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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Sisters,

Happy Summer to everyone!

I imagine all of you have been busy with the outdoor activities and patriotic observances this time of year brings. I

attended Memorial Day services at both Long Island National Cemetery and in my own town of Northport, and I found both to be moving expressions of patriotism. The graves in our National Cemetery were individually flagged, reflecting a stoic grandeur, while the parade and ceremony in Northport continued the small town tradition of Memorial Day tributes that sprung up after the Civil War. Wreaths were placed at memorials along the parade route ending at the harbor, where one was cast into the water. Following was a small ceremony. The keynote speaker was Joe Sledge of the Northport VA Medical Center, who many of you may remember from our Christmas luncheon. In my role volunteering at the VA, I have run into Joe quite a bit; his commitment to veterans is unsurpassed.

The New York Department had a successful convention at the end of April in Rochester, where our own Mary Cordato was elected State President. Mary has wonderful plans for the upcoming year. She is currently working with the Sons of Union Veterans on next year's convention, which will be held on May 17 - 19 in the Lake George area. I hope some of you will decide to attend, even if for only part of the time. More details will be forthcoming and will also be on our website.

I am looking forward to our National



Convention in Minneapolis, July 25 - 29. Anyone who is interested in attending this can visit our national website, DUVCW.org, for details.

As always, safe travels over the summer and let us know what Civil War moments you may encounter. I happened to be in Indianapolis last week, and while I was walking through the downtown area I came across the most spectacular Civil War monument. It was dazzling!

Our Tent will be reaching its 100th year anniversary this summer, and we will be marking that achievement. Let's all keep our Tent going strong!

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Eileen Sleckman, PDP

President, Kady Brownell Tent #36

OUR NEXT TENT MEETING

September 15, 2018

10 AM table set-up; 12 PM meeting
at the [10th Annual Civil War Weekend](#),
Islip Grange, Sayville, NY

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TENT JVP'S CORNER

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Leslie Wickham

Seeley Bovier, 80th PA Cavalry, Co. C



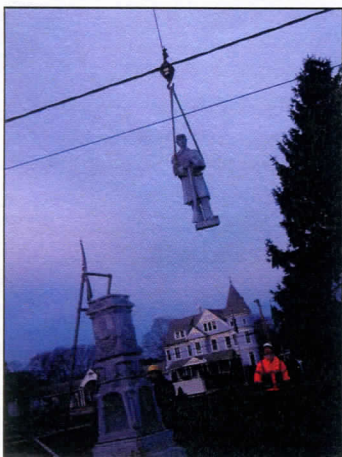
New York Department Officers 2018 (l. to r.) are Jill Herendeen, Chaplain; Pauline Novick, Senior VP; Caren Cleaveland, NP; Mary Cordato, President; Dorothy Prentice, Registrar; Eileen Sleckman, Secretary; Barbara Ulrich-Giamo, Junior VP; Marilyn Dirk, Council #3. Not pictured: Roberta Comerford, Patriotic Instructor

A NOTE FROM OUR DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT

Next year's **Allied Orders Convention** will take place **May 17 - 19, 2019**, at the Fort William Henry Hotel and Conference Center, located not far from Albany on beautiful Lake George in the Adirondacks. The Sons are finalizing plans, and we will be sharing additional details later this year. I hope to see many of you there.

In F., C., & L.,
Mary F. Cordato
NY Department President, DUVCW

PATCHOGUE G.A.R. STATUE UPDATE



On March 20, the G.A.R. Statue in Patchogue was removed and sent off to the McKay Lodge Art Conservation Laboratory in Oberlin, Ohio, for restoration. Members of Richard J. Clark Camp #210 SUVCW and our tent were there to oversee the statue's safe removal. (Newsday's article link appears to the right.)

Sister Eileen Sleckman, PDP



"Max Graham-Putter is our **Gallaudet Scholarship** winner for 2018. His winning essay is *The New American Death Industry: How the Civil War Commercialized our Corpses*. He got the idea while visiting the Mutter Museum in Philadelphia. He is a funny and intelligent young man." *Sister Lynne Dolan, PDP*

WE CONGRATULATE OUR DUV, **REBECCA DEAN,** ON WINNING THE NEW YORK DEPARTMENT'S LIVING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP 2018



On Memorial Day, cousin Tom Kelly and I went to Calvary Cemetery in Woodside to search for our great-great grandfather Henry Orthofer's cemetery plot. We found his place of burial, but no tombstone. We were disappointed but happy to have found his resting place. We are so blessed to have been standing on the site of a very brave man." *Sister Jane Schiralli*

