

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

**Proceedings of the  
Eighty-Eighth Annual  
Department Encampment**



**June 5, 2016**  
**Colorado Springs, CO**  
**L. E. Cheney, PCC**  
**Department Commander**

# Department Officers

## 2015-2016

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

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO & WYOMING**  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
June 5, 2016  
Colorado Springs, CO

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-Eighth Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming, was held on June 5, 2016, at The Academy Hotel, Colorado Springs, CO

2. The Encampment was called to order at 1:00 P. M. by Department Commander Gene Cheney. At that time, the encampment was opened in due form according to the Rituals and Ceremonies of the Order.

3. The Department Secretary, Eric D. Richhart called the roll of officers, and reported all officers present or absent as follows:

Department Commander Gene Cheney, PCC, Camp 100, present.

Senior Vice Department Commander William J. Salmon, PCC, Camp 1, present.

Junior Vice Department Commander Scott Kronberg, Camp 100, absent.

Secretary Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1, present.

Treasurer James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100, present.

Council Member James J. Davenport, PDC, Camp 100, absent.

Council Member Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7. Present.

Council Member, Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7, absent.

Patriotic Instructor, Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC, Camp 100, absent.

Chaplain, Willis Whittlesey, Camp 1, absent.

Graves Registration Officer, Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100, present.

Historian, James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100, present.

Civil War Memorials Officer, James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100, present.

GAR Highway Officer, Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7, present.

Eagle Scout Coordinator, Gerald F. Moseley, PDC, Camp 1, absent.

Department Organizer, Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1, present.

Newsletter Editor, Walter Weart, CC, Camp 100, present.

4. Commander Cheney appointed Brother Kevin Salmon (Camp 1) as Acting Junior Vice Commander, PCC Craig Ayler (Camp 100) as Acting Patriotic Instructor, and PDC Willard Hinkley (Camp 100) as Acting Chaplain.

5. Commander Cheney then honored all the Past Department Commanders present.

6. Our honored guest, National Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, Donald Martin was introduced and gave brief comments. He conveyed the greetings of the Commander-in-Chief and passed on

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News from National. He also encouraged the Department to consider hosting a future National Encampment

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

Commander Gene Cheney, PCC - Commander's Report [Page A-1]  
William J. Salmon, PCC - Senior Vice Department Commander [Page A-1]  
Junior Vice Department Commander - No Report [Page A-1]  
Eric Dan Richhart PDC- Secretary Report [Page A-2]  
James M. Barker, PDC - Treasurer Report [Page A-2]  
Gary Parrott, PDC - Department Council Report [Page A-3]  
Geoffrey R. Hunt., PDC - Patriotic Instructor Report - No Report [Page A-4]  
Willis Whittlesey - Chaplain's Necrology Report - No Report [Page A-5]  
Craig A. Ayler., PCC - Graves Registration Officer Report [Page A-6]  
James M. Barker, PCC - Historian Report - [Page A-5]  
James M. Barker, PDC - Civil War Memorials Officer Report-[Page A-5]  
Gary Parrott, PDC - GAR Highway Officer Report [Page A-6]  
Gerald F. Mosley., PDC - Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator Report - No Report [Page A-6]  
Eric Dan Richhart PDC - Department Organizer Report - [Page A-7]  
Walter Weart, CC - Newsletter Editor [Page A-7]

8. The following camp reports were submitted and accepted by the Encampment as given.

Lot Smith Camp 1 - Report submitted by PCC Salmon [Page B-1]  
Chapman-Compliment Camp 2 - No Report [Page B-1]  
Legion of the West Camp 7 - Report submitted by PDC Parrott on behalf of the Camp  
Commander [Page B-1]  
Centennial Camp 100 - Presented by Commander Weart [Page B-3]

9. Secretary Richhart reported that no communications had been received.

10. Commander Cheney noted that he knew of no items of unfinished business from the Eighty-Seventh Encampment and none were reported from the floor.

11. Commander Cheney then took up new business:

12. As mentioned in his report, Commander Cheney reported that Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12 voted to disband. Commander Cheney issued a department order suspending the Camp for a period of time to allow efforts to revive the Camp to proceed. If these efforts fail, the Commander-in-Chief will be requested to revoke the charter. All Brothers of Camp 12 have been issued a Transfer Form and all Camp property has been surrendered to the Department. At this point, PDC Barker and PDC Richhart assisted by PCC Ayler furled the Camp 12 colors.

