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WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT S.U.V.C.W. "OLD ABE" CAMP #8 MAY 28, 2005 LINWOOD CEMETERY STEVENS POINT, WISCONSIN

Honoring the Civil War Veteran

By Kim J. Heltemes
Memorials Officer, Old Abe Camp #8

Old Abe Camp #8 received several requests from neighboring communities to have one of their soldier's headstones dedicated in conjunction with their anniversary events. The Fremont Historical Society held their 140th anniversary celebration on May 28, 2005 at the Pioneer Cemetery in Fremont, Wisconsin. Old Abe, Camp #8 dedicated the new marker for Hugh Finley, Company B, of the 37th Wisconsin Infantry. The service was held with members of the Girl Scouts bringing up the colors and area people making up the crowd. Afterwards several of the Camp members enjoyed buffalo burgers and a few words with the crowd.

Then it was a drive to the Linwood Cemetery which is located about 5 miles out of Stevens Point. Camp #8 members had decided to do two dedications that day to catch up on the backlog of requested dedications. As the Camp Guard showed up, so did the family members for Sgt. Royal S. Durfee, Company E, 147th Illinois Infantry. Family members participated in the ceremony. Afterwards, we had posed for a photograph with the new marker that was part of Camp #8's Don Strube's never ending grave registering work. Don has done most if not all of the grave registering in the Stevens Point area.

On Memorial Day, Camp #8, along with the 2nd Wisconsin, Company E, marched in the Oshkosh Memorial Day parade that took the unit down a 3 1/2 mile route to the Riverside Cemetery. After Logan's orders were read by Camp Commander Alan Petit and other speeches by area delegates, the Camp did a service dedication for all servicemen and women. Usually the Camp does a grave service in the G.A.R. section of the cemetery. Deciding it might make more of an impression on the public to hold the service where the public gathered, the Camp included area servicemen in the service. After the memorial service, there was a picnic in the G.A.R. section – a tradition we are trying to uphold. The day was enjoyed by all.

For sometime, the Town of Wolf River has been in contact with Camp members Brian Peters and Kim Heltemes to have a dedication done with their 150th celebration. A soldier from the Wolf River Cemetery was picked to have a new marker. Friedrich Bohren, Company B, 37th Wisconsin Infantry was chosen for the new marker. Kim Heltemes ordered the new marker from the Veterans Administration, getting it in time for



Friedrich Bohren dedication - Marine Timothy Edwards spreads flag ashes on the grave of his great, great grandfather as Kim Heltemes assists Edwards. Don Strube guards the grave while Camp Commander Alan Petit looks on from the right. A few camp members are shown in the shade in the background.

the celebration. Committee men from the Town of Wolf River installed the marker. On June 12, a very nice crowd gathered in the 93 degree heat and an area band set up in the background. The dedication was made even more special with 2 of Bohren's great, great, grandsons attending the dedication. One of them was Timothy Edwards, a 2 tour Marine of the Iraq war. Tim had just returned home when he was asked to take part of the ceremony. He buried a few grommets and spread the ashes of a U.S. flag over the grave during the service. The flag had its own ceremony held as part of the burning ritual beforehand. Tim, with 2 tours under his belt, still quivered as he buried the flag's ashes. It meant that much to him. The large audience was quite impressed that the Camp cared enough to preserve the soldier's memory in this manner. It later got back to us that as many as 10 grown men were crying as the Honor Guard, under the command of Dave Dresang, shot a 3 shot volley and Taps were sounded. The Taps were sounded as a 2 part bugle call where the first bugle is answered by a second bugle. It was heartbreaking for many.

Camp #8 has many more dedications lined up with another taking place July 23rd at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Auroraville, Wisconsin. The camp has been very active in upgrading the graves of the Civil War soldier. The cemetery work of Vince Barker, Jim Waid, Kim Heltemes, and Don Strube have been keeping the camp busy.

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ON THE COVER - This stained glass window is located at the Soldier's Home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Four such windows were commissioned by the GAR, two depicting Grant and two depicting Abraham Lincoln. One of the Lincoln windows was donated to a soldier's home in Kansas, however, due to the deteriorating condition of the building it was in, it has been dismantled and is in storage. Another Grant window and a Lincoln window were donated to soldier's homes in Maine and Ohio - current status (if they still exist) are unknown.

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General Order 010 2005-2006

Brothers, once again it is my sorrowful duty to report the lost of yet another Past Department Commander. While attending the Department of Maryland Encampment this weekend it was reported the PDC Robert J. Eck had passed away and was buried on 22 April 2006.

PDC Eck was the Maryland Department Commander for the term 1999-2000. He was the founder of the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Camp in Roanoke, Va.

Brother Eck was involved in the Oliver Tilden Camp, New York City early in his SUVCW career. He was a hard working and inspirational leader who forged a useful relationship with the Sons of Confederate Veterans while recruiting loyal Sons deep in the valley of Virginia.

Brother Bob and his family were welcome everywhere as charming hard working Americans. Bob was also in great demand wherever a bagpiper was

needed.

He marched in thousands of parades, played a thousand marches on his pipes and is remembered wherever the pipes sound and the Boys in Blue are remembered.

