



SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
 HEADQUARTERS OF THE
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER
 DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA



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Brothers of the Department of Indiana:

- I. **Department Annual Encampment:** I am honored and humbled to have been elected to the office of Department Commander at the 136th Annual Department of Indiana Encampment held June 4th, 2022. I congratulate and thank Past Department Commander Dennis Hutchinson for his service and leadership during the last two years of unique challenges with the COVID-19 pandemic. Regardless of the obstacles, he fulfilled his duties and ensured the Department continued operation. Congratulations and thank you to all Brothers elected and appointed for choosing to serve in Department of Indiana Offices for the next year.

- II. **Transfer of Headquarters:** Headquarters of the Department Commander is hereby transferred to 829 N. Riley Avenue Indianapolis, IN 46201. Mail for the Department Commander may be posted here. Electronic email is preferred at jim@jimfloyd.com My cell phone number is (317) 281-7591. I do accept text messages, but please include your name if you do not regularly communicate with me. Please feel free to contact me by any of these methods if you have a question, concern, or information to pass along.

- III. **Elected Department Officers:** The following Brothers were regularly elected by the Encampment and installed by National Guest Shane Milburn, PDC – National Council of Administration to serve the 2022-2023 term:

Department Commander	James M. Floyd, Jr., PCC
SV Dept. Commander	Thomas Schmitt, PCC
JV Dept. Commander	Travis Lemaster, PCC
Dept. Council Member	Dennis C. Hutchinson, PDC
Dept. Council Member	Timothy J. Beckman, PDC
Dept. Council Member	Dennis H. Rigsby, PDC
Dept. Secretary	William R. Adams, PDC
Dept. Treasurer	Gilbert H. Young, Jr., PDC

- IV. **Appointed Department Officers:** The following Brothers were appointed by me as Department Commander and installed by National Guest Shane Milburn, PDC – National Council of Administration to serve the 2022-2023 term:

Assistant Secretary	Jonathan Swarts
Patriotic Instructor	Brian Mexin

Chaplain	J. Alan Teller, PDC
Graves Registration Officer	David Hoesli
Civil War Monuments Officer	Michael W. Beck, PDC
Eagle Scout Coordinator	Michael W. Beck, PDC
S.V.R.	William R. Adams, PDC
G.A.R. Highway Officer	William R. Adams, PDC
Historian	Bruce R. Kolb, PDC
Counselor	Bruce R. Kolb, PDC
G.A.R. Records Officer	Bruce R. Kolb, PDC
Signals Officer	Timothy J. Beckman, PDC
Indiana Legion Editor	Gilbert H. Young, Jr., PDC

V. **Department Committees:** I hereby establish the following Department Committees and appoint the following Brothers to serve on said committee. The chair of each committee is **BOLD:**

26th Indiana Vicksburg Monument

- **Bill Adams**
- Bruce Kolb
- Mike Beck

Department Insurance Review

- **Bruce Kolb**
- Gib Young
- Dennis Hutchinson
- Bill Adams

Last Union Veteran

- **Gib Young**
- Tim Beckman

Department Encampment

- **Jim Floyd**
- Dennis Hutchinson
- Tim Beckman
- Bill Adams

Department Records Storage

- **Bill Adams**
- Bruce Kolb
- Dennis Hutchinson
- Gib Young

Visitation

- **Tom Schmitt**
- Travis Lemaster
- Brian Mexin

Department Projects

- **Alan Teller**
- Tom Schmitt
- Gib Young

- VI. **Community Participation:** It is very important for SUVCW members to participate in activities that can be seen by the public in the communities in which we live. I encourage members to participate in headstone and monument rededication ceremonies, and to clean and restore or replace headstones and memorials. Participating in educational opportunities, living histories, reenactments, heritage group presentations and school presentations is also encouraged.
- VII. **Offices and Forms:** I strongly encourage all Camps of the Department of Indiana to fill the offices of Patriotic Instructor, Graves Registration officer, and Eagle Scout/ROTC Coordinator. These important offices are needed to accomplish the mission of the SUVCW.
- VIII. **Patriotic instruction:** should be presented at all Camp meetings. From personal experience as the Past Department Patriotic Instructor, it is very important that Form-40 be filled out for the Camp and submitted to Department Patriotic Instructor Brian Mexin. before April 1st each year. His email is mexinbrian@gmail.com.
- IX. **Camp Forms:** I instruct each Camp Secretary to promptly fill out Form-30 when any change occurs with our membership. This includes change of address or email address, change of membership status including the following: New member, Transfer, Loss, Achievement, Status, Dual Membership and Death of a brother. Camp forms to be submitted to the Department Secretary on a timely basis are Form-22, Form-27 and a copy of form 990-N when filed with the government. Contact Department Secretary Bill Adams adamswr949@gmail.com to submit forms and/or with any questions.
- X. **Death of Brother:** If you have a death in your Camp you are instructed to also notify Department Chaplain Alan Teller alan.teller@comcast.net and the National Chaplain.
- XI. **Camp Website:** I ask that all Camps have and maintain a website. An updated listing of elected officers should exist along with contact information. If you need technical assistance with your website contact Department Signals Officer Tim Beckman tbeckman@indy.rr.com.
- XII. **BANNER and Indiana Legion:** I encourage each member and Camp to submit articles to the BANNER magazine and information about all activities or events to the Indiana Legion.
- XIII. **National Encampment:** The 2022 National Encampment will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan on August 11 – 14, 2022 <https://www.suvcwmi.org/2022NatEncampment/2022Encampment.php>. The 2023 National Encampment location will be in New Hampshire, and the 2024 National Encampment location will be in Kentucky.
- XIV. **Questions:** Please contact me or any Department Officer if you have a question or if we can be of service in any way. Remember, this is **YOUR** Department of Indiana, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and I will always value your comments, suggestions, and concerns.

Ordered this 5th Day of June 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Floyd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James M. Floyd, Jr.
Department Commander
Department of Indiana, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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Attested:
William R. Adams, PDC
Department Secretary
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