



THE BUGLE CALL



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Headquarters Update

Your Headquarters and Museum Committee members have worked diligently to get all of the LGAR property completely inventoried and unpacked. So far members have collectively donated 564 hours for this project and we are not done yet! With one remaining box left to inventory, the work does not end there. As things were unpacked and filed away, it became apparent that ALL of the file drawers would need to be reworked to allow for paperwork in multiple places for each state to come together and merge into one location. This will be a huge task yet to come, and college interns are being sought to help!



Be sure to follow us on our national social media platforms to watch the progress and what is coming ahead. We will be offering up for sale by donations, some "extra" goodies that we just don't have room for. These items may be another organization's souvenir or it might be extra items that we would like to move along. The sale of these items will benefit our Museum room.

Are you traveling over for our National Convention? We'll be offering a special short town tour so you become familiar with Valley City, Ohio followed by a reception in our new Headquarters. This will be a time to venture thru our Museum with all of the drawers open and cabinets visible so you can get a really good idea of just what is housed here. This will be a Thursday evening only opportunity. And if you are unable to attend but are traveling through, we'd be happy to open the door for you. We'll also be going Live on social media from time to time to share our extensive collection.

What else are we doing? As we approach our next fundraiser with a historic fashion show and Tea on Mother's Day, your Committee is preparing to participate in the town's Frog Jumping Day with a "Jail & Bail" fundraiser. Plans are now in the works for a "Lunch & Learn" series beginning in September, where locals can stop in for lunch and hear a speaker and hopefully learn something new.

Radio

Deb Miller, Corp. Isaac Rice, Circle President, was recently asked to do a radio interview about their circle and the history of the LGAR on the local Bedford, Pennsylvania radio stations, WBFD, 98.7; Star 100.9; WRax 106.5 and BRock 107.5. Mr. Lloyd Roach, of Cessna Communications, conducted the interview and he broadcasted the six-part interview over four different radio stations.

When asked what drew her to the LGAR she responded with quoting a portion of The Articles of Faith, in particular, "We are banded together to teach patriotism and lessons of good citizenship to the children of our land". She further explained how the ladies hand out free history books and flags at their events. She also talked about our support, both locally and nationally, of veterans and the veterans gone before us with memorial services and Remembrance Day in Gettysburg. Mr. Lloyd next asked her if she wears a costume to the Remembrance Day Parade. She quickly pointed out that they wear "period correct attire" – not costumes! She also explained the requirements of membership and the circle's past accomplishments and future plans.

It was an excellent and much appreciated opportunity to spread the word about the LGAR. Our thanks to Mr. Lloyd for his interest in our organization and to Sister Deb Miller for her wonderful **presentation**.

Girl Scout Cookies for Veterans

Junior member, Kami Mongelli has a special project that she does every year with her Girl Scout Cookie sales. Her goal is to collect 150 boxes of cookies to donate to the Vet Connect Breakfast hosted by Michelle Kerfin - State Farm Insurance Agent. The last few years, she has been able to hand out cookies to veterans during the breakfast gathering.



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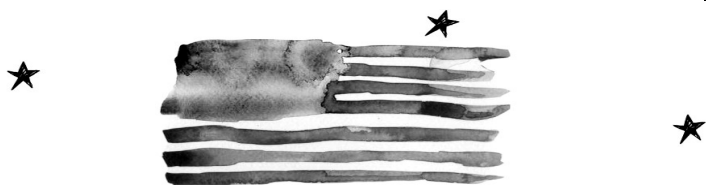
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Deadlines for Bugle Call Submissions:

September 15, 2024 January 15, 2025 April 15, 2025



Adopt the Museum!

Wondering what you can do to support our Headquarters?

Your Circle or Department can now "Adopt the Museum" for a month to assist with rental costs!

Send in \$125 to cover 1 month, and in return get a shout out on our Social Media/Bugle Call! You can send in history of your Circle of projects you have, or adopt "in memory of!"

Checks and info can be sent to the National Secretary

Shoutout and thank you to the Isaac Rice Circle 233 for adopting the museum! Special thank you to Rice Circle member Sharee Solow for this donation, she donated in memory of her ancestor Sijmen Niermaier who served for Iowa in the Union during the Civil War, and spent time at Andersonville Prison in 1864. His younger brother also served as a Private. Thank you Sharee and the Rice Circle, you are helping to ensure the National HQ and Museum thrives!

