



AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS



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**LEARN FROM YESTERDAY
LIVE FOR TODAY
HOPE FOR TOMORROW**

Dear Sisters,

My year is fast coming to the end. I will take this time to say thank you for everywhere I have traveled this year. You have all been the best anyone could ask for. The courtesies you have shown me have been greatly appreciated so, again, I say, "Thank You!"

The National Encampment is fast approaching and there are a few things I would like to see this year:

- 1) Please try to keep your Officers Reports to five minutes, and all other reports three minutes or less. Your written report will be spread in full in the minutes, but with time so short we will need to keep things moving.
- 2) Each Department should make a poster or collage of the things you have done this year to hang around our meeting room so that all can see the work you are doing.
- 3) All Officers and Department reports that contain recommendations in them, please forward a copy of the recommendations to my attention by **July 15, 2011**. These recommendations will be typed onto a single sheet that will be handed out to each registering member. This way all members will have time to study each one so that they may vote accordingly. Any recommendations

that are not sent by July 15, 2011, will be tabled until the next Encampment. I want everyone's voice to be heard, so please be sure to send them on to me.

- 4) Toys for Tots is my pet project this year. If you can bring a new toy with you to Encampment, I will take them to the drop site for pick up. This is not an order, just a suggestion to help our next generation. Any age group zero to sixteen years is appreciated. Books are also welcome.
- 5) All Officers please bring proof of your mileage. We need to cover all bases. Car license plate number, the mileage when you start your trip to Virginia and your mileage when you arrive at the hotel. If you are flying, or taking any other forms of transportation, please bring a copy of the ticket. No compensations will be given without proof for our records.

125th NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

Sisters, please plan to join us at the Sheraton Reston Hotel, 11810 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 20191. General Order #2 and the SUVCW.ORG website have information regarding hotel reservations, banquet, tour, etc. Remember that the **special hotel rate expires July 11th**.

The Allied Orders Banquet cost is \$37 and there are a total of 300 reservations available. They expect these spots to fill quickly. The 150th Anniversary Commemorative Medal is \$25 (plus \$3 if you want it shipped to you). An order form for each of these is provided for your convenience. Because there will be a limited number of medals struck, those wishing to pre-order the medals and have them reserved for pick up at the Encampment may do so by sending \$25 for each medal requested.

If you are interested in the tour to the Manassas Battlefield that is offered, you must go to the SUVCW.ORG website for the reservation form and to see if there are any spots available. The first bus tour has already been filled.

On the Sons' website, an all-day tour to Washington DC is also mentioned, but no further information has been placed there regarding the price or date of this tour. Please monitor their website if you are interested in this tour or for any updates.

All National Officers and Department Presidents should be prepared to wear white dresses or skirts and blouses and white shoes during the entire Encampment. I ask that everyone else, if possible, bring a white

outfit with you in case you are asked to fill a station.

The Registration Fee is \$10 for both Delegates and Guests. Please make sure that you have your white credential card to present during registration and your yellow dues card to enter the business sessions.

TENTATIVE ENCAMPMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 11, 2011

- 9:00 a.m. – Bus Trip
- 11:00 a.m. – Bus Trip
- 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – Registration
- 6:00 p.m. – Ritualistic Practice
- 6:30 p.m. – Council Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Registration
- 8:30 p.m. – PNP Meeting

Friday, August 12, 2011

- 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. – Registration
- 8:00 a.m. – Memorial Service and Joint Opening
- 9:30 a.m. – Exemplification of the Ritual
- 10:00 a.m. – Business Session
- 11:30 a.m. – Recess for Club Luncheons
- 1:00 p.m. – Business Session
- 3:00 p.m. – Patriotic Instructor Presentation
- 4:00 p.m. – Recess
- 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. – 125th Celebration
- 5:30 p.m. – PNP's and PC's-in-C Banquet
- 7:00 p.m. – Campfire
- 8:30 p.m. – Courtesy Hour

Saturday, August 13, 2011

- 7:30 a.m. – National President's Breakfast with Department Presidents
- 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. – Registration
- 9:30 a.m. – Business Session
- 11:30 a.m. – Recess for Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Business Session
- 2:00 p.m. – Election of Officers followed by Installation
- 4:00 p.m. – Recess
- TBA – Banquet
- 9:00 p.m. – Open House

