



# Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

General Orders

National Headquarters

March 2012

**“Let us be the better angels of our nature to one another”**

*Abraham Lincoln*

Dear Sisters,

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and will have a healthy, happy New Year. Thank you for all the cards and wonderful wishes during the holiday season. It is hard to believe that it is 2012! Dave and I were blessed this holiday season visiting our families. We especially enjoyed our visit with my four year old Granddaughter, Bella. She explained many things to us, one being why Elves have point ears. As Bella explained it, it is because they do not eat their vegetables and leafy greens. Be warned! Since my last G.O. our golden chain of PNP's has been broken twice. Sister Mary Scofield went Home November 11, 2011. Sister Isabelle Roberts went Home January 5, 2012. Sister Betty Baker's daughter, Brenda, lost her fight with cancer in January after a long and difficult battle. There are a number of other Sisters needing our prayers; Carol LaRue, Lorraine Orton, Susan Sweet and Patrice Demory. Please keep these Sisters and others

you may know of in your prayers.

In October, I attended the New England Regional Meeting in Vernon, CT. It was held in a lovely old GAR building, with leaded glass windows with the Sons emblem on them at the front. Outside, the builders had inscribed the motto of the Sons. It was an interesting meeting, followed by a delightful lunch and a wonderful visit with old and new friends.

Auxiliary #503 was installed in Sunbury, PA on November 27, 2011. PNP Faye Carlisle went in my place to install the new officers. We welcome our new Sisters. Huzzah!

The Presidential Scholarship this year was given to Sister Kathryn Iannito, my daughter. She was finishing her studies at Temple/Tyler University in Philadelphia. The funds helped her with her thesis; goblets made from old bottles. Not because she was my daughter, but they were exquisite!

I've just learned that my Great Grandfather, George A. Todd, was in Co. C, 1st Battalion, Maine Infantry. I am so excited to learn this!



**Anne Jaster, NP  
Dept. of PA  
2011—2012**

Please support our National Officers in their various jobs. Sister Anna Frail, Press Correspondant, needs your newspaper clippings. Sisters Anne Michaels, Chief of Staff and Rachelle Campbell, Patriotic Instructor, need your support in their fundraising efforts.

Sister Helen Geppi, Charitable Activities Chair, needs your reports as soon as possible. These are vital to maintain our status as a non-profit organization.

Sisters, it has come to my attention that some Sisters are forgetting the Oath taken at our Altar upon joining our Order. Things are being said and

done that are NOT for the Good of the Order. Please remember your sacred oath, and “Let us be the better angels of our nature to one another”.

National Encampment this year is in California, at the LAX Marriott. The room rate of \$99.00 is good from August 3rd through the 17th, for those who'd like to spend more time there. Tours are available before our Encampment begins on August 9th. Please try to join us for this memorable event! In lieu of giving presents to my Officers this year, I am donating to our money officers.

God Speed, *Anne*

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### BEREAVEMENT

**Mary Scofield, PNP Connecticut**

**November 11, 2011 at age 96 Conklin—Sellew Auxiliary No. 20, Connecticut**

**Isabelle Roberts, PNP New York**

**January 5, 2012 at age 87 Owego Auxiliary No. 49, New York**



## *Honor Roll*

### *In Memory Of*

### *From*

Eileen Coombs, PNP ME

Linda Murray, PDP NH  
 Cynthia Brown, PNP MA  
 Gilman E. Sleeper Aux #60 NH  
 Marion Combs, PNP NJ  
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 P CinC Bud & PNP Margaret Atkinson, PA  
 Thomas Carr Aux #7 NH

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## **Presidential Visits**

I have received invitations from the following Departments: CA and Pacific for March 9-10; Texas for March 24; Michigan for March 30-31; Springfield, IL for April 13-14; New Hampshire for April 20-21; Wisconsin for June 16; Pennsylvania June 22-23. I have also received an invitation from the Lincoln-Cushing Camp No. 2 in Washington, D.C. to join them for the Traditional Memorial Day Services at Arlington National Cemetery May 30. If you would like me to attend one of your functions, please send me an invitation, and I will try my best to attend. It is an honor to be able to participate with you in all of your efforts to support the memory of the Boys in Blue.

## **Bylaws**

**Department Secretaries, please send a copy of your Department Bylaws to National President  
 Sister Anne Jaster immediately for her national books.**



### **National Vice President Jane Graham, Dept. of Ohio**

Sisters, with the holidays behind us and Punxsutawney Phil promising us six more weeks of winter weather, I hope you are all working on trying to increase our membership. I am happy to report although it has not been told to me personally, that we have instituted one new Auxiliary this year. Way to go girls! Does any other Department have any good news they want to let us know about? We only have about six months until our National Encampment and what joy it would be to be able to report that we have six more new Auxiliaries. We can do it ladies, so let's get out there and really try. At the present time, my computer is down and I have someone working on it, but the problem has been very serious, so if anyone needs to reach me feel free to call. My phone number was listed in the last General Orders. If I am not home, I will be more than happy to call you back.

I hope all of you have a blessed Easter, and don't forget to honor our beloved President Abraham Lincoln by doing something special so that everyone can see and hear us. It does help to keep us in the limelight.

