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DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, 1861-1865 MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED TENT #23

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OUR REMARKABLE duv, JORDAN GILLES



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During these unprecedented times, our sisters have found so many worthwhile projects to assist others and in fact, to keep busy. One such individual is our "duv", Jordan Gilles. Jordan is currently a junior at Cadott High School where she will complete this school year as a virtual student, taking her classes online.

As a caring individual with artistic talent, Jordan made 100 greeting cards to cheer those residents of a local nursing home. She did this in memory of her two great grandmothers. Bringing cheer to those individuals residing at the nursing homes who are unable to have visitors because of the current lock down was her paramount concern. (top photo to the left)

After completing her first 100 cards, Jordan went on to create an additional 124 cards for the staff members of the Cadott Community Schools. The cards were made thanking the school staff for their service and as a small yet powerful reminder that one student is extremely grateful for what they do. (bottom photo)

Jordan is a very active high school student, who along with her artistic talent is involved in FFA, school musicals, Student Council, and a myriad of other activities. She is also on the high honor roll.

Tent 23 continues to be proud to have this young lady as a member and extends their gratitude for all that she does.

FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at The Delavan Community Centre DATE TO BE DETERMINED MAY 2020

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CIVIL WAR HOSPITAL SHIPS

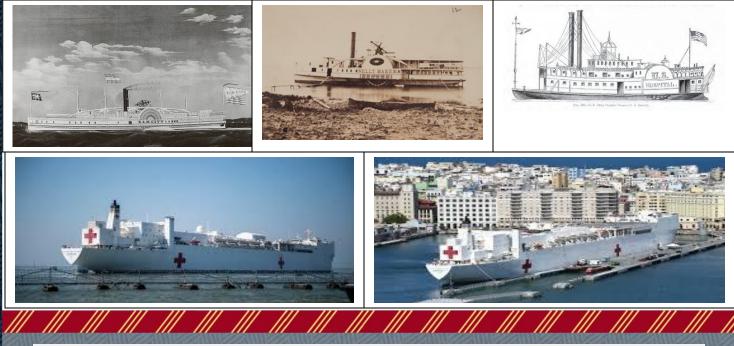
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USS Red Rover (1861) was a 650-ton Confederate States of America steamer that the United States Navy captured. After refitting the vessel, the Union used it as a hospital ship during the American Civil War. Red Rover became the U.S. Navy's first hospital ship, serving the Mississippi Squadron until the end of the American Civil War. Her medical complement included nurses from the Catholic order Sisters of the Holy Cross. These women were considered the first nurses to serve on board a Navy ship.

Frederick Law Olmsted, the executive director of the United States Sanitary Commission, set up a system of hospital ships for wounded and sick soldiers during the American Civil War. The USSC was a private agency that cooperated closely with the U.S. Army. USS America (photo to right), Elm City (below left), Nelly Baker (below middle), USS San Com (below right) Color photos below are of our current US Navy Hospital shops (left USS Comfort). (right USS Mercv).





Due to the current "safer at home"order, Memorial Day parades and ceremonies are being cancelled. Please remember our brave heroes who sacrificed their lives for our freedom.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

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TRAGEDY STRIKES OUR VETERANS

Flags and wreaths honor veterans on April 28, on the grounds of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, Mass., where a number of people died due to the coronavirus. While the death toll at the state-run Holyoke Soldiers' Home continues to climb, federal officials are investigating whether residents were denied proper medical care while the state's top prosecutor is deciding whether to bring legal action.

A recent update indicates that 71 veterans at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, MA have died of Covid 19 while an additional 80 veterans and 81 employees at the facility have tested positive for the disease.

Rodrique Ngowi/AP

2020 DUVCW NATIONAL CONVENTION CANCELLED

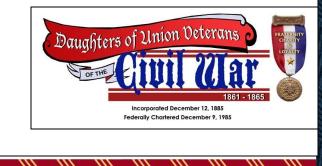
Dear Sisters,

It is with great sadness that I am writing to you to tell you that the DUVCW National Convention has been canceled for this year. I received a majority vote from the Executive Board in the decision to cancel. We determined that travel could be a problem and we want to keep the safety of our members a priority. Department Presidents, you may share this with your Tent Presidents and Detached Tents may also pass this message on. The announcement will also be in the upcoming General Orders #3 which will be accessible on the website and out in the mail sometime in May. I look forward to better days and hope to see you all at the next National Convention.

I hope you are all staying safe and that things will improve sooner than later.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Sandra K. Millin National President DUVCW



PLEASE BE SAFE AND WELL!

May is Military Appreciation month. Armed Forces day is the third Saturday in May. It was first proclaimed and held May 20, 1950 The Milwaukee County War Memorial is joining with Bells of Milwaukee for a community bell ringing marking the 75th commemoration of Victory in Europe day.