

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- 1. Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
2. Do not guess at the information. An answer of, "Unknown," is more helpful. Include a photograph of each viewable side and label it with name & direction of view.

- Thank You.

Type of Memorial

Monument with Sculpture x Monument with Cannon
Monument without Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque
Other ( flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

Affiliation

G.A.R. (Post Name & No. W.L. Downs Post No. 68) M.O.L.L.U.S
SUVCW (Camp Name & No.) (Please describe below)
WRC (Corps Name & No.)
ASUVCW (Aux Name & No.)
DUVCW (Tent Name & No.)
LGAR (Circle Name & No.)
Other

Original Dedication Date Memorial Day 1897 Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the first dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication. Thank you.

Location

The Memorial is currently located at:
Street/Road address or site location 2610 19th Ave. NE
City/Village Minneapolis Township County Hennepin
State Minnesota

The front of the Memorial faces: North x South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner (of private cemetery that Memorial is located in)

Name Washburn-McReavy Hillside Cemetery
Dept./Div.
Street Address 2610 19th Avenue NE City
Minneapolis State MN Zip Code 55418 Contact Person
Telephone ( ) 612-781-3391

If the Memorial has been moved, please list former location(s).

Blank lines for listing former location(s) of the memorial.

### Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = \_\_\_ Stone \_\_\_ Concrete  Metal \_\_\_ Undetermined If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

#### SUVCW -- CIVIL WAR

Material of the Sculpture = \_\_\_ Stone \_\_\_ Concrete  Metal \_\_\_ Undetermined  
If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
If the Sculpture is of metal, is it solid cast or "hollow?" \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Granite ? \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_ Bronze  Iron - Consult known Ordnance Listing to confirm  
Markings on muzzle = \_\_\_\_\_

Markings on Left Trunion \_\_\_\_\_ Right Trunion \_\_\_\_\_  
Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? \_\_\_ If so, describe \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Approximate Dimensions (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

Monument or Base: Height \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_  
Sculpture: Height \_\_\_\_\_ Width \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ or Diameter \_\_\_\_\_

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue and attach to this form. Please describe the "pose" of each statue and any weapons/implements involved (in case your photos become separated from this form). Thank you!

#### Markings/Inscriptions (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found \_\_\_\_\_  
Plaque on front of base \_\_\_\_\_

The "Dedication Text" is formed:  cut into material \_\_\_ raised up from material face

Record the text (indicate any separation if on different sides) Please use additional sheet if necessary.

DEDICATED MEMORIAL DAY 1897  
BY W.L. DOWNS POST NO.68 DEPT. OF  
MINN G.A.R. AS A SACRED BURIAL PLACE  
FOR OUR DECEASED COMRADES  
OF THE WAR 1861-1865  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Environmental Setting

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

#### Type of Location

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cemetery | <input type="checkbox"/> Park           | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza/Courtyard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> "Town Square"       | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office    | <input type="checkbox"/> School          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Building  | <input type="checkbox"/> State Capitol  | Other: _____                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Courthouse          | <input type="checkbox"/> College Campus | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Circle      | <input type="checkbox"/> Library        | _____                                    |

**General Vicinity**

Rural (low population, open land)  
 Town

Suburban (residential, near city)  
 Urban / Metropolitan

**Immediate Locale** (check as many as may apply)

Industrial  Commercial  
 Street/Roadside within 20 feet  Tree Covered (overhanging branches)  
 Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors)  
 Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)  
Any other significant environmental factor \_\_\_\_\_

**Condition Information**

**Structural Condition** (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments *with* Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture - including the base for Monuments with *Cannon*. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (Look for signs of exterior rust)	_____	_____
Any evidence of structural instability? (Look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	_____	_____
Any broken or missing parts? (Look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	_____	_____
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (Also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	_____	_____

**Surface Appearance** (check as many as may apply)

	<b>Sculpture</b>	<b>Base</b>
Black crusting	_____	_____
White crusting	_____	_____
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	_____	_____
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	_____	_____
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	_____	_____
Chalky or powdery stone	_____	_____
Granular eroding of stone	_____	_____
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	_____	_____
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	_____	_____
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	_____	_____

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial?  Yes  No  Unable to tell

**Surface Coating**

Does there appear to be a coating? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Unable to determine

If known, identify type of coating.

