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140th SUVCW National Encampment, August 4-9, 2021, St. Louis, Missouri



**Department of the Southwest Delegates:
(L-R) Brothers John Horton, Avery Frantz, Jerry Bloom PDC, John Conrad DC &
Ronald Hyer**

Veterans Day, November 11, 2021



“He has written his own history and written it in red on his enemy’s breast. But when I think of his patience under adversity, of his courage under fire, and of his modesty in victory, I am filled with an emotion of admiration I cannot put into words. He belongs to history as furnishing one of the greatest examples of successful patriotism; he belongs to posterity as the instructor of future generations in the principles of liberty and freedom; he belongs to the present, to us, by his virtues and by his achievements.
— the will to win, the sure knowledge that in war there is no substitute for victory; that if you lose, the nation will be destroyed; that the very obsession of your public service must be Duty— Honor— Country”
— General Douglas MacArthur 1962

Honoring all who served in our armed forces to keep our Nation free



2022 Annual Dues Season is here! Dues are . . . DUE

Brothers, it is that time of the year so please submit your 2022 annual dues to your respective Camp's secretary/treasurer. The dues form is attached to this newsletter—dues are the same for all of the camps.

Let's all get our 2022 dues in before the end of 2021 (after all, you have been anxiously waiting for the season to begin)!

Picacho Peak Camp Brother Dan Huskisson paid his in August! so please follow his lead—don't wait for an individual notice to be sent to you (and remember, it was not curiosity that killed the cat—or the dinosaurs—it was procrastination)!

140th Annual SUVCW Encampment

The 140th Annual SUVCW Encampment was held in St. Louis, Missouri, between August 4-9, 2021, and our Department was well represented.

Department Commander John Conrad was the recipient of the SUVCW Meritorious Award for all he has done for the National organization and our Department.

The award, signed by then CinC Brian C. Pierson, contains the following: "In recognition of exceptional service in upholding the mission and objectives of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War."

This recognition is well deserved! Congratulations to Department of the Southwest Commander John Conrad!

Brother Conrad was also appointed as the SUVCW Expansion Officer.

Brother Avery Frantz receives scholarship

Department of the Southwest Civil War Memorials Officer Avery Frantz (below) received the 2021 Scholarship award from the National Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



WRC badge donated

On August 27th, Department of the Southwest Civil War Memorials Officer Avery Frantz donated a Woman's Relief Corps badge to the Old Trails Museum of Winslow. This badge was accepted in remembrance of the William Hancock/Dr. I. Patterson #5 Corps of Winslow which lasted until around 1924.



Departmental Order No. 3—Encampments, Activities, and Notification

Departmental Order No. 3 was published and distributed on September 23, 2021, and contains very important and timely information on a number of topics (including a summary of the actions taken at the National Encampment).

If you have not read the Department Order it is attached to the newsletter.

Pearl Harbor Day ceremony at Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza—Phoenix

The 80th annual Pearl Harbor Day ceremony will be held at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza in Phoenix on December 7, 2021, starting at 10:55 a.m.

The Department and Camps will be presenting wreaths. SUVCW CinC Michael A. Paquette is scheduled to attend as are Norma Fiedler, DUVCW national president, and Wanda Langdon, past national Auxiliary president.

All Camp Commanders have been notified.

General U. S. Grant Camp Commander Bill Smith won't be in attendance since he will be at the Pearl Harbor ceremony in Hawaii. Bill's uncle, Michael James Giovenazzo WT2c USN perished on the USS Arizona (BB-39) on December 7, 1941 and is interred in the ship

2022 Department of Southwest Encampment

The Encampment will be held on March 26, 2022—more information to follow in the January newsletter.



Camp News

Picacho Peak Camp No. 1 (Phoenix)

*Chartered on May 11, 1996, as the first Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of February, May, August, and November. Contact: **Commander Ken Hooker** (480) 580-1612; hooker56@gmail.com or **Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Bloom** (602) 955-3091; jerrybloom@q.com*

Past Camp Commanders:

Larry Fuller 1995-2003 †
David A. Swanson 2003-2006
Robert Hannon 2006-2008 †
John R. Conrad 2008-2010
David A. Swanson 2010-2013
John R. Conrad 2013-2015
Gerald N. Bloom 2015-2016
James M. Heller 2016-2018
Jeffrey D. Burgess 2018-2020



Picacho Peak Camp Minutes August 21, 2021

In person meeting at Manuel's in Phoenix

Commander Hooker welcomed back our camp members and guests. We had a solid turnout of 18 members and guests at our new meeting location, Manuel's Mexican Restaurant on Indian School Rd in Phoenix.

