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# MARY CHESEBRO LEE **DETACHED TENT #23**

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## **Heritage Fest:** Saturday, August 29, 2015

Tent 23 has secured Local Landmark status for the Civil War Monument in Spring Grove Cemetery after petitioning and receiving approval from the Spring Grove Cemetery Board of Directors. To celebrate this commemoration, program will be presented by the Tent at the cemetery at 11:00 am on Saturday, August 29. Joining the DUVCW for this historic event will be the First Brigade Band from Watertown, WI who will provide music during the program. On hand to present the tent with a proclamation from the city designating the monument as a landmark will be Delavan's mayor, Mel Nieuwenhuis. Sisters are encouraged to attend to show your support and keep the memory of our Civil War ancestors "forever green". The monument lists the names of those 57 soldiers from the Delavan area who paid the ultimate sacrifice to preserve our Union and provide for the freedom we enjoy today.



#### Wisconsin Celebrates the Conclusion of the Sesquicentennial

It was a lovely but very warm and humid July day at Camp Randall Park in Madison, WI for the dedication of a new Civil War monument to commemorate "our boys in blue" and the last year of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War. On hand for the dedication were members of the GAR Post #8 who are a group of senior reenactors, members of the SUVCW from various camps in Wisconsin, dignitaries from the Wisconsin Veterans Museum and members of the Wisconsin detached tents of the DUVCW.

Tadd Campbell, National Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans was the guest speaker for the event. Campbell is also a distant relative of Lucius Fairchild, a Civil War veteran and Wisconsin Governor who was instrumental in securing the Camp Randall property for posterity. Also present at the event was the First Brigade Band of Watertown who provided music for the dedication and a concert following the dedication. Tenting on the grounds were the Wisconsin 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry and Post #8 of the GAR who provided a glimpse into the lives of Civil War soldiers and veterans.





FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at the Delavan Spring Grove Cemetery/Civil War Monument 11:00 am on Saturday, August 29 2015 Please attend and show your support for our tent and its achievement

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### TENT #23 ACTIVE IN EVENTS

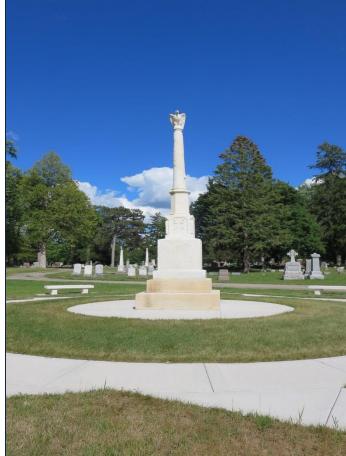
A number of our Sisters were involved in several events that took place in July and early August to include the Fourth of July parade in Delavan, the Camp Randall Civil War Monument dedication in Madison and highlights of the DUVCW National Convention in early August at St. Charles/St. Louis, Missouri. We look forward to seeing all of you at the Civil War Monument in Spring Grove Cemetery on August 29<sup>th</sup>.











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#### Baubles, Bangles and Beads – A Look at Civil War Era Costume Jewelry

Terry Arliskas of Milwaukee shared a wonderful program regarding Civil War era jewelry with Tent #23 at our July meeting. The power point presentation, enhanced by lovely pieces from Arliskas' own jewelry collection had Tent 23 members agog. Providing a history of jewelry from the influence of Queen Victoria which lasted over six decade, Arliskas showed examples of hair, photo, jet, vulcanite, mosaic, filigree, cameo and mourning jewelry. The well dressed women of the time often completed their attire with jewelry which denoted their societal or marital status. Jewelry could be a simple ornament or a token denoting love or remembrance. Arliskas 'collection has evolved over decades. She has a web site where she offers many of these lovely Civil War era pieces for sale.



#### Tent #23 Partners with the United States Vietnam War Commemoration

As we observe the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Vietnam War the Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent #23 has become proud partners with the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration. As a grateful nation, we need to honor and thank our Vietnam Veterans and their families. The objectives of this organization include "highlighting the service of the Armed Forces during the Vietnam War and the contributions of Federal agencies", "paying tribute to the contributions made on the home front by people of the USA", "highlighting the advances of technology, science and medicine related to military research", "recognizing the contributions and sacrifices made by the allies of the United States" and "thanking and honoring veterans of the Vietnam War and the families of veterans".

The 13 year program of commemoration will include programs and materials that can be viewed on the website developed for this event: <a href="https://www.VietnamWar50th.com">www.VietnamWar50th.com</a>. As a DUVCW tent, we are eager to begin the commemoration honoring more than 58,000 patriots whose names are etched in granite because of their ultimate sacrifice and more than 1600 of our service members who are still missing as well as our wounded warriors from whom we drew inspiration. And we must remember it is never too late to pay tribute to the men and women who fought and returned. These individuals as the others mentioned deserve our complete respect and heartfelt thanks from a grateful nation.



We are indeed fortunate as an organization to have seven REAL DAUGHTERS as current members of DUVCW. REAL DAUGHTERS are those ancestral descendants whose fathers fought for the Union in the Civil War. Tent #23 recognizes these women on an annual basis by sending holiday and personal greetings.

Our September Meeting will be held on at the Delavan Community Centre on Tuesday, September 22, 201 at 6:30 pm. We welcome Karin Johnson who will provide a program on the Milwaukee Soldiers Home for our tent.