

Curtenius Guard Camp #17

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Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2010
Samuel W. Grinnell
GAR Post #283 Hall
115 Main Street
Sunfield, Michigan

Commander Paul David Arnold assigned Brothers to fill vacancies of absent officers by appointment Pro Temp.

I. Opening Ritual:

Camp Commander Paul David Arnold opened the meeting per the Ritual at 7:06 PM.

II. Roll Call:

Brothers Present: Arnold, Bankhead, Benedict, Deardorff, Goutis, Haines, Harrington, K, Harrison, Hodges, Langworthy, Neil, Pahl Sr., Peabody, Roux, Shull, Traub, and Zank

Brothers Excused: Aves, Bennetts, Coons, Emerick, N. Harrison, Hoffman, Lee, Nash, J Pahl Jr., Rehkopf, Rousseau, B Shumway, J Shumway, Steel, Thomas, Zowe

Guests included: Dept. Sr. Vice Commander Don Shaw, Camp Commander Ray Lake, Troy Copenhaver, Gary Copenhaver, and Charles Baur.

III. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as transmitted; motion passed.

IV. Concern for Brothers: It was noted that Brother Erv Stahl has passed.

Lavern Aves wife is doing better with her cancer, and Lavern Aves has contracted pneumonia.

V. New Members and Initiations:

Charles Baur who is the great grandson

of Michael Mc Pharlin who serve as a sergeant in the 11th Michigan Volunteer Cavalry.

Gary Copenhaver is the great great grandson of Enoch Watkins who served as privet in the 47th Indiana Infantry.

Chris Czopek will also be transferring in as a associate member from Colegrove-Woodruff Camp 22.



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VI. Committee Reports:

Camp Council: – Has audited the book and found no problems. At the meeting Troy Copenhaver the son of Brother Gary Copenhaver show interest in joining.

Bylaws - No report.

Memorials and Graves Registration: – It was reported that at the next update Brother Hoffman will be submitting 60 new name to the database and that Brother Zank has completed one cemetery and started a second in Eaton County.

GAR Monuments: – No report.

Eagle Scouts Certificates: – No report.

Membership – No new member at this time.

Veterans' Day: – A concern of being left out of the loop at the last Veteran's Day program. Brother Harrison has talked to the organizers and we will now be included in the loop.

Military Affairs: – PCinC Harrison informed the Camp that we now have information on the Sesquicentennial. The conference call that took place last week finally gave us the permission to proceed with what we envisioned in our presentations that we made last year. The Sesquicentennial Commission's Committee will be having several subgroups:

- (1) Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War/Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the US,
- (2) Reenactments/Living Histories
- (3) Museums/Roundtables
- (4) Libraries/Historical/Genealogical Societies, and
- (5) Publicity.

We also have a smaller steering group serving as facilitators for each of the above areas: Brother Harrison for #1, Tom Berlucchii for #2, John Gibney (#3), Bruce Butgereit (for #4) and no one yet for #5.

There will be a website established for the Sesquicentennial - hopefully by the end of February or early March. Also there will be a logo established, although this will not be available until sometime during late summer of this year. More information on this will be forthcoming in the near future.

Patriotic Instruction: - No report.

Program and Publicity: - The next Civil War History Seminar is coming on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 at 7pm at the Sunfield United Brethren Church located at 8436 West Grand Ledge Hwy (M-43) in Sunfield.

The topic of the presentation is "**Michigan Soldiers at Andersonville Prison**". The presenter will be Chris Czopek. Chris was a presenter at our April 2009 seminar when he spoke on the 1st Michigan Sharpshooters, Co K.

Hall Restoration: – started scraped sanded calking sealed around the chimney primed painted first coat. Come spring second prime and paint roof.

The false front is in need lots of work the foundation (big trees) is settling and rotting and will need some shoring up.

Motion to use max O’Neil fund on the remainder of the painting project was seconded and passed.

Memorial Day Activities – Brother Bankhead is in charge of the Memorial Day Activities at Mt Hope and Evergreen Cemeteries.

The mayor of Woodland has requested that we do some sort of program at Woodland.

Ray Lake presented the camp with his book of soldiers buried in Ingham Co.

Grinnell Award. No report.

VII. Orders and Communications: Commander Arnold read three general orders, GO #9 from the National Commander and Chief and Orders #6 and # 7 from the department.

A thank you was read from Jo Anne Stahl.

VIII. Unfinished Business:

The outhouse was vandalized, there was some gang signs painted on the outhouse after it was painted and will have to be covered up.

IX. New Business:

Resolution of Brother Arnold nomination as Department Sr. Vice Commander was read.

Motion was made seconded and unanimously passed.

There was also a motion that was seconded and passed to support Brother Don Shaw as Department Commander.

