

# MARY CHESEBRO LEE

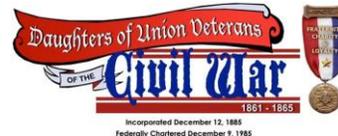
## DETACHED TENT #23

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Christmas in July has become an annual meeting event for Tent 23. Those in attendance bring “white elephant” gifts which are won, traded or “stolen” as a Civil War era game is played. Last year Co-Pres. Linda Tanner-Freitag won Uncle Sam. What will you go home with this year? See you July 23<sup>rd</sup>!



### THE JEFFERSON GRANDSONS IN WISCONSIN HONORED BY TENT 23

On June 28, a beautiful Saturday afternoon, over 50 people met at Forest Hill Cemetery in Madison to honor the grandsons of Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemmings. Colonel John Wayles Jefferson, Private Beverly Frederick Jefferson and grand-son-in-law, Captain Albert T. Pearson had Civil War Veteran grave-makers placed at their burial sites to commemorate their service in the Civil War. All had enlisted from the State of Wisconsin. Joining Tent 23 to celebrate the event were members of the Allied Orders. Guests with greetings included Chris Kolakowski, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, John Decker, Dane County Historical Society and SUVCW Camp 2, Tom Trimble the SVC of Henry Harden Camp 2, Madison and Steve Michaels PNC and member of C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1 of Milwaukee. Wreaths were laid by Cheryle Jakum of Tent 23, Judy Manning on behalf of Erin Mongelli, the National President of the LGAR, Dianna Lunk of the WRC, Danielle Michaels of the Auxiliary to the SUVCW, Tom Trimble of Camp 2 and Steve Michaels of Camp 1. Other lineal organizations in attendance to honor the grandsons with wreaths were the Governor Nelson Dewey Chapter of the DAR and the Timothy Hatch Chapter of the CAR. Photos of the event are included on page 2 of this edition.



## FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at  
the Delavan Community Center on  
Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 6:30pm

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The photos that are shared on this page were submitted by a variety of individuals who should be credited. Barb Pahlow, Danielle Michaels, Dan Richardson and Linda Tanner-Freitag. If you were unable to attend the Tent 23 event, we hope that you can do so vicariously through the photo collection!



**Tent 23 and individual members of the Tent have donated \$335 to the Go Fund Me Account set up by Rose Little Thunder whose family lost their home and all their personal belongings in a devastating fire in May. To date the fund has accumulated to \$3,635.**

### QUILTING DURING THE CIVIL WAR

During the tumultuous time of the Civil War, quilting was an important craft. Women were forbidden by cultural norms and law from joining the armies, “fought” the war and healed its wounds primarily from the home front. Unlike today, when the government equips its troops, during the Civil War families and communities provided many of soldiers’ necessities. Mothers, wives, daughters, and sisters raided their cupboards for bedding, including handmade quilts and woven coverlets, which kept their men warm and reminded them of home.

Quilts were often sent as gifts from home, served as a clandestine form of communication when messages were concealed in patterns or sewn into the batting of the quilts and often used as fundraisers where they were raffled to provide medical aid for the wounded soldiers in the North. This type of quilt was known as a “Sanitary Fair”.

The types of quilts made depended on the availability of fabrics and were often made from scraps. These were known as patchwork quilts. Whole cloth quilts, made from a single piece of fabric were simple to construct.

The Smithsonian Museum has 900 authentic Civil War quilts in their collection!



There are those of us that have “green thumbs” and there are those of us wishing we did. Pamela Howard-Grahn and her husband are the lucky ones. What a beautiful Patriotic Garden they planted and care for!



Patriotic pens and flag pins were donated to the VA Hospital in Madison for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.



Quilt on left side: patchwork  
Quilt on right side: log cabin design

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