

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
Department Order No. 15 Series 2015-2016



DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR



Honoring the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic &
The Men from New York who saved the Union from 1861 to 1865.

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By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. The Sesquicentennial of the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.) is April 6th, 2016. It was on April 6th, 1866 that the G.A.R. was formed by Benjamin F. Stephenson and membership was limited to honorably discharged veterans of the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps or the Revenue Cutter Service who had served between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865.
 - a. To honor the memory and service of the veterans of the G.A.R., I hereby request that each camp in the Department of New York arrange a bell ringing ceremony in their Camp area. Arrangements with a municipal building, church or fire company should be made to celebrate the Sesquicentennial of the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic. The bell ringing should be coordinated across New York State at Twelve Noon on Saturday, April 9th and the bell should be rung 15 times in honor of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the G.A.R. The bell ringing should be attended by Camp representatives and, preferably, a color guard.
 - b. Before each Camp's bell ringing ceremony a suitable press release should be made to the local media to announce the brief ceremony to be called "Bells Across New York for the G.A.R." The event should be documented in order to memorialize this Sesquicentennial celebration unique to our Order.
2. Another part of the Sesquicentennial activities will be the registration of GAR and other monuments and memorials by the Camps in the Department. It is hereby ordered that each Camp do the following things to assist our Department in this effort:
 - a. Each Camp is to take the time to locate three GAR monuments in their respective Camp territory and submit the information to the Department using National Form CWM_61. These forms will be forwarded to our National organization for incorporation into the list of registered monuments.

- b. It is requested that along with CWM_61 that the Camp submit photographs of each monument and a brief but detailed description of its history to the Department. Form CWM_61 helps in this task.
- c. The information submitted will be assembled into a book of monuments, self-published by the Department, to honor the members of the GAR during this Sesquicentennial. Each Camp will be recognized for their contribution.
- d. Every camp is to submit their three monuments to the Dept. Civil War Memorials Officer, Bro. David Dziewulski, PCC at dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com or if you do not have access to email you may submit in writing to:

Attn: Dept. Civil War Memorials Officer
David Dziewulski, PCC
40 Euclid Avenue
Troy, NY 12180

This Order is so ordered on this 7th day of November, 2015 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
Department Order No. 16 Series 2015-2016



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Department Order No. 16, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. On May 21st, 2015, in accordance with the National Constitution, Article VI, Section 2, I requested that two Camp Charters in the Department of New York be revoked by the Commander-in-Chief. Revocation was granted by National General Order No. 23 of Series 2014-2015 on June 2, 2015 as both camps were under suspension for failing to file reports and submit per capita dues.

The Camps were the following:

- a. The General Alexander S. Diven Camp No. 77 of Elmira, NY which has been suspended for not filing their reports on time and for not paying their per capita dues since May 15, 2015 per Department Order No. 2 of Series 2015-2016. The Camp decided to voluntarily surrender its charter on May 20, 2015 and also sent the Camp properties to the Department in full compliance.
 - b. The Daniel E. Sickles Camp No. 3 of White Plains, NY which has been suspended for not filing their reports on time and for not paying their per capita dues since being suspended on May 21, 2014 per Department Order No. 2 of Series 2013-2014. The charter and properties of the camp have yet to be delivered to the Department.
2. In accordance with National Regulations, Chapter I, Article I, Section 5, the former officers and members of the above-mentioned Daniel E. Sickles Camp No. 3 of White Plains, NY are reminded that all Camp property and money shall be turned over to the Department Commander, or to his duly authorized representative, and become the property of the Department of New York.

This Order is so ordered on this 13th day of November, 2015 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 17, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed on October 20th, 1864 by Proclamation and appointment that the last Thursday in November be set apart to be observed by all citizens as a day of thanksgiving;

For President Lincoln proclaimed in his Proclamation that:

"It has pleased Almighty God to prolong our national life another year, defending us with His guardian care against unfriendly designs from abroad and vouchsafing to us in His mercy many and signal victories over the enemy, who is of our own household. It has also pleased our Heavenly Father to favor as well our citizens in their homes as our soldiers in their camps and our sailors on the rivers and seas with unusual health. He has largely augmented our free population by emancipation and by immigration, while He has opened to us new sources of wealth and has crowned the labor of our workingmen in every department of industry with abundant rewards. Moreover, He has been pleased to animate and inspire our minds and hearts with fortitude, courage, and resolution sufficient for the great trial of civil war into which we have been brought by our adherence as a nation to the cause of freedom and humanity, and to afford to us reasonable hopes of an ultimate and happy deliverance from all our dangers and afflictions."

and he further stated that:

"to my fellow-citizens aforesaid that on that occasion they do reverently humble themselves in the dust and from thence offer up penitent and fervent prayers and supplications to the Great Disposer of Events for a return of the inestimable blessings of peace, union, and harmony throughout the land which it has pleased Him to assign as a dwelling place for ourselves and for our posterity throughout all generations."

