

# THE AUXILIARY VOICE

# Official Newsletter of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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## FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT -

Thank you for the confidence you have shown in me by electing me to be your National President. During the time I was pondering whether to run for this office, I realized what I was going to use as my theme for this administration. I kept coming back to one paragraph of Lincoln's second inaugural address. I am using only a very small part as my theme but the entire paragraph is most appropriate and applicable to the situation we face in the Auxiliary.

"With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."



#### My theme is "With malice toward none, with charity for all."

We need to read on to grasp what it is we need to do. We need to finish the work we are in to bind up the Auxiliary's wounds. Right now we are a fractured group; one can feel the tension and sense the discord. It is hard to recruit and keep members when that type of atmosphere is so very evident. We are going to implode if we don't restore the harmony.

Because there is a difference of opinion doesn't make someone an enemy. In order to bind up our wounds we need to first, quietly listen to what others are saying and maintain an open mind, and second, understand the communications model. People have filters through which they listen to our words. These filters affect their perception of what we are saying. Their perception becomes their reality. It is what they believe we have said. As listeners, we need to ask questions of the speaker — ask "Are you saying . . . ?" and then wait to hear the response. Clarify in our minds exactly what the speaker is saying.

We need to set aside personal agendas, old hurts, anger, resentment and whatever else we may have internalized. We must first and foremost think of the good of the Order — our principles, objects and projects. If that means ignoring a derogatory comment, then that's what needs to be done. If it means keeping a comment to oneself, then do that. We need to think of others and put them first above our own self-interest. Show our sisterly love for others; think of their needs. It is what we need to do so we can bind up the wounds.

We have lost sight of why we were organized. Harmony and peace must be restored. Unity of purpose must be our guide. Our organization can accomplish so much in the future. If we start from today with faith in our hearts and march forward so that the dreams of our ancestors – the "Boys in Blue" – can come true. They were willing to sacrifice their homes, families, health and lives. The least we can do is to set aside out prejudges, jealousies, agendas, hurts, animosities and move forward to accomplish our goals, principles and objects. No one can lead you if you choose not to follow. The decision is yours.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, Ramona A. Greenwalt, PDP – ASUVCW National President

# Union Ancestry of National President Ramona Greenwalt

Great-grandfather Peter R. Greenwalt was the person I chose to put on my application blank, when I joined the Auxiliary at age seventeen. He enlisted in an independent company, which became Company I, 10th West Virginia Infantry. He served three years and ten months and was honorably discharged as a Private on May 13, 1865 at Richmond, Virginia. He was wounded four times. His most serious wound was suffered at Cedar Creek, causing him to be hospitalized in Baltimore, Maryland. He was also involved in capturing one of the last Confederate cannon at Appomattox where he helped to collect the Southern guns. While home on leave in 1862 he learned he was classified as a deserter from the Confederate Army having been drafted at about the time he enlisted in the Union Army.

I am also the great-granddaughter of Madison G. Miller who enlisted in Company E, 116th Ohio Infantry on August 25, 1862 at the age of forty. He participated in several battles, including Winchester and Piedmont, where he was wounded and taken prisoner June 5, 1864. He was shot in the leg, which was amputated below the knee. He lingered in the Confederate prison at Staunton, Virginia until his death September 11, 1864. Private Miller is interred in the Staunton National Cemetery. Great-grandfather George M. Miller enlisted on November 18, 1861 entering Company G, 7th West Virginia Infantry, which was later consolidated with Company D at Fredericksburg, serving as a Private. He participated in the battles of Front Royal, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Port Republic, Second Bull Run, Gettysburg, Mine Run, the battles of The Wilderness and several skirmishes. He was also on detail guarding supply trains for about six months before the battle of Gettysburg. He received a gunshot wound to the finger, which kept him in Finley U.S. General Hospital at Washington, D.C.

In addition to my direct lineage, my great-great-granduncle Nelson Virgin of Company K, 76th Pennsylvania Infantry was held in Andersonville prison for several months.

# Trea urer Time — By May Flynn, National Treasurer

I will try to keep my message short and intentionally gracious. I would like to thank the three primary gals that received monies and forwarded them to me for deposit this past year. Thank you, Rachelle Campbell, our National Secretary, who received all the per capita payments and Encampment registration monies and provided prompt and detailed



accounting quite regularly. Thank you Elizabeth Craig, last year's Chief-of-Staff, and Elise Oman last year's Patriotic Instructor for ensuring that all personal, Auxiliary and Department donations along with all other fund raising monies were sent to me quickly. These two gals worked hard last year toward raising money for our Organization based upon forecasted goals set for them at the onset of the year. Of course, I always appreciate receiving direct mailings from members for donations, and supply orders when we had transitional periods. When in doubt, ladies, you can always mail payments directly to me and I will ensure that the proper authority is notified.

