca Freshley, Chloe Miller</i></p>
<p>Membership & Recruitment Strategies -develop fresh ways to attract members</p>	<p><i>Chair open, NPI DP Kim Villalva, NVP Rosemary Martin, NC PDP Anna Frail, PDP Ellen Higgins</i></p>
<p>Mentorship & Education – explore, develop, and implement Mentorship/ Education Program especially dealing in standardizing the reporting necessary from each position on the National, Departmental, Auxiliary, At Large, and MAL levels; a concise step by step how to guide for new members, auxiliaries, and Depts.</p>	<p><i>PNP Danielle Michaels and PNP Denise Oman, co-chairs</i></p>
<p>Collection of Memories – especially concentrating on the unwritten parts of our rituals and practices, as well as pertinent history to pass on to future generations.</p>	<p><i>Counselor PNP Ramona Greenwalt, chair, PNP Jane Graham, PNP Jacquelyn Johnston, PNP Virginia Twist, PDP Rebekah Thomas</i></p>
<p>Obtain 501C3 designation with IRS – further exploration of 501C3 designation for the National Organization of ASUVCW</p>	<p><i>PDP Ellen Higgins, chair, NT PDP Amy Miller</i></p>
<p>At Large and Membership At Large Due to the rapidly increasing membership of this type, investigate focusing on more refined definitions and standardization of rules, regulations, obligations, and responsibilities to the ASUVCW to bring ALs and MAL more closely aligned to the existing CR&R (including fiscal, Per Capita, CoS, and PI</p>	<p><i>PNP Linda Kronberg, chair, PNP Jane Graham, PNP Wanda Langdon, PDP Ellen Higgins, Twyla Warren</i></p>
<p>990N Status, IRS Regulations -continuing investigation relating to National, Departmental, and Auxiliary (inc. AL and MAL) applicability</p>	<p><i>NT Amy Miller, chair, Vicki Weiss</i></p>
<p>Restoration of Rank Due to the shifting natures of membership types further investigate and recommend policy on this topic. Recommendation to amend CR&R with specific language on this matter.</p>	<p><i>PNP Diane Mellor, chair PDP Ellen Higgins</i></p>

Monied Officers on the National Level
 - establish root causes of increasing difficulty in filling Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor monied positions. Examine replacing the voluntary ‘Love Token’ contribution and define who should be contributing to these funds, determine an affordable base contribution requirement at Auxiliary, AL, MAL, Department, and National levels; provide fees for not providing required financial support to the ASUVCW and/or not contributing on time, action to be taken if entities do not contribute to monied positions. Explore determination of hardship cases that simply cannot afford to offer pecuniary support to the ASUVCW.

PNP Nancy Greenwalt Hilton, chair, NCounsel PNP

Perpetual Standing Committees

National Committee on Constitution, Rules, & Regulations

PNP Diane Mellor, chair, PDP Anne McMillan, Vicky Weiss)

Rituals

PNP Jane Graham, chair, PDP Linda Brown

Policy & Procedures

Nat’l Counsellor PNP Ramona Greenwalt, chair, NSEC PNP Judy Morgan, Kathy Hellenes

New Auxiliaries

NVP Rosemary Martin, chair, PNP Wanda Langdon, Mary Rittel

Membership

NVP Rosemary Martin, chair, PNP Wanda Langdon, PDP Susan Fallon

Technology & Communications

PNP Wanda Langdon, chair, PNP Allison Pollit, NPI DP Kim Villalva

Forms & Documents

NSEC PNP Judy Morgan, chair, PNP Nancy Hilton, PNP Rachelle Bursheim

Remembrance Day

Viola Smithcors, chair

Charitable Activities

PNP Linda Kronberg, chair

National Encampment Site

NP Sue Freshley, chair

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The ASUVCW awards scholarship of up to \$1000.00 to high school seniors and college students (male or female) annually. Applications are being accepted now until June 30th for those meeting eligibility requirements. Please visit the national website at asucwv.org for details.

Completed applications and references must be sent to:

ASUVCW Scholarship
Sue Freshley, NP
4287 Windsor Avenue
Willoughby, Ohio 44094

Please look for our next newsletter near mid-June 2024. If you would like your Memorial Day activities featured in the summer newsletter, you must submit these to the Newsletter Editor (asucwvnewsletter@yahoo.com) immediately after the activity. the window will be very small for this.

In F., C., & L.,

Sue Freshley, National President, ASUVCW



As Department meetings are beginning soon, please make sure that each Auxiliary Counsel completes their audit of the books and all forms are completed and sent to your Department officers. Each Department needs to make sure they compile all their Annual forms and sends them to the respective National Officers as well as a complete set to the National Secretary for her records. This should be done as soon as your Department meeting is complete. The information contained in these reports needs to be received as soon as possible, so that it can be tabulated and completed prior to the National Encampment.

