

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

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



**June 17, 2017**  
**Salt Lake City, UT**  
**Garry W. Brewer, PDC**  
**Department Commander**

# Department Officers

## 2016-2017

<b>Department Commander .....</b>	<b>Garry W. Brewer, PDC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
<b>Department Senior Vice Commander .....</b>	<b>Vacant</b>
<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>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</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>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
<b>Patriotic Instructor .....</b>	<b>Gene Cheney, 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-NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO & WYOMING**  
**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**  
**June 17, 2017**  
**Salt Lake City, UT**

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-Ninth Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming, was held on June 17, 2017, at the Masonic Lodge, Midvale, UT.

2. The Encampment was called to order at 8:40 A. M. by Department Commander Garry Brewer. 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 Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7, present.

Senior Vice Department Commander (Vacant).

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. Absent..

Council Member, Gene Cheney, PDC, Camp 100, absent.

Patriotic Instructor, Gene Cheney, 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, absent.

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

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

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

4. Commander Brewer appointed Brother Bill Buvinger (Camp 7) as Acting Senior Vice Commander, CC David Haake (Camp 7) as Acting Junior Vice Commander and Acting Chaplain, and PDC Jerry Mosley (Camp 1) as Acting Patriotic Instructor.

5. Commander Brewer then honored all the Past Department Commanders present. Guests of the Encampment were then introduced.

6. Our honored guest, National Commander-in-Chief, Donald Martin was introduced and gave brief comments.

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

Commander Garry Brewer, PDC - Commander's Report [Page A-1]  
William Buvinger, PCC - Senior Vice Department Commander [Page A-2]  
Junior Vice Department Commander - No Report [Page A-2]  
Eric Dan Richhart PDC- Secretary Report [Page A-3]  
James M. Barker, PDC - Treasurer Report [Page A-4]  
Gary Parrott, PDC - Department Council Report [Page A-4]  
Gene Cheney, PDC - Department Council Report [Page A-4]  
Gene Cheney., PDC - Patriotic Instructor Report - [Page A-6]  
Willis Whittlesey - Chaplain's Necrology Report - No Report [Page A-6]  
Craig A. Ayler., PCC - Graves Registration Officer Report [Page A-7]  
James M. Barker, PCC - Historian Report - [Page A-7]  
James M. Barker, PDC - Civil War Memorials Officer Report-[Page A-6]  
Gary Parrott, PDC - GAR Highway Officer Report [Page A-8]  
Gerald F. Mosley., PDC - Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator Report -[Page A-8]  
Eric Dan Richhart PDC - Department Organizer Report - [Page A-9]  
Walter Weart, CC - Newsletter Editor [Page A-9]

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

Lot Smith Camp 1 - Presented by CC Stone[Page B-1]  
Chapman-Compliment Camp 2 - [Page B-2]  
Legion of the West Camp 7 - Presented by CC Haake [Page B-2]  
Centennial Camp 100 - Presented by PDC Barker on behalf of the Camp Commander [Page B-3]

9. Secretary Richhart reported that one communications had been received from the Department of Michigan endorsing the candidacy of Brother Shaw for National SVCinC..... Brother Richhart moved that the Encampment endorse the election of Brother Shaw as National SVCinC. Seconded. Passed

10. Commander Brewer asked if there was any items of unfinished business from the Eighty-Eighth Encampment. PDC Richhart reported that the efforts to establish an auxiliary are continuing and asked that all camps survey their wives, sisters, daughters for any interest. PDC Barker brought up the status of Camp 12 that is currently suspended pending reorganization. All attempts at reorganization having failed, he recommend that the CinC be asked to formally revoke its charter and that all embers of Camp 12 that have not transferred be issued an Honorable Discharge. Approved.

11. Commander Brewer then took up new business:

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12. There was wide discussion about several General Orders concerning; the status of Memorial Day, monitoring Brothers under 18, the use of SUVCW emblems names(Camp & Dept) and/or titles when expressing personal opinions that run counter to official SUVCW position or policies, and the SUVCW position regarding the use of the Confederate flag, monument, etc. CinC Martin provided background and updates.

13. Commander Brewer asked PDC Barker and CinC Martin to present 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. Commander Brewer asked if any Brother intended to attend the National Encampment. Brothers Barker responded that he, Brothers Cheney and Weart planned to attend. 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.

