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**LEARN FROM YESTERDAY
LIVE FOR TODAY
HOPE FOR TOMORROW**

The New Year is here and I hope all had a really great holiday season. Things are already moving very fast and I am going to be traveling to as many places as I can.

First off I have some unfinished business to report. My other Great Great Grandfather Corporal Cornelius W. Holland joined on July 1, 1861 and was discharged July 18, 1865. I would like to thank Jerry Orton for finding this information for me. I am pleased to find yet another ancestor who served our country proudly.

This past October a new Civil War Monument was placed and dedicated in Waterloo, New York. Sister Past National President Michelle Langley worked long and hard to get this monument placed at



Color Bearer Jared Twist assists Past National President Michelle Langley during the Civil War Monument dedication ceremony in Waterloo, NY.

the birthplace of Memorial Day. Many were present from several states and all five Allied Orders were present and placed wreaths.



Pictured from left: Past National President Beatrice Greenwalt, Department President Gloria Fisher, Past National President Michelle Langley, National Patriotic Instructor and Department President Linda Kronberg, Past National President and National Treasurer Betty Baker, Ovid Auxiliary #72 President Hope Parker, National President Virginia Twist, JVCinC and Co-Counselor Perley Mellor, National Chaplain Diane Mellor

Money was donated by many of you, fund raisers were held and a lot of hard work was put in to make this monument possible. I would like to say a big thank you to PNP Michelle Langley, for this would not have been possible without her. There is a plaque on the back of the statue listing all of the Allied Orders, with two soldiers standing watch on each side of the center stone. To end the dedication ceremony a young member of the Sons played taps. It was a wonderful event. Thank you to all who attended.

Shortly after this ceremony, my testimonial dinner was held at Abigail's Restaurant in Waterloo, NY, the same place as both PNP Bea Greenwalt's and PNP Michelle Langley's were held. I felt



National President Virginia Twist speaking at her testimonial dinner.

that I was in great company having my dinner there. My family was present, including my husband Thomas, my oldest daughter Hope Parker, son-in-law Frank Parker, step-granddaughter Heather and her husband Randy with their daughter Eden. My grandson Jared Twist was the color bearer wearing his Cadet Corp uniform. My middle daughter Charity was there with her husband Roger Malcott and his father Roger Malcott, Sr. My youngest daughter Autumn also attended with my son-in-law Patrick Rouse and my newest grandson Quentin Patrick Rouse. All three of my daughters are members of Auxiliary #72 in Ovid, NY. Autumn is a past president and Hope is our current president.

The weather was great for Remembrance Day in Gettysburg. My family and I had a wonderful time. I was honored to be able to initiate new member Linda Caperna into Garfield Auxiliary #1 in the Maryland Department. PNP Jan Harding met



From left: Dennis Caperna, new member Linda Caperna, National President Virginia Twist; and Garfield Auxiliary #1 members DP Helen Geppi, PNP Janice Harding, and Susanna Weart at the Woolson Monument following initiation.

her while flying and she was so interested in the organization that she wanted to join. Welcome, Sister.

Meeting with all of the Allied Order Presidents and Commander Shaw at the dinner was a lot of fun. It was great to catch up with everyone. The speaker was very accurate and took you back to the time of the war. He was so believable you actually felt like you were there.

CATHEDRAL OF THE PINES

At this time I would like to appoint National Chaplain Diane Mellor as liaison to the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, NH.

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

I have created a new committee to assist Auxiliaries, Departments, and the National Order when problems arise. It is called the Disciplinary Committee. Members are as follows: PNP Mary Jo Long, Chairman, 505 Marcy St., Duryea, PA 18642, jmjlong@verizon.net; PNP Fay Carlisle, PO Box 23, Cogan Station, PA 17728; PNP Cindy Fox, 1157 Isabella St., Williamsport, PA 17701, sailorcfox@aol.com; PNP Judy Trepanier, 130 Nooks Hill Rd., Cromwell, CT 06416, jtrepanier@att.net; and National Vice President Anne Jaster, 117 W Emaus St., Middletown, PA 17057, ali2@psu.edu.

