

DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO & WYOMING
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Proceedings of the
Eighty-Fifth Annual
Department Encampment



June 8, 2013
Salt Lake City, Utah
Eric D. Richhart, PCC
Department Commander

Department Officers

2012-2013

- Department Commander**Eric D. Richhart, PCC**
(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)
- Department Senior Vice Commander**James M. Barker, PCC**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)
- Department Junior Vice Commander**Cecil Tapey**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- Secretary/Treasurer**William P. C. Simpson**
(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)
- Council Member**Garry W. Brewer, PDC**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- Council Member **Gary E. Parrott, PDC**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- Council Member**James J. Davenport, PDC**
(Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12, Durango)
- Immediate Past Department Commander**Phillip Rhy Paris, PDC**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- Patriotic Instructor**Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)
- Chaplain**Willis S. Whittlesey III**
(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)
- Eagle Scout Coordinator**Gerald F. Mosley., PDC**
(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)
- Graves Registration Officer**Craig A. Ayler, PCC**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)
- Historian.....**Kenneth C. Nelson, PCC**
(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)
- Civil War Memorials Officer**Willard F. Hinkley, PDC**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)
- Counselor**Phillip Rhy Paris, PDC**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- GAR Highway Officer.....**Jon M. Franchino, PCC**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)
- Department Organizer..... **William Buvinger, PCC**
(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)
- Department Newsletter Editor..... **Walter Weart**
(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO & WYOMING
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

**June 8, 2013
Midvale, Utah**

1. As required by Chapter II, Article III, Section 1 of the Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and by Article III, Bylaws of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming, SUVCW, the Eighty-Fifth Annual Encampment of the Department of Kansas, was held on June 8, 2013, at the Masonic Center, Midvale, UT

2. The Encampment was called to order at 12:00 N by Department Commander Eric D. Richhart. At that time, the encampment was opened in due form according to the Rituals and Ceremonies of the Order.

3. In the absence of the Department Secretary, Commander Richhart called the roll of officers, and reported all officers present or absent as follows:

Department Commander Eric D. Richhart, PCC, Camp 1, present.
Senior Vice Department Commander James M. Barker, PCC, Camp 100, present.
Junior Vice Department Commander Cecil Tapey, Camp 7, present.
Secretary/Treasurer William P. C. Simpson, Camp 1, absent.
Council Member James J. Davenport, PDC, Camp 12, absent.
Council Member Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7 absent.
Council Member, Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7, absent.
Patriotic Instructor, Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC, Camp 100, absent.
Chaplain, Willis Whittlesey, Camp 1, absent.
Counselor, Rhy Paris, PDC, Camp 17, absent.
Graves Registration Officer, Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100, present.
Historian, Kenneth Nelson, PCC, Camp 1, absent.
Civil War Memorials Officer, Willard F. Hinkley, PDC, Camp 100, absent.
GAR Highway Officer, Jon M. Franchino, PCC, Camp 100, absent
Eagle Scout Coordinator, Gerald F. Moseley, PDC, Camp 1, present.
Department Organizer, William Buvinger, PCC, Camp 7, absent.
Newsletter Editor, Walter Weart, Camp 100, absent.

4. Department Commander Richhart, introduced our honored guest, National JVCinC Tad Campbell who gave brief comments.

5. The following Department Officer reports were presented by the officer and accepted by the Encampment as written:

Commander Eric D. Richhart, PCC - Commander's Report [Page A-1]
James M. Barker, PCC - Senior Vice Department Commander [Page A-1]
Cecil Tapey - Junior Vice Department Commander [Page A-2]
William P. Simpson - Secretary/Treasurer Report [Page A-2]

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Geoffrey R. Hunt., PDC - Patriotic Instructor Report - No Report [Page A-2]

Craig A. Ayler., PCC - Graves Registration Officer Report [Page A-3]

Gerald F. Mosley., PDC - Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator Report [Page A-4]

Willard F. Hinkley, PDC - Civil War Memorials Officer Report- No Report [Page A-3]

Kenneth Nelson, PCC - Historian Report - No Report [Page A-3]

