

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
122ND ANNUAL DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT



MOUNT UNION COLLEGE
ALLIANCE, OHIO

JUNE 11, 12, 13, 2004

JON B. SILVIS
COMMANDER

Editors note: The proceedings of the 122nd Department Encampment are broken down by sections. The first section is a chronologic narrative list of events that occurred during the Encampment with Recommendations and Motions sighted in **bold** when they occurred. Some areas were difficult to understand on the tape as many Brothers did not use the microphone therefore the discussion was not picked up.

The subsequent sections include officer reports, committee reports, and correspondence.

I want to take this opportunity and personally thank PCNC Richard Greenwalt for his many years of dedication to the SUVCW as Department Secretary and Treasurer.

I would also like to thank Bea Greenwalt for her tireless efforts in transcribing the Ohio Department Encampment's proceedings over the last several years. Bea has also typed the proceedings for many, many years. Thank you Bea!

The 122nd Annual Encampment of the Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio June 18 – 20, 2004. This year's host was the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic consisted of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, The Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the Women's Relief Corps. All meetings were held in the Hoover-Price Building of the campus in separate meeting rooms.

Registration began on Friday June 18, 2004, with Sites Committee Chairman and Department Secretary/Treasurer, Richard Greenwalt, Past Commander in Chief, and Bea Greenwalt, Past National President of the Ladies Auxiliary handling the registration. Dinner was served at 5:00 p.m. followed by the Campfire Program at 7:00 p.m. Jean Hilton, Mistress of Ceremonies, presented a program on Spies of the Civil War. During the Campfire, all Allied Orders presidents and commanders were introduced who in turn introduced their respective staffs.

In attendance were Norma Karshner Past Department President of the DUVCW and Florence Mayer, Past Department President and Past National President of the DUVCW. This is of significance since the DUVCW has not met with the SUVCW since 1954. We were delighted to learn that the DUVCW will be holding their annual Encampment with the other Allied Orders in 2005.

Following the Campfire, The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic invited all to a social time and delicious refreshments of homemade pastries. It was good to visit with old friends and an excellent opportunity to make new ones.

The only business held on June 18, 2004, was the auditing of the Treasurer's records. Howard T. Frost, Past Department Commander, chaired the Audit with other council members, James Houston, Past Department Commander and Donald E. Darby, Past Department Commander and Junior Vice Commander In Chief. Brothers Henry Shaw, Department Counselor, Jon Silvis, Department Commander, Richard Greenwalt, PCNC, and David V. Medert, Past Department Commander also attended.

Saturday June 19, 2004:

A Joint opening with the Ladies Auxiliary began at 9:00 a.m. in the Sons meeting room with Jean Hilton of the Ladies of the GAR serving as Mistress of Ceremonies and Brother Ray Nagel Chief of Staff pro tem.

All presiding officers of the Allied Orders were introduced west of the Altar and took their respective station in line. Representing the SUVCW was Junior Vice Commander in Chief, Donald E. Darby. National President of the Auxiliary, Danielle Stevens, represented the Ladies Auxiliary. Representatives from the DUVCW brought greetings from their National President. Pleasantries were exchanged and Gavels presented to the Presiding Officers with each wishing the other success during their annual Encampment. Immediately following the Joint Opening, the Ladies departed to their respective meeting rooms.

Ohio Department Commander Silvis then presented the Ohio Department Encampment with a new frame for its Charter. He then requested a roll call of officers which was done with the following officers absent:

Jr. Vice Commander	Jeffery E. Eversman
Chief of Staff	Robert W. Davis
Graves Registration Officer	M. Wayne Lowery
Memorials Officer	Donald L. Grant
Historian	Robert J. Wolz, PDC
Genealogist	Warren Gentzel
Guide/GAR Highway Officer	Robert Rock

Chaplain Craig Keller, offered a prayer to bless the Encampment and Brother Kirby Bauman presented the flag of the United States before his station and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The 122nd Annual Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was declared opened at 9:35 a.m. with the following Camps in attendance:

