

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO.: 08

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RE: APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Background:

At the 136th Annual Michigan Department Encampment, then DJVC Gary Swain recommended three items to the Encampment, which were supported by the Officers Report Committee and the Encampment as a whole. Those recommendations were:

- 1. Sponsor a Civil War Film Festival at the Camp or Regional level. The public would be invited, and this would be utilized as a recruitment event.
- 2. A Department Sponsored multi-day Civil War battlefield bus trip. All Sons, families, friends, and the general public, including all Civil War roundtables, would be invited. This event could achieve all of the stated objectives plus add some income to the Department for additional events.
- 3. Create a Department Civil War Roundtable Liaison Officer to assist the various Roundtables in finding and recommending speakers, recruiting membership from and for the SUVCW, Co-sponsoring regional events, and educating the public. A similar approach could be pursued with genealogy clubs and veteran organizations, for our mutual benefit, throughout the Department of Michigan.

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered:

- That as allowed under the Department of Michigan Bylaws, Article IX-Committees Section 2 & 3, I hereby establish a Special Committee to be named the "Special Outreach Committee."
- 2. The purpose of this Special Committee is to fulfill the recommendations set forth by the DJVC at the 136th Annual Michigan Department Encampment and to cultivate other activities related to the outreach needs of the Department of Michigan as identified.
- 3. I hereby appoint DSVC Gary Swain as the Chair of this Special Committee, who will also act as the Civil War Roundtables Liaison. The Chair will coordinate and work with the Department Junior Vice Commander on any and all matters concerning membership and recruiting as defined in the positional description & duties contained in the C&R. The Department Junior Vice Commander shall also be a member of this committee.
- 4. DSVC Gary Swain may appoint additional members to serve on this committee as he deems necessary with the consent of the Department Commander.
- 5. Ideas or suggestions for the Special Outreach Committee can be directed to DSVC Gary Swain at <u>dsvc@suvcwmi.org</u>.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

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Nathan L. Smith, PCC Commander, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ATTEST:

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Richard Denney, PCC Secretary, Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War