Willis Whittlesey - Chaplain's Necrology Report - No Report [Page A-3]

6. The following camp reports were presented and accepted by the Encampment as given.

Lot Smith Camp 1 - Presented by PDC Mosley on behalf of the Camp Commander [Page B-1]

Chapman-Compliment Camp 2 - Presented by DC Richhart on behalf of the Camp Commander [Page B-1]

Legion of the West Camp 7 - Presented by DJVC Tapey on behalf of the Camp Commander [Page B-1]

Thomas M. Bowman Camp 12 - No report [Page B-1]

Centennial Camp 100 - Presented by DSVC Barker on behalf of the Camp Commander [Page B-1]

7. Commander Richhart noted there was no unfinished business from the Eighty-Fourth Encampment.

8. There being no standing or other committees, no reports were presented.

9. At 1:00 PM, Commander Richhart directed the Chaplain to close the Bible and declared a 10 minute recess.

10. At 1:15 PM, the Encampment was reconvened for the purpose of addressing "New Business" to come before the Encampment.

11. DSVC Barker presented the proposed Constitutional Amendment passed by the 131st National Encampment and moved that it be ratified. Motioned seconded by DJVC Tapey. The motion passed unanimously. [Page C-1]

12. DSVC Barker presented a proposed Amendment to the National Regulations pertaining to a duplication in the list of Department Officers and moved its adoption. Seconded by DJVC Tapey. After a brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously. [Page C-2]

13. DSVC Barker presented a proposed Resolution to the National Encampment asking that the National Organization, SUVCW ask the U.S. Secretary of Veteran Affairs grant an exception to policy waiving the requirement for next of kin to sign the Application for A Government Headstone for Civil War veterans and moved its adoption. Seconded by PCC Ayler. After a brief discussion the motion passed unanimously. [Page C-3]

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14. DSVC Barker moved that Brother Weart be authorized to represent the Department at Remembrance Day in Gettysburg this coming November. Seconded by DJVC Tapey. Motion passed unanimously.

15. DSVC Barker brought up the efforts of the Dept. of Florida to document the emblems used by each Department, both historically and currently. He described the cap badge adopted by the Colorado Division, SVUSA in 1888 and provided examples to two versions of that description. He moved that the Department adopt one of the designs as our Department Emblem. Seconded by DJVC Tapey. After considerable discussion, Brother Barker amended his motion to have the incoming Commander appoint a committee to solicit design modifications and report at the next encampment. Seconded. The amendment was adopted.

16. Commander Richhart asked for a motion to endorse the candidacy of JVCinC Campbell for the office of SVCinC. DSVC Barker so moved. Seconded. Motion passed.

17. There being no more new business to come before the Encampment, Commander Richhart proceeded with the nomination and election of officers.

The following Brothers were nominated for the Offices indicated:

Department Commander - James M. Barker, PCC, Camp 100 (nominated by PCC Ayler)
Senior Vice Commander - L. E. Cheney, CC, Camp 100 (nominated by DSVC Barker)
Junior Vice Commander - Robert LeMaster, Camp 1 (nominated by PDC Mosley)
Secretary/Treasurer - Eric D. Richhart, PCC, Camp 1 (nominated by DSVC Barker)
Department Council - James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12 (nominated by DSVC Barker)
Department Council - Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7 (nominated by DSVC Barker)
Department Council - Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 12 (nominated by DSVC Barker)

There being no further nominations from the floor, Commander Richhart moved all nominated candidates be elected unanimously. Motion passed and all candidates were declared duly elected.

18. At this time, Commander Richhart turned over the gavel to Junior Commander-in-Chief Tad Campbell for the installation of officers.

