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## Major General Absalom Baird

By John A. Baird, Jr., Pennsylvania Commandery

Major General **Absalom Baird** began life in Washington, Pennsylvania on August 20, 1824, as a fourth-generation American. His ancestors were commissioned officers in the French and Indian War and the American Revolution. He was an alumnus of Washington College in 1841, studied law for two years and then entered West Point. He graduated ninth in a class of forty-three in 1849.

The young officer fought in the Florida Seminole Indian campaigns for two years as a 2nd lieutenant of artillery. Baird went back to West Point as assistant professor of mathematics, after a three-month sick leave for chronic liver condition. He followed his duty there with service on the Texas frontier. He was stationed at Fort Monroe, Virginia when the Civil War began in 1861.

Baird experienced five duty changes and two promotions within the next seven months. He commanded an artillery battery in the defense of Washington, D.C., performed staff work in the Adjutant General's office and saw action at both Blackburn's Ford and Bull Run. His record of competency and leadership brought him to the attention of Brigadier General **Erasmus D. Keyes**, commander of the IV Corps, who requested Major Baird as his chief of staff.

The young West Point graduate earned his first star and promotion to brigadier general of volunteers, after

his distinguished service at the siege of Yorktown and the Battle of Williamsburg. His commission was dated April 28, 1862.

General Baird took command of the 2nd Brigade of the 7th Division of the Army of Ohio soon after his promotion. It was in this capacity that he participated in the June 18 capture of Cumberland Gap and the Moss



Major General Absalom Baird

House defile on September 17. Reduced supplies then led to a successful withdrawal of Union forces to the Ohio River, the conduct of which earned praise from Major General **George W. Morgan**, who reported: "It is largely through the energy of General Baird that the wagon train was saved."

Baird received orders for action with

the Army of the Cumberland, where he first commanded a division of the Reserve Corps. This unit took part in the fights at Franklin, Triune, Tullahoma and the capture of Shelbyville, Tennessee on June 27, 1863. Soon after, Major General **George H. Thomas** requested Baird's transfer to the XIV Corps where he assumed command of the 1st Division. Official army records at this time described General Baird as "active, energetic, ambitious; a just commander, a strict disciplinarian, and an aggressive fighter."

The 1st Division took part in the ensuing battle of Chickamauga, which proved to be a Confederate victory in name only. Nevertheless, it resulted in loss of command for a number of Union generals including **William Rosecrans**, **George Crittenden** and **Horatio Phillips Van Cleve**. General Baird did well, however, and the War Department brevetted him a lieutenant colonel in the regular army. General Thomas recommended him for promotion to major general of volunteers.

Before long, General Baird took command of the 3rd Division which achieved glory on Missionary Ridge in the battle of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Moving steadily southward, these troops later stood south of Atlanta at Jonesboro,

Georgia, where General Baird won the Medal of Honor on September 1, 1864, for "personally leading a detached brigade in a victorious attack against the enemy's works."

General Baird saw action in the Carolinas to the end of the war, following his distinguished service at the siege of Yorktown and the Battle of Williamsburg. He remained in

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## Commander-in-Chief's Message

Some of you may think that I am sounding like an old, broken record (or is it a compact disc now), when I talk about recruiting new members. The fact is, Companions, our attrition rate is faster than our growth rate. Finding eligible candidates is not as difficult as you might think. There are two proven means of obtaining suitable new



Kathy Watson

Karl P. Schaeffer, Commander-in-Chief

Companions for the Order:

1. Enroll eligible family members.
2. Interest a personal friend into joining the Order.

Now that new commanderies are being established in more and more states, all companions are urged to send the names and addresses of their eligible relatives to their state commander. The basic requirement for eligibility in the Order is direct descent from an officer who served honorably in the Union Army during the War of the Rebellion, or from an enlisted man who was subsequently commissioned and who served honorably during said war. This information should be sent the Commander in their state organization who will invite them personally to become Companions of the Order. The Commandery-in-Chief will also be pleased to assist any Companion in establishing the eligibility of any friend who is or might be interested in joining the Order.