Sunday, August 14, 2011

9:00 a.m. – Old and New Council Meeting in the National President's Room

ENCAMPMENT APPOINTMENTS

Parliamentarian Cindy Fox, PNP PA
Guide TBA
Assistant Guide TBA
Color Guard #1 TBA
Color Guard #2 TBA
Inside Guard TBA
Outside Guard Linda Guiot, DP RI
Stenographer Amy Miller, PDP OH
Musician Bonita Morse, NH
Escort Mary Ellen Seiffert, DP CT
Page TBA

ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEES

Credentials/Registration: Judy Morgan PDP OH, Michelle Langley PNP NY, and Ann McMillin DP PA

Resolutions: Danielle Michaels PNP WI

Elections: TBA

Officers Reports: Beatrice Greenwalt PNP NY, Margaret Atkinson PNP PA, and Faye Carlisle PNP PA

GREETINGS

To the Sons: Danielle Michaels PNP WI and Mary Ellen Seiffert DP CT

To the Ladies of the GAR: Judy Trepanier PNP CT and Ann McMillin DP PA

RESPONSE

To the Sons: Beatrice Greenwalt PNP NY

To Ladies of the GAR: Jan Harding PNP CSPK

To Patriotic Instructor Recipient: Betty Baker PNP NY

NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

I have given the National Scholarship to Emily Miller from Blissfield, Michigan. She is in her third year studying history and has done many things to help her Auxiliary and to preserve old flags.

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

To all Department Vice Presidents and Auxiliary at Large Presidents: please send your reports to the National Vice President Anne Jaster as soon as possible, even if there are no changes in your status since your last Encampment. Thank you very much. Anne Jaster NVP, 117 W. Emaus St., Middletown, PA 17057.

To my National President, Virginia Twist, may God grant you a wonderful harmonious Encampment!

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Sisters, can you believe that we are already 2/3rds of the way thru this Auxiliary year!

It has been an interesting year for most of those that I have talked with. And every Encampment that I have attended has been filled with warmth, happiness and friendship. God has truly blessed this Organization with terrific and caring people.

Several of our Sisters have lost beloved treasures from their lives. To them I offer condolences and the prayers that God and their loved ones will see them thru the grieving process. To them I also say, do not be afraid to show your caring, "when the heart is full, the tears will fall." This is a quote from a woman named Mary Crowley. She was very inspirational in my life and has written several books.

I would like everyone to pray for Sister Alethea Cratsley whose mom and our Sister, Elizabeth Orman, went home to our Lord on June 1st. May God give Alethea the strength to get thru what needs to be done, and to let her know her Sisters are with her in their thoughts and prayers.

I would like to remind the Department Chaplains that their reports are due to me ASAP. You can e-mail them to me at flutters88@comcast.net or mail them to 16 Norma Drive, Nashua, NH 03062. I would love to include ALL the departments in my report and include all those who have passed into our Lord's keeping in the Memorial Service.

Lord, we give into your hands, any strife, anger, and hard feelings that have arisen this year. We pray that you will turn them to joy, friendship and love, that we may encounter each other at National Encampment in Reston with a common purpose of helping our National Organization to make decisions for the good of all concerned. Help us to realize our mission of keeping the memory of our "Boys in Blue" alive and helping the veterans of today. Amen!

~Diane Mellor



CALIFORNIA-PACIFIC DEPARTMENT

Standing in front of some of the attending Officers and Delegates, National President Virginia Twist enjoyed a visit at the California-Pacific Department Encampment. Behind her are: **Row 1:** Eileen Tisch, Rosecrans #2; Dept. President & PAP Melinie Caines, Rosecrans #2; Dept. Council #3 Charlene Peterson, Walker #52; PDP Rachele Campbell, Walker #52; Dept. Chaplain & PAP Beverly Graham, Walker #52; Dept. Council #2 Debra Earl, Walker #52. **Row 2:** Carole Morton, Rosecrans #2; Chief of Staff Kathy Mabie, Walker #52. **Row 3:** Dept. Patriotic Instructor & AP Cindy Eddy, Stiers #23; Dept. Vice President & PAP Anne Schleeter, Stiers #23. **Row 4:** Dept. Council #1 & AP Susan Sweet, Rosecrans #2; Dept. Secretary Tricia Bures, Rosecrans #2.

