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Department Commander

David S. Smith, LM, PCC



Brothers.

First of all, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your confidence in me to hold the office of Department Commander. I appreciate the support the Department and I have received already, and all that will come throughout the rest of the year – thank you Brothers! My hope is that this will be a highly productive and enjoyable year for everyone. As I outlined during the Department Encampment in May, I plan to introduce a few new directives this year that I believe follow the intentions of the Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. More to come! I will send out additional information in future Department Orders and issues of the Michigan Messenger.

Please consider attending the upcoming 2017 National Encampment in Lansing on 10-13 August. With a large turnout, all may not be able to attend as a Delegate, but all Brothers are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have not attended a National Encampment, this is a great opportunity to see how business is conducted at the National level while providing a wonderful chance to meet Brothers from other Departments all over the country. Many long-lasting friendships are formed, and the camaraderie is a special one within our Order. As has been aforementioned, with the National Encampment in Lansing fast approaching, please consider helping out. Any help is welcome, and can be as much or as little as you can or would like. If you would like to help, please contact JVCinC Shaw or PDC Davis, and they can put you in touch with an area or activity in need or one that you would be interested in to help. As the old saying goes, many hands make light work. This is a great opportunity for us to welcome our Brothers from different Departments, and show them that Michigan is a special place. Hotel information and forms for registration and ordering can be found at the National Encampment webpage at: http://suvcwmi.org/2017NatEncampment/forms.php To contact the Executive Committee, you can e-mail them at: 2017Encampment@suvcwmi.org.

With the busy time of ceremonies and events upon us, if you are not already, consider sharing your events' information with other Camps, the Department, etc. Also, please share event pictures, etc. with the Michigan Messenger, The Banner, and the various social media avenues available. This lets everyone know what activities your Camp is involved in, and may bring additional guests and attendees to events.

Finally, if you need to contact me, you may reach me at commander@suvcwmi.org or david.smith@suvcwmi.org . In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander

- Brothers are reminded that the 2017 Department Encampment will be held at the Great Lakes Christian
 College in the City of Lansing, Michigan on May 6, 2017. Please arrange to attend if you can.
 Preregistration materials are contained in the current edition of the Michigan's Messenger. There is a direct
 link on the home page of the Department web site
 (http://suvcwmi.org/133rdDeptEncampment/133Deindex.php) that will take you to the preregistration
 materials should you wish to do that.
- 2. All Camps are encouraged to bring their Camp Flags to the Department Encampment to be displayed with the Department Colors.
- 3. Effective on and for the day of Saturday, May 6, 2017, the headquarters of the Department of Michigan shall be at the Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W. Willow Hwy., Lansing, Michigan, to allow for the transaction of business by the 133rd Department Encampment. Thereafter, it shall revert to the address it had prior to this transfer or to such other place as the Department Commander shall designate in his Department Orders.
- 4. Any brother interested in holding a Department elected office should submit his letter of interest, credentials, and any letters of endorsement to the Department Nominating Committee no later than April I, 2017. The chair of the Committee is Brother Rick Danes. Please direct your information to him and he will share the same with the Committee. He may be reached through email at redanes@aol.com, or through regular mail at 2612 Burns Street, Dearborn, Michigan 48124.
- 5. Persons wishing to make nominations for presentation of the Department's Abraham Lincoln Award or Department's Dr. May Walker Award may continue to present their candidates to the Committee through the Department Commander. The address to which nominations should be sent is 1062 Four Seasons Blvd Aurora, Illinois 60504. Nominations must be received by April 1, 2017.
- 6. On behalf of myself and the other brothers who acted as installing officers for the Department for camp officer installations these past few months, I would like to thank all those brothers from the various camps who displayed such hospitality and friendliness to us as we visited with your camps. Your kindness, which was displayed in dozens of different ways, was very much appreciated.
- 7. Please remember to get those form 22's, form 22Ml's and rosters in to us. By in large they are all accounted for now. That makes the work we must do with them at the department level so much easier having them all in, in a timely fashion.

Hoping to see as many of you at the Department Encampment as possible next month, I remain, until that time, yours

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

By Order of:

/s/ /s/ Attest:

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander,
Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Richard Denny, Secretary
Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Department Orders #17 Series 2016 – 2017 Headquarters, Aurora, IL Undated

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander

- The 133rd Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan will be held on Saturday 6 May 2017, at the Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W. Willow Highway, Lansing Michigan. The tentative Order of the Day is outlined as follows:
 - 8:00 AM Encampment Registration Opens.
 - 9:00 AM 133rd Department Encampment Convenes.
 - 11:45 AM Recess for Lunch.
 - 1:45 PM Encampment Reconvenes.
 - 5:00 PM Encampment Closes.
 - 6:00 PM Allied Orders Banquet.
- Per Department Orders No. 16 Series 2016-17, SUVCW Department Headquarters will be transferred to this address effective for the day 6 May 2017.
- 3. All Camps are encouraged to bring their Camp Flags to the Department Encampment to be displayed with the Department's Colors.
- 4. I highly encourage all Brothers of the Department of Michigan to participate as a member of their Camp's delegation to our Department Encampment. This is where the important decisions for the direction of the Department for the coming term are made, and all Brothers are encouraged to give their input through their participation.
- 5. Please note that our Sister Orders will also be conducting business at their various conventions and meetings scheduled on 6 May.
- On Friday 5 May 2017, the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Michigan will meet for dinner and fellowship at the Quality Suites, 901 Delta Commerce Dr., Lansing
- 7. Michigan. The entertainment program has been moved to Friday night at hotel instead of on Saturday night after the Allied Orders Banquet.

