

Department Orders No. 1

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1. I wish to thank all of the Camps and Delegates that attended the 120th Department Encampment. The Auxiliary did an excellent job in planning and hosting the event on April 25th. The Sons look forward to our 121st Encampment hosted by the DUVCW.
2. I want to also thank the delegates to the Sons 120th Encampment for electing the Department Staff of Officers for the coming year. I am confident that I have a great group of Brothers surrounding me and will draw upon their knowledge and experience often. Several issues have become this administration's agenda. We each are committed to achieving measured progress for the future of the Department.
3. The National Encampment is August 13-16, 2009 in Louisville, Kentucky. The most recent Banner has additional information and forms for registration. I would like to attend with a show of strength of delegates from all around the Department of Michigan. Sr. Vice Commander Don Shaw has agreed to help coordinate carpooling and roommates. You may reach him with your questions or extra space at P31713@aol.com.
4. The Department Patriotic Instructor, Brother Max Riekse of Henry Plant Camp No. 3 called attention to the C-in-C David Medert's General Order No. 6 asking Camps to include Patriotic Instruction about President Abraham Lincoln. Please be aware of this order as it is in tribute to the Lincoln Bicentennial.
5. The National Patriotic Instructor is re-establishing the annual Camp and Department Patriotic Instructors Reports. Therefore, all Camp Patriotic Instructors need to submit their report to the Department PI, Max Riekse, maxriekse@gmail.com, no later than June 30th, 2009. The Department PI will want to submit his annual report by July 10th, 2009 to the National PI. The proper forms can be downloaded from www.suvcw.org, The Patriotic Instructors Handbook, pages 49 through 52.
6. I want to call attention to C-in-C Medert's General Order No. 10 for any Camp within the Department that would raise funds with the manufacture and sale of Camp Flags.
7. I encourage all brothers of the Department to participate in events on Observed Memorial Day, May 25th, and Memorial Day, May 30th. May you and your family enjoy the holiday weekend.
8. It is my sad duty to ask all of the brothers of the Department of Michigan to say farewell to Brother John McFeters of Austin Blair Camp No. 7. Brother John passed away on May 13th. He will be greatly missed but not forgotten. Therefore, I request that all Camp Charters be draped in black until June 13th, 2009 in remembrance.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,
/s/
Charles L. Worley
Commander
Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
/s/
Kevin J. Lindsey
Secretary
Department of Michigan
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