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13. Commander Cheney presented Department Awards as follows:

a. The James E. Jewell Award for the Outstanding Recruiter of the year to PDC Eric D. Richhart (Camp 1).

b. The A. V. Bohn Award for the Outstanding Camp of the Year to Centennial Camp 100.

14. PDC Richhart brought up the plans to form an Auxiliary. Discussion ensued on whether it was preferable to have an At-Large Auxiliary in the Department or have it attached to a particular Camp. The consensus was to attach it to a Camp. All Camp Commanders and Brothers were requested to get the word out and pass contact information for any potential Sisters to PDC Richhart.

15. Discussion was held on the new VA rules for requesting VA headstones. Basically, having the next of kin sign the request is no longer required if certain conditions are met. The SUVCW, as a veteran service organization can act as the requester. However, information should be provided detailing efforts made to locate the next of kin. We must still follow the procedures outlined in the National Policy.

16. Discussion was held on the ROTC Program. ROTC medals and certificates are now free of charge if ordered by the Camp. Consensus was that the program should continue to be handled by the Camps. It was left up to the incoming Department Commander to decide if he thinks it necessary to appoint a Department ROTC Coordinator.

17. Commander Cheney asked if any Brother intended to attend the National Encampment. Brothers Barker, Cheney and Weart responded affirmatively. As Brother Weart was the only one of the three who was not entitled to a seat by virtue of past rank, it was moved and seconded that he be elected as a delegate. Adopted. The Commander then entertained a motion that "All Members and Associates of the Department who are in good standing as of this date and are not otherwise entitled to membership at the National Encampment nor elected as a "Delegate" shall be elected as "ALTERNATE DELEGATES" to the National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War". Moved and seconded. Adopted.

18. There being no more new business to come before the Encampment, Commander Cheney directed the Chaplain to close the Bible and declared a 15 minute recess.

19. At 2:30 PM, the encampment was reconvened and Commander Cheney proceeded with the nomination and election of officers.

20. The following Brothers were nominated for the Offices indicated:

Department Commander - William Salmon, PCC, Camp 1

Senior Vice Commander - Gary Brewer, PDC, Camp 7

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Junior Vice Commander - Scott Kronberg, Camp 100  
Secretary - Eric D. Richhart, PCC, Camp 1  
Treasurer - James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100  
Department Council - James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12  
Department Council - Gene Cheney, PDC, Camp 100  
Department Council - Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7

21. Commander Cheney asked for a motion that where an office is unopposed, the Secretary be instructed to cast a single ballot in favor of those candidates. Moved and seconded, Adopted.

22. There being no further nominations from the floor, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast one ballot for all unopposed nominated candidates. Motion passed and all candidates were declared duly elected.

23. At this time, Commander Cheney turned over the gavel to National Senior Commander-in-Chief Martin for the installation of officers.

24. Commander-elect Bill Salmon was asked to provide a list of appointed officers . The following list of those elected and appointed, was read:

Department Commander - William J. Salmon, CC, Camp 1  
Senior Vice Department Commander - Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7  
Junior Vice Department Commander - Scott Kronberg, Camp 100  
Secretary - Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1  
Treasurer - James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100  
Council Member - James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12  
Council Member - L. E. (Gene) Cheney, PDC, Camp 100  
Council Member - Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7  
Patriotic Instructor - L. E. (Gene) Cheney, CC, Camp 100  
Chaplain - Willis S. Whittlesey III, Camp 1  
Graves Registration Officer - Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100  
Civil War Memorials Officer- James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100  
Historian - James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100  
Eagle Scout Coordinator - Gerald Mosely, PDC, Camp 1  
GAR Highway Officer - Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7  
Department Organizer - Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1  
Newsletter Editor - Wally Weart, CC, Camp 100  
Webmaster - Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1  
Asst. Webmaster - Thomas Zink, Camp 100  
Counselor - John H. Culley, Camp 100

25. National Senior Commander-in-Chief Martin proceeded to install the Department Officers, after which they assumed their respective stations.

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26. Commander Salmon thanked the encampment for their confidence in electing him and made brief remarks concerning for the coming year.