X. Installation of officers were conducted of the new officer for 2010 by Sr Vice Commander Shaw.



New commander George Roux.

XI. Good of the Order:

Pass the hat netted \$76.00.

Appointment of committees was read by Commander Roux.

Commander Lake promoted a program coming up in June by Richard Hamilton. Richard will be talking about and signing his book “Oh! Hast Thou Forgotten” attach is a flier on the program with the date, place and time.

XII. Treasurer's Report: Brother Pahl pass out copies of the report. Report is attached on the next page.

Show items for sale from the quartermasters.

Covered the officer out of pocket expenses (new sheet) will be uploaded to the camp website.

Camp counsel has reviewed the books and signed out.

Gift for opening an account from Independent Bank will be raffled off in a future meeting. You must be present to win down the road.

Motion to return check to Jo Ann Stahl for Erv’s dues was seconded and passed.

XIII. Closing Ritual: The Camp was closed at 920 PM.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Dennis D Zank
Camp Secretary
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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN
CURTENIUS GUARD CAMP #17

January, 2010

BEGINNING FUND BALANCES

Hall Restoration Fund	\$	3,450.72
Hall Painting Project	\$	645.47
Max Oneal Fund	\$	259.40
sub total designated funds	\$	4,355.59
General Camp Fund	\$	1,352.10
TOTAL CAMP CASH ASSETS	\$	5,707.69

INCOME

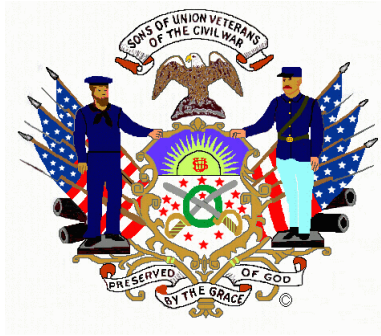
Pass the hat November meeting (Hall Restoration fu	\$	31.75
2010 Per Capita dues	\$	540.00
Reimburse Camp NSF check & fees	\$	43.50
Interest	\$	0.70
Applications	\$	102.00
Civil War Seminar	\$	37.00
2009 Life Member Reimbursements	\$	36.00
Bank credit - turning in old checks for shredding	\$	10.00
TOTAL	\$	800.95

EXPENSES

Randy Atkinson (painting)	\$	(600.00)
Per capita check NSF	\$	(36.00)
Bank Charge NSF	\$	(7.50)

CLOSING FUND BALANCES

Hall Restoration Fund		\$3,482.47
Hall Painting Project	\$	45.47
Max Oneal Fund	\$	259.40
Civil War Program Fund	\$	37.00
sub total designated funds		\$3,824.34
General Camp Fund		\$2,013.30
TOTAL CAMP CASH ASSETS		\$5,837.64



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Tuesday, January 26th, 2010, 7:00 P.M.**

Tentative Agenda

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Tuesday, March 30 2010, 7:00 P.M.**

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- I. **Opening Ritual**
- II. **Roll Call of Officers**
- III. **Roll Call of Camp**
- IV. **Welcome to Guests**
Harold Halstead or Holcomb
- V. **Approval of Minutes**
- VI. **Treasurer' Report**
Jim Pahl – Donations from History Seminar to hall restoration Fund
Dues, deadline & Paying of dues of brothers struggling.
- VII. **Concerns for Brothers**
Laverne Aves & wife May Ellen
Ken Russeau – Broken Leg & Blood Clot
- VIII. **Reading of applications from candidates for membership**
- IX. **Balloting for candidates for membership**
- X. **Initiations of new brothers**
Presentations of Membership Certificates to Chuck Bauer, Gary Copenhaver, Chris Czopek
- XI. **Recess**
- XII. **Committee Reports**
- XIII. **Orders and Communications**
Thank you letter
Department Commander Order #8
Department Encampment, April 24th, Great Lakes Christian College
Anderson Camp #58 Program, June 14th 2010, "Oh Hast Thou Forgotten"
- XIV. **Old Business**

Painting of the Hall to resume come spring.

XV. **New Business**

OK Purchase of 8ft - Folding Table
(Memorial Day Activities) Tentatively - Saturday May 29th
Mt Hope
Evergreen
Memorial Sunday
Memorial Potluck – GAR Hall (early after church service)
Traditional Memorial Day Service/Meeting

XVI. **Good of the Order**

Raffle
Civil War History Seminar, April 27th, 7pm. at the Sunfield United Brethren Church on
Stonewall Jackson by David Finney.

XVII. **Patriotic Instructors Report**

Presentation on Berdan's Sharpshooters by Guest

XVIII. **Closing Ritual**

Dennis D Zank
Camp Secretary