

Curtenius Guard Camp # 17

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DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Camp # 17 Meeting Minutes for July 30, 2019. Tonight's meeting held at the, "Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum", Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

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

I. Opening Ritual:

At 7:20 P.M. Camp # 17 Commander Steve Martin opened the July 30, 2019 Camp # 17 meeting. Brothers appointed to fill the vacancies of absent Officers by appointment, Pro-Temp.

II. Roll Call of Officers:

Officers Present: J. Armstrong, D. Arnold, B. Benedict, D. Grimes, K. Harrison, H. Holcomb, S. Martin, J. Pahl, W. and R. Shull.

Officers Excused: D. Bankhead, M. Hoffman, and T. Kolean.

III. Roll Call of the Camp:

Roll of the Camp not called.

IV. Welcome to Guests:

Graham Hughes-Appleman DePue, his parents and grandmother.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made to approve the May 30, 2019 Meeting Minutes as transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

VI. Treasurers Report:

Treasurer James B. Pahl gave the Treasurers Report dated, May 31. 2019 - July 30, 2019. Motion made to accept the Treasurers Report, as transmitted. Second. Motion passed.

VII. Concerns for Brothers:

Concerns, and thoughts and prayers expressed for the following Brothers: Department of Michigan Commander Robert Payne is suffering with kidney stones. He is scheduled for kidney stone surgery July 31, 2019. Mark Hoffman's, mother, Lavern Aves, and John Shumway. Former National Treasurer Dave McReynolds passed away. Camp # 17 extends thoughts and prayers to the entire McReynolds family. Benjamin Prichard Camp # 20, Brother John Keith's wife, Janice Keith passed away. Camp # 17 extends thoughts and prayers for the entire Keith family.

VIII. Reading of Applications from Candidates for Membership:

No applicants.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

No candidates to vote on.

X. Initiation of New Brothers:

Graham Hughes-Appleman Depue initiated into Camp # 17. Following initiation he was welcomed into Camp # 17 with a big round of applause.

XI. Meeting Recess:

Meeting recess taken at 7:45 P.M.

XII. Committee Reports:

By-Laws: No report.

Memorials and Graves

Registrations: Memorials Officer Mark Hoffman E-Mailed in this report: G.R.O. -The quarterly Department G.R.O. meeting in June was cancelled. Our Camp will submit a double packer at the September quarterly meeting. Contact Mark Hoffman if you want to help with researching possible Civil War Veterans buried in local cemeteries.

G.A.R. Monuments: Brother Pahl states: I have been very busy, soon as, I get time, I have to make contact with the Department Monuments Officer. I have finished with all the cannon, and will be working on the rest.

Eagle Scout Certificates: No report.

Military Affairs: No report.

Membership: No new applications received.

Veterans Day: No Report.

Patriotic Instructor: Brother Arnold presented this report: President James Monroe was the fifth President, and last Revolutionary War veteran to become President. He served under Washington and was severely wounded during the Revolutionary war. He was elected as President in 1817, receiving 68% of the vote. He is known for the, "Monroe Doctrine", and expanding the U.S. territory with the acquisition of, Florida, from Spain. . The, "Monroe Doctrine", states: "That the, Americas, should be free from future European colonization, and that any interference with any

independent countries in the Americas would be considered a hostile act against the United States.

Programs and Publicity: No report.

Hall Restoration: No report.

Memorial Day: No report.

Remembrance Day Activities: No report.

Grinnell Award: No report.

XIII. Orders and Communications:

SUVCW National Issued the following General Orders:

-# 10-National Treasurer, Brother David McReynolds, is ill. Assistant National Treasurer asked to assume the responsibility until the Council of Administration appoints a new National Treasurer.

-#11-The Council of Administration elected James B. Pahl, PC in C, as National Treasurer. Congratulations Brother Pahl.

-#12-National regulations updated with the phrase, "A Camp can carry no flag except those authorized by the C.R.&R. -#

13 -With sadness, this General Order reports the passing of previous National Treasurer David McReynolds.