One present source of weakness in the Order is to be found in the number of non-resident companions. This was unavoidable at a time when Commanderies were being dissolved or were not in existence in a number of states. Now that this situation is changing, Companions are urged to consider transferring their membership to the Commandery of their State of residence. It is appreciated that some non-resident Companions may wish to retain their present affiliation for a number of reasons. It is hoped, however, that where these reasons are not compelling, Companions who are non-resident in their present Commanderies will give serious consideration to becoming resident Companions in their State of residence. This will not only provide such Companions with the opportunity for more active participation in the affairs of the Order, but will strengthen the Order as a whole.

Rosemary and I extend best wishes for a healthy, Happy New Year to you and your family.

Commander-in-Chief  
Karl F. Schaeffer



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**Remembering "MOLLUS" In Your Will**

After you provide for your family and other matters, would you consider including a memorial gift in your will to our hallowed Order? Your gift to the Loyal Legion Memorial Fund, which is tax deductible, would be used to support the preservation of battlefields, monuments and programs that serve to memorialize the Civil War. In this way you would be perpetuating the memory of your Civil War ancestors and fellow companions.

*I have found that when one is embarrassed, usually the shortest way to get through with it is to quit talking or thinking about it, and go at something else.*

Abraham Lincoln

**Welcome New Companions**

The following Companions have joined the Military Order of the Loyal Legion since the Fall 2007 issue of the Journal. Commander-in-Chief **Karl Schaeffer** extends congratulations and a warm welcome to each one.

**Waldron Kintzing Post II, Chancellor-in-Chief**

Companions	Insignia No.	Commandery
<b>Hereditary Companions</b>		
William E. Little, III	22469	New York
Adam William Gaines	22470	Michigan
H. Donald Winkler	22471	Virginia

**Associate Companions**

No new associate members

**Hereditary Membership Program**

A new MOLLUS year is already under way and with it another chance for Companions to qualify for a special honor. Recruit three or more new hereditary companions in the period from 1 October 2007 to 30 September 2008, and you will be recognized as a leader in the Order with the award of the Lincoln Membership Medal of Honor and Certificate. Membership is the life blood of our organization, and no one is better qualified to tell the Loyal Legion's tale – and recruit new qualified applicants – than our current Companions. Associate Companions are eligible to receive the award as well. Those receiving it can accept their awards in person every year at the Annual Congress, the Lincoln Birthday meeting in Washington or the Lincoln Tomb ceremony in Springfield. Help keep our Order going strong in the 21st Century!

**Correction**

On page 3 in "A Salute to New Dames", Fall 2007 issue, Louise Abbot Root's (Mrs. Scott Melby) name was spelled incorrectly.

**MOLLUS Website**

The program, hotel and registration information regarding the **Annual Lincoln Birthday Program and Mid-Winter Meeting** in Washington DC on *February 10-12, 2007* and the fifty-first **Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony** in Springfield, Illinois on *April 14, 2007* are posted on the MOLLUS website at <http://suvcw.org/mollus.htm>

## GAR Memorial at Gettysburg

By Karl F. Schaeffer, Commander-in-Chief

Rosemary and I arrived in Gettysburg mid-morning for the 51st Annual Remembrance Day Observance. It took place at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 17 at the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial at Ziegler's Grove, Gettysburg National Military Park. Attendance was fairly good as we counted sixty or more people who remembered this special day.

The program began with the presentation of the colors by the Gettysburg Blues and the National Anthem by the 28th Pennsylvania Regimental Band. The Invocation was given by Lt. Col. **Larry Freed**, Sons of Veterans Reserves (SVR) Chaplain. Commanding General of the SVR, **Robert Grim**, and **Charles E. Kuhn**, Commander-in-Chief of the SUVCW gave brief greetings to the group assembled. A musical tribute by the 28th P.V.I. Regimental Band followed. Past Commander-in-Chief **James B. Pahl** gave a moving address. Col. **Elmer "Bud" Atkinson**, SVR, presented a check to GNMP.