I'm looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Los Angeles, supporting our National President Anne Jaster as she presides at the 126th National Encampment.

**Jane Graham, PDP National Vice President**

### **National Chaplain Allison Graff, Dept. of Wisconsin**

Sisters, unfortunately this year has been quite a disheartened one for all of our members. We have lost three of our most beloved Past National Presidents, and quite a few other Sisters of the order. Please keep the sick, injured and the families of those who have left this world in your thoughts and prayers. If you know of anyone that could use a reminder of how much the Auxiliary cares, please feel free to let me know.

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**Allison Graff, National Chaplain**

### **Have You Thought About This?**

Have you ever considered becoming a Life Member of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War? You still remain a member of your own Auxiliary, supporting them in their efforts to as best you can. The cost for a Life Membership is as follows:

Age under 50 years old	\$350.00
Ages 50—65	\$250.00
Ages 65—90	\$200.00

If you are age 90 or older, you are given a free Life Membership by the National Auxiliary.

For more information and to obtain an application form, please contact National Auxiliary Treasurer Betty J. Baker, PNP at [bjbaux@rochester.rr.com](mailto:bjbaux@rochester.rr.com) or by mail at 3191 Co Rd 139, Interlaken, NY 14847.



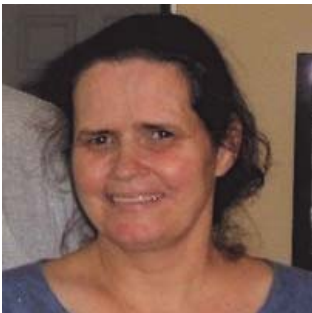
### National Secretary Tricia Bures, Dept. CA and Pacific

Thank you to all the Departments and Auxiliaries that have submitted their 2011 Per Capita Taxes. For those that are still outstanding, please remit them as soon as possible. That being said, guess what? The first installment for 2012 will be due April 30! Auxiliary Secretaries, please remember to include a current Roster of each Sister with your Auxiliary filing. Department Secretaries, please include these with your Department filing.



**REMINDER: Every Auxiliary and Department needs to be sure to file their own IRS tax form 990 to be able to maintain their tax-free status.** This is an e-filing and MUST be done annually by each Auxiliary and Department. The National Treasurer only does the filing for the National Auxiliary. The link to the IRS website is <http://www.irs.gov/charities/index.html?navmenu=menu1> We are asking that all Auxiliary Secretaries include a copy of their receipt of filing with their April Per Capita Tax report. We must begin keeping records on each Auxiliary and Department. If you have a Sister within your Auxiliary that is a CPA, perhaps she will graciously assist in handling this very important item. I have one, and for the price of a LOT of chocolate, she is so worth it!

### National Press Correspondent Anna Frail, Dept. of Rhode Island



Sisters, please send me any photos, newspaper articles from your local newspapers about Civil War events, and any articles pertaining to the Auxiliary or the Sons. I will do my best to send information to The Banner to be published. Please help me to make our National President's memory album a special one, full of wonderful remembrances.

You may send your articles and items to Anna Frail, National Press Correspondent, 19 Briar Point Avenue, Coventry, RI 02816, or you may e-mail me at [mommyalf23@verizon.net](mailto:mommyalf23@verizon.net).

### Needed for the National Website

PNP's, please send a resume of your service in our Organization, any other activities you participate in, and your favorite "headshot" to our website contact, Sister Linda Murray, 40 Lake Rd, Brentwood, NH 03833. She is developing a page of our Golden Chain, similar to the Son's page on their Past Commanders.

Also under construction is a collection of photos submitted by ANY Auxiliary that wishes to share them. No names will be listed on the photos, but we do need what the event/activity was, when and where it was held and the Auxiliary involved. Please send them via a CD to Sister Linda at the above address. This is in response to the overwhelming positive reaction to the photos in the last issue of the General Orders. Many Sisters commented on how nice it was to see what other Auxiliaries are doing. Let's share the fun!

Linda Murray, PDP, National Website Contact

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**National Patriotic Instructor, Rachelle Campbell PDP,  
Dept. CA and Pacific**

As the National Auxiliary's Patriotic Instructor, one of my main duties is to raise funds for the National Patriotic Instructor Fund. This fund is primarily used to support our annual college scholarship program, and Civil War and GAR monument restoration. It is also used to support local groups or projects in each Department that hosts a National Encampment.

You can help support our efforts by participating in this year's National Patriotic Instructor Fundraiser. For a donation of only \$5.00 per ticket, or \$20.00 for 5 tickets, you can have a chance to receive one of three beautiful prizes: a 34-star American Flag afghan, a patriotic hand-sewn felt mat, or a Civil War-style ladies straw bonnet. Flyers and blank tickets have been included in this edition of the General Orders.

Return tickets and donations (please DO NOT send cash through the mail) to National P.I. Fund, c/o Rachelle M. Campbell, PDP, 9110 Avezan Way, Gilroy, CA 95020. Checks may be made payable to the "National Organization, ASUVCW".