15. Commander Brewer directed the Chaplain to close the Bible and declared a 15 minute recess.

16. At 11:00 AM, the encampment was reconvened and Commander Brewer began a discussion of the removal of Idaho from the Department. From the information presented, it appeared that the move was done contrary to the C&R. It was moved and seconded that the Department present a resolution to have the state returned to the Department presented at the National Encampment. Approved.

17. Commander Brewer proceeded with the nomination and election of officers.

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

Department Commander - Garry W. Brewer, PDC, Camp 7

Senior Vice Commander - William Buvinger, PCC, Camp 7

Junior Vice Commander - David Haake, Camp 7

Secretary - Eric D. Richhart, PCC, Camp 1

Treasurer - James M. Barker, PDC, Camp 100

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Department Council - James Davenport, PDC, Camp 12  
Department Council - Gene Cheney, PDC, Camp 100  
Department Council - Gary Parrott, PDC, Camp 7

19. Commander Brewer 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.

20. 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.

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

22. Commander-elect Garry Brewer was asked to provide a list of appointed officers . The following list of those elected and appointed, was read:

Department Commander - Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7  
Senior Vice Department Commander - William Buvinger, PCC, Camp 7  
Junior Vice Department Commander - David Haake, CC, Camp 7  
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

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

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

25. Commander Brewer asked for a motion that the proceedings of this Encampment, when approved and published, become the official record of this Encampment. It was moved and seconded. Motion passed.

26. There being no further business brought before the encampment, Commander Brewer proceeded to close the Encampment, according to the Ritual of the Order. The Encampment was declared closed at 11:45 AM.

These proceedings of the Eighty-Ninth 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

*Garry W. Brewer*

Garry W. Brewer, DC  
Incoming Commander



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## ATTACHMENTS

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Attachment B Camp Reports

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ATTACHMENT A - OFFICER REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Garry Brewer, DC

1. DC Salmon stated; Having been elected at the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming held 5 June, 2016 at Colorado Springs, Colorado, I hereby assume command.
2. DC Salmon in one of his first duties submitted, after a vote from the 88<sup>th</sup> CO&WY Department Encampment, a resolution to amend the Rituals and Ceremonies Book to include Gen. Logan's General Order No. 11.
3. Camp Captain Lot Smith Camp 1 reported that as of 12 July 2016 , the Camp has started a Camp Newsletter; begun a Book of Honor and Remembrance & Ceremony containing a picture and history of member's Civil War Ancestor; that PDC Richhart established contact with a State Legislator and will work to replace signage on the GAR Highway in Utah; that the Camp is looking at its web page hosting site; investigating the replacement of the wooden canon at Mt Olivet Cemetery with an aluminum one; and looking at increase membership involvement in Camp meetings via teleconferencing.
4. Centennial Camp 100 reported its activities since last Fall, including: Presentation to Rocky Mountain Civil War Roundtable and participation in the RMCWRT Study Group; Brothers participated in Fort D. A. Russell Living History event; Brothers participated in Colorado Springs and Denver Veterans Day Parades; Dec 2016: manned booth at Banes & Noble Gift wrapping event. Primarily a fund raising event, but also had displays and passed out literature on the GAR & SUVCW; and presented wreath at GAR Monument in Evergreen Cemetery, Colorado Springs.
5. Legion of the West Camp 7's activities included: Brothers Gary Parrott PDC, Garry Brewer PDC, David Haake CC, Danny Agajanian provided Civil War era uniformed honor guards for the participants in the Evening Historical Debate event: "Meet Abe Lincoln and Jeff Davis at the Museum of Western Colorado's Two Rivers Chautauqua ". This was a significant event in that is was participated in and enjoyed by area school children and adults alike; dedicated a new GAR Highway sign;
6. On the 9<sup>th</sup> of February DC William Salmon sent this out to all Camps of the Department and to the CinC; After much consideration I have decided that for personal reasons I must tender my resignation as Commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming SUVCW effective immediately. Because of this the Department Council was contacted and voted to immediately elevate DSVC Brewer to take over leadership of the Department. The 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah on 17 June 2017. All Brother wanting to be elected please contact me to have their names enter on the record for the upcoming Encampment.

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7. Chapman-Compliment Camp 2 reported; renovating a dilapidated GAR sign in a local cemetery in Billings, MT and working to identify a Civil War Veteran whose headstone is unreadable.

