



THE AUXILIARY VOICE

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FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT —

Summer is finally here. Now is the time to make those final plans to attend the 2019 Encampment in Ohio. Check the website for details and contacts. I'm hoping to see all of you there to renew old friendships and initiate new ones. The site committee has been working endlessly to accommodate our needs. Please enjoy yourselves and thank them for their efforts.

This last month of June was a marathon of traveling. It started with my own department meeting at an old GAR Hall run by the WRC. There were ASUVCW badges on display dating to the early days of the Auxiliary's existence. This was exciting to view as many are getting rare to find. That was quite a day. The next weekend was spent with the Department of the Chesapeake. What a wonderful experience, where Brothers and Sisters greeted each other with respect and combined their efforts to make things happen. The camaraderie was exceptional.

The next trip was to the Pennsylvania Department. This was the first department that held meetings where the ASUVCW, SUVCW, DUVCW and LGAR were present. This is something we can all work towards in the future. Don't forget to include the WRC.

As I traveled about our wonderful country, I was met by exceptional people called Brothers and Sisters, dedicated to the efforts of the GAR. No matter where I visited, their efforts to remember the "Boys in Blue" were apparent in their reports and activities. My deepest appreciation to all who saw to my comforts.

My next journey takes me to Atlanta, Georgia, where the Commander-in-Chief and I will be meeting with Sister Sarah Mayer, the National President of the DUVCW 1861-1865, as her guests at the Encampment for the DUVCW. Her first presentation will be on the ASUVCW. I shall tell you more at the Encampment in August.

Until we meet in Ohio, please stay in God's care and travel safely.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Denise Oman, ASUVCW National President



PS: I will be making floor appointments for the National Encampment in Independence, Ohio once I arrive and see who is willing and available. If you are interested in filling a position, please notify me as soon as possible.

2019 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT



The National Encampment is the annual convention of the National Organization and is the ultimate authority of the organization. Delegates to the National Encampment elect National Officers and conduct other business of the organization.

The Department of Ohio invites you to the Buckeye State for the Annual Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in

Independence, Ohio — August 8–11, 2019

Encampment Headquarters will be the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Cleveland–Independence, 6200 Quarry Lane, Independence, Ohio, 44131. Phone: 216-447-1300.

The Encampment Host Committee is pleased to offer two unique day trips for visitors on Thursday, August 8, 2019. Both trips will depart from the Headquarters Hotel at 10:00 am and are set to return to the Hotel at 7:30 pm. The cost of each trip is \$49 and includes all transportation, admission and tour fees, a box lunch, tax and gratuities and a private evening reception at the Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument. **Tour #1 is the "Civil War Tour"** and includes the Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, James A. Garfield National Historic Site, Lake View Cemetery, and an evening reception back at the Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument. **Tour #2 is the "Downtown Cleveland Tour"** and includes the Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument, International Women's Air & Space Museum, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, and an evening reception back at the Cuyahoga County Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument.

The Friday night Campfire program will begin at 7:00 pm and will feature music from the 73rd Ohio Regimental Band. Following the band's performance, at approximately 8:00 pm, Departments will be given the opportunity "perform" for and give gifts to the Commander-in-Chief and National President. Please not that in order to end the program at a reasonable time, Departments will have a *strict* time limit of **TWO** minutes to make their presentations.

Much more information is available on the website:

<http://2019nationalencampment.org>



TENTATIVE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday August 8, 2019

10:00 am – 7:45 pm ----- Civil War Sites Tour-----Offsite
 10:00 am – 7:45 pm ----- Downtown CLE Tour-----Offsite
 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm ----- ASUVCW Registration-----Hallway by meeting rooms
 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm ----- PNP Meeting-----Le Petit C-E
 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm ----- Vendor & Exhibitor Room Open -----Le Petit A-B
 7:15 pm – 7:45 pm ----- Auxiliary at Large/MAL Meeting-----Amphitheater
 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm ----- Council Meeting-----Le Petit C-E