Gov. William Dennison #1
Brooks-Grant Camp #7
Gen. William Lylte Camp #10
McLaughlin Camp #12
Given Camp #51
Sgt. Richard Enderlin Camp #73
McClellan Camp #91
Henry Casey Camp #92
William T. Sherman Camp #93
John S. Townsend Camp #108
Gov. William Dennison #125
James A. Garfield Camp #142

The following camps were not represented at the 122nd Annual Department Encampment:

Benjamin Dara Fearing Camp #2
Vienna Camp #26
Philip Triem Camp #43
James McPherson Camp #66
Gen. A.C. Voris Camp #67
John D. Bruck Camp #96
Cabot Addis Camp #126
Henry Banning Camp #207
Washington Wayne Manning Camp #271

Commander Silvis began the Encampment by introducing the Past Commander In Chiefs from Ohio:

Richard Greenwalt
Charles Corfman
David R. Medert
Robert C. Grim

He then introduced Ohio Past Department Commanders:

Richard Greenwalt
Charles Corfman
David R. Medert
Robert C. Grim
David V. Medert
Jim Houston
Howard T. Frost
Keith Ashley
Donald E. Darby

Commander Silvis recognized PDC Donald E. Darby, Jr. Vice Commander In Chief as representing Commander In Chief Kent Armstrong who was unable to attend due to a prior commitment in Missouri.

Commander Silvis then appointed the following to chair the respective committees:

Credentials:	Brother Gerald Crawford
Constitution and Regulations:	PCNC Robert Grim and PCNC David R. Medert
Officer Reports:	Brother Henry Shaw and Brother Ralph Gilbert
Resolutions:	PDC Howard T. Frost and Brother Kirby Bauman
Fraternal Relations:	PDC Henry Shaw

Commander Silvis placed the Ohio Department in control of Bradley Tilton, Sr. Vice Commander, while he delivered his report. During his report, Commander Silvis requested everyone welcome the Daughter of Union Veterans to the Encampment. Commander Silvis commented that when he was speaking with Dawna Vaughn, National President of the DUVCW neither knew why the organizations have not met together.

During his comments on the Ohio Veterans Home, Commander Silvis commented to BG David V. Medert, Commander of the SVR, that the SVR is invited to hold events at the Veterans Home and hopes the SVR will do so. He also invited all organizations to host events at the Ohio Veterans Home.

PCNC Greenwalt made a motion to have all Officer Reports given to the Committee on Officers Reports for their consideration. Seconded by Brother Chris Greene: Passed.

Control of the Encampment was returned to the Commander.

Senior Vice Commander, Bradley Tilton gave his report with recommendations.

Commander Silvis expressed his gratitude for Sr. Vice Tilton's travels through Ohio.

Commander Silvis reported that the only report he had from the Junior Vice Commander was an email, which will stand as his report.

PCNC Greenwalt announced he had been informed that Colonel Pohl of Lytle Camp #10 had recently passed away.

PCNC Greenwalt mentioned the Ohio Department has two real Sons in the Department. PDC Houston announced that the Department has three real Sons. Brother Dale Collier who lives in Tiffin, Ohio is a member of McLaughlin Camp #12. PCNC Greenwalt stated he had no idea Brother Collier was a real Son.

PCNC Greenwalt received a round of applause from the Brothers assembled following his report.

PCNC Greenwalt then proceeded with the Treasurers report.

Upon conclusion of his report, PCNC Greenwalt received a standing ovation and round of applause.

PDC Howard T. Frost provided the report for the Department Council. PDC Frost stated that the Council met 18 June 2004, to audit the Treasurer's records and found all the records to be in order and all monies accounted for.

PDC Frost reminded the Brethren that the Permanent Fund, which began in 1968 with a contribution of \$50.00, has grown to over \$11,000.00. As the Department By Laws state, if the interest is not used, said interest becomes a part of the Permanent Fund.

At the conclusion of the Patriotic Instructor's report, Commander Silvis commented that Senator Fingerhut might join the Brethren for the Banquet.

No report from the Department Memorials Officer.

Following a brief report by the Signals Officer, Commander Silvis commented that Brother Freshley is a Veteran of the U.S. Navy. He went on to state that the Governor's office of Veterans Affairs has a Sons of Union Veterans contact. He has appointed Brother Freshley to that position. Commander Silvis and Brother Freshley have been working very hard in the Director of Veterans Service Commission in Cleveland. Brother Freshley has placed a link to the Veterans Affairs Office in Cleveland on the Department Web Page.