MESSAGE FROM PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Just a reminder to get your tickets and money for the PI raffle in to me as soon as possible. The winners will be drawn at the National Encampment. Thank you to everyone that has purchased tickets or items from me so far. I will still have items and raffle tickets available for purchase at the Encampment. Make your checks payable to National Organization ASUVCW, but mail them to me at: Linda Kronberg, 6885 Plantation Dr., Tecumseh, MI 49286

~Linda Kronberg



**SARAH EMMA SEELYE AUXILIARY #1 of TEXAS
Hosts National President Twist**

The Sisters of Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1 of the Great State of Texas were honored to welcome National President Virginia Twist, the first National President to visit The Lone Star State! The Auxiliary was also host to SUVCW Texas Department Commander Harold Sickler, of Plano, TX.

The Sisters of the Auxiliary held the Fourth Annual President's Tea and Civil War Presentation on Saturday, April 2nd, at the First Baptist Church of Dickinson, of Dickinson, TX. The Afternoon Tea began with a beautiful prelude medley of Civil War tunes played by pianist Denise Charlston. A Processional Promenade to the hymn *He Leadeth Me* was lead by President Twist and Escort Department Commander Sickler, followed by members of the Auxiliary and Edward Lea Camp #2. The Girl Scouts of the New Faith Church Flag Corps of the San Jacinto Council presented and retired the Colors. The National Anthem was sung by Mike Charlston. Auxiliary President Vali Reyes welcomed National President Twist, who delighted guests and offered words of encouragement to the Auxiliary. National President Twist then made a presentation of gifts from New York. Auxiliary Secretary Jana Marsh presented the National President with a bouquet of yellow roses and the song *The Yellow Rose of Texas* was played in her honor. Department Commander Sickler took



Girl Scouts from the San Jacinto Council along with National President Virginia Twist standing in center of back row and Auxiliary #1 President Vali Reyes on far right.

the floor and his presentation, “Stalwart Civil War Heroines of the Homefront – The Real Key to the Union Victory,” was a tribute to women of the Civil War. He then presented Auxiliary President Reyes and Sisters of the Auxiliary with a Sarah E. Seelye Cameo Commemorative Pin, which he made as a keepsake for the Tea. Department Commander Sickler then presented National President Twist, Auxiliary President Reyes and Edward Lea Camp Commander LaBrot with a beautiful American Civil War Sesquicentennial 150th Anniversary Medal. Camp Commander LaBrot's presentation, “Sam Hildebrand, the Missouri Bushwacker,” was one of the highlights of our Tea. J'nean Henderson, The Victorian Lady, presented “The Customs of Mourning,” which included a collection of Victorian items on display. The Tea savories were prepared by Auxiliary Sisters and this year's special dessert was a Vanilla Almond Pound Cake, prepared by Norma Pollard. This was Mary Todd Lincoln's recipe and was President Abraham Lincoln's favorite cake!

This year's Tea was made a *Day to Remember* by the attendance of our honored guests, National President Twist and Department Commander Sickler!

NATIONAL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRLADIES

Please send your reports to National Secretary Judy Morgan, 8250 Frost Rd., Coolville, OH 45723 before August 5th if you are not planning to attend the Encampment. All others need to have duplicate copies ready to be presented at each session.

Please send any Recommendations that are in your report to both the National President **AND** PNP Beatrice Greenwalt, Committee on Officers Reports Chair, Verona Village Apt. #B-10, 2276 Co. Rd. 139, Ovid, NY 14521 **by July 15th** if you want them considered at this National Encampment.

MESSAGE FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES CHAIR

To Departments and Auxiliaries at Large: Please send your completed Charitable Activities Reports so that I receive them by July 10th. I am a member of the Host Committee for the 125th National Encampment and I want to get my Charitable Activities Report completed as soon as possible. Please send them to: Janice Harding PNP, 8616 Richmond Ave., Baltimore, MD 21234. Thank you!