In anticipating sharing the fellowship of our encampment with many of you I remain yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

By order of:

/s/

/s/ Attest:

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Richard Denny, CC Secretary, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Graves Registration

By Rick Danes, Department Graves Registration Officer

At the June Graves Registration Committee Meeting, I will announce that that the Department Database now has 70,068 Civil War Soldiers' Gravesites recorded, and 3,836 gravesites from "other Wars". Thank you to Camps 43 and 17, for their recent large submittals. We believe that there are as many as 100,000 Civil War soldiers buried in Michigan, but there are still some areas that we have very little information from.

Can you help? Summer is upon us, and what better reason to get out, get in shape and help the Department at the same time?

Our 2017 Committee meetings at the State Library are scheduled for June 10, September 9, and December 9 – all at 10 AM – all are welcome.

2016-2017 **Department Officers**

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Department Orders # 18



Headquarters, Aurora, IL 29 April, 2017

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., Commander Headquarters, Aurora, IL

- 1. The Department has been notified by the National Organization that the moratorium on filing Form 990N has been lifted and that camps with a 12/31/16 fiscal year end should immediately file their 2016 Form 990N with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) if they have not already done so. Camps with fiscal year ends other than 12/31 should continue to follow their normal filing submission date with the IRS no later than 90 days from their fiscal year end.
- 2. It has come to the attention of the Department that there are several camps with serious Form 990N filing deficiencies. This is NOT ACCEPTABLE and will be addressed on an individual basis with each camp to bring them into compliance with IRS Form 990N filing requirements.

By order of:

/s/

L. Dean Lamphere, Jr Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

/s/ Attest:

Richard Denny, CC

Secretary,

Department of Michigan

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Future Michigan's Messenger Publications Submittal Dates and Publication Dates

Winter - March 1 for a March 15 Publication Spring

– June 1 for a June 15 Publication

Summer - September 1 for a September 15 Publication

Fall – December 1 for a December 15 Publication

Send all articles to Rick Danes, Editor, preferably at editor@suvcwmi.org or to 2612 Burns Street, Dearborn, Michigan 48124-3204

ALL PUBLICATIONS WILL BE MADE ON TIME

Please do not send me photos without the names of persons in the photo and a suggested caption. Thanks for your support!



David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC

Change of Command

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1 – Having been duly elected and installed as Department Commander on 06 May 2017, I hereby assume command of the Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Section 2 – Headquarters for the Department is hereby transferred to: 4818 Arbor Grove Drive, Traverse City, MI 49685

Section 3 – General correspondence to the Department should be sent to Department Secretary Richard Denney, 30090 Orla Engle Road. Colon, MI 49040, or e-mailed to: secretary@suvcwmi.org

Section 4 – Correspondence to the Commander should be sent to David Smith, P.O. Box 346, Acme, MI 49610-0346, or e-mailed to: commander@suvcwmi.org

Section 5 – We would like to extend appreciation to all newly elected and appointed Officers, as well as Brothers serving on committees.

Section 6 – We would also like to extend appreciation to this past year's Officers and committee members for their service to the Order.

Section 7 – PDC L. Dean Lamphere, Jr., we thank you for your leadership and service to the Department and the Order during the 2016-2017 term.

Section 8 – The Department would like to extend appreciation to the Department of Michigan's own JVCinC Donald Shaw for installing the Officers for the 2016-2017 term.

Section 9 – The Department would like to thank the other Allied Orders of the GAR for a successful 133rd Department Encampment.

Section 10 – The Department extends the highest appreciation for the Brothers in attendance at the 133rd Department Encampment. The business conducted at our Encampments is of the utmost importance in forging consensus decisions going into the future, allowing us to share in our collective knowledge in what works and what does not, and enables us to share in fraternity.

Section 11 – Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, 29 May 2017, while the traditional date is Tuesday, 30 May 2017. All Camps and Brothers are highly encouraged to attend or participate in services or other acts of remembrance in Keeping Green the Memory of our Union ancestors, and all American Veterans that are no longer among the living.

Section 12 – The 2017 National Encampment in Lansing is fast approaching – 10–13 August 2017. Please consider volunteering. Any level of involvement is highly appreciated. Many hands make light work. If you are interested in helping out, or to see what areas need help, please contact JVCinC Don Shaw or PDC Paul Davis. Forms and other information for attending the National Encampment can be found at:

http://www.suvcwmi.org/2017NatEncampment/2017Encampment.php

Section 13 - Department Committee appointments will be announced in the near future.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this ninth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and fortieth year of Independence of these United States of America.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

ATTEST:

/s/

David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War /s/ Richard Denney, CC Secretary, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Department Orders #2 Series 2017 – 2018 Headquarters, Traverse City, Michigan 23 May 2017

David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC

Memorial Day

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

<u>Section 1</u> – Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, 29 May 2017, while the traditional date of Decoration Day as recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic is Tuesday, 30 May 2017. All Camps and Brothers are highly encouraged to attend or participate in services or other acts of remembrance in Keeping Green the Memory of our Union ancestors, and all American Veterans that are no longer among the living.

<u>Section 2</u> – If you are unable to attend an event (or even if you do attend an event), consider going to a local cemetery and honoring Veterans by placing American flags and leaving flowers such as the lilacs placed by our ancestors on the graves of their Comrades.

<u>Section 3</u> – While Memorial Day is for honoring and remembrance of those that have gone to the "great bivouac of Eternity" – let us not forget the Veterans living among us. During your attendance, participation, and travels this Memorial Day and always, extend appreciation to our Veterans that you may meet or see. Freedom is not free, and our Veterans have paid the price to preserve our liberties. Let them know that we are grateful for their sacrifices and service to our Nation.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this twenty-third day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and fortieth year of Independence of these United States of America.