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National President Madeline Rock



General Orders No. 3, 2023-2024

1. Send your baked goods to me by July 1st to go to Miss Sawyer's Kids with a Cause. Let's send our troops overseas something good!
2. Memorial Day: Be sure to observe Memorial Day, as well as the other patriotic holidays sprinkled throughout the summertime!
3. Pets for Vets: Send any Pets for Vets items to me by May 30. I will be visiting the Pets for Vets Headquarters in North Carolina the first week of June!
4. Gotten a new member? Do your part and support the organization with the gift of growth! If your Circle is small and struggling, DO NOT turn prospective members away—send them to M.A.L.! We are growing, members are trying to form new circles in NC, ME, and UT. Please communicate with the National Secretary or Assistant Secretary for assistance.
5. All members please take the time to total up your hours of community service, veteran/military aid, and patriotic teachings throughout the year and report these hours to your Circle!
6. National Convention: Reserve your hotel room and get yourself registered. This is such a special year as we celebrate the Grand Opening of our new National HQ and Museum, and we want you involved!
7. Not able to travel to visit our new HQ and Museum but want to help and support? There are so many supplies needed, from archival tissue and boxes to printer ink, children's summer program projects with patriotic themes, desk supplies, etc. We also always need donations and gift cards!
8. Support our National Headquarters and Museum while also repping our organization with our new T-Shirt! Available by order now on our website store

page, please order by May 15th to ensure you get one!

9. If you find that you still don't understand the reporting process, please reach out to me or the National Secretary/Assistant Secretary with any questions. Ensuring that we do this properly saves valuable time and the hours all get reported to Congress.
10. Social Media: Be sure to Like us on Facebook and Follow us on Instagram to stay up to date on events and happenings as well as to see what our organization accomplishes all across the country!

Travels:

After the last issue, we continued to work on the National Headquarters and Museum in preparation for the Community Grand Opening. By January 27th, we were ready to open the doors (but definitely nowhere near done with the job!) The Community Grand Opening event was well received, and we met many new locals from Valley City that were interested in who we are and what we do. I was honored to cut the ribbon, and so excited to see that our event made the front page of the Medina Gazette! We are looking forward to all of the upcoming events in the small town of Valley City and getting to know the community better.



A couple weeks later, I headed to Washington D.C. for my favorite event, Lincoln's 215th Birthday Commemoration, a tradition that goes back more than a century. I laid my first wreath at the Lincoln Memorial in commemoration of his birthday when I was only 3 years old, when my grandmother was National President of LGAR. Since then, there have been only a couple years that I have missed the event. It is so special to attend, let alone have the honor of laying the wreath. The marble in February is always cold and my toes always go numb, but it's worth it to be in such a beautiful and meaningful place honoring an incredible historic icon.



Shortly after that trip, I attended the Ohio Regimental Military Ball where I helped with doing historic hairstyles on the attendees. This served as my Officer's Project, but in total we raised close to \$700 for the organization! I also travelled to southern Ohio and set up an informational table at an historic dance lesson. Both events yielded new members! I also assisted in various fundraising events at and for the National Headquarters and Museum.

A couple weeks ago, I travelled to Springfield, Illinois

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for the Lincoln Death Day Ceremony and Wreath laying. It was a beautiful and unusually warm April day, and our wreath was by far the most beautiful one there! I laid the wreath outside with the other organizations, but the most special part was laying and leaving the wreath inside the actual tomb. The attendees opened the ropes for me to enter, and I had the privilege of laying the wreath directly above where Lincoln is buried. We are one of few organizations that are lucky enough to have this opportunity and honor!



Along with continuing to work weekly at the Headquarters and Museum, I have much more planned for my last 4 months as National President! I will be participating in a Mother's Day Fashion Show Fundraiser for the HQ, as well as the Valley City Frog Jumping Festival where we will have an informational tent set up, along with getting to be a judge for the contest itself! At the end of May I will be travelling to Washington D. C. once again for Memorial Day at Arlington National Cemetery, where I will be laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier! Then the following week I will be making my way down to Wilmington, North Carolina to meet with Pets for Vets and deliver our check and supplies. I am very much looking forward to both of these things! Later in the Summer I will be travelling to Ludington, Michigan once again to deliver items to Miss Sawyer with Miss Sawyer's Kids with a Cause. Much of the summer weekends will also be spent at our HQ and Museum where we will be open to the public on Sundays!

