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FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT —

“Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.” - Helen Keller

Greetings Sisters – I’m hoping that the Encampments are going well and everyone is accomplishing their goals. I have had great experiences at the events I have attended so far, and am looking forward to all the events that are still ahead.

Please note - I have discovered that there is not a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facility in Springfield, Illinois as I had hoped. So instead of collecting items for the National Encampment I am asking all of you to collect and distribute needed items to your own local VA facilities. Please include a short summary of what was collected and distributed in your Department President's report to be presented at the National Encampment. It’s always interesting and encouraging to others to hear what all the other Departments have done during the year!

As a reminder, please be sure to get your Department forms completed and sent to the appropriate national officer(s) as soon as your Encampment is complete. It really does take some time for the national officers to compile all that information and have it ready to present. The sooner it is received, the sooner the national reports can be completed!

Another reminder: I am planning to have a “workshop” at the National Encampment on Thursday evening, August 11th (time to be announced), which will include topics such as recruiting, fundraising, and other interests. Please plan to attend if at all possible.



In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Linda M. Kronberg, ASUVCW National President

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Charity

Hello Sisters — My name is Vicki Weiss, and I was appointed by National President Linda as the head of the National Charitable Activities Committee.

Please send me your Charitable Activities Report (Form A10 or D10) by July 9, 2016, so I can have totals in time for the National Encampment.

You can mail them to: **Vicki Weiss, 1420 Gerry Drive, Jackson, MI 49202**

I look forward to meeting everyone in Springfield, as this will be my first National Encampment. Have a wonderful spring and summer

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Vicki Weiss, Chair, National Charitable Activities Committee

Philadelphia Auxiliary Celebrates Quasquicentennial



Neshaminy Reenactment 2015

Sisters raised \$444.15 to help finance care boxes for soldiers.
Back, L-R: Theresa McPhillips, Barbara Indan & Ellen Higgins.
Front, L-R: Janice Showler & Peggy McPhillips.

Anna M. Ross Auxiliary No. 1 celebrated its status as the longest continuously meeting Auxiliary on October 14, 2015 with a 125th year commemorative booklet from which the picture at left is excerpted. Even when Camp No. 1 disbanded for fifteen years, the Auxiliary continued to meet. Each of its forty-five members received a printed copy of the booklet, a commemorative ribbon, and a compact disk with the contents of the booklet included. The commemorative booklet includes a history of the auxiliary as well as biographical portraits of its 45 members.

If you would like an electronic copy of the booklet, simply send an e-mail request to secretary Janice Showler at upenn92@verizon.net. She will be happy to send you an electronic copy of the booklet.

Life Memberships

Rebekah Thomas — Ivy Stiers Auxiliary No. 23, Dept. of California & Pacific



Consider a Life Membership for yourself or someone else!

After making a one-time payment, a Sister may become a Life Member. She will remain a member of her local Auxiliary and may provide any additional support she deems fit, but will never be subject to per capita dues again. The cost for Life Membership is as follows:

Under Age 50 = \$350.00

Age 50 – 64 = \$250.00

Age 65 – 89 = \$200.00

Age 90 and above = FREE

Information and the Life Membership Application Form may be found on the national website or may be obtained from National Treasurer Mary Flynn, 174 Maple Street, Methuen, MA 01844.

FROM THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

It's hard to believe how quickly time flies by. It will soon be time for us to join together at our National Encampment. As your Department Encampments are taking place, please consider making a donation to your National fundraisers. The funds raised are vital to our organization. If you have already sent a check to our National Treasurer earmarked for either the Chief of Staff or Patriotic Instructor, I thank you. Your support for our organization is a true blessing.