SUVCW Department of Michigan issued the following Department Orders:

-#9 -Informs all that the, Department Chief of Staff, shall be the point of contact for the coordinating of the, Department Commanders, scheduling of events.

XIV. Old Business:

-Camp # 17 received a request from Kermit Douse, Nashville, Michigan for Camp # 17, presence, and participation at the, August 3, 2019, Nashville, Michigan, 150th Celebration. We, previously, agreed to participate in this event. Emory Paraday settled in Nashville, Michigan following the Civil War, and is buried there. He was with Luther Baker, and participated in the capture of John Wilkes Booth. Camp # 17, plans to provide a Color Guard, for the 11 A.M. dedication, Saturday, August 3, 2019. The event location is at the Michigan Historical Marker for Emory Paraday, and the Mile Stone Marker. It will be one Ceremony. The Parade is at 12 P.M. We will consider joining in the parade if enough of us remain available to participate? Some have to leave to attend an event in Allegan.

XV. New Business:

-The hope is, the September meeting is abbreviated, and after the meeting we hold a Civil War trivia contest. Brother Harrison seems to wish to defend his previous title.

-The plans for our annual September, 2019 dinner to be at the, Welch Museum, in Sunfield, are confirmed. They are looking forward to having us and are planning what I am sure will be a wonderful dinner. A minimum, per person, donation of \$10.00 is expected to cover the dinner cost. We are asked to provide a head count about September 1, 2019.

The current wreath we use for Ceremonial Services has detracted. Motion made to authorize up to

\$200.00 for a new, Ceremonial Wreath, and storage container. Second. Motion passed.

Brother Bruce Butteries has requested an, "Honorable Discharge". This requested for personal reasons. The discharge was granted. The "Honorable Discharge", paperwork, prepared, signed, and is ready to be mailed.

XVI. Good of the Order:

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

- Brother Keith Harrison provides a list of happenings at the, "Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum":
- July 16, 2019. 7 P.M. we showcased, "The Eleventh Corps at Chancellorsville". The speaker was, Dr. James Paula. The seminar was very informative, well attended and enjoyed by all attending.
-August 4, 2019, 9 A.M. we will have a ,G.A.R. Park, Island clean up.
-August 13, 2019, 10 A.M. is Civil War Discovery Camp.
-September 8, 2019, the Old Car Festival, Greenfield Village.
-September 14-15, 2019, Eaton Rapids Urban Air, (Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum open 10 A.M. - 5 P.M. both days).
-Sunday, September 22nd, (3 PM) Program: "The Last Veterans of the Blue and Grey", (Speaker: Larry Hathcock).
-Tuesday, November 19th, (7 PM) , Program: "Warriors in Mr. Lincoln's Army -Stories of Native Americans who fought in the Civil War", (Speaker: Quita Shier).
-July 4, 2019, Eaton Rapids, 4th of July Parade. The entire parade route was lined with people two to three, plus rows deep. This has become a very

popular Michigan event. The “Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum”, was open all day and many toured it. Renactors were holding events on the Island.

- The Museum has men’s, G.A.R., ties available for sale for, \$20.00.

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

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

-Watch our website for listings of all future events.

-August 8-10, 2019 is the National Encampment. It held in, Cleveland, Ohio.

-2020 Department of Michigan Encampment is June, 6. 2020. The Daughters will join us.

-We need to let the, Department of Michigan, know when we plan to hold initiation of 2020 Officers.

Motion that Camp # 17 donate \$100.00 to the, “Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum” .

Second. Motion passed.

Motion we send \$50.00 to the, American Cancer Society in the name of National Treasurer Dave McReynolds. Second. Motion passed.

Websites:

-Have you logged on to, “Curtenius Guard Camp # 17”, website lately?

Pass the Hat: Collected \$100.00.

XVII. Closing Ritual:

Camp # 17 Commander Steve Martin closed the meeting at 8:40 P.M.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Harold Holcomb

Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 Secretary