27. PDC Barker moved that the proceedings of this Encampment, when approved and published, become the official record of this Encampment. It was seconded. Motion passed.

28. There being no further business brought before the encampment, Commander Salmon proceeded to close the Encampment, according to the Ritual of the Order. The Encampment was declared closed at 3:45 PM.

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

SUBMITTED IN FRATERNITY, CHARITY, AND LOYALTY,

*Eric D. Richhart*

Eric D. Richhart, PDC  
Secretary/Treasurer

*L. E. Cheney*

L. E. Cheney, PDC  
Out-Going Commander

*William J. Salmon*

William J. Salmon, DC  
Incoming Commander



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ATTACHMENT A - OFFICER REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Gene Cheney, DC

Brothers,

It has been my pleasure and an honor to serve as Commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

As Department Commander, I presented 12 JROTC medals and certificates. Sixteen JROTC Cadets were awarded medals in the Department this year.

PDC James Barker, Dept. Treasurer, PDC Will Hinkley and I represented the Department of Colorado and Wyoming at the Evergreen Cemetery Memorial Day ceremony in Colorado Springs.

At last count, the Department stood at 100 members.

T. E. Bowman Camp 12's charter and properties are being held by the Department while Department Organizing Officer Eric Richhart works on revitalizing its membership.

I thank the membership of this Department for the assistance they have given me.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

L. E. Cheney, PCC  
Department Commander

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**DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT**

William J. Salmon, PCC

See Camp 1's report.

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**DEPARTMENT JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Scott Kronberg

No report.

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**SECRETARY**  
Eric D. Richhart, PDC

**Membership:**

The Department strength as of March 31, 2015 was:

Hereditary Members (including Life Members):	97
Associates:	2
Juniors:	1
Junior Associates:	0
Total:	100

The Department strength as of March 31, 2016 was:

Hereditary Members (including Life Members):	96
Associates:	2
Juniors:	1
Junior Associates:	0
Total:	99

There is a loss of 1 member over the previous year.

**Camps:**

The number of Camps in the Department as of March 31, 2015 was: 5

The number of Camps in the Department as of March 31, 2016 was: 4

There is a loss of 1 Camp over the previous year.

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**TREASURER**  
James M. Barker, PDC

Balance on hand June 1, 2015	\$1732.02
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Income June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016:

National Application Fees	\$ 35.00
National Per Capita	\$1316.75
National Quartermaster	\$ 0
Department Per Capita	\$ 192.00
Department Encampment Proceeds	\$ 0
Other	<u>\$1265.15</u>

Total Income	\$4540.92
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Expenses June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2014:

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National Application Fees	\$ 55.00
National Per Capita	\$2190.75
National Quartermaster (Supplies)	\$ 0
Department – General	\$ 35.00
Encampment Expense	\$ 191.00
Gift-Cinc/NP	\$ 0
Department Website (hosting and domain renewal)	\$ 0
Office Supplies/Postage	<u>\$ 259.52</u>
Total Department Expenses	\$2731.27
Ending Balance May 31, 2016:	\$1809.65

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**DEPARTMENT COUNCIL**

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

I have not much to report on being so isolated from Department activities, BUT:

Sadly the Department lost Camp 12 this year due mainly to not enough members and not enough activity. Though I talked to several potential new members, none of them joined. I am the only member that I know of who transferred to another camp. I don't have any information whether Charles Sharrock transferred his Life Membership to another camp or not.

I am still on the National Grave Registration Committee and am spending a goodly amount of time and effort adding photos of the veterans headstones to the Grave Registration list. I have added several hundred photos in the past year.

James Davenport, PDC  
Life Member SUVCW  
Council Member, Dept of CO & WYO

Since the last report submitted, I have attended and/or participated in many events and activities, representing the SUVCW. These have included the following:

- attendance and participation with Allied Orders during the 2015 *Flag Day* memorial service (on June 13 in Grand Junction);
- participated (in uniform and with members of Allied Orders) in the 2015 *Independence Day Parade* (on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>) in Grand Junction, Colorado;
- attendance and participation with Allied Orders during the 2015 *Constitution Week* celebration (bell ringing) on Main Street in Downtown Grand Junction on Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> at noon;