Last year's Great Basket Challenge was such a wonderful success that I am asking each Department to participate in the 2nd Great Basket Challenge at the National Encampment. Here is how it will work: I am asking each department to fill a basket with all sorts of goodies of their choosing. Be Creative, use a theme, or highlight special products from your home state! These baskets will then be raffled off. But, the fun doesn't stop here! The Department basket that sells the most tickets will be awarded a superb prize to take home to their Department! For those wishing to participate there will also be a second category for baskets put together and donated by individual Auxiliaries and Auxiliaries-at-Large. Tickets will be offered for a donation of \$1.00 each, or six tickets for \$5.00. I will provide the tickets and bags. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Wanda Langdon, PAP
National Chief of Staff, ASUVCW

Trea\$urer Time

As the Treasurer of the National Organization, I am obligated to remind each Auxiliary to complete and mail their Annual Department Treasurer's Report (D04) or Annual Auxiliary Treasurer's Report (A04) once a year to the proper authority. If you have not done so already, these reports can be found on our National Website or by calling me directly and I will ensure you have the forms needed. The following directions are included for informational purposes at the back of each form:

ANNUAL AUX. TREASURER'S REPORT

THIS FORM IS AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT ON YOUR AUXILIARY FINANCES AND FILLING OF YOUR REQUIRED IRS PAPERWORK. THE AUXILIARY MUST SUBMIT TWO (2) COPIES OF FORM A04 TO THE DEPARTMENT TREASURER WITH ALL SUPPORTING PAPERWORK (LAST STATEMENT FROM YOUR BANK AND YOUR APPROVED 990-N FILLING FROM THE IRS).

ANNUAL DEPARTMENT TREASURER'S REPORT

THIS FORM IS AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE NATIONAL ON YOUR DEPARTMENT FINANCES AND FILLING OF YOUR REQUIRED IRS PAPERWORK. THE DEPARTMENT MUST SUBMIT ONE (1) COPY OF FORM D04 TO THE NATIONAL TREASURER WITH ALL SUPPORTING PAPERWORK (LAST STATEMENT FROM YOUR BANK AND YOUR APPROVED 990-N FILLING FROM THE IRS). THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD RETAIN A COPY. THIS SHOULD INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR LAST BANK STATEMENT AND 990-N FILLING FROM THE IRS.

The due dates for the Departments and Auxiliary at Large reports to me, the National Treasurer, is May 15th (as of the time of this due date has expired). If you are a Treasurer of an Auxiliary kindly follow-up to see that your Department is not negligent. At this point no fines are in place as we assume all of Auxiliaries understand their duties. Any questions please contact me at 1-978-208-0543.

Thank you all for your serious attention to this notice.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Mary Flynn, National Treasurer



Soldiers Need a Break You Can Help!

For as long as we can remember sisters, mothers, daughters, friends and wives have been compelled to help a person in need. And so we did.

At the 116th Encampment of the Department of California/Pacific an empty tote bag was swiftly passed around to collect donations for the **Cup of Joe Project**.

This project sponsored by Green Beans Coffee makes it possible for you to give your enlisted men and women a much needed break from the demands of military service so they may enjoy a café beverage or snack in a pleasant environment. See their website to learn more about this remarkable project.

<http://www.greenbeanscoffee.com/pages/cup-of-joe>

The Ivy Stiers Auxiliary No. 23, under the leadership of PAP Tanya Gjerman began collecting small donations in 2015 (just as you might do after an Auxiliary luncheon where everyone has rounded up and there is a little money left over after the tip and tax, or when a donation jar has been left on the table for contributions at a meeting, etc).

We found that donating to the **Cup of Joe Project** was such a simple and rewarding way to offer a gift of thanks to a present day soldier that we wanted to share it with our ASUVCW sisters across the nation.

Once you have your collection of money – big or small it is so easy to go to the website above and follow the instructions. Every \$2 donation to the **Cup of Joe Project** then delivers your letter and a fresh cup of coffee to a Service Member.

Here is the letter we sent with our March 2016 donation and a couple of the soldier's replies below. More are coming in every day!

Dear Veteran —

Please accept this small token of our appreciation and know that we are remembering and honoring you as you serve our country. We salute you as the sisters, mothers, daughters and fellow citizens of these United States.

