

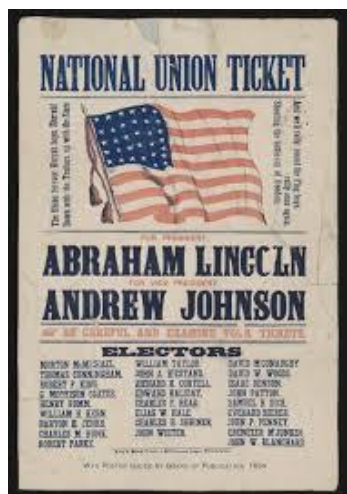
MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED TENT #23

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Wisconsin Governor
Edward Salomon



ABSENTEE VOTING DURING THE CIVIL WAR

“When the Civil War began in April 1861, many people thought it would be a short affair, probably over in a matter of months. But as time passed, it became apparent that the fighting would continue into 1862 and most likely much longer. As local and state officials began pondering the many ramifications of a long war, one of the issues that arose was voting.

Wisconsin addressed this issue in a special session of the legislature in September 1862. Governor Edward Salomon passionately argued for allowing soldiers to vote in the field. After noting that Wisconsin would soon have as many as 40,000 eligible voters serving in the Union Army, he said, “The views of these brave and patriotic men should be heard through the ballot box and should have proper weight in shaping the destiny of our imperiled country.”

A little more than two weeks later, Wisconsin became the second state in the Union to pass legislation that allowed soldiers to vote while in the field. The law charged the three highest ranking officers in each company to act as election inspectors-ensuring the eligibility of voters, collecting and tallying their votes, and forwarding the results back to Wisconsin.

The law meant that soldiers’ voices were heard in the presidential election of 1864, a race that promised to decide the outcome of the Civil War. One candidate, incumbent Abraham Lincoln, vowed to continue the fight to restore the Union until it was won. His opponent, General George B. McClellan, ran on a platform of ending the war and seeking peace with the Confederate States of America.”

By Russell Horton, Archivist at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum



FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 will By
EMAIL!
October, 2020

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HONORING OUR ANCESTORS: LAST SOLDIER CEREMONIES FOR DANE, JEFFERSON AND ROCK COUNTIES

October 10, 2020

It was a perfect fall day when the SUVCW and DUVCW installed the Last Soldier markers for Charles Moulton (Dane County), Christian Holzhueter (Jefferson County) and John Dorn (Rock County). SUVCW Senior Vice Commander, John Decker of the Dept. of Wisconsin led the ceremonies at each location. Susan Fallon served as Chaplain for the event and Pat Blackmer shared the biographies of the Last Soldiers. The event began at the Mazomanie Cemetery in Dane County and then moved to the Kroghville Cemetery in Jefferson County. It concluded in Oakwood Cemetery in Beloit which is in Rock County.

Above Photo from Mazomanie Cemetery (L-R) Commander Decker, Tent 23 members Linda Tanner-Frietag, Pat Blackmer, Susan Fallon.

Commander Decker salutes the grave of Christian Holzhueter officially relieving him of his duty.

Far Right Photo from Kroghville Cemetery (L-R) Patrick Fallon, Susan Fallon, Judy Manning, Pat Blackmer, John Decker



The ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery in Beloit was very special. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the cemetery historian, Janet Wagner was walking her dog, Betty Davis when she chanced to stop and talk to our photographer Dan Richardson. Wagner imparted that the first burial in the cemetery was a young, seventeen year old Civil War soldier who while in "basic training" was killed by an errant bullet when he and a friend were cleaning their guns. *Special thanks to Deanne Manning and Dan Richardson for the photos.



Left Bottom Photo at Oakwood Cemetery, Tent 23 Members (L-R) Susan Fallon, Nancy Bratz, Pat Blackmer, Judy Manning, Sandy Stratmeyer.

Small Photo includes the Sons of Union Veterans in attendance at the Beloit Ceremony

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATING TO OUR TENT AND ACTION WE NEED TO TAKE!



CONGRATULATIONS !

Our Navy nephew, James Stone and his wife Faith who reside in San Diego, welcomed a new addition to their family on September 29th at 1:45 am. Baby Jimmy is a healthy, cute and happy baby. Not only are his parents thrilled with the new addition, but Great Aunt, Barb Hale couldn't be happier and as we understand, already has an album full of photos!



THE FORGOTTEN SOLDIER AND SAILOR PROJECT

One of the missions of our order is to “perpetuate the memories of our ancestral fathers who served in the Civil War”. These men are honored and remembered by their descendants. However there are soldiers and sailors who made the ultimate sacrifice and are not remembered. The National DUVCW is collecting names for this project until December 31, 2021.

See the Members Only section of the duvcw.org website for instructions and the submission form.

Tent 23 participated in the initial project for the Forgotten Soldier and submitted the following names in 2015:

Soldiers killed in action:

Theodore Baldwin, Co. A, 1st WI Heavy Artillery
 John Congdon, Co. D, 22nd WI Volunteer Infantry
 James Griffin, Co. F, 17th WI Volunteer Infantry
 Henry O. Johnson, Co. A, 10th WI Volunteer Infantry
 Charles Snell, Co. A, 10th WI Volunteer Infantry

Soldiers who died of disease or wounds:

John Griffin, Co. D, 22nd WI Volunteer Infantry
 John Hudson, Co. D, 23rd WI Volunteer Infantry
 Sanford Jones, Co. A, 37th WI Volunteer Infantry
 Silas Wiley, Co. E, 15th IL Volunteer Infantry

Soldier who died in Andersonville Prison:

William Coburn, Co. A, 10th WI Volunteer Infantry

Soldier who committed suicide:

Jerry Reed, Co. K, 2nd WI Cavalry

We have many eligible Wisconsin soldiers whose names could be submitted for this project. Research the Wisconsin Veterans Museum Civil War roster to locate candidates for this project. Let's keep their “memories green”.

Please stay safe and healthy!

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE MARY CHESEBRO LEE DETACHED TENT 23 AND THE NATIONAL DUVCW BY SUBMITTING YOUR DUES OF \$30.00 before December 31, 2020

To our Treasurer: Mary Winchowky, 520 Fox Street, Mukwonago, WI 53149