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

- 1.) Recently, the I.R.S. made a determination that donations to the SUVCW are no longer tax deductible by the donor. The SUVCW remains a non-profit 501 (c)(4) entity. Please understand this is an IRS determination and was in no way the result of any action or inaction made by the SUVCW. Any income received by the SUVCW remains not taxable and any Camp conducting fundraising may continue as long as there is no statement or implication of a tax deduction for the donor.

The SUVCW is currently working within our budgetary and time restraints on changing our tax status from a 501 c(4) to a 501 c(3). This will be a costly and time consuming process but it is a high priority of the Order.

All Camps are hereby ordered to examine all published material including but not limited to: material utilized by committees, web sites, internet postings, brochures, advertising materials, membership materials, newsletters, etc., in their possession and remove any reference to tax deductible donations. All Camp Commanders will see that this order is received by ALL Brothers of their respective Camps and report back to this office the method of delivery by February 28, 2013.

Please, do not allow this ruling to negatively affect the good works being pursued by our organization. Although it may make your projects more difficult to complete, the toils we face are pale compared to those of our ancestors, the boys in blue.

By order of

Richard R. Essenwein

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