19. Commander-elect James M. Barker was asked to provide a list of appointed officers. The following list of those elected and appointed, was read:

Department Commander James M. Barker, PCC, Camp 100
Senior Vice Department Commander L. E. (Gene) Cheney, CC, Camp 100
Junior Vice Department Commander Robert LeMaster, Camp 1
Secretary/Treasurer - Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1
Council Member James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12
Council Member Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7
Council Member Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7

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Patriotic Instructor Geoffrey R. Hunt., PDC, Camp 100
Chaplain Willis S. Whittlesey III, Camp 1
Graves Registration Officer Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100
Civil War Memorials Officer Willard H. Hinkley, PDC, Camp 100
Historian James M. Barker, PCC, Camp 100
Eagle Scout Coordinator Gerald Mosely, PDC, Camp 1
GAR Highway Officer Jon J. Franchino, PCC, Camp 100
Department Organizer Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1

20. Jr. Vice Commander in Chief Tad Campbell proceeded to install the Department Officers, after which they assumed their respective stations.

21. Commander Barker thanked the encampment for their confidence in electing him and outlined his goals for the coming year.

22. Commander Barker entertained a motion that the proceedings of this Encampment, when approved and published, become the official record of this Encampment. It was so moved and seconded. Motion passed.

23. There being no further business brought before the encampment, Commander Barker proceeded to close the Encampment, according to the Ritual of the Order. The Encampment was declared closed at 2 PM.

ADDENDUM TO THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

1. Due to an oversight, the Encampment neglected to elect Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment. The Department Council acted immediately to fill the vacancies and voted that "All Members and Associates of the Department who are in good standing and are not otherwise entitled to membership at the 132nd National Encampment nor elected as a "Delegate" to the 132nd National Encampment shall be elected as "ALTERNATE DELEGATES" to the 132nd National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, August 9-10, 2013, in Brookfield, Wisconsin.

2. A list of all those elected as Alternates will be attached to the Certificate of Election and Installation of Department Officers (SUVCW Form 49) and forwarded to the National Headquarters.

These proceedings of the Eighty-Fifth Annual Encampment for the Department of Colorado and Wyoming are certified to be complete and accurate, to the best of my knowledge and ability.

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SUBMITTED IN FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY,

James M. Barker

James M. Barker, PCC
Acting Encampment Secretary

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Eric D. Richhart

Eric D. Richhart, PDC
Outgoing Commander

James M. Barker

James M. Barker, PCC
Incoming Commander

ATTACHMENTS

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ATTACHMENT A - OFFICER REPORTS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S REPORT

Eric D. Richhart, PCC

I worked to establish a Camp in Idaho where there are currently three members. I will continue to work to make that a reality. I visited with Brother McKinney in Idaho and helped develop a project that would place a monument in the Boise Cemetery to 16 unknown Civil War soldiers. Another project under consideration is the repair of an existing statue in that cemetery.

DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT

James M. Barker, PCC

1. I have the honor to report that, as Senior Vice Commander, not having been called upon to perform any official duties during the past year, I have nevertheless performed them to the best of my ability.

2. That being said, I have continued to work on two projects that I started during my term as Junior Vice Commander:

a. Department Master Roster. This was a project to list every Brother who has ever been a member of this Department. I have documented 415 names, the earliest from 1883. I've identified 76 camps that were active at one time or another, the dates and locations of 61 of the 85 annual plus 3 special encampments as well as 10 encampments of the earlier CO & WY Division of the SVUSA. I've added to the list of names of the Department Commanders so we now have most of them as well as many of the other officers. Although I continue to add names and data, barring the discovery of additional records, the project is about as complete as we can get it. I've sent each Camp their portion of the roster. A complete roster was sent to the Department Commander and an abbreviated version to the Department Webmaster.

b. A Survey of GAR Posts in the Department of CO & WY. This project documents all the GAR Posts in CO & WY. Data I've attempted to find for each post includes date organized, No. of charter members, meeting times and places, a brief history, officers, members, any Allied Order associated with the post and the location of any known records. I thought I was almost through but I just discovered a copy of the 1895 Official Roster, so I'll have to go back through and update each post. Once completed, I'll start on Vol. 2, which is a survey of the GAR Posts in the Department of Montana.

3. GAR Department Commander Biographies. As a new project, I've collected enough information to begin putting together a binder with biographies of the GAR Department Commanders. I've found all the names from Dr. Bancroft in the beginning to Robert Bryan at the end. I also have pictures of about a third of them.

