



**DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI
DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS
OF THE CIVIL WAR 1861-1865**

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Dear Sisters,

I hope your holiday season was as fun and enjoyable as ours! I am, at the time of your reading this, in Florida enjoying the sea, sand, sun, and lots of wonderful food. I do wish each of you could be here and enjoy all the wonders with us.

My husband, Bob and I went to the 154th Anniversary of the Battle of Wilson's Creek Ceremony on August 10. We viewed the new exhibits and orientation film. A number of dignitaries from Missouri were there and Connie Langum, Park Historian gave information about the Remembrance of the Day. The speaker, Brigadier General Donald Scott, Retired U.S. Army did a wonderful job of tying the idea that the soldier's, both North and South, past and present no matter opinion or outcome, were fighting for our country. He was very inspiring! The activities were completed with the laying of a wreath and a cannon salute.

Bob and I also took a month vacation in Alabama in September and while there went to Historic Fort Morgan. I found out it was actually Fort Boyer during the War of 1812. New construction began in 1819 and in 1833 it was named Fort Morgan. Fort Morgan is located on Mobile Bay and quite interesting. It is almost all brick construction, as I understand forts in these type locations were. The saying "Damn the topedoes and full speed ahead" is remembered from this time as Union Admiral D.G. Farragut made the statement and led his fleet past the guns of the fort which was held by the Confederate troops.

It won't be long until our Missouri Department Convention. As you know it will be held in Springfield on June 3, 4, and 5. One of the exciting activities is that we will be holding a musical evening (Friday) along with a wreath laying. We have invited the Daughters of the Confederacy in an act of solidarity to join us. Everyone is encouraged to wear period dress and enjoy the evening. There is also an excursion planned at Wilson's Creek (Saturday). I know many of you have been at the Battlefield but there have been many changes recently and I think you all would love to see what is there and how the museum has grown. There are some new programs available along with unusual displays so I hope your interest is peaked and you will look forward to this activity.

Your official convention invitation follows this letter and the registration form will be in G.O. #3.

I have also included Tent news and announcements. Even though I am out of town till mid March, if you have any questions or concerns please call or email at any time.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Patricia Dickens

Missouri Department President



The Missouri Department
Daughters of Union Veterans of the
Civil War, 1861-1865

Requests the Honor of your
Presence at the
Eighty-Eighth
Annual Convention

Doubletree Springfield
2431 N. Glenstone
Springfield, MO

June 3, 4, 5, 2016



ATTENTION EVERYONE.....

It has come to my attention that there are several **Red Folders** that are in need of updating. Some responsibilities either need to be changed or cleared up. Please read your Red Folders carefully and pay close attention to responsibilities and let me know if you think there are changes needing to be made. Due to the change process this needs to be started now in order to complete all things in time so let me know asap. Thanks.....

ALL OFFICERS AND TENT PRESIDENTS

Be sure to bring copies of your reports and be prepared to give your reports of your accomplishments at Department Convention.

Please limit your remarks to Two minutes!

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT REQUEST

I would like each Tent to donate a themed basket for the Silent Auction at Department Convention. The Silent Auction benefits the Department President's project. We have also had several people donate individual items for the Silent Auction so please consider that idea too. Just email me or Carmen Boyd carmenboyd@missouristate.edu with your item idea.



As you know we will no longer be doing the White Elephant Sale so it is particularly important for you to bring a basket. Actually I think we have found several smaller baskets seem to bring more money and more people will bid. We have several fun ideas to fund raise for the convention costs so those expenses should be covered in another way.

So many of us enjoy dressing in period clothing I just want to remind you to wear yours Friday evening for the musical program and also for the Memory Banquet this year at Department Convention.