Camp Chaplain Jim Heller held a moment of silence, and offered a prayer for our recently passed brother, John Kohl. Commander Hooker read excerpts of Brother Kohl's biography. He had very many accomplishments and was an active member of our camp for some time. Brother Bloom fondly recalled some of his experiences with Brother Kohl.

- Camp Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Bloom reported on the financial state of the camp, which is in a positive status
- Brother Bloom gave a report on the National Encampment. Highlight of the Encampment for us was that Department Commander John Conrad received a Meritorious Service award for his work on remote meetings for SUVCW. The remote components were a hot topic of conversation this year and John was very active in participating. Congratulations to Commander Conrad!
- One new member was inducted, Brother Keith Hugus.

Welcome, Brother Keith!



(L-R) Cmdr Hooker & Brother Keith Hugus

- Brother Bloom brought the Camp a 25th anniversary cake! We finally got to have our cake, and eat it, too! Thanks to Brother Jerry for this nice touch.

Featured Speaker: Brother Robert McCord, PDC gave a riveting presentation regarding badging in the GAR, SUVCW and Allied Orders. Commander Hooker passed around a GAR badge from the 38th National Encampment, held in Boston in 1904. The event was hosted by Joe Hooker GAR Post 23 and features an image of the General's Boston equestrian statue.



Brother Robert McCord PDC

Meeting information continued on page 5



GAR badge from the 38th National Encampment

Our next meeting will be on November 20th 2021, at the Manuel's Mexican Restaurant, 2820 E Indian School Rd, Phoenix, AZ

In Memoriam

Longtime Picacho Peak **Brother John Kohl** died on August 1, 2021. Brother John and his wife Joye gave many interesting Civil War presentations to the Camp over the years.

The Camp sends its condolences to Joye and their entire family.

Upcoming Events

2021 Camp meetings:

The next Camp meeting will take place on November 20, 2021 at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant, 2820 E Indian School Rd, Phoenix.

Our guest speaker will be Brother David Swanson PDC who will talk about Veterans Day and Veterans.



General R. H. G. Minty Camp No. 2 (Tucson)

*Chartered on July 15, 2015, as the second Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of January, April, July, and October at the Kettle Restaurant, 748 W. Starr Pass Blvd, Tucson. Contact: **Commander Robert Irwin**; phone 520-743-9983; email: rbirwin@cox.net*

Past Camp Commanders:

Robert McCord 2015-2017

Randy McNally 2017-2018

Robert Haley 2018-2020

October 16, 2021, Camp meeting minutes

The Camp met at the Kettle Restaurant in Tucson with 10 in attendance, including past Department Commanders McCord, a new member A. McLeod, and 1 guest.

Commander Irwin opened the camp.

- July Meeting minutes were read and approved.
- Read and approved Treasurers report.

Unfinished business:

The badges are available for those who ordered during last order and are in the hands of the S/T (I have about 3).

Status of the flag pole repairs at the GAR plot at Evergreen Cemetery was discussed by Commander Irwin. Work was completed last week, awaiting the invoice.

Brother McCord gave an update on the formation of a SVR unit within the Department. We have enough to form the unit and are awaiting word from the Military District. (So far, all members are from Minty Camp!)

Discussed the workings of getting back into the JROTC and ROTC programs in local schools.

New Business:

Reminder that 2022 dues are due by the end of the year (see form in newsletter).

80th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day at Wesley Bolin Plaza, on December 7, 2021. Commander Irwin will be attending and offered a ride to anyone who would like to accompany him. He will be laying a wreath for the Camp.

2022 Department (in-person meeting) to be held in the Phoenix area on Saturday, 26 March 2022. More details will be forth coming.

Brothers are encouraged to take the "Memorial University" course on line.

<https://www.suvchw.org/memuniv/memorialuniv.htm>

Recognition of Brother Ron Hyer. He saved both the Camp and the Department fund by donating the cost of refurbishing the Flag Pole at Evergreen Cemetery.



(L-R) Commander Irwin; Ron Hyer, Jr-Vice Commander; R. McNally, PCC, S/T

Recognition of Brother McNally, PCC and S/T

He is retiring and moving back to the Grandchildren.