I look forward to the rest of my term and I am especially excited to share the National HQ and Museum with everyone at our National Convention in August. I hope to see many of you there and to continue to work toward our goals and mission as an organization!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Madeline Rock, National President, LGAR

William Boone Keith Circle #3

By Dr. Linda Miller

At our January 20 meeting in Las Vegas, our Circle celebrated the lives of our President Shirley Dunphy and her husband Kurt Dunphy who died a few months apart. Our registrar Dr. Kay Moore also died. Shirley and her husband were the driving force behind continuing the LGAR, DUV, and SUV decades long Memorial Day remembrance of two Civil War soldiers, one Union (William Boone Keith) and one Confederate (Joseph Graham) buried side by side, at Woodlawn Cemetery at the early part of the 1900's. Kurt Dunphy was Camp Commander of #12 Sons of the Union Veterans. He had recently spoken about his Civil War ancestor at the September 30 LGAR meeting. He also was the President of the Civil War Roundtable. The highlight of Shirley's administration was her invitation of PNP Beth Null to our circle last year. Lois Collins took over as President.



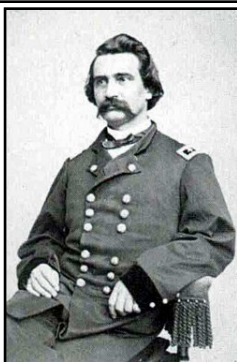
Miss Sawyer's Nonprofit "Kids with a Cause" Needs You!

As L.G.A.R. continues to support this great cause of sending care packages over to our currently deployed military, we have a deadline for the next truck load of goodies: JUNE 15, 2024. Please help! Ship your nonperishable baked goods (cookies, rice crispy treats, mini muffins), beef jerky, protein shake powder, chewing gum, holiday cards, Christmas stockings (homemade or store bought) or gift cards to our L.G.A.R. National Secretary by June 15th and an in person delivery will be made to Miss Sawyer. Last year she sent out over 10,000 Christmas stockings alone! By funneling our donations to Miss Sawyer, we save \$\$\$ that we would have otherwise spent on shipping costs! Do your part! Items or gift cards can be sent to: L.G.A.R. 68 W Marion St. Doylestown, OH 44230

Pets for Vets

Pets for Vets matches shelter dogs with veterans, teaching the dogs to be companions to suit their veteran's needs. This nonprofit finds homes for shelter dogs as well as provides veterans with K9 love and support.

Join us in supporting Pets for Vets and consider submitting any supplies or donations! Our National President will be hand delivering all donations to the Pets for Vets President Board of Directors, Ann Black.



John Logan's Order

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foe? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of free and undivided republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude, -- the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the Commander-in-Chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this Order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By order of JOHN A. LOGAN, Commander-in-Chief

**Share your Memorial Day Ceremony pictures with our National Secretary so that it can be shared on social media*

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Irish Murder Mystery

The Irish Murder Mystery Dinner Fundraiser, held at the new HQ in Valley City, was a success! National Officers Elizabeth Rock, Jan Stevenson, Lynne Bury, Nicole Schenz organized and participated in this fundraising event by portraying characters and answering questions, and National President Madeline Rock served the dinner. Thank you to Veterans Jody Stevenson, Robert Rock, and Brandon Ervin, and Gordon Bury for volunteering as well!



Valley City, OH

Today Valley City is the "The Frog Jump Capital of Ohio." Mark Twain's, "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County" inspired this town's annual frog jumping contest which has been celebrated since 1962. At the contest in 1964 Governor Jim Rhodes proclaimed this would be the official state frog jumping championship. Later in 1969, some Valley City champion frogs also competed in Calaveras County, California at the larger contest. These frogs included one belonging to Governor Rhodes. In 2021 the Frog Jumping contest drew in over 750 competing frogs and 4,000 attendees.