FUND RAISERS

The National Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor are working hard to raise funds for our Order. Enclosed in this General Order you will find copies of their fund raising tickets. Please feel free to copy them and sell to friends, neighbors, and family members. In this tough economy they can use all the help we can give them. Remember every little bit helps the Organization. Return tickets and money (please do not send cash in the mail) to them respectively making all checks payable to the National Organization ASUVCW.

National Chief of Staff: Gloria Fisher, 5018 Route 96A, Romulus,
NY 14541

National Patriotic Instructor: Linda Kronberg, 6885 Plantation
Dr., Tecumseh, MI 49286

SCHOLARSHIP

I have received three applications for the National President's Scholarship. It will be a hard decision but I will have the name of the deserving recipient in the next General Order. Remember there is still time for anyone to write me and tell me about yourself and what you are studying or will be studying and what college you are or will be attending.

PRESS CORRESPONDENT

Our National Press Correspondent, Bonnie Meyers, would like everyone to send her pictures of the different activities each department has been participating in. Also send a little write up of your Department or Auxiliary's happenings or any newspaper clippings you have of your hard work throughout the year.

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL TREASURER

As your Treasurer, I feel the need to address the vote that was made in August at our National Encampment in regards to going annually for our Per Capita Tax. First, the decision never should have been made to be effective immediately. There should have been a time period for all Departments to discuss the change and give their input. It should have been considered and a final vote made at the next year's Encampment. Second, the way the motion read, there is NO Per Capita tax coming in to National until January 2012. This puts a huge strain on the treasury to keep necessary expenses paid, plus come August when we spend a large amount at the National Encampment, there won't be any funds available. Our fund raisers can only do so much and our interest income is way

down, so when we use the fund raisers' money all year that leaves nothing of their money to meet the obligations in August. We need our fiscal year to end differently than Jan 1st - Dec 31st; we need it to be more like: Auxiliaries pay their respective Departments by May 15th, the Departments pay National by June 15th or something similar. The Sons use July 1st - June 30th as their fiscal year. Had we set a different time last year, we could have only been without funds for 6 months and not a full year. All these things (and others which I haven't mentioned) could have been worked out had there been a waiting period to pass this motion. Your National Treasury will have limited resources by August to meet obligations such as: Love Token; rooms; patriotic donations; Stenographer, Musician, Chaplain, and Chief of Staff expenses; in addition to whatever else the National body may feel they want to do. Plus, from August to the middle of January, we will only have the funds that are raised at National Encampment that might not have been used to meet obligations at that time. So to any Department who has not done so, please get your payment for the last tri-annual tax period that ended December 31, 2010 in to the National Secretary, as this is the only resource other than our fund raisers' periodical deposits and a little interest the Treasury will have for the year 2011.

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2010

It was one of those beautiful days weather wise that we don't often get in mid-November. After my difficulties in walking in 2009, I purchased a small scooter to ride in the parade. Never did it occur to me that it would not fit the requirements. I was saddened to hear some negative comments in regard to my intentions....my intentions were pure. To honor the "Boys in Blue" has always been my reason for walking. Well, this year it was not to be. So I and my trusty steed, aka scooter, rode back to the car. I joined Sisters along the parade route and watched for the first time in years. Wow, seeing it as a spectator at times took my breath away, at times made me cry. Congrats to all you wonderful Sisters who marched with pride.

I had the joy of seeing a new Sister brought into the Auxiliary at the Woolson Monument. She was my fight attendant on a trip

to New Hampshire aboard a SouthWest flight. I mentioned the Civil War and she was alive with excitement to have someone on board that loved the things we all have come to love in regard to the "Boys in Blue." So, the outcome was Linda Caperna becoming a new member of the Auxiliary. Later that evening I, along with Helen Geppi and Ann Blackburn, represented the Auxiliary at the Illumination of the National Cemetery. We greeted the folks as they arrived and handed out the programs. The ASUVCW was represented in the program.