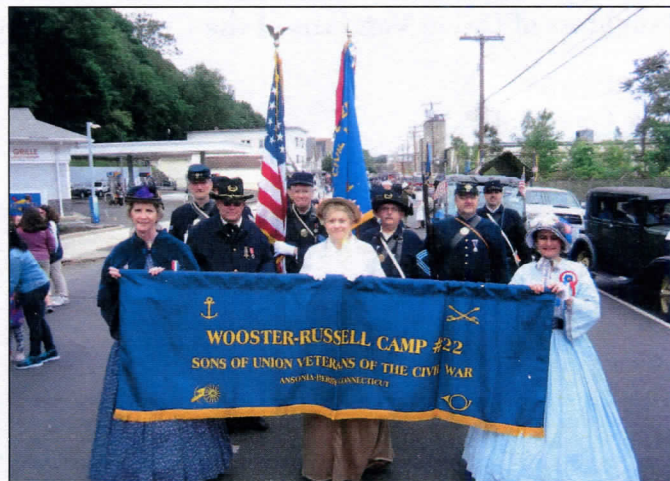
ON THE WEB & IN THE NEWS

- ◆ [GRANGE X: 10th Annual Civil War Weekend](#) at Islip Grange, Sayville, NY
- ◆ [Civil War Statue in Patchogue Shipped Off for Repairs](#), *Newsday.com*
- ◆ [Forgetting Why We Remember](#), *New York Times*
- ◆ [Eight Photographs Taken Along the Underground Railroad](#), *Mental Floss*
- ◆ [Unknown No More: Identifying a Civil War Soldier](#), *NPR.org*

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES & OBSERVANCES 2018



PDPs Lynne Dolan and Eileen Steckman represented NYDUVCW at Long Island National Cemetery's Memorial Day Service on Sunday, May 27, in Farmingdale, NY.



On Monday, May 28, Sister Ellie Warren (leftmost at banner) was part of a Camp #22 contingent that marched in the Derby - Shelton Memorial Day Parade, after which she attended the re-dedication ceremony of the restored Civil War Soldiers' Monument, located on the Green in Derby, CT.



LINCOLN SOCIETY GALA 2018

The Lincoln Society was formed in 1903 in Peekskill, New York, to honor the memory of President Lincoln, who delivered a speech at the train depot in Peekskill en route to his inauguration in Washington, DC in 1861.

As a member of the Lincoln Society, I attended the annual **Lincoln Society Gala Dinner** on March 24 at the Colonial Terrace, Cortlandt Manor, New York. The featured speaker was Lou Del Bianco, whose grandfather, Luigi Del Bianco, of Port Chester, New York, was the Chief Carver at the Mount Rushmore Memorial in South Dakota. Lou Del Bianco authored a book about his grandfather entitled "Out of Rushmore's Shadow," which details the painstaking work done on Mount Rushmore over a 12-year period, from 1927 to 1941, with no fatalities. Over 400 persons worked on the monument, which came under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service in 1933. He also talked about the plaque that he was instrumental in having fabricated in honor of his grandfather as Chief Carver at Mount Rushmore.

Sandy Galef, New York Assemblywoman for Westchester County and sections of Putnam County, received the Champion of History Award in honor of her support of the new Lincoln Depot Museum and the restoration of the Lincoln Exedra, where President-elect Lincoln delivered his speech.

The Lincoln Society is open for membership to anyone interested in preserving President Lincoln's legacy.

Submitted by Sister Susan Hopkins

GRAND ARMY PUNCH

A drink honoring Civil War Soldiers on Memorial Day

Ingredients

- 8 oz (1 cup) VSOP-grade Cognac
- 8 oz (1 cup) Oloroso Sherry
- 8 oz (1 cup) Sauternes or white dessert wine
- 1 bottle Champagne or other dry sparkling wine
- The peel of 3 lemons & 2 oranges
- 4 oz Sugar
- 4 oz Lemon juice
- 4 oz Orange juice
- 1/2 a Pineapple, cored/sliced into quarter-rings
- 1 2-quart block of ice
- Glass: Punch cup
- Garnish: Grated nutmeg

Directions

The day before the Punch is needed: Add the citrus peels and sugar to a pint jar. Seal, shake and put aside. Make your ice block by putting a 2-quart container of water in the freezer.

The day the Punch is needed: Add the citrus juices to the jar with the peel-sugar mix, reseal and shake until sugar has dissolved.

To serve: Pour the contents of jar into 2-gallon bowl. Add the block of ice, wines and pineapple rings. Fill with hot water, stir well, and grate nutmeg over top.

This recipe serves eight adults.

Source: thedailybeast.com

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PRESIDENT GRANT'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

was held on Sunday, April 29, at President Grant National Monument on Riverside Drive in New York City. NYDUVCW President Mary Cordato (pictured above) spoke at the event, which is hosted yearly by Oliver Tilden Camp #26 SUVCW. Following the ceremony, tent members enjoyed a delicious brunch with Caren Cleaveland, National President, at Chez Josephine on 42nd Street.



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by purchasing an embroidered patch (2-1/2" in diameter) for \$5.00 and/or a cloisonné pin (1" in diameter) for \$15.00. Add \$1.00 for S&H. Check payable to DUVCW. Mail to Lynne Dolan, 89-17 Lyman Street, Bellerose Manor, NY 11428-1407. Email lynne412@verizon.net for more info.



THE VIVANDIÈRE NEEDS YOU!

Have you shared your ancestor's service story? Did you recently visit a Civil War battlefield, exhibit or museum? Do you have Civil War events or links share? Please email your submissions to Kathleen Vermaelen at kpvermaelen@gmail.com. Thank you!



VISIT "[KADY BROWNELL TENT #36 DUVCW](#)" AND CLICK THE **LIKE** BUTTON. IT'S THAT EASY!