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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Sisters:

What a busy spring it's been! I hope that everyone has had a chance to stop and enjoy this beautiful weather we've been having lately.



There's so much to share! On Feb. 21st, we finally held our Annual Installation Luncheon; a report is on p. 2 of this issue. On Apr. 24th, we visited President Grant National Monument for his 194th Birthday Celebration, hosted by Oliver Tilden Camp #26. Once again, members met for brunch at Chez Josephine afterward. The atmosphere there is lovely and the food is SO good, I doubt we'll ever tire of it!

I also attended NYDUVCW's 123rd Convention in Suffern, NY, in late April, where PNP Ellen Higgins installed our new Department board members including our very own Sister Mary Cordato, who will now serve as Junior Vice President at the Department level as well. Congratulations, Mary! Please join me in also congratulating Sister Eileen Sleckman on her successful presidency. Running the NY Department is no easy feat, and she has definitely earned the "PDP" she now gets to put after her name.

In other news, our new web site (see URL above) has launched and is linked to our tent name under the "Departments and Tents" tab on National's web site (DUVCW.org). Please encourage family and friends to visit our site and learn more about our wonderful group. Our quest to expand our tent has only just begun!

Our next meeting will be on September 18th, 2016, at my Bayport home at 11 a.m. At noon, we'll visit Islip Grange to enjoy

the final hours of the 8th Annual Civil War Weekend, hosted by the 67th New York Volunteer Infantry reenactment group. Please invite prospective members to join us there at noon! We look forward to seeing them.

As autumn approaches, so does the time to determine new tent officers for 2017. If you're even remotely interested in serving as a tent officer, please come to our September meeting to learn more about what each position entails. We have offices that allow one to "get her feet wet" while learning the ways of our organization. As always, we'll have coffee, tea, cake and conversation, so please consider joining us, if you're able!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Kathleen Powers-Vermaelen President, Kady Brownell Tent #36



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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Lynn Dean Rebecca Dean (duv)

Sgt. Christian Hofsass, 15th NY Heavy Artillery, Co. B

Robin Galange

James A. Scott, 2nd NY Light Cavalry, Co C

Marie Scalisi

Michael J. Keyes, USN



Pictured left to right: M. Cordato; E. Sleckman, K. Vermaelen; L. Dolan; E. Higgins, PNP; L. Feierabend; N. McKendrick and J. Guy at Lily Flanagan's Pub in Babylon on February 21, 2016

2016 ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND OFFICER INSTALLATION

A blizzard postponed our 2016 Annual Luncheon and Officer Installation, so the event was rescheduled for February 21st, 2016, at Lily Flanagan's Pub, Babylon, New York. Fortunately, the new date was a sunny and clear day! Guests from Moses Baldwin Camp #544 SU-VCW and local DAR chapters attended, as well as several prospective members. Past National President Ellen Higgins installed the tent's continuing slate of officers. In keeping with our venue's theme, Prof. Joseph Vermaelen treated luncheon guests to a short talk about "The Irish in the Civil War." A 50-50 raffle to support Gallaudet University was won by Mr. Chip Dean, who generously donated his winnings back to Gallaudet University. We also conducted a successful Chinese raffle using multiple donations, which raised a nice amount of extra funds for tent use. It was a truly lovely afternoon!

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

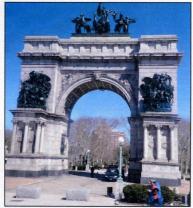
THE VIVANDIÈRE comes out twice a year, in Summer and Winter issues. Please send on Civil Warrelated photos with a short explanation of who/what/where/when it was taken. Submit your ancestor's story in a short article. Send on relevant web sites or interesting news items! Email submissions to Kathleen at GazetteWriter@aol.com. Hope to hear from you!