- a. In that same thanksgiving spirit let each brother and sister celebrate a good and happy Thanksgiving this Thursday, November 26th, 2015 with family, friends, and one another across our Department and let us all be thankful for all that we have.
- b. As you give thanks around your dinner table let us remember to be thankful for our veteran ancestors and all veterans and serving military who have given their all in serving our country.

This Order is so ordered on this 25th day of November, 2015 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
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Department Order No. 18, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. Commander-in-Chief Eugene G. Mortorff has announced with deep regret the passing of Real Son and Brother Charlie Brock of London, Kentucky with General Order No. 8. The Dept. of NY extends our regrets and condolences. Bro. Brock passed on July 9th, 2014 at age 100, He was a member of Fort Duffield Camp 1, of the Department of Kentucky. He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy (Gilbert) Brock. Burial was performed at Hale Cemetery, London, Kentucky.
 - a. It is hereby ordered that the Department Charter, Camp Charters, membership badges, Camp websites and the Department website shall be draped in black commencing immediately for a period of 30 days until January 16th, 2015.

This Order is so ordered on this 19th day of December, 2015 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC

Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC

Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 19, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

- 1.) On behalf of the Officers of the Department of New York, I would like to extend to all of my Brothers and Sisters a very Merry Christmas and happy & healthy New Year. To our Brothers and Sisters of the Jewish Faith, we hope you enjoyed a meaningful and happy Hanukkah.
- 2.) I congratulate all of the Brothers who have been elected or re-elected Officers of their respective Camps. It is a grand accomplishment being elected to camp office as you are being honored by your brethren to lead them through the new year. I extend my best wishes to you all and offer any assistance or advice that the Department Staff Officers may be able to provide. Please do not hesitate to contact us with your questions or concerns. Last but not least, I congratulate the retiring Officers of our respective Camps. You have done a great duty in serving your camp. Remember that your new camp Officers will need your guidance and wisdom, therefore I urge you to continue to be active in your camp's affairs.
- 3.) A brief reminder to all Camp Commanders and Camp Secretaries: Take notice that your camp Installation and Election of Officers Report Form #22 is due on February 15th. If you haven't done so already, work on getting these in as soon as possible. Brothers, please note that a formal complete notice will be sent out after the Holidays by our Dept. Secretary Robert Pugsley, PDC regarding upcoming form reporting deadlines for your camp.
- 4.) Brother Camp Commanders and Camp Webmasters-Signal Officers, please see to updating your camp websites. It has been noted that many camp websites are outdated, please review your camp's website for inaccuracies and missing information about new officers, events and activities.

5.) Congratulations are extended by the Department to Bro. CC George Weinmann, PDC, the Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26, and the Greenpoint Monitor Museum for obtaining an agreement to preserve the Greenpoint Monitor site and being awarded grant funds for the Museum.

This Order is so ordered on this 24th day of December, 2015 in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC

Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC

Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 20, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. Per Article 1, Section C of Department Order No. 12 dated October 20, 2015, I hereby belatedly recognize the camp and brother who earned in 2013-2014 the awards of the PDC John G. Kernan Cup and the Oliver P. Clark Plaque. These are two of the most prestigious and valuable awards that the Department issues. The past recruitment efforts of our brothers and camps have been noted and are key to our Order's existence. The Department Secretary has tallied the numbers for the 2013-2014 term and has determined that the awards for that term be given as follows:
 - a. The Oliver P. Clark Plaque, awarded to the member who recruited the most new members, is hereby awarded to Brother George J. Weinmann, PDC.
 - b. The PDC John G. Kernan Cup, awarded to the camp that recruited the most new members, is hereby awarded to the Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26 of New York City.

