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(To be read in the Camps and retained in Camp files)

1. I want to thank my Brothers for supporting me this year in my first term as Pennsylvania Department Commander. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has helped in my election to this office. The twenty-one years that have passed since I became a Brother in the Pennsylvania Department have gone by quickly with many new friendships established along the way. Numerous Brothers and Sisters have helped me along the path which has led to this office. I have been encouraged and assisted by many to whom I will always be grateful.
2. I would also like to thank the past Pennsylvania Commanders and the Department officers for their trust and support.
3. I have listed the current officers and committees for 2011-2012 on the Pennsylvania Department web page (www.pasuvcw.org). I encourage all brothers to contact these committees if in need of their assistance. This list is made, by reference, a part of this order
4. The Pennsylvania Department website includes many items of interest to the Brothers of the SUVCW. I hope you will find it helpful and informative. I encourage everyone to make an effort to visit and contribute to the site content.
5. The Brothers of Camp #8 who are members of the Delany- Delacy Guard will be designated as the Pennsylvania Department Color Guard. These Brothers, in good standing, are authorized to wear a ribbon of the Department colors affixed behind their regular SUVCW membership badge for the duration of this appointment.
6. I extend my personal congratulations and those of the Pennsylvania Department SUVCW to: Pa. Representative of the Women's Relief Corps - Sisters Mary Jane Bannon and Kate Seinerth President of the Pa. Dept. Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic – Sister Courtney May President of the Pa. Dept. Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War - Sister Francis Gegogine President to the Pa. Dept. Auxiliary to SUVCW – Sister Ann Mc Millin on their successful year of leadership. May we continue to work together toward our common mission to maintain the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. I continue to pledge the full cooperation of this office to our Sisters and I trust that all Brothers will do the same.

7. All camps are requested and strongly encouraged to submit news of their activities for publication in our Department Newsletter. Newsletter editor Brother Robert C. Shaffer PCC devotes tireless hours to the production and improvement of our Newsletter. The Department can be proud of the results of his efforts. Please take the opportunity to share your camp's good works with your Pennsylvania brothers. Please submit articles and photos of your camps special events and any licensed merchandise your camp may have to offer. Please submit your information to Brother Bob at (rshaffer24@yahoo.com) or 128 Wallace Rd. Lake Ariel, Pa. 18436-9343 as soon as possible but no later than January 1, 2012. Electronic submission is preferred.

8. All Officers and Committee Chairmen must submit a report on their activities to the Department Assistant Chief of Staff, Brother Craig Kelly no later **than October 9, 2012**. Electronic submission is preferred. Reports should be sent to (**kelly.craig@att.net**) A report is required even if there has been no activity or recommendations from your Office or Committee.

9. The Mid-Year Meeting of the Pennsylvania Department SUVCW will be held on **Saturday, October 29, 2012** at Doc Holliday's Steakhouse in the Harrisburg West Inn and Conference Center, 110 Limekiln Road, New Cumberland, Pa. For Brothers wishing to stay overnight, rooms will be available for Friday and Saturday evenings at the rate of \$49.50 total per night. Please contact the motel at (717) 920-3627 and reserve your room under "Pennsylvania Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War".

Our meeting will begin at 9:00a.m. Lunch will be your selection from the menu for \$15.27(including gratuity). If you plan to attend please contact Assistant Chief of Staff, Brother Craig Kelly (**kelly.craig@att.net**) by **October 22** so that adequate seating can be provided. **Further information about the mid-year meeting is provided in the attached flyers.**

11. The Past Commanders and Past Presidents' dinner will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2011 in at Eisenhower Inn and Conference Center at a cost of \$27.00 per person. **Contact Ivan Frantz Jr. for details at 717-225-5470. Further information about the dinner is provided in the attached flyer.**

12. The 2012 Department encampment will be held on June 21,22,and 23, 2012 at The Four Points by Sheraton in Greensburg Pa. (724-836-6060) (www.fourpointsgreensburg.com) Rooms are \$99.00 plus tax. Reservations should be made under "Allied Orders of the Grand Order of the Republic". **Further information is provided in the attached flyer.**

By order of:

Howard F. Wolfe, Commander
Pennsylvania Department SUVCW

Attest:

Charles E. Kuhn Jr. PCinC