Commander R. Irwin; R. McNally; Sr-Vice M. Clark

Initiation of new Brother Allen McLeod, whose ancestor was Pvt. George Edwin Sherman of the 114th NY Infantry, Co. C.



(L-R) Br. McLeod & Cmdr Irwin

Election of officers for the 2022 campaign season

Slate elected:

Commander – Mark Clark

Sr-Vice Commander – William Crooke

Jr-Vice Commander – Ron Hyer

S/T – Andrew Whipple

Camp Council – Robert McCord, PCC, PDC; Robert Haley, PCC; Robert Irwin, PCC

Appointed:

Chaplin – Robert Irwin, PCC

Historian – John Conrad, PDC

Program: A program was presented by Commander Irwin on Field Artillery used during the Civil War. He discussed the unit formation, type of field pieces used, type of ammunition used and support equipment.

Commander Irwin closed the Camp meeting at 3:00 PM. (Just as the commander gave the meeting closed we had a new member enter the room to submit his application!)

Upcoming Events

2022 Camp meeting:

The next Camp meeting will be mid January at the Kettle Restaurant, 748 Starr Pass Blvd, Tucson.



**General U. S. Grant Camp No. 3
(Flagstaff)**

*Chartered on September 11, 2015, as the third (and final) Camp-at-Large in Arizona, it meets during the months of January, April, July, and October at the Grand Canyon Brewery 1800 S. Milton, Flagstaff. Contact **Commander Bill Smith** (928) 301-7946; wcs813@aol.com or **Secretary/Treasurer Dale Enlow** (928) 715-5109; dale_elnow@hotmail.com*

Past Camp Commanders:

David A. Swanson 2015-2017

Mark J. Haynes 2017-2019

Dale E. Enlow 2019-2021



October 2, 2021, Camp Meeting Information

General U.S. Grant Camp No.3 Department of the Southwest, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Meeting Minutes October 2, 2021

Roll Call of Officers: (officers present): William Smith CC & Color Bearer, Tim Prater SVC & Counselor,

David Swanson Camp Council, dale elnow
Secretary/Treasurer & Historian.

Brothers/ guests present: Jack Berry, Dennis DeAtley, dale elnow, Avery Frantz, Tim Prater, Lynn Scott with wife Margaret and their adorable granddaughter Ava, William Smith, and David Swanson.

After reciting the American's Creed and the Pledge of Allegiance Camp Commander Bill Smith opened the Camp. (It is of note that 5 year old Ava did a wonderful job of reciting the Pledge from memory. It is good to see the younger generation following in the tradition of honoring our Flag!)

Old Business

JROTC Certificate/Medal Program: Brother Prater advised it is continuing and all institutions wish to participate.

JROTC Scholarship Program/Donation Status via Renewals: Brothers Prater and elnow reported total Scholarship Fund at \$1152, new donations via dues round-up \$652.

Prescott Civil War Veteran Graves: Brothers Prater and Smith reported that 2 additional requests for Union Veterans' headstones (re: Duffy and Greene) were submitted to the Veterans Administration. The requests were approved. Headstones were ordered and will be delivered to Yavapai County Facilities Management for placement at Citizens Cemetery, Prescott, Az.

New Business

2021 SUVCW National Encampment—report from Avery Franz (Department Delegate).

Electronic and hybrid in person/ online meetings approved. Department Encampments still must have an in-person component. Department of the SW proposed a policy change to the Graves Registration database but it was rejected. National GRO will not allow entries into the database unless actual location of the burial is confirmed. In many cases, documentation confirms date and place of death of Civil War Veteran, however; the actual location of the remains cannot be confirmed. Our proposal was to allow entry of these records in the hopes that it would promote further research and possible confirmation. Our Department Graves Registration Officer, David Jackson, who has done an extraordinary job of researching Civil War Veterans, was very disappointed in the rejection, fearing that historical records might not be preserved or collected.

Commander Smith advised that our Brother Avery Frantz was awarded THREE National Scholarships: SUVCW, National Auxiliary to SUVCW, and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Congratulations Avery!

11 Sep DSW Officers Zoom Meeting: Report from Brothers elnow & Frantz: Eight attendees, new Blue Book avail., SVR update, DSW membership 113, update on repairs/ improvements to GAR section

Evergreen Cemetery, update on AZ Memorial efforts to pursue other locations for memorials / plaques. Also reported on the status of a GAR erected Monument to Kit Carson, in Santa Fe, NM. Carson led a regiment of mostly Hispanic volunteers from New Mexico on the side of the Union at the Battle of Valverde in 1862. Apparently, the current Mayor of the city of Santa Fe wants the monument removed (cancel culture). We are attempting to convince the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to defend the monument as the legal heirs to the Grand Army of the Republic. SUVCW leadership is being very hesitant to claim ownership.

