



DEPARTMENT
OF
NEW JERSEY

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2024



FROM THE DESK OF THE COMMANDER COMMANDER

Frank Tomasello PCC

On June 8, 2024, the New Jersey Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War held its 142nd annual Encampment in Toms River, New Jersey. I was humbled and grateful for the honor bestowed upon me in being elected to be your Department Commander. It was indeed an honor and a pleasure to have PCinC Michael Paquette to conduct the Department installation ritual, and I thank him for that. I fully intend to serve the Department to the best of my ability.

I would also like to thank PDC Godin for bestowing on me the Department's Good Citizenship award at the Encampment. It was completely unexpected and I was thrilled to receive it. The award was ostensibly for my work on the Department newsletter, the "N.J. Telegraph". The mantle of editor, according to our by-laws, must pass to our newly elected Senior Vice Commander, Brother Peter Lindsay. It will be hard to let "my baby" go. But I am without a trace of doubt that Brother Lindsay is more than up to the task and I eagerly await seeing his fresh perspective.

I stated in my acceptance speech that I have two goals for the Department this year. The first is to complete the National's "Last Soldier" project. For those unfamiliar with this, it requires us to determine the last Civil War soldier to pass away in each County of the State. I am aware that some Counties have already been completed. I asked that each New Jersey Camp report the status of the Counties in their geographic area as soon as possible. For those counties not completed, a plan to accomplish the job of honoring these veterans will be devised. If a Camp is lacking any resources to do so, the Department stands ready to assist. It is almost an embarrassment to the Department that in a State of 21 counties, this has not been done. Moreso, given that the State of Wisconsin, with 72 counties, spread over a much larger geographic area, completed their Last Soldier project years ago and is now assisting a sister state with theirs. We can do it. We must do it. We shall do it

My second goal is to bolster the Department's financial resources. Although the Department is on very secure financial footing, we are not as well off as some Departments and additional funds would allow us to do more to further the goals of our Order. Other Department do this through the sale of name badges, jackets, etc. We should try this as well. A committee was appointed to look into accomplishing this and I look forward to hearing their findings in the near future.

Finally, as no one Brother makes a Department, I want to thank those who either are continuing to serve the Department in their current role(s) or are in a Department office, or new office, for the first time. I thank you all and depend upon you to make our Department strong.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Frank Tomasello,

Commander, Department of New Jersey.

OFFICE OF THE EDITOR

Sr. Vice

Greetings from the new Senior Vice Commander. Thank you for placing your trust in me for this position considering that it seems I jumped over service as Junior Vice Commander. I can't say I have done very much in office so far as my contribution to the Order has been at September's meeting of the Kearny Camp. Nonetheless, I was thinking of you when I took these pictures while vacationing in Saratoga Springs, NY this week. It is the monument to the NYS 77th Volunteers in Congress Park. The monument's plaque describes their service in the war. There is an additional, and much newer plaque, acknowledging the contribution of a Camp of the SUVCW Department of New York for its contribution in restoring the monument.

Peter Lindsay



OFFICE OF THE JR. VICE COMMANDER

Jr. Vice Bryan Sigmund

From the Junior Vice Commander

There's something unique about all of us in the SUVCW. We all had an ancestor that was a young man getting ready to fight around about the same time; in the early 1860's. We also never met them and got to know what they were really like. That's why looking at some advertisements in THEIR heyday gives us a fun little glimpse in how they used language, appeal, and communication. Col. Francine would like to share some of his Ol' Timey favorites. Write in some of your favorites to the NJ Department news!



Boonton Meat Market,

BROOK STREET, NEAR MAIN.

**BEEF, VEAL, MUTTON, LAMB, PORK, HAM,
CORNER BEEF, BOLOGNA, &C.**



Prices Very Reasonable to Suit the Times.

April 16, 1885.

FRANK HUNKELE.

!SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

REMEMBRANCE DAY IN GETTYSBURG

By Dave Hann PDC

Dear Brothers,

As many of you know, Saturday November 16th is the 68th Annual Remembrance Day parade in Gettysburg, PA These are the following rules concerning dress for the parade. All persons participating in the annual Remembrance Day Parade will be dressed in American Civil War era attire or Grand Army of the Republic uniform.

Footwear must be appropriate for the Civil War era uniform or dress authorized by this Order. Parade participants may not wear sandals, sneakers, and similar modern-day footwear.