So, Remembrance Day was, as usual, a wonderful day. ~Jan Harding (Co-Chair Remembrance Day Parade Committee)

125th NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The 2011 Allied Orders National Encampment will be held August 11-14 at the Sheraton Reston Hotel, 11810 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 20191. The room rate is \$93 plus tax (currently 9%) for a single/double room. Call 703-620-9000 for reservations. Tell them you are with the SUVCW or Allied Orders to receive the Encampment room rate. **IMPORTANT: Our special rate expires on July 11, 2011.**

Additional Information from the SUVCW.ORG website

- Free shuttle transportation to and from the Airport
- Tour the Manassas Battle field with Ed Bearss of the PBS "Civil War" series as your guide
- Special day-long tour of Washington, DC available
- Wreath presentations at Manassas, the GAR Monument and Arlington Cemetery
- Special Campfire
- Entertainment, including a Civil War Magic Act
- Allied Orders Banquet
- A special commemorative medal
- And LOTS more !!!

Notice: There were no registration forms available to be included with this General Order. If you are interested in attending the Allied Orders Banquet and/or any tours or special activities, you must

monitor the SUVCW.ORG website. These forms should be available by the end of March.

Message from Host Committee

There are many wonderful events and activities planned for this very special Encampment. So mark your calendars, make reservations and plan to join us at our 125th Anniversary. You may wish to visit the Sons website at SUVCW.ORG for updates. More information will be in the next General Orders. ~Helen L. Geppi, Host Committee Chair

SARAH EMMA SEELYE AUXILIARY #1, HOUSTON, TX

Sarah Emma Seelye Auxiliary #1 of Texas held their 3rd Annual Christmas Party for the patients on Ward 2 - A at the Michael E. DeBakey Medical Center of Houston, TX.

On Saturday, December 4, 2010, President Vali Reyes; Vice President Diana Campbell; Secretary/Treasurer Jana Marsh; Cindy Mayes; Chaplain Betty Sue Hampton; and SVC Sam Hampton from Edward

Lea Camp #2, SUVCW; along with volunteers, presented patients with handmade Christmas gift bags which included blankets, stocking caps and playing cards. Homemade cookies, cupcakes



and hot chocolate were served for refreshments. During the Christmas visit with the patients the Auxiliary Sisters thanked the veterans for serving our country and shared the history of our patriotic organization. Vice President Diana Campbell added a special touch by attending the party in period dress.

Pictured from left: Sec./Treasurer Jana Marsh, Vice President Diana Campbell, Chaplain Betty Sue Hampton, SVC Sam Hampton-SUVCW, Glenn Gillaspia III, Debbie Goates, Cindy Mayes, and President Vali Reyes.

With the help of the Lt. Cmdr. Edward Lea Camp #2 and the patrons of the Hitchcock Public Library, Hitchcock, TX, the Auxiliary was able to provide Christmas gifts for the patients on Ward 2-A and Ward 3-A at this Veterans Hospital.

REPORT FORMS

To save printing costs, all Department and Auxiliary report forms are now on the National Website at www.ASUVCW.ORG. If your Department cannot handle the extra expense of printing the report forms that you need for your Auxiliaries, or if you are unable to print the forms, please contact the National Secretary and she will mail them to you.

PER CAPITA TAX

As per vote at the 2010 National Encampment, beginning January 1, 2011, the National per capita tax was raised to \$6.00 per member per year.

Also by vote at the 2010 National Encampment, the Per Capita Tax Report will now be completed annually. The current period will end December 31, 2011, with the report due by January 25, 2012. Departments may pay their per capita tax at anytime during the year, with any adjustments for gains or losses made at the end of the year. The National Treasury is taking a hard hit this first year due to the change-over. If your Department has the funds to do so, it would be a great help if you would send your per capita tax in as soon as possible.