Commander Silvis also encouraged Camps to send information to Brother Freshley regarding activities Camps they may be involved in.

PCNC Greenwalt, Department Secretary/Treasurer and Sites Chairman, commented that the Daughters of Union Veterans would be meeting with all other Allied Orders during the 2005 Department Encampment. PCNC further commented on the fees charged by Mount Union College for use of the meeting rooms. \$275.00 per day for meeting rooms charged to other organizations. The SUVCW is charged \$125.00 per day. The host Order for each year's Encampment does not have to incur this cost since they are providing speakers and refreshments. Historically we have been charging the Orders a fee of \$80.00 each for the Encampment. This is an income of \$240.00 towards the meeting rooms for the Encampment with the SUVCW making up any difference in the cost. This year PCNC Greenwalt informed the Ladies of the Auxiliary and the Women's Relief Corps their fee would be \$50.00 each. PCNC Greenwalt's "thinking, for what it's worth, to have the Grand Army Family together, we're not loaded, we're not rich, but for that little bit of money, let's keep it together and the only real problem I see, is the year the SUVCW has it, two years down the pike, whether we pay the usual fee and cover any additional cost we may incur. All five organizations will meet here next year. I don't want to take any longer. I want you to know I am a crook; I dedicated some of your money."

Commander Silvis asked PCNC Greenwalt if this is an official recommendation.

PCNC Greenwalt responded I will make a recommendation to have the Ladies Organizations donate \$50.00 each for the year they do not sponsor the Encampment.

Jr. Vice Commander In Chief Darby read the Graves Registration Officer's Report and commented that Ohio has the most registered Veterans Graves in the National Data Base.

Commander Silvis briefed the Brethren assembled with regard to the Ohio Veterans Home in Sandusky. Commander Silvis reported that they are in the final stages of the Constitution and by laws. The purpose of the Association is to foster a deeper appreciation of Ohio Military History, to collect and preserve Ohio's Military History through education programs. He further stated that the Ohio Veterans Home has plenty of space available to those interested in utilizing the area and buildings. Commander Silvis encourages everyone to visit the Ohio Veteran's Home.

PDC Medert requested all who plan on attending National this year to see him in order to obtain their Delegate Card.

PDC Medert reported that PCNC Richard Orr was in the hospital and if anyone would like to send a card see him for his address.

Commander Silvis introduced Jr. Vice Commander In Chief, Donald E. Darby, who brought greetings from Commander Kent Armstrong, Commander In Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Jr. Vice Commander In Chief presented the following awards on behalf of the SUVCW:

Brother James Oiler: Certificate of Merit for organizing Camp #126
Brother Ryan B. Williams: Attended the National WW II Monument Dedication
Brother Donald Rialan (spelling?): TSGT during WWII
Wayne Dorger: Unknown certificate
Clark: Recruited 3 new members and is authorized to wear the colors of National Order with his membership badge
Brother May: Recruited 4 new members and is authorized to wear the colors of National Order with his membership badge
Brother Keller: Certificate of Recognition 9 New members and appointed aide to the SUVCW. Brother Keller received a hearty round of Applause.
Brother Ashley: Recruiting 9 new members in the SUVCW and appointed aide to the SUVCW.
Brother Greene: Certificate for his efforts on Memorials
Brother Wayne. Lowery: Certificate of appreciation for his efforts with Graves Registration.

Greenwalt presented Brother Craig Keller the official seal to be placed on his Camp's Charter which was accidentally left off.

Commander Silvis recognized the following Brothers:

Brother Craig Keller: Recruiting nine new members
Brother Ken Freshley: For his efforts on Web Site development and management:
Brother Christopher Greene: For his efforts while serving as Patriotic Instructor.

Included in the Buffington Island report is a copy of the Budget for the bicentennial Morgan's Raid reenactment.

Commander Silvis presented PDC Keith Ashley a coffee cup by the Department Commander in recognition of his efforts in recruiting 9 new members.