This Order is so ordered on this 12th day of February, 2016 in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 21, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. The 133rd Encampment of the Department of New York, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be held on April 29 - May 1, 2016 at the Crowne Plaza of Suffern-Mahwah. A business meeting is scheduled for 9:00am on Saturday, April 30th, 2015, which will be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order. The business session will follow the Order of Business for Department Encampments (page 25) in the Ritual and Ceremonies, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Blue Book.
 - a. The contact information for the hotel is as follows:

The Crowne Plaza of Suffern-Mahwah
3 Executive Boulevard, Suffern, NY
Phone: (845) 357-4800
Fax: (845) 918-1475
<http://www.cpsuffernhotel.com>
 - b. It is recommended that you reserve your room early and directly with the hotel using the Special Code "GAR" for our Group Rate of \$120 plus tax. The deadline for the discount rate is April 8, 2016. Online reservations and more details on the encampment is posted at:
http://suvcw.org/ny/encampments/current_encampment/
 - c. The encampment registration fee has been set at \$10.00. Please be sure to submit your Encampment Registration Form along with your check payable to: "New York Department, SUVCW" by mail to: Dept. Treasurer, Jeffrey Albanese, PDC
19 Gregory Dr
Goshen, NY 10924
 - d. The Allied Orders Campfire will be held Friday, April 29, 2016 at 7:30pm with a program entitled "The History of the West Point Foundry" presented by The Colonel Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124 on behalf of the SUVCW, Department of New York. The speakers will include

Trudie A. Grace, curator of the Putnam History Museum and Mark Forlow, Town Historian for Cold Spring, N.Y, who together co-authored *Images of America: West Point Foundry*.

- e. The Allied Orders Dinner Buffet Banquet hosted by our Sisters the NY Department, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War (DUVCW) is scheduled for Saturday, April 30th at 7pm in the Hudson Ballroom. To register for a ticket please complete and send the registration form by April 15th with a check for \$45.00 per person payable to the "DUVCW".

Send to: Sister, Lynne Gallaudet Dolan, PDP

8917 Lyman St.

Bellerose Manor, NY 11428.

- f. Our sisters of the NY Dept. Auxiliary, SUVCW are compiling the Allied Orders 2016 Memory Book of the Department Encampment Journal. This is a good opportunity to advertise your camp's activities, and may also be used to as a way to honor your ancestor's service or honor a brother or sister. You, your camp, your family or your business, can help support the creation of this book through your advertisements and boosters. A Full Page (5 1/2 x 8 1/2) is \$40.00, a Half Page (5 1/2 x 4 1/4) is \$20.00, a Quarter Page (2 3/4 x 4 1/4) is \$10.00, a 1/8 page is \$5.00, and a Booster (Name only) is \$1.00. Make your checks payable to "Betty J. Baker PNP, Memorial Book" and send with advertisement and form no later than April 10th, 2016 to:

Betty J Baker PNP

3191 Cty Rd. 139

Interlaken, NY 14847

Email: bjbaux@rochester.rr.com

Phone: 607-532-4046

- g. The 133rd NY Department Allied Orders Memorial Service will be hosted by the Colonel Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No.124 on Sunday, May 1st at 9:30 am at the historical Mount Moor African American Cemetery which is surrounded by The Palisades Center Mall and it parking lots just off the New York State Thruway Routes 87/287 in West Nyack, New York.

This Order is so ordered on this 15th day of February, 2016 in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC

Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC

Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 22, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. Members, Officers and Camps wishing to propose an alteration, amendment or deletion to the Department By-Laws must submit them no later than February 29, 2016 by sending a copy to the Department Commander and the Department Secretary, as stated in Article XVI, Section 1 of the By-laws of the Department of New York, SUVCW.
2. Proposals, recommendations, and requests to the Department from elected and Department Officers, Standing and Special Committees, and Camps, will be given in written form or verbally and in turn they will be given to the proper committee for review at the encampment.
3. All Department Officers, elected and appointed, Department Committees, Department Special Committees and Camp Commanders are hereby ordered to submit their reports on or before March 30, 2016 to the Department Secretary by e-mail or by US Mail with a copy to the Department Commander. All of these reports submitted by that date will be available at the New York Department Encampment for review. Note that the Department Color Bearer, Guide, Guard and Musician are exempt from this order.
 - a. Camps that have not submitted a correct Camp Annual Report Form 27A and Certification of Election and Installation Report Form 22 (which was due February 15, 2016) with the correct per-capita payment by April 30th, will be considered not in good standing and will not be allowed representation at the Department Encampment according to Article XI, Section 5 of the Dept. By-laws.
4. As the camp elections and installation of officers have been completed, the time for filing your IRS 990-N postcard is here. The Department Secretary needs your EIN number and

contact person so that he can file Form 11 with the National Organization. It is important for your camp to file because failure could jeopardize your tax-exempt status.

