

Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Curtenius Guard Camp # 17

<http://suvcw.org/mi/017/017homehtm>

Camp # 17 Meeting Minutes, May 30, 2022. This meeting is being held at the, Michigan G.A.R. Hall Memorial Hall and Museum, Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

I. Opening Ritual:

At 1:30 P.M. Camp # 17 Commander Robert Payne opened the May 30, 2022, Camp # 17 meeting. Brothers were appointed to fill the vacancies of absent Officers by appointment, pro-temp.

II. Roll Call of Officers:

Officers Present: M. Cox, D. Grimes, H. Holcomb, J. Pahl R. Payne, R. Russell, and R. Shull.

Officers Excused: D. Bankhead, B. Benedict, M. Hoffman, S. Martin, and T. Kolean.

III. Roll Call of the Camp:

Roll of the Camp not called.

IV. Guests:

Guests present today include: Vince Vyvyan, Jennifer Vyvyan, Dennis Lawrence and Kidra Lloyd.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Commander Payne asked the Camp # 17 Brothers if they have any objections, or questions about the March 29, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion by Brother D. Grimes to

accept the meeting minutes as presented. A Second provided by Brother R. Russell. There being no objections Commander R. Payne called for a vote. Motion passed.

VI. Treasurers Report:

Treasurer James B. Pahl, gave the Treasurers Report. The Report dated, March 29, 2022 - May 30, 2022. Commander Payne asked if there are any objections, or questions about the treasurers reports. There being none, a motion was made by R. Shull to accept the treasurer's report as read. Second. Motion passed. Commander Payne announced the Treasurers Report, is now approved as transmitted.

VII. Concerns for Brothers:

Concerns, thoughts, and prayers were expressed for the following Brothers: Concerns expressed for Brother Bankhead, Brother Arnold, Brother M. Hoffman, and K. Harrison. Possible concerns discussed for Brothers B. Benedict, and W. Peabody.

VIII. Reading of Applications from Candidates, for Membership:

No new applications.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

No applicants.

X. Initiation of New Brothers:

No new members present to initiate.

XI. Meeting Recess:

We did not take a meeting recess.

XII. Committee Reports:

By-Laws: No Report.

Memorials and Graves Registrations:

Brother Mark Hoffman E-Mailed the following Graves Registration Report: Our next quarterly Department of Graves Registration Officer meeting is June 11, and I will be submitting about 44 new/corrections.

G.A.R. Monuments: No report.

Eagle Scout Certificates: No Report.

Military Affairs: No Report.

Membership: No Report.

Veterans Day:
No Report.

Patriotic Instructor: No Report.

Programs and Publicity: No Report.

Hall Restoration: No Report.

Memorial Day:

-Camp # 17 Memorial weekend, events we participated in include:
-May 28, 2022, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Mt. Hope Cemetery, Soldiers and Sailors Plot Memorial Day Service.
-Little Arlington Cemetery event followed immediately after the Mt. Hope event.
-May 29, 2022, Sunday, 3:00 PM Daughters service at the United Brethren Church, Sunfield, Michigan.
-May 30, 2022, Monday 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, The Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum, in Eaton Rapids, Michigan was open.
-Camp # 17 Brothers participated in the Eaton Rapids Parade at 11:00 AM, and immediately following on, G.A.R. Island, we held a Memorial Ceremony.
-All then proceeded back to the, Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum, for a surprise party for

Brother Keith Harrison. The, surprise party, held to, Honor, and celebrate, Brother K. Harrison's, dedication, and commitment to the success of the, Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum.

The May 30, 2022, Camp # 17 meeting followed at 1:30 P.M.

Remembrance Day Activities: No report.

Grinnell Award: No Report.

XIII. Orders and Communications: SUVCW National Issued the following General Orders:

-#9 -The Commander-in-Chief, appointed a representative for the Department of Nebraska Annual Encampment.

-#10-Alan Russ appointed, Acting National Secretary.

-#11-General Order announces the Suspension of Eric Richhart of Department of Colorado/Wyoming.

-#13-Announces the passing of past Commander-in-Chief Andre M. Johnson. He was, C-in-C, in 1998-1999.

Special Orders:

-#2-Special Message announces a contract for an executive assistant that pays \$12,000 per annum.

SUVCW Department of Michigan issued the following Department Orders:

-#16 -Reinstates, Wa-Bu-No, Camp # 250.

-#17-Changes the Department Headquarters to the, Double Tree, by Hilton, for the, Department of Michigan Encampment.

-#1-Lists the 2022-2023, term of Office/Staff and Committee Appointments.

XIV. Old Business:

A discussion took place about delivery problems and in particular an authorized delivery location for the delivery of the Post for the Historical sign located at the old Sunfield, G.A.R. Hall. Hopefully it gets resolved and they agree to deliver it to Brother Dickinson's home?

-A discussion to determine a time to have a service to dedicate and place a SUVCW Grave Marker on Brother Traub's grave. It determined we do this the night of the July 26, 2022, Sunfield meeting, at 6:30 P.M, and at the grave site.

Motion to by Brother Holcomb to accept the ad produced by Commander Payne to place in the National Encampment booklet. Second to the motion provided from Brother Cox. *Motion passed.*

XV. New Business:

-Congratulations to Brothers from Michigan elected/appointed as Department of Michigan Officers for 2022-2023. Included in those are the following Brothers from Camp # 17: R. Payne, J. Pahl, S. Martin, R. Shull, and K. Harrison.

XVI. Good of the Order:

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

Programs and Special Events include:

-Saturday, April 2, 2022, (10 AM - 5 PM), for the, Grand Army of the Republic 156th Anniversary, two floors of G.A.R. artifacts and memorabilia and other special G.A.R. exhibits were on Display.

-Tuesday May 17th, (7 PM), Seminar: Lincoln's Winning Smile,

(Speaker Cameron Brown), was enjoyed by all in attendance.

- Monday, May 30, 2020 (10 AM - 5 PM), Museum was open for, Memorial, Day. The Eaton Rapids, Annual Memorial Day Parade was at, 11 A.M., followed by a special service on the Island. All returned to the Museum for a surprise event honoring Brother K. Harrison.

- All scheduled activities are depending on the virus situation at the time.

-“Annual Sponsorships”, from \$25 to \$200 are available to help support the, “Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum. Please consider becoming an, Annual Sponsor.

-Volunteers are needed to work the first two Wednesdays of each month. Please consider volunteering.

-Watch our website, (<https://garmuseum.com>), for listings of future events.

-The 2022 National Encampment is in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The date is August 11-14, 2022. The location is the, Double Tree, by Hilton, 4747 28th St. SE. Grand Rapids MI 49512. A free shuttle service to and from Gerald R. Ford Airport is available. The 2022, National Encampment, ribbon is available for purchase on the, website.

-Brother J. Pahl informs us that tours are setup to the Meyer-May House, Greenwood Cemetery, and Meijer Gardens.

-Registration forms for the, National Encampment, are listed on the Department and National websites.

-On April 16, 2022, several from Camp # 17 attended the Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois.

-Commander Payne performed a traditional, Memorial Day Service, just before the close of the meeting.

Websites:

“Curtenius Guard Camp # 17”,
Department of Michigan

Pass the Hat: We did not pass the, hat.

XVII. Closing Ritual:

Camp # 17 Commander Robert Payne closed the meeting at 2:00 P.M.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Harold Holcomb
Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 Secretary