

AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

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**LET OUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN THAT THEY WILL SEE
"THEIR" GOOD WORKS.**

It was an honor to be elected National President at our recent National Encampment in Louisville, Kentucky. My lineage is based on the military service of my paternal great-grandfather Private Peter Roderick Greenwalt, who fought with the 10th West Virginia Volunteers, Company I. He was wounded four times during the war and was at Appomattox Court House in the "Long Blue Line" as our Confederate brothers laid down their rifles in surrender.

I have been a member of Alliance Auxiliary #91, Department of Ohio, for over 40 years. It is my hope that I can bring to this office many of the attributes found in previous leaders of our Organization. I was privileged to grow up and be trained by two of the best. Anita Selby, PNP was the last National President from Ohio (1963-1964) and Edith Nile, PNP (1944-1945) was the only other National President from my home Auxiliary #91 in Alliance, Ohio. Both of these ladies served in trying times for our nation. Anita presided during the year John F. Kennedy was assassinated and Edith did not even know if she was going to have her National Encampment due to the final days of World War II. I realize that these are also difficult times for the United States, but that said, I still fully intend to continue in their spirit and pick up their "pet projects."



Sister Edith was a worker for the GAR and then after the Comrades had all gone to the "Great Campfire," she worked even harder for our Veterans. As I stated at installation, this year will be dedicated to our Veterans, past, present and future, and what we can do to make their lives a bit more comfortable. With this in mind, Sister Amy Miller, PDP OH, will be serving as Charitable Activities Chairlady this year. Her committee will be Barbara Day, AP MD-DE, and Barbara Indan, DP PA. They will be working towards getting a listing of ideas on activities the various Auxiliaries/

National President Nancy Hilton with her mother Jane Graham, DP OH, MAL Coordinator, pinning on her National President's badge during Installation.

Departments can do that may even cost little to no monies, to provide comfort to someone in need.

Sister Anita worked towards an improvement in membership. Yes, even in the 1960's at the time of the Civil War Centennial, membership and retaining members was a concern. This quote is taken directly from her report given at her National Encampment: "With world conditions as they are today, it behooves each of us to re-evaluate our efforts to carry on the principals and objects of our parent organization. If we fail in our vigilance, we shall assuredly discard our immortal heritage of freedom... May we do our part to build a strong America and patriotic mind that will lead to the "Faith of our Fathers" and our way of life that is for the good things in life with malice toward none and charity for all." Times and situations have changed, but we still have the same wonderful heritage to share. Our lives have gotten "busy" with things; the important lessons we know are what should become paramount. It has almost been 150 years since the United States was torn apart by differences of opinion. We have the opportunity in the bonds of Sisterhood to tell others of the Grand Army of the Republic and what they stood for. Knowing that, I have asked our National Vice President, Virginia Twist, to pick up a combined effort this year. She will not only be serving as Membership Chairlady, but also as Recruiter of New Auxiliaries. She will not be working this project single-handedly as we have done in the past, but rather I have appointed her Deputies to assist her. Her Deputies are Linda Murray, PDP NH; Hope Parker, NY; Janice Harding, PNP MD-DE; Danielle Michaels, PNP WI; and Rachelle Campbell, DP CA-PAC. These Sisters love this Organization and want it to grow and prosper. I look forward to seeing what they can do this year in adding to our list of "active" Auxiliaries.

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I know that there have been some changes, but with progress change must come. As I told the National Officers at breakfast in Louisville, we must work together for the good of the Order. I asked them at that time, that if they had any concerns to address them to me. I am a good listener. That does not always mean that either of us will get our own way, but compromise is good. I have never been good at "treading water" and sometimes we have to "dive" in for the best interests of everyone concerned.

APPRECIATION

The National Auxiliary thanks the 2008-2009 National Aides, National Chief of Staff Helen Geppi and National Patriotic Instructor Virginia Twist for their efforts and tremendous success in raising funds for our Organization. They are now relieved of their duties.