All Charters and the National Website will be draped in black for a period of 30 days as the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War mourn the passing of Past Department Commander Robert J. Eck.

Sworn this 23 rd day of April 2006

Donald E. Darby
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:
Michael Bennett
Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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Civil War Monument in Buck Eye State Remembered

By Randy McNutt

The 100th anniversary of the Butler County Soldiers, Sailors and Pioneers Monument, a Buckeye State Civil War memorial and museum, will be celebrated July 4 in Hamilton, Ohio.

The neoclassical style monument was planned and promoted by Civil War veterans and financed by a levy approved by Butler County voters in 1899. One hundred feet high and forty feet square, the building occupies the original site of Fort Hamilton, built in 1791 and named in honor of Alexander Hamilton, secretary of the treasury under President George Washington.

Work started on the monument's limestone shell in 1902 and was completed in 1904, when it was also called the Memorial Building. The community refurbished and rededicated the building on July 4, 1988, and today the monument remains open to the public on a regular basis and operated by the county.

Two GAR cannons and a massive Union soldier guard the building, which was built mostly by Hamilton workers and artisans. County GAR

members were instrumental in planning the project, which cost about \$72,000.

The monument features two large, colorful stained glass windows that recognize the contributions of women during the war. One window, almost two stories high, depicts the mothers, wives and sisters of Civil War soldiers making bandages for the wounded. Other stained glass windows celebrate the state and the GAR.

The museum also features research materials, medals, posters, period newspapers, uniforms, weapons, and other military memorabilia.

This year's ceremony will be held a century after Governor Andrew L. Harris, a Civil War veteran and Butler County native, dedicated the monument on July 4, 1906. His name is one of more than 4,300 carved into the interior marble walls. The building was originally dedicated on Independence Day with "the hope and with the prayer that the eyes and hearts of future generations may be as loyal to the flag of our free government as the persons whose names are enrolled on its sacred walls."

On top of the building's temple dome stands a 17-foot, 3,500-pound bronze statue officially named "Victory, the Jewel of the Soul," but commonly known as "Billy Yank." His right hand holds a musket. His foot stands on an unexploded shell. He lifts in cap in his left hand and shouts "Hurrah" at the realization that the war has ended. The statue, created by German immigrant Rudolph Thiem of Hamilton, was placed on the monument in December 1904.

"At the ceremony, we will show the magnitude of the building," said Bill Craig, assistant curator and a World War II veteran. "We want to remind people of the sacrifices and service of our ancestors. The monument is the most outstanding building on the Hamilton skyline. Inside we maintain displays and artifacts from all wars.

"The interior walls are engraved with the names of men from Butler County who served in the War of the Rebellion; they are listed by regiment and company. Also inscribed are the names of pioneers who settled Hamilton and fought in other wars through the Spanish-American."

Curator and veteran Don Shollenbarger keeps more recent veterans' names on computer.

For more information on the July 4 celebration, contact the Butler County Soldiers, Sailors and Pioneers Monument at 513-867-5823. Or view its Web page at www.butlercountyohio.org/monument.

National counselor reports on honorary membership revocation

Chapter III, Article V, Section 1 of the Regulations grants the Commander-in-Chief the authority to "decide all questions of law and order subject to an appeal to the National Encampment".

Article VII, Section 1, (c) of the Constitution authorizes Honorary Membership in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. This provision of the Constitution authorizes only the Commander-in-Chief the power to grant an Honorary Membership. However, this power is highly restricted. The Commander-in-Chief may grant an Honorary Membership only "upon recommendation from a Camp, Department, or the National Council of Administration and with the approval of the National Council of Administration."

Honorary Membership may be granted "to persons of acknowledged eminence who are especially distinguished for conspicuous and consistent loyalty to the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and who have been active and eminent in maintaining the supremacy of the same and are known not to be eligible for membership in our Order."

The Constitution and the Regulations are silent on the question of whether an Honorary Membership can be revoked.

However, Article VII Section I of the Constitution establishes three classes of Membership. Section 1(a) establishes "Members" and Section 1(b) establishes "Life Members" and Section 1(c) establishes "Honorary Members".

The two paragraphs establishing "Members" and "Life Members" both contain the following wording: "enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership". Such wording is conspicuously missing from the paragraph authorizing Honorary Membership, but that paragraph does state, "The National

Organization, Departments, and Camps shall not impose the per capita tax fees, dues, or any other monetary assessment on Honorary Members. Honorary Members are entitled to a free subscription to the Banner."

It appears the purpose of our Honorary Membership is to recognize an outstanding individual who is not eligible for membership in our Order. Even though we admire this individual his membership is basically in name only. He is not held accountable for per capita tax, fees or dues and there is no mention of his right to "enjoy all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership."

The selection process for an Honorary Members suggest that only an individual of impeccable character and distinguished service will receive such membership. Therefore, it is understandable that no process for revoking an Honorary Membership was included in the Constitution.

It is my opinion that Regulations Chapter V, Article VI regarding discipline of a member does not apply to an Honorary Member since our Constitution does not grant him "all the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership." It is my further opinion that once an Honorary Membership is granted it cannot be revoked. An Amendment to our Constitution in accordance with Article IX could provide for the revocation of an Honorary Membership.

