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VIVA LAS VEGAS!!!

The William Boone Keith Circle under National in Nevada Forms!

On January 7th our National President Carolyn Agosto traveled to Nevada to institute this new Circle organized by Katie Henzel, honoring William Boone Keith.

William Boone Keith is one of a dozen or so known Civil War veterans buried in the Las Vegas, Nevada area. He was born in Ohio on March 30, 1840. Keith enlisted as a Private in Company K, 12th Iowa Infantry. His regiment joined General Grant's expedition to Shiloh, Tennessee where Keith was captured at the "Hornets' Nest." Keith was exchanged on October 17, 1862 and, after rejoining his unit, suffered a serious wound at Tupelo, Mississippi. Keith was discharged on February 9, 1866, ten months after the war's end.



After the war, Keith met Joseph M. Graham, a Confederate veteran, in Las Vegas and the two became the best of friends. When Graham died of pneumonia in 1917, Keith obtained his ashes from Graham's wife in Virginia and buried them in plot 410 and saved plot 411 for himself in Woodlawn Cemetery off Las Vegas Boulevard. Keith died on December 11, 1920 and, as was their joint decision, the two veterans from opposite sides of the conflict share a common tombstone bearing the following inscription:

Arrayed in the conflict, in strife and dismay,
One wore the blue, the other the gray,
Time brought its changes, the two came to know,
The joy which true friendship, in life can bestow.



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For all other updates pertaining to the Roster please visit the newly updated website for committees and news.

<http://suvchw.org/LGAR/Home.html>

Find Membership Applications, all required forms for the year and the National Brochure to download and print.

If you have something that you would like to have on the website (a project, correction, article, meeting dates etc.) please let the webmaster know.

Reminder:

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Per Capita is due May 15, 2017.

A \$25 Late Fee will be charged after the 15th and billed to your Dept. or Circle under

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All Departments & Circles under National Secretaries have been sent the blank Per Capita Form and all Report Blanks to distribute to Circles.

All copies are on the website news & events page if you should need more.

Supplies can be ordered from the National Treasurer

**Please make checks payable to
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The current National Brochure is currently available for the cost of shipping, contact the Treasurer today for a price quote! Please distribute them to your local libraries, historical societies, American Legion Halls, and anyplace you can think of to gain new members. Be sure to put your name and contact info on the back of the brochure. You can also download the National Brochure from our Website & print for yourself.

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General Orders No. 2, 2016-2017

Dear Sisters,

Time is quickly advancing and here we are in 2017 already!

I hope you are staying warm and safe this winter. I can not imagine how our Civil War ancestors survived during the harsh elements they found themselves in during the war.

- Did you participate in the Wreaths Across America? Many states were having snow and ice that weekend but many of us were able to help. Thank you to all who volunteered your time.
- I encourage each of you to volunteer your time helping all veterans whether visiting them in hospitals, nursing homes, veterans homes. Be creative, donate lap blankets, pillows, toiletries or whatever you can think of. Let us know what you are all doing so we can be inspired by your stories.
- In a short few weeks we will be celebrating Abraham Lincoln's birthday in Washington DC and death day, in Springfield, IL. Everyone is invited to attend these ceremonies that leave you with a higher degree of patriotism.
- I have been amazed at the amount of children who actually enjoy hearing historical stories that are factual. This helps us in our endeavor to honor the past through education, preservation and community service.

In FC&L, Carolyn

YOUR PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL

First of all I traveled a short distance of 25 miles on Veterans Day to Olathe, KS to ceremonies honoring our military from all wars. The speakers were inspiring and, a ground breaking ceremony took place for construction of a monument for Gold Star families and the sacrifice made by their loved ones.

I next traveled to Gettysburg, PA for

Remembrance Day. This year my son David Skinner accompanied me. He was a history major for his bachelor degree and was so excited to be able to visit such a historic place. We spent a lot of hours hiking from one monument to another, and standing in silence and viewing the location where President Lincoln gave the Gettysburg Address. A friend, Mary Brown from work made garments for me and I was able to dress in Civil War attire. As she made these garments and we talked she kept saying, "It has to be period correct."

The day began crisp but quickly warmed up and I found myself feeling hot. This was the second year in a row for great weather.

At Ziegler's Grove we heard speeches from President Lincoln and Frederick Douglass. We then laid wreaths in front of the Woolson's Monument.

The parade was well attended and everyone so happy even at the last several yards. I noted that there were several youth in the parade this year which made me very thankful that our growing numbers are adding youths.