Only the following will be permitted to march in the annual Remembrance Day Parade in modern

business suits or dress attire with the badge of the

Order affixed. Brothers of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sisters of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sisters of the

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sisters

of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of

the Civil War, Sisters of the Women's Relief Corps, Members of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

Please be aware this means you can march but NO ONE participating in the parade may ride in or on or operate a motorized vehicle or conveyance except police and emergency vehicles necessary to secure the safety of parade participants. This includes such items as scooters, rascals etc. This year the SVR breakfast will be on Saturday November 16th at the newly remodeled Eisenhower Hotel & Convention Center. Information and registration will be sent out shortly. Saturday, November 16th at 11:00 A.M., a brief ceremony and wreath placing will take at the Albert Woolson Monument

The Original Civil War Ball, hosted by the Sons of Veterans Reserve will be held from 8 pm to Midnight on November 16th (during Remembrance Day weekend) at the newly remodeled Eisenhower Hotel & Convention Center located at 2634 Emmitsburg Rd, Gettysburg, PA 17325. Tickets: \$20/person in advance, \$25/person at the door Send stamped, self-addressed envelope and check payable to "SVR Ball" to: Col. Steve Michaels, SVR 6623 S. North Cape Road Franklin, WI 53132-1227 Cell: (414) 712-4655 Lt.col.sm@gmail.com Orders received after 12 November will be distributed at the door.

If you are planning on going to Gettysburg for Remembrance Day and you don't want to march have, I got a job for you! I need a few volunteers to help man a recruiting table that will be set up at the Gettysburg Heritage Center on Saturday November 16 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at IC1stMarylandES@aol.com or you can call me at 609-816-2012



CAMPFIRE NEWS

CAMPS OF THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT CAMP 4 - PRESIDENT JAMES A. GARFIELD

Serving the Trenton/Lawrenceville area
Commander Tim Murphy

Lone Bugler Honors Veterans

General James A. Garfield Camp #4 members Sergeant Joshua Lathrop (New Jersey National Guard) and his father James Lathrop continue the annual "The Lone Bugler" program started in 2001 by 1st Sergeant Richard J. Pinter, US Army Retired (1940- 2015).

With the assistance of his mother, Tina, several other family members and friends, and family members of 1st SGT Pinter, the Lathrops travel every Memorial Day to up to five cemeteries in Burlington and Mercer Counties, ending at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Arneytown, NJ. At each cemetery, Josh gives a talk to gathered attendees about the meaning and history of Memorial Day and how we and the Nation honor veterans who died for their country. Each program ends with Josh playing Taps in honor of military veterans and their families.



CAMP 7 - COLONEL LOUIS R. FRANCINE

Serving Hammonton, Turnersville, and points east
Commander: Bryan Sigmund

On May 27th the Camp participated in the annual Hammonton Memorial Day parade, and our SVR unit provided Brothers for the rifle salute. On Thursday May 30th we held traditional Memorial Day services at Greenmount Cemetery. This is the 33rd year that we have done this, and we hold the event rain or shine. The Camp had a great showing at the recent Department Encampment with over 10 Brothers in attendance and was honored to have Past Camp Commander Frank Tomasello elected to the Office of Department Commander and our current Camp Commander elected to the Office of Department Junior Vice Commander.

On July 4th the Camp participated in the annual Hammonton July 4th Parade and had Brothers Bryan Sigmund and Dave Hann PDC attended the National Encampment in Lexington Kentucky on August 2-4. where Brother Hann was elected to the National Council of Administration. As always we have Brothers working on cleaning and resetting gravestones. The Camp is presently preparing for fall activities as the annual Batsto Country Living Fair, our annual Toys for Tots toy drive and the annual Remembrance Day Parade in Gettysburg



CAMP 10 - BRIGADIER GENERAL NATHANIEL LYON

Serving Vineland and Cumberland counties

Dylan J. Wettstein

Camp Commander

On March 13th, the Lyon Camp held an online Zoom meeting and enjoyed a good representation as well as several visitors from the Francine Camp #7. The Camp discussed old business and new business and began a new cemetery cleanup project at Ambury Hill Cemetery, a cemetery of forgotten veterans of the United States Colored Troops. A committee was formed to work on the project. Dylan J. Wettstein was elected as CC, Bryan Sigmund as SVC, and Morell Wolf PCC as JVC. Robert Wilhelm PDC was reelected to serve as Secretary-Treasurer.