Also, please check the National website for Scholarship information. The application can be printed directly from the website and, once it is complete, be mailed directly to the National President.

from the National Vice President...

Hello, dear Sisters. On Sunday, December 18, 2023, I held a Zoom meeting with Vice Presidents and Presidents and those interested in recruitment and membership retention. If I missed you in my invitation, please contact me by email to VicePresident@asuvcw.org or mail to Rosemary Martin, 8209 Skipwith Drive, Frederick, MD 21702, or by phone 301-682-7336.

After resolving some technical difficulties, the meeting started with introductions. Marsha Fetty-Huffman of Tennessee, Lori Cooper of Oklahoma, PNP Wanda Langdon of Ohio, and PNP Danielle Michaels of Wisconsin attended. The primary goals of the meeting were to discuss:

1. Recruitment
2. Retention
3. The immediate informing of the National Vice President upon receiving a new member (name, address, email, phone – a copy of her application) and who recruited her and how)
4. The completion and emailing/ mailing to the National Vice President of the A05 (Auxiliary at Large)/D06 (Department) forms not later than June 30, 2024



We covered my role; I am here to share your ideas on recruitment and membership retention and to support you as you grow and maintain your Auxiliary or as you form a new Auxiliary. When you inform me of a new member, I plan to reach out to welcome our new members. When you let me know who recruited the new member and how, I plan to recognize all those who bring new Sisters into our outstanding ASUVCW Organization. We also covered that in addition to the Application for Permission to Form an Auxiliary, Form N13, we have a packet for starting a new Auxiliary.

The main questions we addressed were:

- What are your recruitment and retention concerns?
- What are your ideas and suggestions?
- What does the recruitment journey for our new members look like now?
- What should it look like going forward?

Many good suggestions and ideas were shared. Sister Marsha suggested recruitment through the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Sister Lori suggested that there be appreciation/ acknowledgement for the Sons that recommend a wife, daughter, friend, etc. Sister PNP Wanda noted that family members or friends of members are key to having new members join. Sister PNP Danielle had many suggestions and input as to focus on those who have an interest in the Civil War, those who are interested in helping the community, parents that home school, and marketing our



Order as in what prospective members will get from our organization that they will not get anywhere else. In other words, “Why should I be a member?” Labeling ourselves is also key in that although we are not reenactors, when we dress in period attire for anniversaries of battles and get ourselves out there talking as women in the Civil War as an expert, do speeches, and teach, we draw attention to our organization. We also can have prospective members walk away with something that gained



their attention as through a brochure as well as involve junior members in something meaningful beyond coloring Civil War pictures. Involvement by all could include cleaning gravestones, making “housewives”, or teaching a basic stitch. Leaving brochures at a historical society may also promote our ASUVCW for new members. Another recruiting tool may include a video of successful recruiting techniques.

In my Fall 2023 article, I shared brief ideas from articles of 99 ways, 50 ways, 38 ways to “get new members.” The next steps are to get the list of these suggestions down to ten and to ask questions of our membership: What do you get out of the Order? Why did you join? What do you do as a member that is meaningful to you? Why is your auxiliary still in existence? So, you may expect another invitation to my next Zoom session to address these questions. If you are interested in attending, please do contact me at VicePresident@asuvcw.org.

I again sincerely thank all my sisters for being part of our Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and look forward to continuing to work with you as well as our future members.

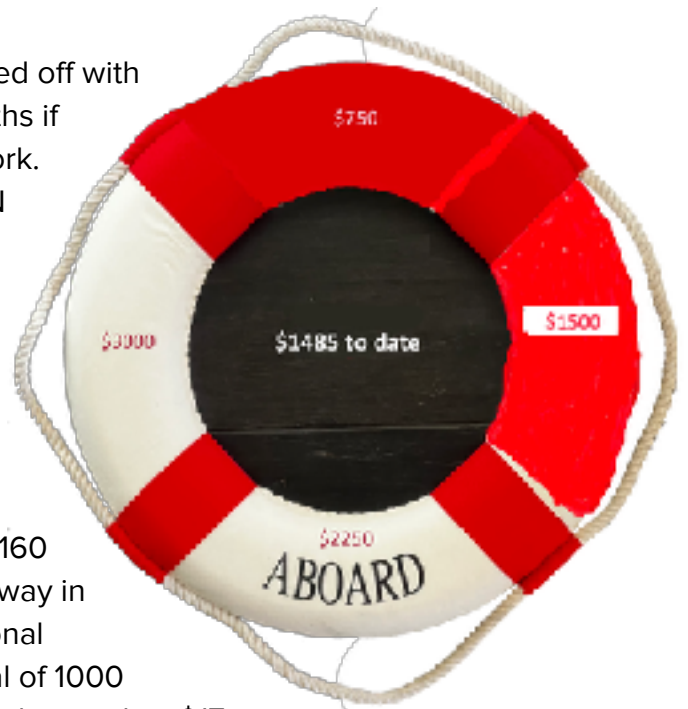
In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
 Rosemary Martin, National Vice President



National Chief of Staff

Greetings Sisters!