It was a very good year financially thanks to really, everyone's participation. As we begin a new year, I am anxiously looking forward to working with our newly elected officials and assisting all of our Auxiliaries and Departments when the need arises.



Members may make a donation to the National Organization in memory of a special individual or for a person's birthday, anniversary, retirement or other special occasion. Checks should be made payable to "National Organization, ASUVCW" and sent to the National Treasurer. An Honor Roll Certificate will be sent to the person honored, or to their family if appropriate, with a copy kept in the Honor Roll Book. The following have recently been added to the Honor Roll:

#### IN MEMORY OF:

Past National President Beatrice E. 'Bea' Terry Greenwalt

#### **DONATIONS BY:**

Department of Ohio Judy Morgan, PDP (Ohio) Department of Ohio PDP Club Jerry Orton, PDC (New York)

# Historian's Reflections

Many items of Auxiliary property end up in private hands, frequently due to the lack of storage facilities. As guardians of Auxiliary property, it is appropriate for individual Sisters to retain Auxiliary property for safekeeping. However, such Sisters should be diligent in informing their Auxiliary of where such items are being stored, and in educating their family members that such items are the property of the Auxiliary and should be returned to the Order when the time comes. Too often Auxiliary property is found in estate sales, rummage sales, or on eBay. If you find Auxiliary property and are not sure how to properly proceed, please contact the National Historian for direction.



In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Danielle Michaels, PNP — National Historian





## 2017 Scholarship Recipient

Madison Rosa, a member of the Auxiliary since the age of 12, is the recipient of the Auxiliary's annual scholarship award. She is the great-great-great-granddaughter of James Walsh of the 6<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Infantry. Madison is a fifth grade science teacher in Lawrence, Massachusetts and is pursuing a master's degree in Education in Moderate Disabilities from American International College and will graduate in May of 2018. At left, Madison is presented the scholarship by her grandmother, Past National President Cynthia Brown.

## NATIONAL SUPPLY OFFICER

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as your National Supply Office. I will be working with President Greenwalt and Treasurer Flynn to ensure we have the supplies and promotional items that support the growth of each Auxiliary, Department, and National member. I encourage feedback on any item that you would like to see on the supply list. There has been a discussion started on our Facebook page with some good ideas that are currently being considered. Please view the Supply Order form every quarter for new items and/or quick sale items (items that we have had for a couple of years that have not sold).

To make the transition easier for check cashing – ALL orders and monies will be sent directly to the National Treasurer Mary Flynn, who will send me the order. I will generally get the order into the mail within 5 business days from date the order was received.

Please email me at  $\underline{\text{SupplyOfficer@asuvcw.org}}$  or call/text 414-217-2553 with any questions.

In Fraternity, Loyalty & Charity — Elizabeth (Liz) Craig





# New Auxiliary Embraces Memorial Day

The sisters of the Madeline O'Donnell Auxiliary No. 615 of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, attended the Memorial Day ceremonies at Ebensburg Memorial Park, on May 29, 2017. Pam Fisher and grandson Brendon Murphy placed a wreath at the memorial, as the first official activity of the newly formed Auxiliary. They were very well received by the community, and even had a picture on the front page of the local newspaper. The Sisters will continue to support the community, and help to promote the Auxiliary.

Joan Webb, Melissa Murphy, Pam Fisher, Elaine Senner and Brendon Murphy attended the ceremony

## REMEMBER

General Orders, forms, news and other items of interest may be found on the Order's official website at:



## Actions of the 131st Annual National Encampment Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Lansing, Michigan • August 11-12, 2017

#### **National Treasurer:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> Allocation of excess income from the sales of the National Supply Officer. Withdrawn by the National Treasurer. No action required.