Dick Greenwalt motioned that since the Commander-In-Chief was unable to attend, and that Junior Vice Commander-In-Chief, Donald E. Darby represented National, the fees associated with his visit be waived. Seconded and approved

Resolutions were read at this time.

Commander Silvis recognized PDC Ralph Shadel for attending the encampment.

Commander Silvis presented Camp Commander Jim Oiler the charter for Cabot-Blessing Camp #126 of Gallipolis, Ohio.

Lunch

PCNC Greenwalt read correspondence at this time. Some correspondence include:

From Pennsylvania Department Commander Charles Kuhn who also Co-Chairs a National Committee, reminding all Brothers to beware that individuals are still attempting to purchase original cannon barrels.

Pennsylvania Department Commander Kuhn forwarded a form soliciting contributions from the Brethren to help with legal fees in combating illegal attempts to obtain cannon tubes.

Letter from Brother Alan Howey, stating that since he now resides in Dayton, Ohio and has joined William T. Sherman Camp #93, respectfully requests his title of Past Department Commander be transferred to the Department of Ohio. **A motion was made to grant his request. Seconded. Discussion: Jr. Vice CNC Darby stated this resolution must go before National for approval. All present approved the resolution to be forwarded to National.**

Letter from Patrick H. Lovett, Director of Department of Veterans Affairs Requesting the SUVCW and SCV work together to have a joint ceremony honoring the Confederate Dead at Camp Chase Cemetery. Sr. Vice Commander Tilton enlighten everyone as to why there have been problems in the past with the ceremonies at Wood Lawn Cemetery. One of the problems was the Dept. of Veterans Affairs will not permit Confederate flags to be placed in the Cemetery. Brother Tilton further reported that problems have been worked out and both organizations are working together.

At this time, representatives from the Women's Relief Corps were escorted in and brought greetings to the Encampment. Commander Silvis presented the ladies with an Encampment Ribbon and Tote Bag.

No further correspondence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

Commander Silvis and PCNC Greenwalt reported that the Ladies Of the D.U.V. presented a check to them for the Encampment, which was politely returned, as they were invited guests to see how the Department Encampment was conducted. Both Ladies stated they enjoyed their visit and are looking forward to holding their Encampment in Alliance next year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS: Nothing to report.

Representatives of the Ladies Auxiliary were escorted into the meeting room. Past President of the Ladies Auxiliary, Mae Frost, and National President Danielle Michaels brought greetings and presented a Love Token of \$25.00 to the Commander. President Michaels gave pleasant remarks on behalf of the National Ladies Auxiliary. Commander Silvis thanked the Ladies and presented each with an Encampment Ribbon and Tote Bag.

B. RESOLUTIONS:

PDC Frost motioned that if there are not objections to the Resolution Committee's report the report would be accepted at the sound of the gavel. Seconded. Approved.

The following Resolutions were approved at the 122nd Annual Encampment of the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

1. Be it resolved, that Garfield Camp #142 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War wishes to recognize and support the bill to establish the Ohio Military Monuments Board, currently captioned as LSC 125 1834 and asks the Department of Ohio to the same. Concur: Passed.
2. Be it resolved, that Garfield Camp #142, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, wishes to acknowledge and pay honor to the sacrifice of above mentioned soldiers and asks that the Department of Ohio acknowledge their sacrifice and to allow a thirty second period of silence during the State Encampment for this purpose. Concur: Passed.

3. Resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, asks that federal funding be sufficiently increased to handling inflationary costs of staffing and maintenance of the federal Civil War parks; and be it further resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War ask the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to adopt this position and refer it to the national organization. Concur: Passed.
4. Resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War supports Ohio legislation that makes it a crime to remove flag holders from veterans' graves or to sell veterans' flag holders other than by the manufacturer or the manufacturer's outlet; and be it further resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War asks the Ohio Department to support this legislation and to send letters to all members of the Ohio General Assembly asking them to support this legislation. Concur: Discussion followed resulting in the Resolution being referred to the Ohio Department Counselor for research reporting back at the next Department Encampment.
5. Verbal resolution supporting Donald E. Darby to Sr. Vice Commander In Chief. Concurred.