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- participated (in uniform and with other members of Allied Orders) in the *2015 Veterans Day Parade* (on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>) in Grand Junction, Colorado;
  - attendance with members of Allied Orders at the *2015 Veterans Day* memorial service (November 11<sup>th</sup>) in Grand Junction;
  - during the *2015 Veterans Day* weekend, placed flags next to the headstones of the graves of veterans at the Crown Point Veterans Cemetery (15 Civil War veterans are buried there) in Grand Junction and at the Palisade Municipal Cemetery (14 Civil War veterans are buried there);
  - attended and participated in the *Wreaths Across America* memorial service on December 14, 2015, at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction (a wreath was placed in memory of Union Civil War Veterans);
  - attendance at the dedication of the *Veterans Memorial Bell II* on April 2, 2016, at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction;
  - attendance and participation at the dedication of the *Veterans Memorial Bench* on April 23, 2016, at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction;
- placed flags next to the headstones of the graves of veterans at the Crown Point Veterans Cemetery and the Palisade Municipal Cemetery during the 2016 Memorial Day weekend;
- attended and participated at the *2016 Memorial Day Flag Retirement Ceremony* at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado (on Sunday, May 29, 2016); and,
  - attended and participated in uniform (with members of Allied Orders) in the Wreath Laying Ceremony during the *2016 Memorial Day Service* at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction.

Respectfully submitted,

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,  
Gary E. Parrott, PDC  
Department Council

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**PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR**  
Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC

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

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### CHAPLAIN Willis S. Whittlesey, III

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

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### CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS OFFICER James M. Barker, PDC

1. The department's Civil War Memorials are documented on the department's website. This consists mainly of photos and transcriptions. I am working to develop a computer database in the form of a page for each monument that will include not only photos and transcription but also complete location data as well as any historical information. I also hope to get completed Assessment forms (CWM form 61).

2. I have located three memorials in the form of artillery pieces in Denver's city park and a plaque dedicated to Co. A, 1 CO Volunteers in Old Colorado City that have not been documented.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty;

James M. Barker, PDC  
Department Memorials Officer

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### HISTORIAN James M. Barker, PDC

1. This past year I have continued to work on the historical projects begun over the past two years:

a. Survey of GAR Posts: The Survey of GAR Posts that in the GAR Departments that existed in the territory that comprised our present department.

b. GAR Department Commanders Biography Book: Documenting the biographies of all the GAR Department Commanders.

e. Survey of SUV Camps: A Survey of the SUV Camps in the Department, similar in style and content to the Survey of GAR Posts.

f. Department Scrapbook: I have also continued to add items to the Department Scrapbook.

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2. I have incorporated Camp 12's records into the Department archives and am working to convert some computer file to pdf format for inclusion on the Department web site.

3. Recommendations: I have no recommendations to make to the Encampment at this time other than to urge Camps to document their activities annually.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty;

James M. Barker, PDC  
Department Historian

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### GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

Craig A. Ayler, PCC

I've been grateful for the opportunity to hold the position of GRO, both Dept. of CO & WY (Montana & Utah ) and Centennial Camp 100. My work load has been extremely nerve racking but I've managed to do the work. I've submitted 235 plus solders on to national GRO. I am working to implement the Last Soldier Project - the finding of the "Oldest Soldier" from every county in Colorado. I have found several. Camp GROs should assist in this project by searching out the last Union veteran to die in the counties in their membership area - identifying the grave location and researching their history. Please send me what you find so the information can be included in the database.

Respectfully Submitted,

Craig Ayler, PCC  
Dept. Graves Registration Officer

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### EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR

Gerald F. Mosley, PDC

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

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### GAR HIGHWAY OFFICER

Gary E. Parrott, PDC

Since the last report submitted, the Department G.A.R. Highway Officer has performed the following activities:

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- conducted personal inspections of several portions of the G.A.R. Highway (US-6) from Colorado to Nevada;
- continued research and gathering of information on the history of the G.A.R. Highway within the territory of the Department; and,
- continued interaction and exchange of information with other G.A.R. Highway Officers.