A number organizations presented floral

tributes at the Remembrance Day ceremonies. The presenters included **Marcia Butgereit**, National President of the National Women's Relief Corps Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, **Phyllis Houston**, National President of the National GAR Organization of Ladies, **Beverly Massey**, National President of the National Organization, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1816-1865 and **Charles E. Kuhn, Jr.**, Commander-in-Chief of the National Organization Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Other presenters included **Barbara Mayberry**, National President of the National Auxiliary, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, **Kate Siernerth**, Past President of the Pennsylvania Dept. Women's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, **Kate Siernerth**, Past President of the Pennsylvania Dept. of Women's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, **Mary May**, President of the Pennsylvania Dept. Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and **Frances Geogaine**, President of the Dept. of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Commander-in-Chief **Karl F. Schaeffer** joined **Lee Walters**, Commander of the Pennsylvania Dept. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and **Barbara Indan**, President of the Pennsylvania Dept. Auxiliary, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War in presenting additional wreaths. Another musical tribute was given by the 28th Pennsylvania Regimental Band, followed by the Gettysburg Address by Charles Kuhn, Commander-in-Chief, SUVCW. The benediction was given by **Jerome Kawolski**, Chaplain of the SUVCW. Sgt. Major **Ivan E. Frantz, Jr.**

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uniform after Appomattox and was appointed military governor of Union-occupied New Orleans. He became Inspector General in 1887 of the U.S. Army, was sent to France to witness military maneuvers and received the Legion of Honor from that government. The 50th United States Congress passed a special resolution "authorizing this general officer of such reputation and experience" to receive this decoration.

General Baird was an original member of the District of Columbia Commandery. He married **Cornelia Wyntje Smith** on October 17, 1850 and died in Maryland June 14, 1905. They had a son, Col. **William Baird** (author's grandfather), and daughter **Cornelia Wyntje Baird**.

Grant's inspector general, **James H. Wilson**, added his tribute: "General Baird, and I speak from personal knowledge, was one of the most competent, gallant and successful division commanders with whom I came in contact. His modesty was as undemonstrative as his contact in action was intrepid."



Rosemary Schaeffer

Commander-in-Chief Karl F. Schaeffer at Grand Army of the Republic Memorial at Ziegler's Grove, Gettysburg National Military Park

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played taps at the end of the ceremony.

This service was dedicated to our ancestors who answered this nation's call during its darkest hour, the American Civil War. The Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic thanked the Gettysburg National Military Park for their efforts in preserving this historic location. This is where our nation was held in the balance for three days in 1863 and maintaining this cherished memorial to the "Boys who wore the Blue," the Grand Army of the Republic.

*We all declare for liberty; but in using the same word we do not all mean the same thing. With some the word liberty may mean for each man to do as he pleases with himself; and the product of his labor; while with others the same word may mean for some men to do as they please with other men, and the product of other men's labor.*

Abraham Lincoln

## George Eaton Priest

By Frederick Stevens, Jr., Commander Massachusetts MOLLUS

The Massachusetts Commandery of MOLLUS is attempting to recruit the descendants of original companion, Lieutenant **George Eaton Priest**. George Priest, son of **Sylvester and Cynthia (Eaton) Priest** and grandson of Captain **Philemon Priest** of the Revolutionary War, was born on January 30, 1842 in a house on Main Street in Watertown, Mass. The house stood near the present site of the Watertown Free Public Library. George's parents moved to a house at 9 Riverside Street when he was a young boy. That house, which is no longer standing, was his home for the rest of his life.

George, a descendant of **Degory and Sarah (Allerton) Priest** of the *Mayflower*, attended Harvard College after graduating from high school. Following his graduation from Harvard in 1862, he enlisted for nine months in Company H of the 53rd Massachusetts regiment with a commission of Second Lieutenant. He was commissioned First Lieutenant in the 57th Massachusetts regiment in November 1863 and was appointed Regimental Quartermaster.

George returned to Watertown after the Civil War and began working in his father's lumber business. He was employed later at the Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Company until the time of this death, serving as treasurer for some of these years. His obituary, published in the *Watertown Enterprise* on July 23, 1897 describes his dedication to the Watertown community and the many organizations he supported and assisted. It reads: "During the war he joined Pequossette Lodge, A.F.&A.M and remained a member until his death. He was a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. He was elected a trustee of the Free Public Library in 1889, and continued on the board up to the time of his death. He served as secretary in 1889 and 1890, treasurer in 1891 and 1893, and chairman from that time until his death. He was one of the incorporators of the Savings Bank; was a member of the board of trustees, and for a number of years served as treasurer. He was brought up in the Methodist Episcopal church and united with that body when a young man, remaining a devoted member through his life and serving the society in many capacities, being a member of the board

of trustees and treasurer of the stewards or custodians of the church property".