4. Lastly, I have represented the Department at any function or activity that would have me and

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answered any enquiries that came my way.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. I recommend that the Encampment authorize the Department Commander to develop and issue policies covering the administration of Department functions and activities. Written policies will standardize our procedures and address subjects not covered by the By-Laws. The Department Encampment and the Department Council may, by their vote, direct the Commander to formulate and issue a policy on a particular subject.

b. It is tradition that Departments represented at the National Encampment present gifts to the Commander-in-Chief and National President of the Auxiliary at the Campfire program. I recommend that the Encampment authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$150 to provide such gifts whenever the Department has a delegation at the National Encampment.

Submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty;

JAMES M. BARKER, PCC
Senior Vice Commander

DEPARTMENT JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT

Cecil Tapey

I've received two applications from National and forwarded them to the appropriate Camps.

SECRETARY

William P. C. Simpson

The Secretary-Treasurer being absent Commander Richhart presented the minutes of the last Encampment which were accepted as written.

TREASURER

William P. C. Simpson

The Secretary-Treasurer being absent, Commander Richhart stated that the balance in the Department account was approximately \$2900; that all national per capita has been paid and that there are no outstanding expenses.

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DEPARTMENT COUNCIL

James Davenport, PDC; Garry Brewer, PDC; Gary Parrott, PDC

No report given due the absence of all the Council Members.

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC

No report was given due to the absence of PDC Hunt.

CHAPLAIN

Willis S. Whittlesey, III

No report was given due to the absence of Brother Whittlesey.

CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS OFFICER

Willard F. Hinkley, PDC

No report was given due to the absence of PDC Hinkley.

HISTORIAN

Kenneth C. Nelson, PCC

No report was given due to the absence of PCC Nelson.

GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

Craig A. Ayler, PCC

As the Dept. of GRO, I am conducting inventories of the cemeteries within (and out) of our geographical boundaries. I feel that as long as the National Graves Registration Officer requires an accounting of the Veterans of the Civil War, then the field is open.

Since the beginning of this year I have acquired and submitted 140 soldiers to the National Grave Register. It is very difficult to find the time and still maintain a job. However, there are moments to take advantage of. I began discovering that soldiers were listed but the information was incomplete. I contacted our National GRO / Bruce Frail and informed him of my discoveries and

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asked how I could make the necessary changes. He wasn't certain, however; he suggested I submit my information and press the "not a duplicate button". On Mon, May 6, 2013 I received an email from a Standing GRO Committee member, Virgil Matz from Wisconsin. The following is his statement;

Hello Brother Craig,

Thank you for your work in the SUVCW Grave Registration Program. I am on the National Grave Registration Committee and help with grave registration approval and also help submitters. I have approved your submittals for Hill Top Cemetery. They were all duplications of submitted burials except yours are more complete. I submitted yours and deleted the others. If you up update or make corrections would you please let me or another committee member know who they are so we can delete the old one, so as to avoid duplications in the database.

*Thanks
In F. C. & L.*

Brother Virgil O. Matz

I called him and thanked him for helping with this problem and offering a solution that will clean up our National Grave Register.

Over the last few months I've contacted some of our other camps and haven't had much luck. Recently Chapman / Camp #2 contacted me. GRO Alfred Page and Jim Alcorn (previous Centennial Camp 100 member) went on a cemetery expedition through parts of Montana. Their success was finding 20 soldiers to add to the register. I instructed Brother Page of my technique and how Brother Matz will help.

I also found out that 3 Idaho SUVCW members are attached to a Utah Camp. Perhaps at our meeting we could find their information. I hope this report is to your satisfaction. As our new Department Commander, I officially request to continue as our Department of CO & WY (ID, MT & UT) Grave Registration Officer. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Craig Ayler
Dept. Graves Registration Officer

EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR
Gerald F. Mosley, PDC

I have received five requests for Eagle Scout Certificates. Additionally, 2 Camps have requested certificates for use in their programs. So far I have only one camp has provided contact information for their Cap Eagle Scout Coordinator.

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GAR HIGHWAY OFFICER

Jon J. Franchino, PCC

No report was given due to the absence of PCC Franchino

DEPARTMENT ORGANIZER

William Buvinger, PCC

No report was given due to the absence of PCC Buvinger.

DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR

P. Rhy Paris, PDC

No report was given due to the absence of PDC Paris.

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ATTACHMENT B - CAMP REPORTS**

LOT SMITH CAMP 1, SALT LAKE CITY, UT
Commander William P. C. Simpson

PDC Mosley representing the Camp Commander reported that the Camp 1 membership stood at 17 members. The Camp presented a wreath at the Capt. Lot Smith grave site at Farmington Cemetery on Memorial Day. He also reported on a proposed project to erect a bronze statue of Capt. Smith on the Capitol grounds and that they are attempting to raise the funding to make that happen.

CHAPMAN-COMPLIMENT CAMP 2, BILLINGS, MT
Commander Fred J. Morganthaler II

Commander Richhart representing the Camp Commander reported that the Camp membership stood at 12 members. He also reported that they were having problems with the IRS regarding their EIN number. Commander Richhart will continue to assist them getting that squared away.

LEGION OF THE WEST CAMP 7, GRAND JUCTION, CO
Commander Garry W. Brewer, PDC

No report provided.

THOMAS E. BOWMAN CAMP 12, DURANGO CO
Commander Duane Smith

No report provided.

CENTENNIAL CAMP 100, DENVER, CO
Commander L. E. (Gene) Cheney

DSVC Barker representing the Camp Commander submitted the following report:

I have to honor to submit the following report of the activities of Centennial Camp 100 since the last Department Encampment.

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- a. Camp Projects: Riverside Flagpole/Memorial Project: Funding to complete one was obtained; the project contracted, and is being completed. Fund raising opportunities are being explored to continue with phase two. An additional \$5000.00 is estimated to complete phases two and three. Funding is hoped to be raised through grants, donations, and sales of Memorial Bricks.
- b. Other Activities:
 - DSVC Barker developed an Officer's Handbook for each position and a Member Handbook to acquaint new members with the Camp, Department, and National Organizations
 - 4 July 2012 Members of Centennial Camp 100 participated in parades and activities throughout the area.
 - August 2012 Brother Rodgers created a Centennial Camp 100 Blog promoting the SUVCW and presenting articles of historical significance.
 - 15-16 Sept. 2012 Brothers Hunt, Mitchell, and Waterous participated in the Parker Civil War Weekend. DSVC Barker manned the recruiting booth.
 - 11 November 2012 Members of Centennial Camp 100 participated in various parades and activities along the Front Range.
 - 17 November 2012 Brother Weart represented Centennial Camp 100 at the Gettysburg Remembrance Day activities.
 - 2 Dec 2012 DSVC Barker, Sister Goguen, and I attended the memorial services for Sister Martha Van Grundy, aged 103, President of the Colorado Springs Circle LGAR. DSVC Barker presented the family with an SUVCW Death Certificate.
 - 9 Dec 2012 DSVC Barker & Mrs. Barker, Brother Zink, Sister Zink, Sister Goguen, and I participated in a fund raising opportunity at Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Colorado Springs, Colorado, wrapping Christmas gifts. \$16.00 was raised.
 - Feb. 2013 SVC Zink Created a Centennial Camp 100 Facebook page populated with events, activities, and recruiting information.
 - 21 Mar 2013 Brother Nasser made a presentation titled "Women Who Served in the Civil War as Men" to the Palmer Lake Historical Society attended by members of the society, DSVC Barker, CC Cheney & Mrs. Cheney, SVC Zink & his wife Sister Zink. SVC Zink and Sister Zink provided informational packets and applications. All made themselves available to provide information and interviews. An Article with accompanied photograph and contact information appeared in the PLHS newsletter and the local paper, "The Community News."
 - 30 Apr & 9 May 2013 CC Cheney presented JROTC Certificates and Medals to cadets at Air Academy HS and Westminster HS. 7 May Brother Hinkley presented JROTC Certificate and Medal at Harrison HS.
 - 17-20 May 2013 Brothers Hunt, Mitchell, and Waterous attended reenactment activities in Kansas. Other members participated in parades and activities along the Front Range.
 - 18 May 2013 DSVC Barker, CC Cheney, PCC Ayler, and Brother Marsh manned a recruitment booth at the Crown Hill Cemetery Memorial Weekend Event.
 - 30 May 2013 All members of Centennial Camp 100 paid Honor and Respect, in their

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own way, not only to our ancestors but to all who have served the Nation.

