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*Recipient of the Marshall Hope Award for Best Department  
Newsletter of the Order 2002, 2007, and 2011*



*Department Commander  
David S. Smith, LM, PCC*

Brothers,

It is hard to believe that this is my final column as Department Commander. This term has been exciting and rewarding, with many challenges that were conquered. I thank each and every one of you for that, as all of you have made this a most memorable year. It has truly and sincerely been an honor to serve in this Office.

The Department Encampment is scheduled for Saturday, 05 May 2018 in Lansing. Forms and information can be found at:

<http://www.suvcwmi.org/DeptEncampment/DEindex.php> and later in this newsletter. I hope to see many of you in Lansing. It is a wonderful time to

see the business of the Department conducted, and to visit with Brothers from across the Department. It is never a bad time for a reminder on a few bookkeeping items that need to be completed in the upcoming days.

Please remember to send in two copies each of your Camp Annual Report - Form 27 and Camp Roster, along with your Camp's Per Capita Dues to Department Secretary Denney by 30 April 2018 at: Richard Denney, Department Secretary, Department of Michigan – SUVCW, 30090 Orla Engle Road, Colon, MI 49040.

Additionally, please remember to send in your Camp Patriotic Instructor Annual Report - Form 40 to Department Patriotic Instructor Bob Boquette by 01 April 2018 at: R. J. Boquette, 13460 Dixie Hwy., Birch Run, MI 48415

I thank all of the Camps that have continued to share their newsletters with me. I enjoy reading about your events and Brothers, as well as the various Civil War topics of interest. Keep them coming! Again, I thank all of you for a great year. Thank you for your friendship, your hospitality, and your fraternity. You make our GAR ancestors proud!

Finally, on behalf of the Officers of the Department of Michigan, have a blessed, glorious, and safe Easter Holiday Season!

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,  
Dave

**2017 - 2018  
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**Department Orders #21  Series 2017 – 2018  
Headquarters, Traverse City, MI**

**6 January 2018**

**Abraham Lincoln Award Recommendations and Panel**

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**Section 1** – Per the Department of Michigan Bylaws (2017), ARTICLE XIX – Awards and Insignia, Section 3.: Authorization for a Department certificate of appreciation award is provided. The award shall be known as the Abraham Lincoln Certificate of Appreciation Award. The award shall be conferred by the Commander upon any individual or entity who, in the judgment of a three member panel appointed by the Commander, has through his/her actions, words and/or deeds significantly contributed to the furtherance of the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic within the State of Michigan. Recommendations for possible recipients of said award shall be submitted, along with a one-page description of the contribution made, to the Secretary no later than two (2) months prior to the Annual Encampment. Recipients of the award shall be publicly announced and a certificate presented at the Annual Department of Michigan, SUVCW Encampment Banquet. No more than three (3) recipients shall be selected for the award in any one-year.

**Section 2** – The Department Encampment is currently scheduled for 05 May 2018 in Lansing, Michigan. The deadline to submit a recommendation to Department Secretary Denney is 11:59PM Eastern, (2359) 05 March 2018. Brother Denney can be contacted at: [secretary@suvchwmi.org](mailto:secretary@suvchwmi.org).

**Section 3** – The three member panel has been appointed, and is comprised of Department Chaplain Charles Buckhahn, Past National and Department Chaplain Bill McAfee, and Member-at-Large Coordinator George Boller.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this sixth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and forty-first year of Independence of these United States of America.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,


/s/

*David S. Smith, LM, DC  
Commander, Department of Michigan  
Sons of Union Veterans Sons of  
the Civil War*

ATTEST:

/s/

*Richard Denney, CC  
Secretary, Department of Michigan  
Sons of Union Veterans of the  
the Civil War*

**Department Orders #22**  **Series 2017 – 2018**  
**Headquarters, Traverse City, MI**  
**23 January 2018**  
*David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC*

## Nominating Committee Appointed and Letters of Intention

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**Section 1** – Per the Department of Michigan Bylaws (2017), ARTICLE IX – Committees, Section 12.: The Nominating Committee shall consist of five Brothers who are NOT currently elected to an office of the Department. The committee's purpose shall be to prepare a slate of officers, listing one or more Brother(s) for each elected office (of the Department), for the presentation at the Annual Encampment. Nominations from the floor will continue to be accepted at the Encampment.

**Section 2** – The following Brothers have been appointed to the Nominating Committee for 2018-2019: Richard Danes, PCC – Chair; Gary Gibson, PDC; Ed Dowd, PCC; Dale Aurand, PDC; and Nathan Tingley.