At the headstone event, the two Camps joined together and collaborated and cleaned well over fifteen headstones in Ambury Hill, and the two USCT Veterans in nearby Springtown. The Camps were also delighted to be joined by Robin Winrow of the Bethel AME Church who gave the party a tour of the building, the same building where Harriet Tubman had lived for a few years. The event ended in a great success. At the May 15th Camp Meeting, the Lyon Camp had the pleasure and honor to welcome Department Commander Jay Godin. The Camp discussed various issues such as the Camp Website and its New Jersey GAR Preservation, and also updates on the Cemetery clean up. On May 27th, the Camp participated in its annual appearance in the Vineland Memorial Day Parade in Vineland. The Camp marched down Landis Ave, and then stopped at the Lyon Post GAR Monument to give a short service. Brother Robert Wilhelm gave a short opening, Brother Chaplin Jon-Mark Grussenmeyer gave the benediction, CC Wettstein read Logan's Orders, and a member of the Cornelia Hancock Auxiliary read the Gettysburg Address. On May 29th, Patricia Wilhelm PDP, the Chaplain of Cornelia Hancock Auxillary 10, Placed a new GAR Grave Marker and Flag on the grave of a previously unmarked civil war veteran. Joshua Nickerson (her Great-Grandfather) a member of Co B, 33rd Massachusetts Infantry and a Past Commander of Shin Post #6 GAR buried in Port Norris Cemetery just before Memorial Day. At the Department Encampment on June 8th, the Lyon Camp had representative CC Wettstein, in attendance. CC Wettstein gave a report on past year Camp activities and also updated the Encampment on GAR Record Preservation. The Camp met in July 20th, and initiated four new brothers, and discussed business. CC Wettstein attended the National Encampment in Lexington, Kentucky in early August. CC Wettstein called for a meeting in September 14th.



CAMP 17 - MAJOR GENERAL GEORGE ARMSTRONG CUSTER

Serving Ocean County and parts of Monmouth and Middlesex counties

Commander: Cliff "Kip" Bebout

With assistance of Secretary Clark & our Camp Commander . Cliff, we research & pin pointed the historic location of GAR Post #46, Long Branch. Home of the "Gallant 14th", The Heroic Monacacy Regiment.

Working with Mayor Pallone & Long Branch Historian Janice Grace we have created a accurate 2 sided plaque for placement on Broadway property in Long Banch to recognize this location and it's significance in not just SUCWV community as well as local pride for the awesome actions taken by the Gallant NJ 14th.

We also have found and are looking into restore/repair the name sake of Long Branch Post #46's, Lt. James B. Morris's burial site which has toppled center stone/spire.

CAMP 20 - MAJOR GENERAL PHILLIP KEARNY

Serving Hudson, Bergen, Somerset Essex counties and parts of Passaic and Middlesex
Commander: James Halloran

On May 11 Kearny Camp 20 unveiled its marker sign for GAR Post 101 in Westwood, NJ. On hand were representatives from the American Legion and VFW posts, the Mayor of Westwood, and the Westwood Heritage Society. Also in attendance were Kearny Camp Commander Jim Halloran, Peter Lindsay, and Chris Sands. The honor guard included a reenactor from the 39th NY Regiment Garibaldi Guard. The Heritage Society displayed the original charter for the GAR post.

May 18 General Phil Kearny Camp #20 held a meeting at the Abraham Clark Memorial House

On May 27, 2024, the Archdiocese of Newark (NJ) honored the nation's fallen soldiers with public Memorial Day Masses at several of its Catholic cemeteries.

The Memorial Day Masses are being held to “honor the memory of fallen heroes, acknowledge the service of veterans and active-duty military personnel, and include prayers for all those interred in archdiocesan cemeteries and mausoleums.”

Dr Richard D. Riva, Senior Vice Commander of General Philip Kearny Camp #20, participated in the ceremonies at Holy Sepulcher Cemetery in East Orange, NJ

Chris Sands presented a SUVCW Medal to Cadet Julian Batista of Belleville High School Army JROTC on the Army's Birthday! Certificate and Medal for Cadet Zayas from Perth Amboy High School Naval JROTC.

The Camp was an advertiser in the program for the NJ Historic Preservation Conference in Jersey City this week. The camp's membership trifolds were included in the program packets given to attendees.

The camp just wrapped up the Civil War Biography Project as part of a summer intern program (sponsored by Millburn/Short Hills Historical Society (MSHHS)) with an Open House at the MSHHS Museum.

