

## Department of New Jersey Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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In our ongoing focus upon camp development and nurturing, The New Jersey Department has now adopted a new Camp Mentoring Program.

The purpose of this program is to provide senior assistance, guidance, and leadership to new or struggling camps. It is too often the case that a camp fails due to lack of brothers with a willingness to serve as a camp officer. We believe that many times brothers fear the responsibility and lack personal confidence to accept camp office responsibilities. By helping camps as Dual Members, senior Sons can provide valuable guidance and development of future camp officers. However, the additional personal cost of Dual Membership may be prohibitive to this process.

Therefore, effective immediately, the NJ Department has established a formal Camp Mentoring Process. Prospective volunteer Camp Mentors, shall, with the acceptance of the intended camp, submit written application to the Department. Applicants will then be referred to Department Council for evaluation and approval. Once approved as a Camp Mentor, the senior brother may join the camp as a Dual Member. All resulting Dual Membership dues including State and National per capita fees will be covered by the NJ Department treasury.

Camp Mentors will be asked to submit regular progress reports to the Department Quarterly Meetings.

It is our sincere hope that many camps will consider taking advantage of this new program designed to grow and strengthen our Order.

If anyone has any questions or interest in this developmental process, please do not hesitate to contact me or Dept. Sec./Treas. Dr. David Martin.

By my Order,

C. J. Heagy, PCC Commander New Jersey Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest,

Dr. David G. Martin, PDC Secretary/Treasurer New Jersey Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War