Robert E. Grim, National Counselor

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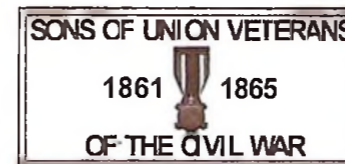


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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Council of Administration Meeting March 11, 2006 Milwaukee, WI

Editor's note: These are the minutes of the Council of Administration Meeting, conducted 11 March, 2006 in Milwaukee, WI. The minutes have yet to be approved by the Council of Administration.

The Council of Administration meeting was opened by Commander-in-Chief Donald Darby at approximately 8:30 AM with an opening prayer by National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, and the Pledge of Allegiance led by National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit. After the roll call of officers, the following were recorded present:

Commander-in-Chief Donald E. Darby
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief James B. Pahl
Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief Charles Kuhn
National Secretary Michael S. Bennett
National Treasurer Max L. Newman
National Quartermaster Danny L. Wheeler
Council Members, David Stephen, Leo Kennedy, and Daniel Murray
Immediate Past Commander-in-Chief Stephen Michaels.

Additional Past Commanders-in-Chief present included Alan R. Loomis.

Guests of the Council of Administration were: National Chaplain Jerome Kowalski, Executive Director Lee F. Walters, National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit, and SUVCW Charitable Foundation Board Member Robert Petrovic.

Council Member D. Brad Schall, Council Member James Hanby and National Counselor Robert E. Grim were excused.

To begin the meeting, Commander-in-Chief Darby noted that National Chief of Staff Shaw had assembled all of the National Officer and Committee reports submitted, and that they were available for review by any members of the Council who had not yet received them. C-in-C Darby then directed the Council's attention to the report of the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, and his recommendations. JVC-in-C Kuhn elaborated on his observations regarding delays that take place between the time an applicant submits an internet application, and when he receives confirmation of being accepted as a member in a Department and Camp. Some Camps and Departments are able to do this quickly. Others are taking many months to complete the process. JVC-in-C Kuhn's recommendation is that the internet application process be altered to enable a member's application to be submitted online, be accepted by the Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, be processed, and be forwarded directly to the National Executive Director so that the new member may begin to receive the Banner as soon as possible, as well as to the Department, if applicable, where the new Brother lives. SVC-in-C Jim Pahl expressed concerns that this proposal would require amendment to the National Constitution and Regulations. A lengthy discussion then took place concerning the acceptance of online payments, the ways in which

applicants could be registered with the National Organization and then made available for transfer to Departments and Camps, and the changes to our Constitution that may be required in order to implement JVC-in-C Kuhn's plan. If a Department, at its Encampment, approves and sponsors JVC-in-C's proposal, it can be brought to the floor of the National Encampment for ratification. Council Member Stephen agreed to bring this matter before the Department of Iowa's Encampment for their consideration.

JVC-in-C Kuhn then unveiled his advertising program, consisting of audio CDs containing public service announcements about the SUVCW which he would like to produce and distribute to each Camp in our Order. Brother Kuhn played a 60 second and 30 second version of the announcements he created, with professional voice-over and music, which were very well received by the Council. The cost for producing these will be very low, as CD media is quite inexpensive, and the only other expense would be the postage to send them to our Camps. Brother Kuhn also noted that our current print advertising is not seeing much result, and that the internet is currently our biggest avenue of recruiting. Commander-in-Chief Darby suggested that perhaps the 30 second spot could be played when a visitor first logs onto the National website, or at least available to be played by a first time visitor if desired.

National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler was then asked to give his report on changes in shipping expenses, explaining how the costs of envelopes and packing materials are calculated, as well as how the shipping costs to our members are derived. He further noted that orders consisting entirely of paper materials can be mailed book-rate, which will help even more to keep postage costs down.

C-in-C Darby then directed the Council's attention to Chaplain Kowalski's report which describes a seminar or study piece he is now preparing as a result of many requests for assistance, to serve as a guide to being as a chaplain. It was suggested that the guide, when completed, could be made available both in print, as well as on the National website.

C-in-C Darby then pointed out National Counselor Bob Grim's work since the last COA meeting, which resulted in rendering decisions on nine different issues. C-in-C Darby pointed out that many of these requests are a result of Camp and Department Officers not being familiar with the SUVCW Constitution and Regulations, in which many of the answers sought can be found.

As previously requested by the Council of Administration, Business Rules for the Graves Registration Database were provided in the report of Graves Registration Officer Bob Lowe. These rules, as well as specifics of data entry, were discussed by the Council. JVC-in-C Kuhn moved that the Graves Registration Database Business Rules proposed by

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Brother Lowe be accepted, so that a Database Administrator may be appointed and the Graves Registration Committee can begin communications with software providers. The motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler, and passed unanimously.

A report from National Webmaster Ken Freshley confirmed that the domain names approved for purchase by the COA have been acquired. They include suvcw.net, suvcw.biz, suvcw.us and suvcw.info. The addresses are now set up so that anyone who links to those sites, will be redirected to our suvcw.org website. Brother Freshley is still working to obtain the suvcw.com domain, which is being held by a domain squatter.