NATIONAL OFFICERS 2009-2010



National Officers - standing from left: President Nancy Greenwalt Hilton, Vice President Virginia Twist, Council #1 Janice Harding, Council #2 Anne Michaels, Council #3 Viola Loder-Smithcoors, Patriotic Instructor Anne Jaster, Chaplain Linda Kronberg, Press Correspondent Rachelle Campbell, Membership at Large Coordinator Jane Graham, Washington DC Representative Carol LaRue, Co-Counselor Richard Greenwalt PCinC SUV CW, Personal Aide Diane Mellor

RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT THE 123rd NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

From the notes of the National Secretary:

From Report of the National President

- That we continue to participate in patriotic ceremonies and wreath presentations.
- That we continue to give the annual scholarship of \$400 and that the recipient be chosen by the National President.
- That we continue to give the National Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War our Love Token of \$250.
- That the per capita tax of \$1.00 per member per tri-annual period remain the same for the coming year.
- That a committee be formed to investigate the cost of replacing our National Auxiliary Flag.

From the Report of the National Treasurer

- Whereas every registered member of the National Encampment is entitled to a copy of that year's proceeding, that the cost of registration be raised from \$7.00 to \$10.00.

From the Report of the Constitution, Rules and Regulations Committee **REGULATIONS**

- **Chapter I, Subordinate Auxiliaries, Article I, Formation and Disbandment, Section 6:**
Change to read: No charter shall be surrendered by an Auxiliary as long as five (5) members thereof in good standing desire its continuance.
- **Chapter I, Subordinate Auxiliaries, Article IV, Honorable Discharge Section 6:**
Change to read: Upon written application and the return of her badge, if provided by the Auxiliary, a member in good standing shall receive an Honorable Discharge. Such member may again join the Order upon regular application.
- **Chapter I, Subordinate Auxiliaries, Article VI, Finances, Section 6:**
Change to read: The funds of a disbanded Auxiliary shall be turned over to the Department and where there is no Department funds shall be turned over to National.
- **Chapter I, Subordinate Auxiliaries, Article IX, Duties of Officers, Section 4:**
Change to read: "...she shall send with the April 30 Tri-Annual Report each year, a list of names..."
- **Chapter II, Departments, Article IV, Duties of Officers, Section 5:**
Change to read: "...she shall prepare and forward all Tri-Annual Reports required by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations and make a consolidated financial report for the Department Encampment."
- **Chapter III, National Organization, Article II, Membership, Section 1:**
Remove: "...however, a Provisional Auxiliary shall not have an additional Delegate until it has become a fully established Auxiliary..."
- **Chapter III, National Organization, Article IV, Section 2:**
Change to read: "A candidate for the office of National President or National Vice President must be a descendant with lineage or the wife of a Son with lineage, a Past President of her Department, and have been National Patriotic Instructor, National Chief of Staff or National Treasurer for a 5-year term to qualify for that office."
- **Chapter IV, General Regulations, Article VI-A, Restoration of Rank:**
Retain this section with clarification.
- That another printing of the CR&R be made.
- That the CR&R be made available from the National Secretary and sent as an attachment through email.

From the Report of the Web Site Committee

- That we continue our contract with Kompuder.com as our web service provider.
- That we continue to post the General Orders on our web page.
- Suggestion that every Department be encouraged to build a web page this year.

Other Recommendations

- That one page in the proceedings with photograph be dedicated in memory of Past National President Florence Spring.
- That the Coupon Committee Chair be reimbursed for postage incurred.
- That the "Instructions for a Small Meeting," a one-page guide designed by the Ritual Committee to be used with the ritual, be included in all new Auxiliary packets and a copy be included with General Order #1.
- That PNP Barbara Mayberry be reimbursed for her costs associated with the Girl Scout awards.
- That a fresh wreath be purchased each year for Lincoln Death Day and the National President will be responsible for purchasing the wreath.
- That a payment plan be developed for Life Membership.

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION

Election of Auxiliary Officers is to be held in October, followed by installation in November. All Auxiliaries please comply and forward the completed Installation Report Form to your Department Secretary.

SCHOLARSHIP

The National Auxiliary gives a scholarship each year to a deserving student enrolled in or accepted to a college. Anyone interested in this scholarship should contact National President Nancy Hilton.