Happy Spring! I am excited to say this year has started off with a bang! Wreaths Across America offered the B1G1 wreaths if purchased through a sponsorship group, so I went to work. I walked the streets of Adamsville, TN and Savannah, TN and solicited donors. I even wrote my first grant. Thank you to those that answered and helped me fill in what all we do and the impact we make for our veterans. The foundation approved my request and bought 100 wreaths, noting that makes an impact of 200 wreaths for our local national cemetery, they were also pleased to know that meant \$500 for a sponsorship group that supports veterans throughout our nation. In total, I sold 160 wreaths (320!) x \$5 = \$800 more should be coming our way in April. That will bring our total to \$1485. (At Shiloh National Military Park Cemetery, we're at 326 wreaths for our goal of 1000 wreaths this year. In 2023, we received 444 wreaths.) Each wreath is \$17 and we get \$5 back.



www.wreathscrossamerica.org/TN0376P Or send me a check made payable to Wreaths Across America or send money via PayPal (info below) and I can process your purchase if you prefer not to do it online.

While \$1485 seems like a lot- we're not even half way yet and we only have 4 months to go! We're In This Together and I need your help. This is our organization!

Maybe your local auxiliary can purchase a wreath to help honor another Sister or Brother or place a wreath in memory of someone that has made an impact in your department. Maybe your local auxiliary can purchase wreaths and send a challenge to a local Brothers Camp to match your purchase. This would work at Department levels too. Beginning this year, I sent each National Officer, Department President, and Auxiliary-at-Large President information about our Wreaths Across America sponsorship group. I asked them to bring this to the attention of their members at upcoming meetings. I hope this will happen and we will see more wreaths purchased. We will also be doing two other fundraisers to help get us to our goal of \$3,000. It is my understanding, that the money the National Chief of Staff raises supports our organization, it helps keep the per capita down, and helps offset the costs for the National Presidents travels representing our organization.

50/50 drawing

Tickets may be purchased through the mail and will be drawn Saturday evening, 3 August 2024, at the banquet at National Encampment in Lexington, Kentucky. Need not be present to win. Once \$1,000 is raised, the pot will start over for the second drawing. Tickets are \$5 for 6, \$10 for 13, and \$20 will get you 31 tickets! You can order now and I'll send you your ticket numbers confirmation by email.

Donations

We have some items left over from last year we will be selling. We have had a beautiful afghan donated and have been told we will have a beautiful twin quilt donated. A local brother has donated handmade wooden Christmas ornaments and some pens – these have sold really well! Monetary and items for sale/raffle are greatly appreciated and accepted throughout the year. I will also hold a sale/silent auction at National Encampment.



Checks may be made payable to: **National ASUVCW** and mailed to:

Julie Huttick
57 Highway 22 S
Shiloh, TN 38376

Or donations can be made as a friend through PayPal. Contact me for email address to use.

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER!

Thank you for your shared love for our nation and our organization.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Julie Huttick, National Chief of Staff

National Chief of Staff and President of Joseph H. Rider #62 brings greetings from National President Sue Freshley to the SUVCW Dept of TN Brothers and Sisters of TN ASUVCW.



Sisters from in person meeting.

Sue Wright - Theresa Loftis -Julie Huttick - Marsha Fetty-Huffman - new sister: Kelly Holmes. Not pictured: new sister: Cheryl Slycord

Rededication of Rhode Island Monument at Vicksburg National Military Park

On April 13, 2019, Vicksburg, Mississippi experienced two different severe weather events, one storm with three tornadoes tearing through the town. Two of those tornadoes passed through the Vicksburg National Military Park leaving multiple trees and limbs down throughout the park. Despite the widespread affected area, the only monument with significant damage was the Rhode Island Memorial.

Friends of Vicksburg National Military Park & Campaign quickly mobilized to fund the full restoration of the important memorial through the generous support of donors and partnerships with veterans’ groups in the State of Rhode Island. “This work to restore the memorial is a great example of the important collaborative role partners play in supporting preservation at Vicksburg National Military Park.”