Future projects include continued research, presentations and dissemination of information regarding the G.A.R. Highway within the jurisdiction of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

Respectfully Submitted,  
in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

*Gary E. Parrott*  
National GAR Highway Officer  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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### **DEPARTMENT ORGANIZER**

**Eric D. Richhart, PDC**

At the time of the Department Encampment there has been sent out to all members of the Order that live within the Department areas that are not currently active a invite letter and pamphlet to encourage renewal of memberships and to organize a camp in Wyoming and additional camps in Colorado and Utah. A priority was the failed Camp 12 in Durango, Colorado

### **DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

**Walter Weart, CC**

In the past year we published 2 regular issues. The next issue is due out this summer.

Walter Weart, CC  
Editor

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ATTACHMENT B - CAMP REPORTS**

**LOT SMITH CAMP 1, SALT LAKE CITY, UT**  
Commander William J. Salmon

During the past year, I have presided over all camp meetings. I conducted the annual Memorial Day ceremony at the Ogden UT city cemetery. I have worked toward increasing membership – our Camp membership has increased over 25% over the past year. I am currently working on producing a Camp newsletter to keep our members better informed of Camp/Department activities. I have been working to identify potential grant funding for memorial/monument preservation and construction projects. We recently spent a morning cleaning a granite GAR Monument in Lake City cemetery. Our next project is to replace a replica mountain howitzer, which is a part of a monument in Mt. Olivet cemetery in Salt Lake City.

In F., C. & L.

William Salmon, CC  
Lot Smith Camp1  
Dept. SVC

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

No report provided.

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**LEGION OF THE WEST CAMP 7, GRAND JUCTION, CO**  
Commander Bennett Young

Since the last report submitted, the officers and members of SUVCW - Legion of the West Camp No. 7 have participated in many events and activities. These have included the following:

- performing extensive research (regarding - local GAR Posts, graves registration, GAR memorials/monuments, etc.);
- participated in various local events/activities (Veterans Day events, Memorial Day activities, local veteran memorial dedications, etc.);
- continue recruitment efforts for new Camp members have occurred during the past year; and,
- planning for upcoming events (4<sup>th</sup> of July, Veterans Day, Wreaths Across America, etc.) and other activities.



Specifically, during the past year the Legion of the West Camp has participated in the following events/activities:

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- attendance and participation with Allied Orders during the 2015 *Flag Day* memorial service (on June 13 in Grand Junction);
- participated (in uniform and with members of Allied Orders) in the 2015 *Independence Day Parade* (on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>) in Grand Junction, Colorado;
- attendance and participation with Allied Orders during the 2015 *Constitution Week* celebration (bell ringing) on Main Street in Downtown Grand Junction on Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> at noon;
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- attendance with members of Allied Orders at the 2015 *Veterans Day* memorial service (November 11<sup>th</sup>) in Grand Junction;
- during the 2015 *Veterans Day* weekend, placed flags next to the headstones of the graves of veterans at the Crown Point Veterans Cemetery (15 Civil War veterans are buried there) in Grand Junction and at the Palisade Municipal Cemetery (14 Civil War veterans are buried there);
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- placed flags next to the headstones of the graves of veterans at the Crown Point Veterans Cemetery and the Palisade Municipal Cemetery during the 2016 Memorial Day weekend;
- attended and participated at the 2016 *Memorial Day Flag Retirement Ceremony* at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado (on Sunday, May 29, 2016); and,
- attended and participated in uniform (with members of Allied Orders) in the Wreath Laying Ceremony during the 2016 *Memorial Day Service* at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction.

Upcoming events/activities for the Camp for 2016-2017 include the following:

- participation in the *Flag Day Memorial Service* in Grand Junction;

- participation in the *Grand Junction Independence Day Parade*;
- attendance and participation during the *Constitution Week* celebration in Grand Junction;

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### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT**

- attendance and participation during the *Veterans Day* memorial events (Grand Junction Veterans Day Parade and the Memorial Service in Fruita);
- attendance and participation during the *2016 Wreaths Across America* event at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction;
- attendance and participation during the *2017 Memorial Day* events at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction.

The Camp currently has 20 members and at the last meeting it was reported that it had over \$500.00 in its account.

All Brothers within the Camp continue to be active members and look forward to the challenges associated with the coming year.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

*Gary E. Parrott*, PDC

Legion of the West Camp No. 7

Department of Colorado & Wyoming

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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### **CENTENNIAL CAMP 100, DENVER, CO**

Commander Wally Weart, CC

It is my distinct honor and pleasure to report on the activities of Centennial Camp 100 since our last Department Encampment.