**Section 3** – Any Brother interested in running for an elected Department Office should submit their letter of intention, credentials, and any recommendation letters to Committee Chair Rick Danes at [redanes@aol.com](mailto:redanes@aol.com) or via USPS at: 2612 Burns St. Dearborn, MI 48124-3204

**Section 4** – The deadline to submit a letter of intention is Monday, 02 April 2018.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and forty-first year of Independence of these United States of America.

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*Richard Denney, CC*  
 Secretary, Department of Michigan  
 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

***In this Issue: Officer's Reports,  
 Department Orders, Camp News,  
 The Final Bugle Call, Encampment Forms  
 The 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan Infantry  
 Event Announcements  
 And much more***

  
**Department Orders #23 Series 2017 – 2018**  
**Headquarters, Traverse City, MI**  
**23 January 2018**  
*David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC*

## Reminder of Submission of Forms to the Department

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**Section 1** – This serves as a reminder that all Camps shall submit the following forms as specified in each section of this Department Order to the appropriate Department Officer provided in said section by the date required.

**Section 2** – Form 22 (Installing Officer Report), Form 22MI (Camp Internet Information Form), and Camp Roster shall be submitted with two copies of each to Department Secretary Denney at [secretary@suvcwmi.org](mailto:secretary@suvcwmi.org) or via USPS mail at: Richard Denney, Department Secretary, Department of Michigan – SUVCW, 30090 Orla Engle Road, Colon, MI 49040. These forms in duplicate are due no later than 15 February 2018.

**Section 3** – Form 40 (Camp Patriotic Instructor Annual Report) shall be submitted to Department Patriotic Instructor Bob Boquette at [sailorbob64@yahoo.com](mailto:sailorbob64@yahoo.com) or via USPS mail at: R. J. Boquette, 13460 Dixie Hwy., Birch Run, MI 48415. This form is due no later than 01 April 2018.

**Section 4** – Form 27 (Camp Annual Report), final Camp Roster (as of the date the Form 27 is submitted), and Per Capita Dues shall be submitted with two copies of each of Form 27 and the final Camp Roster to Department Secretary Denney at [secretary@suvcwmi.org](mailto:secretary@suvcwmi.org) or via USPS mail at: Richard Denney, Department Secretary, Department of Michigan – SUVCW, 30090 Orla Engle Road, Colon, MI 49040. These forms in duplicate are due no later than 30 April 2018.

**Section 5** – It is expected that each Camp will comply with submission of the aforementioned forms, documents, and dues by the required date, and is highly appreciated. Timely submission of these items aids the Department in providing the necessary forms, per capita dues, and information to the National Organization. If there are any questions, please contact appropriate Department Officer, or the Department Commander.

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*Secretary, Department of Michigan*  
*Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*

  
**Department Orders #24 Series 2017 – 2018**  
**Headquarters, Traverse City, MI**  
**18 February 2018**  
*David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC*

## Camp Officer Installation Appreciation and Form 22 Status

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**Section 1** – With the end of the month of January, the Camp Officer Installations came to a conclusion. I extend my sincerest appreciation to all Department Representatives serving as Installing Officers where I was unable to do so during the prescribed period.

**Section 2** – On behalf of the entire Department, I thank each and every Camp that hosted me and the Department Representatives as their guests for the installations. From my own experiences and from the feedback that I received, your hospitality, friendship, and fraternity welcomed us to your meetings and allowed us to see what makes each Camp unique, as well as demonstrating what binds us together. For this Brothers, I am most grateful.

**Section 3** – Per Department Secretary Denney, all Camps have filed their Form 22s before the required deadline. All of your efforts in filing your Camp's forms in a timely manner are highly appreciated.

The preceding Department Order is proclaimed this eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen, the one hundred and fifty-first year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic, and of the two hundred and forty-first year of Independence of these United States of America.