Recommendation #2: Patriotic Fund — There exists \$\*\*\*\*\*\* in the Permanent Fund that was previously held as a CD specifically earmarked for patriotic purposes. An analysis of 2005 thru 2016 patriotic spending reveals that the General Operating Fund contains an additional unspent figure of \$\*\*\*\*\*\*. Would like to recommend that these monies be transferred from the General Operating fund and in effect increase the allocated Patriotic monies in the Permanent Fund to \$\*\*\*\*\*\*. This will then naturally, reduce the general operating funds to become \$\*\*\*\*\*\*

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

Recommendation #3: That the National Organization take advantage of the current CD rates to invest a minimum of \*\*\*\*\*\*\* for a three-year term, which would yield approximately  $***** \times 4 = ****$ .

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports did not concur. Recommendation failed.

Recommendation #4: Consideration is taken to reduce the term limit of the National Treasurer from a five year to three years as done by the Sons National Organization. All language to the CR&R will be altered and presented for voting in the next conversation. The current term expiring in 2020 will now expire in 2018.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred, with the amendment that the 3-year term would start after the current Treasurer's term is over in 2020. Recommendation passed as amended.

The CR&R committee is to rewrite this section in the CR&Rs to reflect this change and to implement into the CR&R.

#### **National Secretary:**

Recommendation #1: That all reports to the National Encampment from National Officers, Committees and Special Committees be submitted to the National Secretary no later than two (2) weeks prior to the National Encampment, with the exception of the National Treasurer, National Patriotic Instructor and National Chief of Staff. This will give the National Secretary time to compile delegate packets and extract recommendations,

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> That a pre-registration fee for future National Encampments be set and that after a certain number of days prior to each National Encampment the registration fee be increased, including for at-the-door registration, to encourage pre-registration. Having a more accurate figure for registration prior to the National Encampment greatly benefits both the Host Committee and the National Secretary.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

Recommendation #3: That an Assistant National Secretary for Proceedings be appointed by the incoming National President to assist the National Secretary with the production of the annual proceedings of the National Encampment, including those National Encampment proceedings that remain unfinished. The job is very time consuming and the National Secretary already has many responsibilities.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **National Chaplain:**

Recommendation #1: That the incoming National Chaplain contact each Department and Auxiliary at Large Chaplains and let them know what reports they will need to file and even provide them with copies of the reports and dates they are due.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **National Webmaster:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That the incoming National President appoint sisters to the Committee on Technology and Communications that are proficient in social media.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> It is time for our organization to develop guidelines for social media posting and etiquette, and that the committee develop these guidelines for presentation and approval at the 2018 National Encampment.

The Encampment Committee on Officers Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **National CR&R Committee:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That the term of office for the National President and National Vice President be changed to two (2) years.

Withdrawn by the Committee. No action required.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> That a sister running for the office of National President must have been a member for 10 years.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred, with the amendment that the sister must have been a member at least 5 years, rather than 10 years. Recommendation passed as amended.

<u>Recommendation #3:</u> That we return to the practice of having a designated sister to assist the National President when she attends ceremonies in Washington, D.C. and ceremonies in Springfield, Illinois. Said sister does not need to have the title of a National Officer.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

This will be an appointed position to be designated by the incoming National President each year.

<u>Recommendation #4:</u> That new members not be placed in leadership positions until they have had time to serve in other chairs and thus gaining experience.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports did not concur, as they felt it was already addressed within the CR&R. Recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #5:</u> That no one may be designated as a member of the Auxiliary unless they are female.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports did not concur, as they felt it was already addressed within the CR&R. Recommendation failed.

#### **National Forms and Documents Committee:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That the new membership applications be approved and placed on the National website as soon as the National Encampment is completed.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> That all old versions of the membership applications be destroyed and that only the most up-to-date version be used. The current version can always be found on the website.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **National Committee on IRS and Tax Issues:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That this committee be disbanded as the National Treasurer already conducts the work of this committee. And if the National Encampment agrees then the job descriptions for this committee can be folded into the National Treasurer's job descriptions.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### National Special Committee on Junior Members Development and Policy:

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That there be a polling of our Junior Members as to what they would like to see for themselves within the Organization, such as an idea book for the Junior Members for meetings, etc.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

Recommendation #2: That there be space allocated to highlight our Junior members in the "Auxiliary Voice" and that Auxiliaries be encouraged to submit articles to the Newsletter Editor to help highlight these special young ladies.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

Recommendation #3: That the Order update its CR&Rs to better address our Junior Members and allow for their protection, along with that of the National Organization, including a requirement that "any member of the Auxiliary under the age of 18 years of age, must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times." This should include any and all Auxiliary events or functions.

