



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. 1861-1865.

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Department Order No. 1, Series 2019-2020

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

1. *136th Encampment:*

To My Brothers of the Department of New York who attended the 136nd Encampment at Lake George, New York, I sincerely thank you for your support in electing me as your Department's Commander. You have bestowed upon me a great honor and trust, an honor and duty that I do not, and will not take for granted. The welfare of the Department of New York is of the greatest importance and I, and all those elected and appointed to this year's administration, will do our best in the discharge of our duties and responsibilities to that end.

2. *Headquarters:*

The headquarters of the Department shall hereby be transferred to 88 Cindy Crest Drive, Rotterdam, New York 12306-3411 and all correspondence to the Commander may be sent to that address. You may reach me by telephone at (518) 344-7773, and by email at restraight1@gmail.com

3. *Summary of Annual Report:*

Pursuant to Article XI Section 2 of the By-Laws of the Department please accept this as a summary of the Annual Report of the Department Secretary and Treasurer: given at the Annual encampment.

- a. As of May 18th, 2019, the primary checking account balance is \$26,053.29, and The savings account balance is \$14,810.37

We have 453 members and 16 camps in our Department.

- b. It is important to note that since this report predates the end of our fiscal year. These figures are incomplete and do not include the income from the recent Annual fundraising at the Encampment or per capita taxes not yet received from Camps. In addition, it does not include the expenses of the Encampment, end of year expenses of officers or the payment of per capita dues to National.

4. *Department Officers Expectations:*

I request that all Department Officers review their “Duties and Obligations” as outlined in the *National Constitution and Regulations* and *By-Laws of The Department of New York*.

Communication is the key! We must be able to effectively communicate within the Department. That means keeping the webpages, Camp and Department Directories up to date, any change to Phone number, e-mail or mailing address should be submitted and noted on forms submitted to the Department Secretary and Department Webmaster.

All Brothers should be able to navigate the National and Department website and should visit them frequently for update and guidance in the performance of their duties and responsibilities.

Know the due dates and requirements for all Department Reports. If you are not sure, ask for help, someone at the Department or National will know the answer. Start with the Commander.

5. *Camp Officers Expectations:*

I request that all Camp Officers review their “Duties and Obligations” as outlined in the *National Constitution and Regulations* and the *By-Laws of The Department of New York* and especially their own By-law and Constitution.

All Brothers should be able to navigate the National and Department website and should visit them frequently for update and guidance in the performance of their duties and responsibilities.

Know the due dates and requirements for all Camp Reports. If you are not sure, ask for help someone at the Department or National will know the answer. Start with the Commander.

Know the Camp Officers duties. Have copy of latest version of SUVCW Rituals and ceremonials books available as a reference.

Get to know your neighboring Camps, look for events you can do together. Events get more notice if the number of Brothers attending is greater.

6. *Members Expectation:*

Understand we are a team. We function best when we work together ***Fraternity!***
Represent the SUVCW in a manner befitting our shared heritage, and shared desire to honor the
Boys in Blue”

Help your fellow Brother in times of need. Each camp should have a Welfare Committee
that looks out for sick Brothers or Brothers in distress. ***Charity!***

Treat all Brothers with respect. Association Brothers and lineal Brothers are equally
valued by the Department. ***Loyalty!***

8. *Department Officers:*

Commander, Richard E. Straight PCC

Senior Vice Commander, Darin Everdyke PCC

Junior Vice Commander, Perry Cleaveland CC

Department Treasure Jeffery Albanese PDC

Department Secretary, Robert Pugsley PDC

Department Council, Raymond B. Wheaton PDC

Department Council, Paul Ellis-Graham PDC

Department Council, Daryl VerStreate, Jr. PDC

9. *Department Appointments:*

Patriotic Instructor, William Stump

Counselor, Danny Wheeler PCinC

Chaplain, Mark Isaacs

Eagle Scout Coordinator, Brian Castler CC

Archivist, Lance Ingmire

Historian, Jerry Orton PDC

GAR Highway Officer, Matthew Hereford

Graves Registration Officer, Dennis Duffy

Memorial Officer, David Dziewalski PCC

Webmaster, Ray LeMay III PDC

Volunteer Editor, Darin Everdyke PCC
ROTC Liaison Officer, Jeffery French PDC
Musician, Raymond Ball
Veterans Home Visitation Officer, James Russell, PDC
Color Bearer, Fred Kuntz
Guide, Daryl VerStreate, Jr. PDC
Guard, Vince Jockimo
Assistant Department Secretary, Darin Everdyke PCC

10. Department Committees:

Legislation Committee	Tony Huston Appointment to be announced
Encampment Committee	Danny Wheeler PCinC Robert Pugsley PDC
GAR & SUVCW Property & Artifacts Committee	Lance Ingmire, Archivist Jerry Orton PDC, Historian Danny Wheeler, PCinC, Counselor David M. Dziejwski, Memorial Officer W. Rodney Parker
Rally Round the Flags Committee	Richard E. Straight Vince Jockimo Leo McGuire DC Frank Rogler
Proceeding Committee	Raymond B. Wheaton PDC Jeffery Albanese PDC Robert L. Pugsley PDC
Encampment Committee	Jeffery Albanese PDC Leo McGuire PDC Committeemen to be appointed from 2021 Encampment location.

So ordered this 22nd day of May 2019

In Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,
Richard E. Straight, Commander,
Department of New York, SUVCW