Status of 2022 Membership Renewals: Report from S/T elnow: 13 of 36 Camp Brothers have already renewed (23 remain).

USG3 Quarterly Reconciliation (Jul-Sep2021) report from Commander Smith: Quarterly reports are available for inspection and will be audited by the Camp Council.

7 Oct Missing in America Project, Camp Navajo: Brother Prater related that participants to arrive between 10 and 10:30 am

7 Dec Bolin Plaza Phoenix-Pearl Harbor Service: Brother Prater related that National Commander in Chief SUVCW as well as Leaders of the Allied Orders will be in attendance. Tim Prater and David Swanson will present a wreath from the Department and Lynn Scott and dale elnow will represent Gen'l. US Grant Camp No. 3 with a wreath.

Presentation to Commander Smith / book / challenge coin

Commander Smith will attend the Ceremony at Pearl Harbor, HI on December 7 as he has done several times in the past to honor his Uncle, Michael James Giovenazzo WT2c USN who perished on the USS Arizona December 7, 1941.

Brother Tim Prater, on behalf of the Camp presented him with a book *titled Call to Arms* and a challenge coin.



(L-R) Brothers Prater & Smith

Election of 2022 Grant Camp Officers-Floor Nominations-Voting

No additional nominations were received. Motion made and seconded to elect the entire slate of nominees as presented by the Council. Motion carried by voice vote. 2022 Grant Camp Elected Officers to be installed at the January meeting:

Commander: Timothy D. Prater

Senior Vice Commander: Lynn J. Scott

Junior Vice Commander: Kenneth L. Morgan

Camp Council: Robert E. Archibald, Jr., Dennis J.

DeAtley, Richard A. Stephens.

Secretary/Treasurer: dale e. enlow (PCC)

New Members: We have several new Brother Members who have not yet been able to attend a Camp meeting due to distance. We plan to have an electronic (Zoom) Induction Ceremony later this month. We look forward to the initiation of John Butcher SR, John Butcher JR, William Butcher, Daniel Mason, David Minton, and Robert Thum. Details to follow.

Birthdays: David Palmateer Oct 2, Bob Archibald Nov 15, Mark Haynes Nov 26, Leonard Enlow Nov 29, Richard Rice Dec 12, Tim Prater Dec 13, Avery Frantz Dec 31

Presentation:

dale enlow gave a very informative presentation on Brigadier General Ely S. Parker, highest ranking Native American in the Union Army. He served on General US Grant's staff and was instrumental in drafting the terms of surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia, CSA.



Great Presentation Brother Dale!

Missing in America (MIAP) Project—Arizona Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Camp Navajo, AZ

On October 7, 2021, the following Brothers and Sisters participated in the Missing in America Project internment ceremony at the Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Camp Navajo, AZ (The cemetery is located at Belmont, AZ about 10 miles west of Flagstaff and is the newest National Cemetery in AZ): Commander Bill Smith, Dale Enlow, David Swanson, Avery Frantz, Jack Berry, Verna Maleski President of the Picacho Peak Camp Auxiliary, and Rachel Peak Picacho Peak Camp Auxiliary treasurer.



(L-R) Bill Smith, Verna Maleski, David Swanson, Rachel Peak, Avery Frantz, Dale Enlow, and Jack Berry

This was the final interment ceremony for 20 unclaimed Veterans and one spouse gathered from two Arizona funeral homes. The Camp Navajo Cemetery is a beautiful place for their internments.

Brother Tim Prater did an outstanding job in coordinated the event which not only included Camp Grant Brothers, but also members from the Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution Arizona Chapters.

The purpose of the MIA Project is to locate, identify and inter the unclaimed cremated remains of American veterans through the joint efforts of private, state and federal organizations. To provide honor and respect to those who have served this country by securing a final resting place for these forgotten heroes.

The following information was written by Brother dale (and don't be surprised to see it and more in the next edition of the SUCVW *Banner*):

"Our General US Grant Camp No. 3, Department of the Southwest, has proudly been involved with two MIAP internment ceremonies, resulting in providing a final resting place, with honors, for 30 unclaimed veterans.