5. The 132nd New York Department Encampment Proceedings are posted on our Department website for review which was completed by our Department Secretary Robert L. Pugsley, PDC. The Proceedings cover the business session held on Saturday, May 2, 2015, in Saratoga Springs, NY. Secretary Pugsley should be commended for his time and effort putting this report together which can be viewed at: <http://suvchw.org/ny/proceedings>
6. The Editor of the Department Newsletter "The Volunteer", Brother Donald G. Zeilman, is in the process of publishing the Spring 2016 issue (expected issue date of April 1, 2016) of "The Volunteer". Please send him, in a timely manner, your camp newsletters, stories, photos, camp activities or news articles that can be used for the department newsletter. His email address is dgzeilman@gmail.com. His mailing address is 1104 Success Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

This Order is so ordered on this 15th day of February, 2016 in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 23, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. I hereby announce that the storage and maintenance of the charters, documents, art, photographs (ephemera) and other items (property) of the Department of New York, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be handled pursuant to the memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed by Department Commander Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC on behalf of the Department of New York SUVCW and President David T. Wallingford on behalf of the Friends of the New York State Military Museum.
 - a. The GAR & SUVCW Property & Artifacts Committee under the leadership of Department Archivist, Bro. Lance Ingmire composed and agreed to this (MoU) in order to house properly stored material, including many SUVCW charters, in the climate controlled museum.
 - b. The MoU was executed on 29 February 2016 and it is appended to this order as a matter of record and shall be posted on the Department website.
 - c. I would also like to recognize the on-going efforts of the Committee that includes the following brothers: Chairman Bro. Lance Ingmire, David M. Dziewulski, PCC, Tim Mabee, Jerry Orton, PDC, and Danny Wheeler, PC-in-C.

This Order is so ordered on this 29th day of February, 2016 in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC

Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC

Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

An agreement between
The Friends of the New York State Military Museum (The Friends)
61 Lake Avenue
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
and
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Department of New York
10 Knabner Rd
Mechanicville, NY 12118

I. Purpose, Objective and Scope of the MoU - The focus of this understanding is the storage and maintenance the charters, documents, art, photographs (ephemera) and other items (property) of the Department of NY, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (Department) by the Friends of the New York State Military Museum (Friends) on behalf of the New York State Military Museum (NYSMM).

II. Background, Situation, and Status of the three Parties – The Department is a non-profit 501(c)4 organization that strives to preserve the memory and monuments of the men who served in the Union Military, 1861-1865 particularly in New York State. The Friends of the New York State Military Museum: The mission of Friends is to be a support to the New York State Military Museum, to aid in fund raising for exhibits and displays, as well as assisting in drawing attention to the museum through programs, lectures and events. As the board of trustees, we are the elected board which helps direct the membership to facilitate the support mission of the non profit group.

III. Review Date of the MoU & Changing Articles – Beginning in 2016 this MoU may be reviewed for revision at the request of any individual party. When a review is requested it will occur at a location (e.g. at the Military Museum in Saratoga Springs) and on a date mutually agreeable to all parties. Any of these articles can be changed at the request of either party, at any time and upon the agreement of the respective parties. The Friends and the Department will then meet in person or via email and discuss changes and finalize an agreement about the changes.

IV. Agreement Details - The Friends will shelve and store all properly archived ephemera and property from the archives/collection of the Department in a secure and heated storage room, provided that:

- a) Ephemera be placed in individual archival folders and then be stored & labeled in appropriate archival boxes;
- b) Property be stored in an appropriate closed container;
- c) All materials needed for the proper storage of ephemera or property will be provided by the Department;

- d) The ephemera of the Department, any defunct SUVCW Camps and antecedent organizations such as the Grand Army of the Republic (or GAR) including minutes and notes be expeditiously reviewed for disposition within eighteen (18) months of the signing of this MoU. Saved ephemera will then be archived while unnecessary ephemera/property (items) will be removed from the archive site or offered for sale or storage at an alternate site (historical society, museum or similar location).