8. The City of Rifle Colorado, The Department of CO/WY and Legion of the West, Camp No. 7 Sons of Union Veterans Civil War rededicated the 100 year old G.A.R. Monument that was first dedicated on May 30th 1917. One hundred years to date. Those also involved in the rededication were the American Legion Post Kelly-Hansen Post 78, Legion of the West, Camp 7, David Haake, Camp Commander, Garry Brewer, Department Commander, Sons of Union Veterans, Judy Crook Historian, Maryhannah Hansen Thom, Randy Winkler, Mayor, City of Rifle, and Taps played by Brad Swart. Camp members were Bill Buvinger PCC, Danny Agajanin and Alan Lambert PCC. The City of Rifle issued a proclamation about the G.A.R. History in the area, and a new name was added to the monument honoring the Legion of the West, Camp 7, Sons of Union Veterans.

In Faith, Charity, and Loyalty

Garry W. Brewer PDC  
Commander  
Department of CO/WY  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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### DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE COMMANDER'S REPORT

Vacant

No Report due to position being vacant. PCC Bill Buvinger, Acting DSVC, submitted an historical letter from his Civil War Ancestor. It will be reprinted in a future edition of the Western Tribune.

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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, 2016 was:

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

The Department strength as of March 31, 2016 was:

Hereditary Members (including Life Members):	88
Associates:	1
Juniors:	2
Junior Associates:	0
Total:	91

There is a loss of 8 members over the previous year.

**Camps:**

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

The number of Camps in the Department as of March 31, 2017 was: 4

There is a loss of \_\_0\_\_ Camp over the previous year.

**Activities:**

1. Recruiting: Completed membership applications for 5 members of Centennial Camp 100, 3 members of Lot Smiht Camp 1, and one new member of Chapman-Compliment Camp 2.

2. Grave Registration: I have submitted list of GAR/Civil War burial in the state of Utah. Additionally, I have worked with the Camp 2GRO and other brothers of Camp 2 to check other cemeteries in Utah and to check list of military burials for Civil War veterans.

3. GAR Highway: I am working with members of the Utah House to have the GAR Highway name restored to a portion of US 6 that was remained to honor a retired Utah Representative several years ago.

4. Webpage: I am working on current updates to the Department Webpage. I am also looking at option in the event that National terminates our agreement to host the webpage.

5 Memorial Day: I participated in Memorial; Day ceremonies at Fort Douglas and Salt Lake City Cemetery.

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**TREASURER**  
**James M. Barker, PDC**

Balance on hand June 1, 2016		\$1809.65
Income June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2017:		
National Application Fees	\$ 90.00	
National Per Capita	\$1920.00	
National Quartermaster	\$ 0	
Department Per Capita	\$ 309.00	
Department Encampment Proceeds	\$ 0	
Other	\$2319.00	
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Total Income		\$4126.55
Expenses June 1, 2016 to May 31, 2017		
National Application Fees	\$ 90.00	
National Per Capita	\$1920.00	
National Quartermaster (Supplies)	\$ 0	
Department – General	\$ 182.25	
Encampment Expense	\$ 155.00	
Gift-Cinc/NP	\$ 0	
Department Website (hosting and domain renewal)	\$ 0	
Office Supplies/Postage	\$ 0	
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Total Department Expenses		\$2347.25
Ending Balance May 31, 2016:		\$1799.30

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**DEPARTMENT COUNCIL**  
**James Davenport, PDC; Garry Brewer, PDC; Gary Parrott, PDC**

There were no items before the Council of Administration during the 2016-2017 year other than electing PDC Brewer to fill the vacant DC office.

L. E. Cheney, PDC  
Council of Administration

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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 2016 *Flag Day* memorial service (on June 11 in Grand Junction);
- during the *Independence Day* weekend, placed flags next to the headstones of the graves at Crown Point Veterans Cemetery (15 Civil War veterans are buried there) in Grand Junction, Colorado; Participated with members of the Allied Orders in the 2016 Independence Day Parade in Grand Junction, CO.
- attendance and participation with Allied Orders during the 2016 *Constitution Week* celebration (bell ringing) on Main Street in Downtown Grand Junction on Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> at noon;
- participated (in uniform with other members of Camp 7) during a Civil War themed “Chautauqua” at the Cross Orchard Museum (on Saturday, September 17, 2016)
- participated (in uniform and with other members of Allied Orders) in the 2016 *Veterans Day Parade* (on Saturday, November 12<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 2016 *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 17, 2016, at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado in Grand Junction (a wreath was placed in memory of Union Civil War Veterans);
- attendance and participation (in uniform and with other members of Camp 7) during the GAR Highway Sign re-dedication ceremony on February 20, 2017, along US 6 in Loma, CO.

