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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we welcome a new year I hope it's filled with wonderful things for everyone—especially for our Tent as it celebrates its 100th birthday in June.



Looking back on 2017, I'd like to commend our members for many accomplishments. Most recently we enjoyed a wonderful Holiday Luncheon with Moses Baldwin and Richard J. Clark SUVCW camps. We were honored that our National President, Caren Cleaveland, was able to attend and perform the installation of our incoming officers. We also enjoyed the company of Rich Kitson and Joe Sledge of the Northport VA. We continue to grow that relationship, connecting us to today's veterans and helping us to better respond to their needs. The luncheon raised \$500 for the repair of the GAR monument in Patchogue, a project that Scott McKendrick, Past Camp Commander of Moses Baldwin Camp #544 SUVCW, has been involved with for some time.

Gettysburg on Remembrance Weekend this year featured torrential rain. Even so, I found it to be a great experience and a special place to meet up with old friends.

We continue to be involved with our national cemeteries and VA medical centers in the downstate area. This year we also sponsored a military family for holiday gift-giving and supported the Honor Flight. We participated in St. Thomas Church's Remembrance Sunday service with a new tent banner, thanks to the generosity of tent member Zoe Stolbun.

We look forward to marking another centennial soon—the passing of the 19th Amendment, an event in which New York was prominently featured. As an organiza-

tion of women, more than ever we look to women of the past who exhibited such strength. We draw on their courage to inform us in the present.

We can be proud not only of our Civil War ancestors, but of all the women who toiled anonymously in that war effort. No longer reduced to a subordinate role, these women are now propelled to the forefront. We honor them for their equal contribution to our Nation's legacy of liberty—a story which continues to be written.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Eileen Sleckman, PDP
President, Kady Brownell Tent #36,
Daughters of Union Veterans of
the Civil War, 1861-1865

TENT #36's NEXT MEETING

is Sunday, **January 21, 1:00 PM**,
at Eileen Sleckman's home. RSVP to
esleck57@gmail.com or 631-367-7431.

Can't make this meeting?

Visit our website to view our 2018
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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Madeline Denehy

Daniel Gildersleeve, 165th NY Infantry, Co. A

Darlene Neilsen

James G. Jones, USN

Julia Warner

*William Buckingham, Luther's Independent Co.,
PA Infantry Militia*



2017 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON AND OFFICER INSTALLATION

Our joint Holiday Luncheon with SUVCW took place on December 10, 2017, at Westbrook Manor in Bayard Cutting Arboretum, Oakdale, New York. We were blessed with a cold-yet-clear sunny day and 44 guests, including DUVCW National President Caren Cleveland, who installed our Tent Officers for 2018. The joint 50-50 raffle and auction raised \$500 for restoration of the G.A.R. Memorial Statue in Patchogue.

Photo by A. Giaimo



9th CIVIL WAR WEEKEND: Kady Brownell Tent #36 DUVCW met at Islip Grange in Sayville on Sept. 16, 2017 to enjoy this special event. Our Facebook page has more great event photos by tent member Lynn Dean!

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 links share? Please email your submissions to Kathleen Vermaelen at kpvermaelen@gmail.com.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: Zoe Stolbun & Eileen Sleckman carried our tent banner proudly at St. Thomas Church in New York City on November 12.



VETS PLACE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

We brought lunch to veterans at The Veterans Place in Yaphank and then decorated for the holidays on Dec. 1, 2017. Pictured are Kathleen Vermaelen, Tent SVP, & Nancy Powers by the outdoor Christmas tree. *Photo by E. Sleckman*



MONUMENTAL COMPASSION:

"At Fredericksburg Battlefield last August, we came across a monument honoring Confederate soldier Richard Rowland Kirkland, known as "the Angel of Marye's Heights" because he brought water, clothes and blankets to suffering Union and Confederate soldiers who lay wounded on the field following the intense December 1862 battle. It was nice to discover a war monument recognizing a man for his compassion."

Submitted by K. Vermaelen



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MINI-OKTOBERFEST: Tent Chaplain Barbara Ulrich-Giaino and friends entertained veterans at Castle Point VA Hospital on Oct. 7, 2017



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA: Linda Feierabend, Tent Patriotic Instructor, assisted with wreaths at Calverton Cemetery on Dec. 16, 2017



FREEDOM TRAIL: "I just returned from the Boston area and walked the freedom trail for the Civil War. This trail was created for the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War and includes the attached photo of a monument to Robert Gould Shaw and the 54th Regiment. Shaw and the regiment's story was dramatized in the movie "Glory." The monument is part of the Black Heritage Trail and also includes the Boston African American Museum."

-- Submitted by Bets Radley

REMINDERS & REQUESTS:

DUES ARE DUE! Please contact Laura Congleton, Tent Treasurer, via her contact information on Page 1 if you have not yet paid your tent dues for 2018.

FEMALE VETERANS? If you have a female ancestor who served in the military, please contact Tent Historian Mary Cordato via her contact information on Page 1 so that we may add your ancestor's service story to our tent history.