*In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty
from the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War,
Department of California/Pacific - 2016 Encampment*

Replies from the Cup of Joe Project and from Soldiers:

- Your message and gift of a CUP OF JOE was delivered to a Service Member serving at BPC Mall in Qatar.

Thank you for the cup of coffee! It's great to know that people back home are thinking about us. You made my day better. God bless, Wade

- Your message and gift of a CUP OF JOE was delivered to a Service Member serving at Camp Arifjan Zone 1 in Kuwait.

Thank you so much. Our sacrifices are not being taken for granted.

Amazing what a cup of coffee and a little good will can do for the spirit!

In F C & L,
Elaine Christian, President
Ivy Stiers Auxiliary No. 23



Recognizing Patriotism



**Robyn Hentschel is presented with her certificate
by Patriotic Instructor Debra Downey**

The Frances Finch Auxiliary No. 9, Department of Michigan recently awarded a special certificate to Miss Robyn Hentschel for “extraordinary acts of Patriotism and demonstration of love of country” in asking for her class to say the Pledge of Allegiance at East Middle School in Traverse City, Michigan.

When Robyn started 6th grade, she felt that something was missing. She realized that it was because in elementary school they said the Pledge of Allegiance and now in middle school they did not. She asked her teacher if they had a flag and if they could say the Pledge. That one little question snowballed into the whole school saying the Pledge of Allegiance every day. It is a great example of how “Great acts are made up of small deeds” (Lao Tzu) or “Little deeds are like little seeds, they grow to flowers or to weeds.” (Daniel D. Palmer).



Auxiliary Scholarship

2016 Scholarship Nominations

The ASUVCW awards one scholarship of \$500.00 each year. Applicants interested in this scholarship are asked to submit a letter detailing why they are interested in and deserving of this award. Applicants should also state what school they plan to attend and what subject they will be studying. Applications will be accepted from January 1 to June 30 and should be submitted directly to the National President.

The Scholarship Application (Form A16) is available on the national website.

Exciting New Item from the Supply Officer!



New Item
Auxiliary Tote Bag
 15"W x 13"H x 4"D
 zippered main compartment
 adjustable straps
 gusseted side front pockets
 compartments for
 water bottle & cell phone
 also pen loops &
 hanging ring for keys
 8" x 9" inside pocket
 embroidered logo
 \$25.00 + \$7.50 shipping
 Check payable to:
 ASUVCW National Organization
 Mail to:
 Cher Petrovic
 National Supply Officer
 6519 Cherokee Lane
 Cedar Hill, MO 63016

For additional supplies, visit:

<http://asuvcw.org/images/pdf/SupplyListJan2016.pdf>

National Encampment

Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic

Springfield, Illinois — August 11-14, 2016

President Abraham Lincoln Hilton Hotel Hilton Hotels National Reservation number is 866-788-1860.

Our National Encampment will take place at President Abraham Lincoln Springfield, a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, in the heart of historic downtown, within walking distance of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum and Library, Lincoln Home National Historic Site, Herndon Law office, the Old State Capitol, and more.

This hotel is connected to the Prairie Capital Convention Center and situated just a few blocks from St. John's Hospital and Memorial Medical Center. Hotel guests ride the complimentary shuttle to and from nearby AMTRAK and the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

All of the guest rooms at this hotel feature a flat-screen TV, premium bedding, and complimentary WiFi access. Hotel amenities include 24-hour business center, 24-hour fitness center, and an indoor pool. Restaurants on the premises include Lindsay's Restaurant, with a daily buffet breakfast, and the Globe Tavern sports bar.

Rooms for Members of the Allied Orders are available at \$106 per night for three days prior and three days following the Encampment. Reservation deadline for a guaranteed room is July 20th, 2016.

The 2016 National Encampment will include a Campfire event on Friday, August 12th, and the Allied Orders Banquet on August 13th. In addition, there will be a souvenir commemorative medal, program book and "goodie bag" for each attendee.