The report from Washington D.C. Representative Andrew Johnson, suggested that the SUVCW resolution regarding the protection of war memorials should be rewritten and resubmitted to the American Legion and other veterans groups. It was moved by SVC-in-C Pahl, and seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn, that as no one knows what PC-in-C Johnson thinks should be included in this resolution in order to gain the support of other organizations better than he, Brother Johnson should be requested to submit a rewritten resolution that he feels would be appropriate for our Order, and submit it electronically to the Council for consideration. The motion passed unanimously.

The Executive Director's report made two requests. The first relates to an excess of Banner issues currently on hand at the National Headquarters in Harrisburg. While each issue typically has press overruns, there are boxes of extras left over from a few recent issues, and Executive Director Lee Walters feels the space could be better used. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn that the excess issues be destroyed. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a friendly amendment to indicate that the Executive Director could dispose of them as he sees fit – with discussion including the possibility of making them available to the membership at the upcoming National Encampment in Harrisburg. Brother Kuhn withdrew his motion to allow Brother Pahl's amendment to stand as a motion on its own. The motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously.

Additionally, Executive Director Walters requested the purchase of one additional four drawer steel file cabinet as well as an additional steel storage cabinet, both to match cabinets currently in use at the National Headquarters. A motion to approve that request was made by Council Member Leo Kennedy, and was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn. The motion passed with one lighthearted vote in opposition from SVC-in-C Pahl.

During the course of the preceding discussion, JVC-in-C Kuhn was asked to pay the required \$1 fine for failing to wear his SUVCW membership badge, which he did willingly, with apologies for the oversight.

The report submitted by National Memorials Officer Todd Shillington was then discussed, with extensive conversation and debate regarding the recent vandalism to monuments at the Gettysburg National Military Park and actions the SUVCW could or should take. JVC-in-C Kuhn suggested that we separate the discussion into two different issues, the

reward being offered for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the damage, and the repair of the damage itself. Brother Kuhn further suggested that the SUVCW not add to the current fund to be used as a reward, noting that thirty six or thirty seven thousand dollars has already been raised for that purpose, and any additional funds donated from the SUVCW for that purpose would hardly be noticed, and would likely not have a significant effect on a positive outcome being derived from that money. He therefore moved that the SUVCW contribute no money to the reward. This motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler and passed unanimously. Brother Kuhn then moved that the SUVCW contribute \$5000 to the Gettysburg National Military Park towards repair of the three damaged monuments. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a second. C-in-C Darby asked where the funds would come from, the General Reserve Fund being discussed as one possibility. National Quartermaster Wheeler suggested that the money come from funds to be raised at the annual Remembrance Day Ball. SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his opinion that the funds should not come from the Ball, as the event is advertised as a function from which proceeds will be given to the National Military Park, to be spent wherever the Park deems them to be the most needed. While these vandalized monuments may end up being the area of greatest need, that should be the decision of the Military Park. Wherever the money comes from, SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his belief that the SUVCW should do this, noting that this is the reason we are here. Much support was expressed for those sentiments. Council Member Kennedy then pointed out that the SUVCW already has a working venue through which funds are made available for monument restoration and repair: the Civil War Memorial Grant program. And while this situation certainly merits attention and some action, there are vandalized memorials back in Brother Kennedy's home state of Rhode Island that are equally in need of financial assistance. He further added that if the SUVCW is going to give additional funds, outside of the Memorials Grant Program, to assist with the repair of the Gettysburg Monuments, a project for which other funding is clearly being made available by other organizations and entities, then one might also request that additional funding be made for damaged memorials in Rhode Island, or elsewhere across the country, especially noting that the same additional funding by other groups will likely not be as forthcoming for those. While not Gettysburg, the monuments in Rhode Island are just as important, if not more so, to the people of Rhode Island. Council Member Dave Stephen expressed his agreement that the monuments at Gettysburg, while so very important, are no more important than those in his home state of Iowa. It was then suggested that the Gettysburg Camp and Department of Pennsylvania could request, through the existing Memorials Grant program, \$500 for each of the vandalized Gettysburg memorials, which could be supplemented by additional funds from the Memorials Grant fund if money exists at the end of the year. It was agreed that, while all would like to see the Gettysburg Monuments repaired, having funds come from the

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SUVCW Memorial Grant program would likely be the best and fairest way to contribute. Brother Kuhn withdrew his original motion, and Brother Pahl withdrew his second. JVC-in-C Kuhn was asked to speak with members of the Gettysburg Camp to ensure that they would complete the appropriate paperwork in order to request funds from the Memorials Grant program.

National Treasurer Max Newman brought forward for discussion the matter of Camps or Departments that requested money from the Memorials Grant fund either for the solicitation of estimates, or architectural surveys. After discussion, the Council agreed that the money in the Memorials Grant fund are to be awarded for actual physical work on memorials: cleaning, repair, construction, etc. It was noted that there are specific rules for this fund which would prohibit grants for surveys and estimates. National Secretary Bennett noted that no rules of that nature are provided on the Grant Application, and suggested that if there are additional rules and guidelines for this program, they should be published along with the application for the benefit of Camps and Departments which may consider applying for grants. C-in-C Darby noted that there were specific rules drafted for this program, approved by the Council, which have not yet been included on or with the Grant Application Form. SVC-in-C Pahl noted that this is Committee work which should be handled by the Memorials Committee.

