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NATIONAL REGULATION 1.4

Subject: Insignia

**Reference: (a) National By-Laws, Article 1.3
(b) National By-Laws, Article 1.4
(c) Heroes of '76 Manual**

1. PURPOSE: To describe the insignia, of references (b) and (c) in further detail, to prescribe the wearing and funding of the National Sojourners Medals, National Heroes of '76 Officers Medals, the Past National Commander's Medal, Sojourner Neckbands and other accoutrements.

2. MEDALS:

a. The regulation National Sojourners Medal consists of a medallion reproduction of the National Sojourners Seal, with or without enamel, as illustrated in reference (2) but modified by the addition of two scrolls on each side located about 45° from a horizontal line through the center of the Seal and suspended from a ribbon of thirteen alternating blue and gold stripes. The medal is worn on the left breast and takes precedence to the Heroes of '76 Medal.

b. The elected National Line Officers Medal consists of a regulation National Sojourners Medal, with enamel, with the medallion partially encircled by a wreath and a title bar of office located on the ribbon.

(1) The elected National Line Officers Medals, except for the National President, will be turned over to the National Installing Marshal prior to the installation of the new National Officers at each National Convention.

(2) The National President's Medal will be turned over to the National Installing Officer for presentation to the incoming National President.

c. The elected National Heroes of '76 Officers Medal consists of a regulation Heroes Medal with the medallion partially encircled by a wreath and the title bar of office located on the ribbon.

(1) Elected National Heroes of '76 Officers Medals, except for the National Commander, will be turned over to the National Installing Marshal prior to the installation of the new National Officers at each National Convention.

(2) The National Commander's Medal will be turned over to the National Installing Officer for presentation to the incoming National Commander.

d. The National Sojourners Legion of Honor Medal consists of a medallion of the raised portion of the National Sojourners Seal surrounded by a wreath of gold on an enameled circle of blue with 13 gold stars, which is surrounded by three gold bands and five white enameled

sections of a Maltese Cross. It is worn suspended from a regulation Sojourner Neckband as described in paragraph 3 a. below.

e. The Houghton Memorial Medal consists of a pendant of the raised part of the National Sojourners Seal with the crescent attached below inscribed with the word "Houghton" and the year of the National Convention at which it was awarded. This pendant is suspended from a gold ribbon with one narrow stripe of blue on either side. It is worn on the left breast to the left of the Sojourner and Hero medals.

f. The Past President's Medal consists of a gold bar edged in blue enamel and bearing in blue enamel lettering the words, "Past National." From this bar, suspended by two gold chains, is a smaller blue enamel bar with a gold border bearing the word "PRESIDENT." Below this bar the medallion of a regulation National Sojourners medal with enamel, partially encircled by a wreath, is suspended by two gold chains of such length as to place the "PRESIDENT" bar midway between the "PAST NATIONAL" bar and the top of the medallion. All this will be superimposed on a double-folded regulation Sojourner ribbon cut with an inverted "V" at the bottom of the ribbon.

g. The Past National Commander's Medal consists of a gold bar edged in blue enamel and bearing in blue enamel lettering the words, "PAST NATIONAL." From this bar, suspended by two gold chains, is a smaller blue enamel bar with a gold border bearing the word "COMMANDER." Below this bar the medallion of a regulation Heroes Medal of reference (c), partially encircled by a wreath, is suspended by two gold chains of such length as to place the "COMMANDER" bar midway between the "PAST NATIONAL" bar and the top of the medallion. All this will be superimposed on a double-folded regulation Heroes of '76 ribbon cut with an inverted "V" at the bottom of the ribbon.

NECKBANDS:

a. The Sojourner's Neckband consists of a medallion, with or without enamel, as described in paragraph 2 a. above, suspended from a neck ribbon of the same material as the regulation medal ribbon. This type of neck ribbon will hereafter be referred to as the regulation Sojourner neck ribbon.

(1) Elected National Line Officers' insignia of office will consist of the medallion of a regulation National Sojourners Medal, with enamel, partially encircled by a wreath and suspended from a regulation neckband with the title bar of office appropriately centered on the "V" of the neck ribbon.

(a) All insignias of the offices for National Line Officers, except the National President, will be turned over to the National Installing Marshal prior to the installation of the new National Officers at each National Convention.

(b) The National President's insignia of office will be turned over to the National Installing Officer for presentation to the incoming National President.

(c) The title bar of office for all other National Line Officers will be turned over to their successors.

(2) When title bars are authorized for wear on the neckband by other National Officers, they will be appropriately centered on the "V" of the neck ribbon.

(a) When the Chairman of the Trustees and the Committee of 33 have completed their term of office, their title bars will be turned over to their successors.

