

Department of Ohio Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

2018-2019 Department Order # 1

Headquarters for the Ohio Department Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is hereby established at 930 Locust Ln., Cincinnati, OH 45245

I want to thank each of you for having the confidence and faith in me to elect me as your Department of Ohio President at the Dept. of Ohio Encampment for a 2nd term on June 9, 2018 in Columbus, OH. I am honored and humbled and I pledge to you that I will do my best to lead with integrity, honesty, and passion; passion for our organization and passion for the mission and purpose we represent.

My direct line ancestors who I have identified to date and served the Union were my 2x Gr Grandfather John Henry Cyphers, a Private in the 74th Ohio Infantry, 2x Gr Grandfather James Coates, a Private in the 79th Ohio Infantry, 3x Gr Grandfather Edward Cox, a Private in the 147th Indiana Infantry, and my 2x Gr Grandfather William R Shoemaker, a Private in the 26th Kentucky Infantry. I know most of you are proud and thankful for the service of your ancestors just as I am. I often say in talks I give “We are their voice – if we don’t tell their story – who will”

My theme for my term is “*Honoring our Past, Serving our Present, Inspiring our Future*”

In line with “*Honoring Our Past*” I am asking each of you to pass on information to myself as our Dept of Ohio webmaster to create a list of our Patriot Ancestors and also please pass along any information or stories about your ancestors that you know to our Dept. Press Correspondent so she can have at least one story in each issue of our new Dept. of Ohio Auxiliary Newsletter.

In line with “*Serving our Present*”, Our “*Sisters Supporting Women Veterans*” initiative is continuing to build. We have received donations from other organizations and are developing relationships with the heads of the departments to better understand the needs. Sisters, we owe the female veterans of our country more than we can ever repay. Their stories are varied but each chose to serve our country and therefore each of us. I hope each Auxiliary will embrace initiative and find new ways to serve our female veterans. Their population is growing by leaps and bounds and the VA cannot catch up with the needs. As a female organization we are well equipped to be able to understand their needs and stand in the gap for them.

In line with “*Inspiring our Future*” – it is up to us to pass on the stories and history of our ancestors and the history of our country and patriots to our future - our descendants and the youth of the country, the hope of our future. I am sure many of you have heard or been told as I have that history is no longer being taught in the schools. Our history and the history of our ancestors who fought and those who died for us, their descendants, will be lost if we don’t keep it alive. I am asking each Auxiliary to make it a priority to come up with ideas and follow through on at least one the next few months to either reach a school or homeschool group and teach them some history.

2017 saw the loss of one Auxiliary, but two of those members transferred to the John S Townsend Auxiliary #108. We lost members and added members and ended up with a total of 77, one less than 2017. Our members turned in charitable activities totaling \$200,193.33 That is an amazing amount of service! Keep up the good work. Together we can do more than individually and we are an army – an army of sisters. Your Department officers are here to support and help you.

This year's National Encampment will be held in Framingham, Aug 9-12. I hope to see many of you there. The 2019 National Encampment will be held in Independence, Ohio outside Cleveland. You will hear a lot more after this years Encampment.

The 2018-2019 Officers elected and appointed are as follows:

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Delegate #1 Judy Hritsko, PAP, Auxiliary #142
Delegate #2 Judy Brown, Auxiliary #10
Alternate #1 Ruth Greenwalt, Auxiliary #91
Alternate #2 Kim Villalva, Auxiliary #10

Officers were installed by National President Ramona Greenwalt.

Sisters, growth in numbers is important for our organization. Our Membership chair is Becky Black (Department Vice President) and I am sure she will be talking about recruitment in the days to come. You have been doing a good job of adding new Junior members. They are our future. I have begun to talk about our Order being family oriented. The husband can join the sons, the wife can join the Auxiliary and the children can become Junior Members. People in general seem to prefer family activities. I have found that talking to people about our Sisters Supporting Women Veterans initiative generates enthusiasm and have had women join to be a part of an organization with such a worthy work.

For those of you with events still planned, please send me an invitation. I would love to attend and see what you all are doing if at all possible.

It's time to start thinking ahead to elections of new officers and installations for your auxiliaries. A point of information to all Auxiliaries about installation of Officers; the Installing Officer should be the Department President, Past Department President or a Past Auxiliary President. The Department President or a Past Department President will be able to help you fill out the installation blank to be certain that it is being done correctly. As a matter of courtesy, the Department President should be asked to be your Installing Officer. If she is unable to do it, then you may ask someone with rank to do it. If you check our Ritual on page 44 you will find that the Installing Officer must be duly authorized by the Department President. Please let me know as soon as you have yours scheduled so I can get the dates on my calendar. I am looking forward to visiting with you and installing your officers.

I would ask each Auxiliary President to appoint one Sister as Department Aide who will assist the Department Chief of Staff in raising funds for the operation of the Department. Relay that information and contact information to the Department Chief of Staff.

I will remind each Auxiliary Patriotic Instructor that in addition to the duties assigned in the Ritual you are also responsible for helping the Department Patriotic Instructor in raising funds for her work. One of the ways in which we keep alive the memory of the Union Veteran of the Civil War is through the donations made in their honor. The Auxiliary President or Secretary should supply the name and contact information to the Department Patriotic Instructor.

Please remember to forward information about your events along with pictures if possible to the Dept. Press Correspondent.

Sisters, please remember those who are ill or going through tough times and keep our Dept. Chaplain informed so we can pray for each other.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

Wanda Langdon
Ohio Department President

Attest: Nancy G. Hilton, PNP, Ohio Department Secretary