Sandy Folaron, Vice President of the Milwaukee Soldiers Home Foundation, was then introduced to the Council, and given the opportunity to address the group about the good works taking place to restore and preserve the buildings on the grounds of the Milwaukee Soldiers Home. In response, a Memorial Grant applied for by the Badger Camp 1 of Milwaukee was presented to Ms. Folaron to assist the Foundation in their work.

A return to Brother Shillington's report from the Memorials Committee explored his recommendation that the Council adopt a policy outlining the Order's position on the movement of Civil War memorials, adding that memorials should only be moved when in imminent or certain danger of theft or destruction, and not moved from the location selected by the Civil War veterans, or the local citizens, merely for the sake of convenience. Council Member Stephen expressed his opinion that there may be times when there are good reasons for such a move, other than imminent danger, and that a move could improve a monument's visibility, safety, accessibility, etc. Council Member Kennedy suggested that wording might be included to indicate that any move of a memorial should maintain the reverence connected with the memorial's original placement. Rather than vote on the policy recommended by Brother Shillington, a motion was made by SVC-in-C Pahl to refer the matter back to the Memorials Committee, indicating the Council's concerns, and asking that they draft a new policy for the Council's review. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kennedy, and passed unanimously.

C-in-C Darby addressed the matter of the SUVCW's cooperation with the U.S. Army's current investigation to determine what items became property of the Sons through the Deed of Conveyance, and what items were specifically itemized as

being turned over to the Smithsonian following the final Encampment of the G.A.R. in 1949.

The report of the National Encampment Site Committee was then examined, noting proposals for 2008 from the Departments of Iowa and Massachusetts. As this was only the second occasion in recent memory in which more than one Department had made a legitimate proposal for the same year, the Council then discussed the matter of how the decision is to be made. After review of the Constitution and Regulations and the official Job Descriptions of SUVCW Officers and Committees, Commander-in-Chief Darby observed that a conflict exists between the current National Regulations and the Job Description for the Encampment Site Committee approved in 1994, and ruled that wherever such conflicts may exist between these two documents, the Regulations supersede or override the Job Descriptions. With that clarified, the Encampment Site Committee's recommendation of Boston, Massachusetts as the site for the 2008 National Encampment was accepted by the Council as our Order's decision.

A brief discussion was then held regarding the SUVCW's efforts to have Memorial Day returned to May 30th, noting that the petition being assembled by Brother Alan Peterson of the Department of California & Pacific continues to grow, but does not yet contain signatures from many of our members.

Past Commander-in-Chief Loomis then addressed the Council regarding the Lincoln Tomb Observance being held April 15, 2006, and the other associated activities and events taking place that weekend. The medallion for Lincoln's Birthday was also mentioned, PC-in-C Loomis noting that PC-in-C Ed Krieser has taken that project over on behalf of the Charitable Foundation.

A report from the Committee on Real Sons & Daughters requested additional certificates to present to Real Sons and Real Daughters at ceremonies. A certificate originally created by PC-in-C Kent Armstrong and used by PC-in-C Michaels will be made available for this purpose and can be passed from Commander-in-Chief to Commander-in-Chief to be used for various recognitions such as this.

National Treasurer Max Newman was then given the floor to lead the Council through his lengthy financial report, with special emphasis given to our budget, the Permanent Fund, and the Life Member program.

National Secretary Bennett then offered his report. The first item noted was a listing of merchandising licenses. Most licenses are due to expire at this year's National Encampment, and Secretary Bennett will be contacting the Camps and Departments holding licenses to invite them to reapply if desired. The Charitable Foundation, also, needs to reapply for the licenses granted it to produce and sell SUVCW items. A roster of the COA, and a listing of all Electronic Boardroom votes for the year were then distributed for the review of the Council. C-in-C Darby encouraged all Council Members to visit the Electronic Boardroom and cast their votes in a more timely manner, preferably within 7 days, to expedite the work of the Order. Secretary Bennett then listed the several Camps that currently have authorization from their Departments and

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our C-in-C to form, and are hopefully working towards being able to apply for a Charter. It was noted that the LeValley-Heusted Camp 255, Department of Michigan, recently had their Charter Application approved. Five issues were then addressed by Secretary Bennett as requiring attention. The first was that of circulation difficulties with The Banner, where delivery of the newsletter is inconsistent in some areas, noting that in some cases entire Camps or Departments have not received an issue. This prompted discussion of the US Postal Service's different delivery methods, such as bulk-rate vs. second class periodical rate.

Brother Pahl said he would inquire of his USPS contact to determine what the difference in rates would be. It was also suggested that a date be included on the outside of the wrapper, which may have an impact on its timely delivery. A second issue dealt with corrections and updates required on our annual reporting forms, noting that the forms have not yet been altered to reflect changes approved by last year's National Encampment, and would benefit from other changes as well. Secretary Bennett was asked to send his suggestions to SVC-in-C Pahl, so that this can be addressed by the Programs and Policy Committee. Brother Bennett then suggested that additional information and instructions need to be included on the National website wherever a membership application is provided, to clearly explain when the Internet Application is appropriate to use, and when the Standard Application Form 3 should be used. The forms are being used incorrectly by some of our Camps and Departments, with the Internet Application often used in place of the Standard Application Form 3. In response to inquires coming from the membership, and the need for information contained on old Charter Application paperwork and other documents, Brother Bennett expressed a need for our Order to locate, retain, and better organize, our National records. Several possible individuals and entities were suggested as currently in possession of such materials.