ATTEST:

/s/

David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC
Commander, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

/s/ Richard Denney, CC Secretary, Department of Michigan

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Department Orders #3 Series 2017 – 2018 Headquarters, Traverse City, Michigan 25 May 2017

David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC

Updated Camp Geographical Boundaries

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

<u>Section 1</u> – Attached is a color-coded map of the updated Camp Geographical Boundaries for the Department of Michigan. These updates were the result of Camp No. 1 and Camp No. 139 disbanding. Every effort was made to uniformly distribute the open counties to neighboring Camps. Additional adjustments will be made as new Camps are formed.

<u>Section 2</u> – The Camps listed below gained counties as follows (based on Camp Geographical Boundaries set before Camp No. 1 and Camp No. 139 disbanded):

- a. General Benjamin Pritchard Camp No. 20 gains Kent County
- b. Henry Plant Camp No. 3 gains Ottawa County
- c. Alexander French Camp No. 28 gains Lake County
- d. George W. Anderson Camp No. 58 gains Montcalm County
- e. Robert Finch Camp No. 14 gains Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, and Oscoda Counties

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this twenty-fifth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and fortieth year of Independence of these United States of America.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

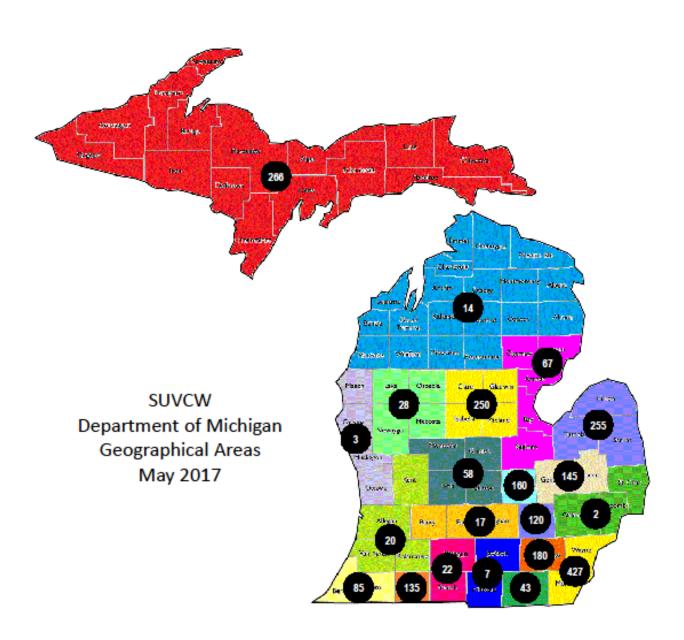
ATTEST:

/s/

David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War /s/ Richard Denney, CC Secretary, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC

Scheduling of Camp Officer Installations

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

<u>Section 1</u> – To facilitate Installation of Camp Officers for the upcoming term, Camps must communicate with the Department as to their intended date of installation for scheduling purposes.

<u>Section 2</u> – Camp Officers shall be installed at a regular meeting of the Camp to be held between the first meeting in November and the first meeting in January, inclusive, per Chapter I – Camps, Article V – Officers, Section 3 of the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations.

<u>Section 3</u> – To ensure that the Department Commander or a designated Department representative is available, it is imperative for Camps to notify the Department as soon as possible of their intended date of Officer Installations.

<u>Section 4</u> – Camps shall contact the Department Commander with the intended Officer Installation date <u>no later than Saturday</u>, <u>15 July 2017</u>. The Department Commander can be contacted at: <u>commander@suvcwmi.org</u> or <u>david.smith@suvcwmi.org</u>.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this twenty-fifth day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and fortieth year of Independence of these United States of America.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

ATTEST:

/s/
David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC
Commander, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

/s/ Richard Denney, CC Secretary, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ANNOUNCEMENT: EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ALL MICHIGAN'S MESSENGER
ARTICLES MUST BE SENT TO A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS – <u>EDITOR@SUVCWMI.ORG</u>.
ALL E-MAILS TO THE GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER MUST BE SENT TO
<u>DGRO@SUVCWMI.ORG</u>. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. R. DANES

Senior Vice Commander

by Bob Griggs DSVC

Brothers:

First of all I would like to thank the Brothers of the Department for electing me to the position of Senior Vice Commander. I hope to be able to renew your faith for giving me that honor throughout the coming year.

I would like to send out a thank you to some of the Camps for allowing me to attend and take part in several events throughout the spring. First of al I to the Brothers of the Nash-Hodges Camp No. 43 for the Eagle Scout Program held in Tecumseh. To Commander Denney and the Brothers of the March to the Sea Camp No. 135 on putting together the headstone dedication for Private Michael Campbell of the 33rd New York Infantry. I think the only thing that could have made it better was if we had been able to stay dry. Although I was not able to attend, I would like to acknowledge the Brothers of the Austin Blair Camp for the Civil War Day program at St Paul

School in Owosso, again, well done Brothers. I know there were many other events I was not able to attend, and to those Brothers I say keep up the good work of honoring the memories of our ancestors as well as all the boys in Father Abraham's Army.

As we move into summer, I know we are all going to be busy attending events to help us fulfill our pledge to Keep Green the Memory of the Boys in Blue. I look forward to working with you on these events as time permits me to do so. In Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty

Department Encampment Photos #1









Brothers Lost

Submitted by the Rev. Charles F. Buckhahn, PCC Department Chaplain

Bertram "Avery" Bruce

SUVCW Brother Bertram "Avery" Bruce, age 84 of Blissfield, Michigan passed away Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at home under the loving care of his family and Hospice of Lenawee. He had been in failing health for some time. He was a member of Nash-Hodges Camp # 43 of the Department of Michigan SUVCW. His ancestor of record for SUVCW membership was 1st Sgt. Jerome B. Sebring, who enlisted on October 17, 1861 at Adrian, Michigan in Co. A of the 16th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered out on October 17, 1864. He died 10 days later on October 27, 1864.

