



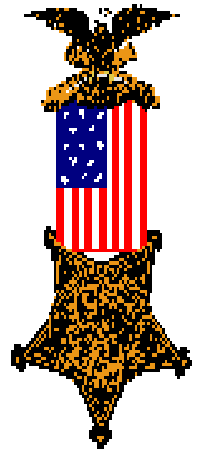
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1. I would like to convey my sincere thanks to my Brothers of the Pennsylvania Department for electing me your Department Commander. It is my hope that my actions during my term of office will prove worthy of this tremendous honor and the trust that you have bestowed upon me. I want to thank Past Department Commander Alfred "Chris" Carty for his leadership of the Department over the past two years and hope the he continues as a vital participant in Department affairs.

2. The Headquarters of the Pennsylvania Department is hereby established at:

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3. I extend my congratulations, best wishes and promise of cooperation to:

President of the PA Dept. Auxiliary Barbara Indan

President of the PA Dept. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Kayla Reed

President of the PA Dept. Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic Darlene Alcorn

It is my sincere hope that we may all work together in the spirit of mutual cooperation to keep green the memory of the "Boys in Blue" and to honor their wishes by our actions.

4. 1st PA Light Artillery, Battery B, commonly known as "Cooper's Battery B" is hereby designated as the Pennsylvania Department Color Guard. All members of Cooper's Battery B who are Members in good standing of the Pennsylvania Department, Sons of Union

Veterans of the Civil War are hereby authorized to wear a ribbon of the Department Colors to be affixed behind their SUVCW Membership badge for the duration of their appointment. My thanks to the members of Battery B for their demonstrated love of Country and the preservation of its history.

5. I encourage all Camps of the Pennsylvania Department to submit news of their activities for publication in the "Battle Cry of Freedom", the Department newsletter. This not only provides well deserved recognition of the good works of our Brothers in their local communities but also serves as a forum for ideas that can be used by all Camps as well as the Department. Please submit your articles, photos and other information to Editor Bob Shaffer at rshaffer527@gmail.com Or snail mail items of interest to Robert C. Shaffer 128 Wallace Road, Lake Ariel PA 18436. Bob has done a fine job putting this newsletter together over the years and it is never too early to get your submissions to him! Get them in now and don't miss the chance to recognize the great works of your Camp and Brothers!

6. I realize that the task of visiting every one of the Pennsylvania Department's 22 Camps will prove to be a daunting task but I welcome you to challenge me! It is my belief that at times there is too much separation between the Department Administration and the local Camps who continuously do the good works of the Order. I encourage all Camp Commanders who have an interest in having me visit your Camp for a meeting to please contact me using the information above. This would include local ceremonies, dedications, Christmas parties and so forth. There are many Camps spread over a large geographic area but I will do my best to accommodate you as best I can.

7. I want to encourage all Brothers of the Pennsylvania Department to actively join our effort to recruit new Members and form new Camps. Our Membership level is holding steady but we need to continue our efforts to expand so that we can continue to be an active force for historical education and preservation in our communities. Please invite a friend to your next Camp meeting! For anyone interested in starting a new Camp in your area, please contact me directly and I will be glad to assist.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

Greg Kline, DC
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