MESSAGE FROM COUPON COORDINATOR

Greetings members of the Order. I am happy again to be asked at the National Encampment in Kentucky to be Coupon Coordinator for our organization. For those who were not at the National Encampment I want to give you a great big thank you for making this a great success last year. The

coupons collected last year totaled 21,632, the value of them being \$26,662.65. I ask that when sending your coupons in if you can separate them into two groups, Food and Nonfood. Indicate the total count of Food and the total value, and then the same is needed for Nonfood. If you paper clip them together with a piece of paper wrapped around them to keep them separate or in separate small envelopes that will be a great help. When you are mailing your coupons to me in May, I can accept April, May, June, July, etc. of the current year. My address for mailing is: Viola Loder-Smithcors, PDP NJ, 352 Rt. 40, Elmer, NJ 08318, (856) 364-7108, email: Cladeklas@comcast.net. I give you all of this so if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Again, I want to thank all of you who have been helpful in making this project a success. Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Viola Loder-Smithcors, PDP NJ, National Coupon Coordinator



INITIATION

Two new members were initiated during the Exemplification of the Ritual at the 2009 National Encampment in Louisville, KY. From left: Helen Granger, MI; NP Jan Harding pinning on membership badges; and Judy Hritsko, OH.

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE

Sisters the time has come again to gather in Gettysburg to remember the men who fought to preserve our nation. Please come and join Sisters from all over the country in the "Great Remembrance Day Parade." Please bring your banners and Flags of your units. If you do not have unit flags, bring our American Standard and carry it proudly along the route. It is an honor to have been selected to head this committee founded by the MD/DE Department almost 10 years ago.

Other things happening to be aware of is the dedication of a new monument at the new museum center. It is being donated by the artist, yet a secret. Lincoln will now stand proudly at the entrance of the museum. The dedication is on November 19th, the day of his famous speech. Also, on Friday night is an illumination of all graves in the National Cemetery. So, I am looking forward to marching with our Sisters and attending these events mentioned above.

Jan Harding PNP, Chair

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. 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.

Recent additions to the Honor Roll

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>From</u>
Elizabeth Mellor	Willie Grout Aux #25 MA VT Dept.
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Christine Parks	VT Dept.
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<u>In Honor of</u>	
Merlin & Alice Doyle, 60th Anniv.	Teresa Doyle, PDP VT

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

As the new National Vice President I would like to take this time to remind everyone to encourage a friend to join us. Get one of the new brochures and put up on any bulletin board that will let you do so, example: laundromats, grocery stores, Church. Let me know what I can do to help.

Now I would like to step back into my old job as National Patriotic Instructor and thank you for making my year a very good one. With your help I was able to turn in a very good sum of money for our group.

Virginia Twist, National Vice President

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN MESSAGE

I feel very honored as the newly elected National Chaplain. To Department Chaplains, Auxiliary Chaplains and all Auxiliary Sisters, please let me know if any Sisters or Brothers are having any surgeries, illnesses, deceased, memoriam, thinking of you, having a baby, or birthdays over 70 years old.

To all Sisters and Brothers, the Chaplain's job is not only sadness but also full of life. Please contact me for the occasion and I will pass the word on. If it is a death, please make sure I have their full name, date of death, Auxiliary number and Department. Send to: Linda Kronberg, DP National Chaplain, 6885 Plantation Dr., Tecumseh, MI 49286, (517) 423-3439, email: michigancivilwar@yahoo.com.

SARAH EMMA SEELYE AUXILIARY# 1 OF TEXAS

The Auxiliary held an Old Fashioned Lemonade Social on Saturday, July 18, 2009 at the Hitchcock Public Library in Hitchcock, TX. The event was sponsored by Director Joyce Kleimann and assisted by Library Technician Sandra Goodson of the Genevieve Miller Hitchcock Public Library. The event promoted our Civil War Heritage and patriotism with speakers and a Living History campsite on the grounds by the 19th Living History Association, First Texas Infantry.

Dale Leach, member of the Edward Lea Camp #2 SUVCW, spoke on his moving experience as a re-enactor at the 145th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg in 2008, entitled "A Road Twice Marched." Larry Johnson of the 15th Texas

Infantry presented "A Civil War Soldier." Auxiliary Secretary Jana Marsh read her ancestor's poetry and presented "Women's Roles in the Civil War." Auxiliary President Vali Reyes read her ancestor, Pvt. John E. Davis's "Letters from the Front."