Friday August 9, 2019

7:00 am – 9:00 am ----- Registration -----Hallway by meeting rooms
 8:00 am – 9:00 am ----- Joint Memorial Service and Opening----Le Grand 1-3
 9:30 am – 12:00 pm ----- Business Session -----Le Petit C-E
 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm ----- Lunch Break -----Onsite restaurant
 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm ----- Pres. Hayes Home Presentation -----Auditorium
 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm ----- Business Session -----Le Petit C-E
 1:15 pm----- Greetings Received
 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm ----- Soldiers & Sailors Mmt. Presentation ----Auditorium
 3:00 pm----- Patriotic Instructor Presentation-----Le Petit C-E
 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm ----- PNP & PCinC Dinner -----Onsite restaurant
 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm ----- Campfire-----Le Grand 1-3
 8:30 pm – 10:00 pm ----- Courtesy Hour -----*TBD*

Saturday August 10, 2019

8:45 am – 12:00 pm ----- Business Session -----Le Petit C-E
 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm ----- Lunch Break -----Onsite restaurant
 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm ----- Pres. Garfield Home Presentation-----Auditorium
 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm ----- Business Session (Elections & Installations) -Le Petit C-E
 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm ----- Soldiers & Sailors Mmt. Presentation ----Auditorium
 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm ----- Cocktail hour (Cash bar) -----Hallway by Le Grand 1-3
 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm ----- Allied Orders Banquet-----Le Grand 1-3
 10:00 pm – 1:00 am ----- Natl. Pres. & CinC Joint Reception-----Room 536

Sunday August 11, 2019

7:00 am – 8:00 am ----- Non-Denominational Religious Service - Amphitheater
 8:00 am – 9:00 am ----- Catholic Religious Service-----Amphitheater
 9:00 am – 10:00 am ----- Old & New Council Meeting -----Le Petit C-E

Auxiliary Images Around the Nation



- 1. ASUVCW/SUVCW at the Dept. of the Chesapeake Encampment.
- 2. Sisters help PNP Margaret Atkinson celebrate 75 years of membership.
- 3. MaryCatherine Knight at the Woolson Monument in Gettysburg, Penn.
- 4. Sarah A. Crawford Aux. #43 celebrates Lincoln's birthday in Penn.
- 5. PNP Rachelle Campbell & Emelia Campbell assist Brothers at the 4th of July Parade in Monterey, Calif.



PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION

Greetings from your National Patriotic Instructor. I hope you have enjoyed and learned from my flag protocol writings.

My hope is that everyone could learn something from them. Now I would like to give a little history lesson on how our forefathers treated their flag, known as “standards” or “colors.”

After the soldiers were finished for the day, the color guards, or “standard bearers,” would furl (roll on the staff) the flag. They would then place the flag and staff over the stacked muskets, which had bayonets fixed. The commands were: Present Arms. Fix Bayonets. Stack Arms. Stack Colors. It was at this time that the Color Sergeant would place the rolled flag on the muskets. Then, the musicians stacked their drums next to the muskets with the flag and staff. Taps (Butterfields’ Lullaby) was played by the bugler while the drums were being stacked. This is sometimes performed during large Civil War reenactments and you should see it if given the chance. One thing to note is at the command of present arms, the whole army presents arms. Then at fix bayonets, the whole army fixes bayonets. At the command to stack arms, the whole army stacks arms. This is one way the commanders can count the soldiers by counting the stacks (4 muskets to a stack). At the command to stack colors, each battalions’ color sergeant stacks their colors by placing the furled flag over the color companies stacked muskets. There were ten battalions to a division. Also note that there is a difference between stacking colors and posting colors. Posting colors is placing the flag at headquarters. When there is a new reenactor, he is instructed to never walk between the stacked muskets. Also, never walk between the furled flag placed on the musket stacks. Reenactors are taught how to respect their colors the way our forefathers did.

Our forefathers took care in how they handled their flag on both sides of the war. The flag was a symbol to rally around, a beloved symbol worth all the respect in the world. A Civil War soldier would have seen many of his friends and relatives die to save their flag.

In the modern military, a soldier knows how to respect our flag. At sun down, the flag at headquarters is taken down and folded while Taps is played. Our marching style has changed over the years, however, it is beautiful to watch the military in review. In Civil War times, it was quite an experience to march with the army and feel the rhythm while marching cadence (in step). There is a special sound made when the heel cleats hit the ground and footsteps echoing and the ground moves in a very special way. No modern marching group can make the sound and rhythm of a Civil War division (it’s the cleats). I have experience in this from being a reenactor portraying a vivandière (female water bearer) marching with an army of over 30,000 strong. I have experienced marching in the modern military. Both Civil War soldiers and modern soldiers are worlds apart and still very much the same.