placed flags next to the headstones of the graves of veterans at the Crown Point Veterans Cemetery and the Palisade Municipal Cemetery during the 2017 Memorial Day weekend;

- attended and participated at the 2017 *Memorial Day Flag Retirement Ceremony* at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery of Western Colorado (on Sunday, May 28, 2017); and,
- attended and participated in uniform (with members of Allied Orders) in the Wreath Laying Ceremony during the 2017 *Memorial Day Service* at the Veterans Memorial

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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

Gene Cheney, PDC

The Annual Department Patriotic Instructor's Report was filed on time with the National Patriotic Instructor. The format does not lend itself to being reproduced here. A copy is on file with the Department Historian.

L. E. Cheney, PDC  
Department Patriotic Instructor

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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

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).

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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.
  - c. Survey of SUV Camps: A Survey of the SUV Camps in the Department, similar in style and content to the Survey of GAR Posts.
  - d. Department Scrapbook: I have also continued to add items to the Department Scrapbook.
2. 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. I have submitted a list of cemeteries and counties in Utah to the Cap 1 GRO to aid his efforts. I have also submitted biographical information on Pvt Thomas W. Brookbank (Co. C, 209 PA Inf), who is buried in Mt Olivet cemetery, Salt Lake City.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Craig Ayler, PCC  
Dept. Graves Registration Officer

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### EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR

Gerald F. Mosley, PDC

PDC Mosley. gave an oral report on the status of the Eagle Scout Program. Each Camp should have an Eagle Scout Coordinator to handle request in their membership area and report the results to him.

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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:

- 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;
- continued interaction and exchange of information with other G.A.R. Highway Officers: and.
- successfully communicated with the Colorado – Department of Transportation and was able to post two (2) replacement G.A.R. Highway signs near the east end and west end of US-6 in the State of Colorado.

Additionally, a G.A.R. Highway re-dedication ceremony was conducted along US-6 near the Utah-Colorado border on February 20, 2017, with members of Camp No. 7 (note: this was covered by the local newspaper and TV stations).

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,



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

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### DEPARTMENT ORGANIZER

Eric D. Richhart, PDC

I am working to establish new camps in Wyoming, Utah, and to re-establish camps in Durango and Canon City, CO

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### 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, PCC  
Editor

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ATTACHMENT B - CAMP REPORTS**

**LOT SMITH CAMP 1, SALT LAKE CITY, UT  
Commander Ronald G. Stone**

We have been working on improving our meetings, recruiting, Grave Registration, and Memorial Day Observance, among other things:

1. We have enhanced ceremonies and content at meetings.:

(a) As part of this, we have implemented a Book of Honor and Remembrance Ceremony. At each meeting, a Brother introduces a patriot to the group through a form created by a templet disseminated to members and investigators. Patriot's stories, their CW service, and other details are shared on the form and displayed at each meeting, and verbally by a Brother.

(b) Monthly Meetings include a brief spotlight on a research source for documenting and learning more about CW patriots.

(c) We are working on setting up a way to share our meetings with members that live far away, or for other reasons are unable to attend in person. Brother Samuel Stone is investigating the use of google hangouts.

2. Brother Joe Bouley created a Camp Facebook page that is up and running.

3. Brigham Young University, University of Utah , and Taylorsville High School ROTC participants were recognized and presented with a Certificate and Medal by Eric Richhart.

4. We are working on restoring a SUVCW monument that includes a plywood cannon at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Salt Lake City.

5. We are focused on recruiting efforts including:

(a) Camp Floyd: pass along cards were shared, and displays and signs introduced passersby to the SUVCW. This generated a signup with our leads. Also distributed some Grave Registration Flyers.

(b) Sent out a letter with the templets and samples of the Book of Honor and Remembrance forms to prior members, and to any leads that did not join up through the years.

(c) There have been ongoing contacts with other organizations in the community to let them know of our existence. This includes finding reenactors, Scouters, Black Powder enthusiasts, etc.

(d) Contact Lists derived from the above efforts have follow up emails sent out to foster continued interest in membership.