The following Resolutions were defeated:

1. Resolved that Chapter III, Article VI, Section 3, (a), (iii) be stricken and replaced with the following wording: "The reimbursement of all members of the life membership shall be set at an amount of at \$10.00 per member and may be set at a higher rate by the Council of Administration if investments provide more income for reimbursement". Committee requested the Resolution be forwarded to National for consideration. Objected by Jr. Vice CNC Darby. Discussion: Jr. Vice CNC Darby stated that the Life Members' camps are reimbursed at the rate of their Life Membership Dues according to the year they became Life Members. Camps should not be attempting to make money off the Life Membership fund. Camps establish dues above the per capita tax to cover expenses the camp may incur. The National Treasurer returns to the Department Secretary/Treasury, fees for each Life Member that the camp requests reimbursement for. A vote was brought on the floor regarding this resolution and was defeated.
2. Resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War opposes U.S. membership in UNESCO; and be it further resolved that Brooks-Grant Camp No. 7 asks the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War to opposed U.S. membership in UNESCO. Committee concurred: Objection from the floor. Discussion followed sighting that the SUVCW should not be involved in this political

area. Voted on and the Encampment voted against the Committee's concurrence. Resolution therefore failed.

The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic were escorted inside the meeting room where they brought greetings from their Encampment. They invited everyone present to join them for tea at 2:00 p.m. in their meeting room. Commander Silvis thanked them and presented each with an Encampment Ribbon and Tote Bag.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OFFICER REPORTS:

Senior Vice Commander:

1. During the "new business" portion of the Encampment, we approve \$500.00 from the Department account to fully fund the GAR Monument at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery. Camps and individuals would be encouraged to make voluntary contributions in order to reduce this obligation: Concur: Approved.
2. Assuming the GAR Monument project is funded, I recommend we hold a dedication ceremony on Saturday April 9, 2005 at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery near Rittman, Ohio. This will coincide with the 140th anniversary of Lee's surrender to Grant. I believe that on this day it would be altogether fitting and proper for the Department to honor the GAR as well as commemorate the end of the Civil War. Concur: Approved.
3. Ohio Department Members-at-Large pay \$31.00 in dues each year. National and Department dues come to \$22.00. I recommend the Ohio Department develop a policy on how much (if any) of this \$9.00 difference should be transferred to the Camp when a Member-at-Large transfers his membership to a Camp. Concur: Approved.

Department Council:

1. Recommend reporting period for Department be established as 1 June to 31 May of each year: Concur: approved.
2. Recommend amending Article 4 Section 6 of the Department By Laws to read: "The Depository for all Department Funds, other than those which may be voted for investment, shall be a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation/Federal Savings & Load Insurance Company institution whose deposits are fully insured to the full amount of the deposit". Concur: approved.
3. Recommend a hard deck permanent fund of \$11,264.78 be established. Concur: approved.

4. Recommend the Department Secretary/Treasurer purchase the software “Quicken Professional Edition” to track Department Treasury. Anticipated Expenditure to be around \$100.00. Concur: approved.
5. Recommend adding Article 4 Section 7 of the Department By Laws to read: “The Department Commander is authorized to spend up to \$100.00 for special occasions (i.e. flowers for funerals, cards, etc) without the approval of the Department or Department Council”. Concur: approved.

EAGLE SCOUT COORDINATOR

1. Recommends reimbursement of expenses incurred during this past year. Concur: approved.

NEW BUSINESS.

PCNC Robert E. Grim thanked the Ohio Department, especially PDC Jim Houston and Ray Nagel for all their hard work in making the Encampment successful.

PDC Houston reported there was a surplus of \$800.00 plus dollars, which was forwarded to the National Counsel of Administration. Since the funds were surplus funds, the Council of Administration returned the check to the host committee, which consisted of the Department of Kentucky and Ohio. The committee distributed the funds between the Departments involved and Lytle Camp #10 with said disbursements as follows:

Department of Ohio 40%
Department of Kentucky 30%
Lytle Camp #10 20%

Lytle Camp #10 received the distribution of funds due to their contributions and expenses incurred while assisting in putting the Encampment on.

PDC Houston thanked PDC David V. Medert for his talk at the GreenLawn Cemetery ceremonies and Brother Henry Shaw, master of ceremonies for the event. He also thanked the many Brethren for their contributions and assistance.