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*Secretary, Department of Michigan*  
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**Future Michigan's Messenger Publications**  
**Submittal Dates and Publication Dates**

**Winter - March 1 for a March 15 Publication**  
**Spring – June 1 for a June 15 Publication**  
**Summer – September 1 for a September 15 Publication**  
**Fall – December 1 for a December 15 Publication**

Send all articles to Rick Danes, Editor, preferably at [editor@suvcwmi.org](mailto:editor@suvcwmi.org) or to 2612 Burns Street, Dearborn, Michigan 48124-3204

**ALL PUBLICATIONS WILL BE MADE ON TIME**

*Please do not send me photos without the names of persons in the photo and a suggested caption. Thanks for your support!*

  
**Department Orders #25 Series 2017 – 2018**  
**Headquarters, Traverse City, MI**  
**18 February 2018**  
*David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC*

## 2018 Department Encampment Information

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

**Section 1** – The 2018 Department Encampment will be held on Saturday, 05 May 2018 at the Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W. Willow Highway, Lansing, MI 48917. Registration opens at 8AM, and the Encampment is scheduled to open at 9AM.

**Section 2** – Information and forms for the Department Encampment can be found on the Department of Michigan website at: <http://www.suvcwmi.org/DeptEncampment/DEindex.php>

**Section 3** – Please note the change in hotel location this year due to the Michigan State University graduation coinciding with the Encampment weekend. The hotel for this year is the Ramada Inn, 7501 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917. Information for reservations can be found at the link provided above.

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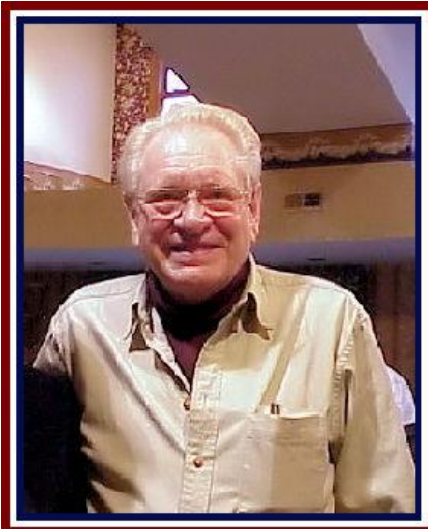
*Editor's Note: Why the Michigan's Messenger is now distributed electronically:*

*In 2005 the Department was faced with rising printing and mailing costs for the nationally recognized Michigan's Messenger. Very few options were available to Department Officers, so the issue was put on the floor at the Department Encampment. The Members voted to publish Michigan's Messenger in an electronic format, with each edition being forwarded to one person in each Camp (thereafter called a Camp Signals Officer), who would then distribute the newsletter to all Camp Members.*

*As a result of this action by the Membership, dues have not been raised.*

***I believe that the Camps have the responsibility to report changes, so that we can continue to serve you, you must provide me with a current contact for electronic mailing.***

*I have tried to include every article that was sent to me prior to publication, so that all future issues will be timely. I welcome all constructive suggestions, and encourage all of you to submit relative news about your committees, your Camps, and your ancestors. This is your newsletter, and its success depends on you. Rick Danes, [editor@suvcwmi.org](mailto:editor@suvcwmi.org).*



### Governor Austin Camp 7

Submitted by Bob Griggs

Brother Doyle will be sorely missed by all in our Camp. All of the Brothers would join to say one last "Thank you" Dan for your service to our Camp and all you did to "Keep Green the Memory" of the Boys in Blue, not only here, but in Canada as well..

Sleep on ye fallen Comrade, the victory you have won, You've served our Order's banner, your task has been well done. Rest under wreaths of laurels by grateful Brothers given, We strew your grave with

flowers, the sweetest gift of heaven.

At our regular meeting held February 12<sup>th</sup>, the Brothers of Camp No. 7 inducted a new Brother into our fold, Brother Ray Rowley. Brother Rowley, pictured right, is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, and based his membership on his 2x great grandfather Warren Rowley, 31 years old, of Hudson, Michigan. Private Rowley service with the 18th Michigan Infantry, August 8, 1862 to April 27, 1865, with his life lost during the Sultana explosion

Welcome Brother Rowley, we all look forward to working with you on our upcoming projects.



### Robert Finch Camp No. 14

Submitted by: David S. Smith, LM, PCC, DC

Robert Finch Camp No. 14 has been planning ceremonies for the busy event season. Over the past several months GRO John Sawyer has been busy ordering new VA headstones for ten Veterans within Oakwood Cemetery. On 19 May 2018, at 10AM, the Brothers of Camp No. 14 will be performing a ceremony for ten Veterans that have been without a gravestone, and honoring an eleventh Veteran that his headstone was misplaced in the wrong plat (and will be placed at his correct grave). Plans include significant community participation by various organizations. Final details are to come. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Commander Mattis at: [tedmattis@charter.net](mailto:tedmattis@charter.net)

Sisters of Frances Finch Auxiliary No. 9 visited with Veterans at the Traverse Manor on 21 February 2018. The Sisters had a nice visit and shared cookies with the Veteran residents. There were several World War II and Korean War Veterans among the Veteran residents. The visit allowed several residents to learn that they had fellow Veterans that lived with them at the home. A nice time was had by all.