IV. Compensation Details – In the interest of continued preservation, any items of the collection that are deemed unnecessary by the Department as described in section IV.(c) will be offered to the Museum collection if they are deemed to have some historic value and they can contribute to the overall collection or mission of the NYSMM.

No party will be directly compensated without prior mutual agreement on the nature of the compensation. Unless otherwise agreed, all funds generated from the sale of any items must be accounted for in writing by and/or to both parties. Unless otherwise agreed, any transfer of items to the Friends will be accounted for in writing by the Department.

The Friends accepts no responsibility for the condition of the collection which may be due to any loss by fire, water damage, insect/vermin destruction or other *force majeure* or by theft.

Terms of Agreement –[1] This understanding becomes active upon signing. [2] It shall be automatically renewed annually; [3] It can be terminated if revisions cannot be mutually agreed upon; [4] any party can terminate this understanding by notifying the other party/parties. Upon dissolution, all material residing with The Friends, received from the Department, will be returned to the Department within 18 months of termination.

For the Friends of the New York State Military Museum

Name (s) David T. Wallingford Title President

Date 29 February 2016

For the Department of New York, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Name (s) Raymond W. LeMay III Title Department Commander

Date 29 February 2016

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Department Order No. 24, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. I hereby recognize the Sesquicentennial of the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.). It was 150 years ago today, on April 6, 1866, that the G.A.R. was formed by Benjamin F. Stephenson with membership was limited to honorably discharged veterans of the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps or the Revenue Cutter Service who had served between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865.
 - a. The national GAR was founded on April 6, 1866 because all the founding members took part in the Battle of Shiloh.
 - b. The first post of the New York Department, GAR, was O'Rorke Post #1 of Rochester chartered on October 8, 1866. Over 600 posts were chartered until one of the last ones was McDowell Post #672 in Elmira in May of 1915.
 - c. The New York Department was founded in Albany on April 3, 1867. In the beginning, department commanders tended to be officers of the Union army. The first Dept. Commander was Col. James B. McKean of Saratoga Springs.
 - d. National Encampments of the G.A.R. were held in Albany, 1879; Buffalo, 1897; Saratoga Springs, 1907; Rochester, 1911 and Rochester, 1934.
 - e. The 82nd and last department encampment of the GAR was held June 11, 1948 in Rochester with James A Hard, Dept. Commander, a veteran of Co.F, 32nd NYSV, as the only member to attend. Past Commander-in-Chief Robert Rownd of Ripley could not attend. The City of Rochester made this last meeting of the GAR a grand celebration. James Hard died at age 111 on March 12, 1953.

I hereby request that all Brothers and Camps in the Department participate this month of April in commemorations, memorials, services and events held for the Sesquicentennial of the founding of the G.A.R.

The deeds and accomplishments of the Grand Army of the Republic will remain in the history of the Empire State because of its members devotion to its motto of "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty".

This Order is so ordered on this 6th day of April 2016 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

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Department Order No. 25, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. Per Article XIII Awards, Section 2 of our By-Laws, "The New York Department, SUVCW will award the Archibald Gracie Camp #985, Sons of Confederate Veterans Award Plaque to a SUVCW Camp in the New York Department which best meets the criteria set forth by the Gracie Camp, as judged by the SUVCW Department Commander." That criteria being Outstanding Service to the Sons of Confederate Veterans in honoring the memory of their gallant ancestors.
 - a. Because the original plaque had become nearly filled with recipients, having been awarded since 2001, on November 16th, I secured a renewed commitment from the Gracie Camp Commander, Patrick McCullough to continue the time honored tradition of sponsoring this award with a suitable new plaque and renewing this bond of friendship.
 - b. The new award plaque will be presented to the Department by the Gen. Archibald Gracie Camp No. 985 SCV after the conclusion of the Grant's Tomb Ceremony on April 24th and will be awarded to the recipient at the 133rd Department encampment.