2016 National Encampment Allied Orders Banquet Order Form

Name: _____

Street: _____

City, State Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Organization: _____

Reserve ___ chicken entrée @ 35.00 each.
 Reserve ___ pork entrée @ 35.00 each.
 Reserve ___ fish entrée @ 35.00 each.

Total enclosed: \$_____

Please list any dietary restrictions here: _____

Mail this form plus check payable to **Dept. of Illinois, SUVCW** to:
 2016 Allied Orders Banquet
 c/o Paul T. Zeien Jr.
 10828 Caledonia Road
 Belvidere, IL 61008

Reservations must be received prior to 1 August 2016



2016 ASUVCW National Encampment Pre-Registration Form

NAME: _____

STREET: _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

DEPARTMENT: _____

AUXILIARY NAME & NUMBER: _____

I will be attending the National Encampment as a (*select only one*):

- Delegate
- Alternate
- 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 (no cash) for **\$10.00** made out to “National Organization, ASUVCW” and mail to:

Tricia Bures, National Secretary
11526 Bona Vista Ct SW, Olympia, WA 98512-9009

Important Reminder: 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.***

Pre-registration deadline is July 31, 2016

ENCAMPMENT TOURS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11TH, 2016

TOUR 1. WALKING TOUR OF LINCOLN SITES WITH GENERAL GRANT \$50 per person

General Grant himself will lead a tour of Abraham Lincoln related historic sites. Tour will include the Abraham Lincoln Library, the Lincoln home and the Illinois Old State Capitol where both Lincoln and Grant worked. General Grant will also give his reflections on his Commander-in-Chief and President. Lunch is included. (For those requiring transportation, please let us know in advance, so that it can be arranged.)

Tour will run from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

TOUR 2. MOTORCOACH TOUR OF ILLINOIS HISTORIC SITES \$25 per person

First stop will be the Lincoln Tomb, followed by G.A.R. founder Dr. Stephenson's Tomb in Petersburg, where we will hold a short ceremony to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the G.A.R., and finally, a stop at New Salem, before returning to Springfield. Lunch is included.

Tour will run from 12:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Please reserve _____ places for the TOUR 1. Walking Tour of Lincoln Sites at \$50.00 per person.

Please reserve _____ seats on the TOUR 2. Motorcoach Tour of Illinois Historic Sites at \$25.00 per person.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make checks or money orders payable to
Dept. of Illinois, SUVCW
Return this form and payment to
2016 Allied Orders Tour
Bill Johnson c/o Paul T. Zeien, Jr.
10828 Caledonia Drive
Belvidere, IL 61008
or, Pay by Credit Card:

Credit Card Type: (MC, AMEX, VISA) _____

Credit Card Number: _____

Exp. Date: Month: _____ Year: _____

CVV: On back of card: _____ (NOTE: A 3% fee will be added for credit card payments)

Due to the nature of booking tours and catering demands, reservations for all tours and meal events are considered to be final. NO REFUNDS will be issued. The 2016 National Encampment Host Committee does reserve the right to limit or cancel any tour prior to the 2016 Encampment, due to limited booking of reservations. In the event there is a cancellation of any tour, the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on your part.

- Extra Encampment Medal Quantity: _____ x \$25.00 = _____
- Chuck Wright Print Set Signed Quantity: _____ x \$20.00 = _____
- Masonic Luncheon Saturday Midday Quantity: _____ x \$25.00 = _____
- Saturday Night Dinner (chicken, pork or fish) Quantity: _____ x \$35.00 = _____
- Chicken _____ Pork _____ Fish _____
- Walking Tour Thursday August 11th 9a-4p includes lunch Qty _____ x \$50.00 = _____
- Bus Tour Thursday August 11th 12:30-4:00pm includes lunch Qty _____ x \$25.00 = _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Make Checks Payable to:

Department of Illinois or

Credit Card: _____ Exp: _____ CVV: _____

(**3% Fee will be added for credit card payments)