Bertram was born on December 7, 1932, to Lowell and Eileen (Sebring) Bruce in his grandmother's home in Ogden Township, Lenawee Co., Michigan. On March 4, 1955, he married Loretta Olrich at Zion Lutheran Church, in Ottawa Lake, Michigan. Bertram graduated from Blissfield High School in 1950, and went on to serve in the United States Navy for two years. He was a lifelong farmer and raised hogs for many years on the family farm. Avery also worked at the Simplex and Stubnitz factories, and was a manager at Tote Services in Tecumseh. He was active in Ogden Township as a Constable for 2 years and on the Board of Review. He was a long time member of the Zion United Brethren Church in Ogden Center. Avery also belonged to the Son of the Union Veterans of Civil War and the Boy Scouts. He was an avid hunter and took great pride in teaching his grandchildren how to hunt and shared many hunting trips with them. He enjoyed collecting arrow heads and shared his knowledge with many young students over the years, fishing and camping at Fletcher's Pond with the family and riding motorcycles in his younger days. Avery enjoyed spending time with his best buds Muzzy and Ruger. Grandpa was a role that Avery took seriously and all his grandchildren enjoyed spending time at the farm with him. Avery was a father figure to many during his lifetime and will be missed greatly.

In addition to his wife of 62 years, Loretta, Bertram is survived by his children, Pamela (Michael) Feeney, Sherry (Randy) Martolock, Teena (Matt) Snyder, Kellie (Mike) Forche and Luke Bruce; grandchildren, Michael Cory (Heather Anderson), Raquel (Pat) Hulswitt, Erin (Jason) Tomb, TJ Martolock, Kari (Jimmy) Moore, Kurtis Snyder(Krysta Barron), Shane (Paige)Snyder, Bradley (Courtney) Elston, Joshua (Anna) Feeney, Spencer Snyder, Alex Feeney, and Hunter Bruce; great-grandchildren, Tucker, Will, Owen, Jaxon and Brooks Cory, Isaac and Lane Moore, Savannah, Dylan and Addyson Martolock, Phoenix and Mackenzie Hulswitt, Ben Barish and Austin Tomb, Jade Williams and Lilly Snyder, and Gracie Snyder

He was preceded in death by his parents, Eileen and Lowell Bruce and his grandparents, Archie and Velma Bruce. Funeral Services for Avery will be on Saturday April 22, at 1:00 pm at Zion United Brethren Church in Blissfield with Rev. Aden Porter officiating. Burial will follow at Ogden-Zion Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday April 21, from 2-8 pm at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield, and again on Saturday at the church one hour prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Zion United Brethren Church.

William Melvin Wheaton

It is, once again, my sad duty to inform the Camps of the passing of one of our brothers. Colgrove/Woodruff Camp #22 informs me that Brother William Melvin Wheaton passed on February 8, 2017, at Albion, MI. He was 76. His Civil War ancestor was Sgt. Cornelus Wheaton of the 1st Wisconsin Cav., Co. C. Brother Wheaton was a Past Department Commander, Treasurer, Secretary, and 1st Vice-Commander. He also served in the U. S. Army from 1958-1961. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Lou, and their three children; LuAnn (Michael) Chernick, Marc Wheaton, and Christopher Wheaton. I thank Camp Chaplain Louis Cuyler for the above information.

We remember during this Easter Season that our Captain in the fight of faith, Christ Jesus, has won for us the victory over death and the grave. Please keep the Wheaton Family and Camp #22 in your prayers.

William H. Steele

Brother Keith Harrison, Historian of the Lansing/Sunfirld Curtenius Guard, Camp #17, has informed me of the passing of Brother William H. Steele of that Camp. Brother Steele died out in Los Gato, California, last April, 2016. He was 95 or 96 years old, as we do not have exact dates of his birth or death. We do know that he was the great grandson of Lt. Colonel Amos Elson Steele of the 7th Michigan Infantry, who was killed at Gettysburg. Brother Harrison, who was informed of this death only recently, has not been able to find an obituary or the place of burial for Brother Steele. I thank Brother Harrison for his attempts to discover more about this passing; and let us keep the Steele family and our Brothers in Camp #17 in our thoughts and prayers during this coming Holy Week.

Wilbur Charles Steih

SUVCW Brother Wilbur Charles Steih, age 72 of Riga, Michigan, passed away on Monday, April 03, 2017 at Toledo Hospital, in Toledo, Ohio. Although he had been in failing health the past several years, his death came suddenly and unexpectedly. Wilbur was a member of Nash-Hodges Camp # 43 of the Department of Michigan SUVCW. He was a charter member the camp, established in 1993 in the Blissfield, Michigan area, which currently meets in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Palmyra, Michigan. His ancestor of record for SUVCW membership was Private Joseph Stull, who served in Co. B of the 33rd Ohio Volunteer Infantry State Militia. Private Stull enlisted on July 4, 1863, and was honorably discharged on June 3, 1865. Wilbur was born May 9, 1944 in Adrian, Michigan to Ernest and Luella (Pieh) Steih. He was a 1963 graduate of Blissfield High School. On April 15, 1966 he married Carol Marks at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Palmyra, Michigan. He was a cabinet maker and finisher for Weinlander Kitchen and Bath in Blissfield for 43 years. After his retirement he worked part time at Gilson's Hardware in Blissfield. Wilbur was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church and a life member of the River Raisin Sportsman's Club in Blissfield. He enjoyed archery, hunting, fishing, was an avid Detroit Tigers fan and spending time with his grandchildren. Surviving Wilbur, besides his wife Carol of nearly 51 years are three children, Richard (Yvette) Steih of Jackson, MI, Cynthia (Kyle) Gonyer of Petersburg, MI and Jason (Caroline) Steih of Deerfield, MI and four grandchildren, Ethan, Mara, Madeline and Claire. He is preceded in death by his parents, and Uncle Charles Pieh and an Aunt Nadine Pieh. Funeral services for Wilbur will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Palmyra with Rev. Gary Leking officiating. Burial will follow in Riga Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, from 2-8 p.m. at the Anderson-Rudd Funeral Home, Blissfield. You may send condolences to the family at www.andersonfuneralservices.com. Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or TACA (Talk about curing Autism, MI Chapter). Envelopes are available at the Anderson-Rudd Funeral Home, Blissfield. Wilbur will be missed by his family, friends, and brothers in Camp # 43.