PDC Houston reported Ohio has 12 true sons and daughters of Union Veterans. There are 2 true sons PDC Houston stated one True Daughter Florence Shubun, of Birming, Ohio passed away early this year. We have however, discovered another Real Daughter. Ms. Rona Johnson who lives in Worthington, Ohio whose father was Joseph Calhoun of Co. H, 148th Pennsylvania Infantry. Not only is she a real Daughter of a Union Veterans, she also is the oldest living American at the age of 114. Gov. William Dennison Camp #1, some Department of Ohio representatives, the Ladies Auxiliary and the DUVCW, plan on visiting her sometime after her birthday and present her flowers and recognize her as a real daughter.

PDC Houston then motioned that the visitation committee be allocated up to \$100.00 for the visit to Ms. Rona Johnson, real Daughter and oldest American. Seconded. Approved

PCNC Grim recognized Brothers Darby and Frost as developers of the military Service Medal. Brother Wayne M. Lowery Jr. provided the graphics for the medal. PCNC Grim also reported that the SUVCW Charitable Foundation was created. He thanked Commander Silvis, PDC Houston and PDC Frost for their efforts in aiding the development of the Foundation. PCNC Grim requested the efforts of these Brethren be cited in our official minutes.

Brother Ken Freshley motioned to renew the Department's Website for a 5 year contract at the sum of \$150.00. Seconded. Approved.

Brother Tilton motioned the Ohio Department Donate \$500.00 to the GAR Monument at the Ohio Western Reserve. Discussion: PCNC Greenwalt stated we received a check from the National Monument Fund for \$500.00 towards this monument. He further stated he was present at the dedication of the monument with an anticipated crowd of 5,000 people present. There are no markings in the cemetery showing where the monument is located. PCNC Greenwalt went onto state that we should vote to spend enough money (\$1,000.00 maybe) to help with this and if we get it back from Camps or National that is fine. *(Other discussion continued but since no one spoke in the microphone, unable to determine what the discussion was).* **Motion voted on and approved.**

Jr. Vice CNC Darby motioned that the Ohio Department develop a sympathy card and present the design at next year's Encampment. Seconded. Approved.

Brother Greene, Patriotic Instructor, reported that there are Presidential Memorial Certificates signed by the President of the United States available at local Veterans Administration office. These certificates are for Civil War Veterans.

Commander Silvis gave a "side note": Veterans Service Commission used to be the Soldiers Relief Commission.

PDC Medert read an email from Bud about a plague on a tree. PDC Houston stated the Lytle Camp would take the task of contacting Clinton County to assist with the information they require.

Sr. Vice Commander Tilton motioned to donate \$100.00 to the Ohio Genealogical Society Building fund. Seconded: Passed

Other New Business:

Jr. Vice Commander In Chief Donald E. Darby presented a point of information that the Mormons are currently working in the Ross County Court House micro filming records free of charge. They will microfilm records with the only fee being able to retain a copy of the records filmed.

PCNC Greenwalt made a motion to donate \$50.00 to the Senior Vice Commander In Chief Fund and the National Patriotic Instructor Fund. Discussion by Jr. Vice CNC Fund is no longer in existence. Motion amended to reflect the donation go to the Sr. Vice CNC fund only. Seconded: Passed.

Jr. Vice CNC Darby made a motion to take out a full-page advertisement in the National Encampment program. Cost to be \$40.00. Seconded: Passed.

Garfield Camp #142 made a presentation on a raffle they are currently running in support of Garfield Camp #142's Memorial Day event. The two items being raffled are an original Colt Revolver and an 1861 replica rifle. *(Too weak and muffled to determine the content of the announcement)*. Camp #142 is asking everyone to take some tickets to assist with the raffle.

Final count for the Patriotic Instructor fund is \$25.00 and the Chief of Staff fund is \$70.00.

Jr. Vice CNC Darby commented that he still holds the record for conducting the business of the Encampment, Electing Officers, and holding the installation by 3:15 p.m.

Commander Silvis expressed his gratitude for his year of Commander, Ohio Department SUVCW and for a successful Encampment.

With nothing further to come before the Encampment, Commander Silvis opened the floor for nominations for Department Officers.