The Rhode Island State Memorial, sculpted in bronze by Frank Edwin Elwell, depicts the figure of an infantryman who has picked up the fallen colors. The memorial was originally dedicated on November 11, 1908. Rededicating the memorial, almost exactly 115 years later, commemorates this amazing restoration and honors the soldiers from the great state of Rhode Island.

Posted by Ben Frail on Facebook:

In 2019 the 7th RI monument in Vicksburg was severely damaged by tornados passing through the battlefield. Almost instantly the Friends of Vicksburg National Military Park Department of Rhode Island, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and other groups and individuals banded together to start raising



**SUVCW Department Commander of TN w/MS
George Huttick and Julie Huttick, ASUVCW**



funds to restore this monument. Today, the monument was rededicated and although I am sad that I couldn’t be there in person to witness the fruits of our efforts, I couldn’t be more proud and thankful for my fellow Brothers and Rhode Islanders. Thank you to George Andre Huttick and his wife, Julie Boley Huttick, for setting up a FaceTime so I could watch the ceremony and thank you to Rob Grandchamp for representing all of Rhode Island (even if you are misguided in thinking the 7th was better than the 2nd). Today is a great day to be a Rhode Islander!!!

National Patriotic Instructor

Happy Spring, Sisters!

Spring is an exciting time to reflect on the newness all around us—trees bud, flowers push their way through the dirt, and we get to enjoy all that spring offers us after a season where nature slumbers throughout the winter.

Spring is also a great time for us to think about this idea of “newness”—new ideas, new energy, new goals, new relationships—all key for the Auxiliary to continue moving forward.

I was thinking about this idea of newness just the other day following a speaking engagement. I had given my presentation on The Servant Leadership of Abraham Lincoln to a local college and had an email from



one of the participants waiting for me when I got home.

It was from a police officer who had attended my talk and who surprised me by saying how motivational he found my presentation as far as applicability in his job. I cannot tell you how humbled and excited I was to see yet another confirmation of the impact of history on people’s lives almost 160 years later!

This got me thinking about what it is that we need to do to continue to keep history and patriotism alive—AND to continue to promote the Auxiliary and what we do. Below are just a few simple suggestions that anyone can do. I encourage you to give some a try!



1. If you use social media, share historical anniversaries on your page. If you don’t use social media, bring up a historical anniversary the next time you are in a meeting or with a friend. Say, “Did you know that 159 years ago today, _____ happened?” We acknowledge and celebrate all sorts of holidays like April Fool’s Day, Grandparent’s Day, etc. We need to remind folks of all that happened in history, and this is a great and easy way to do it.

2. Learn a quote from a historical leader or person. For me, I love Abraham Lincoln. I frequently quote his various addresses. Look for ways to toss in a simple quote that may tie to a conversation you are having with a friend, or a topic like strength, communication, or teamwork that you may be having in a work or church meeting, for example. Quotes are motivational and

another easy way to bring history into everyday conversation.

3. Pick a person from history that inspires you and learn their story. Obviously, we honor and promote Civil War history in the Auxiliary so perhaps a woman from the Civil War, or a lesser-known historical figure that has an inspiring story to tell. Learn that story and the next time you work a booth for your Auxiliary at an upcoming spring or summer festival, for example, you can share that story to connect with your listener.

These are three quick and simple ways you can make a difference in spreading patriotism and respect for our history. You don't have to be a speaker, an author, a program coordinator, a festival chair, or anything like that. What I have found over and over is that it simply begins by talking about our history.

Try it. Try to bring up our history every opportunity you can. What you will find is that you will capture the interest of the person (or group) you are sharing with. They may want to know more. They may ask a question. They may reflect and then share what that history/quote/story means to them.

And then? Then you invite them to join you at an upcoming Auxiliary meeting or event! Share with them how our mission ties in with supporting current patriotic endeavors and our veterans and other similar projects your auxiliaries support. Just find a way to talk about history in whatever way is easiest for you!

Additionally, in our last newsletter, I had asked for your ancestors' stories for our National Patriotic Instructor's Facebook page. The **'Honor Our Civil War Ancestors Project'** is meant to remember and honor our ancestors throughout 2024. Please send a photo of your ancestor (if you have one) and a brief story of their life (maximum 200 words), be sure to include their unit and any battles that they fought in as well. Even if you don't know a lot about them, send in what you have!

Please send in your submissions by June 1. Email me at kdanisk@yahoo.com with "Civil War Ancestor" in the subject line. Thank you!