This Order is so ordered on this 6th day of April, 2016 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Department Order No. 26 Series 2015-2016



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By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. The Department of New York website has a new web address. This shorter address will be easier to remember and follow. Please change your bookmarks to: <http://www.suvcw.org/ny>
2. I hereby appoint Bro. Bruce T. Crandall, PCC as Department Assistant Secretary effective immediately with his term ending at the conclusion of the 133rd NY Department Encampment on Saturday, April 30th. The Assistant Secretary shall report and work with the Department Secretary. My thanks to Bro. Crandall for his willingness to serve.
 - a. The Dept. Webmaster shall immediately add the Assistant Secretary to the Dept. Officer List on the Dept. Website.
3. I hereby appoint the following committees for the duration of the 133rd NY Department Encampment in Suffern, NY:
 - a. Constitution & Regulations: Jeffrey Albanese, PDC, Danny L. Wheeler, PCinC,
 - b. Credentials: Robert P. Keough, PCC, Leo McGuire, PCC.
 - c. Proposals/Resolutions: SVC Paul Ellis Graham, PCC, Sec. Robert L. Pugsley, PDC.
 - d. Fraternal Relations: Bro. Jerry Orton, PDC.
4. Per General Order No. 14, as issued by CinC Eugene G. Mortorff on April 5th, 2016. An assistant Quartermaster. whose responsibility is to process requests for ROTC medals. has been appointed . The process has also been streamlined to where you can submit requests totally online. The Assistant Quartermaster will use the email address rotc@suvcw.org and will manage all matters concerning the ROTC program, including distribution of medals and certificates.
 - a. There will be a separate national webpage dedicated to the ROTC program with a separate "link" button to from the Quartermaster Store. On that link will be a PDF form than can be completed. When the "submit" button is clicked, the information on the form will be automatically sent to the ROTC Asst. Quartermaster who will complete the process.
5. It is with regret and sorrow that I announce the passing of Bro. Arnold E. Vernoy of the Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124 of Goshen, NY, whose Ancestor was Artificer, George H. Moore of Co. C of the 1st NY Engineers.

a. On behalf of the Dept. I extend my condolences to the family of Bro. Vernoy and fellow Brothers of the Augustus Van Horne-Ellis Camp No. 124.

6. The Annual General Ulysses S. Grant Birthday Commemoration will be held at Grant's Tomb in Manhattan, NY at the National Monument on 122nd St. and Riverside Drive at 11:00 am on April 24th hosted by the Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26 of New York City. I hope to see many brothers there at this grand event.

This Order is so ordered on this 6th day of April, 2016 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 27, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

1. It is with regret and sorrow that I announce the passing of the following brothers in this necrology. On behalf of the Dept. I extend my condolences to the families of the following Brothers and to their respective camps:

- Bro. Carl Gugel of the Abraham Lincoln Camp No.6 of Rochester.
- Bro. Lansing G. Brisbin III, of the Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124 of Goshen.
- Bro. Harold W. Akers of the Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124 of Goshen.
- Bro. Maj. Gordon W. Glidden, NYSNG (Ret.) of the Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154 of Albany.
- Bro. Lt. Col. Kevin M. Lynch, NYSNG of the Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154 of Albany.
- Bro. Robert M. Schweitzer a Member at Large of the Department.

- a. These brothers are reported deceased in addition to the previously announced Bro. William P. Warne of the D.G. Caywood Camp No. 146 and Bro. Arnold E. Vernoy of the Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124.

2. I hereby request that every camp sending brothers and or delegations to the 133rd NY Department encampment to bring your camp flag and base to display to represent your camp.
3. Due to the unforeseen unavailability of our Department Guide, Bro. Andrew Wheeler for the Department Encampment, I am hereby appointing an acting Department Guide in his place, Bro. Brian Castler.
4. Due to the unforeseen unavailability of our Department Color Bearer, Bro. Robert H. Walter for the Department Encampment, I am hereby appointing an acting Department Color Bearer in his place, Bro. Leo McGuire, PCC.
5. In regards to Department Order No. 26, Section 3, regarding Department Encampment Committees: I hereby relieve Bro. Robert P. Keough, PCC from the Credentials Committee, due to his unforeseen unavailability, and hereby appoint Bro. Douglass M. "Tim" Mabee in his place.

6. I am pleased to report that "The Volunteer" Spring 2016 Issue is now available on the Department website, along with the Summer 2015 Issue on the Volunteer webpage located at: <http://www.suvcw.org/ny/volunteer>, Click on the Current Issue of the Volunteer Link for the Spring 2016 issue.