The next meeting of the Robert Finch Camp No. 14 will be at Elks Lodge No. 323 in Traverse City on Saturday, 10 March 2018 at 11:30AM. Frances Finch Auxiliary No. 9 meets at 11AM same date, same location.

For more information on Camp 14 activities, please visit our website [www.robertfinch14.org](http://www.robertfinch14.org), where our archived newsletters can be found, as well as our facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/robertfinchcamp](http://www.facebook.com/robertfinchcamp)

## The Final Bugle Call

Submitted by Department Chaplain Charles Buckhahn, PCC

On this Christmas Eve Day, it is my sad duty to share with you the news of the death of our brother, **Gary Roland Grout**. He passed away on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Gary was a Past Commander of Camp I. B. Richardson, Camp #2 and also held the offices of Chaplain, Secretary, and Treasurer for the Camp. He will be greatly missed for his knowledge and stories. Brother Gary was also a member of the SAR. Brother Gary's Great Grandfather was Private Duane E. Grout of the 29th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment, Co. E. Brother Gary's obituary is given below. May he rest in the peace which only the new-born Christ Child can give.

*Grout, Gary Roland; age 84 of Harsens Island. December 11, 2017. Beloved husband of the late Arline Ann (Blount) Grout. Dear father of Denise Heard, the late Cheryl Ann Marie Grout and Guy (Gail) Grout. Loving grandfather of Cheryl Lynn Klinski, Stephen Heard and Jason (Lisa) Grout and proud great-grandfather of Phoebe Klinski. Best friend of Annie. Private graveside service will be held at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Suggested memorials Harsens Island / St. Clair Flats Historical Society.*



Again, it is my duty to inform you of a death of a brother. Brother **Daniel Stephan Doyle** of Austin Blair Camp No. 7 died on January 3, 2018, in Somerset Township. He was 98. His Civil War ancestor was his Great-grandfather, Stephen Hadfield, who served in the 53rd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment. Brother Doyle's obituary is given below. Please note that the Memorial Service for him will be held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, at St. Rita's Catholic Church, 10516 Hayes Road, Clarklake, MI. 49234, at 11am. Please keep the Doyle family and the brothers of Camp 7 in your thoughts and prayers.

*Doyle, Daniel S. 11/15/1928 - 1/3/2018 Somerset Township, MI Daniel Stephen Doyle passed away peacefully on January 3, 2018 at his home on Lake Somerset in Somerset Township, Michigan. Loving husband of 67 years to Cecilia (Robbins). Father to Bryan (Denise) and Catherine Doyle. Preceded in death by his parents Daniel and Christina Doyle, daughter Deborah Doyle (1972) and daughter Mary Ellen Langley (2015) (Dave), sister Mary Burnett 2004 (Ernie) and brother Neil 2010 (Enes). Beloved brother of Nora Groenendyk (late Kees 2015). Cherished grandfather of seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, and fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Dan grew up in Guelph, Ontario and spent his early years working in the family candy and restaurant business, Doyle's Lunch, on Quebec Street. While still in high school, he began writing articles and humorous stories for The Guelph Review, a weekly newspaper. In 1950 he married and immigrated to the United States. Dan had a 30-year career with the Cadillac Division of General Motors in Detroit, where he proudly worked in management for product design and engineering. After retirement, Dan moved from Dearborn to Lake Somerset. It was there when he got back into writing and published his book "Paddy". It's a fictional story about family life in Michigan during the first year of the American Civil War, brilliantly adapting historical facts with humorous comedy. Dan became interested in the Civil War at an early age, as his great-grandfather, Stephen Hadfield, served with the 53rd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. In 1997, Dan created a website for the 53rd in the hopes of trying to locate all the Civil War Veterans who are buried in Canada. With a knack for history, Dan invested endless hours during retirement researching his family's ancestry from the Civil War to the Mayflower and beyond, uncovering many fascinating stories along the way. Through his many accolades, Dan's passion for life was evident to all who were fortunate to meet him and his presence will surely be missed. Cremation has taken place, but all are welcome to attend a special memorial mass that will be celebrated on Saturday, March 17, 2018 (St. Patrick's Day, Dan's favorite holiday) at St. Rita's Catholic Church, 10516 Hayes Road, Clarklake, MI 49234 at 11am. A luncheon will immediately follow at Cascades Manor, 1970 Kibby Road, Jackson, MI 49203. For luncheon reservations, please RSVP at paddymemorial.com by March 7, 2018.*