After meeting at the same location for a number of years, the Camp was forced to find a new meeting location when the restaurant that we had been using was closed. We have since started meeting at the Pegasus Restaurant in Castle rock which is convenient to both Denver and Colorado Springs area members. We have been well received by the owner who was raised in the Richmond - Petersburg Virginia area and is very knowledgeable about the Civil War. The room they have made available is quite comfortable and their service is excellent.

At the request of the restaurant owner, we shifted our meeting from Sunday to Saturday to accommodate both their staff and allow us to try to attract more participants at our meetings

Our April meeting was canceled due to a extremely heavy snowstorm.

I have undertaken two initiatives which I hope will yield significant benefits to not only Camp 100 but the SUVCW as well.

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We will incorporate an educational feature in each Camp meeting at the request of a number of our members. I have reached out to the Rocky Mountain Civil War Roundtable as well as the 1st Colorado for potential speakers. I will also be calling on our Camp brothers to assist with this as well.

The other initiative is to develop an educational outreach to middle schools within the Camp 100 area. I have found that Civil War related education is not well handled as there are issues that may be too sensitive for the teacher to discuss such as slavery. The Sons of the American Revolution have a substantial outreach program called the "Patriot Chest" and they do approximately 50 presentations during the school year. They have offered to assist with their knowledge in developing our program. This is particularly significant since a number of the SAR are also members of the SUVCW.

I've also reached out to the Rocky Mountain Civil War Roundtable as well as the 1st Colorado and then gratified at their response. My next step will be to try to get a representative of each organization together with someone from the SAR in an advisory capacity to discuss this program further. In addition, National has resources and I will investigate these as well.

Camp Projects: Riverside Flagpole/Memorial Project: This project have been completed We are now planning a dedication ceremony for later in the year.

Camp Status: Centennial Camp 100 has elected and installed the 2016 Officers. Elected and initiated 4 new members and accepted 1 member as a transfer; Honorably Discharged 1 member and dropped 2for a gain of 2. Our roster now stands at 42 members, including 6 Life Members, 1 Dual Member, 1 Associate Member, 1 Junior Member, and 4 members under 40.

### **Other Activities:**

- 4 July 2015 Members of Centennial Camp 100 participated in parades and activities throughout the area.

- 26 Sep 2016 CC Weart, Br G. Smith and Sister Susanna Weart participated in the Arvada Historical Society Annual Cemetery Tour. PDC Bushmann and PDC Hunt previously participated in a headstone dedication there for Cpl Rufus Hurburt which netted a write up in the *Civil WarTimes* magazine.

- November 2015 Members of Centennial Camp 100 participated in various parades and activities along the Front Range.

- 21 Dec 2015 PDC Barker, and DC Cheney participated in a fund raising event at Barnes and Noble Book Store.

- Apr & May 2016 Centennial Camp members PDC Barker, DC Cheney, PDC Hinkley, and Brother Marsh presented 17 JROTC Certificates and Medals.

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also continue as editor of the award winning *Western Tribune* and this is the subject of a separate report.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty

Walter Weart  
Commander

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**ATTACHMENT C - ENCAMPMENT ATTENDEES**

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**Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City, UT**

Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Department Secretary  
Kevin Salmon, Camp Sr. Vice Commander  
William Salmon, PCC, Department Sr. Vice Commander

**Chapman-Compliment Camp 2, Billings, MT**

No Representation

**Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction, CO**

Gary E. Parrott, PDC, Department Council/GAR Highway Officer

**Centennial Camp 100, Denver, CO**

Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Department Graves Registration Officer  
James M. Barker, Department Treasurer/Historian/CW Memorials Officer  
L. E. Cheney, PCC, Department Commander  
Art Goguen  
Willard F. Hinkley, PDC  
Dick Marsh  
Alan Russ, PDC (KS), National Membership At-Large Coordinator  
Walter Weart, CC, Department Newsletter Editor

**Guests**

Donald Martin, National Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW

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ATTACHMENT D - DEPARTMENT ORDERS**