Robert Otto Zimmerman

Sgt. John S. Cosbey Camp #427, Dearborn, lost Brother Robert Otto Zimmerman on April 2nd. He was 76 years old. His Civil War ancestor was Private Joseph Zimmerman of the 34th Pennsylvania Infantry, Co. B. He was Brother Robert's 2nd Great Grandfather. Brother Robert was a graduate of Wayne High School (1959); served in the U.S. Army from 1959-1963, during which he managed the Fort Devons, Maryland, Dental Clinic; was a Letter Carrier from 1964-1997; was a member of the Wayne Historical Society; and was a member of VFW post 3323 in Wayne, Ml. Cards may be sent to his wife, Ann, at 35067 Currier St., Wayne, Ml. 48184. He was laid to rest in Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne, Ml. Attached is Brother Zimmerman's Death Notice.

General Israel B. Richardson Camp No.2

Submitted by: Bruce Miller, SVC, PCC

Camp 2 Active on Memorial Day 2017

Once again this year, Camp 2 was a major participant in the City of Birmingham's Memorial Day service. Camp SVC Bruce Miller is the organizer of the entire service and acted as master of ceremonies; Kevin Lindsey spoke on the origin of Memorial Day and the camp placed a wreath at the Oakland County Civil War monument that dates to 1869. The patriotic program included addresses of historical interest. introduction of all the veterans present and live music provided by the Birmingham Concert Band featuring songstress Patty Ward who



led the crowd in a stirring rendition of "Over There". This years' service commemorated the 100th anniversary of the First World War and the Friends of the Birmingham Museum marked the occasion with a special presentation. Following the service they conducted a tour of historic Greenwood Cemetery with emphasis on local heroes who served our country during The Great War.

Russell Alger Camp 426 - Camp at Large

Submitted by Tom Jenkins

Thomas Jenkins of the Russell Alger Camp was asked to present the keynote address at the Hart Michigan Memorial Day celebration. The event was held in the Hart Cemetery and featured the Veterans of Foreign Wars William Megeke Post 1329 members and the Hart High School Band. Brother Jenkins presented a short history of the inception of Decoration Day by the GAR in 1866 and also spoke of the General Joseph Hooker GAR Post 26 that flourished in Hart from 1881 until the last brothers passed away in 1934. He concluded with a portion of the Decoration Day address issued by the GAR National Commander in Chief in 1917 – 100 years ago this date.

The event is a long time tradition in Hart and was attended by over 350 residents and guests.



VFW Member John Varenhorst, American Legion Bro. Jenkins address at the GAR Memorial and



Commander Mark Parrish, VFW Commander Jim Hood, VFW Commander Pat Flannery

Governor Austin Blair Camp No. 7

By Bob Griggs, DSVC

The last couple of months have been very busy for the Brothers and Sisters of Camp No. 7 as they have traveled from Owosso to Franklin, TN, and several points in between, to attending events and put on programs.

On 1st and 2nd of April, Brothers from Camp No. 7 traveled to Eaton Rapids to set up displays and talk to visitors to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum while celebrating the 151st anniversary of the G.A.R. The 9th of the month found Department Officers Nathan Tingley and Bob Griggs on the road to Tecumseh to present Eagle Scout Awards to 4 members of Troop 632. At our meeting on the 10th we mustered in a new Brother, as Robert Smith joined our Brotherhood. On the 12th Brother Griggs presented a program to the Vandercook Lions Club. The weekend of the 21st and 22nd found Brothers and Sisters in Franklin, TN attending the Sultana Descendants Association Reunion where DJVC (at that time) Griggs was ask to talk about the SUVCW and the G.A.R.



On the 29th Brother Tingley presented an Eagle Scout Certificate to JC Conroy of Troop 312. On the 30th our forces were split taking part in a headstone dedications in White Pigeon, and a JROTC award presentation in Jackson.

Heading into May we hit the ground running as on the 2nd of the month Brothers and Sisters of out Camp traveled to Owosso to put on a Civil War Day at St. Paul School.

We would like to extend our thank you to Mrs. Smith and her 8th grade students for allowing us to come in and spend the day with them. At the Department Encampment on the 6th, Brother Bob Griggs and Brother Michael Maillard were elected to Department Senior Vice Commander and Department Council Member respectively. Brother Nathan Tingley was appointed Department of Michigan Eagle Scout Coordinator. This year Nathan was also ask to wear a second hat and was also appointed Guide for the Department. This year Department Auxiliary officers from our Camp are; Department President June Lloyd, Vice President Connie Horning, she is also wearing a second hat and is also Patriotic Instructor, Chaplain Elizabeth Lloyd, Treasurer, Vicki Weiss, Council member Karen Hamann.

Congratulations to you all, may you have a great year Keeping Green the

Memory of the Boys in Blue. On the 10th of the month DSVC Griggs



1st Srgt Joe of Mrs. Smiths Classtrying on his new strips before traveling to Gettysburg.

presented a program to the 1st Baptist Church of Albion. Over Memorial Day weekend Camp and Auxiliary members worked very hard Keeping the Memory Alive by attending events in Lansing, Jackson, Concord, Spring Arbor and Eaton Rapids. We can hardly wait for the Summer events to start.

