

Curtenius Guard Camp #17

<http://suvcw.org/mi/017/017home.htm>

Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans Of the Civil War

Meeting Minutes

November 26, 2013
Samuel W. Grinnell
GAR Post #283 Hall
115Main Street
Sunfield, Michigan

Commander Dennis Zank assigned Brothers to fill vacancies of absent Officers by appointment Pro Temp.

I. Opening Ritual:

Camp Commander Dennis Zank opened the meeting per the Ritual at 7:00 PM.

II. Roll Call of Officers:

Brothers Present: D. Bankhead, B. Benedict, G. Copenhagen, W. Haines, K. Harrison, H. Holcomb, B. Haines, R. Payne, R. Shull, D. Traub, D. Zank.

Brothers Excused J. Armstrong, L. Aves, C. Bauer, W. Cole, M. Haines, R. Hamilton, N. Harrison, P. Hodges, S. Latchaw, J. A. Pahl, J. B. Pahl, R. Petrovic, S. Recline, B. Shumway, J. Shumway, W. Steele, W. Zowe.

III. Roll Call of Camp:

Brothers Present P. Arnold, M. Bennetts, M. Hoffman, T. Hummer, T. Copenhagen, M. McLaughlin, D. Rehkopf.

IV. Welcome to Guests:

Guests; Dave Grimes and David L. Thompson.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made to approve the minutes as transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

VI. Treasurers Report: Brother Keith Harrison read the latest treasurer report.

Brother Keith Harrison read the Treasurers Report dated September 24, 2013 to November 25, 2013. Motion

provided for approve of the treasurer's report, as transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

Hall restoration fund donations from the October 29, 2013 Seminar totaled \$278.05.

VII. Concern for Brothers:

Concerns expressed for the following Brothers: Laverne Aves, Charles Bauer, Paul Hodges, Scott Shattuck's wife passed away from a battle with cancer. Concerns expressed for the Shattuck family. George Roux passed away November 12, 2013. Concerns expressed for the Roux family. Mrs. Roux has diabetes.

VIII. Reading of applications from Candidates for Membership:

David L. Thompson is a new applicant as an Associate Member. He resides in Lowell, Michigan, was a pilot during time spent in the Military and is a member of, "The American Legion Post" in Lowell, Michigan.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

The ballot box was located and each member lined up and cast his vote. The ballot box was opened and it was determined David L. Thompson is to be initiated into Curtenius Guard Camp # 17.

X. Initiation of New Brothers:

Dave Thompson escorted to the Camp alter by Brother Bruce Benedict, our Camp # 17 Guide. The initiation was completed. A big round of applause provided to welcome Brother David L. Thompson Camp # 17's new Brother. Congratulation Brother Thompson.

XI. Recess:

A CD with Civil War era sounds played, and enjoyed during the recess.

XII. Committee Reports:

Camp Council: – No report.

Bylaws - No report.

Memorials and Graves Registration:

Attended a meeting held in Lansing. We completed 16 graves registrations during the months of October, and November 2013. No memorials to report.

GAR Monuments: – No Report.

Eagle Scouts Certificates: - Brother Dave Bankhead gave the report. He states, "We need to find a way of determining Eagle Scouts deserving an award".

Membership: - No additional applications.

Veterans Day: - We participated in these Veterans Day events, Massing of Colors at The Michigan Historical Center, Lansing, Michigan, and Veterans Day Parade, Mason, Michigan.

Military Affairs: - No report.

Patriotic Instruction: - No report.

Program and Publicity: - Brother Hoffman indicates he is working on obtaining a February 25, 2014 Seminar Program. Congratulations Brother Hoffman for arranging the enjoyable Seminar programs during 2013.

Hall Restoration: - Brother Dave Arnold indicates we have our old leak problem back in the Hall entryway. Concern is do we need a new roof? It decided to wait to see if the leak was just because of the recent high winds, and a heavy rainstorm.

Memorial Day Activities:- No Report .

Grinnell Award: - No Report.

XIII. Orders and Communications:

Department of Michigan Annual Encampment is March 30 and 31, 2014. Secretary is forwarding any Communications as soon as they arrive by E-Mail. Be sure to watch for them.

XIV. Old Business:

None to report.

XV. New Business:

2014dues. The January 28, 2014 meeting is a good time to pay your Annual Camp # 17 Dues.

XVI. Good of the Order:

Keith Harrison indicates several Brothers attended Gettysburg Remembrance Day, Gettysburg, PA. He is proud to say we placed flags on the Civil War graves of all Michigan Soldiers buried there. There were several very interesting

speakers. Brother Ron Shull indicates the tour of Little Round Top was well worth it even though it was a very cold day.

Brother Keith Harrison indicates we presented and brought back two streamers for our Camp # 17 Flags.

The, "GAR Memorial Hall and Museum of Michigan", located in Eaton Rapids, Michigan will to be open December 7, 2013. This coordinates with there planned, "Eaton Rapids Home Town Christmas".

Election of Camp # 17 2014 Officers;
Motion Made to Nominate Brother Dave Bankhead for Commander. Second.
Motion Passed.
Motion made to nominate Brother Dennis Zank as Sr. Vice Commander
Second. Motion Passed.
Brother Keith Harrison moved to cast a unanimous ballot for all additional unopposed elected Officer Candidates.
Second. Motion Passed.

Brother Bankhead read the names of 2014 newly elected Officers and the office each elected to.

**Curtenius Guard Camp # 17
Officers for 2014 are:**

Dave Bankhead Commander
Dennis Zank Sr. Vice-Commander
Brian Shumway Jr. Vice Commander
Harold Holcomb Secretary
James B. Pahl Treasurer
Ron Shull Camp Council
Dana Traub Camp Council
Keith Harrison Camp Council

Motion made to elect the first five individuals on the roster who do not have standing credentials as delegates, and all the remaining individuals on the roster as alternates to the 2014 Department of Michigan Encampment.
Second. Motion Passed.

Door Prize; Camp # 17 collected \$52.00.

XVII. Patriotic Instructors Report:
No Report.

XIV. Closing Ritual:
The Camp closed at 8:30 PM.

HAROLD E. HOLCOMB
Curtenius Guard Camp # 17
Secretary
holcombhe@gmail.com