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DETACHED TENT #23[www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wimclduv/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wimclduv/)

## MEET YOUR SISTER



Our Tent Historian, Mary Winchowsky is a resident of the Village of Mukwonago where she also "reigns" as First Lady. Following his retirement, her husband Fred ran for and won the position of Village President. Mary retired from the East Troy school system where she had been a middle school physical education teacher for 34 years. Currently, she and her samoyed, Navarre who is a trained therapy dog and certified by Therapy Dogs International, participate in the PAWS for Reading program at their local library. It is a program where children who are shy or may have difficulties reading, come and read aloud to Navarre. Mary also enjoys gardening and plants an annual flower garden at the Mukwonago Village Park for residents to enjoy.



## CIVIL WAR EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

**History Sandwiched In: Civil War Quilts and Stories** Feb. 19, 2013 at 12:15–1 pm Wisconsin Historical Museum, 30 N. Carroll St., Madison. Join quilter Pat Ehrenberg as she shares her knowledge of the stories of quilts during the Civil War. The museum will present this program in conjunction with the exhibit "Wisconsin Folks: Masters of Tradition," which runs through March 2013.

**Dying to be Free: The Health Conditions of Freed Slaves during the Civil War and Reconstruction** Feb. 26, 2013 at 7:30pm, 126 Memorial Library, UW-Madison. Speaker: Jim Downs, Associate Professor of History and American Studies at Connecticut College.

**Haunted Emancipations: Seeking Ghosts of Slavery in the South** Feb. 28, 2013 at 7:30pm, Conrad A. Elvehjem Building, L160, UW-Madison. Speaker: Tiya Miles, Elsa Barkley Brown Collegiate Professor of African American Women's History, University of Michigan.

**Civil War Medical Weekend** Sat. Feb. 16, 11am-4pm and Sun. Feb. 17, Noon-4pm, Kenosha Civil War Museum. A weekend of living history, programs, & exhibits commemorating the role of physicians, nurses, & caregivers during the Civil War. Surgeons & nurses of the 17th Corps medical staff will set up camp inside the Civil War Museum's Freedom Hall. Museum visitors can participate in a medical inspection for new recruits & role play as a sick soldier during the camp's sick call demonstration. The Corps will also demonstrate a variety of surgical techniques including bullet removal, brain surgery, & amputation. 5400 First Avenue, Kenosha.

*Sources of information:* <http://www.kenosha.org/civilwar/events.html>  
<http://www.civilwarwisconsin.com/events-schedule.html?date=2013-01-01>  
<http://historicalmuseum.wisconsinhistory.org/Events/Calendar/All.aspx>

## FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Detached Tent #23 will be held at 6:30pm on March 26, 2013 at the Delavan Community Centre

## INTRODUCING THE OTHER ALLIED ORDERS

The DUVCW is one of five Orders established by the order of the Grand Army of the Republic. Together these organizations are referred to as the Allied Orders or the Allied Orders of the GAR. The five Orders goals include education, historic preservation of battlefields and monuments, fundraising for memorial and dedication ceremonies, and participation in patriotic observances and celebrations.

### Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Created in 1881 by the GAR, membership is open to men who have an ancestor who either belonged to or was eligible to join the GAR (i.e., a Union Civil War veteran). A limited number of Associates may be part of a Camp. Associates are men who otherwise qualify for membership except for the existence of a Union Civil War ancestor.



### Woman's Relief Corps

The official woman's auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic. Organized in 1883, membership is open to all women, regardless of ancestry, who ascribe to the principles of the Order. The express purpose of the Woman's Relief Corps is to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic.



### Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

An organization of ladies who trace their ancestry to a Union Civil War soldier, sailor, Marine or member of the Revenue Cutter Service, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic meet in groups called Circles. Organized in 1881, it is the oldest Women's hereditary organization in the United States.