Respectfully Submitted In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty;

L. E. (Gene) Cheney
Camp Commander

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ATTACHMENT C - RESOLUTIONS



Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

DEPARTMENT REPORT

of

Voting on Proposed Amendment

At the 131st National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans meeting in Los Angeles 9-11 August, 2012, at which a quorum was present throughout, and the required majority of such delegates voted in favor to amend the preamble to the National Constitution of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War as follows:

From: We, the descendants of soldiers, sailors, or marines who served in the Army or Navy of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion of 1861 to 1865.

To: We, the descendants of soldiers, sailors, or marines who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service of the United States of America during the War of the Rebellion of 1861 to 1865.

This change is needed to recognize all the members of the United States Armed Forces that served in the American Civil War 1861-1865, as the membership requirements of the GAR and our organization, per Article III of the C&R, as the Marine Corps and Revenue Cutter Service were different branches of the Armed Forces.

As contained in Article IX of the Constitution, this amendment cannot be effected until favorably acted upon and ratified by at least by 50% of the Departments.

As required by the SUVCW Constitution, and directed by Commander-in-Chief Perley Mellor, in his General Order 04, Departments are directed to vote to approve, or disapprove, the proposed amendment during their 2013 Department Encampments, and report the results of that vote on this form.

DIRECTIONS

1. At a time while in session, the above proposed change to the Constitution shall be read to the membership.
2. After discussion, the Department Commander (or acting chair) shall call for a vote to approve/disapprove.
3. At the completion of the vote, the Department Secretary shall tally and report the vote below . A simple majority is all that is required for passage.

DEPARTMENT of Colorado & Wyoming Date of Vote: 8 Jun 2013

Total present and eligible to vote? 5 Yea 5 Nay 0 Circle (XX Pass / Fail)

By signature below I hereby certify that the above tally of votes is accurate.

James M. Barker
Department Commander

Eric D. Rickhart
Department Secretary

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RESOLUTION TO CHANGE THE NATIONAL REGULATIONS**

1. Whereas Chapter II, Departments, Article IV, Officers, Section 1, listing the officers of a Department duplicates the offices of Department Secretary and Department Treasurer (or Department Secretary-Treasurer), therefore,
2. Be it resolved by the Department of Colorado and Wyoming that the National Encampment amend Section 1 of Article IV of Chapter II of the National Regulations by changing the period at the end of the first sentence to a comma and deleting so much of the second sentence that begins with the word “Department” and ends with the words “Secretary-Treasurer)” so that the paragraph reads as follows:

Chapter II
ARTICLE IV.
Officers

Section 1. The officers of a Department shall be a Department Commander, Senior Vice Department Commander, Junior Vice Department Commander, three members of the Department Council, Department Secretary, Department Treasurer (or Department Secretary – Treasurer), Department Chaplain, Department Counselor, Department Graves Registration Officer, Department Historian, Department Patriotic Instructor, ~~Department Secretary, Department Treasurer (or Department Secretary-Treasurer)~~ and at the option of the Department; a Grand Army of the Republic Highway Officer, A Civil War Memorials Officer, Eagle Scout Coordinator and such other officers as may be established in its By-Laws.

3. Passed unanimously by the Department of Colorado & Wyoming at its annual encampment on 8 Jun 2013.

James M. Barker

James M. Barker
Department Commander

ATTEST:

Eric D. Richhart

Eric D. Richhart, PDC
Department Secretary

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RESOLUTION**

Whereas, the United States is commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Civil War in which more than 2 million men served in uniform and;

Whereas, veterans of that conflict still lay in unmarked graves, many leaving either no next of kin or family that is next to impossible to trace after so many decades and;

Whereas, the Department of Veterans Affairs requires that the next of kin or a representative designated in writing by the decedent or next of kin sign the application for a government provided headstone and;

Whereas, a proper grave marker is the least the country owes those, who by the grace of God,
fought to preserve it, now therefore be it

Resolved, by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in National Encampment assembled at Brookfield, WI, 8-11 August 2013, that the U.S. Secretary of Veterans Affairs be requested to grant an exception to policy allowing Cemetery Managers, Funeral Home Directors or members of veterans or lineage organizations to sign the Request for Government Headstone in lieu of the next of kin or representative.