As the parade ended clouds began to roll in with a whipping wind and a sudden drop in temperature. We nearly made it back to our hotel before the predicted rain came down.

That evening I attended a Banquet presented by the Past Commanders and Past Presidents Association of South Central Pennsylvania Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary which was followed by the Annual Ball sponsored by the Civil War Dance Foundation.

On January 6 I flew to Las Vegas, NV. To institute the William Boone Keith Circle under National, and initiate more than 24 new members!

I was met at the airport by Katie and Garret Henzel who warmly greeted me and took me to my hotel. Then Kathleen Perrin came to the hotel and took me to an authentic Mexican Restaurant where Katie and Garret met us.

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We of course had last minute details to go over. The next day we met at Giuseppe's Italian Grille in Henderson, NV for our meeting and meal. We had an awesome lemon cake made by one of the members. I must say that all of these new Sisters are a delight and I look forward to hearing about their endeavors and growth. FYI the Italian meal was outstanding! I was given lovely gifts all on a theme of Prickly Pear Cactus. The tea is tasty and the scent of the lotion so nice. I am enjoying the book on Cactus which is so appropriate for the desert location. I kept thinking about this Master Gardener in the desert. But I know I would be adaptable. I was also given a check for \$50. from the Circle for our Headquarters, thank you for this generous gift/ Katie found a lovely brochette that is circular with a pearl at the top, and they have adopted it as their state pin for their circle. I give great kuddos for creativity to these sisters. Then after this wonderful ceremony I was treated to a tour of Las Vegas by Kathleen. I took lots of pictures and actually told "Elvis" that my son was born on his birthday. That set him back for a few seconds...Seeing the new and old strips left lasting impressions on me. No, I did not gamble but did observe those that were. While Kathleen and I were waiting in line for a table at dinner a lady next to me commented how "cold" it was that day. I looked at her and said, "I'm from Kansas, it was 12 degrees when I left yesterday." Her eyes got wide and we laughed. Then she told everyone in her party about it.

As Katie and Garret dropped me off at South West Airline for our fair wells I felt I was leaving 2 new and precious friends. Garret and I also enjoyed conversation of things we have in common.

I will not travel again until we meet in Springfield, IL. I have given my Sr. Vice the privilege of representing the LGAR in DC for the annual Lincoln Birthday event. Thank you Sr. Vice President Ray Anne Alt for filling in, you will have a great time!

My next travel will be to Lincoln's Death day in April. It is somber as it should be and we learn much and explore the shops too.

May God grant peace in all our hearts and bodies.

I pray especially for my secretary Beth Rock who is fighting adrenal fatigue. We covet your prayers that this spunky woman can be restored.

I have now been honored to institute and install 3 new groups for the LGAR during my tenure.

1. Lew Wallace Circle of Indiana
2. James Tharp Circle of Marietta, GA
3. William Boone Keith Circle, of Henderson NV

Give these new groups of ladies a big hand of fellowship. We are so honored to have you with us.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty;

Sister Carolyn Agosto, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

The Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia Military History Committee would like to erect a marker honoring the Confederate and Union Soldiers who were buried at the Point of Rocks Hospital and later reinterred at City Point National Cemetery. LGAR has been invited to donate and be a part of honoring these soldiers. If you would like more information visit their website:
www.Chesterfieldhistory.com or
call Ruth Sned at 804-285-3690

WILLIAM CATLIN

Greetings from Department of PA. As the nation celebrates the opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C., our Starkweather Circle collaborates with local efforts in SW PA. Two Starkweather Circle members are direct descendants of William Catlin. His military career spanned two decades in the U.S.C.T. (United States Colored Troops) and in the PA National Guard. He was the first African American Captain in the latter. Our Circle Chaplain Amy Brice Brown of Monongahela vividly recalls her great grandfather whom she knew as a child. Great-great granddaughter and Starkweather Circle Member Dr. Marie Brown Wagner has traveled from New Mexico to Monongahela, PA to attend ceremonies in his honor. Fundraising is underway to erect a memorial plaque/ monument in his honor. Further details can be found in our 2-page national convention ad published for the 135th national encampment in Springfield, IL in August. Should you wish to contribute to the current fundraising project for Captain William Catlin, please send donations to: "Main Street Program, c/o Terry Necciai, R.A., 400 Meade St., Monongahela, PA 15063." Inquiries can be directed to our circle Secretary via dfryewal@comcast.net Thank you for your support. In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty, Sarah Anne Kapusta, Starkweather Circle President and Dep't of PA Historian, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Incorporated.