George's very elaborate and well attended funeral was held at the Methodist Church. His body was carried to the nearby Common Street Cemetery where he was laid to rest in the tomb of this father, **Sylvanus Priest**. His body was moved to Ridgelawn Cemetery on September 16, 1902 and a sizable granite headstone declaring his Civil War service now marks his place of burial.

George married **Mary Wallace Whittier** on 30 Sep. 1865. They had two sons, **George Wesley Priest** (b. 1868) and **Benjamin Sidney Priest** (b. 1872; d. 1909). George W. Priest married **Mabel Ella Langford** on 16 Oct. 1900. They had two daughters who died young and **Catherine** (1902-1974) who never married. Their son **John Sylvester Priest** (1904-2001) married **Kate Havermeier Griffith** and had a son **John Sylvester Priest, Jr.** who lives in Duxbury. He is married to **Martha Jean MacGregor**. Their son is **Benjamin MacGregor Priest** (b. 1971) lives in Wonderlake, Illinois.

Benjamin married **Mary Isabella Temple** (1873-1931) in 1899 and had **Emily** (b. 28 Dec. 1900) and **George Temple Priest** (b. 25 Nov. 1902). The Massachusetts Commandery hopes to enlist each of the male descendants in MOLLUS.

The memorial plaque for George Priest reads:

TO THE MEMORY OF  
GEORGE EATON PRIEST  
1842-1897  
1st LIEUTENANT 53RD  
QUARTERMASTER  
57TH MASSACHUSETTS INFANTRY

A FAITHFUL OFFICER IN THE WAR  
WHICH PRESERVED THE UNION  
AND DESTROYED SLAVERY

HIS COMPANIONS IN ARMS  
OF THE COMMANDERY  
OF THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS  
OF THE MILITARY ORDER  
OF THE LOYAL LEGION  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
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## COMMANDERY NEWS

### Massachusetts Commandery

By Bradford Blaser, Recorder

The Massachusetts Commandery held its fall meeting on November 3 at the Dedham Polo and Country Club in Dedham. Companion **Frederick Stevens**, the Massachusetts commander, indicated that severe weather kept a number of members from attending the meeting. The recorder, Companion **Bradford Blaser**, reported that the current membership stands at 58 companions, which includes 45 hereditary members, 12 associate members and one honorary member. Mr. **Mark Slayton**, was introduced at the newest member of the Massachusetts Commandery.

Mr. **Marsden Earle**, a financial planner, reviewed the commandery investment holdings in anticipation of a full analysis of our financial goals and options. The investment committee will meet prior to the Lincoln Day events in February to review the current financial status, make relevant decisions and report to the Commandery.

Judge Advocate, **Lenahan O'Connell**, Esq. reported on the status of the Hendricks Bequest. He indicated that the Bristol County Court had not completed probate of the estate. However, he anticipated that the bequest would approximate \$50,000, in addition to an unknown amount resulting from a real estate sale.

A report on the MOLLUS photographic collection and other memorabilia currently in storage was discussed. The Commandery expects to transfer this collection to the Massachusetts National Guard Military Museum located in the Worcester Armory.

Commander Stevens reported on his attendance at the 122nd Annual Congress at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis on September 21-23, 2007. The Congress coincided with the Naval History Symposium. Commander Stevens stated that the Lincoln Recruiting Medal, which is awarded for recruiting three new hereditary members in one year, may be earned by associate members as well as hereditary members.

Also, he explained the capabilities of the MOLLUS website including historical

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## Numbered with the Slain

by Clifton W. Potter, Jr., Ph.D., Virginia Senior Vice-Commander

When my wife **Dorothy** and I began working on our third history of Lynchburg, Virginia in 2003, we divided the chapters according to our particular interests. I decided to write the sections dealing with the Civil War and Reconstruction. It was particularly interesting to note that a prisoner of war camp existed on the outskirts of the city. However, there were varying views on how long it existed and how many men died there or in the hospitals that dotted Lynchburg. Lynchburg became a focal point for the treatment of the wounded from both sides, because it was one of the most important rail centers in the upper part of the South.