The Camp mentored 5 summer (high school) interns on a project to document the lives and Civil War service of 16 local Millburn veterans. The result was biographical posters which were displayed at the Open House. A presentation will be made this Fall to the Millburn Board of Education, followed by an exhibit at Millburn Public Library in the Spring of 2025.



CAMP 73 - GENERAL WINFIELD SCOTT

Serving the South Plainfield area Commander:

Commander Robert Meyer PDC

General Winfield Scott Camp # 73. has been working with the Society of the Grand Army of the Republic. Private Frederick S Westlake Post#1 Department of New Jersey. On Civil War signage with General Custer Camp number 17. General Philip Kearny Camp#20.

The Camp meeting dates are as follows;

September 28th 2024.

November 2nd, 2024.

Our Christmas party on December 14th.
2024.

All meetings mentioned above. Start at 10:00 AM and meet at Van Veghten House. 9 Van Veghten Dive. Bridgewater NJ. 08807. Everyone is welcome at our meetings. And would love to have Department Officers attend any of these meetings

We also are looking to have a few Brothers join us at Gettysburg for Remembrance Day. I would also like to point out, at the Department Encampment in Toms River, New Jersey. he camp Donated \$100 to help support our Department in its fundraising effort.

The Camp would like to thank PDC Godin for an outstanding job that he has done over the last 2 years and we wish further success on our newly elected Department Commander. Cmdr Frank Tomasello.

CAMP 82 - JAMES S. STRATTON

Commander Bruce Lutz

We played 3 Memorial Day events; a concert and 2 ceremonies at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Philadelphia, and a parade each in Glassboro and in Malvern, Pa. We played 2 parades for Independence Day, in Evesham and in Cape May. We honored the life of one of our own [not SUV eligible] in a memorial concert and ceremony on August 23. We look forward to a Civil War Ball on October 26 in Glassboro and to taking part in Remembrance Day on November 16. On our way home from Gettysburg, we will be playing a special concert in Columbia, Pa. to help raise money for their food bank.



CAMP 100 - PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN THE STATE CAMP OF NEW JERSEY

Serving the entire state. Meets in Hightstown and Cranbury
in the central area of the state.

Commander: David Potts

Captain (Ret) Richard Forman, Lincoln Camp #100 presents the National Sojourners Medal to 2LT Pooja Patel at the Seton Hall Army ROTC Awards Ceremony last Saturday.



From the Banner for 1953

New Jersey-N. J. State Camp will be instituted April 9 (Appomattox Day) at a dinner meeting at Princeton Inn, Princeton, N. J. . Dean Harold Morrison, principal of Bordentown Military Institute io be the principal speaker, and Sr. Vice C. in C. Gen. U.S. Grant 3rd will present the charter . Anyone interested in becoming a Charter member of this Camp is urged to contact any of the Dep't officers .

New Jersey-Our Dep't Encampment will be held at the Hotel Jefferson, Atlantic City, June 19-201953. meetings of both Sons and Aux. will be held in the Hotel. All Camps report readiness for Memorial Day decoration and observance. Abraham Lincoln Camp 100 (the State Camp of N. J.) had an auspicious start on April 25 with 28 charter members; much will be heard from this Camp.

CAMP 104 - SERGEANT HIRAM W. PURSELL

Serving the northwest quadrant of New Jersey consisting of the following counties: Hunterdon, Morris (partial), Passaic (partial), Sussex, and Warren.
Commander Jeff Heagy PDC

Camp 104 held a special meeting on Thursday, Sept 10 to catch up on business and fellowship from our summer vacation. We normally meet on the 2nd Thursday of even-numbered months, excluding August. At this meeting, we rescheduled 3 CW grave re-dedications which were postponed in May due to health issues of several brothers.

They are:

- 1) Pvt Moses Housel - Fountain Grove Cemetery (Glen Gardner) at 11AM (SVC Russ Hoffman's ancestor)
 - 2) MOH Capt Henry Crocker - Washington Cemetery - approx noon
- Lunch at Hot Dog Johnny's in Butzville
- 3) Gen Robert MacAllister - Belvidere Cemetery

GAR flag holders have been purchased for the occasion.

Camp 104 held a special meeting on Thursday, Sept. 12. This was scheduled to catch up on business from the summer months. We normally meet every even numbered month except August at the Hunterdon County Library near Flemington. We've rescheduled 3 grave rededications for Thursday, October 10. Originally this was planned for Memorial Day week but was postponed due to health issues of a few members.

