OHIO DEPARTMENT ORDERS AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Number 2-May 2015

Greetings:

This is my final Department Order. I wish to take the opportunity to thank the Sisters of the Ohio Department for extending to me the privilege of serving as your Department President.

We have reached the time of year to conclude all Auxiliary business so that reports are ready for the Department Encampment. I wish to remind Auxiliary Secretaries and Treasurers that timelines exist for getting your information in to your Department Secretary and Treasurer because they have timelines to meet for getting information in to the National Secretary and Treasurer. National, unlike the Ohio Department, imposes fines if reports aren't in on time. Please get your reports in on time so we do not have to pay fines to the National Organization. If you have questions or don't understand what needs to be done, PLEASE contact the Department Officer to whom you need to send the report, the Department President, or a Past Department President who can help you.

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 in organized Departments and have a commission signed by the Department President. The commission form has been eliminated from the installation blanks. I checked and discovered this just prior to writing this. The National Organization is going to have to address this Officer, the Department President will have to provide a written letter as the commission. The

SUVCW received an opinion from PCinC Don Darby (Ohio) that was contained in General Orders # 19 dated 16 May 2014, from the CinC Ken Freshly (Ohio) as well as the GO that states that "members of the SUVCW should not and will not involve themselves in the internal affairs of the ASUVCW...Counselors have no authority to act on behalf of the SUVCW and SUVCW officers and members have no jurisdiction or authority over the ASUVCW." While it is very good to have a close and harmonious relation with the SUVCW, they can not act as Installing Officer for the Auxiliary.

I am encouraging as many Sisters as possible to attend the Department Encampment. The Encampment is to be held June 13, 2015, in the Hardin County Court House located in Kenton, Ohio. There will be a short time for socializing prior to the 9:00AM joint Memorial Service followed by a 10:00AM Joint Opening. We will then break into our separate meetings.

Would all Sisters please wear white dresses (skirts and blouses) and white shoes. Floor appointments as well as Committee appointments will be made at the time of the Encampment. You may need to serve on the floor so please come prepared. Response to the National President - Sister Nancy Hilton, PNP, response to the Commander in Chief-Sister Jane Graham, PNP and response to the Department Commander-Sister Amy Miller, PDP. Anyone who hasn't registered will find an attachment with registration and lunch information. You need to get this in ASAP. All Department Officers are to have two type-written copies of their reports ready for the Department Secretary. The following Department Officers will need reports from all Auxiliaries in order to complete their reports. A copy has been sent to each Auxiliary Secretary for completion. These need to be in the Department Officer's hands no later than June 5.

Auxiliary Vice Presidents to Department Vice President Cindy Hilliard, PAP 826 Bradshaw Avenue East Liverpool, Ohio 43920

Auxiliary Chaplains (can not be filed until after Memorial Day) to Department Chaplain Judy Brown 350 Bridle Creek Drive Monroe, Ohio 45050

Auxiliary Patriotic Instructors to Department Patriotic Instructor Jane Graham, PNP 1718 Rosemont Road Alliance, Ohio 44601

Auxiliary Secretaries to Department Secretary Nancy Hilton, PNP 1576 Charl Ann Drive Alliance, Ohio 44601

Auxiliary Treasurers to Department Treasurer Amy Miller, PDP 1112 Green Meadow Avenue Lancaster, Ohio 43130

Charitable Deeds Reports to Nancy Hilton (see address above)

Each Auxiliary is reminded to send their minimum donation of \$25 for the Department Chief of Staff to Department Treasurer Amy Miller (see address above) and \$15 to the Department Patriotic Instructor Jane Graham (see address above) with checks payable to the Ohio Department ASUVCW. Both of these Sisters need the help of every Auxiliary member to do their jobs. We should not expect one person to raise all the funds needed to operate the Ohio Department. The Ohio Department belongs to each Sister and each Sister should be doing her share to keep us solvent and to do the patriotic work which is one of the Objectives listed in our By-Laws.

I would very much like to have a nice size group present for our Encampment since our National President will be making her official visit. Due to the changes made in how our Encampments are conducted, we will have very little opportunity to truly entertain her. Therefore, we need to be present at the Encampment in order to provide her the availability to express her greetings to all of us and meet as many of us as possible.

We have three upcoming holidays: Memorial Day May 25th which has been mandated as a federal holiday, Memorial Day May 30th as mandated by General Logan's Orders and Flag Day June 14th. Take the opportunities provided to honor those who have served our country and to commemorate our flag. Fly your flag proudly.

To all Sisters who have experienced deaths, I wish to extend my sincere sympathy. May the love of an omnipotent God give you the strength and support you need. To all Sisters who are experiencing health problems, may you have a quick recovery. To the Sisters with family members battling illness, I offer to you my prayers for strength and health for your loved one.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Peggy A. Young

Ohio Department President

Attest: Nancy G. Hilton, PNP

Ohio Department Secretary