Brother Bennett agreed to research some, SVC-in-C Pahl volunteered to look into another. Executive Director Walters said that he would itemize the materials currently stored at our National Headquarters. He also noted that an additional, small storage space can be leased from the National Civil War Museum to add to our National Headquarters should the space be needed. Following a lengthy discussion, Commander-in-Chief Darby suggested that at the end of each year, immediately following the National Encampment, all the records, documents and materials of completed work accumulated during the previous administration be turned over to the Executive Director for archiving. A motion to that effect was then made by National Quartermaster Danny Wheeler, and seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn. The motion passed with three votes in opposition. Lastly, Secretary Bennett mentioned his own intention to rework and update the instructions for forming a new Camp and applying for a Charter. To do so, he asked clarification concerning when a newly forming Camp is first required to submit reports and pay per capita fees to a Department or National. While entitled to conduct business and recruit members, SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his opinion that until a Camp is Chartered, having received

approval by the Commander-in-Chief of their Charter Application Form 55, they are not yet a Camp and it would not be appropriate for them to submit reports or payments. The Council concurred.

Executive Director Walters was then asked to present the new National Headquarters lease agreement offered by the National Civil War Museum. The changes from the previous lease agreement are a reduction in the length of the lease from five to two years, and an increase in rent from \$200 to \$250 per month. A motion was made by SVC-in-C Pahl to accept and sign the lease agreement. The motion was seconded by National Quartermaster Wheeler and passed unanimously. To have all information which may be needed in the future, Brother Walters was asked to inquire as to the additional cost of adding the supplemental storage room discussed earlier.

The subject of ROTC/JROTC medals was then addressed and discussed at length. With recent publicity of the program, there has been a significant increase in requests for this award. One single school district in Philadelphia, PA, for example, has made requests for 17 medals. Similar difficulties have arisen in other parts of the country as well. With the response to the program currently much greater than anticipated, many Camps and Departments are finding themselves unable to absorb the cost of providing these medals to every unit that requests one. Options were discussed including developing a less expensive medal, or replacing the medal with a simpler ribbon and certificate. National Patriotic Instructor Bruce Butgereit gave his recommendation that a two-part program be implemented in which a medal may be presented when a Camp or Department is willing and able to purchase it, but a less expensive ribbon with certificate can be provided upon any request, with the cost being covered by the National Organization. A revised application form will have to be created if the program is to be changed, and Brother Butgereit provided a sample to show how the form could be altered to serve our needs. It was also noted that more info on the award needs to be included on the National website, and a suggested new ROTC/JROTC Award section was provided by Brother Butgereit.

SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the present program be continued as it is currently configured, and that the National Patriotic Instructor be asked to submit his report and proposal to the National Encampment for their review. The motion was seconded by PC-in-C Michaels, and passed with the opposing vote of National Quartermaster Wheeler.

JVC-in-C Pahl then announced that the next issue of The Banner would be coming soon, and showed the cover featuring Father Corby at Gettysburg. Brother Pahl also noted that the Camp in Detroit, MI had their legal action against the City of Detroit over the GAR property removed to the United States Federal District Court. The City's attempt to have the case put back into the City's Court failed. There have been RFPs for an outside entity to purchase the property, restore it and erect a memorial or plaque to identify it as a GAR building. Members of the Sons and Daughters are being permitted to serve on the Committee to review the proposals as they come in. The contents of the building had been removed and transferred to Historic Fort Wayne. While the City denies knowledge of that,

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2006 PRICE LIST OF SUPPLIES
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No.	Item	Unit	Price	Quantity	Color	Total Amt.
109	Promotion & Advertising Pamphlet	25	\$7.50			
114	SUVCW Letterhead Stationary	10	\$2.00			
115	Eagle Scout Certificate	each	\$0.35			
* 200	Membership Cards - Camp use only	48	\$4.00			
* 201	Membership Certificate - Blue	each	\$0.10			
* 202	Membership Certificate - Tri-Color	each	\$5.00			
* 205	Membership Certificate - White	each	\$0.25			
* 206	New Member Certificate - Camp use only	each	\$3.50			
* 256	Credentials - National & Department	25	\$2.50			
257	Certificates For Camp Officer	1	\$1.00			
* 302	Rituals & Ceremonies - Please specify Small Book or Large Book	each	\$5.00			
* 350	Life Membership Bar - Life Member use only	each	\$6.00			
* 351	Membership Rosette	each	\$7.00			
* 352	Member Badge	each	\$20.00			
* 353	Associate Badge	each	\$20.00			
* 354	Junior Badge	each	\$20.00			
* 355	Camp Commander Badge - Camp use only	each	\$25.00			
* 356	Past Camp Commander Badge - Camp use only	each	\$25.00			
* 357	Department Commander Badge - Dept use only	each	\$30.00			
* 358	Past Department Commander Badge - Dept. use	each	\$55.00			
377	Past National Officer Badge - past elected officers only	each	\$20.00			
359	50 Year Badge / 70 Year / 75 Year	each	\$30.00			
* 360	Miniature Badge (Member, Department Officer, National Officer, SVR)	each	\$8.00			
* 361	War medal (application must be included)	each	\$23.00			
Service Bars - Worn On War Medal Only						
362	World War II Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
363	Korean Conflict Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
364	Vietnam Action Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
365	Persian Gulf Service Bar	each	\$4.50			
366	Military Service Medal	each	\$25.00			
367	Replacement Ribbon for Badges	6 in.	\$1.25			
368	Replacement Ribbon for Miniature Badges	6 in.	\$1.25			
369	Service Numerals (Attach to Badge - 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75)	each	\$5.50			
* 370	Bronze Recognition Button	each	\$10.00			
* 371	SVR Insignia for Badge	each	\$5.00			
372	Decal - inside of window	each	\$5.00			
373	Decal - reflective	each	\$5.00			
For Miniature Badges Only						
374	1/8" or 1/2" stars - bronze, silver or gold	each	\$2.00			
375	Silver Palm	each	\$1.50			
376	Neck Ribbon	36 in.	\$7.00			
500	Neck Tie - blue or red	each	\$16.00			
501	Tie Clasp with insignia	each	\$10.50			
502	Tie Tack - polished bronze	each	\$5.00			
503	Cuff Links with insignia	pair	\$15.00			
504	SVR Collar insignia 1/2"	pair	\$15.00			