Lastly, we are just about to kick off the summer months of festivals and such for our Auxiliary. NOW is the time, dear sisters, to get those fundraising plans cemented.

What might you sell/make/raffle for Patriotic Instructor fundraising? This is our opportunity to reach out to the public to ask for their support in helping us to fulfill our mission, but also to share our patriotism AND to recruit potential new members.

Thank you again for your steadfast support!

Together we keep history and patriotism alive—one day at a time, one quote at a time, one story at a time. I'm honored to serve you in this way.

Sincerely,

Kim Villalva

National Patriotic Instructor



from the National Secretary...

2024 AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP

The Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (ASUVCW) awards scholarships annually of up to \$1000.00 for tuition and books to high school seniors and college students (male or female) contingent upon their enrollment at an accredited college or university (either on campus or online), or a trade or licensed professional school prior to December 31st of the year the scholarship is granted.



The Scholarship Application (Form A16) is available on the National website at <http://www.asuvcw.org>. Applications are accepted each year from January 1st to June 30th.

REMINDER — ELECTION AND INSTALLATION

Auxiliary Secretaries, please be sure to fill out the Certification of Election and Installation of Auxiliary Officers (Form A01) and send it to your Department Secretary (or National Secretary if you are an Auxiliary at Large) along with our current membership roster before January 30th.

Department Secretaries, please send your Certification of Election and Installation of Department Officers (Form D01) as soon as possible after your Department Encampments.

REMINDER – PER CAPITA DUES REPORT

The Annual Per Capita Report (Form A02) and per capita dues payment is due to your Department Secretary (or National Secretary if you are an Auxiliary at Large) by April 1st. At the 2022 National Encampment, National dues were raised to \$15 yearly.

Department Secretaries, your Department Annual Per Capita Report (D02) and per capita dues payment are due to the National Secretary on April 15th.

All forms can be located on the National website at <http://www.asuvcw.org>

2024 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



The Department of Kentucky will be hosting the 2024 National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, August 1 – 4, 2024, at The Campbell House, 1375 South Broadway, Lexington, KY 40504. Please check the “Reservation Link” on the [suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org) website. It will be available in early January, 2024.

Yours in F., C., & L.,
Judith Morgan

from the National Press Correspondent...

Hello Sisters,

Here sits your lonely National Press Correspondent searching and searching for any news from her fellow Sisters telling her about any upcoming news, events or any happenings at all from any Auxiliary in the nation! Yet, my email remains empty day after day.

For 2024, I'm hoping your Auxiliary has at least one event, cemetery walk, Lincoln Dinner or at the very least an exciting meeting! I, for one, will be attending a Lincoln Civil War Ball in Sarasota, Florida. I'll also be attending the annual Battle of Olustee in Lake City, Florida in February. Do you all remember the movie "Glory"? Well, parts of it were filmed at one of the reenactments of the Battle of Olustee because the Massachusetts 54th were part of that battle.

PLEASE send me your news so that I can share it with your Sisters! You can send to my personal email if that's easier for you: accessorize1313@gmail.com

In F, C, & L,

Rebekah Thomas

National Press Correspondent



Department of Wisconsin Female Veteran Liaison

Auxiliary Sisters,

I had the privilege of being a presenter representing the United States Department of Defense and distributing the 50 year Vietnam Welcome Home Pin and Certificate this year.

The pin is a lapel pin and is beautifully struck and features an eagle's head, representing courage, honor, and dedicated service; Stripes, representing our National Flag, and 6 stars, representing our allies who served and fought alongside us. The encircled blue ring, matching the canton of our National Flag, signifying vigilance, perseverance, and justice. On the reverse side it states, "A Grateful Nation Thanks and Honor You."

Each time I present this pin and certificate, I thank the veteran and welcome him home.

A little background on why this 50 year Vietnam Welcome Home was commissioned by the Department of Defense. An organization called, The Blue Star Mothers, a veterans' organization to provide care packages to military members serving overseas, asked the Department of Defense to correct the mistake made 50 years ago of not welcoming the Vietnam Veterans Home and thank them for their service.

Any veteran that honorably served from November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location is eligible for this pin.

As a veteran who honorably served, I am authorized to distribute this pin.

I welcomed home the Vietnam Veterans that served from C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 and the Vietnam Veterans from Col. Hans Heg Camp 15, from the Department of Wisconsin SUVCW. I also welcomed home a veteran that is a co-worker from the Department of Public Works in Kenosha, Wisconsin and a mother of a co-worker.

In F. C. and L.