Visit the Liverpool Township Museum. The museum previously served as a train depot built in 1895 and was dedicated to the township in 1976. The museum houses all kinds of artifacts such as train memorabilia, a one-room schoolhouse model, a mastodon tooth found by Brian Walton in 1974 as well as artifacts from 1900s cigar manufacturing businesses which were local to the area.

Take a walk through Myrtle Hills Cemetery. Myrtles Hills Cemetery, also known as Hardscrabble Cemetery, became the first cemetery in Medina County. The earliest known burial was Justus Warner's daughter Ruth Deming in July of 1812. Myrtle Hills is estimated to have over 1600 burials. Myrtle Cemetery is also famous for their local legend of the Witches Ball. In the cemetery there is a three foot tall granite ball which bears the name, "Stoskopf." Legend says that they buried a witch beneath this large rock in order to weigh down her wandering spirit. Although this sculpture is most likely a marker for a family plot, many people believe in this tale. Visit the cemetery on Tour Day and tell us what you think.



TOURING DAY

Saturday, August 10th from 1:00-6:00 PM Medina County Stops Carpool

Convention Attendees that would like to join in on our Touring Day can meet at the LGAR HQ/Museum at 1:00 pm. Stops will be made to the following places in this order:

Myrtle Hill Cemetery Myrtle Hill Rd, Valley City, OH: The official Cemetery for Valley City, LGAR members will strew flowers at all Veterans Graves.

Jilbert Winery & Brewery 1496 Columbia Rd. Valley City, OH: Family owned and operated boutique winery specializing in the production of Ohio Grape and Honey based wines. Featuring Wine & Dine serving appetizers. Prepare your palate for sips of their fine Valley City, Ohio produced wines. Sit inside or out and enjoy a little time in the country.

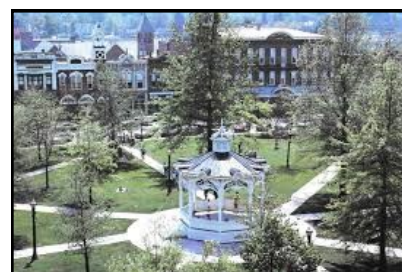


Root Candle 623 Liberty St. Medina, OH: For over 150 years, Root Candles has celebrated an illustrious history, starting with its founder Amos Ives (or A.I.) Root, whose emphasis on honesty, integrity, and diligent craftsmanship continues to drive the company today. The A.I. Root Company, founded in 1869, revolutionized beekeeping world-wide through inventions that allowed for the mass production of honey, making the city of Medina (Ohio) famous as the founding place of the “Bee Industries”. Root wrote a beekeeping encyclopedia, The ABC’s of Bee Culture, now commonly referred to as “The Beekeeper’s Bible.” He also started a trade magazine, Gleanings in Bee Culture, in 1873 that is still published today.

In the 1920s, Ernest and Huber Root inherited the company, creating innovations in candle-making by hand rolling strips of beeswax to prevent melting or sagging. Made of 100% beeswax, their candles were known for purity and quality, particularly by churches around the nation. The company created special safety-wicks and draft proofing to reduce the dripping of hot wax, setting new quality standards for liturgical candles used around the world. In the late 1960s, Root Candles was among the first to add color and fragrance to votive candles, now among the company’s best-sellers.

The company is currently led by the fifth generation of the Root family, Brad Root, President and Chairman of the Board. Root Candles produces approximately 20 million candles a year. Each candle is hand-crafted in America by artisans using processes mastered through five generations of craftsmanship combined with the latest in manufacturing technologies. Wicks are custom-woven on-site and many of the candles are made with domestically harvested pure beeswax. For over 150 years, Root Candles has crafted candles of uncompromising quality in Medina, Ohio prompted by Amos Ives Root’s passion for bees, beekeeping, and honey. Today, Root Candles still relies on the purity and naturalness of beeswax and bees that inspired Amos Ives Root all those years ago. Root Candles remains true to its past by focusing on what we know best – beeswax. Our candles are made with an all-natural beeswax blend. Our fragrances contain essential oils for a long lasting, aromatic bouquet that is always true to nature. We use 100% natural fiber wicks that we braid on-site ourselves. A Root candle is clean burning, long lasting, elegantly designed, and luxurious.