"Some might ask "is there any connection between MIAP and Civil War Veterans?" Yes, since 2007 there have been 14 Civil War Veteran cremains located and laid to rest through this program."



Upcoming Events

2022 Camp meetings:

Camp meetings will start at 11:00 a.m. and rotate between Flagstaff and Prescott as follows:

Prescott, Hassayampa Inn, 122 E. Gurley St:

Dates: January 15 & July 9;

Flagstaff, Grand Canyon Brewery 1800 S. Milton:

Dates: April 2 and October 1.



Brother dale enlow PCC with cremains of unclaimed Veteran



General News and Information

GAR Final Encampment

Since information about our SUVCW 140th Annual Encampment is included in this newsletter, let's see what happened at the final Encampment of the GAR.

The Final Journal of the Grand Army of the Republic 1866-1956
National Headquarters,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Jamestown, N. Y., February 27, 1957

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
Pursuant to the provisions of Public Law No. 249,
77th Congress, approved September 18, 1941, there
is transmitted herewith the Final Journal of the
Grand Army of the Republic, which was organized
April 6 1866, and closed officially October 16,
1956.

Cora E. Gillis, *Secretary, The National Grand Army
of the Republic*

The 83d and final encampment met in Indianapolis, Ind., August 28 to September 1, 1949, in the Claypool Hotel, with Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland of Portland, Oreg., presiding. The membership at this time was 16, with 10 posts still in existence. Only 6 members were able to attend this meeting; Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland, 100; Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles Chappel, 102; Chief of Staff Albert Woolson, 102; James A. Hard, 108; Joseph Clovese, 105; Robert Barrett, 102; also the attorney for the Grand Army of the Republic, James H. Willett; and the secretary, Cora E. Gillis. Report was made of the passing of Junior Vice Commander in Chief William Osborn, 105, of Joplin, Mo., on October 29, 1948; Adjutant and Quartermaster General John C. Adams, 101, Jonesboro, Ind., on February 17, 1949; and Past Commander in Chief John H. Grate, 103, Atwater, Ohio on June 7, 1949.

On Sunday, August 28, in the Indiana Ballroom, an impressive memorial service was held. The colors of the Grand Army of the Republic were presented by the fireman's post of the American Legion and past commanders in chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Neil D. Cranmer, Elmira, N. Y., Albert C. Lambert, Trenton, N. J., and LeRoy Stoudt, Reading, P.A. The floral piece was a closed book, placed on a pedestal beneath an 8-foot arch of white and yellow gladiolus. Commander in Chief Penland placed a bouquet of red roses on the book in memory of the men who

had passed away during the year. Tributes were paid by the heads of the organizations.

Monday at the Soldiers Monument, in Monument Circle, a program was given for the issuing of a commemorative stamp, honoring the Grand Army of the Republic, and placed on sale for the first time that day in Indianapolis.

Tuesday afternoon the Grand Army of the Republic held an open house in the commander's parlors to receive visitors with their greetings. Tuesday evening, at the Indiana Ballroom, the regular semiofficial meeting was held, with Governor Henry F. Schricker paying a tribute to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, also Congressman Andrew Jacobs and Commander in Chief Charles R. Barefoot of the Spanish-American War Veterans. Gifts were presented by the heads of the Auxiliary and allied organizations, and a past commander in chief gold badge set with a diamond was presented to Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland.

Wednesday afternoon the final business session was held in the commander-in-chief parlor in the Claypool Hotel, with all six veterans in attendance. Resolution was passed "that when the end comes, money left after bills are paid, will be returned to the organizations donating same, prorated according to the amounts given."

Resolution was also passed to continue the officers and the secretary in office, for the purposes of handling the business affairs in closing the organization, making Commander in Chief Theodore A. Penland the last man to be considered for that office, and giving secretary Gillis authority to act as such secretary in closing the affairs of the organization.

Resolution passed to return to the National Women's Relief Corps and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War the money left in the southern memorial fund, since they had contributed the same.

Resolution passed to turn over to the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian Institution the property of the Grand Army of the Republic when the organization comes to an end.

This brought to an end the business session of the Grand Army of the Republic.

[Note: Albert Woolson was the last member of the GAR to pass on August 2, 1956, and the GAR was officially closed on October 16, 1956, by the United States District Court in Washington, D.C.]

