



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

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Honoring the memory of the Grand Army Of the Republic  
and the Men from New York who saved the Union 1861-1865.  
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DEPARTMENT JAMES GOTDON BENNETT JR AWARD

The Department of New York appreciated the hard work of Brother William Stumo and Brother Axel Ravera on developing and obtaining the James Gordon Bennett Jr Award.

The Medal is now available to those who Donate \$500 or more as stated in our Department Bylaws: "The James Gordon Bennett Jr. Award, a medal, is presented to the brothers of the Order who donated at least \$500 to the Department of New York in a year measured by the last day of the last encampment and the first day of the following encampment. All living past awardees will be recognized yearly at the Department Encampment with the singing of "Drunken Sailor" by the assembled brothers before the awarding of each year's recipients."

Looking forward to the first presentation at the Department Encampment on 11 April 2026. Below is a picture of the award.



Yours in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty

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Jeffrey I. French, PDC (NY & CH), PCC  
NY Department Commander.

ATTESTED BY:

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