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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 1**

**Series 2020-2021**

**14 June 2020**

**2020-2021 Elected and Staff Officers**

On 6 June 2020 at Lee's Summit, Missouri, delegates to the 25<sup>th</sup> Department Encampment elected their officers. Delegates to the 139<sup>th</sup> National Encampment were elected. One Council member continues to serve an unexpired term. On 10 June 2020 Brother Gary Scheel, whose Council position would expire in 2021, offered his resignation. In compliance with Article III, Section 4, of our Department Bylaws, our Council on that same day elected Brother Robert Aubuchon as replacement for the remainder of Brother Scheel's term.

<b>ELECTED OFFICE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CAMP</b>
Commander	Sumner Gary Hunnewell, PCC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Senior Vice Commander	Joseph Rainey, PCC	Gen. James McPherson Camp #1
Junior Vice Commander	Gary Scheel, PCC	Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James Camp # 326
Secretary/Treasurer (2021)	Edward Krieser, PCinC	Phelps Camp #66
Council (2022)	Randal Burd, Jr., PDC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Council (2022)	Robert Aubuchon, PCC	U. S. Grant Camp #68
Council (2021)	Glen Alsop, PCC	Francis J. Wilhelmi Camp No. 17
Delegate (2020)	John Palmer	U. S. Grant Camp #68
Delegate (2020)	Joseph Rainey, PCC	Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James Camp # 326
Delegate (2020)	Jim Beckner	Westport Camp #64
Alternate Delegate (2020)	All Department Brothers	

In accordance with Department Bylaws and Policies and Procedures, the Commander after his election shall appoint officers for a term of one (1) year. These appointments are:

<b>STAFF OFFICE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CAMP</b>
Patriotic Instructor	Dale Crandell, PDC	Westport Camp #64
Chaplain	Kenneth Bailey, PCC	Westport Camp #64
Counselor	Robert Amsler, Jr., PCC	U. S. Grant Camp #68
Quartermaster	Douglas Roussin, PCC	Gen. Thomas Fletcher Camp #47
Signals Officer Webmaster, Email	Walter Busch, PDC	U. S. Grant Camp #68
Assistant Signals Officer Social Media, Promotions	James Dixon, PCC	Columbia Tiger Camp #432
Graves Registration Officer	Joseph Rainey, PCC	Gen. James McPherson Camp #1
Editor, <i>The Unionist</i>	Walter Busch, PDC	U. S. Grant Camp #68
Historical Records Coordinator	Walter Busch, PDC	U. S. Grant Camp #68
GAR Memorials Officer	Walter Busch, PDC	U. S. Grant Camp #68

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Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	Walter Busch, PDC	U. S. Grant Camp #68

Many thanks to those who served diligently during the last term under PDC Crandell.

A hearty congratulations to our elected and appointed officers and our thanks to each for volunteering their time, talents, and service during this term. These officers will fulfill the responsibilities of their office and conduct the business of the Department for the 2020-2021 term. All brothers are to follow our Order's guiding principles of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.

Ordered this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of June, A. D. 2020,

Attest:

Sumner Gary Hunnewell, PCC  
 Commander  
 Department of Missouri with Arkansas  
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Edward Krieser, PCinC  
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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2**

**Series 2020-2021**

**19 June 2020**

**Passing of Brother Larry Leslie Von Behren**

With sorrow, the Department of Missouri with Arkansas, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, reports the passing of Brother Larry Leslie Von Berhen on 18 June 2020. His ancestor, Private Michael Wettling, served in the 58th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, Company C, in 1865.

In memory of Brother Von Behren, the Department's Charter and website shall be draped, all Camp Charters and websites shall be draped, and all brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge. Following the Department's mourning policy, this Order shall remain in effect for fourteen days from this date.

Ordered this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June, A. D. 2020,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 3**

**Series 2020-2021**

**2 July 2020**

**2020-2021 Standing and Special Committees**

**Bylaws Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Senior Vice Commander chairs this standing committee and may appoint any brother in good standing to the committee:

Chair: Joe Rainey, PCC

**Awards Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Senior Vice Commander chairs this standing committee with our three most recent Past Department Commanders serving as committee members:

Chair: Joe Rainey, PCC

Member: Dale Crandell, PDC

Member: Randal Burd, Jr., PDC

Member: Martin Aubuchon, PDC

**Encampment Site Committee.** In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article VII, the Department Commander appoints at least two members to this standing committee. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Walter Busch, PDC

Member: Matt Mzahrada

**JROTC Selection Committee.** In accordance with the 2017 Department Encampment, this special committee selects the JROTC Outstanding Cadet and administers the Department's \$200 prize. The committee has a 30 October 2021 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Dwain Asbury

