SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT ORDERS No. 3

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- 1. On behalf of the Department I offer thanks to all of the brothers of this Department who made the effort to honor our Veterans on Veterans Day by participating in the several Veterans Day parades and activities around the state. I particularly want to thank those who answered the Departments call, and made the effort to participate in the Detroit Veterans Day Parade. Brothers drove from all over the state for this event, in some cases, hundreds of miles, to participate with their fellows from across the state. Such dedication to the Order and our ideals led to an impressive display by the SUVCW in honor of the men and women who have served this country in our armed forces.
- 2. I commend the work of our brothers on the Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee. They have labored long and hard and their activities are now bearing fruit as we enter into this important period of remembering the sacrifices made on our behalf 150 years ago. Please support the projects they present to the best of your ability. They, and we, can use this important anniversary to better "Keep Green The Memory" of the soldiers and sailors of 1861 to 1865.
- 3. I commend the camps that have updated their web sites. In many cases we are now complete and up to date. If any camp becomes aware of a problem with the information contained in its web site, the signals officer or Camp Commander should immediately contact me or our Department Signals Officer to correct the problem.
- 4. Camps officers are reminded that officer installations need to be completed by January 31, 2011. To the several camps that have scheduled installations and to those that have already held them, thank you for getting your requests in to allow us to do planning. To those camps that still need to arrange for officer installation, get your requests in to the Department Commander as soon as possible. I will make every effort to perform this service for you but I do get double booked in which case DSVC Arnold has graciously offered to cover the installations if he is able. We need to know your dates however to allow all of this to happen. As in past years, any Camp requesting a special officer from the Department, other than the Commander, to do the installation for them, will be accommodated if possible. Such requests still need to be made through the Department Commander however.
- 5. All camps are reminded that form 22, Certification of Election and Installation of Camp Officers should be ready at the time of installation of officers so the installing officer may sign the same. The two completed copies must be mailed to the Department Secretary, Paul Davis, and are due to him no later than February 15, 2011. Any camp needing copies of the form is urged to visit the National Web Site at http://Suvcw.org/ftp/form22fi/pdf. For your convenience, the mailing address to send the forms to is as follows:

Paul Davis, Secretary Department of Michigan, SUVCW 535 Mayflower Dr. Saginaw, Michigan 48638

- 6. To all of my brothers going to Remembrance Day in Gettysburg, have a safe trip and I will see you out there.
- 7. I wish all of my brothers in the Department, and their families, a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and a Prosperous and Happy New Year. Thank you for all you have done in 2010 to keep green the memory of the men who saved the union 150 years ago.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

/s/

Donald W. Shaw
Department Commander
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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

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Paul Davis
Department Secretary
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