## **The Final Bugle Call Continued**

Submitted by Department Chaplain Charles Buckhahn, PCC

It is my sad duty to announce the death of our brother, **Alton F. "Corky" Conrad**. He was a member of the Albert & James Lyon Camp No. 266, in which he held the office of Camp Chaplain. He was born in Denver, CO., on October 2, 1931; and he passed in Ishpeming, MI., on January 12, 2018. He was 86 years old. His Civil War ancestor was Sgt. Elias B Flexer, Co. K, 163rd Reg. OVING. Elias was Corky's Great Great Grandfather.

Brother Conrad's obit is given below. Our prayers go out to the Conrad family and our brothers of Camp 266.

Ishpeming- Alton F. "Corky" Conrad III, age 86 Ishpeming resident passed away Friday January 12, 2018 at the Marquette County Medical Care Facility while in the loving care of family, staff at MCMCF, and Lake Superior Hospice.

Alton was born October 2, 1931 in Denver, CO to Alton F. and Madge (Test) Conrad Jr. Alton was a self-employed auctioneer and antique dealer owning and operating the Red Kettle for many years. He was an avid antique collector.

Corky enjoyed fishing, hunting, woodworking and playing cribbage in the Ishpeming cribbage league. He was a member of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Teal Lake Masonic Lodge #202 and Sons of the American Revolution.

Alton is survived by his loving wife Judy M. (Wallin) Conrad, whom he married on December 30, 1987, 6 children: Sandra (Thomas) Belt of Marquette, Madge Hupp of Ishpeming, Nannette (Wendell) Braley of Illinois, Toni (Kevin) Terzaghi of Michigamme, Al (Beth) Conrad IV of Garden, MI and John (Kathy) Conrad of Marquette, MI, 2 step sons Dana (Allison) Hietikko of L'Anse and Bryan (Debbie) Hietikko of Marshall, MI, a brother Jack (Nancy) Conrad of Ozan, AR, 19 grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Alton was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Walter Conrad and a granddaughter Caitlin Belt.

Alton's family will greet relatives and friends from 12:30pm-2:00pm, Saturday, January 20, 2018 at the Bjork and Zhulkie Funeral Home in Ishpeming where a memorial service will be held at 2:00pm with Paul Olson officiating.

Teal Lake Masonic Lodge #202 will offer its memorial service at 1:00 pm and the Sons of Union Veterans- Albert and James Lyon Camp No. 266 of the UP will conduct its memorial prior to the memorial service at 2:00 pm.

Honorary pallbearers will be Jon Compton, John Healey, Jeff Carlson, Bill Carter, Ryan Dishnow and Robert Remillard.

*Just before First Bull Run, a churchman announced "The Lord is on our side". Lincoln commented: "I am not at all concerned about that, for we know that the Lord is always on the side of right. But it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I and this nation should be on the Lord's side."*

# Second Chance



Perhaps you were not able to attend the 2017 National Encampment or maybe you did attend but would like another Michigan Badge. The badge was given to all representatives who attended the 2017 National Encampment.

We have a limited number of these left over and are offering them for sale to Department of Michigan members only at this time.

**The price is \$7.00 each**

There will be a number of these badges available at the Department Encampment in Lansing on May 5, 2018.

After that they may be ordered from the Department of Michigan Quartermaster. An additional mailing fee will be added for all mail orders.

*Please note there are NO MORE Custer Badges Available.*

## .....Also Available Last Chance.....



150<sup>th</sup> Department of Michigan Anniversary  
Approximately 1-3/4" x 1-3/4"

**\$5.00 each**

Limited Quantity



2017 National Encampment  
Banquet Table Favor  
Approximately 1" in diameter Very

**\$3.00 each**

Limited Quantity

## Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum

### Commemorates the 152nd Anniversary of the Grand Army of the Republic

**April 7 & April 8, 2018**

On the night of April 6, 1866, in Decatur, Illinois, 13 veterans of the Union Army of the Civil War, led by Major Benjamin Stephenson, gathered in an upstairs room in a small, unassuming brick building. Little did they realize that the organization they were forming would have so much influence on the country they fought to save.

