



## Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Office of the President, Department of Ohio



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Greetings Sisters,

Spring is finally here! We can say goodbye to deep freeze temperatures and white covered lawns and welcome nature renewing itself in the form of green lawns, blooming bulbs and shrubs and pollen! As nature's activity resumes, so does that of the ASUVCW in all areas, so I will present the duties and opportunities that lie ahead for us in the months to come.

### **Department Encampment**

Department Encampment will be held on Saturday, June 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at The Clintonville Woman's Club, 3951 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio. Please plan to arrive no later than 8:30 a.m. to arrange for any pre-meeting activities and to register. The Registration fee is \$10.00 payable at Encampment in cash or check made payable to Ohio Department ASUVCW. Please remember to dress in white and wear your membership badge!

We are delighted to welcome our ASUVCW National President, Danielle Michaels, PNP, to our Encampment. It will be a great opportunity to get to know her and hear her comments on National ASUVCW activity.

If you require overnight accommodation in Columbus on Friday evening before the Encampment, a limited number of double-queen bedrooms have been reserved for our use at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, 600 Metro Place North, Dublin, Ohio 43017. Please contact me as soon as possible to place your name on the list, as any unaccounted-for rooms must be cancelled no later than 48 hours before June 12th or we will be charged. If you are sharing a room, please send me the name of the person responsible for payment to facilitate check-in.

We will gather for dinner at a local restaurant, to be determined, and return to the hotel for light refreshment, fellowship, and handling those preliminary business matters required before Saturday Encampment

### **Department Encampment Luncheon Registration Form**

The Ohio Dept. SUVCW has arranged for an in-house luncheon as in years past to be served between sessions of our meetings. The cost is \$31.00 and must be paid in advance with the enclosed form and received no later than May 31, 2026. Check is made payable to Dept. of Ohio, SUVCW and mailed to

John M. Huffman, Jr. PDC, 1778 Prussia Road, Waverly, Ohio 45690. The form is attached, listing further details and must accompany payment.

### **Auxiliary Reports to Department**

Charitable Activities: Each auxiliary member is responsible for reporting her charitable activity hours, donations, and miles from June 1, 2025, through May 25, 2026, to the Department Secretary no later than **June 1, 2026**. Form A10 and A10a (log) are used to report and compile this information and can be found on the ASUVCW National Website ([www.ASUVCW.org](http://www.ASUVCW.org)) under forms.

Likewise, each Auxiliary Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Patriotic Instructor, and Chaplain must submit their specific form to their respective Department Officer by June 1<sup>st</sup>, giving her time to compile the information before Encampment. Again, these forms can be located on the ASUVCW National website under forms.

### **Department Officer and Committee Reports**

Each Department Officer, Special and Standing Committee Chair shall prepare a typewritten report in duplicate, to be presented at the Department Encampment. One copy is given to the Department Secretary.

### **Donations**

Each Auxiliary is required to make a donation in the amount of \$40.00 to the Chief of Staff Fund and \$20.00 to the Patriotic Instructor Fund prior to Encampment. These monies will go toward the required total amounts of \$700 and \$300 respectively to the COS and PI Funds. Checks made payable to Ohio Department ASUVCW.

Each of the sisters heading these committees has been working diligently throughout the year to raise the amounts required. They will be offering some interesting items for silent auction and raffle at the Encampment to further reach their goals.

Let us also remember to donate, as you are able, to support the Chief of Staff and Patriotic Instructor positions on the National level as well. There is no individual National Chief of Staff this year. The position is being filled by the PNP's. A group within the ASUVCW has been formed called the **Yellow Ribbon Society**, to assist with the financial needs of the organization. It has designated the proceeds from their membership this year to go to the National Chief of Staff. Membership is \$15.00 payable to National Organization ASUVCW and mailed to Jane Graham, PNP, 626-2 West Vine Street, Alliance, Ohio 44601. More details can be found in our National Newsletter on the website.

### **In Memoriam**

We were deeply saddened this year with the passing of two dear Ohio Sisters: Kay Ruley, PAP from Governor William Dennison Auxiliary #1 and Betty Coen, PDP from John S. Townsend Frost Auxiliary #108. These sisters will be greatly missed, and we are grateful for their dedication and service to the ASUVCW for many years. They will be remembered at Department Encampment with the draping of our charter, and in the Joint Memorial service at National Encampment. Please keep their families close to your heart and in your thoughts

### **ASUVCW Supplies**

Ladies, we are fortunate indeed to have the National Supply Officer be our own Ohio sister! Jane Graham, PNP, has graciously agreed to bring a selection of items to our Department Encampment, thus saving us the ever-rising cost of shipping and saving her several trips to the post office. If there is a specific item or items that you need, please contact Jane to see if she has it in stock and if it is possible to bring it with her. She has some very exciting new clothing items to share with us, and available by special order only. I can't wait to see them!

### **National Encampment**

It is exciting that our National Encampment will be held in such an historically significant location as Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, July 30 through August 2, 2026 at the Eisenhower Hotel and Conference Center. Details and registration forms are available in the ASUVCW National Newsletter Spring 2026 Edition, which can be found online at [www.ASUVCW.org](http://www.ASUVCW.org) . If you do not have internet access, an auxiliary sister or I can provide you with the information. You won't want to miss this event!

### **Patriotic Celebrations**

In just a few weeks we will be celebrating Memorial Day, remembering and honoring our Boys in Blue who fought and gave their lives to save the nation that many of their grandfathers fought in the War of Independence to found our nation. As we celebrate the Semiquincentennial (250<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, let us celebrate the great country we are blessed to call home. Let us wave and display the flag proudly and remember the sacrifices that were made to give us The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

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Nancy Hilton, PNP  
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