The Encampment Committee on Committee Reports concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **Recommendations from Departments:**

#### California and Pacific

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> Proposal to extend the age of Junior Members from twelve (12) years to eighteen (18) years to conform to the commonly established age of legal majority, and to remove the requirement of United States citizenship for membership.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. Recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> Proposal to establish requirements for Departments and Auxiliaries to file paperwork on time, and to establish consequences for not doing the same. (Failed 37-2)

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. Recommendation failed.

#### Maine

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> There should be only 3 recommendations per officer or department presented to the National Encampment.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. Recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> When the members are attending functions representing the Auxiliary they should wear Red, White and Blue so we can all be seen as uniform in our presentations.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. Recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #3:</u> All past proceedings of the National Encampment should be completed and placed on the National Website, the CR&R and Bylaws could then be completed and current.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### Michigan

Recommendation #1: That specific language be incorporated into the CR&R to clarify what constitutes a Past President.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred, but felt that no action was required since it is already addressed within the CR&R. Recommendation passed.

Recommendation #2: Department Presidents are not permitted to serve more than two (2) years at one time. If the Department is small, the National Organization may grant special dispensation. The department is asking for clarification on what is a small department and also that any special dispensation be given in writing and not verbally.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### Ohio

Recommendation #1: That there is a change to the CR&Rs to move our election of officers from October and Installation to be in November to better reflect what the Sons have in their blue books as many Auxiliaries are meeting with their Sons Camps. The new change would be that elections would take place from October 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup> and Installation would be from November 1<sup>st</sup> to January 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

The National Encampment referred the revision of this section in the CR&Rs back to the CR&R committee to be completed by the next National Encampment.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> That the above changes to the dates for the elections and installations of officers be reflected on the installation forms.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### Wisconsin

Recommendation #1: Any female, not less, then twelve (12) years of age, that is a dependent of a deceased or honorably discharged Solider, Sailor, or Marine who served in the Union Army, Navy, or Revenue Cutter Service during the Civil War of 1861-1865. A wife, widow, mother or legally adopted daughters of a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, with lineage in good standing and is not a United States Citizen, shall become an Associate member with the understanding she cannot hold the office of National Vice President or National President. The Country that the female is a citizen of must be an ally Country of the United States of America.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. Recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> I would recommend that the National Auxiliary completed the paperwork to become a registered volunteer organization with the National Veterans Administration.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations agreed in spirit, but felt that the recommendation was not submitted through the proper channels and suggested it be resubmitted at the next National Encampment. Recommendation failed.

#### **Recommendations from Past National Presidents:**

#### Cynthia Brown, PNP:

Recommendation #1: That the participation on committees at the National level be limited to one committee each for National Officers. It is unfair to ask National officers to participate in multiple committees besides their own duties. Many able members could be asked to take part, thus learning the practices and preparing to move up.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> That the current practice of staggered terms be eliminated, thus allowing the National President to choose her own members of each committee.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations did not concur. The Encampment voted against the recommendation of the Encampment Committee on Recommendations and therefore the original recommendation passed.

<u>Recommendation #3:</u> That action be taken for the immediate retrieval of the past five (5) years of recordings for the National Encampment.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations felt that no action was required as this has already been handled by the National Secretary. Recommendation failed.

#### Anne Sosnowski, PNP:

Recommendation #1: That the National President sends an executive order stating the results of the Disciplinary Hearing [Council] on the website so all sisters will be in compliance with the outcome of the Hearing.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. The Encampment voted against the recommendation of the Encampment Committee on Recommendations and therefore the original recommendation failed.

<u>Recommendation #2:</u> If a sister is asked to be on the hearing committee [Disciplinary Hearing Council] and it is a hardship for her to travel there, that an electronic communication should be implemented so this sister will still be able to perform this position (e.g. email, Skype, etc.)

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred. Recommendation passed.

#### **Disciplinary Hearing Council Report:**

<u>Recommendation #1:</u> That the following changes to the CR&R be considered:

Article IV Section 4 to read: Before the commencement of formal charges between Sisters, the Sister wishing to file charges shall submit, in writing, the charge and specifications for mediation to the appropriate President.

Section 5: Violation of offence number three (3) of Section 1 negates any option of mediation.

Section 6: The mediator shall be a Sister of the Order and be appointed by the appropriate President. She should have mediation training or training in conflict resolution or training in reconciliation.