Resolution passed recognizing the ASUVCW as an Allied Organization—SUVCW to maintain graves of GAR

The 65th National Encampment met in Des Moines, Iowa, September 13-18, 1931 and:

“A resolution was passed at this encampment, recognizing the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War as an allied organization. They had been active for years but had not been officially recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic. A resolution was also passed giving the Sons of Union Veterans the right to—maintain our memories and see that our graves are properly decorated on Memorial Day, and protest against any other organization usurping that right in any place where there is a camp of Sons of Union Veterans.”

This day in history

September 2, 1865, (as noted in the AZ Daily Sun)
“On this date in 1865 the first public mail to reach Tucson since the beginning of the Civil War arrived from California” and as further noted on September 2, 1864, “Civil War Union General William T. Sherman’s forces occupied Atlanta.”

Civil War ancestor information for the newsletter

If you have information about your Civil War ancestor that you would like to see printed in this newsletter (with its 4.6 million subscribers) please send it to the editor. Please limit it to one page.

A Standing Invitation to Join the SUVCW

Brothers, please help spread the word about the SUVCW and our Department! Male descendants, (son, grandson, great grandson, nephew, grand nephew, great grand nephew, etc.) aged 14 years or older, of a Union Civil War soldier, sailor, marine, or member of the Revenue Cutter Service who honorably served in the Civil War between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865, are eligible for membership. A Junior membership for those aged 6-14 (meeting the above requirements) and an Associate membership are also available.

Please contact your respective JVC or the Department Junior Vice Commander for more details and assistance.



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2022 ANNUAL DUES ARE NOW DUE

Please use this form to submit your 2022 dues, if they haven't already been submitted, and mail them to your respective Camp Secretary/Treasurer (mailing information below). Camp dues are the same in all Camps. *Please make every effort to have them in prior to December 31st.*

Name _____

Regular Member

Regular member primary Camp dues are \$44.00. (Includes National dues \$23, Department dues \$8.00, and Camp dues \$13.)

Dues enclosed \$ _____

Regular Dual Member

If you are a Regular member and also a Dual member in one or more Camps (excluding your primary Camp) dues are \$36.00 to each of the other Camps that you belong to. (Department dues of \$8.00 are only applicable for your primary Camp).

Dues enclosed \$ _____

Life Member

Life Member primary Camp dues are \$21. (Life members are exempt from National dues and only pay Department and Camp dues).

Dues enclosed \$ _____

Life Dual Member

If you are a Life member and also a Dual member in one or more Camps (excluding your primary Camp) dues are \$13.00 to each additional Camp that you belong to. (You pay no National or Department dues to Camps other than the primary Camp.)

Dues enclosed \$ _____

Junior Member

Junior members are \$18 (\$10 Camp dues and \$8.00 Department dues)

Dues enclosed \$ _____

Primary Department other than the Department of the Southwest (DSW)

If your primary membership is in a Department other than the Southwest please contact your respective DSW Camp secretary/treasurer for dues information.

Please make your check payable to your respective Camp/s and mail as indicated:

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**Department Orders Department of the Southwest
Sons of Union Veterans of the
Civil War**



DEPARTMENTAL ORDER 03
(SERIES 2021-2022)

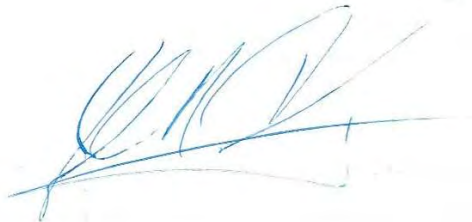
**Encampments, Camp Activities, and
Notifications**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of the Southwest of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the National Charter, Constitution and Regulations, the National Policies, and the Department Bylaws, the following is ordered:

1. Brothers are reminded to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badges through October 14 in memory of Real Daughter Florence (Pool) Wilson, who died on August 31, 2021.
2. The 2022 Department Encampment will occur on Saturday, March 26 in the Phoenix area. Location and time to be determined. Commander-in-Chief Michael A. Paquette will be in attendance.
3. In order to standardize actions throughout the Department and to facilitate accurate and timely annual reporting (Form 27 due on or before April 30th), the following procedures shall be followed in the event a Brother fails to submit payment in full of renewal per capita (dues) before March 31 each year:
 - a. If the Camp Secretary / Treasurer receives a written request for an Honorable Discharge from a Brother in good standing, prior to March 31, a Form 6 and a Form 30 shall be completed and processed. This action shall be reflected in the Losses section of the Annual Form 27.
 - b. Absent a written request for an Honorable Discharge, a Form 30 indicating a General Discharge shall be processed and a letter mailed to the former Brother explaining his status along with information regarding reinstatement. A Brother who wishes to be reinstated will be charged, in addition to the full annual dues (not prorated), a fee of \$10.00.
4. Brothers Bob McCord and Randy McNally are working on organizing the Sons of Veterans Reserve in the Department. As of this writing, they have membership applications from 18 brothers. Please contact Bob or Randy directly for more information if you are interested.
5. General R.H.G. Minty Camp #3 has been actively involved in rescuing the neglected and non-functional Soldiers Plot flagpole at Evergreen Cemetery in Tucson. Camp Commander Robert Irwin is to be commended for his efforts to have the cemetery repair the lanyard and pulleys, provide a new flag, and install nighttime illumination. Brother Ron Hyer is to be commended for paying for all the costs of cleaning and repainting the actual flagpole. Thank you, Brothers Robert and Ron!
6. The Department is in need of a Technology Officer who can help us with navigating social media and meeting apps. This would be a great role for a tech-savvy younger member! Please let me know if you are willing to help.
7. The on-line Charter, Constitution and Regulations (C&R) have been updated through the 2021 Encampment. I recommend all brothers download a copy for reference:
<http://www.suvcw.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Blue-Book-2021.pdf>
1. The Missing in America Program, which honors deceased veterans whose remains have been unclaimed at funeral homes and ensures that they receive a proper veteran's interment, will be conducting a ceremony for 19 veterans on October 7 at Camp Navajo Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bellemont, Arizona. General U.S. Grant Camp #3 is organizing participation by the SUVCW. Please contact Brother Tim Prater for more information.

2. The 80th Anniversary Pearl Harbor Day memorial will be held at 9:50 AM on December 7 at the USS Arizona Memorial in Wesley Bolin Plaza, Phoenix. Commander in Chief Michael Paquette will be in attendance, as will the National President of the DUVCW and sisters from the Auxiliary and the LGAR. Brothers are encouraged to attend. A lunch will follow at The Old Spaghetti Factory. Contact Verna Maleski if you would like to attend the lunch.
3. Brother Jeff Burgess requested that we let all Brothers know of the base naming commission for renaming U.S. military bases named after Confederates. The commission is soliciting suggestions from the general public; the online form is very simple to navigate and complete:
<https://www.thenamingcommission.gov/>
4. Each Camp will be electing its officers for 2022 in the next few months. Please note that we need more Brothers to step up to help lead the Camps! It does not take a huge time commitment. Newer and younger members are both encouraged to volunteer. Please let your Camp Commander know if you can help.
5. We need a Newsletter assistant editor to assist David Swanson. Anyone with an interest in newsletters is welcome, no experience necessary! Reach out to Brother David if you can help.
6. I commend Brothers Jerry Bloom PDC, Avery Frantz, Ron Hyer, and John Horton for joining me in representing the Department at the National Encampment in St. Louis in August. Our 5 delegates outnumbered those from several large departments, including California and the Pacific! I am also proud that we had delegates from all three camps. A summary of the actions of the Encampment is attached to this Order.
7. I encourage all Brothers to actively support their Department and Camps by attendance at Camp meetings, volunteering for programs, and serving in the various officer position opportunities.
8. I encourage all Brothers who can do so to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and boosters when available and to observe CDC guidelines at Camp meetings.

Ordered this 23rd day of September 2021.



John R. Conrad, Department Commander

ATTEST /s/ dale e enlow, Department Secretary



[Summary of Actions taken at the National Encampment contained on following pages]