Robert Finch Camp No. 14

Submitted by: David S. Smith, LM, DC

Robert Finch Camp No. 14 has been busy preparing for activities through the warm season of the year. Civil War Memorials Officer Schwander and Graves Registration Officer Sawyer have been highly active performing inspections of memorials, parks, and cemeteries throughout the area. There have been quite a few new memorials discovered, including several that need maintenance and a few others that have amazing stories or mysteries. The Camp is in the process of ordering headstones for several Veterans within Oakwood Cemetery in Traverse City. Work is also continuing on the GAR plot in Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac.

Several ceremonies are being investigated for this year including one in Petoskey, and another joint ceremony with the Sons of Confederate Veterans Camp #2257 in Grand Rapids within northwest Michigan. Additional Camp activities are being planned as well, including attending the Historic Cannon Long Range Competition sponsored by Loomis Battery, held at Camp Grayling's Range 35 on 22 & 23 July.

Memorial Day ceremonies saw the Brothers of Camp No. 14 spread across the area for maximum coverage. Frances Finch Auxiliary No. 9 also participated in events at Linwood Cemetery in Long Lake Township on Friday for their annual remembrance ceremony for Veterans, as well as the Memorial Day services in Traverse City at the Veterans Memorial Park.



Traverse City Memorial Day Services at Veterans Memorial Park – L-R: AP Lisa Smith, Lorraine Jones, DC David Smith, Sister Debra Downey, CC Ted Mattis, PAP Dorothy Roush, and PDC Dale Aurand. Missing from photo: PAP Mary Rose and Brother H.G. Smith.

Curtenius Guard Camp 17

Submitted by Robert R Payne, CC, DJVC

On May 8, Brothers of Camp 17 met at Fairview Cemetery in Dansville, MI to honor our fallen brothers of the GAR. After a brief ceremony, the brothers spread out among the graves and placed nearly 40 new flag holders on the graves of Civil War Veterans. Brothers Steven Martin, Steve Church, Ronald Shull, Robert Payne, PC-inC Pahl and Harrison from Camp 17 and CC Lloyd Lamphere from Gov. Crapo Camp 145, representing Company A, 14th MI Vol. INF (SVR) all participated and diligently searched out each grave to place a flag holder.



Camp 7 and Company A, 14th MI Vol. INF (SVR) at the Soldiers Plot, Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lansing, MI, to honor those buried there. After a few brief words by PDC Dave Arnold, a volley was fired and Taps was played. The Soldiers Plot was purchased by the GAR to bury veterans who otherwise couldn't afford burial. There are 48 graves containing veterans from the Civil War(41), Spanish American War(1), World War I(5), World War II(1). A Wreath was placed by PC-in-C Keith Harrison honoring the deceased.

On May 29, Brothers from Camp 17 travelled to Hastings, MI to march in the Memorial day Parade and help dedicate the new Veterans Plaza, containing the city's original Civil War Monument. This was followed by a ceremony at Riverside Cemetery and their GAR Monument, placed in honor of GAR Fitzgerald Post 125. DJVC Payne was asked to speak on the GAR, the SUVCW, and the origins of Memorial Day.



Department Encampment Photos #2





General Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20

Submitted by John R. Keith CC

Poplar Hill Cemetery Clean Up Success!

The Hopkins FFA suited up for community service on Saturday, April 22, for a clean-up day at the Poplar Hill Cemetery in Monterey Town- ship. Seventeen members helped to rake leaves, trim bushes and put grave stones back into proper position throughout the cemetery. The group also cleaned Civil War markers with the help of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Twenty members are assisting with the Civil War Marker Project.





On Tuesday, May 16th, 2017, Camp 20 Brothers Gary Swain, Mike Culp and John R. Keith, also new camp 20 Brother Comer Skinner, who is and has been the Hopkins FFA Chapter 9 President for several years attended the Hopkins area May FFA meeting, we discussed what we can help each other with, set up cemetery cleanup dates etc. At this meeting Commander Keith presented 17 Certificates of Appreciation to the FFA members who participated in the April 24th clean up in Poplar Cemetery in Allegan County, Brother Swain gave a stone cleaning lecture there also!

On Thursday May 18th, 2017, at the Otsego Historical Society Camp 20 Brother Swain and his wife, Rita, gave a very good talk on gravestone preservation and care, he had area teachers asking him afterwards about coming into their classroom to give that talk to their students!

May 19, found Camp 20 Brother Gary Swain, his wife Rita, Camp 20 Brother Gary Gibson, and Camp 20 Brother Tom Bruce setting new grave flags for the many Military Veterans in Mountain Home Cemetery. Kalamazoo. The name is a very good that burial ground, it seems like when you're walking downhill, you're still walking uphill!

On the morning of May 20, (Armed Forces Day) Camp Commander John R. Keith assisted Allegan area Scout groups as they replaced flags at Allegan's Oakwood Cemetery, preparing for Memorial Day.

After the mission was complete all of the Scouts gathered at Gen Pritchard's grave to hear Commander Keith speak about Gen. Pritchard's life, military service and community involvement. The youths and adults were eager to hear the true story of a celebrated hero from their hometown!

On Monday May 29, several Camp 20 members went their separate ways to pay their respects to heroes of their locality. Places visited were Plainwell, where Camp 20 Brother Jay Miller, also Commander of the local American Legion Post 84 lead his men in firing salutes in Hillside Cemetery, Gun Plain Township, Allegan County.

May 29th, Camp 20 Brother Comer Skinner and the Hopkins FFA Color Guard were be at the Maple Wood Cemetery in Hopkins Township, Allegan County. Brother Skinner was the main speaker there! Camp 20 Brother Bob Zapolnik that lives in the Hopkins area carried the American flag in his sons uniform at both cemeteries.