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504	SVR Collar insignia 3/8"	pair	\$15.00			
505	SVR Tie Clasp	each	\$10.00			
506	SVR Membership Badge	each	\$12.00			
507	GAR Commemorative Badge	each	\$11.00			
508	Grave Registration Pamphlet	each	\$0.10			
509	Proceeding Books (call QM for years) \$5.00 plus \$2.50 Shipping per book = \$7.50	each	\$7.50			
510	SUVCW Note Cards	5	\$3.00			
511	SUVCW "From the desk of" notepad	50 shts.	\$2.25			
512	Mourning Ribbon	each	\$0.25			
513	American Flag - 3x5 polyester	each	\$8.00			
514	American Flag - 4x6 polyester	each	\$10.00			
515	White Gloves (Circle one) S M LG XL	each	\$3.50			
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Shipping & Handling: 1st \$99.99						\$3.00
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All orders over \$100.00 will be insured for additional \$5.00						
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2) I declare that I have served the _____ Department/Camp as Commander and I was awarded the honor of Past Department/Camp Commander for having completed the term of office for the year ending _____

 (Signature)

it is believed that it can be proven that such was the case, and a motion for summary judgment is currently being pursued.

National Quartermaster Wheeler suggested that an article in The Banner might be helpful to our membership in explaining the differences between the War Medal and the Military Service Medal, as well as how the medals are to be applied for. SVC-in-C Pahl agreed to print whatever Brother Wheeler submits. Brother Wheeler then asked if it would be possible to obtain a complete roster of our National membership, so that he can confirm those ordering certain merchandise are, in fact, Brothers in Good Standing. With authorization from Commander-in-Chief Darby, Executive Director Walters is able to provide that information. Brother Wheeler then asked about progress with updated Rituals, noting that a new printing will be required soon. It is hoped that the Committee headed by PC-in-C George Powell will have completed Rituals ready by the National Encampment so that a printing can be done soon thereafter.

Executive Director Walters presented three magnetic ribbons, as are typically placed on vehicles, which the Griffin Camp 8 in Scranton, PA intends to produce and offer for sale at \$5 each. The Charitable Foundation has a right of first refusal on this item, and declined to exercise any claim to it at this time. Two of the ribbons feature the Sons name and or logo, and therefore require a license from the National Organization in order to be produced and sold. A motion was made by JVC-in-C Kuhn and seconded by National

Quartermaster Wheeler that the license be granted. SVC-in-C Pahl amended the motion to indicate that the license would expire two years from the 2006 National Encampment.

Brother Kuhn amended his motion to indicate that this license, as well as the license already granted to the Davis * Camp for the creation and sale of a postage stamp, will expire at the National Encampment in 2008. Brother Wheeler attached his second to the new motion, which passed unanimously.

PC-in-C Michaels expressed the Auxiliary's appreciation to the Council for patronizing their luncheon, and also noted that a Soldiers Home Gift Shop is located right outside the meeting room which the Council Members should feel free to visit and patronize as well. JVC-in-C Kuhn presented two questions to the Council. The first was an inquiry as to when the Department of Pennsylvania would get funds from National for use towards the 2006 Encampment. The short answer was "when it is requested." National Treasurer Newman noted that as soon as a letter is received, he will disburse the funds. Brother Kuhn's second issue was to ask why our Order makes a profit on the membership badge, suggesting that the basic membership badge of our Order should be made available to any member who wants one at cost, plus shipping. It was reported, however, that even at the current price, which includes some modest profit to the Order, the National Quartermaster has difficulty in keeping enough on hand to fill all of the many orders he receives.

