

**MARY CHESEBRO LEE
DETACHED TENT #23**www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wimclduv/<https://www.facebook.com/duvcwmarylee>**TENT #23 WELCOMES
LAURIE SHAWHAN**

Sister Laurie Shawhan, our newest tent member was instrumental in founding the Cordelia A.P. Harvey Tent #21 in Manitowoc, WI and was their first President. She has also served as the tent secretary. Laurie and her husband Don are active Civil War re-enactors. Her Civil War knowledge is extensive and she is a welcome addition to our tent!

**DELAVAN'S 4TH OF JULY PARADE**

Charlene Staples and Pat Blackmer participated in the Delavan 4th of July parade, riding with Ken Wargo in his truck (below). He had decorated it with our Tent's banner, the Civil War monument banners, and an "Old Abe" eagle above a banner announcing the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. The weather was perfect and there was a great turnout for the parade.

**MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED
TENT #23 MEMBERSHIP AT RECORD HIGH**

With the members recently transferred from disbanded Tent #22 in Milwaukee, the total membership of Tent #23 is currently at 47. Unfortunately, we also had three additional sisters pass away in 2013. We have 5 members with supplemental Civil War ancestors, including several with multiple ancestors. There are a total of 9 supplemental ancestors. We are currently working on submitting our ancestors that were members of the GAR to the National DUVCW database.

FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will be held at
6:30pm on Tuesday, August 26, 2014
at the Delavan Community Centre

2014 WCHS ENCAMPMENT

Continuing to fulfill the mission of collecting, preserving and sharing the rich history of Walworth County the Walworth County Historical Society (WCHS) hosted an encampment commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Civil War and the Spanish American War of 1898. Participants included the Grand Army of the Republic, Post #8 Senior Re-enactors from Wisconsin and members of the Sons of Spanish American War Veterans from Illinois. In addition, a women's civilian camp was set up by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Cordelia Harvey Tent #21 of Manitowoc. Special events included a picnic dinner hosted by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mary Chesebro Lee, Tent #23 of Delavan who also provided the campers with breakfast the following morning, a flag raising ceremony, an old-fashioned camp worship service and an ice cream social hosted by the WCHS on Sunday. During the ice cream social, the "Outdated D's", a roving barbershop quartet entertained the visitors. While weather was a factor Saturday evening and caused a great deal of excitement when torrential rains hit the camp, Sunday was beautiful and the events were well attended. The re-enactors enjoyed the event so much that plans are in the works for a return in 2015. *(Article by Pat Blackmer)*



“According to army regulations for camp rations, a Union soldier was entitled to receive daily 12 oz of pork or bacon or 1 lb. 4 oz of fresh or salt beef; 1 lb. 6 oz of soft bread or flour, 1 lb. of hard bread, or 1 lb. 4 oz of cornmeal. Per every 100 rations there was issued 1 peck of beans or peas; 10 lb. of rice or hominy; 10 lb. of green coffee, 8 lb. of roasted and ground coffee, or 1 lb. 8 oz of tea; 15 lb. of sugar; 1 lb. 4 oz of candles, 4 lb. of soap; 1 qt of molasses. In addition to or as substitutes for other items, desiccated vegetables, dried fruit, pickles, or pickled cabbage might be issued. The marching ration consisted of 1 lb. of hard bread, 3/4 lb. of salt pork or 1 1/4 lb. of fresh meat, plus the sugar, coffee, and salt. The ration lacked variety but in general the complaints about starvation by the older soldiers was largely exaggerated. Generally the Confederate ration, though smaller in quantity after the spring of 1862 and tending to substitute cornmeal for wheat flour, was little different.” *(information from <http://www.civilwarhome.com/rations.html>)*

THE DUVCW'S 3 NAME CHANGES

"Incorporated as "The National Alliance of the Daughters of Veterans of the United States of America" on December 12, 1885, in Massillon, Ohio.

"Signers of the Original Articles of Incorporation: Minnie F. King, Bertha M. Martin, Olive F. Howald, Eva Merwin, and Amy Merrill.

"They were endorsed by The Grand Army of the Republic at the 34th Annual Encampment held in Chicago, Illinois, 1900.

"Name changed to Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 35th National Convention held in Grand Rapids, Michigan, 1925.

"Name changed to Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861 - 1865 at the 54th National Convention held in Des Moines, Iowa 1944."

*(Information from the DUVCW National website
<http://www.duvcw.org/index.php/about-us>)*

2ND CEMETERY WALK PLANNED

Tent #23 will conduct its second cemetery walk at Spring Grove on Saturday, August 16th from 1:00-3:30 pm as a part of the Heritage Festival. Guided tours will be conducted at 1:00 pm and 2:30 pm with self-guided tours available upon arrival. This is to raise funds for the Civil War Monument with the hope that the monument will be able to achieve landmark status through this effort.

Barbara Shreves will give a tour of the mausoleum which was erected in 1911 and contains 12 Civil War soldiers who are encrypted there. Charlene Staples and her husband Brian will portray philanthropists James and Susan Aram, and guest re-enactor Greg Rodenbeck will portray Dr. D.B. Devendorf who was a physician in the Civil War and returned to Delavan to establish his practice. Civil War era medical instruments will be on display at his gravesite. Judy Manning will tell the story of Professor Rodliff Allen Palmer, a Civil War soldier and circus aerialist who ascended in hot air balloons as his sister, Sarah Palmer who was a portrait artist. John Gould's Civil War heroics will be retold by his great granddaughter, Zoe Woelky. A detailed report on the conservation and restoration of the Civil War monument will be included on the tour of the historic cemetery.

Be sure to look for the plaque dedicated to the DUVCW near the monument while you are there!

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO THE

SPRING GROVE CEMETERY

Delavan, Wisconsin



HISTORIC CEMETERY WALK

Remembering our Civil War ancestors, circus history and the history and symbolism of the Civil War Monument

Sponsored by the Delavan Historical Society and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War 1861-1865

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2014

FROM 1:00 TO 3:30 PM

(Guided tours at 1:00 and 2:30, self-guided tours upon arrival)

"Why do they call them civil wars when they always are so extraordinarily uncivil?" — Elizabeth Fitch

Did you know.....that Robert E. Lee was born in the same room as two signers of the Declaration of Independence? His uncles Richard Henry Lee and Francis Lightfoot Lee.

...that Abraham Lincoln was never heard to use the term "the enemy" to refer to the Confederate States?

...that Ulysses S. Grant's memoirs were published by Mark Twain after his death?

(information from The Civil War Notebook: Little Known Facts and Other Odds-and-Ends about the Civil War, compiled by Albert A. Noff)