**History Selection Committee.** In accordance with the 2019 Department Encampment, this special committee selects the National History Day in Missouri competition recipient and administer the Department's \$200 prize. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Randal Burd, Jr., PDC

**National Encampment in Missouri Host Committee.** In accordance with Department Order #6, Series 2018-2019, this special committee: represent the Department to the National Order to plan and implement all activities associated with a National Encampment and outlined in the *Hosting a National Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic* guidebook; represent the Department to other Allied Orders to plan and implement their activities following their guidelines; act on behalf of the Department for all planning, approval, financial transactions, and purchases, subject to regular review and audit by the Department's Officers and Council; provide regular reports at Department Encampments and Business Meetings; and appoint subcommittees and work teams as needed. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Robert Petrovic, PDC  
Secretary-Treasurer: Walter Busch, PDC  
Member: Sumner Hunnewell, DC

**GAR National Encampment Committee.** In accordance with the 2018 Department Encampment, this special committee coordinates commemoration of the GAR's 21st National Encampment in St. Louis and 50th National Encampment in Kansas City. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Martin Aubuchon, PDC  
Member: Rodney Terry, PCC

**Programs Committee.** This special committee coordinates Department-wide programs and activities that advance the principals, mission, and goals of the National Order and Department. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Don Palmer, PCinC  
Member: Gary Scheel, PCC  
Member: Mark Coplin, PDC  
Member: Scott Reed

**Honoring Living Veterans Committee.** This special committee is chartered to recognize the service of our members who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. The committee has a 30 June 2022 sunset. The committee chair may make any additional appointments he chooses:

Chair: Randal Burd, Jr., PDC

Ordered this 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of July, A. D. 2020,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 4**  
**Series 2020-2021**  
**25 August 2020**

**2020-2021 Department Business Meetings**

In accordance with the Department Bylaws, Article II, the Department Commander shall schedule business meetings in October and March and give notice of the date, time, and location.

**Date: Saturday, 10 October 2020**

**Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Location: "The Civil War Room," Cole County Historical Society and Museum, 109 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri**

**Date: Saturday, 13 March 2021**

**Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Location: "The Civil War Room," Cole County Historical Society and Museum, 109 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri**

Per Department Policy 402, all elected officers, staff officers, and committee chairs should attend and shall submit written reports to the Department Commander and Department Secretary at least one week prior to the date of the business meeting (3 October 2020 and 6 March 2021). Per Department Policy 100, all elected and appointed officers and Past Department Commanders must wear their membership badge.

All camps are encouraged to send representatives to business meetings, and all members in good standing may vote. Per Department Policy 401, all members must present their membership card when requested. All members are encouraged to wear their membership badge.

Ordered this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of August, A. D. 2020,

Attest:

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 5**

**Series 2020-2021**

**25 November 2020**

**Elections during the Pandemic**

Brothers,

With new / changing restrictions due to the pandemic, I want to remind you that your Camps' elections and proper paperwork are still required. Electronic meetings are permitted through the next National Encampment per [Commander-in-Chief Norris's G. O. #22](#) and [Commander-in-Chief Pierson's G. O. #1](#).

**Items to remember:**

- Per Article X of our bylaws "Camp Elections"
  - Elections will be between the first regular meeting in October and the first meeting in December.
  - Installation will be between the first regular meeting in November through January.
- Your installing officer must file [Form 22](#), Installing Officer Report, with the Department Secretary (**better to do immediately after the election**). It is due on February 15, 2021.
- If you wish me or a [Past Department Commander](#) to install your Camp's officers either in person or electronically, feel free to ask.

I also want to take this opportunity to wish all of my Brothers in the Order and their families a fine Thanksgiving holiday.

Ordered this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of November, A. D. 2020,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 6**

**Series 2020-2021**

**3 January 2021**

**Passing of Brother Donald Lee Roussin, Sr.**

With sorrow, the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, reports the passing of Brother Donald Lee Roussin, Sr., on 2 January 2021. He is the father of Brother Donald Lee Roussin, Jr., and brother of Brother Douglas Wayne Roussin.

In memory of Brother Roussin, the Department's Charter and website shall be draped, all Camp Charters and websites shall be draped, and all brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge's ribbon or a black elastic band on the drop of the badge. Following the Department's mourning policy, this Order shall remain in effect for seven days from this date.

Ordered this 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of January, A. D. 2021,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 7**

**Series 2020-2021**

**17 February 2021**

**Passing of Brother John Hardin “Jack” Chance**

With sorrow, the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, reports the passing of Brother John Hardin “Jack” Chance of the Tiger Camp on 12 February 2021. His visitation and funeral will be held on 20 February in Centralia, Missouri.