Michigan's remembrance and commemoration of the 152nd anniversary of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place with a special Open House on Saturday, April 7th from 10 AM to 5 PM, and Sunday, April 8th from Noon to 5 PM at Michigan's Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall and Museum (224 South Main, Eaton Rapids, Michigan). In addition to the two floors of Grand Army artifacts and memorabilia, many other special exhibits will be on display throughout the day in the 1886-built former GAR Post building. Two full floors of special G.A.R. exhibits relating to the 90-years existence and accomplishments of the Grand Army will be available for viewing. A special 152nd birthday cake in honor of the Grand Army will be served on Saturday and refreshments will be served both days. Finally, on Saturday, experts also will be on site to help you identify and evaluate artifacts you may have from most any U.S military era.

**The Museum invites all members of the Allied Orders to bring items that they would like to exhibit from their own collections including G.A.R., Sons of Union Veterans and Auxiliary, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G.A.R., Daughters of Union Veterans, and Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.**

Please let either PCinC Keith Harrison ([GARmichigan@gmail.com](mailto:GARmichigan@gmail.com)) or PDC Gary Gibson ([Glgsuvcw@aol.com](mailto:Glgsuvcw@aol.com)) know by no later than Thursday, March 31st if you will be bringing an exhibit for one or two days and how much table space you will need. The Museum will have 4- and 6-foot tables available for exhibits, BUT given the limited space, tables will need to be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

Mark your calendars so you don't miss out on the **April 7 & 8, 2018** commemoration as Michigan celebrates the Grand Army of the Republic. Free Admission to the Museum. The Museum will have 4- and 6-foot tables available for exhibits, BUT given the limited space, tables will need to be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

## ***AN OPEN INVITATION***

### **Robert Finch # 14 Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War**

Presents a Headstone Dedication for 10 Civil War Heroes

**Date: Saturday 19 May 2018 10:00 AM**

**Oakwood Cemetery Traverse City**

**Across from Fire Station # 1**

**8th and Fair Streets**

**N. 44.75841**

**W. -85.58899**

**Caleb Bennet, Co I, 5<sup>th</sup> MI CAV, DOB 25 Aug 1844, DOD 4 Dec 1908**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Block 241 Lot 2**

**Charles Elmer Devall, Co F 3<sup>rd</sup> MI CAV, DOB 14 Sept 1847 DOD 21 Aug 1912**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Block 421, Lot 5**

**Cornelius F Jordan, Co C 37 IL INF, DOB 24 May 1826, DOD 24 May 1913**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Block 241**

**Edmund Beavis, Co H pt MI LA, DOB 1823, DOD 28 Oct 1910 Plat 1, Block 063**

**George H Reeves, Co D 3<sup>rd</sup> NY LART, Co U 3<sup>rd</sup> NY LART, DOB 1837 DOD 23 Oct 1911**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Block 241**

**Henry H Ferguson, Co K 101<sup>st</sup> IN INF, DOB 1846 DOD 14 Aug 1922**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition Block 241**

**John Crotty, Co C 10 MI CAV, DOB 1846, DOD 30 Jan 1906**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Block 155**

**Mortimer VanHyning, Co G 29 OH INF, DOB Sept 1844, DOD 16 Dec 1923**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Block 241**

**Stephen F Smith, Co B 11 PA INF, DOB 9 Jan 1837, DOD 16 Apr 1912**

**1<sup>st</sup> Addition, Block 323**

**William Earls, Co F 76 NY INF/Co G 147 NY INF, DOB 14 Mar 1840, DOD 19 May 1909**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Addition, Block 281, Lot 01**

**Daniel F Stamp, Co E 13 MI INF, DOB 4 May 1830, DOD 16 May 1902**

**Headstone misplaced in Plat 2. Block 155. To Be Correctly Moved To 1<sup>st</sup> Addition. Block 241**

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan Infantry

By James B. Pahl, PCinC

*(The account is based upon and quotes frequently from "Michigan in the War" compiled by J. Robertson, Adjutant General.)*

*"The morning of the battle call, to every soldier dear!  
Oh joy, the cry is forward! Oh joy, the foe is near!  
For all the crafty men of peace have failed to purge the land;  
Hurrah! The ranks of battle close! God takes his cause in hand."*

*The twenty-second regiment was raised in the counties of Oakland, Livingston, Macomb, St. Clair, Lapeer and Sanilac, being what was then the fifth congressional district. Its rendezvous was at Pontiac, Hon. Moses Wisner (who had lately been governor of the State) having charge of the camp. He was afterwards commissioned colonel of the regiment.*