Those that went to the Allegan Ceremony, after a very good event at Oakwood Cemetery, and brief prayer by Camp 20 Chaplain Bill Brennan at Pritchard's grave, we gathered at the Pritchard's House and were treated to a tour of the house and a luncheon, compliments of the current owners Rick and Diana Lloyd. They have doing this for years now. This year Commander Keith asked Department Commander David Smith to write a Certificate of Appreciation for them to show their actions have not gone unnoticed.

May 30th, several Camp 20 Brothers and Sisters of the Tent 58 DUVCW gathered at the Grand Army of the Republic Lot in Riverside Cemetery, to continue the tradition of having a ceremony on the true Memorial (Decoration) Day. After the ceremony there we went and paid tribute in the Span-Am Section, with Volleys and Taps!

We dedicated the bench, in recognition of the "Thirteen Michigan Memorial Association", granite bench donated to the G.A.R. Lot by Bro. Mike Culp.



At the Pritchard House



Camp 20 Brothers and American Legion Commander Jay Miller leading his American Legion Post 84 men in the firing of volleys at Hillside Cemetery



The ribbon cutting, dedicating the Bench honoring the 13th Michigan Infantry



Commander John R. Keith talking about Benjamin Pritchard at his grave with the scouts who were just finishing setting up grave Flags at Oakwood Cemetery!



Hello, My name is Noah Festerling. I'm a Life Scout from Boy Scout Troop 91, currently working towards my Eagle rank. The Eagle rank is scouting's highest honor and requires the scout to lead a service project that benefits the community.

The American Legion Post 89 has allowed me to build them a Ceremonial Flag Retirement Fire Pit. The fire pit will be used for explicit the purpose of retiring the American flag. The fire pit will also be surrounded by a brick patio that will be made of both regular and memorial bricks. Money from the memorial bricks will fund the project.

You can buy a brick for any reason, whether to honor a veteran, support the project, or to remember a loved one. If honoring a veteran, it is suggested you also include the military branch they served. Optional clip art is available as well.

Thank Your Consideration,

Noah Festerling

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Department Encampment Photos #3





U.S. Grant Camp 67

Submitted by Paul Davis, PDC

The Brothers of U.S. Grant Camp 67 had a busy schedule of Memorial Day activities.

Starting on Sunday, May 29, the Brothers from Grant Camp joined with the Brothers of Governor Crapo Camp for a church service conducted by Rev. Charles Buckhahn, a member of Grant Camp.

The service consisted of a reading the General Order 11 and several hymns and patriotic themed readings and sermon recognizing veterans and their service.





Color Guard

Reading of General Logan's General Order 11

The Brothers of both Camps combined to form a Color Guard for the posting of the Colors.

On the 29th, Grant Camp and the SVR performed a dedication ceremony at the Soldiers' Rest/Pine Ridge Cemetery in Bay City. The ceremony was for Henry Schindehette, Co. I, 24th Michigan Infantry. Several family members were in attendance and participated in the service.



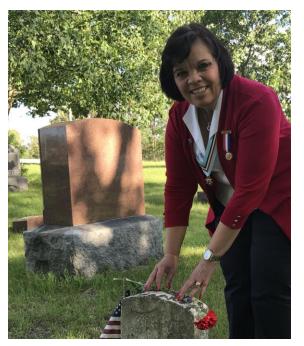
Sons and members of the Schindehette family.



The SVR, 14th Michigan Co. A fired a musket salute during the ceremony.

Next on the schedule was a trip to the Flushing City Cemetery for a combined service conducted by the VFW, American Legion, the Brother of Crapo Camp and the SVR 14th Michigan Co. A who rendered a musket salute.

On May 30th, a combined effort consisting of the SUVCW Grant and Crapo Camps, and representatives of the Society of Daughters and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War conducted a memorial service at Aventine Cemetery. After the reading of the Memorial Day General Order 11, all participants placed flower on the graves of the Civil War Soldiers buried there.



Placing flowers on the graves at Aventine Cemetery



Jan Davis, DUVCW and David Wallace, SUVCW laid a wreath at the Flushing City Cemetery, and Members of Grant Camp and Crapo Camp fired a musket salute.



Brothers of U.S. Grant Camp and Governor Crapo Camp

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Submitted by Wenda Fore, President of Eva Grant Tent # 2 and Department of Michigan DUCVW Press Correspondent

A German Seaman Enlists in the American Civil War

Two descendants of a German Civil War seaman were initiated at the Department of Michigan Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 Convention on May 6, 2017.

Ute Gertrud Meyer Ullrich and her daughter Sandra Schulze had an interesting story to tell about their ancestor Paul Friedrich Albrand.



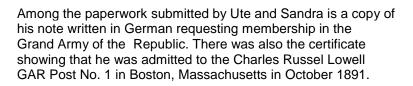
Sandra Schultze on the left, and Ute Ullrich on the right.

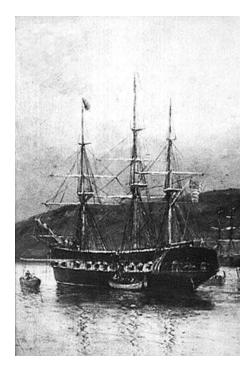


Paul and 1862 photo

Paul was a seaman serving on a German sloop which came Into the San Francisco harbor in 1859. While there he enlisted in the Civil War. Albrand assumed the name of William Brown because he belonged to a prominent family in Germany.

an quartermaster about the Naval Sloop of War, the USS Cyane which has been built in a Boston shipyard. This vessel was part of the Pacific Squadron maintaining peace in the Pacific in the 1860's. They were to cruise along the coasts of Mexico and California to protect the mail steamers, and heavy shipments of gold. His service ended in 1863, and it appears that he returned home to Germany





USS Cyane



Paul wearing his GAR badge

Also included in their paperwork for membership was a letter to Paul from a man in Germany asking for information on others aboard the USS Cyane where his father also served. This man indicated the he became a member of MOLLUS by heritance of his father. On their 60th wedding anniversary Paul and his wife received a letter from the American Ambassador to Germany congratulating them and also indicating that he knew of Paul's membership in the GAR. This letter was dated 12-2-30 with a Berlin postmark.



