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Only good wishes are with you on this day-celebrated in memory of Saint Patrick.

A WEE BIT OF IRISH CIVIL WAR HISTORY

It's estimated that up to 200,000 Irish Americans fought in the American Civil War, with 150,000 on the Union side and approximately 30,000-40,000 on the Southern Confederacy side.

Many joined of their freewill, as they fully accepted America as their new homeland, but others were drafted by the controversial Enrollment Act of March 3, 1863.

This controversial move, by the Union, lead to bloody battles in the form of the Detroit Race Row of March 6, 1863 and the New York Draft Riots of July 13-16th of the same year.

Despite the huge racial and slavery issues that dominated the Civil War from a political standpoint, the Irish simply wanted to secure their freedoms and a better economic standing for their families and future generations to come.

Interestingly, this quest for freedom lead to some, on the Confederacy side, considering the southern states more open and welcoming to the Irish in the years when they arrived, dirt poor and rejected by many of America's established and elite.

Thanks to the Emerald Blog for the above information.

Photos to the right:
Left photo: the Irish
Brigade commanded by
Brig. Gen. Thomas Meaghan
Right photo: the 17th
Wisconsin Irish Volunteer
Brigade Regiment Flag







FRATERNITY, CHARITY, LOYALTY

The next meeting of Tent #23 to be announced.

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PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO OUR NATIONAL WEBSITE

On or about March 8, 2021 the sign in for the Members Only webpage of our National website www.duvcw.org will be changing.

We will no longer be using an annually selected username and password. The National President's password for our meetings will still change each year with a new National President. We will also continue to inform you of the new meeting password in the traditional way from a notice by the National President.

Going forward the username for access to the Members Only webpage will be your unique email address and a unique password chosen by each Sister and known only to her.

All usernames (your personal email address) must be registered with the National Webmaster. Once your username is registered in our email database, you will be granted access and receive a unique temporary password via email from the National Webmaster. You will use the temporary password until it is no longer valid, and the system requests that you enter a unique password of your choosing. Please note that National will not maintain these unique passwords.

Sincerely,

Ellen Higgins

National Webmaster

TENT 23 usernames (your personal email address) has been registered with the National Webmaster. You should be able to establish your own unique password during the week of March 15th – 25th. In the event that you have difficulty doing so, please contact Pat Blackmer at blackmerpa@aol.com for assistance.



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130TH NATIONAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 4 – 8, 2021 At the HILTON ST. LOUIS FRONTENAC HOTEL

Please keep Dr. Matthew Stratmeyer in your thoughts and prayers. The nephew of our Sister, Sandy Stratmeyer is scheduled for cancer surgery at the end of this month.

He is a dentist at Nellis Air Force base in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Our 130th National Convention to be held in August will be an exciting adventure. For the first time in many years, our convention will be held simultaneously with the Son of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Woman's Relief Corps.

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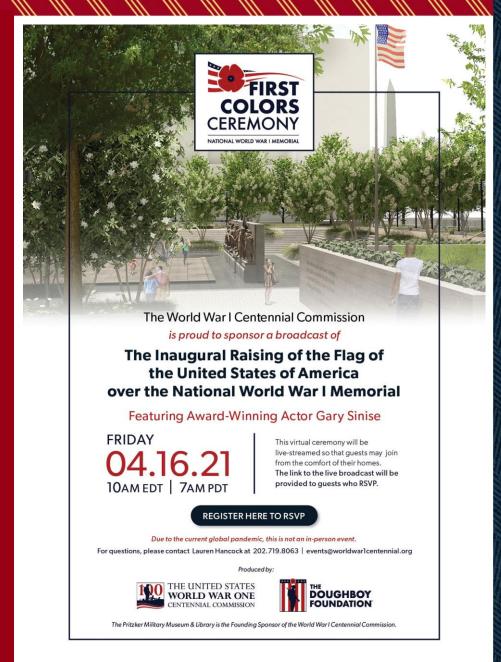
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Sister Linda Tanner-Frietag has made 50 Easter cards to thank and honor our veterans for their service. Tent 23 appreciates all that she does on our behalf and in rememberance of those who served to protect our freedom.



Abraham Lincoln's Tomb



Sisters, Consider attending this virtual flag raising ceremony over the new National World War I Memorial by "googling" *First Colors Ceremony* and registering for this free virtual opportunity.

LINCOLN REMEMBERANCE DAY
APRIL 17, 2021
AT LINCOLN'S TOMB IN OAK RIDGE CEMETERY, SPRINGFIELD, IL