2016 CADET TAR BUCKET AWARD

On behalf of the NY Department, Tent Chaplain Barbara Ulrich-Giaimo presented Pascal A. Brun with DUVCW's Cadet Tar Bucket Award. A Haitian immigrant, Brun is the first international cadet to graduate Brigade S-1 (Personnel) Adjutant General. The award was given on May 20,



2016, at the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY.



MEMBER PHOTO

Soldiers' and Sailors' Arch at Grand Army Plaza, located in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY. Photo credit: Linda Feierabend, Tent Patriotic Instructor



Pictured I. to r.: Kenlyn Perry, Rhonda Kearns, Kathleen Vermaelen, Linda Feierabend, Eileen Sleckman and Laura Congleton at the 7th Civil War Weekend at Islip Grange, Sept. 20, 2015

KADY BROWNELL TENT #36's NEXT MEET-ING will be held Sunday, September 18th, 11 AM, at the home of Kathleen Vermaelen, 389 2nd Avenue, Bayport, NY. After the meeting, we'll visit the 7th Annual Civil War Weekend at nearby Islip Grange. Please RSVP to GazetteWriter@aol.com or by calling 631-472-2839.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES



150th Anniversary of Memorial Day: Waterloo, NY. Tent member Ellie Warren with her husband Rick (left) and Eugene Motorff (center), 2016 Commander in Chief of SUVCW. *Submitted by E. Sleckman*



Kyle Schiralli and Eileen Sleckman, PDP

LIVING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

At their 123rd Convention in Suffern, the New York Department awarded a Living Memorial Scholarship to Kyle Schiralli of Seaford, NY. Kyle is a senior at Seaford High School and plans to attend Long Island University at CW Post this fall and major in Graphic Arts.

To be considered for this scholarship Kyle had to establish that he had descended from a Civil War soldier and also wrote an essay describing his need for the award. Kyle's 4th Great Grandfather, Henry Orthofer was a Corporal in the 4th New York Cayalry.

Also an athlete, Kyle runs track at his high school and plays soccer. He will be tending goal on his college soccer team this fall. Besides keeping up a rigorous academic program and playing sports, Kyle works with his uncle setting up displays in order to earn the money to further his education. The New York Department is very proud to be able to reward such a fine, motivated young man with this scholarship.

* Also published in The Drumbeat in National's General Orders



Long Island National Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony: May 29, 2016 - Farmingdale, NY. "Lynne Gallaudet Dolan, PDP; Eileen Sleckman, PDP; Susan Starkie; and Janice Guy, PDP, at the gravesite of the 14th RI." Submitted by E. Sleckman



Green-wood Annual Memorial Day Concert: May 30, 2016 - Brooklyn, NY. "I always attend, and thoroughly enjoy [it]. It's a real family and community celebration." *Submitted by B. Radley*



New Hamburg Yacht Club: May 29, 2016 - New Hamburg, NY. "Amid patriotic songs sung by local elementary school children, speeches by politicians, and veterans' remembrances, the sheriff and yacht club commodore placed a memorial wreath in the middle of the Hudson to commemorate those who gave the 'last full measure of devotion' to their country." Submitted by B. Ulrich-Giaimo

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

HISTORIC QUOTES

"The written word may be man's greatest invention. It allows us to converse with the dead, the absent, and the unborn."

- Abraham Lincoln



NYDUVCW's 123RD CONVENTION took place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Suffern, NY, on April 29 - May 1, 2016. Attending tent members in no particular order were J. Guy, PDP; L. Dolan, PDP; B. Ulrich-Giaimo; Mary Cordato; E. Sleckman, PDP; and K. Vermaelen.



AT GRANT'S TOMB (l. to r.) B. Radley, K. Wyer Lane, M. Cordato, B. Ulrich-Giaimo, E. Sleckman, L. Congleton, K. Vermaelen, and L. Dolan at President Grant's National Monument on April 24th. Not pictured: J. Guy.

FOUND ON THE WWW

History.com's Civil War Collection: http://www.history.com/search?q=civil%20war

Civil War Trust on Vimeo:

https://vimeo.com/civilwartrust

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