Department Order No. 9, 6 Jun 2015 was the last of the series for 2014-15

Headquarters, Department of Colorado & Wyoming  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
16305 Wright Rd.  
Monument, CO 80132

Department Order No. 1  
14 June 2015

1. Having been re-elected at the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming held 6 Jun 2014 at Colorado Springs, CO, command is assumed.
2. The following named Brothers, Camp indicated, were elected to the following positions:

Commander:	Gene Cheney, PCC, Camp 100
Senior Vice Commander:	William Salmon, Camp 1
Junior Vice Commander:	Scott Kronberg, Camp 100
Secretary:	Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1
Treasurer:	James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100
Department Council:	James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12
Department Council:	Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7
Department Council:	Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7

3. The following named Brothers, Camp indicated, are appointed to the following positions:

Patriotic Instructor:	Geoffrey R. Hunt, PDC, Camp 100
Chaplain:	Willis S. Whittlesey III, Camp 1
Department Counselor:	John H. Culley, Camp 100
CW Memorials Officer:	James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100
Historian:	James M. Barker, PCC, Camp 100
Graves Registration Officer:	Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100
Eagle Scout Coordinator:	Gerald Mosely, PDC, Camp 1
GAR Highway Officer:	Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7
Department Organizer:	Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1
Newsletter Editor:	Walter Weart, Camp 100

Webmaster: Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1  
Asst. Webmaster: Thomas R. Zink, Camp 100  
Genealogist: Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Camp 1  
Color Bearer: Mark E. Brewer, Camp 7  
Guide: Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Camp 100  
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4. Headquarters of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming is transferred to 16305 Wright Rd., Monument, CO 80132. Communications for the Commander may be sent to that address or by email to [waddice@aol.com](mailto:waddice@aol.com) or by telephone to 719-661-5050.

GENE CHENEY, PCC  
Commander

ATTEST:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
Secretary-Treasurer

Headquarters, Department of Colorado & Wyoming  
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Department Order No. 2  
18 February 2016

1. Having voted to disband, the charter of Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12 is suspended.
2. The suspension will remain in effect for a period of time, as determined by the Department Commander, to allow the camp to be reorganized. If, after sufficient time has elapsed, all attempts at reorganization have failed, the Commander-in-Chief will be requested to formally revoke it's charter.
3. The Camp's charter, funds and property having been properly turned over to the Department, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, will be held in trust during the suspension. If the charter is revoked said items will become the property of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming.
4. All brothers of Camp 12 will be issued a transfer form from this Headquarters. The brothers will have one year from the date of issuance to deposit the transfer form with another Camp of their choice. If after the end of the one year period, any brother not depositing their transfer form with another camp will be honorably discharged.

5. The Commander of Camp 12 will ensure that this year's form 990-N is filed with the IRS indicating that the tax exempt entity is terminated. This will cancel the Camp's EIN number. If the Camp is subsequently reorganized a new EIN number will be requested.

L. E. CHENEY, PCC  
Commander

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ATTEST:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
Secretary

Headquarters, Department of Colorado & Wyoming  
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Department Order No. 3  
5 June 2016

1. The following Department awards are announced:

A. V. Bohn Award- Outstanding Camp of the Year: Centennial Camp 100

James E. Jewell Award - Outstanding Recruiter of the Year: PDC Eric Richhart, Camp 1

2. The following Brother is appointed Department Aide de Camp and is authorized to wear the Department Ribbon behind his membership badge for one year:

PDC Eric Richhart

Camp 1

L. E. CHENEY, PCC  
Commander

Attest:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
Secretary



# Incoming Department Officers 2016-2017

Department Commander .....	<b>William J. Salmon, PCC</b> <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Department Senior Vice Commander .....	<b>Garry Brewer, PDC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
Department Junior Vice Commander .....	<b>Scott Kronberg</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Secretary.....	<b>Eric D. Richhart, PDC</b> <i>(Lot Smith Camp 1, Salt Lake City)</i>
Treasurer.....	<b>James M. Barker, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Council Member .....	<b>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Council Member .....	<b>Gary E. Parrott, PDC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
Council Member .....	<b>James J. Davenport, PDC</b> <i>(Thomas E. Bowman Camp 12, Durango)</i>
Immediate Past Department Commander .....	<b>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
Patriotic Instructor .....	<b>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
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*(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)*

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