### Auxiliary to the SUVCW

First called the "Ladies Aid Society," the Auxiliary was created in 1887. Its membership is open to women with Union Civil War veterans as ancestors as well as to spouses and daughters of members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



More information about the Allied Orders may be found on the SUVCW website at <http://suvcw.org/allied.htm>

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY 204<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY ABRAHAM LINCOLN!

Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809 in Hodgenville, Kentucky.  
In 1817 the family moved to Indiana and again in 1830 to Illinois.

*"Most folks are as happy as they make up their minds to be."*

*"In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."*

*"Whatever you are, be a good one."*

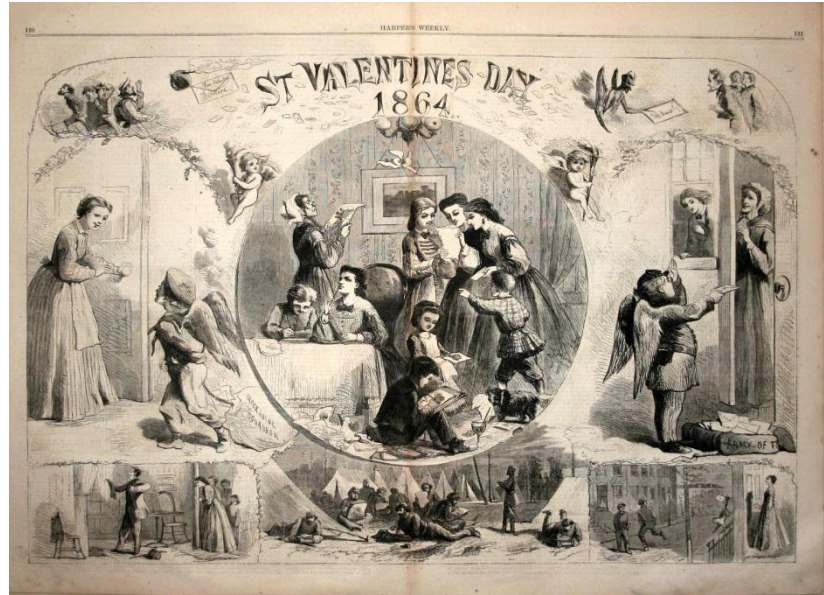
~ words of wisdom from our 16<sup>th</sup> President, Abraham Lincoln ~

“During the Civil War era Valentine’s Day cards were popular among the lonely soldiers and their waiting wives and sweethearts. The country had many plants that manufactured cards, targeting soldiers away from home. Some of the cards showed sweethearts parting and others pictured battlefield tents. Other Valentines were more creative, such as a heart split in two, reflecting the absence of their loved ones and the soldiers longing for their homes.

“Troops encamped in tents made window Valentines with flaps to reveal a soldier inside waiting for his sweetheart with open arms. Another popular novelty during the Civil War was a Valentine containing a lock of hair from a girlfriend or wife far away, which the soldiers treasured. Something known as a *Puzzle Purse* was invented during this time as well. These were formed by folding the four corners of a square envelope inward and writing a message on the inside of each flap. Many times the puzzle contained a piece of jewelry or a lock of a lover’s hair.”

<http://civilwarwalk.com/2012/02/valentines-day-during-the-civil-war/>

## CIVIL WAR VALENTINES



“An illustration of Valentines Day from an original 1864 Civil War Newspaper. The leaf shows various traditions of the Valentines Celebration in the Civil War. An angelic figure is shown delivering a bag of valentines from soldiers at war to the women they love back home. At the bottom, men can be seen writing to their sweethearts. The center image shows women and children preparing valentine cards for their husbands and fathers, who are off at war.” (Illustration from Harper’s Weekly, Feb. 20, 1864.) <http://www.sonofthesouth.net/leefoundation/civil-war/1864/february/valentines-day.htm>

### LOVE AND PATRIOTISM

My country's cause to serve,  
For her to do or die;  
Thy love my arm to nerve,  
Thy name my battle cry.

