

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865
128th National Convention
July 24-29, 2017



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Room Rate \$99.99 per night plus 14.275% tax

For RESERVATIONS call **1-800-227-6963**. Our reservation room rates are under reference Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. Online reservations use Block Code **“DAU.”** All reservations have a deadline date of **July 10, 2018**, and must be guaranteed with a major credit card for the first night. The attendee’s room, tax and incidental charges will be paid by the attendee.

Reservations must be made prior to July 10, 2018 to guarantee room and rate availability.
All rooms booked on time are in the same hotel area. If you have a special room request contact Sherry Harbal 507-676-0046.

Your reservations are important because hotels give reduced rates on meeting space and other items based on the number of rooms utilized.

~ Shuttles run every 30 minutes on demand to and from MSP Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport.

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| ~ Microwave/Refrigerator | ~ Free self-parking |
| ~ Junior Olympic Pool, sauna and whirlpool | ~ Precor Theater Fitness Room |
| ~ Aircraft Grill and Caribou Coffee Oasis | ~ High Speed Internet |

Convention Tour ~ Friday, July 27, 2018

Fort Snelling

When the Civil War began on April 12, 1861, Minnesota's governor, Alexander Ramsey, was in Washington, D.C. Ramsey immediately promised President Lincoln a regiment of [1,000 volunteer soldiers](#) from Minnesota. These were the first troops offered to fight for the United States during the Civil War. In order to organize and train these raw recruits the state of Minnesota re-opened Fort Snelling to serve as a rendezvous and training center for the volunteer soldiers.

While at the fort recruits learned the basics of soldiering and spent the majority of their time marching, drilling with their weapons, and standing guard duty. After the draft was instituted in 1863 several large wooden barracks were constructed outside the fort's stone walls to accommodate the large numbers of new soldiers. Fort Snelling also served as a mustering-out location for Minnesota units completing their term of service. From 1861-1865 [nearly 25,000 soldiers](#) passed through Fort Snelling.

Register yourself and your significant other! Limited seating, so reserve your place now!
The bus departs at noon sharp.