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Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

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Greetings Sisters,

Warm weather has finally gotten here, hopefully the storms won't be bad and cause as much damage that they are saying might happen. Positive thoughts.

I've been keeping busy by doing research into Pennsylvania LGAR history and traveling to do some LGAR business. In March I traveled to Goshen, Indiana, to help institute a new Circle. It was a long trip, but very enjoyable, and met lovely women who got together to form a new Circle. It was very well worth the trip, good food, wonderful ceremony, and a very nice form of music (bagpipes) enjoyed by all those attending.

Then came May 5th, I traveled to Doylestown, PA where I instituted a new Circle and many new members were taken in to become LGAR Sisters. A very Big WELCOME to General William W. H. Davis Circle 232 of Doylestown. Thank you to the Circle for a very warm welcome, a lot of information about your town and yourselves, and last but not least the delicious lunch. The emails I received from the new Sisters after the trip were very much appreciated.

I spent a day visiting my Civil War ancestors' graves, pulling weeds, brushing their markers and placing flowers, gives you a good feeling.

On the 20th of May, I could be found helping to place flags on veterans' graves in a cemetery on a hill in Kittanning. Memorial Day, I again will return to participate in a memorial service at the Kittanning Cemetery, (overlooking Kittanning and the Allegheny River), from there on to the parade and then a ceremony at Riverfront Park.

On May 30th I will be in Monongahela participating in the Aquatorium river side Memorial Service sponsored by Circle 173 of Monongahela, Dorothy Frye Walker in charge.

I can't believe in less than a week, it will be June. Time sure flies any more or even any less.

The first week in June I will be traveling to meet with National Officers of the LGAR and to finalize plans for the National Convention.

The 21st of June will find me in Williamsport at the Genetti Hotel and Conference Center where the PA Department of the Allied Orders of the G. A. R. will be holding their Annual Encampment. We, the PA Department of the LGAR will hold our annual meeting Thursday, 21st at 6:30pm. There will be a sign in the Lobby telling which room we are meeting in. Hope to see many of you and meet you at this time. Those of you who know you can make the meeting, please let me know either by email or phone, so I can plan for handouts. If you decide at last minute, no problem, all are welcome. Visit www.palgar.org for more information and banquet order form.

Anyone who knows of someone who is interested in joining the LGAR but would rather someone else tell them about the organization, they may contact Sr. Vice President, Ellen Higgins or myself.

I want to thank the officers of Circles for getting your yearly paperwork done and into the Department in a timely manner. It really helps when things roll smoothly.

For those who are able to check our Department website, check at least once a month, the Webmaster Ellen, keeps posts up to date, with info of events and what is going on in Department, Circles and even some National things.

At this time a special THANK YOU to Shirley Dines, our past Department Secretary for all her work in 2017.

National Convention is going to be held in Wadsworth, Ohio at the Comfort Inn and Suites on August 9th to the 11th, 2018. Information can be found on National LGAR website or in the Bugle Call that came out this month.

Next GO will be September 2018.

Want to welcome at this time the new PA Dept LGAR Secretary, Deborah Schiesser.

May everyone have a wonderful, safe, and healthy Summer.

Officers and members of Circle 232, Doylestown. WELCOME



Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty

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