~Janice Harding

CHIEF OF STAFF

The National Aide from each Auxiliary has the responsibility of raising and forwarding \$15.00 (or more) to the National Chief of Staff. Make checks payable to National Organization ASUVCW, but mail them to National Chief of Staff Gloria Fisher, 5018 Route 96A, Romulus, NY 14541.

NATIONAL PRESS CORRESPONDENT

Please send to Bonnie Meyers, National Press Correspondent, 17 Woodlawn Ave., Bridgeton, NJ 08302 photos, press releases, newspaper articles, etc for the National President’s scrapbook.

NATIONAL PERSONAL AIDE

Sisters, please send to Hope Parker, National Personal Aide, 51 S. Hamilton St., Jordan, NY 13080 any photos that you have taken during the National President’s travels for her “memory book.”

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL SECRETARY

My term as National Secretary will be completed at the 125th National Encampment and I will not seek re-election. I thank the many fine Department and Auxiliary at Large Secretaries and National Officers that I have worked with over the last five years for their friendship.

The job description, which has changed pertaining to the per capita tax reporting period, is located on the National website under the Form/ Documents heading.

Frost Auxiliary #108, Ohio Department, has been handling the bulk mailing of the National Presidents’ General Orders since 2000. We are asking that another Auxiliary take over this duty beginning in 2012 when our annual bulk mailing permit expires. If no Auxiliary steps forward to do this, for an extra fee of approximately \$150 per mailing, the printer will print the addresses on the General Orders and mail them.

If you have any questions, please contact me at: jamorgan50@windstream.net

~Judy Morgan, National Secretary

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Have you ever considered becoming a Life Member of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans? Your one-time payment can help insure our financial stability and growth in the future. You still remain a member of your own Auxiliary and give them what support you can. Your Auxiliary never has to pay Per Capita Tax on your membership again.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Under age 50	\$350.00
Ages 50-65	\$250.00
Over age 65	\$200.00

Contact Betty J. Baker, PNP, National Treasurer, 3191 Co. Rd. 139, Interlaken, NY 14847, email: bjbaux@rochester.rr.com for information and the application for Life Membership.

HONOR ROLL

Members can make a donation to the Honor Roll in memory of someone or in honor of someone’s birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Checks should be made payable to **National Organization ASUVCW** and sent to National Treasurer Betty J. Baker, 3191 Co. Rd. 139, Interlaken, NY 14847, email: bjbaux@rochester.rr.com. A copy of the Honor Roll Certificate will be sent to the person honored, or to a member of the family if in memory of someone, and a permanent copy is kept in the Honor Roll Book.

BEREAVEMENT

Just as I was writing this General Order, a very dear-to-me Sister has passed away, Sister PDP Elizabeth Orman from New York. She will be sadly missed by the entire New York Department. Condolences to her daughter: Alethea Cratsley, 7380 Rock River Rd., Ovid NY 14521.

To all who have lost a loved one this year, my sincere sympathy, for I know how hard it is to believe that the good memories will carry on in our hearts and not just the sorrows.

For those who are sick or have sickness in your families, my prayers for good health and a quick recovery are sent your way.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

Virginia Twist
National President, ASUVCW

Attest: Judy Morgan
National Secretary

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**2011 National Encampment
Allied Orders Banquet
Saturday August 13, 2011**

Name _____
Street _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____
Department _____ Camp No. _____

Seating is limited to 300 persons. Make your reservations early as we expect the banquet will sell out. **Reservations will be confirmed via email.**

Reserve _____ Broiled Marinated Flank Steak @ \$37 each
Reserve _____ Chicken w/garlic & fresh herbs @ \$37 each
Total Enclosed \$ _____

Send this form with check (payable to **MD Dept. SUVCW**) prior to July 31, 2011 to

2011 Allied Orders Banquet
c/o PDC Michael Paquette
11901 Branchwater St.
Fredericksburg, VA 22407-6701

**2011 National Encampment
Commemorative Medal**

Name _____
Street _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____
Department _____ Camp No. _____

Reserve _____ Commemorative Medals @ \$25 ea Medal Cost _____

Shipping and handling for medals @\$3 each Shipping & Handling Fee _____

(Note: shipping and handling fee is waived if picked up at the National Encampment)

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Pre-ordered medals are expected to ship by 1 July 2011

Send this form with check (payable to **MD Dept. SUVCW**) to:

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