A Manual of Arms was presented by the 19th Living History Association, First Texas Infantry.

Period music was provided by violinist Hallie Reeves. The Sisters of the Auxiliary and Carole Leach served lemonade and homemade cookies. Carole was assisted by her beautiful granddaughter, Miss Charlotte Leach - an expert cookie taster! Auxiliary Treasurer Norma Pollard made delicious red, white and blue sugar cookies, which were a big hit! The children had great fun taking part in a Civil War coloring contest and trying their hand at playing the violin! After the presentation, guests went out onto the grounds to view the firing of Arms and walked through the Living History encampment to see how a Civil War soldier lived.



Pictured, from left to right: Dale Leach SUVCW, Charlotte Leach, Carole Leach, President Vali Reyes, Secretary Jana Marsh, Betty Sue Hampton, Sam Hampton JVC SUVCW, Violinist Hallie Reeves

MESSAGE FROM HISTORIAN

I am pleased that at the National Encampment held in August at Kentucky you had confidence in me to re-elect me as National Historian.

My main goal this year is to ask each Auxiliary and each Department to get more involved by having a Historian, also. I have a lot of information of members whose names and offices that I have copied from past proceedings as far back as our Organization's beginning. I feel these Sisters' names should be recorded at the Auxiliary and State level, also. I realize there are Auxiliaries and Departments of past years that have been disbanded; but the present ones still active should have a history of the Sisters who came before us.

The office of National Historian is a huge undertaking and I will appreciate help from Auxiliary and Department Historians to preserve those Sisters' histories. Mary Fritz has volunteered to do Illinois (disbanded) and Indiana (disbanded). I look forward to hearing from more Sisters as Historians.

In F., C., & L., PNP Beatrice Terry Greenwalt, National Historian, Verona Village Apt. B-10, 2276 County Road No. 139, Ovid, NY 14521, (607) 403-4119, cell (607) 531-7437

CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

This committee will now have available the addresses where you can send the soda/pop tabs, canceled postage stamps and used greeting cards. One of these provides service dogs and another helps to pay for kidney dialysis. Sisters, these are all things you would otherwise throw in the trash, and your garbage may make a difference in the life of someone else. As stated before, the committee will be working towards getting a listing of ideas on activities the various Auxiliaries/Departments can do.

St. Jude's accepts the fronts of used all occasion greeting cards by mail from mid-November through February each year. You can mail them directly to St. Jude's Ranch for Children - Card Recycling Program, 100 St. Jude's Street, Boulder City, NV 89005.

VETERANS GREETINGS

It is my hope that we can shower our Veterans with Holiday Greetings this year from the members of the Auxiliary. What we do for this project is, everyone goes through and gathers up any holiday cards they have not used from previous years and donates them, and yes, some of us do purchase new cards for this project. We come together after a meeting or at another time and sit and write a brief message. A quick "thank you" or any message you might wish to add. We then sign them. We do not use any names, but rather, for example: *Alliance Auxiliary #91, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*. We then place the card in the envelope and seal it. We address NO envelopes, but rather put them in one large envelope and drop them off or mail them directly to the Veterans hospital, usually to the attention of the Chaplain. If you do not have a Veterans' facility close by, please let me know and we will help you find one. This is not time consuming, but means so much to others. Jus a note....please make sure you list this on your Charitable Activities Form that will be compiled and read at next year's National Encampment in Kansas.

MESSAGE FROM PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

At the National Encampment in Louisville, Kentucky, I was elected National Patriotic Instructor. I thank you for the honor and privilege to serve each of you this year. If you wish to send a donation to the Patriotic Instructor's Fund, please make checks out to the **National Org. ASUVCW**, and mail to me. Should you wish to contact me for any reason, the information is: Anne Jaster, 117 W. Emmaus Street, Middletown, PA 17057, (717) 930-0406, email: ali2@psu.edu.