If you do not care to participate in the official fundraiser but would still like to support our projects, we will gladly accept donations directly.

Thank you to all how have thus far so generously supported my efforts!



In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
Rachelle M. Campbell, PDP  
National Patriotic Instructor



# National Patriotic Instructor Fundraiser

Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

## Item No. 1 American Flag Afghan



This beautiful hand-crocheted afghan is 60" by 40" in size. Each of the flag's 34 stars was meticulously hand-sewn and woven onto the field of blue. The design represents the Stars and Stripes as it would have appeared during the first two years of the Civil War, from 1861-1862. The only U.S. President to serve under this flag was Abraham Lincoln.



Detail showing the quality crochet work.

The drawing for the flag will take place during the 2012 National Encampment in Los Angeles on August 11th. *One need not be present to win!*

**1 Ticket for \$5.00 Donation**  
*OR*

**5 Tickets for \$20.00 Donation**

- Please mail completed tickets and donations to the address below by July 31, 2012.
- Additional tickets will be available at the Encampment!

**Rachelle M. Campbell, PDP • 9110 Avezan Way • Gilroy, CA 95020**



# National Patriotic Instructor Fundraiser

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## Item No. 2 Large Eagle Mat



This unique hand-sewn felt mat measures 13.5" by 13.5" and can be used as wall art or table decoration and will certainly be a conversation piece. The traditional image of Americana features the American Eagle with a shield and grasping an olive branch and arrows in its talons.

The drawing for the mat will take place during the 2012 National Encampment in Los Angeles on August 11th. *One need not be present to win!*

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Detail showing quality hand stitching

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# National Patriotic Instructor Fundraiser

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## Item No. 3 Ladies Straw Bonnet



This traditional Civil War style ladies bonnet is hand-made from fine quality straw, then hand-dyed in black. It features a natural straw color rim and an attractive ribbon for securing the hat and would be an excellent addition to any period wardrobe.



The drawing for the bonnet will take place during the 2012 National Encampment in Los Angeles on August 11th. *One need not be present to win!*

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**Please send completed tickets & donations to:**  
**Rachelle M. Campbell, PDP**  
**9110 Avezan Way, Gilroy, CA 95020**

**Deadline for mail-in tickets is July 31, 2012**

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National Encampment in Los Angeles

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## Encampment Hotel



### Los Angeles Airport Marriott

5855 West Century Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 90045

Toll-free: 1-800-228-9290

- Special Room Rate of \$99 (plus tax)
- Reduced Self-Parking Fee of \$10 per day (plus tax - *regularly* \$27.50)
- Complimentary shuttle to and from LAX Airport  
Use Group Code "suvsuva" or tell them you are with the  
"Allied Orders of the G.A.R."

The room rate of \$99.00 is good from August 3 through August 17 for those wishing to "come early and/or stay late" to enjoy more of the sights and activities available in Southern California during the summer.



## Remembrance Day 2011

Anne Jaster, National President



Remembrance Day, November 19, 2011 in Gettysburg, PA was cold and crisp, as each Allied Officer laid a wreath at the Woolsen Monument. President Lincoln was there, and gave his famous Gettysburg Address. A representative from the Gettysburg National Military Park was there to accept our check, and to thank us for our efforts and continued support. The parade kicked off at 1:00 pm, and it was once again awe inspiring to see so many turn out. We even had three Anne's marching in a row: Anne Michaels, National Chief of Staff, Ann McMillin, PA Department President, and myself! In the evening at 6:30 pm, it was time for the Annual Past Commanders and Past President's Dinner. Turkey with all the dressings was served. Afterwards, it was time for the National Civil War Ball. Commander Palmer and his wife Kim led the Grand March, and Dave and I were next. The Victorian Dance Ensemble led the dances, music was provided by the Philadelphia Brigade Band. There was the annual cake walk, and many door prizes. A special "Thank you" to Bud and Margaret Atkinson for handling the preparations and all that the Ball entails. They announced that this year's Ball would be their last. We will sorely miss them!

## Remembrance Day in New Hampshire



A Remembrance Day program was held at NH Historical Society (NOT a state owned facility), in Concord, NH on November 12, 2011. The program was sponsored by Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Auxiliary to SUVCW, with a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. It was free and open to the public. Steve Wood was the Lincoln impersonator, and the 12th NH SVR acted as Color Guard. Lunch was enjoyed by all following the program.





## Lincoln Day Ceremony at the Lincoln Monument, Washington, D.C.

**Commander in Chief Don Palmer and National Auxiliary President Anne Jaster**



Chartering Ceremony for Auxiliary #503, Department of Pennsylvania  
*Welcome Sisters!*



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Sisters of the Louisa Volker Aux 215 and the St. James Aux 326 at Ironton, MO Courthouse demonstrated Civil War activities during the A.V. Music Festival in October 2011.



Officers of the Dept of California and Pacific at Ft. Mervyn, CA (Monterey) 2nd Department Sesquicentennial Event in September 2011.



**You're an Angel to Me!**

You're always finding reasons to make someone feel a part  
Of all the love and gentleness you carry in your heart...  
And, like a special angel,  
you do such caring things  
That you deserve to have your very own angel wings!