- a. A Special Issue of the Volunteer for the GAR Sesquicentennial for the Month of April is currently being developed for publication by our Editor Donald G. Zeilman.
- b. I request that if you or your camp has participated in a G.A.R. Sesquicentennial event for the month of April to please send your event article/story with pictures to our Bro. Dept. Editor Donald Zeilman for publication. His email address is dgzeilman@gmail.com and mailing address is 1104 Success Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212.

This Order is so ordered on this 26th day of April, 2016 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC
Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC
Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW

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Department Order No. 28, Series 2015-2016

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of New York,

I would like to thank the Brothers for entrusting me to be your Department Commander for the past year,
it was a great honor and a privilege to serve you all in keeping green the memories of the boys in blue.

1. This final Department Order for the 2015-2016 term documents the awards that were presented at the 133rd New York Department Encampment in Suffern, New York.

The following awards were presented at the 2016 Department Encampment:

- a. The Oliver P. Clark Plaque:

Is hereby awarded to Bro. Earl E. Allen, PDC.

- b. The PDC John G. Kernan Cup:

Is hereby awarded to the Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26.

- c. The Joseph S. Rippey PC-in-C Memorial Award for Outstanding Service:

Is hereby awarded to Bro. Lance Ingmire.

- d. The Department Junior Vice Commander's Growth Award:

Is hereby awarded to the following Camps:

Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 6

Sydney Camp No. 41

Admiral John L. Worden Camp No. 150

Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154

Chaplain P.G. Cook Camp No. 223

- e. The Department Camp Patriotic Instructor's Award with \$100 stipend:

Is hereby awarded to the Col. John B. Weber Camp No. 44

(Patriotic Instructor Bro. Michael E. Erb)

- f. Department Patriotic Instructor Award Certificates are also awarded to the following Camps:

Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 6, Patriotic Instructor, Robert Pugsley

Walter H. French Camp No. 17, Patriotic Instructor, Robert Roshia II

Captain Oliver Tilden Camp No. 26, Patriotic Instructor, Arthur P. Kirmss

Sydney Camp No. 41, Patriotic Instructor, Ralph Jones

Col. John B. Weber Camp No. 44, Patriotic Instructor, Michael E. Erb

Sgt. Judson A. Hicks Camp No. 111, Patriotic Instructor, Daryl VerStreate
Homer Searle Camp No. 114, Patriotic Instructor, David A. Palmer
Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124, Patriotic Instructor, Jeffrey Albanese
Stewart-Hope Camp No. 126, Patriotic Instructor, Robert V. Heller
Cpl. James Tanner Camp No. 134, Patriotic Instructor, Douglas W Brenner
Col. David Ireland Camp No. 137, Patriotic Instructor, Lyman E. Baker
David G. Caywood Camp No. 146, Patriotic Instructor, Walter Gable
Admiral John L. Worden Camp No. 150, Patriotic Instructor, Robert V. Comegys
Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154, Patriotic Instructor, Vincent M. Jockimo
Phineas Catlin Camp No. 341, Patriotic Instructor, Gary F. Chapin
Moses A. Baldwin Camp No. 544, Patriotic Instructor, John Shaud

g. The Oliver Norton-Gustav Schurmann Musician's Award:

Is hereby awarded to Bro. Eugene Bender of the Admiral John L. Worden Camp No.150.

h. The Graves Registration Recognition Award:

Is hereby awarded to the Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154.

i. The Camp Newsletter Award:

Is hereby presented to: The Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154

j. The Camp Website Award:

Is hereby presented to: The Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154

k. The Doctor Mary Edwards Walker Award

Is hereby awarded to: Sister Betty J. Baker, PNP,
Sister Dorothy Prentice, PDP,
Sister Betty Wheeler

l. The Department Civil War Monuments & Memorials Officer also awards the following Memorials
Commendation certificates:

1. The Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 6
2. The Col. Augustus Van Horne Ellis Camp No. 124
3. The Col. David Ireland Camp No. 137
4. The Col. George L. Willard Camp No. 154
5. The Moses A. Baldwin Camp No. 544

m. The Archibald Gracie Camp #985, Sons of Confederate Veterans Award Plaque:

Is hereby presented to: The Admiral John L. Worden Camp No. 150.

This Order is so ordered on this 30th day of April, 2016 in Fraternity Charity, & Loyalty

Raymond W. LeMay III, PCC

Commander, Department of New York, SUVCW

Attest:

Robert L. Pugsley, PDC

Secretary, Department of New York, SUVCW