

MARY CHESEBRO LEE
DETACHED TENT #23www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wimclduv/<https://www.facebook.com/duvcwmarylee>**IN MEMORY OF
FRANKLIN
STONEBURNER**

Aug. 27, 1932 – Dec. 28, 2014
Franklin Stoneburner, long-time Delavan resident and fabulous historian, passed away on Dec. 28, 2014 at the age of 82. He was an antique dealer as well as a charter member and director of the Delavan Historical Society. A member of the National Guard for 31 years and past post commander for the Delavan American Legion Post 95, he was buried in Spring Grove Cemetery with military burial rites. Franklin was a waiter at Lake Lawn for 16 years, working on weekends to put himself through college. He worked for the Walworth County Health and Human Services department for 26 years, initiating its Meals on Wheels and Senior transportation programs. Friend to many of our Sisters, he attended Tent #23's induction/installation ceremony in May 2012.

**TENT #23'S CHRISTMAS TREE AT WCHS**

Tent #23 decorated a Christmas tree at the Walworth County Historical Society's (WCHS) Heritage Hall for the second year. Approximately 300 people viewed the 20 decorated trees put up by area businesses and organizations. The DUVCW tree had lovely handmade ornaments and candles. Beneath the tree was a collection of miniature artillery. Last year Tent #23's tree was selected as one of the most original trees viewed. This year we received many compliments on the tree but did not place first in any of the categories which included "most original", "prettiest" and "personal favorite". (*article by Pat Blackmer*)

**FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY**

The next meeting of Tent #23 will held at the
Delavan Community Centre at
6:30pm on Tuesday, March 24, 2015

DUV AND DHS JOINT HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



Our December meeting was held at the Village Restaurant on Delavan Lake in conjunction with the Delavan Historical Society. The well attended event found 20 sisters sharing a delightful afternoon together with an additional 20 members of the Delavan Historical Society. Following the luncheon, the Delavan High School String Orchestra provided entertainment for the groups with a selection of several Christmas pieces. The talented young teens were a hit with everyone and a brief video of their performance can be seen on the DHS Facebook page. Photos of the the luncheon can be viewed on both the DHS and Mary Chesebro Lee, Tent #23 Facebook pages. Those in attendance brought a variety of items that will be donated to seniors who are in nursing homes or assisted living facilities in Walworth County. *(article by Pat Blackmer)*



On Jan. 31, 1865, a constitutional amendment to abolish slavery was passed by the House of Representatives. After the Senate passed it in April 1865, it was sent to the states for ratification, including the Confederate states. Georgia was the last state to ratify it on Dec. 6, 1865, and it became the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. *(from http://learning.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/01/31/jan-31-a865-house-passes-13th-amendment-abolishing-slavery/?_r=0)*

Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote *Uncle Tom's Cabin* in 1851 after seeing a runaway slave crossing a river with a baby. The book sold 3 million copies. When Abraham Lincoln met her in 1862, he said, "So you are the little woman who wrote the book that started this great war!" Less well-known is that she also wrote a nonfiction book documenting the horrors of slavery, *The Key to Uncle Tom's Cabin*, and used the proceeds from it to support a school for black girls in Washington, D.C. *(from Outrageous Women of Civil War Times by Mary Rodd Furbee, p.40)*

NAVY NEPHEW PROMOTED



James Stone, Barbara Hale's nephew, was recently promoted to the rank of Naval Aviation Officer 1st Class AO1. He was one of only 93 people in the whole U.S. Navy to advance to that rank after his September exam. He left on Saturday, December 27 for Guam where he will be stationed for the next 2-3 years. We wish him all the best!

SUV's 45TH ANNUAL PATRIOTIC LUNCHEON PROGRAM

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War C.K. Pier Badger Camp #1 and Auxiliary #4 are hosting their 45th Annual Patriotic Luncheon, honoring Presidents Washington, Lincoln and McKinley on Saturday, February 7 at Alioto's Restaurant, 3041 N. Mayfair Road in Wauwatosa. Lunch will be served at 12:30pm followed by guest speaker Nic Bur, presenting "Lincoln's Leadership: A Lasting Legacy." Mr. Bur is a noted Lincoln impressionist who will share a personal side to Lincoln and relate his lessons to 21st century society.

There will also be a door prize raffle and silent auction. Cost of the lunch is \$20 per person. Meal choices are tenderloin tips with noodles or roast turkey with sage dressing, along with assorted relish tray, pasta salad, mixed vegetables, buttered new potatoes, Jello, tossed green salad, Italian bread, coffee, tea or milk, and sheet cake for dessert.

If interested in attending, please send your name, meal choice, organization name, phone number, and check for \$20 payable to C.K. Pier Badger Camp #1 before January 30, 2015 to: Mary Ann Challock, W147 N4924 Dolphin Drive, Menomonee Falls, WI 53501.



(information and photo of past Patriotic Luncheon from http://www.suvcw-wi.org/patriotic_luncheon/)

The only women given official status in Civil War camps were those in the "soapsuds brigade" (all others were labeled "camp followers"). These women had the challenging job of cleaning the soldiers' clothes. Four laundresses were allowed per Union company, and they were expected to be married or related to a member of the unit. (from *101 Things You Didn't Know about the Civil War*, by Thomas R. Turner, p181)

JANUARY 1864 EVENTS: On January 13th, the North launched an attack on Fort Fisher, which protected the port of Wilmington. This was the only port that the South had open that was still able to trade with Europe. After constant bombardment, the fort fell to Union forces on January 15, effectively cutting off all external trade with the South. On January 17th, Sherman issued Field Order #15, which gave up to 40 acres of confiscated or abandoned land along the Georgia coast to former slaves, ensuring their support and cooperation as the Union forces advanced through the South. (information from <http://www.historylearningsite.co.uk/january-1865-civil-war.htm>)