(Civil War Valentine poem from a card in the Smithsonian Institution)

Richard Cadbury, son of the founder of Cadbury Chocolate, created the first heart-shaped box filled with chocolate for Valentine’s Day in 1861.

“Today, according to the Greeting Card Association, an estimated 1 billion Valentine’s Day cards are sent each year, making Valentine’s Day the second largest card-sending holiday of the year. (An estimated 2.6 billion cards are sent for Christmas.)

Women purchase approximately 85 percent of all valentines.”

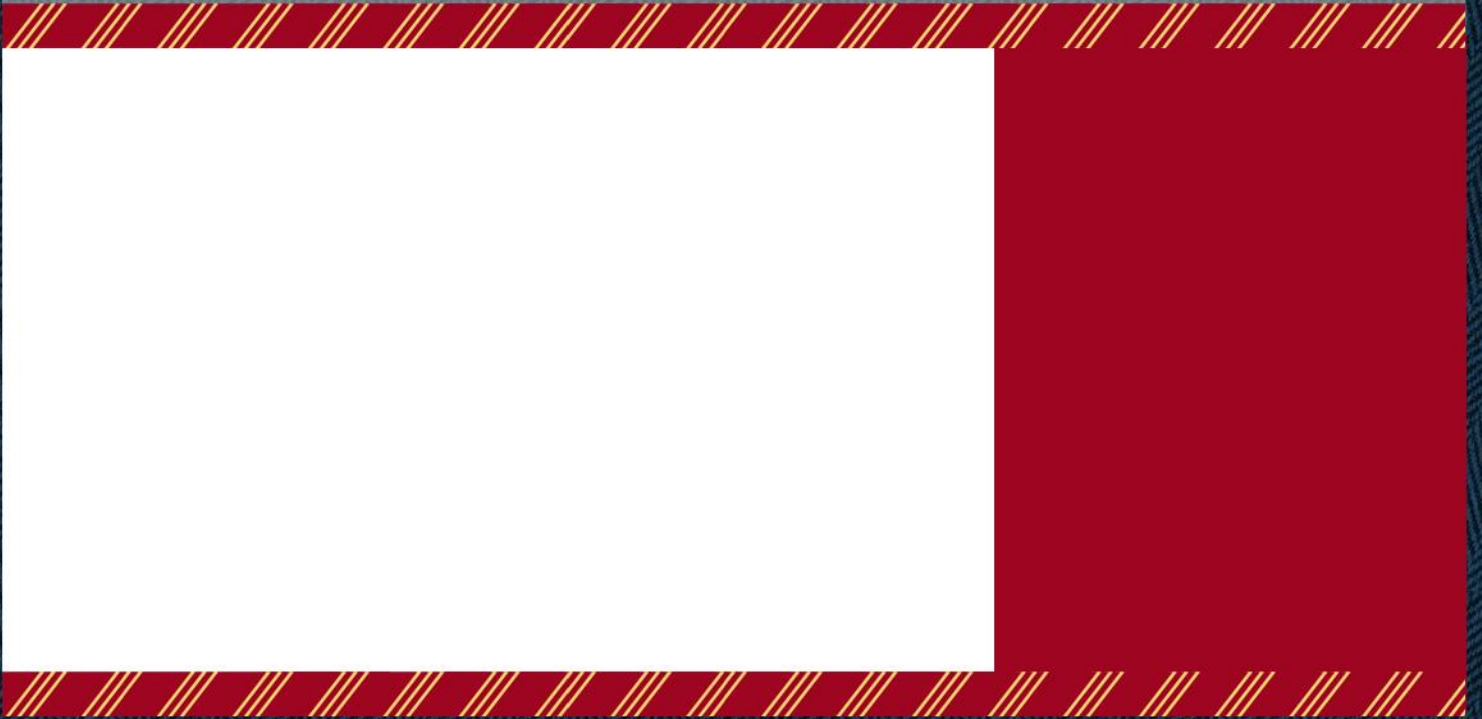
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