Summary of Actions Taken at the National Encampment, SUVCW

August 2021

1. A Special Committee was authorized for 5 years to plan for the commemoration of 250 years since the Declaration of Independence.
2. A Special Committee was authorized for 1 year to plan for the commemoration of the Centennial of the Lincoln Memorial in 2022.
3. A Special Committee was authorized for 2 years as the Virtual Meetings Committee to work on implementing the new virtual meetings practices adopted at the Encampment.
4. A motion passed to advocate to the DoD, US Army, Arlington National Cemetery, and other patriotic and veterans organizations to reinstate wreath-laying on Memorial Day.
5. A motion passed to have the incoming JVC-in-C and National Committee on Membership create a booklet or instructional outline of the duties of the Camp and Department JVCs to assist them in their responsibilities.
6. A motion passed to change membership certificates to 8.5x11 format once the larger-format certificates are used up.
7. A motion passed for the C-in-C to establish a national award recognizing outstanding accomplishments in promoting the SUVCW through social media.
8. A Special Committee was authorized for 2 years on Social Media Management (Signal Corps), specifically to develop and manage content on SUVCW social media accounts.
9. The Memorandum of Understanding with MOLLUS regarding the Springfield Lincoln Tomb Ceremony was authorized for review, revision, and extension.
10. A motion passed to review and update the role and job description of the National Webmaster to be taken to the 2022 National Encampment for approval.
11. Virtual Meetings:
 - a. National Level:
 - i. The Annual National Encampment must be conducted in person without any virtual attendance. However, when a state of emergency exists at a national, state, or local level affecting the National Encampment city that prevents meeting in person, the Commander-in-Chief may suspend or cancel the meeting or with the approval of the Council of Administration call for the Encampment to be conducted by virtual means.
 - ii. If the National Encampment is conducted virtually, then the Department-at-Large Encampment immediately preceding it shall also be conducted virtually.
 - iii. The Council of Administration shall meet in person before and after the National Encampment and at the November Remembrance Day in Gettysburg. However, the Commander-in-Chief may allow a limited number of CofA members who would not otherwise be able to attend those meetings in person to attend virtually. All other meetings of the Council of Administration may be held virtually in the discretion of the C-in-C.
 - iv. Standing and Special Committee meetings may be held virtually or as hybrid virtual/in person meetings, at the discretion of the Committee Chair.
 - v. The Chair of a hearing council may allow the hearing to be held virtually or by virtual participation to an in-person hearing.
 - b. Department Level:
 - i. Encampments must be held in person, but the Department Commander may allow a limited number of brothers to attend virtually if he finds that a brother would not be able to attend a meeting in person. Brothers attending virtually must be able to participate fully.

- ii. In the event of a national, state, or local state of emergency, the Department commander may allow the Department Encampment to meet virtually.
 - iii. Department Council meetings and Department Committee meetings may be held virtually at the discretion of the Council or Committee Chair.
- c. Camp Level:
 - i. Camps, Camp Councils, and Camp Committees are permitted to conduct virtual meetings or to provide virtual participation to in-person meetings unless the Camp bylaws specifically prohibit or restrict virtual participation (which would require an amendment to the Camp bylaws). The Chair of the meeting must make sure that all brothers attending virtually and desiring to vote are in good standing, are entitled to vote, and have an opportunity to express their opinions.
- 12. The Department Commander shall sign Department Bylaws each time they are modified and forward them to the Department Secretary. The Department Secretary shall then sign them and forward them to the Commander-in-Chief for approval. Once the Commander-in-Chief signs them, the Department Secretary shall, within 45 days, forward a copy to the Executive Director.
- 13. The position of Assistant Executive Director and job description were approved. It is primarily a clerical position to support the Executive Director.
- 14. The National Encampment Credentials Committee was raised from a Special Committee to a Standing Committee and a job description for the committee was adopted.
- 15. The form of the Seal of the Commander-in-Chief was agreed to.
- 16. The latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all meetings of the Order, except where in conflict with the Charter, Constitution, or Regulations. The National Regulations are deemed the Bylaws of the National Order.
- 17. The 2022 National Encampment will be held August 11-14 at the Grand Rapids, Michigan Doubletree Airport Hotel.
- 18. The Special Committee on Veterans was continued for 2 more years. It was recommended that each Department develop a program for State Veterans' Homes based on a series to be developed by the Special Committee on Veterans.
- 19. The Memorial University webpage was redesigned and improved as of July, 2021.
<http://www.suvcwmu.org/>
- 20. Updates to our national liability insurance policy were discussed. The National Treasurer must be notified 45 days in advance of Department or Camp parades, meetings, and instructional presentations to have a Certificate of Insurance issued covering the event.
- 21. The Committee on Headquarters Planning was made a Special Committee for 5 years.
- 22. A uniform SUVCW grave marker flag in the design of a miniature Camp flag will be supplied by the National Quartermaster.
- 23. Elections and Installation:
 - a. Commander-in-Chief: Michael A. Paquette of the Department of the Chesapeake
 - b. Senior Vice C-in-C: Bruce D. Frail of the Department of Rhode Island
 - c. Junior Vice C-in-C: Peter J. Hritsko, Jr. of the Department of Ohio
 - d. Council of Administration: Shane Milburn of the Department of Ohio and Joseph S. Hall, Jr. of the Department of Rhode Island