



# THE VIVANDIÈRE

Newsletter of Kady Brownell Tent #36 DUVCW  
<http://sites.google.com/site/kadybrownelltent36duvcw/home>

WINTER 2019

VOLUME 4, ISSUE 2

## OFFICERS 2019

PRESIDENT  
**VACANCY**

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT  
Lynne Gallaudet Dolan  
89-17 Lyman St.  
Bellerose Manor, NY 11428-1407  
(718) 740-4847  
[lynne412@verizon.net](mailto:lynne412@verizon.net)

JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT  
Eileen Sleckman  
12 West Street  
Northport, NY 11768  
(631) 367-7431  
[esleck57@gmail.com](mailto:esleck57@gmail.com)

TREASURER  
Laura H. Congleton  
35 Pierrepont St., Apt. 1-C  
Brooklyn, NY 11201-3359  
(718) 625-3535  
[lcongleton@earthlink.net](mailto:lcongleton@earthlink.net)

PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR  
Linda Fritz Feierabend  
P.O. Box 601  
Shoreham, NY 11786-0601  
(631) 821-2314  
[lfeierab@verizon.net](mailto:lfeierab@verizon.net)

CHAPLAIN  
Barbara J. Ulrich-Giaimo  
63 Hamlet Ct.  
Wappingers Falls, NY 12590-4448  
(845) 298-9335  
[michaelangelo54@gmail.com](mailto:michaelangelo54@gmail.com)

SECRETARY & HISTORIAN  
Mary Cordato, Ph.D.  
82 Garfield St.  
Garden City, NY 11530-2405  
(516) 437-8196  
[civilwarlady6165@gmail.com](mailto:civilwarlady6165@gmail.com)

PRESS CORRESPONDENT  
Kathleen Wyer-Lane  
(347) 522-0630

NEWSLETTER EDITOR  
Kathleen Powers-Vermaelen  
(631) 472-2839  
[kpvermaelen@gmail.com](mailto:kpvermaelen@gmail.com)

## FORMER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we begin this new year, we are without a Tent President, so I encourage all of you to consider taking a turn in this office.



The position is not terribly complicated. Responsibilities entail filing a report at the end of the year, running the business meetings (four this year), keeping track of Tent paperwork and communicating with members. The term lasts only one year, and our new Tent President can count on getting much support from other officers as well.

In the interim, all members can refer to [our website](#) for information and event dates, which have been set up for the year. Our meetings and their locations have been established, but they are negotiable. At this point, the most senior officer will have to fill in as acting president when we hold them. At these meetings, we talk about the upcoming events, vote on how to spend Tent money and discuss what projects to focus on or become involved in.

We had a wonderful year, with member Mary Cordato being elected as our Department (State) President. Our upcoming convention in Lake George, New York, looks like it will be a lot of fun. The National Convention, which is to be held in Atlanta this summer, also promises to be a memorable experience.

Both our Department and National websites have passwords for the members-only sections; if anyone still needs these, please contact either Mary or myself, and we will be happy to give them to you.

Our next business meeting will be on Sun-

day, January 27th, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Cordato, 82 Garfield Street, Garden City, New York. We hope that you can join us then.

Our Tent is officially 100 years old, and it would be great to continue its traditions. I hope one of you will consider taking over for a term.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

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

### TENT #36's NEXT MEETING

is Sunday, **January 27, 1:00 PM**,  
at Mary Cordato's home. RSVP to  
[civilwarlady6165@gmail.com](mailto:civilwarlady6165@gmail.com)  
or 516-437-8196.

**Visit our website** to view our  
2019 Meetings & Events Calendar.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

President's Message .....	1
Remembrance Day 2018 .....	2
Massing of the Colors.....	2
Dues are Due .....	2
Welcome to Our Tent!.....	2
African American Sailor Honored .....	2
Honoring Ancestors.....	2
Holiday Party 2018.....	3
On The Web & In The News.....	3
Congratulations, Rebecca!.....	3
Ron Chernow at BHS .....	3
Secret Soldier Santa.....	3
Find Us On Facebook.....	3
Wreaths Across America 2018.....	4
Omaha Beach Memorial .....	4
NY Department President's Project .....	4
Call for Submissions .....	4

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2018



**IN GETTYSBURG:** Sister Lynne Dolan, PDP, (right) and Sister Nancy Karasinki, PDP, prepare to step off in the parade. For the past ten years, Sister Lynne has placed a flowered flag at the 67th NYV Memorial.



**IN NYC:** (pictured l. to r.) Sisters Laura Congleton, PDP; Zoe Stolbun; Eileen Sleckman, PDP; and Ellen Higgins, PNP, at St. Thomas Church.

### MASSING OF THE COLORS

On November 11, 2018, members of New York's Kady Brownell Tent #36 attended the annual Remembrance Sunday Ceremony at Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Manhattan and marched in the procession of Patriotic and Historical societies carrying the Tent banner. This beautiful annual ceremony, a tribute to members of the Armed Forces, is notable for its unique choral heritage, a tradition featured in the service. Because this year marked the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, a special booklet was printed and a reception was held after the ceremony. This year the sisters of Tent 36 were honored to be joined by Past National President Ellen Higgins. *Submitted by Sister E. Sleckman*

**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 2019. *Thank you!*

## WELCOME TO TENT #36!

Leslie Ann Blank  
Benjamin Lyman Cowles, 1st CT Calvary, Co. D

### CONGRATULATIONS, TALER!

We've received wonderful news! Taler Brazwell, recipient of the DUVCW Cadet Tar Bucket Award in 2017, graduated from flight school on Wednesday, December 19th, 2018, at Fort Rucker in Alabama. She flies Blackhawk medevac helicopters. *Pictured l. to r.: B. Ulrich-Giaino, T. Brazwell, A. Giaino.*



### AFRICAN AMERICAN SAILOR HONORED

"On Nov. 10, 2018, I attended a headstone dedication for Edward E. Reed, African American sailor and Civil War veteran, at Lakeview Cemetery in Patchogue, NY. Members of SUVCW, AMVETS, the VFW, the American Legion and Boy Scouts of America attended. The 67th New York Volunteer Infantry First Long Island Volunteers served as color guard."