Passed the Department of Colorado & Wyoming in Annual Encampment at Midvale, UT 8 June 2013.

James M. Barker

James M. Barker, PCC
Department Commander

ATTEST:

Eric D. Richhart

Eric D. Richhart, PDC
Department Secretary

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ATTACHMENT D - ENCAMPMENT ATTENDEES**

Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City, UT

Eric D. Richhart, PCC Department Commander
Gerald F. Mosley, PDC Department Eagle Scout Coordinator

Chapman-Compliment Camp 2, Billings, MT

No Representation

Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction, CO

Cecil Tapey, Department Junior Vice Comamnder

Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12, Durango, CO

No Representation

Centennial Camp 100, Denver, CO

James M. Barker, PCC Department Senior Vice Commander
Craig A. Ayler, PCC Department Graves Registration Officer

Guests

Tad Campbell, PDC National Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief
Thomas T. Graham, PCC SVC Department of California & Pacific

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ATTACHMENT E - DEPARTMENT ORDERS**

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Department of Colorado/Wyoming
Office of the Commander
Eric Dan Richhart PCC
3844 South Danbury Circle
Magna, Utah, 84044-2223**

**GENERAL ORDER #1
SERIES 2012- 2013
23 June 2012**

Effective immediately ALL Orders that I issued during my 2011-2012 Administration are issued again to the Department and are in full affect

Ordered this 23 Day of June 2012.

Eric Dan Richhart
Commander
Department of Colorado/Wyoming
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested to by

Robert LeMaster
Secretary/Treasurer
Department of Colorado/Wyoming

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Magna, Utah, 84044-2223

GENERAL ORDER #2
SERIES 2012- 2013
26 October 2012

Effective Immediately, the following changes are put into effect and a grateful hand is extended in the following manner:

It is with sad regret that we must accept the desired release from Department Grave Registration Officer James Davenport and that of Department Secretary/Treasurer Robert LeMaster. Both have done a superb job and we owe them a great deal of thanks. Both have indicated health and family concerns. Brother Davenport will still be on the Department Council.

I have appointed Brother Craig Ayler to be Department Graves Registration Officer and direct him to contact Brother Davenport to get up to speed on this position. I thank him for the desire to fill this position.

I have appointed Brother Bill Simpson to be Department Secretary/Treasurer and direct him to visit with me to change over the Department checking account and get up to speed on the secretary responsibility. I thank him for volunteering to do this job.

Ordered this 26 Day of October 2012

Eric Dan Richhart
Commander
Department of Colorado/Wyoming
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested to by

Robert LeMaster
Secretary/Treasurer
Department of Colorado/Wyoming

Incoming Department Officers

2013-2014

Department Commander	James M. Barker, PCC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Department Senior Vice Commander	Gene Cheney, CC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Department Junior Vice Commander	Robert LeMaster <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Secretary/Treasurer	Eric D. Richhart, PDC <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Council Member	Garry W. Brewer, PDC <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
Council Member	Gary E. Parrott, PDC <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
Council Member	James J. Davenport, PDC <i>(Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12, Durango)</i>
Immediate Past Department Commander	Eric D. Richhart, PDC <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Patriotic Instructor	Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Chaplain	Willis S. Whittlesey III <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Eagle Scout Coordinator	Gerald F. Mosley., PDC <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Graves Registration Officer	Craig A. Ayler, PCC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Historian.....	James M. Barker, PCC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Civil War Memorials Officer	Willard F. Hinkley, PDC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
GAR Highway Officer.....	Jon M. Franchino, PCC <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Department Organizer.....	Eric D. Richhart, PDC <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Department Newsletter Editor.....	Walter Weart <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>