



THE BUGLE CALL



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The Ladies of the Grand Army hosted a Formal Tea at our National Headquarters during the annual Civil War Living History Event at the Museum. 5 of our National Officers were in attendance, with an additional 8 members from the Margaret Orr Circle #105. Our members served tea and goodies to over 100 guests, and hosted speaker Kathy Kraus, who gave a lovely presentation of original quilts and their



hidden meaning along the Underground Railroad. Our members also gave a Memorial Service at our Bandstand in front the museum, and were thrilled to have the 73rd OVI Regimental Band and the 29th OVI Living History



Association participate with them for a traditional memorial service that was 100 years old. Members enjoyed a rousing game of croquet and were able to interact with many visitors throughout the weekend.

Your Headquarters Committee is working diligently this year continuing with the inventory of new items that are arriving regularly to be added to our collection. Members of the Headquarters Committee, along with local members, will participate in many activities this year including: a Veteran's Home Christmas Party, Decking the Halls at the Museum, International Museum Day, Memorial Day, Veteran's Day, and will continue with the Military Heritage Association in the planning of the yearly Living History Events. The Committee looks forward to your visit next August when our National Convention will be held at our National Headquarters. Be sure to mark your calendars and plan to attend this very special Covnention.



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Asking anyone that has spare worsted weight yarn to send them to our Sr. Vice, Mary May, for Afghan Robes for the nursing home.
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Deadlines for Bugle Call Submissions:

September 15, 2014

January 15, 2015

April 15, 2015

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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:

Per Capita is now paid to National by Departments & Circles under National ONCE A YEAR.

Per Capita is due May 15, 2015.

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

All Departments & Circles under National will be sent all forms for the year at the beginning of 2015.

Supplies can be ordered from the National Treasurer

Please make checks payable to "National Organization, LGAR"

The current National Brochure is currently available for the cost of shipping, contact Carolyn 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.*

**PURCHASE OUR REVISED BY-LAWS
MANY CHANGES THAT WILL AFFECT OUR ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP
\$3.00
AVAILABLE THIS WINTER**

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General Orders No. 1, 2014-2015

ABC'S FOR BEING A GOOD MEMBER



- A. Attend your meetings regularly
B. Be a working member a few minutes or hours
C. Check out facts before repeating things told to you
D. Do not walk in front of altar when Bible is open
E. Express your self freely & honestly at meetings- not after
F. Familiarize yourself with all committees
G. Give proper respect to all officers in their official capacity
H. Have an adequate knowledge of workings of the Order
I. It is your duty to vote on all matters, but don't feel compelled to do so.
J. Join in discussions and activities, you may find you really enjoy it
K. Kindle the spark of enthusiasm and friendship within yourself
L. Listen to & respect others opinions
M. MEMBERSHIP is everyone's responsibility
N. Be NURTURING to Veteran's Needs
O. Obey the rules of the Order
P. Pay your per-capita on time
Q. Question reports & actions you don't understand
R. Refrain from talking while business is being conducted or while a report is being given
S. SUPPORT our National Projects
T. Take an active participation in meetings

- U. Unite your talents with other member to produce successful ventures
V. Volunteer your time, energy
W. Wear your membership badge over your with pride
X. XEROX new membership applications
Y. YOU ---the member --- are the most valuable asset of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
Z. Zealous members make our Order prosper and grow.

I found this in an American Legion Aux. magazine and thought it was also very pertinent to us. I have edited it to fit our Order. This is my General Order # 1 for 2014-15.

In FC&L, Judy

YOUR PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL

Welcome to the beginning of Autumn, such a beautiful time of the year. God is making His changes and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Inc. are also making some changes.

National Convention has passed and I hope those who attended were blessed. We have completely reviewed our Rules & Regulations and made quite a few corrections, changes, rewording for a better understanding and deleted items that are no longer pertinent to the conduction of business. The new printing is going to be done differently so that you can discard the old and just insert a new page.

Next year our National Convention will be August 6-9th and will be held at our National Headquarters in Sandusky Ohio. You will hear more as the year progresses. This change was made because the Allied Orders convention will not be held until the Last weekend in August. This interferes with teachers and students who are back in school.

I want to congratulate all of you for getting your per-capita in on time and they were all very accurate. It seems you are all happy with the new procedure for the per-capita dues. It has made the book keeping and fiduciary review much easier.

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KANSAS LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC DEDICATE GRAVE MARKER

The members of the Livermore Circle #66 LGAR met Saturday, June 28, 2014 at the Elmwood Cemetery, Beloit, KS at 11a.m. for the dedication of a LGAR grave marker for PNP Ercelle Speaks. This is part of a project to mark the grave sites of all Past National Presidents.