The veterans to be honored are:

- Pvt. Moses Housel, buried in Glen Gardner (SVC Russ Hoffman's ancestor)
Capt. Chas Crocker, MOH buried in Washington, NJ
Gen. Robt. MacAllister, buried in Belvidere

On Saturday, Sept. 14, Camp 104 will participate in the Last Soldier Ceremony for Pvt. Chas. Duckworth, 18th Pa Vol Cav. He is the last soldier of Bucks County as well as the last soldier of Pennsylvania. Duckworth died in 1949 and is buried in the Newtown Cemetery. Camp 104's attendance is appropriate as it's namesake, Sgt. Hiram W. Pursell is the sole MOH from Bucks County, PA.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

New Jersey Department Encampment

On June 8th the New Jersey Department, SUVCW met for the 142nd year. It was another great Encampment as for the first time in a long time we had representatives from all our Camps in attendance. We were honored to have Past Commander-in-Chief Mike Paquette in attendance representing the Commander-in-Chief. Colonel Louis R. Francine Camp # 7 Camp won the Lambert/Combs award for the second year in a row and PCC Frank Tomasello received the Good Citizenship award. This year's election was a little different as the Brother running for Department Senior Vice Commander was unable to attend and therefore could not be nominated nor elected. This left an opening for the office of Junior Vice Commander and nominations were taken off the floor. The following Brothers were elected. Frank Tomasello PCC from Francine Camp # 7, was elected Department Commander, Peter Lindsay PCC from Kearney Camp 20, Department Senior Vice Commander, Bryan Sigmund Camp Commander from Francine Camp # 7 as Department Junior Vice Commander, and Dr David Martin PDC as Department Secretary/Treasurer Congratulations to all.



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2024-2025

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2024 SUVCW NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

On August 2-4 the 143rd National Encampment was held at the Historic Cambell House in Lexington Kentucky. The New Jersey Department had three representatives Department Junior Vice Commander Bryan Sigmund, Past Department Commander Dave Hann and Camp Commander Dylan Wettstein, The National Encampment is where the work of the order gets done and where National Officers are elected. Elected Commander in Chief this year was Kevin Martin. Many of you will remember Commander Kevin as he has attended a few of our Department Encampments representing the Commander-in-Chief. Commander Kevin's wife Rosemary was elected the National President of the Auxiliary to the SUVC. This year we had a candidate for a National Office as PDC Dave Hann was running for a spot on the National Council of Administration which he did win and now has a three year term on the Council of Administration . The National Encampment is always a great time. You get to meet Brothers from throughout the order and establish friendships. The 144th National Encampment of the Sons will be August 7 - August 10, 2025 Houston, Texas. Hope to see you there.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Did you know that you can see back issues of the Banner
Check out suvchw.org/banner-1956-1975



Department Commander Frank Tomasello with PC-in-C Mike Paquette
with Past NJ Department Commanders



New National Officers for the year 2025

OUR BROTHERS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to PDC Robert Myers on receiving the 4 Chaplin award from the American legion in Kearny New Jersey on March 16th 2024I . Brother Myers will receive Presidential Gold Volunteer Service award and medal in October from the President of the United States for his work with Veterans. He was recommended for the Chaplin's award by Brother James J Halloran Jr. who is also a recipient of the 4 chaplains Award as well.

Congratulation to PDC Dr. David Martin on receiving the Elmer (Bud) Atkinson Lifetime Achievement Award 30 years of good service to our order at the recent National Encampment in Lexington, Kentucky. Anyone who knows Brother Martin knows of his long dedication to our Department. and the the history of the Civil War.. Well deserved Brother Dave

Congratulations to Department Commander Frank Tomasello for not only his election but on his appointment to Public Information Officer of the 2nd Military District with the rank of 1st Lieutenant .

Congratulations to Department Junior Vice Commander Bryan Sigmund who is currently serving on the National Headquarters site Committee

Congratulations to Lyon Camp Commander Dylan Wettstein who is serving on the National Fraternal Relations Committee.

Congratulations to PDC Dave Hann on his election to the National Council of Administration and to his reappointment a Chairman of the National Fund Raising Committee.

OUR BROTHERS IN ACTION



Camp #104 at the Militia Museum of NJ and at the last soldier ceremony



Camp #7 and Camp # 10 working on gravestone cleaning and restoration



PDC Meyer receiving the Chaplain award



CC Wettstein with PC-in-C Hrisko



July 4th Parade Hammonton,



PDC Martin and DC Tomasello



PDC Hann doing what he does best

THE HISTORY OF THE LAMBERT/COMBS AWARD.

