

Curtenius Guard Camp # 17

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DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Meeting Minutes:

January 26, 2016

Samuel W. Grinnell
G.A.R. Post #283 Hall
115 Main Street
Sunfield, Michigan

Commander Bankhead assigned Brothers to fill vacancies of absent Officers by appointment Pro-Temp.

I. Opening Ritual:

Camp Commander Dave Bankhead opened the meeting per the Ritual at 7:00PM.

II. Roll Call of Officers:

Brothers Present: P. Arnold, D. Bankhead, K. Harrison, M. Hoffman, H. Holcomb, J. B. Pahl, R. Payne, R. Shull, and W. Peabody.

Officers Excused: B. Benedict, T. Hummer, D. Traub, and D. Zank.

III. Roll Call of Camp:

Roll of the Camp not called.

IV. Welcome to Guests:

Department of Michigan Commander Dale Aurand present, for Installation of Camp # 17 2016 Officers.

V. Approval of Minutes: Motion made to approve the November 24, 2015 meeting minutes as transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

VI. Treasurers Report: Treasurers Report dated, November 24, 2015 to January 26, 2016. Treasurer James B. Pahl presented an overview of the report. Motion accepted for approval of the Treasurer's Report. Second. Motion passed. Brother Pahl indicates IRS form 990N E-Filed and receipt shows accepted by the IRS.

VII. Concern for Brothers:

Concerns expressed for the following Camp # 17 Brothers: John Armstrong is under medical care. Laverne Aves daughter has Alzheimer's and is in a Family Health facility. Concerns continue for Charles Bauer, and Paul Hodges. Brian Shumway indicates John Shumway has been in a special facility in Indianapolis, Indiana. He expects John return to Michigan in the next few days. Commander Dave Bankhead has a cyst in his shoulder socket. He has located a specialist. Specialist is treating the cyst. Surgery is likely, needed but if needed will not happen for several months. David Thompson is waiting to learn when he will be going in for a heart valve replacement. He is under Doctors orders to remain at home to avoid any airborne diseases. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all on this extensive list.

VIII. Reading of Applications from Candidates for Membership:

No applications.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

No candidates.

X. Initiation of New Brothers:

No one to initiate.

XI. Recess:

Meeting recess not taken.

XII. Committee Reports:

Bylaws: No Report.

Memorials and Graves Registration:

No report.

GAR Monuments: No report.

Eagle Scouts Certificates:

No report.

Military Affairs: No Report.

Membership: No Report.

Veterans Day: No Report

Patriotic Instruction: No Report.

Program and Publicity:

- Our Camp # 17 Seminars scheduled to start again February 23, 2016 with a Seminar titled, "Our Extraordinary Civil

War", by James B. Pahl. The scheduled April 26, 2016 Seminar titled, "Michigan's G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum and Michigan's Post Civil War Organizations", by Keith Harrison. If any one knows a possible programs for June and October please contact Mark Hoffman.

The planned Seminars held at the United Brethren Church on West M-43 in Sunfield, Michigan. The events scheduled for 7 PM.

Hall Restoration: We are waiting for spring to see if the roof leak is resolved.

Memorial Day Activities: No Report.

Remembrance Day Activities: No Report.

Grinnell Award: No Report.

XIII. Orders and Communications:

SUVCW National issued the following General Orders:

-#8 -Passing of Real Son Charlie Brock of London, Kentucky.

-#9 -Dual Membership Rulings issued that include an itemized list.

National orders are published in their entirety on the SUVCW National web site.

XIV. Old Business:

Treasurer James B Pahl was busy before the meeting with Brothers paying Dues. If you have not paid your 2016, Camp#17 Dues amount of \$41.00, please arrange to do so.

-Brother James Pahl is working on the Civil War Memorials, and Cannons Documentation project. Project assigned by The Department of Michigan. He will continue to pursue those remaining. No additional report provided at this time.

XV. New Business:

Installation of Camp #17 2016 Officers:

Camp # 17 Commander Dave Bankhead passed the gavel over to Department of Michigan Commander Dale Aurand to install 2016 Camp # 17 Officers. Commander Bankhead then stepped down. Department of Michigan Commander asked the Camp # 17 Secretary to call off the names of the Brothers filling each Office for 2016. The called off Brothers asked to stand as their name called. When all called,

Commander Aurand proceeded to install Camp # 17 new Officers. After completion of Installation of Officers he passed the gavel to 2016 Camp # 17 Commander Rob Payne.

Camp # 17 2016 Officers are:

Rob Payne Commander

Dennis Zank PC Senior Vice-

Commander

Mark Hoffman Jr. Vice-Commander, Eagle Scout Coordinator, and Program and Publicity

Harold Holcomb Secretary

James B. Pahl PC in C Treasurer

Ronald Shull PC Camp Council

Keith Harrison PC in C Camp Council and Historian

Dana Traub Camp Council

Paul (Dave) Arnold PC and PDC

Patriotic Instructor

Steve Latchaw Chaplain

Gary Copenhaver Graves Registration and Civil War Memorials Officer

David Grimes Color Bearer

Bruce Benedict Guide

Wendel Peabody Guard

Department of Michigan

Encampment: The annual Department of Michigan is April 29-30, 2016 Encampment held at Great Lakes Christian College in Lansing Michigan. We encourage all Camp # 17 Brothers to

attend. Forms to attend expected to be in E-Mails soon.

Brother Steve Latchaw made a motion to donate the Ribbons, previously donated to Camp # 17 and now in a nice case, to the Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum on a temporary loan basis. Second Motion Passed.

XVI. Good of the Order:

-National Encampment is in Springfield, Illinois August 11-14, 2016.

-2017 National Encampment held in Lansing, Michigan.

We have a new editor for SUVCW's National Journal, "The Banner". It now hopeful an issue published February 2016. That issue to be a combined Fall-Winter edition.

Brother Keith Harrison states he has been a SUVCW member for 35 years. Congratulations to Brother Harrison.

-“Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum”, Eaton Rapids, Michigan has the above new name.

-Brother Keith Harrison, states, “Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall, and Museum will be celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the G.A.R. April 9-10, 2016. Members of all

Allied Orders asked to bring items to exhibit. Additionally, a silent auction of items held on Saturday. Saturday evening highlighted with a 150th Anniversary cake.

-We do have an urgent need. The Museum furnace needs replaced as soon as we are able to raise enough funds. The projected, projected, cost is \$8000. We are asking everyone to consider helping in every way possible to assist in raising the funds to accomplish this.

-“2016 Sponsorships”, are available for the “Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum, Inc.”.

- Watch our web site for listings of future events.

-Volunteers, needed, to work days at the Museum when it is open. Additionally, volunteers needed for purposes of scanning repository records and typing. Please consider volunteering.

Door Prize: Camp # 17 collected \$24.00.

XVII. Closing Ritual: The Camp closed at 8:00 PM.

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