INTERIM MEMBERSHIP REPORT

To ensure that each new member receives a copy of the National General Orders, also on the National website are forms entitled "Department Interim Membership Report" and "Auxiliary Interim Membership Report" for your use to report any changes in membership during the year. New Member Fees should be retained and sent in with the Annual Per Capita Tax Report at the end of the year.

NATIONAL ROSTER

The information for the National Roster is also located on the National website. It is not entitled as such, but is broken down into the individual sections that were included in the roster.

MESSAGE FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES CHAIR

Sisters, don't forget to record your good deeds and donations throughout the year. I have mailed a number copies of the Charitable Activities Report but if you did not receive a copy, you can obtain it from the ASUVCW.ORG website. ~PNP Janice Harding

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

PNP Eileen Coombs, Apple Rehab Center, 45 Elm St., Rocky Hill, CT 06065, 860-257-6407

PNP Nancy Greenwalt Hilton, 1576 Charl Ann Dr., Alliance, OH 44601, 330-680-4592, ghilto52@yahoo.com (email address did not change)

DP Jane Graham, 1718 Rosemont Rd., Alliance, OH 44601, 330-823-6017, jgraham1115@att.net

HONOR ROLL

Members can make a donation to the Honor Roll in memory of someone or in honor of someone's birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc. Checks should be made payable to **National Organization ASUVCW** and sent to National Treasurer Betty J. Baker, 3191 Co. Rd. 139, Interlaken, NY 14847, email: bjbaux@rochester.rr.com. A copy of the Honor Roll Certificate will be sent to the person honored, or to a member of the family if in memory of someone, and a permanent copy is kept in the Honor Roll Book.

Recent additions to the Honor Roll

<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>From</u>
Lynn Share, WI	C. K. Badger Aux. #4, WI Ammi Hawks Aux. #5, WI

SICK AND SHUT-IN

After a tumble in her home and a stay in the hospital, PNP Eileen Coombs is now in Connecticut and is happy to be living closer to several of her family members. Her new address is listed on Page 10.

Get well wishes go out to PNP Jan Harding. I hope you are up and about and having fun soon. To all others who are ill or are injured we all wish you a quick recovery and many good days ahead.

BEREAVEMENT

My sincere sympathy goes out to the following:

- ~**To the family of PNP Opal A Nelson LGAR** from Minneapolis, MN
- ~**To PDP Janet Hilyer**, 20 N. Morrell Ave., Geneva, NY 14456 on the loss of her husband Jack, PDC of New York.
- ~**To PDP Viola Loder-Smithcors**, 352 Rt. 40, Elmer, NJ 08313 on the loss of her sister, Mary Post. Mary was a member of Cornelia Hancock Auxiliary #10, NJ.
- ~**To PDP Florence Monahan**, 406 Chaplain Dr., Villas, NJ 08251 on the loss of her sister PDP Rosemary Monahan, with whom she lived. Rosemary was a member of Anna M. Ross Auxiliary #1, PA and was the niece of PC-in-C Bud and PNP Margaret Atkinson.
- ~**To Oklahoma Auxiliary-at-Large Secretary Laurel DeLammermore**, 25875 South 4130 Rd., Claremore, OK 74019 on the loss of her mother.
- ~**To Family and Friends of Connecticut Department Secretary/ Treasurer Joan-Marie Buchanan**, member of Alden Skinner Auxiliary #5, CT.
- ~**To Family and Friends of Eleanor McConkey**, member of Granville M. Dodge Auxiliary #8, IA

Though your smile is gone forever
And your hand I cannot touch
I still have many memories of the one I loved so much
Your memory is my keepsake
With which I'll never part
God has you in his keeping
I have you in my heart

Sadly missed but never forgotten

Display your fags proudly on all patriotic holidays and all throughout the year. Keep in mind all our veterans and soldiers.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

Virginia Twist

National President, ASUVCW

~~Attest: Judy Morgan, National Secretary~~



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