The Lambert/Combs Award was created during the term of PDC David Hann to encourage Camps to recruit new Brothers. This award goes to the Camp with the new Brothers recruited within a year. I thought that you might like a little history of the two Past Commander-in-Chiefs from New Jersey . It should be noted that Both Past C-in-C were one-time members of Garfield Camp # 4.

From the October 1975 edition of the Banner
Albert C Lambert.

Past Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW 1941 Occasionally, in the course of human events, there lives a man who stands tall among his fellow men. Such a man was Albert C. Lambert .Albert's primary interest and activity was the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. His first, strong conviction was loyalty to his camp and his greatest pride was his membership in our Organization. A member from his 18th year until his death on September 3, 1975 at age 70, he held every high office in his own camp, the New Jersey Department, and the National Organization. He was prone to minimize the mention of his many titles and many times said, "First and foremost, I'm a member, like you. "We have suffered a great loss but no one knew better than Albert himself that when great leaders of the past have gone on to their Eternal Rest our organization and its work have gone on, safe in the hands of dedicated men. Rather than concern ourselves with the difficulty of filling the void that this Brother's passing has left, let us instead honor his memory by keeping sacred the heritage of love and devotion bequeathed to us through his sincerity and loyalty. Albert was a pillar in all of his endeavors and the shadow of his dedication has touched all of us. He has left his mark of integrity upon this world and his memory will never fade from those who benefited from his inspiration and guidance. This man indeed stood tall

From the February 1997 edition of the Banner
Fred H. Combs, Jr

Elected Commander-in-Chief at the 88th National Encampment August 21. in St. Louis, Missouri. Brother Combs is a member of Gen. James A. Garfield Camp No. 4 of Trenton, N. J. He served as New Jersey Department Commander in 1953 and has filled many Camp and Department Offices in various capacities. During the past year he has filled the office of Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief. His paternal great grandfather was Henry Ent, who served with the 6th Regiment United States Cavalry during the Civil War, and his maternal great grandfather was August Levi who served in Company D, 68th New York Regiment. A graduate of Rutgers University, he received his Masters Degree in Education there in 1952. He is a former High School Principal and a former Superintendent of Schools. At present he is affiliated with the New Jersey Department of Education in the Division of Controversies and Disputes. He and his wife, Marion have two daughters, Janet and Carol. They are members of the Slackwood Presbyterian Church. A veteran in his own right, he served in the U. S. Army Air Force from 1943 to 1946

AUXILIARY TO THE NJ SUVCW

THE NEW JERSEY AUXILIARY NEEDS YOU!

Sadly, right now the New Jersey Department Auxiliary no longer exists but we have two Auxiliaries at Large. They are Hancock Auxiliary # 10 and Thorn Auxiliary # 14

As the wife, sister, daughter, legally adopted daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter and so forth, niece and grandniece and so forth, not less than twelve (12) years of age, of a deceased or honorably discharged Soldier, Sailor or Marine who served in the Union Army, Navy or Coast Guard (including Revenue Cutter Service) during the Civil War of 1861 to 1865.

As the wife, widow, mother or legally adopted daughter of a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, with lineage, in good standing.

Associates: Those ladies who do not qualify for membership under #1 or #2 above, but who desire to affiliate with the ASUVCW.

Junior Members: Those young ladies between the ages of six (6) and eleven (11), who otherwise qualify for membership under #1 or #2 above.

It would be nice to see the Auxiliary active once again. Brothers, please talk to your wives, daughters, sisters and consider joining the ASUVCW

Attached to Lyon Camp # 10 s Auxiliary
Hancock Auxiliary # 10.

Attached the the Colonel Francine Camp # 7 is Auxiliary
Elizabeth Thorn # 14

FINAL MUSTER



WINFIELD JOSEPH ATNO, CUSTER CAMP #17 SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

REV. FREDDIE ALLAN FREESE, SCOTT CAMP # 73 JANUARY 4, 2024

BROTHER MATTHEW JORDAN, LYON CAMP # 10 FEBRUARY 15, 2024

BROTHER NORM WILEY, FRANCINE CAMP # 7 MARCH 15, 2024

OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO THE CAMP BROTHERS AND TO THEIR
FAMILIES.