We in Eva Gray Tent 2 in Grand Rapids count it a privilege to have received these two descendants of this Civil War sailor into our tent.

German Newspaper Article showing Paul and German Ship

Department Encampment Photos #4



Sgt. John S. Cosbey Camp 427 Submitted by Rick Danes, CC



Camp 427 has had more events than we can contain in one edition of the Messenger. In no particular order, we -Conducted a public Decoration Day Ceremony, presented ROTC Certificates two eight Cadets, initiated two new Members – John Polzin and Chuck Nolan – conducted a headstone dedication (one of three this year), and attended the Dearborn Flag Day Ceremony.









Department of Michigan invites you and welcomes your attendance at the 136th National campment in Lansing, Michigan. The Host Committee has been very busy planning an erience we hope you will enjoy. We are in the final stages of bringing everything together. s is a great opportunity for all Michigan Brothers and Sisters to attend a National campment as it is being held here in your home state. Come and experience a National campment. Make your voice heard by exercising your voting privilege as a Delegate.

Hotel Reservations, Sons Registration, Merchandise Order Forms, Tours, Banquet and SVR akfast Tickets, please visit the National Encampment website for these forms as well as any lated information. Any questions may be directed via Email to the Contact Us link.

<u>o://www.suvcwmi.org/2017NatEncampment/2017Encampment.php</u>



The Custer Michigan Cavalry Brigade souvenir badges are selling well and they are almost sold out.

The 2017 National Encampment Polo Shirts are also ready for sale. See the Order Form on the Encampment website for a picture of the Polo Shirt and the Custer Badge Order Form.

The Encampment badge is shown at the left. If you like the Custer badge you will certainly want to have one of these badges. It is spectacular and will be given to each paid registered guest in their registration packet obtained at the Encampment when you register. Please join us for the Encampment and get one of these very nice, substantial badges at no additional cost.

Information about the 2017 National Encampment

Please join us in Lansing, Michigan or the 136th National Encampment of The Sons Of Union Veterans Of The Civil War and the Allied Orders

August 10 - 13, 2017

Host Hotel is the Radisson located in down town Lansing just a few blocks from the State Capitol. For more information please visit: suvcwmi.org/2017encampment

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Gentlemen,

As the Department of Michigan has the honor of planning and hosting the upcoming 2017 National Encampment, the Program committee members are offering you first chance to place and/or renew an Ad/Memorial in the National Encampment Program Book. Following this page is the form that needs to be submitted, which contains all the guidelines and costs for the Ads and Vendor tables. Please note that the Ads need to be **print-ready**, and submitted in digital or paper form to the address listed. Receipt of Ad and payment will be confirmed via email. Deadline for submitting ads and memorials for the program book is July 15, 2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration, any time you could give your Department in this regard would be very greatly appreciated.

Karen Hamann, PDP Dept of MI ASUVCW, Vendor Room Committee Program Book Committee Fundraising Committee

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The Department of Michigan is looking for volunteers.

Michigan is hosting the National Encampment for the SUVCW this coming summer. We are looking for volunteers to work on the Encampment programs both leading up to and during the Encampment which will be held in Lansing from Thursday, August 10 to Sunday, August 13, 2017. If we all pitch in, it will make for a great time without too much burden on any single individual or group. Many hands make light work, as they say.

2017 Allied Orders National Encampment Program Book Advertisement Order Form

Please help us defray the cost of hosting the 2017 National Encampment by placing an advertisement, memorial or booster ad in the Official Program Book of the 2017 Allied Orders National Encampment to be held in Michigan.

Express your pride and honor your Civil War ancestors and their units. Send greetings on behalf of your Auxiliary, Camp, Tent, Circle or Department. Congratulate the Commander In Chief and/or National Presidents on a job well done. Pre-2018 National Encampment Host Committee ads are also welcome.

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Mail this form and a check payable to the DEPT. OF MICHIGAN, SUVCW 2017 to:

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Karen Hamann, 2312 Gady Road, Adrian, Michigan 49221. Also please include a printed copy of your ad.

Send all ad electronic files to:karenhamann31@gmail.com. If your files are too large to Email send a CD or other recordable media to the mailing address above.

DEADLINE: All orders must be received prior to July 15, 2017

2017 Allied Orders National Encampment Vendor And Display Table Order Form

There are a limited number of tables available. They are offered on a first-comefirst-served basis.

All tables are standard 8 foot tables. The \$25.00 fee per table covers the duration of the Encampment. Vendor Tables will be in a secured room. Display tables will not be in a secured room.

Reservation Deadline:

Reservations and payment must be received before July 15, 2017. Reservations will be conformed via Email.

Please Note: Vendors must have their goods packed up and removed from the Vendor area by 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 12, 2017.

Please Reserve	Secured Tables @ \$25.00 each
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2017 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

SOUVENIR BADGE

The Department of Michigan presents the 2017 National Encampment of the Allied Orders Custer Souvenir Badge.

The badge is approximately 2.25 inches wide and 5 inches in length. The Custer medallion at the top is sculptured in bas relief. It is approximately 2.25 inches in diameter and is made of bronze tone metal. The GAR star and Custer badge are also made of metal and enameled in the colors as shown in the example. The ribbon is grosgrain in yellow.

This handsome, elegantly crafted badge will be available for pre-sale orders and will be delivered to you by USPS Priority Mail before the Encampment. Or you may pre-order the badge and pick it up when you arrive at the encampment.

To pre-order your badge, send a check in the amount of \$25.00 plus \$7.00 for postage and insurance.

You may also pre-order your badge for a payment of \$25.00 and pick it up at the Encampment.

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