



316 Piersol Road
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Department Orders #1

Each day is a gift from God, use it wisely.

Dear Sisters,

I hope you all had an enjoyable summer.

At the 132nd Annual Department Encampment, in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, I was honored to be elected as your Department President for the year 2015-2016. I congratulate Department Commander Douglas McMillin and President of the Daughters Sandy Millin on their elections. I also congratulate Ann McMillin on her election to National Auxiliary Chaplain and Anne Sosnowski as National Auxiliary Council Member #2. I wish them and all who are members of the Ladies of the G.A.R. and the Woman's Relief Corps an excellent year. I would also like to congratulate Sister Ellen Higgins, our Web Master and member of Auxiliary 1 for her recent election to the position of Council Member #1 of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

I had intentions of getting this Department Orders out sooner, but I was waiting to include information on next year's Encampment. Final details have not been confirmed. I will advise you of the date and location in my next Orders.

This is a reminder to all Department Officers of last year who had not turned in their reports at the Encampment to make sure that Secretary Margaret Shuttlesworth receives them ASAP so she may complete her reports. Also, please send your Installation reports to Margaret by November 6th.

If anyone plans to attend Remembrance Weekend in Gettysburg, you need to make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. I would love to have more Auxiliary members join me in the parade on November 21st! If you need more information, you can e-mail me at betsy1865@verizon.net.

I regret that I was unable to attend the National Encampment in Richmond, VA to represent the Department; however, the Pennsylvania Department was represented by:
Delegate to National #1 Noreen Acheson
Delegate to National #2 Katelynn McMillin
Alternate to National Marilyn Fleming
Ann McMillin as Nat. Chief-of-Staff
Anne Sosnowski as Past Nat. President
Joyce and Gracee McMillin also represented our Department. In addition, Pennsylvania dual members Barbara Day and Ellen Higgins were there representing their home Departments of the Chesapeake and New Jersey, respectively.

I would appreciate receiving invitations to visit individual Auxiliaries so that I can plan my year as I would like to try to visit as many as possible. I am looking forward to meeting more of our members. I regret that due to other responsibilities I did not make visits during the past year.

Ellen Essenwein is the coordinator for the PA Membership at Large Auxiliary if someone wants to join and does not live near an auxiliary.

A list of the 2015-2016 officers is attached to these Orders. A complete roster will be mailed separately.

I ask that all auxiliaries and members do their best to support the two money officers. These Sisters would appreciate every bit of help we can give them in this difficult job. Our 2015-2016 Chief of Staff is Cindy Fox, PNP and our Patriotic Instructor is Laura Kane.

**Reminder: It is very important to use the correct forms when submitting your reports, in particular the new Per Capita form. All forms and documents were rewritten and are effective as of January 2014 and they are posted on the National website: www.asuvcw.org. Also, please submit your reports on time. It would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to appoint the following members to committees:

Site Committee – Faye Carlisle-Thomas, PNP
Charitable Deeds Committee – Judy Wolfe
Scholarship Committee – Mary Jo Long, PNP, Faye Carlisle-Thomas, PNP, Judy Wolfe
By-Laws Committee – Margaret Atkinson, PNP
C R & R Committee – Ann McMillin, PDP
Ritual Committee – Anne Sosnowski, PNP

Looking ahead: Lincoln Luncheon in February and Appomattox Luncheon in April, information will be the next Department Orders.

Here is a message from our Vice President, Susan Mertz:

I hope that you all had an enjoyable summer. Congratulations to all of our Sisters and Brothers who have recently become National officers.

Our Department encampment was very nice as were our Lincoln and Appomattox luncheons. Some of the nicest people you will ever meet are members of our organization. The Facebook pages for our Department are a good way to connect with other members and showcase your activities and events. Don't forget to check out the websites for our Department and National as well. We can all draw on each other for ideas and inspiration. There are many sites and forums on the Civil War online and they are a great resource for information.

I hope that all of our Auxiliaries have a great year.

Please notify our Chaplain Barbara Indan, PDP of the illness or death of any member. Her address is: 2629 Fillmore Street, Philadelphia, PA 19137. Her e-mail address is: bindan@elliscofee.com.

All of our thoughts and prayers are with any of our Sisters that are ill or suffering bereavement of family or friends.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Betsy Nightingale
Pennsylvania Department President

Attest:
Margaret Shuttlesworth, PDP
Department Secretary

"A tree is known by its fruit; a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love."

– St. Basil the Great

2015 - 2016 Roster of Pennsylvania Department Officers
Use this Roster until the Official one is sent out

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