After our second history appeared in 1985, a very valuable resource was made available to researchers in 2003. W. D. Diuguid, the second oldest mortuary in the United States was founded in 1817, and its meticulous records date from 1820. The firm was reluctant to allow anyone to handle these fragile ledgers from the nineteenth century until these registers were microfilmed. Diuguid buried Union and Confederate soldiers who died in Lynchburg from 1861 until 1865. Their names, ranks, and regiments were carefully recorded as well as the exact location of their graves. These records were used to give my treatment of the decade from 1860 to 1870 a depth and accuracy not before possible. A paperback book on Lynchburg, *A City Set on Seven Hills* (Clifton Potter, et al, 2004), but this was only the beginning.



Poplar Grove National Cemetery in Petersburg, Virginia

Almost two hundred Union soldiers from over a hundred and fifty units were buried in the Old City Cemetery between 1861 and 1865, which had opened in 1806. A list of their names and units was made available. Research of these military records revealed a number of misspelled names, which have since been corrected. Some soldiers were listed as deserters, but proved to have been captured and died as prisoners. The last Union prisoner of war died in a Lynchburg hospital on April 8, 1865. Over fifty Union soldiers were listed as unknown, but are slowly being identified.

The Union soldiers buried in the Old City Cemetery were moved in October, 1866 to Poplar Grove National Cemetery in Petersburg, Virginia.

However, not all of the fallen Union soldiers were moved.

General **David Hunter** of the Union Army attempted to take Lynchburg in June, 1864, but met with stiff resistance from Confederate General **Jubal Anderson Early**. The Union soldiers who died on June 17th and 18th were often buried where they fell, and they are still resting in Lynchburg in unmarked graves. One by one, they are being identified. In the case of several men of the 91st Ohio Volunteer Infantry, their actual burial location has been found. Their remains will be appropriately marked in 2007 by the Taylor-Wilson Camp #10 SUCW.

Most importantly, local Civil War heritage groups have offered their support since 2003, for a memorial listing the names and units of all of the Union soldiers who died in Lynchburg. The original number has grown to almost three hundred, with still many more to be researched. I am seeking the endorsement of the Lynchburg City Council for this project, which will provide opportunities to raise funds.

Why have I devoted three years to these men who died in the city where I have spent most of my life? If my birth had been in 1840 and instead of 1940, my uniform would have been blue and not gray. These soldiers have become "my boys." What an opportunity it would be to sit around the campfire waiting for the coffee to boil and talking of home with these brave men, who sacrificed their lives to save the Union. Many of them, whose names have been revealed, are the same age as the young men in my classroom. There is a sense of obligation to them and to their families to bring closure to their stories. The Civil War sites in the United States

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articles pertaining to Massachusetts. He reported on the upcoming relocation of the MOLLUS museum to the First United States Bank building in Philadelphia. The building is owned by the National Park Service and is located near Independence Hall. The MOLLUS Headquarters records will be stored at the Philadelphia Union League. The new National Commander is Mr. Karl Schaeffer.

## Virginia Commandery

By Jeffrey C. Burden, Recorder

Several Virginia Commandery members were present at the Poplar Grove National Cemetery near Petersburg, Virginia for a Veteran's Day observance on November 11. The event was organized by the Brady Camp #1863 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUCW) and its outgoing commander, Associate Companion **Neal Hanlon**.

The Commandery held its Fall meeting on November 13 in Richmond. The members discussed taking on new projects including arranging for improved directional signage for Poplar Grove National Cemetery. Also, it plans to mark the grave with perennial flowers of Union spy **Elizabeth Van Lew**, in Richmond's Shockoe Hill Cemetery.

The Commandery accepted the application of new companion **Donald Winkler**, which brings the membership total at 72. Companion **Jeffrey Burden**, Junior Vice Commander of the Order, has been invited to serve on the Virginia General Assembly's Lincoln



receive thousands of inquiries each year, with questions dealing with the soldiers. If knowing the names of these soldiers can bring peace to a descendant of a hero, then every moment of my research is worth it.