In memory of Brother Chance, the Department’s Charter and website shall be draped, all Camp Charters and websites shall be draped, and all brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge. Following the Department’s mourning policy, this Order shall remain in effect for seven days from this date.

Ordered this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of February, A. D. 2021,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 8**

**Series 2020-2021**

**17 February 2021**

**Suspension of John H. McNeil Camp #62, Lillie Camp #6, and Phelps Camp #66**

Our order's Constitution and Regulations (C&R), Chapter 1, Article VII, Section 4 assigns the Camp Secretary with the duty to annually file a Form 22 Certification of Election and Installation of Camp Officers with the Department Secretary by February 15th. Our order's C&R, Chapter I, Article I, Section 16 states:

*Any camp which fails to file the Form 22, Form 27, or EIN report by the dates specified herein shall have its charter automatically suspended. The Department Commander shall issue a Department Order noting the automatic suspension.*

This Department Order reports the automatic suspension of John H. McNeil Camp #62, Lillie Camp #6, and Phelps Camp #66 for not filing their Form 22 by 15 February 2021.

Camps may send their completed Form 22 via electronic or postal mail to the Department Secretary. Once a camp's Form 22 is reported filed by the Department Secretary, the camp's suspension will be lifted.

Ordered this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of February, A. D. 2021,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 9**

**Series 2020-2021**

**19 February 2021**

**John H. McNeil Camp #62 Suspension Lifted**

The John H McNeil Camp #62's Form 22 has been received by the Department Secretary. Therefore, the suspension of the Camp has been lifted.

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 10**

**Series 2020-2021**

**26 February 2021**

**Phelps Camp #66 Suspension Lifted**

The Phelps Camp #66's Form 22 has been received by the Department Secretary. Therefore, the suspension of the Camp has been lifted.

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 11**

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**7 March 2021**

**Lillie Camp #6 Suspension Lifted**

The Lillie Camp #6's Form 22 has been received by the Department Secretary. Therefore, the suspension of the Camp has been lifted.

Ordered this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of March, A. D. 2021,

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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 12**

**Series 2020-2021**

**29 May 2021**

**Memorial Day A. D. 2021**

On this Eve of Memorial Day, it is fitting for us to remember those men, who died in their country's service to preserve the Union. Look closely, our SUVCW badges proudly proclaim "Preserved by the Grace of God." As we reflect on those words and the men who have preserved and continue to preserve the Union, we should with solemn duty remember the GAR's C-in-C John A. Logan and his General Order, which started the establishment of our current Memorial Day. We should commemorate the day

"...for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land."

Note how the cry of *Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty* is echoed in Logan's General Order.

"We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, 'of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion.' What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foe? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders."

It is also fitting to remember those Brothers of our Order, who are no longer with us.

*Larry Leslie Von Behren, Grant Camp #68*

*Donald Lee Roussin, Sr., Fletcher Camp #47*

*John Hardin "Jack" Chance, Tiger Camp #432*

Let us commend ourselves to our Creator and remember the history of those who went before us, so later generations can say of us that we did not forget those who laid down their lives, who Preserved the Union by the Grace of God.

Ordered this 29<sup>th</sup> Day of May, A. D. 2021,

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**SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ NO. 1**

**Series 2020-2021**

**17 April 2021**

**Form 27 and Encampment Reminders**

This is a reminder about Form 27 and our upcoming State and National Encampments.

[Camp Annual Report Form 27](#), applicable dues, and camp roster are due to the [Department Secretary](#) at the end of this month. Your Camp Secretary, Treasurer, and Commander are required to sign the form.

Our [State Encampment](#) will be held on June 4 and 5 in St. Louis. Our Order's Commander-in-Chief, Brian Pierson, will be with us for dinner on June 4 as well as during our business meeting the following day at the Civil War Museum. *If you wish to be chosen as a delegate to the 2021 National Encampment, it is important for you to attend this meeting.* Please register and join us in St. Louis! If you are interested in a state office, please let me know.

Our August [National Encampment](#) continues to move forward and will be enthusiastically looking for help in the coming months. *Before you take action, please run any of your involvement activities ahead of time to the National Encampment committee, chaired by [Brother Bob Petrovic](#).* I am hoping that we have a great turnout from Missouri and Arkansas as we invite the ASUVCW, DUV 1861-85, and WRC to join us in what promises to be a stellar encampment. [Please pre-register with National now.](#)

As always, I am more than happy to visit your Camp meetings either in person or virtually. Let me know the date and time and I will try to make it, as my schedule allows.

Delivered this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of April, A. D. 2021,

Sumner Gary Hunnewell, PCC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

Edward Krieser, PCinC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
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