

**HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER  
Department Order #1, 2017 - 2018**

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

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1. I wish to thank all the brothers who attended the 134th Department Encampment, Past Department Commander Paul Ellis-Graham for his leadership during his tenure, and all other elected and appointed officers for our organization's continued success. I hope that I can live up to your expectations and serve the NY Department, SUVCW well.
2. The headquarters of the Department is transferred to my home address as stated above. You can reach me either by email or by phone (also above).
3. As of the end of the 134th Encampment, according to our Department Treasurer Jeffrey Albanese, we have a balance of \$12,161.11 in our checking operating account.
4. Appointments of Department Officers and to Department Committees are now posted on the Department website. Many thanks to Webmaster Bob Paul and Dept. Secretary Bob Pugsley for their invaluable assistance!
5. The contract for the 2018 Department Encampment has been finalized. It will be held at the Ramada Inn, Lexington Hotel-Rochester Airport 911 Brooks Ave., Rochester, and NY 14624 on April 19th-21st, 2018. Thank you to Past C-in-C and our current Counselor Danny Wheeler and representatives of the Allied Orders for getting the job done.
6. I am personally encouraging all camps to reach out to past members of the Order and reinvite them to join our fine institution. Membership is the life blood of any organization. While JVC have the job of membership, it is up to all of us to work together to attract new members and encourage participation of those current members. Retention is very important. Without Retention, and new members it would be impossible for any organization to thrive. I challenge all Camps to reenlist at least five members who have lapsed in dues over the past years. And find out where their interest lay so we can try to keep them in an active status.

So ordered on this, the 19th of May, 2017

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Daryl V. VerStreate, Jr., Commander  
Department of New York, SUVCW