

MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED TENT #23

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WELCOME!

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I work at a small, assisted living doing activities, decorating and other miscellaneous jobs. In the past I was a photographer and worked in scrapbook stores in Wisconsin and Hawaii. I still enjoy photography and preserving photos. My grandmother started our genealogical journey by putting together a book of family stories, photos and a family tree. We also learned about our Cornish heritage from her. My parents continued the genealogical journey with research and travel. Genealogy is now my new passion as I make new and fascinating discoveries, including the fact that my father and mother are Mayflower descendants. Coming from a family with members who have served in our military, I have a great sense of patriotism.

MAJOR LISA BRELLENTHIN, May's Guest Speaker

Tent 23 will welcome, Major Lisa Brellenthin, a member of the U.S. Army Nurses Corps Reserves to our May meeting. Lisa is a Nurse Practitioner who currently works at the Clement Zablocki Veterans Administration Hospital in Milwaukee.

The Zablocki medical center is renowned for its care of veterans. There is a Women's Primary Care Clinic to serve female veterans, a Rehabilitation Robotic Research and Design Center, a spine clinic and hospital and out-patient care for our aging Vietnam War era veterans, as well as patients from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Because Lisa is a part of the Army Reserves, she has been deployed to Iraq, makes monthly trips to Fort McCoy and has served in New York during the Covid Pandemic.

As a Major in the Reserves, she oversees brigade activities and task force command for personnel, logistics and operational missions. She certainly has much information to share.



FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at
The Delavan Community Centre
on Wednesday, May 28, 2025 at 6:30pm

CIVIL WAR LIVING HISTORY DAY
The Milton House Museum hosted its annual event May 16-18 to include Civil War reenactors many of which were our Brothers from Camp 2 in Madison. Area students numbering 1,300 took part in the event. It was a great way to learn firsthand about the trials that our soldiers endured.



The April meeting of Tent 23 found Co-President, Linda Tanner-Freitag channeling Alex Trebec as teams answered JEPARODY questions about the Civil War. The team of Manning, Johnson and Blackmer were victorious in the competition. After the game, members wrote thank you cards to our veterans.



Honoring the Legacy of Thomas Jefferson's Grandsons

Dear Brothers, Sisters, Family and Friends,

We are pleased to extend an invitation to a solemn and significant event as we gather to honor the heroic contributions of Thomas Jefferson's grandsons by marking their graves with Civil War grave markers.

Event Details

Date: June 28, 2025

Time: 1:30 p. m.

Location:
Forest Hill Cemetery, 1 Speedway Rd. Madison, Wisconsin

Program

Join us in paying tribute to the lives and contributions of Thomas Jefferson's grandsons. Your presence will be a heartfelt addition to this commemorative occasion.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865

Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent 23, Wisconsin

Sincerely,

Co-Presidents Pat Blackmer & Linda Tanner-Freitag





Linda Tanner-Freitag and Barb Pahlow welcomed home the Badger Honor Flight Vets at Truax Field in April on behalf of DUV.



Cordelia Harvey, the wife of Governor Louis Harvey served as a nurse and advocate during the Civil War.



Memorial Day Ceremony May 26th, 2025

Ashley-Anne C. Hobbins
DUVCW Mary Chesebro Lee
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Memorial Day Readout WI Governor First Lady, Cordelia A.P. Harvey

President Lincoln's pledge to 'care for him who has borne the battle, and his widow and his orphan' was not limited to actions of the federal government. Wisconsin Governor Louis Harvey led a civilian relief effort after the Battle of Shiloh in 1862 to aid the soldiers wounded there. Unfortunately, he died in an accidental drowning during that effort.

Gov. Harvey's widow, Cordelia, became a champion for the cause of establishing military hospitals in Northern states, of course including Wisconsin. She also was the force behind establishment of the orphanage in Madison for the children of those who gave their lives in service to the Union in the Civil War. Six of those orphans lie buried here in Union Rest.

Governor Louis and wife Cordelia A. P. Harvey are likewise buried here in Forest Hill Cemetery.

As a Daughter of Union Veterans of the Civil War Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent 23 and Dame of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States District of Columbia, I wish to interject that Cordelia was honored with her own namesake tent "Cordelia A. P. Harvey Detached Tent 21" in Manitowoc in her honor and husband Governor Louis Harvey's memories. Her memory as a Wisconsin First Lady icon is punctuated by her own lifelong efforts to orphans and families affected by the Civil War and to American War Veterans in general.

The large boulder at the center of Union Rest was dedicated by the Woman's Relief Corps, a charitable organization formed as an order allied with the Grand Army of the Republic and which, to this day, along with the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, carries out charitable work in aid of veterans."

I am a proud descendant of many of Wisconsin Pioneers and America's Founders, a Sister of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Mary Chesebro Lee Detached Tent #23 in Delavan, WI and the Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States, District of Columbia.

Like our Wisconsin Harveys, my own Madison Pioneer Civil War Veteran ancestors are buried here at Forest Hill Cemetery. My readout is Dr Surgeon Major Will Hobbins Eagle Reg, Dr Surgeon Joseph Hobbins Camp Randall, Dr. James A Jackson Hospital Steward Eagle Reg, Federal Paymaster Major James R. Mears. Elsewhere, in Harrisburg, PA is Gettysburg General Major Gen John White Geary, sons Lt. Eddie Ratchford Geary, Independant Batt E Knaps Battery, Drummer Boy Willie L. Geary.

Forest Hill National Cemetary
Union Rest
Madison, Wisconsin

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