*Submitted by Sister K. Vermaelen*

### HONORING ANCESTORS

On Sept 3, 2018, at Old Mayport Cemetery in Mayport, Florida, Tent Chaplain Barbara Giaino placed a flag on the grave of World War II veteran Franklin Arnau, Quartermaster Corps, US Army, who died in 1944.



*Photo by A. Giaino*



**CELEBRATING AT DAVENPORT PRESS** (pictured l. to r.): Leslie Wickham; Mary Cordato, DP; Lynne Dolan, PDP; Eileen Sleckman, PDP; Linda Feierabend, June Fay, and Barbara Giaimo. Photo by A. Giaimo

## 2018 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON AND OFFICER INSTALLATION

On December 9, 2018, New York's Kady Brownell Tent #36 enjoyed it's annual Holiday Luncheon & Installation with Moses Baldwin Camp #544 SUVCW at Davenport Press in Mineola, New York.



This festive occasion was made even more special by guest speaker Srey Austin, US Army veteran and Director of Long Island National and Cypress Hills Cemeteries (pictured left). Srey gave a short talk about the projects going on at both cemeteries and the ways in which we could be involved with them. She also spoke about her life experiences and how her career was impacted by them.

Born in Cambodia while the Khmer Rouge was in power and losing family members during that period, Srey spoke movingly of her rescue by the American Armed Forces. She talked about seeing the American flag on the plane out of Cambodia and how this connection with the flag led to her decision years later to enlist in the United States Army, where she served for nine years. It was both inspirational and humbling to hear of the adversity she faced as a young girl coming to this country. Her story and heroism reflects the very best of what it means to be an American.



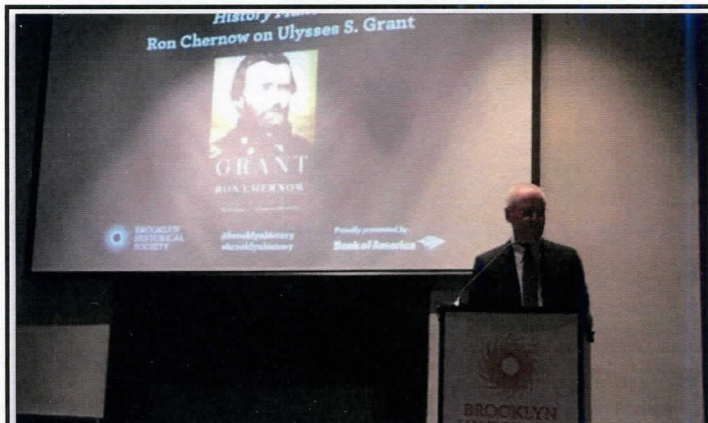
## ON THE WEB & IN THE NEWS

- ◆ [Co. K, 67th NY, 1st L.I. Volunteers 2018 Photo Album](#)
- ◆ [A Fiery Gospel: How the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Changed America](#) (Slate.com)
- ◆ [Civil War Events 2019](#) (The Civil War Traveler)
- ◆ [The Civil War Home Front](#) (Fold3 blog)



## CONGRATULATIONS, REBECCA!

Sister Lynn Dean proudly shares this picture of her daughter (and our duv) Rebecca Dean, winner of the New York Department's GAR Living Memorial Scholarship 2018, at her graduation last June. Rebecca now pursues a degree in Civil Engineering at University of New Hampshire. "She just finished her first semester and made the Dean's List with High Honors," Lynn writes. We congratulate Rebecca on her continuing academic success!



### AUTHOR RON CHERNOW & GRANT AT BHS

"[In October] I attended a talk at the Brooklyn Historical Society by Ron Chernow on his most recent book, *Grant*. While I have not read or even looked at the book yet, if it's anything like the engaging Ron Chernow, it will be a fun read."

*Submitted by Sister B. Radley*



**SECRET SOLDIER SANTA:** Sister E. Sleckman, PDP, and Joe Sledge of the Northport VAMC with holiday gifts that were purchased for a military family using allocated tent funds.



Search for "Kady Brownell Tent #36 DUVCW" and then click the LIKE button near the top of the page. See you there!

# THE VIVANDIÈRE

Newsletter of Kady Brownell Tent #36

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865

## SECRETARY

Mary Cordato, DP

82 Garfield St.

Garden City, NY 11530-2405

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA:** Sister Leslie Wickham placed wreaths on veterans' graves at Cypress Hills Cemetery on Dec. 15, 2018.



**OMAHA BEACH:** Sister Barbara Giaimo notes that this Normandy memorial "looks like shrapnel from a bomb blast shooting skyward." She was also able to take home some beach sand as a souvenir of the trip.



## NEW YORK DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S PROJECT

The NY Department is currently selling tote bags. These lovely bags of heavy cotton include two different images historically connected with GAR. The bags are perfect for running errands in the neighborhood or commuting to the city. Cost is \$15 (includes postage). Proceeds will go to the NY Department Treasury General Fund for work with active military, veterans, etc. If interested, please contact Mary F. Cordato, NY Department President, at [civilwarlady6165@gmail.com](mailto:civilwarlady6165@gmail.com).

## 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? If so, please email your submissions to Kathleen Vermaelen at [kpvermaelen@gmail.com](mailto:kpvermaelen@gmail.com). Thanks in advance!