Susan Fallon

Female Veteran Liaison



Col. Hans Heg Camp 15



C. K. Pier Badger Camp 1



Picacho Peak #1

Susan Burke of Picacho Peak #1, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War located in Phoenix, Arizona gave a presentation for the Margaret Warner Wood Tent #1, DUVCW on Jan 9, 2024 in Phoenix. Susan shared the history of the "Unknown Army" of women who followed Union soldiers as "ladies of the nights" or "soiled doves" who were later excommunicated from the town of Nashville when venereal disease skyrocketed and began to affect the Union army. There the women were loaded onto the Steamship Idaho but later returned, thus restarting the problem. It wasn't till the army began the licensing and inspections of prostitutes in town did disease lower and help save the Union army within Nashville.



Favorite ASUUCW Memory from Ivy Stiers Auxiliary

Celebrating President Lincoln's birthday every year on February 12 at the Washoe House in Petaluma, California brings a smile to my face and a warmth to my heart. Every February, **Ivy Stiers Auxiliary** (along with the Sons) invited our complete patriotic family which included such groups as the Rural Cemetery Committee, the Civil War Roundtable and other Allied Orders to join in the festivities. We welcomed Mr. & Mrs. Lincoln, danced the Virginia Reel, listened to fascinating trivia about Lincoln and ate his favorite white almond cake!



It was always a night to remember... President Lincoln, the Civil War, the hard times, the good times and our Auxiliary Sisterhood.

Times like this should be advertised to communities so that others might want to participate and become members. If you are having an event, please let your National Press Correspondent know about it so I can help spread the good news about your activity.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
 Rebekah Thomas
 National Press Correspondent



The two Junior Members in front are: Olivia and Penelope Scott
 The back row L-R:
 Elaine Christian, Violet Campana, Ann Schleeter, Amelie Brown, President Lincoln (aka Roger Vincent),
 Rebekah Thomas, Tatiana Gjerman, Paige Mitchell, Cindy Eddy and ??

National Officers for 2023-2024

Elected

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Appointed

Co-Counselor – Ramona Greenwalt, PNP	Counselor@asucwv.org
Co-Counselor – Ken Freshley, PCinC	CoCounselor@asucwv.org
Chief of Staff – Julie Huttick, AP	ChiefOfStaff@asucwv.org
Personal Aide – Judy Hritsko	PersonalAide@asucwv.org
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Webmistress – Wanda Langdon, PNP	Webmaster@asucwv.org
MAL Coordinator – Wanda Langdon, PNP	NMALCoordinator@asucwv.org
Graves Registration – Connie Horning, PDP	GravesRegistration@asucwv.org

List of Current PNP's March 2024

Margaret Atkinson, Dept of PA 1995-1996	Diane Mellor, Dept of Mass 2013-2014
Jacquelyn Johnston, Dept of NH 1997-1998	Rachelle Bursheim, Dept of CA 2014-2015
MaryJo Long, Dept of PA 1999-2000	Linda Kronberg, Dept of MI 2015-2016
Faye Carlisle, Dept of PA 2001-2002	Denise Oman, Dept of WI 2016-2017
Danielle Michaels, Dept of WI 2003-2004	Ramona Greenwalt, Dept of OH 2017-2018
Cynthia Fox, Dept of PA 2005-2006	Denise Oman, Dept of WI 2018--2019
Judith Trepanier, Dept of CT 2007-2008	Wanda Langdon, Dept of OH 2019-2021
Nancy Hilton, Dept of OH 2009-2010	Allison Pollitt, Dept of WS 2021-2023
Virginia Twist, Dept of NY 2010-2011	Sue Freshley, Dept of WS/OH 2023-2024
Jane Graham, Dept of OH 2012-2013	

from the National Treasurer...

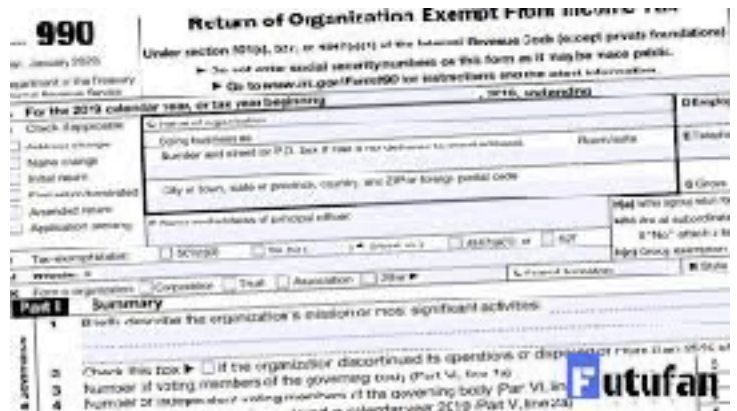
Greetings, Sisters!