*The recruitment of the 22<sup>nd</sup> commenced July 15, 1862 and was completed August 29, when it was mustered into service. The regiment took its route for Kentucky via Cincinnati on September 4, being 997 strong, in command of Col. Wisner. Just before leaving Pontiac, young ladies of that city presented the regiment with its flag. This flag was defended at Chickamauga in the heroic charge of the regiment nobly, where three color bears were killed, several wounded with nearly the entire regiment killed, wounded or prisoners.*

*The regiment, now under the command of Colonel Le Favour, served in the 3<sup>rd</sup> brigade, 2<sup>nd</sup> division, Army of Central Kentucky. It remained in that state until April 13, 1863. The regiment moved to Nashville, where it remained until September 5, when it moved to Bridgeport, Alabama, then on to Ringgold, Georgia.*

*It did not participate in the first day's battle at Chickamauga, but was engaged with large loss on the second day, September 20, being then part of 3<sup>rd</sup> brigade, 2<sup>nd</sup> division, reserve corp of the Army of the Cumberland. The regiment went into this action with 584 officers and men and suffered a total loss of 372 killed, wounded or missing, along with losing its colors. Among the prisoners taken by the confederates was Col. Le Favour. With Col. Le Favour prisoner and Lt. Col. Sanborn wounded, Capt A. M. Keeler assumed command until he was also taken prisoner.*

*What remained of the regiment was ordered to the rear and on Sept 23, proceeded to Moccasin Point on the north bank of the Tennessee River. The regiment was employed in building fortifications and was under continuous fire from rebel batteries on Lookout Mountain. While assigned to 3<sup>rd</sup> brigade, second division of the 14<sup>th</sup> corp, they were actually attached to the Engineer brigade under chief engineer General William Smith.*

*During this time, the engaged in the usual duties of the engineer brigade, building a road from Chattanooga to Brown's Ferry, then a pontoon bridge on the Tennessee River and then a second bridge back at Chattanooga. After that they were employed in repairing the railroad and railroad bridges; then building storehouses and similar duty.*

*In early November, detachments were sent up the river and employed in cutting and rafting timber to Chattanooga while others were setting up a portable steam saw-mill at Moccasin Point and getting out lumber.*

*Under the command of Lt. Col Dean, the regiment continued on engineering duties until May 26, 1864 when it was ordered to Brown's Mill Creek, Georgia and placed into brigade with the 9<sup>th</sup> Michigan, being the reserve brigade, Army of the Cumberland. It participated in the movements of the Army of the Cumberland in its march to Atlanta.*

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The regiment was again engaged in building bridges. On August 27<sup>th</sup>, the encamped at Red Oak on the Montgomery railroad and destroyed part of that road. Returning in the direction of Atlanta, they were placed on provost duty under October 31. They then moved to Marietta, Georgia and then formed part of the escort to the headquarters of Major General Thomas.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> remained in Chattanooga through the winter of 1864/65 as provost guard of the army and furnished guards for steamers leaving that port. They were also engaged in building barracks.

On April 1, 1865, the regiment was transferred from the reserve brigade to the command of Major General Steedman, commanding the District of Etowah, where it continued to serve until June 20, when it was ordered to Nashville. The regiment was mustered out June 26<sup>th</sup> and on the 27<sup>th</sup>, left for Michigan by rail via Louisville. They arrived in Detroit on the 30<sup>th</sup>, where they were paid off and discharged on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July, 1865.

The regiment while in service, was engaged at: Danville, Ky, March 24, 1863; Hickman's Bridge, KY, March 27, 1863; Pea Vine Creek, TN, September 17, 1863; McAfee's Church, TN September 19, 1863; Chickamauga, GA, September 20, 1863; Wantahatchie (Near Chattanooga), TN September 28 to October 28, 1863; Mission Ridge, TN November 23, 1863; Atlanta, GA July 22 and 23, 1864. The regiment carried on its rolls 1,586 and lost 374, being 1 officer and 52 killed in action, 2 officers and 27 men died of wounds and 3 officers and 289 men died of disease.

For 30 years following the war the survivors of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan searched for the colors lost at Chickamauga. While in Washington, James Greeson of Company I, 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan discovered a book in the War Department containing an inventory of the property captured by the Union Army at the surrender of Richmond which listed "two flags of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan Infantry". It took an act of Congress, but finally on September 4, 1895, 32 years after their presentation; these flags were restored to the survivors of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan at a reunion held in the city of Pontiac. Several of the ladies who originally presented the flags were present to celebrate the occasion.

