

Curtenius Guard Camp # 17

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

DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Camp # 17 Meeting Minutes for
November 27, 2018.

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

I. Opening Ritual:

Commander Mark Hoffman opened the,
November 27, 2018, Camp # 17
Meeting, at 7:04 PM.

II. Roll Call of Officers:

Officers Present: J. Armstrong, D.
Arnold, D. Bankhead, B. Benedict, D.
Grimes, K. Harrison, M. Hoffman, H.
Holcomb, T. Kolean, S. Martin, J. Pahl,
W. Peabody, and R. Shull.

Officers Excused; All officers were
present.

III. Roll of the Camp:

Roll of the Camp not called.

IV. Welcome to Guests:

No Guests.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made to approve the September
25, 2018 Meeting Minutes, as
transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

VI Treasurers Report:

Treasurer James B. Pahl gave the
Treasurers Report, dated September 25,
2018 to November 27, 2018. Motion
made to approve the report as written.
Second, Motion passed.

Brother Pahl submitted a Resolution. To
add new signatories to the Camp # 17
bank accounts at Independent Bank.
Brothers Roux, and Zank were the
second and third signatures on the
accounts. They are deceased. Motion
made to approve the resolution that adds

Steve Martin, and Keith Harrison, along
with Treasurer James B. Pahl, as
authorized signatory for account
transactions. Second. Motion passed.

VII. Concern for Brothers: Concerns
expressed, for the following, Camp # 17
Brothers. David Arnold indicates he is
much improved. Dave Bankhead had
gastric by pass surgery on October 9,
2018 and is doing well. Both were
present tonight. Continuing concerns
expressed for John Shumway. Dana
Traub is having health issues. Brother
Shull reports Dana Traub is doing better.

VIII. Reading of Applications from Candidates for membership:

No applications.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

No new candidates.

X. Initiation of new Brothers:

No one to initiate.

XI. Meeting Recess:

At 7:35 PM, Commander Hoffman
announced Camp # 17, to take a meeting
recess for social enjoyment, and
refreshments. A Camp # 17, thank you,
to Commander Hoffman for furnishing
the refreshments. The Brothers
appreciated them.

XII. Committee Reports:

Bylaws: No Report.

Memorials and Graves Registration:

-Brother Hoffman, reports, the Camp
will submit about 35 new names and
corrections at the December 10, 2018
Quarterly Graves Registration Officers
Meeting.

-Brother Hoffman hopes to have a report
for the next meeting on the last surviving
Civil War Veteran in each of the three
Counties Camp # 17 covers.

-Brother Pahl has been working on,
historically documenting, all Civil War
cannons and monuments in the Camp #
17 area. This, has been, an ongoing
project. He plans to continue it when the
weather is better.

G.A.R. Monuments: No report.

Eagle Scouts Certificates: No Report.

Military Affairs: No Report.

Membership: Brother Payne is working
on a prospective member.

Veterans Day: We participated in the
following three events:

- On November 11, 2018, the, "Mason
Veterans Day Parade". Following the
parade, Commander Hoffman invited
and served dinner to those who could
join him at his home.

-The Annual Veterans Day, "Massing of
the Colors", at the, "Michigan Historical
Center", 702 West Kalamazoo, Lansing,
Michigan. Brothers Keith Harrison, and
Ron Shull attended this event.

-The, "Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall
and Museum," was open to visitors.

Patriotic Instruction: No Report.

Program and Publicity:

Fifty-four, people attended the October
30, 2018 Civil War Seminar titled, "13th
Michigan Infantry". The speaker, Mike
Culp gave a great presentation that was,
enjoyed by all in attendance. The Civil
War Seminar, held at, "The United
Brethren Church", Sunfield, Michigan.
Brother Hoffman reports we are
pursuing several possible speakers for
2019 dates.

Hall Restoration:

-No Report.

Memorial Day:

-No Report.

Remembrance Day Activities:

-Remembrance Day, November 17,
2018. Several Brothers traveled to
Gettysburg to participate in
Remembrance Day activities there.
Some activities included placing flags on
graves and participating in the parade.
All indicate it was a great event.
However, the drive there was in a show
storm. Brother Pahl, driving a pickup
pulling a trailer that was, just barely
making it up a hill on U.S. 30, in
Pennsylvania. Finally, someone riding
with him indicated the need to put the
truck in four-wheel drive. He did, and
they made up the hill. An accident
happened right in front of them too.