Section 7: The mediator shall arrange the time and place for the mediation session. Both Sisters shall be in attendance. Resolution of the issues shall end the matter. There shall be no record written or otherwise kept. If there is no resolution, the formal process shall begin starting at the new Section 8.

Article IV Section 13 subsection C to read: The actual cost of the hearing shall be paid by the accused if found guilty or the petitioner if the accused is found not guilty.

The Encampment Committee on Recommendations concurred and recommended the suggested changes be referred to the National CR&R Committee for review. Recommendation passed and the suggested changes were referred to the National CR&R Committee.

During discussion of the Disciplinary Hearing Council Report's recommendation the general consensus was that it would be unfair to ask Sisters to shoulder the expense of being on a Disciplinary Hearing Council. The following actions by the National Encampment took place:

Motion #1: It was moved and seconded that the mileage for attending a Disciplinary Hearing Council be paid by the National Organization.

Motion passed, with the provision that the Sister would receive mileage to attend the hearing and would need to provide receipts to the National Treasurer along with a reimbursement form for such mileage.

Motion #2: It was moved and seconded that food and lodging for a Sister serving on a Disciplinary Hearing Council be covered by the National Organization.

Motion passed, with the provision that the maximum reimbursement for food and lodging would be \$100 and that the Sister would need to provide receipts to the National Treasurer along with a reimbursement form for such expenses.

## **National Committee & Liaison Appointments**

The following National Committees and Officers have been appointed by National President Ramona Greenwalt for the 2017-2018 term:

#### **National Committee on Constitution and Regulations**

Margaret Atkinson, PNP (Chair); Faye Carlisle-Thomas, PNP; Cynthia Brown, PNP; Virginia Twist, PNP; Cynthia Eddy, DP; Lisa Smith, PAP

#### **National Committee on Rituals**

Anne Sosnowski, PNP (Chair); Betty Baker, PNP; Helen Granger

#### **National Committee on Policy and Procedures**

Michelle Langley, PNP (Chair); Denise Oman, PNP; Beverly Graham, PDP; Linda Brown, PDP; Cynthia McReynolds, AP



#### **National Committee on New Auxiliaries**

Denise Oman, PNP (Chair); Rachelle Campbell, PNP (NS); Mary Flynn, PDP (NT); Jane Graham, PNP; Amy Bowyer, PAP

#### **National Committee on Membership**

Denise Oman, PNP (Chair)

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Plus all Department Vice President and Auxiliary-at-Large Vice Presidents

### **National Committee on Technology and Communications**

Wanda Langdon, DP (Chair); Tricia Bures, PAP; Lisa Smith, PAP

#### **National Committee on Forms and Documents**

Rachelle Campbell, PNP (NS) (Chair); Nancy Greenwalt-Hilton, PNP; Judy Trepanier, PNP

#### **National Committee on Remembrance Day**

Viola Smithcors, PDP (Chair)

#### **National Committee on Charitable Activities**

Rebecca De Cola-Black, PAP (Chair)

#### **National Special Committee on National Encampment**

Karen Hamann, PDP (2016-2018); Sandra Bates; Barbara Lynch, PAP





#### **National Special Committee on Fraternal Relations**

Barbara Day, PDP (Chair); Mary Mierka, PDP; Patty Wilhelm, DP

#### National Special Committee on Recognitions Award for Outstanding Assistance to the ASUVCW

Mary Jo Long, PNP (Chair); Linda Kronberg, PNP;

Marilyn Rittel, PDP; Nancy Fournier, PDP; Cheryl Petrovic, PAP

#### **National Special Committee on Female Veterans' Information**

Susan Fallon (Chair)

#### **National Special Committee on Publicity**

Rosemary Martin, PAP (Chair); Karen Swartz

#### **National Special Committee on Junior Members Development**

Amy Miller, PDP (Chair); Valencia Reyes, PAP; Vickie Weiss

#### **National Liaison for Washington D.C. Activities**

Rosemary Martin, PAP

#### **National Liaison for Lincoln Tomb Activities**

Carol Dyer, PAP



Teresa Doyle

#### **National Rituals Special Officer**

Helen Granger

## National Special Assistant to the National Secretary for Proceedings Completion

Judy Morgan PDP PNS

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

# 132<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Encampment August 8-13, 2018 Framingham, Massachusetts

Sheraton Framingham Hotel & Conference Center 1657 Worcester Rd, Framingham, MA 01701



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## **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, 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