Jr. Vice Commander In Chief Darby motioned that if only one Brother is nominated for an Officer's Position, the Secretary cast a single vote in favor of the nominee and at the sound of the gavel the Brother is elected. Seconded; approved.

The following Brethren have been elected to serve the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans for the year 2004 – 2005:

Commander:	Bradley Tilton
Sr. Vice Commander	Ray Nagel
Jr. Vice Commander	Craig Keller
Secretary/Treasurer	PDC David V. Medert

Jr. Vice Commander In Chief Darby announced that he would not be seeking another year as Department Council. His reasoning is that since PDC Medert is his brother-in-law and since he has been elected to Secretary/Treasurer he did not want the appearance that the Department Council or super structure of the Department to be “controlled” by one family. PDC Houston stated that he feels there would be no impropriety by Brother Darby continuing on as a member of the Department Council and motioned that he remain. Brother Darby remained steadfast and elected not to continue on the Department Council.

He further stated that historically, the exiting Department Commander automatically served on the Department Council. Brother Darby explained that if someone is desiring of being the Department Commander, he would have invaluable experience serving on the Department Council prior to being elected into the progressive line.

Council #1	Ken Freshley (One Year Term)
Council #2	PDC Jim Houston (One Year Remaining)
Council #3	Chris Greene (Three Year Term)

Commander Elect Tilton announced that PCNC Robert Grim will be the installing officer.

PCNC Grim presented PDC Silvis his Past Department Commander’s Badge and proceeded with the installation.

PCNC Greenwalt expressed his gratitude for the support the Brethren have given him during his 29 years of service as the Department Secretary/Treasurer.

PCNC Greenwalt read the slate of officers for the ensuing year.

PCNC Grim asked that as the newly elected and appointed officers’ names are read, they take their place west of the Altar.

PCNC Grim administered the Obligation of the officers elect and the duties of the Department Commander. He then declared the Officers of the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War duly installed.

Commander Tilton thanked everyone for their support in electing him to Department Commander. He emphasized Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. Fraternity, no one forced anyone to join this organization everyone joins to have fun and that is what it is all about. Requested all camps to notify the Web Master about their camps so he may place their activities on the web site. Charity: Something my camp is falling down on now but we have an excellent opportunity with the Ohio Veterans Home and Christmas Committee. A lot of the fellows there are not well off and any help we can give them will be appreciated. We are charged with honoring veterans of all wars and we should do that. Loyalty: To honor the veterans of all wars and I encourage you to find ways to do that.

After his remarks, Commander Tilton received a hearty round of applause and proceeded to close the 122nd Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Department Encampment.

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS/COMMITTEES 2004-2005

Elected Officers

Commander	Bradley A. Tilton, P.O. Box 7224, Mansfield, OH 44905 (419) 589-3140 batilton@richnet.net
Senior Vice Commander	Raymond C. Nagel, 6600 Betts Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45239 (513) 478-8228 orion@fuse.net
Junior Vice Commander	Craig W. Keller, 4176 Bedford Ave., Hamilton, OH 45015 (513) 868-9911 Yankeeblue61@aol.com
Secretary/Treasurer	PDC David V. Medert, 72 Limestone Blvd., Chillicothe, OH 45601 (740) 773-7646 batteryi@horizonview.net
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Appointed Officers

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Counselor	Henry E. Shaw, Jr., 27 Griswold St., Delaware, OH 43015-1716 (740) 369-3722 hshaw@columbus.rr.com
Patriotic Instructor	Christopher Greene (See Department Council)
Graves Registration Officer	Kent Dorr, 619 Highland Ave., Mansfield, OH 44903 (419) 522-2605 dorr64ovi@aol.com
Eagle Scout Coordinator	Bradley A. Tilton (See Commander)

Civil War Memorials Officer	Donald L. Grant, 4363 Bennington Creek Ln., Groveport, OH 43125 (740) 974-1186 grantdon@hotmail.com
Signals Officer	Ken Freshley (See Department Council)
Historian	PDC Robert J. Wolz, 1913A Seidenburg Ave., Key West, FL 33040-3623 (305) 294-3594 or (305) 294-9911 (w) rjwolz@bellsouth.net
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