(b) Wearing of the neckband is limited to National Officers, Area and Regional Representatives and elected Chapter Officers and any member of National Sojourners, Inc., holding Memberships-In-Perpetuity in five or more chapters of National Sojourners, Incorporated.

(3) The Sojourner Neckband may be worn with the Legion of Honor Neckband, but not with neckbands of other organizations. The bottom of the medallion of the Legion of Honor shall be located above the "V" of the Sojourners neck ribbon.

b. The Heroes of '76 Neckband consists of a medallion of a regulation Heroes medal, suspended from a neck ribbon of the same material as on the regulation Heroes Medal. This type of neck ribbon will hereafter be referred to as the regulation Heroes of '76 neck ribbon. Reference (c) applies.

(1) Elected National Heroes of '76 Officers insignia of office will consist of the medallion of a regulation Heroes medal, partially encircled by a wreath and suspended from a regulation Heroes of '76 neck ribbon with the title bar of office appropriately centered on the "V" of the neck ribbon.

(a) All insignia of the officers for elected National Heroes of '76 Officers, except the National Commander, will be turned over to the National Installing Marshal prior to the installation of the new National Officers at each National Convention.

(b) The National Commander's insignia of office will be turned over to the National Installing Officer for presentation to the incoming National Commander.

(c) The title bar of office for all other National Heroes Officers will be turned over to their successors.

(2) Other National Heroes of '76 Officers and the elected Camp Commanders will wear their title bar of office appropriately centered on the "V" of the Heroes neck ribbon.

(3) Wearing of the Heroes Neckband is limited to National Heroes of '76 Officers and elected Camp Commanders.

(4) The Heroes Neckband may be worn with the Legion of Honor Neckband, but not with neckbands of other organizations. The bottom of the medallion of the Legion of Honor will be located above the "V" of the Heroes neck ribbon.

c. When wearing a military dress uniform, the Past National President's Medal, without the double-folded ribbon, may be worn suspended from a regulation Sojourner neck ribbon and attached above the "V." If worn in conjunction with the Legion of Honor Neckband, the bottom of the medallion of the Legion of Honor shall be located above the "PAST NATIONAL" bar.

d. When wearing a military dress uniform, the Past National Commander's Medal, without the double-folded ribbon, may be worn suspended from a regulation Heroes of '76 neck ribbon and attached above the "V." If worn in conjunction with the Legion of Honor Neckband, the bottom of the medallion of the Legion of Honor shall be located above the "PAST NATIONAL" BAR.

4. TITLE BARS. Up to three title bars may be worn on the National Sojourners medal or neckband.

5. MIP STAR. Members-in-Perpetuity may wear the MIP Star(s) centered on the medal ribbon or on either side of the neck ribbon as single, multiple stars in line, circular cluster of five stars, or multiple circular cluster of five stars as appropriate.

6. MEMBERSHIP SPONSORING DEVICE: The 3/8" diameter brass button with clutch fastener, numerically inscribed in increments of 5, i.e., 5, 10, 15, etc., will be worn immediately below the lowest title bar on the National Sojourners medal or neckband.

7. LONGEVITY PINS. The 25 and 50-Year membership pins may be worn immediately below the lowest title bar on the National Sojourners medal or neckband.

8. MINIATURES. Miniature medals may be worn in lieu of the regulation medal only on the mess dress uniform or tuxedo. Miniature neckbands are not authorized.

9. PROPER WEARING. Medals, insignia, or neckbands will be worn:

- a. On all official occasions and when identification as National Sojourners is desirable.
- b. On a military uniform in accordance with service regulations.

10. APPROVED INSIGNIA. Only insignia approved by the delegates of a National Convention may be worn as Sojourner related accoutrements. Heroes of '76 accoutrements, except for the elected National Heroes of '76 Officer medal and the Past National Commander's Medal, shall be as prescribed in the official Heroes of '76 Manual.

11. FUNDING. All medals, neckbands, title bars, MIP stars, miniatures, and other accoutrements will be procured at the personal expense of each individual Sojourner, authorized such wear, with the following exceptions:

a. Neckbands and title bars for elected National Line Officers and elected National Heroes of '76 Officers will be furnished and maintained at the expense of National Headquarters.

b. The elected National Line Officers Medal, elected National Heroes of '76 Medal, Legion of Honor Medal, Past National President's Medal and Past National Commander's Medal will be funded through the National Budget.

c. The Houghton Memorial Medal or Plaque and Certificate will be funded by the Houghton Memorial Fund.

d. National Headquarters will furnish title bars for the Chairman of the Trustees and Chairman of the Committee of 33.

e. Individual Chapters may, at their own expense, furnish medals, neckbands, title bars, or other insignia to officers or past officers.



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