

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

Camp # 17 Meeting Minutes for, November 29, 2022. This meeting is being held at the, G.A.R. Hall, Sunfield, Michigan.

I. Opening Ritual:

At 7:40 P.M. Camp # 17 Commander Robert Payne opened the November 29, 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, S. Martin, J. Pahl, R. Payne, and R. Russell.

Officers Excused: B, Benedict, K. Harrison, M. Hoffman, and R. Shull.

III. Roll Call of the Camp:

Roll of the Camp not called.

IV. Guests:

No guests present today.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Commander Payne asked the Camp # 17 Brothers if they have any objections, or questions about the September 27, 2022 meeting minutes. There were no objections. Motion made to accept the meeting minutes as presented. Second. Motion passed.

VI. Treasurers Report:

Camp # 17 Treasurer James B. Pahl provided the Camp # 17 financial

report dated September 27, 2022 to November 28, 2022. He then explained the report in detail. Treasurer J. Pahl noted we paid for the, Historical Sign, posts and the caps for them. The bill of laden did not show any post caps delivered. Treasurer Pahl has notified the supplier of this. We ordered caps and are owed a refund or new caps. Brother Peabody 2022 dues have been paid. He is reinstated. A motion made to accept the Treasurers report as presented. Second. Motion passed.

VII. Concerns for Brothers:

Concerns, thoughts, and prayers were expressed for the following Brothers: Brother M. Hoffman informs us he is retiring the end of December 2022. He further states he hopes to join us in some of the meetings next year. Continued concerns for Brother K. Harrison. R. Hamilton writes that he is recovering from cataract surgery, and that his wife is declining considerably. She is under Hospice care. They are living in, Caraveth Village, Middleville. Brother R. Shull is recovering from COVID, and a car deer accident. Brother W. Peabody is reported doing better. Possible concerns discussed for Brother B. Benedict. Brother J. Shumway quit breathing and was transported to the hospital. He is back out of the hospital. B. Shumway reports he is doing better. 25 year member James A. Pahl got married.

VIII. Reading of Applications from Candidates, for Membership:

No new applications.

IX. Balloting for Candidates for Membership:

No candidates.

X. Initiation of New Brothers:

No new Brothers to initiate.

XI. Meeting Recess:

No meeting recess taken.

XII. Committee Reports:

By-Laws: No Report.

Memorials and Graves Registrations:

Brother M. Hoffman E-Mailed this G.R.O. Report. GRO Report for Nov. 29: I will be attending the Sat. Dec. 10 Department GRO meeting and submitting another batch of new/updated records for Camp # 17.

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:

No Report.

Remembrance Day Activities:

No report.

Grinnell Award: No Report.

XIII. Orders and Communications: SUVCW National Issued the following

General Orders:

-#6- This Order appoints a National Committee on Public Information.

-#7-The Order announces the

withdrawal of General Order #5 and clarification of the term, Supporting Documents.

-#8-Awards the Elmer (Bud) Atkinson Lifetime Achievement Award to Past C-in-C, Keith Harrison.

-#9- Announces the passing of Brigadier General Henry E. Shaw Jr.

-#10- Announces the passing of Past C-in-C David V. Medert.

-#11-This General Order revokes General Order # 7.

-#12 -Lists, Several new and Revised Forms.

Special Orders:

-#1- This Order creates a, Special Committee on Fund Raising.

Special Message:

-#1- This message lists the responsibilities of the, SUVCW Promotions and Marketing Committee.

-#2- This General Order is a message for all SUVCW Brothers. The message is a, Call to Arms at Gettysburg.

SUVCW Department of Michigan issued the following Department Orders:

-#3- RE: The 139th Annual Michigan Department Encampment and Discharge of the Site Selection Committee.

Camp # 17 Orders: No Orders.

XIV. Old Business:

-No old business.

XV. New Business:

-Treasurer J. Pahl is collecting Camp # 17, 2023 Annual Dues. The dues amount is \$51.00.

The 2023 Department of Michigan Encampment is in Midland. The date is Saturday, April 1, 2023. Registration

begins at 8 AM. Hotel reservations are at the Holiday Inn, (See the Department of Michigan website for all information).

-Austin Blair Camp # 7 has invited Camp # 17 Brothers to join them at their Christmas Party. The location is the, Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum. The date is December 10, 2022. Dinner time is 12:30. You are expected to bring a dish to pass. Chicken dinner meals are \$10.00. If attending contact Connie Horning. She needs to be notified to be sure you have a meal.

-Installation of 2023 Camp # 17 Officers - Commander R. Payne called forward Brother James B. Pahl to install our 2023 Officers. Secretary H. Holcomb was asked to read off each Officer position and the person to fill that Officer position. All Officers were then asked to place themselves in front of the Camp # 17 alter for installation.

The Officers installed are:

-David Grimes - Commander

-Steve Martin - Sr. Vice Commander

-Aaron Dickinson - Jr. Vice Commander

-Jim Pahl - Treasurer

-Harold Holcomb - Secretary

-Ron Shull, Rob, Payne and Dave Bankhead -Camp Council

-Dave Bankhead - Patriotic Instructor and Eagle Scout

-Rodney Russell - Chaplain

-Mark Hoffman-Graves Registration

-Michael Cox - Guide

-Bruce Benedict – Guard

-Marvin Hanes - Color Bearer

-Open - Civil War Memorials

-Open - Historian

A round of applause took place to congratulate, and welcome in the 2023 Camp # 17 Officers.

A Motion by Brother J. Pahl to elect Brother Dickinson and Brother Cox as delegates to the 139th, 2023 Department of Michigan Encampment. The remainder of the delegation is to be taken from the Roster of the Camp from the top, alphabetically, from those who do not have standing credentials. The remainder of the Camp Membership to be elected as alternates. Second. Motion passed.

Following the installation ceremony, Commander D. Grimes came forward and took Command.

XVI. Good of the Order:

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

Programs and Special Events include:

-“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.

-Brother B. Shumway spoke, as a thank you to Commander R. Payne along with several Brothers who took part in the funeral services for Brother Mike Shumway, on November 5, 2022. The service was

held at the American Legion Hall in Hastings, Michigan.

Brother D. Park announced the, Parks Society, plans to present a, Life Time Achievement Award, to Brother Keith Harrison for his long dedicated service. This to, take place at the, Michigan G.A.R. Memorial Hall and Museum, on December 8, 2022.

- Brother R. Payne explains the origin of the holiday, Thanksgiving. The holiday is celebrated on the third Thursday because of a proclamation given by Abraham Lincoln.

Websites:

“Curtenius Guard Camp # 17”,
Department of Michigan

Pass the Hat:

-Pass the Hat collected \$.103.00

XVII. Closing Ritual:

Camp # 17 Commander David Grimes closed the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

Harold Holcomb

Curtenius Guard Camp # 17 Secretary