Name: _____ Title: _____ Real Son: _____

Spouse if attending: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Department: _____ Camp: _____ Camp No: _____

Mail order form to:

2016 National Encampment Registrations
Bill Johnson c/o Paul T. Zeien Jr.
10828 Caledonia Road
Belvidere, IL 61008

If you have any questions in regard to this Order please contact:
Paul Zeien Jr., zeien01@gmail.com, 815-298-5866

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE
ENCAMPMENT PROGRAM BOOK

FULL PAGE AD: \$40.00
HALF PAGE AD: \$25.00
¼ PAGE AD: \$15.00

Make checks payable to: Dept. of Illinois, SUVCW

Mail to:
2016 National Encampment Registration
c/o Paul T. Zeien, Jr.
10828 Caledonia Rd.
Belvidere, IL 61008

Credit Card Information: Provide type, number,
expiration and CVV. A 3% fee will be added for credit
card payments.

Encampment Website:
<https://suvcw2016il.wordpress.com/>

2016 National Encampment
SVR Breakfast
Registration Form
Saturday 13 August 2016

Name _____
Street _____
City/State/Zip _____
SVR Unit or Camp _____
Number of seats required _____ X \$13.00 per person
Amount enclosed _____

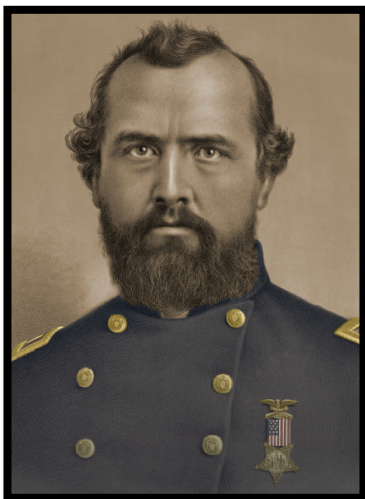
Reservations and Payment MUST be received by 1 August 2016

NO AT THE DOOR SALES

Make Check payable to TAG-SVR

Return this form and payment to
Colonel Donald E. Darby
Adjutant General, SVR
1382 Western Ave.
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

2016 National Encampment
Celebrating the 150th Anniversary
of the founding of the
Grand Army of the Republic!



Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson
Founder of the G.A.R.

2016 National Encampment
Vendor Table - Order Form

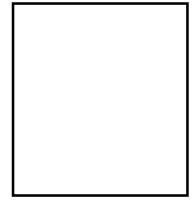
Name _____
Street _____
City, State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____
Email _____
Organization _____

Reserve ____ tables @ 25.00 each. Total enclosed \$ _____
(This \$25.00 fee covers the duration of the encampment.)

Mail this form plus check payable to Dept. of Illinois, SUVCW to:
2016 National Encampment Vendor Tables
c/o Paul T. Zeien Jr.
10828 Caledonia Road
Belvidere, IL 61008

Reservations must be received prior to 1 August, 2016.

**Auxiliary to Sons of Union
Veterans of the Civil War**
9110 Avezan Way
Gilroy, CA 95020-7545



We're on the Web!

www.asuvcw.org

**Also check us
out of Facebook!**

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War can be obtained through eligibility in several ways:

1. Women who are lineal or collateral descendants, of soldiers, sailors or marines regularly mustered and honorably discharged from the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion 1861-1865. Daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, niece, grandniece, etc., & legally adopted daughters qualify.
2. Mothers, wives, widows, daughters & legally adopted daughters of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in good standing. (Not Associates)
3. Associate Memberships: Available to women who do not qualify through heredity, #1 & #2 above, who demonstrate a genuine interest in the Civil War and can subscribe to the purpose and objects of the Auxiliary. An Associate may vote and hold any office except that of National Vice-President and National President. Associates may not exceed one-third of the total membership of the Auxiliary at the time of election.
4. Junior Membership: For young ladies of not less than six (6) years of age.

For a membership application, please visit:

www.asuvcw.org/mem.htm