Department of Michigan Commander
Payne, given a ribbon at Gettysburg to
bring back to Camp # 17. The ribbon
awarded in appreciation for 2018, Camp

17 participation at Gettysburg. He presented the ribbon to Camp # 17 at tonight's meeting. Some terror threats/concerns existed there. Police marched along with the parade. The parade, was shortened because of the concerns

Grinnell Award: No Report.

XIII. Orders and Communications:

SUVCW National, issued the following, General Orders:

-#5 -Reports the passing of Sister Barbara Mayberry. She was Past National President of the Auxiliary.

SUVCW Department of Michigan, issued the following, Department Orders:

-#11 -Announces the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day.

- Department of Michigan Encampment, scheduled for April 27, 2019. It to be held, at the Okemos Conference Center 2209 University Park Drive, Okemos, Michigan 48864.

-All National, and Department of Michigan Orders, are published on, the, "Department of Michigan", website.

XIV. Old Business:

Brother Pahl has selected, and ordered a new HP, Camp # 17 computer, from OfficeMax. This, new computer, will replace our obsolete, Secretary's computer. It has a 15.6-inch screen, Intel processor, 4 GB of memory, and 1 TB hard drive. Total cost including tax, \$370.99. He expects to have it ready, and bring it to the January 29, 2019 Camp # 17 meeting.

XV. New Business:

-Nomination and election of 2019 Camp # 17 Officers: Commander Hoffman called on Camp # 17 Chaplain David Grimes to present the, "Report of the Camp # 17 Nominating Committee, 2019 Officers". Chaplain Grimes read the 2019 slate of nominated Officers. Commander Hoffman asked if there are any other nominations for any of the Officers positions, read. There being none. Commander Hoffman then announced, there being no other

nominations for any of the Officer positions read, that candidate to remain unopposed. A motion made to elect all nominated Officers, as read from the slate of nominated Officers. Second. Motion passed.

Commander Hoffman asked Department of Michigan Commander Robert Payne to take the podium to install the newly elected Camp # 17 Officers. The Secretary asked to read the list of newly elected Officers. Department of Michigan Commander Payne then, called up each elected Officer to take the, oath of office.

-2019, Camp # 17 Officers, installed:

Steven Martin - Commander
Timothy Kolean - Senior Vice
Commander

Ronald Shull - Junior Vice Commander
Harold Holcomb - Secretary

James B. Pahl - Treasurer
Keith Harrison - Camp Council

Ron Shull - Camp Council
Wendel Peabody - Camp Council

Appointed positions:

Paul (Dave) Arnold - Patriotic Instructor
Jon Armstrong - Color Bearer

James B. Pahl - Counselor
Bruce Benedict - Guide

Wendel Peabody - Guard
David Grimes - Chaplain

Keith Harrison - Historian
Mark Hoffman - Graves Registration

Officer
James B. Pahl - Memorials Officer
Mark Hoffman - Program Director
Dave Bankhead - Eagle Scout Officer

Following the installation, Department of Michigan Commander Payne asked, newly elected, Camp # 17 Commander Martin to come forward to the podium to assume the Commander position. A big, Camp # 17 round of applause, given, for the newly elected, 2019 Camp # 17 Officers.

It moved, and seconded that Brother Rehkopf, and Brother Kolean be elected as delegates to the 2019 Department of Michigan Convention, with the rest of the members listed in alphabetical order as delegates until we have exhausted our allowed number. Then all other Brothers listed alphabetically, as alternates.

Motion passed. We have a number of Brothers with standing credentials as PCC, PDC, AND PD-n-C.

-Camp # 17 treasurer Jim Pahl is collecting 2019 Camp # 17 dues. The 2019 dues amount is \$41.00. Those who have not paid their 2019 dues, may send them to, James B. Pahl Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 Treasurer, 445 W. Maple, Mason, Michigan 48854-1519.

XVI. Good of the Order:

Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum:

-Brother Harrison reports, the, Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum showcased, November 20, 2018, "Michigan in the Mexican-American War of 1846-1848". The presenter was Colonel Paul H Sheidler. The event was well attended and enjoyed by all in attendance.

-Brother Pahl elected as a new Board Member.

-"Sponsorships", are available for the "Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum".

- Watch our web site for listings of future events.

- Volunteers, needed, to work days at the Museum when it is open. Please consider volunteering.

Websites:

-Have you logged onto, "Curtenius Guard Camp # 17", website lately? Many events are, planned. Go to the, "Michigan History Partners", to locate 2019 events.

Pass the Hat: We did not, "Pass the Hat".

XVII. Closing Ritual: Camp #17 Commander Martin closed the meeting at 8:40 PM.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Harold E. Holcomb
Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 Secretary
holcombhe@gmail.com