Thank you so very much for allowing me to be your National Patriotic Instructor. I am honored. Please support my efforts to raise money for my National Patriotic Instructor fund. I have many things for sale. I will be bringing these items to the National Encampment in Ohio. I also have a wall hanging I will be auctioning off at the Encampment. This wall hanging is hand carved leather that I made myself. I will have lanterns made out of oil lamps that have been repurposed into electric lamps. I have many other items for sale.

See you at the National Encampment this August!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Susan Fallon — National Patriotic Instructor



FROM THE NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF



As I ponder the upcoming Memorial Day, and prepare to read a poem about “the Boys in Blue”, I pray that our nation will come to understand more fully why organizations like our ASUVCW continue to exist.

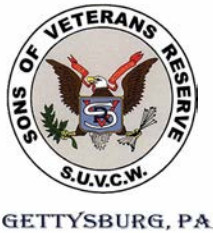
By raising funds, not only can we support the inner workings of our Auxiliary, we can support programs that educate others on the sacrifice of our Civil War ancestors. We can assist to teach the true meaning of sacrifice our armed services make every day.

With each wreath ceremony our Auxiliary supports we are “putting our money where our mouth is.” We are a “warm body” at an outward show of thanks to those who died so we have our freedom to belong to the ASUVCW.

So now in this last newsletter, want to thank all my sisters for their support during this last year. Together we can finish strong and obtain the funding for our Auxiliary, and for showing America that it is only right in giving thanks to those that gave their “last full measure.” Thank you for considering my requests. I appreciate your help tremendously!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty — Connie Horning, National Chief of Staff

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GETTYSBURG, PA



63RD ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE NOVEMBER 23, 2019

Sponsored by the Sons of Veterans Reserve, the Military Department of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Parade briefing at the Wyndham Hotel at 9:30AM on 23 November 2019

Units form up at Noon on Lefever Street between Baltimore Street and East Confederate Avenue

Parade will step off at 1:00 PM

For further information, please contact:

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ORIGINAL CIVIL WAR BALL

THE ORIGINAL AND OFFICIAL BALL OF REMEMBRANCE DAY

Music by the Philadelphia Brigade Band with dances led by the Victorian Dance Ensemble

Period dress encouraged, but not required

Door prizes, plus prizes for Ladies Cake Walk

Cash Bar

Time: 8PM-Midnight, 23 November 2019

Place: Wyndham Gettysburg Hotel

95 Presidential Circle, Gettysburg, PA 17325 (717-339-0020)

Price: \$20 per person in advance

\$25 per person at the door

Make check payable to "SVR Remembrance Day Ball"

Include stamped, self-addressed envelope for tickets

Mail to: Brig. Gen. Henry E. Shaw, Jr.

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Ticket orders received after 16 November will be distributed at the Ball

BALL PROCEEDS ARE DONATED TO THE GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK FOR MONUMENT PRESERVATION

From the Chaplain

Unity of Purpose

Department Chaplains and MAL Chaplains, please get your Chaplain reports to me as soon as possible. We need to put together a list of those who have passed since our last Encampment and get them turned in so they can be printed in the memorial service program.

It's hard to believe that two months from now we will be reunited - the Allied Orders - meeting in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. This has been on my heart lately, as I have spent time praying for all those who are ill, those who are dealing with tough situations, for those who have family members in harm's way, and for our country, our politicians, and for our Order.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 New International Version (NIV) tells us:

*Two are better than one,
because they have a good return for their labor:
If either of them falls down,
one can help the other up.
But pity anyone who falls
and has no one to help them up.
Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.
But how can one keep warm alone?
Though one may be overpowered,
two can defend themselves.
A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.*



I find that a wonderful picture of Fraternity – helping each other up when we fall – praying for each other – being united as one Order in five parts – the Allied Orders - but all with the same mission and purpose. A Brotherhood and Sisterhood that unites us and then moves us forward.

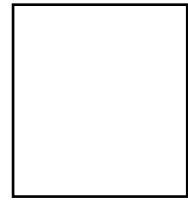
So until we meet again in August, please meditate on these things, pray for each other and lift each other to the heavens.

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity. — Psalm 133:1



*In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
Wanda Langdon
National Chaplain*

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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, 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