## Announcement Lincoln Birthday Activities Washington, DC - 9-13 February 2008

### Lincoln Birthday Activities/Lunch Monday, 11 February 2008 – Channel Inn 650 Water Street SW, Washington, DC

10:30 a.m. MOLLUS Board of Officers Meeting  
11:30 Social (cash bar)  
Noon Lunch  
MOLLUS/DOLLUS Members & Guests  
1:00 p.m. MOLLUS/DOLLUS Business Meeting  
(Channel Inn-2nd floor conference room)  
**Cost:** \$25/person

### Lincoln Birthday Dinner Monday, 11 February 2008 – Army & Navy Club Farragut Square, 901 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC

7:00 p.m. Reception (cash bar)  
8:00 p.m. Patriotic Opening  
(U.S. Armed Forces Color Guard)  
8:15 p.m. Formal Dinner (with wine for toasts)  
**Place:** Army and Navy Club  
2nd Floor Ballroom  
(valet parking \$6)  
**Program:** To be announced

**Attire:** Black/White tie or uniform with  
decorations and orders for gentlemen  
Evening wear for ladies  
**Cost:** \$80/person

### The 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Lincoln Memorial Ceremony Tuesday, 12 February 2008

11:15 a.m. Arrive at Lincoln Memorial  
11:45 a.m. Lincoln Ceremonies begin  
(wear warm clothing)

**Program: Honoring President Abraham Lincoln**  
Music prelude by a military service band  
Joint services color and honor guard  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, Old Guard)

**Gettysburg Address**  
Placing of wreaths

**Fred Drum Hunt Award**  
Presented by Karl P. Schaeffer  
MOLLUS Commander-in-Chief

**RESERVATION: Lincoln Birthday Activities**  
Monday, 11 February 2008 (members & spouses only)  
Make check (by no later than 6 February 2008) payable to  
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22314-3803** (Guests welcome)

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**Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee  
Luncheon**  
Tuesday, 12 February 2008 – Channel Inn  
650 Water Street SW, Washington, DC

1:00 p.m. Social (cash bar)

1:30 p.m. Lunch

**Program:** Gail Stephens, Retired Ranger, U.S. Park Service  
“The Battle of Shiloh and General Lew Wallace”

**Cost:** \$25/person

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ITEM	PRICE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT
Large Emblem Medal ( <i>Hereditary Membership</i> )*	\$160.00	_____	_____
Miniature Emblem Medal ( <i>Hereditary Membership</i> )*	\$85.00	_____	_____
Large Emblem Medal ( <i>Associate Membership</i> )*	\$160.00	_____	_____
Miniature Emblem Medal ( <i>Associate Membership</i> )*	\$85.00	_____	_____
Emblem Medals 14-16K Gold ( <i>3-4 month delivery time</i> )	On Request	_____	_____
Officer Neck Ribbon	\$20.00	_____	_____
Automobile or Plaque Emblem	\$10.00	_____	_____
Member Rosette (Provided to New Members)	\$7.50	_____	_____
Associate Rosette (Provided to New Members)	\$7.50	_____	_____
Honorary Rosette (Provided to New Members)	\$7.50	_____	_____
Necktie (All Silk)	\$34.00	_____	_____
Bow Tie (All Silk)	\$34.00	_____	_____
Blazer Patch	\$15.00	_____	_____
MOLLUS Window Decal (Post. Pd; no mailing charge)	\$5.00	_____	_____
Recruiting Medal	\$25.00	_____	_____
Certificate of Hereditary Membership (8 1/2" x 11")	\$25.00	_____	_____
Certificate of Hereditary Membership (17" x 19")	\$65.00	_____	_____
Certificate of Associate Membership(8 1/2" x 11")	\$25.00	Out of Stock	_____
Official MOLLUS Scarf (9 1/2" x 72")	\$45.00	_____	_____
Set of 9 MOLLUS Blazer Buttons	\$65.00	_____	_____
ROTC Medal with Ribbon Bar and Certificate	\$35.00	_____	_____
Book: <i>Union Blue</i> by PCinC Robert G. Carroon	\$25.00	_____	_____
MOLLUS Note Cards (Pack of 25)	\$ 6.00	_____	_____
MOLLUS Post Cards (Pack of 10)	\$ 1.00	_____	Pay Shipping
MOLLUS Information Cards (No Set Quantity)	No Charge	_____	_____
Booklet: <i>Prominent MOLLUS Companions</i>	\$ 3.00	_____	_____
<b>SHIPPING</b>			<b>_____</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>_____</b>
*Vermeil (Gold on Sterling Silver)			<b>\$4.50</b>

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