6. Memorial Day: In the days preceding Memorial Day Monday, it was suggested and approved that if a camp member wanted to, they could attend an activity in Utah County at Camp Floyd as part of recruiting. (Camp Commander, Ronald Stone and his wife set up a table with many displays, a CW flag, and large sign. This generated a list of contacts for possible membership.) On the Monday, we would go to Fort Douglas and their service for Memorial Day that started at 9am. At noon we would gather at Salt Lake City Cemetery for our own service. The service consisted of recognizing the service of the Civil War dead and the GAR. General Logan's General order was read, and then Brother Mosley read the names of

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all interred at the cemetery. The bell was rung after each name. The bell was rung by Joe Bouley's son newest camp member. Joe Bouley opened and closed the service with prayer. Department Secretary Eric Dan Richhart told the history of the monument and placed the wreath of flowers. It was a humble meeting. At our camp meeting prior to Memorial Day, we showed camp members how to use Find-a-Grave to place virtual flowers, flags, etc. on patriot's graves—no matter how far away they are. Ronald Stone, CC placed flowers on his veteran's graves—which remain there, and accrue in perpetuity.

7. We continue working on organizing a Woman's Auxiliary to participate with our Camp. Our recruiting efforts at Camp Floyd have also generated potential women interested in the Auxiliary.

Respectfully Submitted,  
In F., C., & L.  
Ronald G. Stone, Camp Commander

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

Last year we worked on renovating a dilapidated GAR sign in a local cemetery in Billings, MT. As to what we are currently working on. There is a grave in the same cemetery (Mountview) as the GAR sign was in that had the inscriptions chiseled in by hand on a large chunk of sandstone. The inscription is weak and there are some serious misspellings. We are currently working with the National Archives in Denver and local sources trying to positively identify this veteran. Once this is done, we will order and dedicate a new VA tombstone on his grave. Our plan is to once again have the event publicized in our local newspaper. This will help promote our organization and get the word out on who we are and what we do.

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### LEGION OF THE WEST CAMP 7, GRAND JUCTION, CO Commander David Haake

1. 04 FEB 2017 First Quarterly Meeting of 2017, held at the Chevrolet Dealerships Community Room.
2. 20 FEB 2017 Presidents Day Event: Replaced the Grand Army of the Republic highway sign on Highway 6, GAR Highway, near Mack, Colorado. Full ceremony, media coverage included local news film crew and print media. This event spearheaded by Brother Gary Parrot.
3. Legion of the West Camp 7 initiates its Facebook page
4. Facebook propagation of GAR Highway sign replacement ceremony.
4. 29 MAY 2017 Memorial Day observance included laying a wreath for the Grand Army of the Republic at the Colorado State Memorial Veterans Cemetery of the Grand Valley, Grand Junction, Colorado. Wreath was laid by Commander Garry Brewer, Department Commander, PCC.
5. Wreath laying portrayed on Facebook Page

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6. 30 MAY 2017, Rededication of Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Monument at Heinze Park, Rifle Colorado. 100 year Centennial of the monument's placement. Legion of the West Camp #7 contributed half the cost of refurbishing the monument. The city of Rifle the other half. 50 people in attendance, City of Rifle Mayor, and honored senior guests. Media Coverage, including a video of the event, run on local cable TV. The video was also shared on Legion of the West's Facebook page, and the National SUVCW Facebook page. This was spearheaded by Brother Alan Lambert.

7. 30 MAY 2017 Second quarterly meeting held at a local restaurant in Rifle, Colorado.

8. Camp Number seven has participated in some great events so far this year and gotten good recognition in print, television, and social media platforms. We hope this awareness will draw newer members into our fold, and allow us to perpetuate memories of history, heritage, and culture.

In F., C. & L.

David Haake. CC

Commander, Legion of the West Camp 7

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### CENTENNIAL CAMP 100, DENVER, CO

Commander Scott Kronberg, CC

#### 1. CAMP ACTIVITIES:

- Presentation to Rocky Mountain Civil War Roundtable and participation in the RMCWRT Study Group.
- Brothers participated in Fort D. A. Russell Living History event.
- Brothers participated in Buena Vista Gold Rush Event with 1st Colorado at Camp Brigett.
- 5 Nov 2016: Brothers participated in Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade.
- 5 Nov 2016: Brothers participated in Denver Veterans Day Parade.
- Dec 2016: Manned booth at Banes & Noble Gift wrapping event. Primarily a fund raising event, but also had displays and passed out literature on the GAR & SUVCW
- 17 Dec 2016: Brother Marsh laid a wreath at the GAR Section of Evergreen Cemetery, Colorado Springs.
- 26-28 May 2017: Brothers participated in Memorial Day living history event at Ft. Larned, KS
- 29 May 2017: PDC Jim Barker participated in wreath laying at Veterans Cemetery in Grand Junction, CO.
- At large members of the ASUVCW & WRC have participated in our activities. Attempts to contact Dept of CO & WY of the DUVCW, 1861-65 have not been successful.