Please remember to fly your flags on USA Patriotic Holidays. The following ones are for the rest of this year:

Columbus Day - October 12

Election Day - Tuesday following the 1st Monday of November

Veterans Day - November 11

Thanksgiving Day - November 26

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day - December 7

Bill of Rights Day - December 15

Remembrance Day is November 21st. I will be having a table at the Eisenhower Conference Center on both Friday, November 20th, and Saturday, November 21st. There will be 50/50 raffle, raffles for Civil War related items, and lovely things to purchase. If anyone should wish to donate something to the Patriotic Instructor's Table, I would be delighted to accept your item. Please come and see me Remembrance Day weekend!

Perhaps during our busy holidays we could send a word of greeting to our Service Men and Women at Christmas time.

I saw something on a truck today, "Land of the Free because of the Brave." Let's keep all Veterans in our hearts and prayers!

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT 2010

The 124th National Encampment will be held August 12-15, 2010 in Overland Park, Kansas. More details will follow in the next General Order.

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF OF STAFF

Department Presidents, please appoint National Aides, usually these are current Auxiliary Presidents. I am requesting that each Department, Auxiliary and individual member consider making a donation in the coming year to the National Chief of Staff Fund. Your support is very much appreciated. Thank you and best wishes for a wonderful year! Linda Murray, National Chief of Staff, 40 Lake Road, Brentwood, NH 03833-6206, (603) 347-1723, email: chief-of-staff@asucwv.org

DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS

Department Presidents and Auxiliary at Large Presidents are hereby requested to send to the National President a copy of your most current By-Laws by October 31. It is very difficult for any presiding officer to make just rulings when a question arises, without the proper documents to support those decisions. These documents will be kept on file and passed down to future National Presidents and when new By-Laws are submitted for signature, the filed copy can be replaced to reflect the changes made at that time. This will only be necessary one time. Thank you in advance to each of you for complying with this request.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Please make plans now to come and join us November 21, 2009 as we celebrate Remembrance Day. Chairlady PNP Janice Harding and her committee will be in charge of the line of march for the annual parade. She and I are both looking for a large turnout of Auxiliary Sisters to join us as we commemorate the anniversary of the Gettysburg Address. Banquet and ball tickets can be secured online by using the Sons' official website. Headquarters for that weekend will be the Eisenhower Conference Center.

SICK AND SHUT-IN

Please remember:

PNP Eileen Coombs, National Co-Counselor, 3070 W. Shore Rd. #B-4, Warwick, RI 02886, (401) 739-7559, as she prepares to undergo further surgery on her knee and leg.

PDP Linda Fields, 19 Sperry Dr., Henrietta, NY 14467 is battling a virus attacking her immune system.

PDP Carol LaRue, 7891 N. Cartier Ct., Severn, MD 21144, is facing some physical difficulties.

BEREAVEMENT

The heartfelt sympathy of the National Organization is extended to:

Family of PNP Florence Spring, Auxiliary #2, NJ, 707 2nd St. Ext., Hamburg, PA 19526.

PNP LGAR Janice Corfman, 9057 SR 83, Holmesville, OH 44633 on the loss of her husband PCinC Charles Corfman.

Valencia Reyes, AP TX, 5111 Chase Park Gate, Bacliff, TX 77518, on the loss of her mother.

David V. Medert PCinC SUVCW, 72 Limestone Blvd., Chillicothe, OH 45601, on the loss of his mother-in-law.

Family of Sarah Burdge, Auxiliary #4, WI

To all of you who have lost friends and loved ones, may you feel God's presence around you and find comfort in the knowledge that others are keeping you in their thoughts and prayers.

ALLIED ORDERS

Leo F. Kennedy, Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Betty Ann Howard Turner, National President, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War

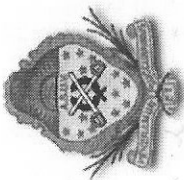
Marcia Butgereit, National President, Woman's Relief Corps

Barbara Knopke, National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

To those who have been elected by their various organizations, go my

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congratulations and heartfelt wishes for safe traveling, good health, and the best for your respective organizations. I look forward to meeting with you and working together in honor of the "Boys in Blue."

In closing, I would like to remind you that although some of us are chosen to lead for a year, nothing can be accomplished without the support of all. Sisterhood is not always an easy relationship, but if we continue to keep our focus on the true reason our Organization was founded, I am sure much can be accomplished this year.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

Nancy Greenwalt Hilton
National President, ASUVCW

Attest: Judy Morgan
National Secretary