

ESSENTIAL CIVIL WAR CURRICULUM

History of the Grand Army of the Republic or 'G.A.R.'

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If you can read only one book

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Smith, William Henry	<i>Complete G. A. R. Song Book.</i> Detroit, MI: R. W. Haskin, c1887.
Stephenson, Mary Harriet	<i>Dr. B. F. Stephenson.</i> Springfield, IL: The H. W. Rokker Printing House, 1894.
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Woods, Paul Joseph	<i>The G.A.R. and Civil Service.</i> Urbana, IL: 1941.

Organizations

Organization Name	Description, Contact information including address, email
Grand Army of the Republic Museum and Library	The G.A.R. Museum is a non-profit historical and patriotic organization that preserves the heritage and history of the Civil War through the presentation of historical programs, forums and exhibitions. It is located at 4278 Griscom Street, Philadelphia PA 19124-3954, telephone 215 289 6484. It is open Tuesdays 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m. and visitors must call ahead to ensure staff availability. There is an open house on the first Sunday of every month from 12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m. with a program at 1:30 p.m. Their website is http://garmuslib.org/

Web Resources

URL	Name and description
http://suvcw.org/banner/aw.htm	This article from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War publication <i>The Banner</i> reports on the death of Albert Woolson.
http://suvcw.org/banner/garobit.htm	This is the article from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War publication <i>The Banner</i> “Taps Sounds for the Grand Army of the Republic”.
http://www.garrerecords.org	This is the website for the Sons of Union Veterans project documenting the locations of repositories of records of the G.A.R.
http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/gar/national/natl.html	This is the Library of Congress Main Reading Room documentation of the G.A.R. National Encampments.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grand_Army_of_the_Republic	This is the Wikipedia entry for the G.A.R.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Grand_Army_of_the_Republic_Commanders-in-Chief	This is a list of commanders-in-chief of the G.A.R.
http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/gar/genworks.html	This is the Library of Congress Main Reading Room The Grand Army of the Republic and Kindred Societies listing of

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Other Sources - G.A.R. Indices

Name	Description, Contact information including address, email
List of G.A.R. posts by Department	Smith, Albert E., Jr., compiler. The Grand Army of the Republic and Kindred Societies: A Guide to Resources in the General Collections of the Library of Congress. Washington, Library of Congress, 2001. Accessible online at http://www.loc.gov/rr/main/gar/garhome.html
Colorado	"Colorado Civil War Grand Army of the Republic Members," Denver Public Library website, http://denverlibrary.org/research/genealogy/gar.html Online membership roster compiled from rosters of the Department of Colorado published in 1895, 1910, and 1931; entries include member's name, rank, company, regiment or ship, and post number; also includes roster of posts showing name, number, and location of post.
Illinois	Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Illinois. Roster of the Department of Illinois, Grand Army of the Republic. Kansas City, Mo.: Western Veteran, 1896. (Available at the Chicago Historical Society Library.) Arranged by post (neither numerically nor by location); entries include member's name, company, and regiment or ship. Shaw, William C. Illustrated Roster of the Department of Illinois, Grand Army of the Republic. 1914. Arranged numerically by post number; entries include member's name, rank, and regiment or ship.
Kansas	"Necrology of the Grand Army of the Republic," Kansas State Historical Society website, http://www.kshs.org/genealogists/military/gar/garnecrologies.htm

	<p>Searchable index to death notices published in the encampment proceedings of the Department of Kansas; entries include member's name and number and page of the encampment proceedings that includes the death notice.</p> <p>Roster of the Members and the Posts, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Kansas. Topeka, Department of Kansas, 1894.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by county then by post; entries include member's name, rank, and regiment or ship.</p>
Massachusetts	<p>Sargent, A. Dean. Grand Army of the Republic: Civil War Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, 1866 to 1947. Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, 2002.</p> <p>Arranged numerically by post number; entries include member's name, rank, company, regiment or ship, name and location of post, birth date or death date, and place of residence or birth.</p> <p>Sargent, A. Dean. Grand Army of the Republic: Civil War Veterans, Department of Massachusetts, 1866 to 1947. CD-ROM. Bowie, Md.: Heritage Books, 2002.</p>
Minnesota	<p>Richardson, Antona Hawkins. Roll of the Dead, 1886–1906: Department of Minnesota, Grand Army of the Republic. St. Paul, Minn.: Paduan Press, 2000.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by member's name; entries include member's name, rank, company, regiment or ship, death date, and name, number, and location of post; some entries include age, cause of death, and place of burial.</p>
Missouri	<p>Concannon, Marie, and Josiah Parkinson. Grand Army of the Republic—Missouri Division—Index to Death Rolls, 1882–1940. Columbia, Mo.: State Historical Society of Missouri, 1995. Concannon's index is accessible online at http://www.virtuallymissouri.org/</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by member's name;</p>

	<p>entries include member's name, number and location of post, age, and year and page number of report from which extracted.</p> <p>Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri. Roster of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, and Its Auxiliaries. Kansas City, Mo.: Western Veteran, 1895.</p> <p>Arranged by post—St. Louis posts are listed numerically, followed by other posts listed alphabetically by county; entries include member's name, company, and regiment or ship.</p> <p>Roster of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, 1895. Edited and indexed by members of Phelps Camp #66, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Springfield, Missouri. Springfield, Mo.: The Camp, ca. 1999.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by member's name; entries include member's name, company, regiment or ship, and name and location of post; some officers' ranks included.</p>
Nebraska	<p>"Nebraska Civil War Veterans," Denver Public Library website, http://denverlibrary.org/research/genealogy/gar.html</p> <p>Online membership roster compiled from a roster of the Department of Nebraska published in 1911; entries include member's name, regiment or ship, and post number; also includes roster of posts showing name, number, and location of post.</p>
Oregon	<p>Myers, Jane. Honor Roll of Oregon Grand Army of the Republic, 1881–1935: Deaths Reported in Oregon of Members of the GAR, Extracted from Proceedings of the Annual Encampments of the Department of Oregon, Grand Army of the Republic. Cottage Grove, Ore.: Cottage Grove Genealogical Society, ca. 1980. Arranged alphabetically by member's name; entries include member's name, company, regiment or ship, death date, age, and post number; also includes roster of posts showing name, number, and location of</p>

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