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## Welcome Jordan Gilles!

Tent #23 welcomes our youngest member who hails from Cadott, WI. Jordan is considered a "duv". Her 4<sup>th</sup> Great Grandfather was Isaac Kingsland who was in Co. D of the 27<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin. He perished of typhoid fever in 1864 at Camden, Arkansas. We are glad you are our "sister"!



While Dan Nettesheim provided an insightful evening for Tent #23 into the life of Grant, one of the greatest generals to ever live, here are a few facts that you may have not been aware of:

Grant's name was Hiram Ulysses Grant. An Ohio congressman incorrectly wrote his name on the application when he nominated him to attend West Point.

Grant was an average student at West Point but an excellent horseman. He received a speeding ticket from the police for excessive speed on horseback!

Grant had no political experience before becoming our 18<sup>th</sup> President. He was the youngest person at the time of his election holding the Presidental Office at age 46.

Grant was responsible for dismantling the KKK during his administration.

A gifted writer, who while dying of throat cancer, wrote his memoirs. His autobiography is still considered one of the best, if not the best written by a President. Mark Twain published it and from the money earned, gave Grant's wife \$200,000.

Nettesheim, former West Point History Professor discusses why Grant was such a successful and storied Union Civil War General with the sisters of Tent #23.

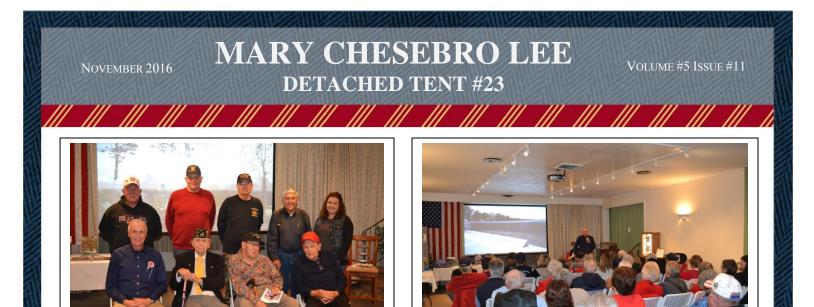
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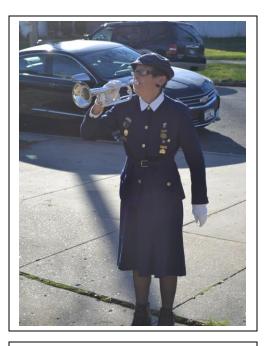


## FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at THE VILLAGE RESTAURANT on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 12:00 pm



Walworth County Veterans attend the program at Heritage Hall in Elkhorn.



Nancy Lehman, Walworth County bugler, sounds 'TAPS"

Ron Borowski was the featured speaker at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Program

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Program hosted by the Walworth County Historical Society welcomed Ron Borowski, a Korean War Veteran who spoke to the well attended event about the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight program. Howard Powell of Elkhorn who is seated second from the right in the top left photo has taken the flight to Washington, D.C. and related that it was the experience of a lifetime. The flight, which is free of charge to veterans allows them to see the war memorial monuments and Arlington Cemetery. The Wisconsin flight departs from Milwaukee. Wisconsin is one of 44 states that honor their veterans this way. Currently eligible for flights are WWII as well as Korean War Veterans or any veteran that is terminally ill.

Delavan Historical Society and Daughters of Union Veterans Tent 23 Christmas Party at the Village Supper Club 1725 South Shore Drive, Delavan RSVP to Charlene Staples (262) 728-3091

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## GRAND ARMY STAINED GLASS WINDOW PRESERVED

The Walworth County Historical Society received a donation of a GAR stained glass window from the late Franklin and Suzanne Stoneburner. The window had been a part of the Allen's Grove, WI Methodist Church. While the history of the window is surrounded with speculation, it can be surmised that the Civil War veterans who had enlisted from the small town, took great pride in honoring their fallen comrades. Windows of this era and nature are extremely rare. In fact, our National Headquarters in Springfield, IL is fortunate to have received the donation of a GAR stained glass window from the state of Maine.

Thus it was decided that Tent #23 and the Grand Army of the Republic Post #8 of Senior Re-enactors would combine forces and make possible the financial resources to build a light cabinet for the protections and display of the historic Allen's Grove stained glass window.

John Jaycna, a master craftsman from Franklin, WI was commissioned to design and construct the cabinet. Made from red oak, the cabinet is LED lighted with a dimmer switch. A front plate of glass was inserted to offer protection for the stained glass window.

The historic GAR window is on permanent display at the Walworth County Historical Society in its Civil War display area.







Pictured above are John Jacyna (left) and Dan Richardson assembling the GAR stained glass window cabinet

REMEMBER OUR HOMELESS VETERANS WITH YOUR DONATIONS OF CANDY AND HOLIDAY CARDS FOR OUR NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> MEETING

CORDELIA A.P. HARVEY Cordelia Harvey, the Wisconsin Angel of the Civil War and widow of Governor Harvey worked diligently to improve the lives of our Wisconsin soldiers. A complete story will be in our december issue.