REMINDER

Don't forget to check the National Website for the Trustee's Project Memorial Bricks

You can purchase bricks which will be placed in honor of your ancestor in the Memorial Garden at the Library and Research Center in Springfield, Illinois

Bricks are
4 by 8 at \$50.00 8 by 8 for \$125.00
Check for more information on the National Website

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT

Will host the 131st National Convention 2016

As a fund raiser they are selling an Illinois State Pin
1.25 inches long by 1 inch wide
\$15.00
Make checks to IL DUVCW
Mail to Connie Bounds
3306 Crystal Lake Drive
Springfield, IL 62711-7240

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT PROJECT



As many of you know the cannon has played an important role in the battles during many wars and were very valuable during the Civil War. Part of recreating history and bringing back as much reality to the battlefield at Wilson's Creek is the need for the cannon. There were a number of cannon used during the battle and the historians have worked diligently over the years to obtain as many as possible to place at various strategic places on the grounds. As many of you know when you find yourself visiting the fields of war there is a different feel when there. You almost sense it immediately. We will not be able to relive the sound, the feel, the enormity of what happened when we are at the fields but we do feel a sense of awe, a sense of eerie peace, and a sense of loss. The visuals truly add to the effect when visiting. After much discussion with the caretakers of the battlefield I have chosen to help support the purchase of another cannon. I truly think this is a very good project for the sisters across the state to participate in and look forward to the challenge. So my request to each Sister and each Tent is to join my excitement and help as much as you can this coming year to come up with creative avenues within your Tents to fund raise for this project. We will be having a number of fund raising activities at our State Convention but I hope you will be working prior to them. Helping educate and continue the reality of history is an exciting process and one we sisters have done in a valiant way over the years.



TENT NEWS

TENT 24 LOUISA VOLKER MACKLIND

A VERY BUSY GROUP OF LADIES



The 2016-2017 Officers for the Louisa Volker Macklin, DUVCW Tent #24. Gail Anderson, 1st Vice President, Lavone Anglen, Secretary, Cheryl Farris, Chaplain, Linda Widau, Register, Connie Studyvin, Historian, Martha Scott, Treasurer, Dee Wolfe, President, Shirley McCann, 2nd Vice-President.

The DUVCW Tent 24 went to the Kansas City's Union Station and visited the DaVinci Exhibition.



In December Louisa Volker Macklin, DUVCW Tent #24 attended the SUVCW, Westport Camp 64, at their Christmas Dinner, Award Ceremony, and Officer Installations.



In November Tent 24, President Dee Wolfe appeared with the SUVCW Tiger Camp 432 in Columbia, Missouri for the Grave Marking Dedication Program to Honor Wallace Lilly and his wife Mary Dunn.

TENT 16 JULIA DENT GRANT

ELECTION OF 2016 OFFICERS

Saturday January 2, 2016 the Julia Dent Grant Tent #16 held its election for the 2016 officers at the Woodson Terrace Community Center. Candy Buechler was elected to serve a second term as Tent President. Sister Buechler is a resident of Millstadt, Illinois. The following officers also elected for the year 2016 are Senior Vice President Sharon Michael, PTP of Woodson Terrace, Junior Vice President Patti Dickherber of St. Charles, Chaplain Christine Gibson of Fenton, Patriotic Instructor Pat Volkmann, PDP of Maryland Heights, Treasurer Dianne Scheffing, PDP of Manchester and Council Members Pat Baehr of Webster Groves and Jane McKee of Shiloh, Illinois.



The newly appointed officers were Secretary Carol Hertensteiner of St. Charles, Missouri and VAVS Representative Charlene Konersmann, PDP of Maplewood, Missouri.

The installing officer was Sister Ruth Funck, PNP of St. Louis County. Sister Charlene stepped in as Guide during the installation ceremony.

TENT 22 MARY WHITNEY PHELPS

TENT 22 YEAR OF 2015 ENDS WITH FUN WHILE 2016 BEGINS WITH EXCITEMENT!

December 19, 2015 the members of the Mary Whitney Phelps Tent 22 met for their meeting and installation of officers. Doris Jones 2014 - 2015 Tent President presided at the meeting. Sally Bueno was the installing officer. After the meeting and installation the membership enjoyed the annual Christmas Party complete with a variety of wonderful foods and a Santa Gift Exchange.

2016 Officers

President: Pat Dickens

Senior Vice President: Carmen Boyd

Junior Vice President: Dee Dosch

Chaplain: Vivian Johns

Patriotic Instructor: Janis Wrather

Treasurer: Linda Charles

Council: #1 Doris Jones, #2 Pat Haas, #3 Cherrie Mann

