

OHIO DEPARTMENT  
AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
2017-2018 Department Order #2

Greetings Sisters;

The weather is starting to warm up and it is time to start thinking about the Ohio Department Encampment which will be held June 9, 2018, at the Clintonville Women's Club in Columbus, Ohio. Secretary Hilton has emailed the forms but they are included here also. Please note the luncheon cost, and deadline date to get your reservations into Chair Nancy Hilton. Reservations MUST be received no later than May 26. The Ohio Department ASUVCW has planned fun events for Friday also. We will have a tour of the Camp Chase Confederate Cemetery at 3:00 PM. More Details are on the Friday Flyer. A Block of rooms has been secured at the Best Western Port Clinton so make your reservations now. A Dinner is also planned for 5:30. The National President, Ramona Greenwalt and the National Commander in Chief, SUVCW Mark Day and his wife Barbara will be with us. Please plan to attend!

SPRING EVENTS AND NEW MEMBERS

Spring brings the busy season for most of us with numerous events. These are all great opportunities for recruiting new members. I hope all auxiliaries have brochures and/or business cards they can hand out. As we discussed in the Marketing workshop last year, signup sheets are a great tool also to capture contact information for follow up. The Department is a support for you so please contact me if you need help and we will help get what you need.

Sisters, I would love to attend some of your events so please let me know what, when and where and I will see if I can fit it in my schedule.

MONEY OFFICERS

Each year the Department elects a Patriotic Instructor and the Department President appoints a Chief of Staff. The Patriotic Instructor raises the funds so that we can support our "Sisters Supporting Women Veterans Program". Her fund also pays our Department donation to the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund. This year's Department Patriotic Instructor is Peggy Young, PDP. Please do not forget that each Auxiliary is to send her a minimum of \$15 towards her fund. Personal donations are also gratefully accepted. This is a very important position in our Department and one that I hope each of us will support.

The Department Chief of Staff is an appointment made by the Department President at the time of her installation. If you know anything of military history, the Chief of Staff "runs the show", but is also responsible for paying the bills. Her funds collected pay any bills required for the Department Encampment, which can include anything from a hotel bill for our National President to a luncheon ticket for our Department President and more. She is required to raise almost twice as much as the Patriotic Instructor and each Auxiliary is to send her a minimum of \$25 towards her fund.

Please send your donations with the checks made payable to the Ohio Department Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to our Department Secretary, Nancy Hilton who will make sure each donation is credited properly:

Nancy Hilton  
1576 Charl Ann Drive  
Alliance, Ohio 44601

## CHARITABLE DEEDS

Each Sister should be reporting her Charitable Deeds for the previous year on the form provided on the National website and then submitting to be compiled by the Department Secretary. Please understand that this form is helpful in retaining our non-profit status. Our numbers have increased last year so I can't wait to see all the service work you have accomplished in the past year!

## REPORTS AND FORMS

The Department Secretary is responsible for collecting Auxiliary reports, and compiling for the Department. She must receive from each Auxiliary, by June 3rd the following reports:

- Treasurer (form A04)
- Vice President (form A05)
- Chaplain (form A06)
- Patriotic Instructor (form A07)
- Auxiliary Property (form A08)
- Auxiliary Charitable Deeds (form A10)
- IRS Forms 990 N or 8822B

She will consolidate and hand off to the various Department Officers in time for Department Encampment for their signature and then forward on to the correct National Officer.

Thank you in advance for your timely response and assistance.

## MEMORIAL DAY

This year marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Memorial Day. As most of you know, General Logan issued his General Order Number 11 in 1868 marking May 30<sup>th</sup> as “designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion...” I hope each of you is planning on taking part in a ceremony honoring our fallen this year. Fly your flag proudly - attend ceremonies and parades - scatter rose pedals - and never forget those who died in defense of our country.

## CELEBRATING OUR ACTIVITIES

Sisters, I know you all work very hard and I would love to see what it is you are involved with and how you carry out our mission and purpose. The Department Press Correspondent, Jenna Osborn would love to post pictures on the Facebook pages, help with a newsletter and get the “word” out. She is a resource for you as are each of your Department Officers. Please put her to work. I would love to see what you have been up to.

## DEATH AND LOSSES

We will have a Memorial Service at the Department Encampment this year to celebrate the lives of those we have lost. Please make sure you have notified the Department Chaplain if any of our members have passed. We don't want to miss celebrating each one of our sisters.

## WEBPAGE AND FACEBOOK

I hope many of you are utilizing our website: [www.asuvcwohio.org](http://www.asuvcwohio.org)  
We would love to add information about your Auxiliaries, your events, your history so please send it to our Press Correspondent.

We have a Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/ASUVCWOhio](http://www.facebook.com/ASUVCWOhio)  
This page is for the purpose of reaching out to the “outside” world. In other words, it is our marketing and advertising page. We also have a Facebook Group page: [www.facebook.com/groups/OHIOASUVCW/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/OHIOASUVCW/)  
The group page is used for communication between each other. If you are not on these pages, please join or “like” them.

#### ILLNESSES AND PRAYER NEEDS

I know many of you have had illnesses or other thing happening in your life and could use prayer. Our Sisters would like to share with you and pray for you and our Department Chaplain would like to facilitate sharing for you, praying for you, and sending you a card, so Sisters please let her know when you need prayer or cheering up

#### OHIO FUNDRAISER FOR THE DEPARTMENT

Last but not least, Many of you have seen the red “My Ancestor Fought in the American Civil War” T-Shirts that are being used as a fundraiser for the Department. For those who haven’t the words are in a circle with 1861-1865 and a pair of hands, one with a blue sleeve and one with a grey sleeve clasped. Sisters we need your support for this fundraiser. These would make great gifts and are available in all sizes, Men, Women, Youth, and even onsies. They can be seen on our Facebook pages. Buy them for your whole family.

I hope each of you have a wonderful, joy filled, productive Spring!

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Wanda Langdon  
Ohio Department President

Attest: Nancy G. Hilton, PNP Ohio Department Secretary