QUARTERS FOR HEADQUARTERS

PLEASE COLLECT QUARTERS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND MAKE YOUR DONATIONS PAYABLE TO "LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, NATIONAL ORGANIZATION" WITH QUARTERS FOR HEADQUARTERS IN THE MEMO LINE. MAIL THIS DONATION TO OUR NATIONAL SECRETARY ELIZABETH ROCK AT 68 W. MARION ST. DOYLESTOWN, OH 44230

DONATIONS WILL SERVE OUR HEADQUARTERS IN A MYRIAD OF WAYS. MUCH WORK HAS BEGUN TO PRESERVE OUR ARTIFACTS AND WILL CONTINUE FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO COME. WE ALSO ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE OUR ROOM INSURED YEARLY FOR OUR CONTENTS. DO YOUR PART AND ASSIST WITH OUR HEADQUARTERS MUSEUM ROOM.

2017 National Convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will be in conjunction with the Allied Orders National Encampment from August 10-13, 2017. Full schedule and details will be posted on our website and facebook page as they become available. For hotel arrangements the host hotel is the Radisson 111 N. Grand Avenue in downtown Lansing, Michigan. The hotel will provide parking at a reduced daily rate at an adjacent parking ramp. An airport shuttle is also provided between the airport and the hotel.

The hotel requests that you do not try and make reservations until the SUVCW website announces that they are ready to receive your request for reservations. If you try to make reservations before they announce they are ready, your reservation may be lost as it will not be in the reservation system they are creating for the Encampment. It is best to make your reservation directly with this hotel. Encampment rates will be honored from August 9, 2017 through August 14, 2017.

2017 Allied Orders National Encampment Program Book Advertisement Order Form

Please help the SUVCW defray the cost of hosting the 2017 National Encampment by placing an advertisement, memorial or booster ad in the Official Program Book of the 2017 Allied Orders National Encampment to be held in Michigan. Express your pride and honor your Civil War ancestors and their units. Send greetings on behalf of your Auxiliary, Camp, Tent, Circle or Department. Congratulate the Commander In Chief and/or National Presidents on a job well done. Pre-2018 National Encampment Host Committee ads are also welcome.

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Ad sizes are:

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My sincerest apologies go out to the two new Circles that formed this past late summer. In my debacle of paperwork I accidentally miss-printed the name of the new Georgia Circle, and when the Editor and I reviewed the Bugle Call for print, neither of us caught it! Such a huge mistake!! I know that 3 Circles under National forming in one year has not been accomplished in well over 50 years! So from the bottom of my heart, I thank the ladies forming these new Circles, as it's been a learning experience on both ends. We provide for you the following corrected information.

Elizabeth Rock, National Secretary

LEW WALLACE CIRCLE UNDER NATIONAL, INDIANA

Since the Spring/Summer Bugle Call was published prior to the official institution of our new Circle under National in Indiana, the name has changed to "Lew Wallace."

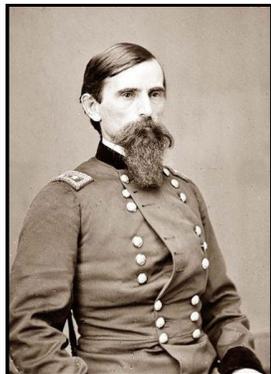
Organized by Sister Barbara Stone and instituted at the 130th National Encampment of the Ladies of the G.A.R.

Any interested ladies that reside in or near Indiana are encouraged to transfer from membership at large into this new Circle. For more info contact

Barbara Stone 2545 Washington St.
Columbus, IN 47201.
Sisters Salute!

Lewis "Lew" Wallace was an American Lawyer, Union General in the American Civil War, governor of the New Mexico Territory,

politician, diplomat, and author from IN. Among his novels and biographies, Wallace is best known for his historical adventure story, Ben-Hur; A Tale of the Christ, a best selling novel that has been called "the most influential Christian book of the nineteenth century."



JAMES THARP CIRCLE UNDER NATIONAL, GEORGIA

Organized by Sheila Permell Richards, this new Circle under National in Georgia is named after her Great-Grandfather, James Tharp, who served in the 26th Indiana Infantry, Co G as a Private from August 30, 1861-January 15, 1866. Instituted on August 20, 2016 by National President Carolyn Agosto and National Patriotic Instructor Karen Lyddane. If you reside in the south and are in membership at large, we encourage you to be a part of this active new Circle. Their first project is to restore our recognition on the original chapel building that we built at the Andersonville Prison. Huzzah ladies, for actively working on this project!

For more information on this Georgia Circle, please contact Sheila Permell Richards
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