2. PROJECTS: GAR Memorial & Veteran's Walkway at Riverside Cemetery in Denver is Complete. Pending dedication in the fall.

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Jim Barker, PDC  
Secretary

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**ATTACHMENT C - ENCAMPMENT ATTENDEES**

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

David Bouley  
Joe Bouley  
Gerald Mosely, PDC  
Eric D. Richhart, PDC, Department Secretary  
Ronald Stone, CC  
Bryan Walls

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

No Representation

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

Garry Brewer, DC  
William Buvinger, PCC  
David Haake, CC  
Jacob Metro

**Centennial Camp 100, Denver, CO**

Craig A. Ayler, PCC, Department Graves Registration Officer  
James M. Barker, Department Treasurer/Historian/CW Memorials Officer

**Guests**

Donald Martin, National Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW  
Sidnie Stone  
Heide Walls  
Marilyn Richhart  
Geoffrey Metro  
Jennifer Metro  
Barbara Brewer

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ATTACHMENT D - DEPARTMENT ORDERS**

Department Order No. 3, 5 Jun 2016 was the last of the series for 2015-16

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Department Order No. 1  
17 June 2016

1. Having been elected at the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming held 5 Jun 2016 at Colorado Springs, CO, command is assumed.

2. The following named Brothers, Camp indicated, were elected to the following positions:

Commander:	William J. Salmon, Camp 1
Senior Vice Commander:	Garry Brewer, PDC, Camp 7
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:	Gene Cheney, PDC, Camp 100

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

Patriotic Instructor:	Gene Cheney, 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
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

4. Headquarters of the Department of Colorado & Wyoming is transferred to 9189 Shoshone Lake Dr., West Jordan, UT 84088. Communications for the Commander may be sent to that address or by email to salmon1261@q.com or by telephone to 801-280-1261.

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Commander

ATTEST:

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Department Order No. 2  
11 December 2016

In response to recent inquiries by potential new members of the Order, and to avoid having potential new members lose interest in the SUVCW while waiting for a camp meeting before their membership applications are processed, I am directing that camps process new member applications upon receipt. Ritual swearing in ceremonies may then be held for the new member(s) at the next scheduled camp meeting.

WILLIAM J. SALMON, PCC  
Commander



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Department Order No. 3  
15 December 2016

In response to the ruling by the CinC dated 15 Dec 2016, declaring that Department Order No. 2, 11 Dec 2016, is out of order, I hereby rescind Department of Colorado & Wyoming Order No. 2.

WILLIAM J. SALMON, PCC  
Commander

ATTEST:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
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Department Order No. 4  
10 February 2017

1. Effective immediately, I assume command and control of the Colorado & Wyoming Department. At this time the Office of Department Senior Vice Commander will stay vacant until 17 Jun 2017, at the 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment.
2. All elected and appointed officers are to be currently retained until the 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment.
3. The 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah on 17 Jun 2017. All Brothers wanting to be elected to a department position please contact me by email to have their names entered on the record for the upcoming encampment.
4. Also, I will be running for Department Commander at that time.
5. We thank William Salmon for his service to the Colorado & Wyoming Department and wish him well.

GARRY BREWER, PDC  
Commander

Attest:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
Secretary

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Department Order No. 5  
17 June 2017

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

GARRY BREWER, PDC  
Commander

Attest:

ERIC D. RICHHART, PDC  
Secretary

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# Incoming Department Officers

## 2017-2018

<b>Department Commander .....</b>	<b>Garry Brewer, PDC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
<b>Department Senior Vice Commander .....</b>	<b>William Buvinger, PCC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</i>
<b>Department Junior Vice Commander .....</b>	<b>David Haake, CC</b> <i>(Legion of the West Camp 7, Grand Junction)</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>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</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>Gene Cheney, PDC</b> <i>(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)</i>
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**Counselor .....****John H. Culley**  
*(Centennial Camp 100, Denver)*

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