If time allows we will visit the Historic Square of Medina



Valley City History

Liverpool Township, often referred to as Valley City, was the first permanent settlement in Medina County, Ohio in 1795. Revolutionary War veteran, Seba Bronson, Jr., ‘squatted’ on land previously owned by Daniel Ciot of the Connecticut Land Company. Seba took up residence in the wilderness where he built a dwelling and planted corn. Seba learned of salt springs from Pottawattamie Indians local to the area. He paid the Indians five silver dollars for the location of the springs.

Word of the salt springs spread and soon boiling facilities were set up. Due to a large “scrabble” to acquire property in the area, the village became known as “Hardscrabble”. Many people would travel great distances to buy the salt. The Liverpool Salt Works was operated by Justus Warner in 1811. In 1825 the Erie Canal opened which made market competition increase as goods were easier to sell as market. This brought an end to the Liverpool Salt Works. Although the salt industry was no more, the village had grown substantially in these years and would live to stand the test of time.

Also in that area Wadsworth, Ohio became known for salt becoming the Wadsworth Salt Company and soon after became part of Morton Salt.

Schedule of Events

138th Annual National Encampment

August 8-10, 2024

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic at the National LGAR Headquarters & Museum in Valley City, Ohio

TIME	DATE & EVENTS	PLACE	Comfort Suites
<u>Thursday, August 8th</u>			1464 Town Center Blvd Brunswick, OH 44212 8-7-24 to 8-11-24 Room Rate Average \$129/night Secure your room now! Call 330-558-9961
2:00-3:00 PM	Budget Committee Review	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	Room Block in "LGAR" Rates: Wed-Thurs \$128 Fri-Sat \$140 https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/UP59A2 Located 6 miles from the center of Valley City, all on the same main street State Route 303 Complimentary Hot Breakfast & Indoor Pool Hotel located 16 miles from CLE Hopkins Airport Walk to food/groceries
3:00-5:00 PM	Advisory Council	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	
7:00-7:30 PM	Town Waling Tour	HQ & Museum	
7:30-9:00 PM	Official Grand Opening Reception	HQ & Museum	
7:30-9:00 PM	Registration	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	
<u>Friday, August 9th</u>			
8:30-9:00 AM	Coffee & Registration	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	
9:00-9:15 AM	Opening	HQ & Museum	
9:15-9:30 AM	Floral Drill	HQ & Museum	
9:30-10:30 AM	Initiation/Institution	HQ & Museum	
10:30-12:00 PM	Business Session-Reports	HQ & Museum	
12:00-1:30 PM	Lunch	On Your Own	
1:30-4:00 PM	Business Session	HQ & Museum	
1:30-4:00 PM	Family-Spouse Touring	Local stops via carpool	
4:00-4:30 PM	Installation of Officers	HQ & Museum	
6:00-9:00 PM	Banquet Fundraiser	HQ & Museum, 1st floor	
<u>Saturday, August 10th</u>			
9:00-10:30 AM	Final Advisory Council Meeting	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	
11:00-11:30 AM	Memorial Service	HQ & Museum, 2nd floor	
1:00-6:00 PM	Touring Day	Medina County Stops Carpool	

Please be aware that if we progress with items in a timely manner, the starting times will get moved up. This is the order in which we will follow things, but the exact times could change. Please be sure to look at the website for the National President's password, and look in your Ritual to figure out this coded password. All officers are to wear long white for the Memorial Service. All members please wear Red, White or Blue for business sessions. All members attending please be sure to have yourself listed on your Circle or Department Credentials form.

2024 LGAR NATIONAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

STREET _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

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Complete with check or money order (no cash) for \$15.00, made out to **"National Organization, LGAR"** by July 1st and mail to:

Elizabeth Rock, National Secretary, LGAR

68 W. Marion St. Doylestown, OH 44230

Pre-registration will be acknowledged by e-mail

If you pre-register but are unable to attend, your packet will be sent after the convention with meeting minutes.

BANQUET FUNDRAISER

TO BENEFIT OUR HEADQUARTERS MUSEUM

At the HQ & Museum, first floor, \$35 per person sent payable to: **"Orr Circle, LGAR"** by July 1st and mail to:

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Music & Words from Ode Card	1.50
LGAR Sticker	.50
NEW CHARMS	5.00
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Pets for Vets Dog Tags	Make \$5 donation for Pets for Vets Fund
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