Circle President and Department Historian for the state of Kansas, Rise Bell, presided. Joyce Jones assisted as Chaplain. PNP Barb Knopke of Shawnee, KS presented the grave marker and laid a yellow rose on the gravestone. She was accompanied by her husband Jim Knopke who is active in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Kay Speaks Zachgo, the daughter of Ercelle Speaks, gave a fitting tribute to her mother.

She highlighted not only her mother's work in LGAR but also in Girl Scouts, Boys Scouts, VFW Auxiliary, church work, Rebekah's and the Mitchell County Museum and Historical Society among others. Ercelle was elected National President of the LGAR for 1994-95. Her motto for the year was the PAST is my heritage, the PRESENT is my responsibility, the FUTURE is my challenge. For the past, she asked that we honor our heritage by donating to the restoration of Civil War flags and the repair of GAR monuments. For the present she emphasized that the recruitment of new members was crucial. Her slogan was "Strive for more in '94 and Gain 5 in '95." For the future the challenge was to work on keeping the Order growing and to educate the future generations of their past. Ercelle was credited with keeping the LGAR going in the state of Kansas. In respect for her leadership, a new circle, the Ercelle Speaks Circle, was started in the Kansas City area. In closing, Kay read a poem that Ercelle had written about her own granddad and dad. Those attending the service were Rise Bell, Ava Lee Maydew, Karen Cheney, Kay Zachgo, Joyce Jones, Barb Knopke, Marla Everett, and Kim Nelson. A luncheon followed at the Plum Creek restaurant in downtown



Pictured from left to right, PNP Barb Knopke, Rise' Bell, Kay Zachogo, Joyce Jones, Karen Cheney and Ava lee Maydew.

Beloit, along with a business meeting.

The Kansas Sisters have turned in their Civil War Veterans Cemetery tombstones records for Jewell County to the Sons of Union Veterans Civil War grave registrar, and might eventually publish a book of the Civil War Veterans' grave sites that have been collected to distribute to each county library in their area.

On March 29, 2014 our Kansas Circles were at the



Dr. Stephenson Memorial Plaza Project Petersburg, Illinois Rose Hill Cemetery

Dr. Benjamin f. Stephenson, founder of the Grand Army of the Republic and provisional commander-in-chief,

April 6, 1866 to
November 21, 1866.

Born in the Wayne
County, IL October 3,
1823, his father being
a native of South
Carolina and his
mother a native of
North Carolina.



On April 6, 1866, in
Decatur, IL, there was
formed post no 1 of
the Grand Army of the
Republic with 12
charter members. Dr.

Stephenson then

worked enthusiastically to promote the formation of more posts, often neglecting his own personal interests.

He died at Rock Creek, Menard County, IL, August 30, 1871, and was buried there. August 29, 1882, the body was removed to the Soldiers Plot in Rose Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, IL.

This project will bring true honor to the creator of the Grand Army of the Republic.

They need our help.

Bricks can be purchased by individuals that are priced between \$150 to \$500.

The national portion of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic is saving up for a polished black granite bench,

engraved with our logo, name and single line, for \$2500.



Andersonville Plea

3 of your National Officers traveled to Andersonville Prison and the National Cemetery following the National Convention in Georgia. They were lucky to have a private tour of both the prison site and the cemetery, and to pay tribute to "Our Angel of the Home" Emogene Niver's brother Edwin. Our LGAR building still stands at the entrance to the Cemetery, although remodeled with a new exterior and roof. Our Organization placed a plaque on this monument when it was built, which is said to be in storage at this National Park. Please submit letters to the Superintendent asking to have our plaque come out of storage and be placed back on our building.



Letters can be sent to:
Superintendent Eric Leonard
229-924-0343 ext 201

New York DUVCW Civil War Patriot's Ball



On April 4th, 2015 the New York Department of Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 will host the Civil War Patriot's Ball at the Mount Vernon Hotel Museum & Garden at 421 E 61st St New York, NY 10065. Celebrate the finale of the Civil War Sesquicentennial in New

York City at the Civil War Patriots Ball in New York City with The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Members should consider attending and helping with our membership booth.

<https://www.facebook.com/CivilWarPatriotsBall>

2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 6-9, 2015

**TO BE HELD AT OUR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
MUSEUM IN SANDUSKY, OHIO**

FULL DETAILS IN OUR NEXT ISSUE OF THE BUGLE CALL

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Membership Certificates

Anyone who has been a continuous member for 25 or 50 years is entitled to a Membership Certificate. The form is printed below. **After it is completed by the Department Registrar it should be mailed to PNP Janice Corfman 9057 SR #83 Holmesville, OH 44633**

Date: _____

Name of Member: _____

Circle Name: _____

Department of: _____

Circle President Signature: _____

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