All 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-non-profits/annual-electronic-filing-requirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard>.

Also, as a reminder, donations to the National Chief of Staff and National Patriotic Instructor can be made at any time throughout the year.

As always, if you have any questions or need some assistance, please contact me at treasurer@asucwv.org.

Yours in F., C., and L.,
Amy Miller, PDP
National Treasurer



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 = \$250.0
- Age 65 – 84 = \$200.00
- Age 85 and above = FREE

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





2024 ASUVCW National Encampment Registration Form

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

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, 2024) and mail to:

Nancy Hilton PNP, Assistant National Secretary
1576Ann Dr., Alliance, OH 44601
ghilto52@yahoo.com

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.*

Reminder: Early Bird Pre-Registration Deadline is July 15, 2024
(Registration at the door will be \$20.00)

Saturday Encampment Banquet Dinner

Entrees:

Please Reserve _____ Chicken Marsalla Entrees at \$40.00 per person Total \$_____

Please Reserve _____ Florentine Flank Steak Entrees at \$40.00 per person Total \$_____

Please Reserve _____ Vegan/Vegetarian (Chef Selection) at \$40.00/person Total \$_____

Total Enclosed \$_____

Beef and Chicken Entrees Include:

Campbell House Signature Green Salad w/2 dressings

Warm Rolls w/Butter

Mashed Potatoes

Green Beans

All Entrees Include:

Chocolate Cake

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea, Water

\$40.00 per person

Name: _____

Email: _____

Special Dietary Needs: _____

Please Note: All Reservations must be received by JULY 10, 2024

Make checks Payable to: SUVCW 143rd National Encampment, 2024

Mail Check & Reservation to:

Todd Early

121 Northcountry Dr.

Shelbyville, KY 40065



**143rd National Encampment
August 1-4, 2024
Campbell House
Lexington, Kentucky**

143rd National Encampment Medal

\$35.00 + shipping

Limited to 150 total medals

Medal features Kentuckians Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln with
Lincoln quote on reverse

2024 National Encampment 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 payable to:

SUVCW 143rd National Encampment 2023

Jack Mills

217 E. Lowry Lane

Lexington, KY 40503-2614

2024 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 \$30.00 fee per table covers the duration of the Encampment. Vendor Tables will be in a secured room. Setup may begin at **NOON** on July 31, 2024.

Reservation Deadline:

Reservations and payment must be received before July 7, 2024. 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 3, 2024.

Please Reserve _____ Tables @ \$30.00 each

Total Enclosed _____

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP Code _____ Phone Number _____

Email _____

Organization _____

Mail this form and check to:

SUVCW 143rd National Encampment, 2024

2024 National Encampment Vendor Tables

% Mike Flynn, DC

1004 Kavenaugh Lane

Lexington, KY 40509-2081

2024 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-2025 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
- No bleed ads will be accepted. Ad must fit within the 8 1/2" by 11" page size.
- All ads must be complete and supplied in an electronic format. A digital copy, 300 dpi or more in a jpg or pdf file format, and at the final size the ad is to be reproduced.
- All ads must include all graphics, photos and any design elements in place as well as all type fonts must be imbedded.
- You may request a type only add and ads of this type will require that you send all text in either a Microsoft .doc or .docx file.
- Photo copies of ads or formerly printed ads, especially if they are already half-tone screened are not recommended and if submitted as such, the quality will not be guaranteed.

Ad sizes are:

- | | |
|---|-----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Full Page (ad area not to exceed 7" wide by 9-3/4" high) | Price:\$50 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Half Page (ad area not to exceed 7" wide by 5" high) | Price:\$35 each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page (ad not to exceed 3-1/4 wide by 4-1/4 high) | Price:\$25 each |

Total Enclosed _____

Mail this form and a check **payable to the Dept of KY SUVCW 2024** to:

2024 Program Ads Book, % Bruce Fortin, PDC, 336 Valley View Dr, Radcliff, KY 40160

Also please include a printed copy of your ad.

Send all ad electronic files to: bfortin59@gmail.com. If your files are too large to Email send a CD or other recordable media to the mailing address above.

DEADLINE : All orders must be received prior to July 1, 2024

THE ONLY BREWERY & DISTILLERY ON THE KENTUCKY *Bourbon* TRAIL



National Encampment Tour

The Department of Kentucky invites members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Allied Orders to indulge themselves on a TOUR in the Lexington area exploring the history and culture of Lexington, KY.

Our tour includes the Lexington Town Branch Distillery & Brewing Company followed by a trip to the Camp Nelson National Monument. Camp Nelson was a fortified Depot which evolved into a training center for United States Colored Troops.