\_\_\_ Gilded \_\_\_ Painted \_\_\_ Varnished \_\_\_ Waxed \_\_\_ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Unable to determine

**Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)**

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?  Well maintained \_\_\_

Would benefit from treatment \_\_\_ In urgent need of treatment \_\_\_ Unable to determine

**Overall Description**

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on) .

I visited Hillside Cemetery on July 16, 2010 and took several pictures. There are 23 Civil War veteran graves behind the Cannon.

The Cemetery office gave me information on the cannon which indicates it is a 32 pounder Navy Bureau of Ordnance Guns of 4500

pounds made by Seyfert, McManus and Company. The Cannon is No. 7 and was accepted by the Navy Ordnance Inspector

on January 21, 1865. It has an unknown service history.

It is located north of the Administrative Offices.

**Supplemental Background Information**

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment. Thank you.

**Inspector Identification**

Date of On-site Survey July 16 2020

Your Name Sonja Pederson, President, Mary E. Starkweather Tent 1, DUVCW, Minneapolis, MN

Address 12948 Portland Avenue South

City Burnsville

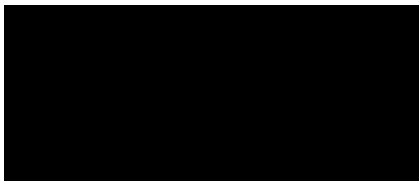
State MN Zip Code 55337

Telephone ( [REDACTED] )

What Order or Organization is submitter a member of? DUVCW

Please send this completed form to

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail. SONS OF UNION V

CIVIL WAR VETERANS OF THE National Civil War Memorials Committee

Subj: Re: 32 pdr. Dalgren?  
Date: 5/21/2013 7:24:43 P.M. Central Daylight Time  
From: [REDACTED]  
To: [REDACTED]  
Hello Kent,

Thanks for the email.

This particular cannon has been in the Registry since at least 1993, long before I took over as keeper.

The cannon is a **32-pounder NAVY BUREAU OF ORDNANCE GUNS of 4,500 POUNDS** made by SEYFERT, McMANUS AND COMPANY OF READING, PA. This cannon is No. 7 and was accepted by the Navy Ordnance Inspector on January 21, 1865.

The 371 that you mentioned is actually what is referred to as the preponderance, or the amount of weight, in pounds, that the cannon is breech heavy.

I am not aware of what ship this cannon may have served on or any of its service history.

The year and GAR post it was donated to matches what I have in my notes.

I am anticipating being in Minneapolis this summer on business and hoping to get around to all the cannons in the area.

Respectfully,

Jim Bender

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From: "Kentruetski@aol.com" <[REDACTED]>  
To: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 2:13 PM  
Subject: 32 pdr. Dalgren?

Jim Bender

My grandfather worked as a grounds keeper at Hillside Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota, about 1900. When my grandparents were first married my grandmother would bring grandpa lunch and they would meet at the Civil War cannon at Cemetery, to eat together. Today, they are still at the cemetery buried side by side. My family has a lot of descendents there, so we go there often.

This cannon was dedicated Memorial Day 1897 to the memory of Civil War veterans. Members of Wm. Downs post No. 68, g.a.r. were present. The cemetery was 7 years old at this time.

I believe this cannon is a 32 pdr. Dalgren. As I measured the bore at 6- 7/16 inches. # on top of the breech is 371.

Has this cannon been registered? If so, what fort or placement was it originally used at, and was it used for the Civil War ?

Sincerely , Kent S. Rue

Attached is a photo taken about 5 years ago of my two grandsons and myself.



*Hillside*







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BY WM. DOWNS POST NO 68 DEPT OF

MINN GAR AS A SACRED BURIAL PLACE

FOR OUR DECEASED COMRADES

OF THE WAR 1861 - 1865

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MINN CAR AS A SACRED BURIAL PLACE

FOR OUR DECEASED COMRADES

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ANTON B. HINTENSTEN  
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