(Attached to the regimental history in the official Adjutant Generals Report on Michigan in the War, second edition published in 1882, is this following – repeated verbatim here)

NOTE: In August or September, 1862 and soon after the 18<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> regiments went into the field in Kentucky, they were brigaded under the command of Col. Doolittle of the 18<sup>th</sup>. The government at that time being remarkable careful of rebel property, both man and beast, it became necessary for Col. Doolittle to issue an order against killing hogs. In the 22<sup>nd</sup> was the waif Johnny Clem, who had straggled from his home with an Ohio regiment and then joined the 22<sup>nd</sup> Michigan. The first that is known of this little wanderer of ten summers – small enough to live in a drum – he is beating the long roll for the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Although a mere child, he had learned all sorts of tricks from the soldiers and did not fully yield obedience to all orders. One morning the Colonel heard a musket report in the immediate vicinity of the camp and being desirous of finding out the cause, hurried out among the bushes and there found Johnny and his victim, a hog. "John" says the Colonel, "don't you know that it is against orders to kill hogs?" "I know it, but, Colonel, I don't intend to let any rebel hog bite me!"

At Chickamauga, he was a marker. On Sunday of the battle the little fellow's occupation is gone. He picks up a gun fallen from some dying hand, finds ammunition and begins on his own account blazing away close to the ground, like a fire-fly in the grass. Late in the waning day, this waif, left almost alone in the whirl of battle, a rebel colonel dashes up, looks down upon him and orders his surrender. "Surrender," he shouts, "you little ----!"

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Scarcely were the words spoken, like a flash Johnny brought his piece to order, slipped his hand to the hammer, swings up the gun to a charge bayonet. The rebel raised his saber to strike, the glancing barrel lifted into range and the haughty colonel tumbled from his horse.

Clem was afterwards captured, but says that after most of the regiment had been made prisoners by a large force of rebels and were being marched to the rear, they were fired upon by another rebel force, when he dropped as if shot and after lying for some time on the ground under the escort moved off, he traveled to Chattanooga during the night, a distance of about ten miles.

This boy attracted the attention of the noble-hearted Thomas, who sent him to school at his own expense, then obtained an appointment for him at West Point, and he is now a very gentlemanly officer of the army. (written 1882)



Dedication of the Michigan Monument at Chickamauga , September 18, 19 & 20, 1895



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SUVCW Pre-Registration Fee is \$5.00 (\$10.00 at the Door) Make

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**Mail no later than 19 March 2018 to:**

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**MICHIGAN STATE ENCAMPMENT**

MAY 4 – 5, 2018

**Ramada Inn, 7501 W Saginaw Hwy, Lansing MI 48917 517-627-3211**  
**Great Lakes Christian College, 6211 W Willow Hwy, Lansing MI 48917**

**ENTERTAINMENT-Friday night**-Bring your favorite board game, decks of cards, etc.  
**Saturday night**-There will be an Ice Cream Social after dinner at the hotel.

We will be meeting at 12:15pm and 5:15pm in the Chapel for prayer prior to the meals.

**ALL MEAL RESERVATIONS AND MONEY MUST BE RECEIVED BY**  
**APRIL 1, 2018**  
**THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Make checks payable to: **AOECC**

**Mail your meal reservation and check to:**  
Jim Pahl 445 W Maple St Mason MI 48854

**MEAL RESERVATIONS**

\_\_\_\_\_ (number of meals) Friday night, May 4, 2018      **\$13.95** per person  
Meal is at the Ramada Inn at **6:00pm**. **Everyone is welcome at this meal.**  
**HAMBURGER BUFFET...**1/4 pound all beef hamburgers, served with potato salad, baked beans, buns, potato chips, sliced cheeses, lettuce, onion, ketchup, mustard, and mayonnaise. Ice tea, coffee, decaf coffee, hot tea.

\_\_\_\_\_ (number of meals) Saturday Lunch, May 5, 2018      **\$8.00** per person  
Meal is at the College at **12:30pm**.  
**MEAL INCLUDES...**Salad Bar, 2 Soups, Deli meats and bread, and finger desserts.

\_\_\_\_\_ (number of meals) Saturday Banquet, May 5, 2018      **\$20.00** per person  
Meal is at the College at **5:30pm**.  
**MEAL INCLUDES...**Salad Bar, Lasagna and Lemon Herbed Chicken Breast, Hot Vegetables, Roll and Butter, and Plated Desserts.

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