The tour runs \$50/person and lunch will be available at the Distillery for (\$9-\$13).

Only 55 seats available, so Reserve Early.

There is an available tasting at the Distillery for those 21 and over. A gift shop is also available at the Distillery.

SCHEDULE

- ☀ 9:15 - Coach loads at the Campbell House.
- ☀ 10:00 am - Town Branch Distillery and Brewing Tour begins (1-1.5 hours). It is possible that half will tour the Distillery then the Brewery while the other half tour the Brewery first, then the Distillery. (Samples available for those over age 21.)
- ☀ 11:15-12:00 (approximately) Lunch at the Distillery, additional 9 - \$13, on your own.
- ☀ 12:00 Coach loads and heads to camp Nelson. Includes a talk by the Ranger about the history of the camp. It will be a tight schedule to not run over-time on the coach but it should be a good time.

The Distillery/Brewery Tour has a tasting included (21 & over) and there is a gift shop. Camp Nelson has a rich Civil War history. **Space is limited to 55 people, so contact me now.**

Number of Tours _____ @ \$50/person Amount enclosed \$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Check or money order ONLY
 payable to SUVCW 143rd National Encampment
 John T. Buckler
 305 Pine Street
 Berea, KY 40403

Further questions may be addressed to: 859-913-2956 or at JBuck71300@gmail.com
Please indicate the number of tours requested in your correspondence.

A List of Attractions you may wish to visit while visiting beautiful Kentucky and the Lexington area.

Attractions in



[Lexington Visitors Bureau](#)



[Mary Todd Lincoln House](#)



[Abraham Lincoln National Birthplace](#)



[Perryville Battlefield](#)



[Battle of Richmond Visitors Center and Battlefield](#)



[Waveland - 19th Century Kentucky Plantation](#)

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[The Kentucky Bourbon Trail](#)



[Blue Licks National Battlefield -
Revolutionary War](#)



[Ashland: The Henry Clay Estate](#)



143rd National Encampment



**August 1-4, 2024
Campbell House
Lexington, Kentucky**

143rd National Encampment Polo Shirts

(right) — \$35.00+shipping

Royal Blue—Sizes M to 3X

Emblem is on right side of shirt

Specify size when ordering



PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone: (____) _____
 Email: _____

**If picking up at the Encampment,
check the Pick-up box**

Description	Price	Qty.	Total
Navy Polo Shirt size Med	\$35.00		
Navy Polo Shirt size Large	\$35.00		
Navy Polo Shirt size XLarge	\$35.00		
Navy Polo Shirt size 2XL	\$35.00		
Navy Polo Shirt size 3XL	\$35.00		
Shipping for shirts: \$10.00 each			
Sub Total			
Pick-up		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Shipping			
Total			

Ordering Instructions:

Please send your order and payment (check or money order only) payable to **"SUVCW 143rd National Encampment 2024"** and mail to:
 Jack Mills, 217 E. Lowry Lane, Lexington, KY 40503-2614. **Shipping fee per item is \$10.00.**
 Sorry, no credit or debit cards. Please specify quantity of each item you wish. **Please** include your telephone number with order for possible questions. If you wish, items can be picked up at Encampment (specify).



your Kentucky home in the heart of the bluegrass

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- On-site catering and dedicated banquet team
- On-site restaurant, bar featuring 300+ bourbons and whiskies along with local brews, café and market
- Kentucky Bourbon Trail® partner
- Outdoor patio featuring a fireplace
 - Digital key room access
 - Hilton Honors and Meeting Planner Points
 - 24 hour Expanded fitness center
 - Complimentary standard Wi-Fi
 - Complimentary open air parking lot
- 4 miles to Blue Grass Airport
- Under 1.5 miles to Downtown Lexington, Central Bank Center, Rupp Arena, University of Kentucky, UK Healthcare, Saint Joseph Hospital and Lexington Clinic
- Closest full service hotel to Keeneland, The Red Mile Race Track and close proximity to The Distillery District, The Kentucky Horse Park and other local attractions

INFORMATION YOU WILL NEED:

The Campbell House Curio Collection by Hilton, 1375 South Broadway, Lexington, KY 40504

Hotel Telephone: 859-255-4281

[Customer service: 1 \(888\) 446-6677](tel:18884466677)

[Reservations: 1 \(800\) 774-1500](tel:18007741500)

This Hotel is part of the Hilton Properties

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/rooms>

suvcw.org, under HOT TOPICS, choose Major Events, choose National Encampment Information, choose Lodging Information

When calling on the Hilton customer service or reservation phone numbers to make reservations, be sure to state you are with “National Encampment of Allied Orders”.