Council Member Dave Stephen brought up the question which had arisen regarding a

work-study program and the need for workers compensation insurance. C-in-C Darby noted that if a Camp wanted to assume the liability of insurance on their own, they were welcome to do so. This may permit a contract to be entered into

between a school and a Camp, but not between a school and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Brother Stephen then informed the Council of an Iowa battle flag belonging to a Cedar Rapids Masonic Lodge which, with the help of a local carpenters union, was sealed in a case and is now on display at the Masonic Library and Museum in Cedar Rapids. Brother Stephen recommended the Grand Lodge of Iowa for consideration for the Founders Award. It was noted that, as of this date, no other recommendations for this award have been received. C-in-C Darby announced that April 15th will be the cut-off date, after which the Council will make a decision on the recipient(s) for this award. Lastly, Brother Stephen asked if the requirement that a copy of a soldier's discharge be provided with an application to the SUVVCW is necessary in this day of information so readily available via the internet and other sources. It was agreed that a discharge is not necessary, but the proof should be from a primary source such as National Archives records or an Adjutant General's reports. An internet citing of those sources would, technically, not be sufficient.

National Secretary Bennett provided the answer to a question plaguing the Counsel for almost a year and a half, stemming from a discussion and subsequent vote regarding advertising space to be provided to the National Quartermaster and the Charitable Foundation in The Banner. Brother Bennett explained that the difficulty arose when a motion was made, but further discussion changed the course of the Council's thinking, so that when the vote was finally taken, votes were likely cast for a decision other than the specific wording of the original motion. To eliminate the confusion, National Quartermaster Wheeler restated his original motion, that Foundation Advertising should be included in every issue of The Banner. The motion was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn.

SVC-in-C Pahl expressed his feeling that in this case, as with most matters concerning the content of The Banner, the decision should be left to the discretion of the Editor. The motion was defeated. Brother Kuhn moved that Foundation advertising should be included in The Banner, free of charge, at the discretion of the Editor. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dan Murray, and passed with a somewhat jokingly opposing vote from SVC-in-C (and Banner Editor) Pahl. Brother Kuhn then moved that a National Quartermaster advertisement be included in every issue of The Banner, free of charge. This too was seconded by Council Member Murray. SVC-in-C Pahl offered a friendly amendment that the free advertising space be provided at the discretion of the Editor, rather than mandating that it be provided in every issue. The amendment was accepted, and the motion passed unanimously.

SVC-in-C Pahl moved that the Council of Administration meeting be adjourned. This was seconded by JVC-in-C Kuhn and, as it was noted that this was the longest COA meeting in recent memory, the motion passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Council, Chaplain Kowalski was asked to offer a closing prayer.

The meeting was closed by Commander-in-Chief Darby at approximately 1:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
in Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVVCW



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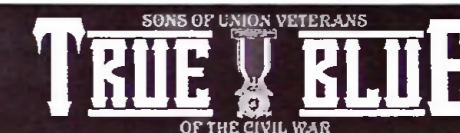
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Soldiers of long ago honored in Kentucky

By John A. Mills III, Post Dept. Commander

As part of Veterans' Week activities sponsored by Bluegrass Military Affairs Coalition Inc. (B.M.A.C.), three Union Civil War Veterans located in private lots in the Lexington Cemetery were honored with government headstones. They received full military honors with a musket salute, taps, and a cannon salute.

The ceremony took place on Sunday, November 6, 2005, at 3 p.m. between sections C-1 and D-1 in the Lexington Cemetery in Lexington, Kentucky.

This was an ongoing project sponsored by the Sergeant Elijah P. Marrs Camp #5, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (S.U.V.C.W.) headquartered in Nicholasville, Ky., a proud member of the B.M.A.C.

The soldiers were all in unmarked graves. The stones were ordered from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Funds were raised with the assistance of Veterans groups and patriotic societies to pay for the placement of the stones.

The soldiers honored were: Garland R. Bullock, Sgt., Co., F, 22nd Ky Volunteer Infantry and 1st Lieutenant Co., A., 7th Ky. Volunteer Infantry; Sanford C. Willhoite, Sergeant, Co., E., 30th Ky. Mounted Volunteer Infantry, and Clinton O. Rawlings, Sergeant, Co., A, 5th Ky. Volunteer Cavalry.

All three soldiers were members of the Veterans Society. The Grand Army of the Republic, Ethelbert L. Dudley Post #54, Lexington, Ky. These soldiers were discovered in unmarked graves as a result of research documenting the members of the local G.A.R. Posts' in Lexington. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was established by the G.A.R. in 1881. One of our goals is to keep bright the memory of the boys in blue who saved the Federal Union from 1861-65 and helped free a race from bondage. Why care? These men were volunteers like our soldiers in Iraq today. They answered the call to arms in one of the pivotal events in our nation. Poor is the nation that has no heroes; shameful is the nation that has them and forgets.

We gratefully thank the following organization

which have assisted in this project: American Legion, Man-O-War Post #8, Lexington, Ky.; American Legion Women's Auxiliary, Curry Breckenridge, Unit 8, Lexington, Ky.; Sons of American Legion, Squadron #8, Lexington, Ky.; American Legion, Man-O-War Honor Guard, Post #8, Lexington, Ky.; American Legion, Thoroughbred Post #341, Lexington, Ky.; Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. (V.F.W.), Bluegrass Post #640, Lexington, Ky.; National Society Daughters of the Union, 1861-1865 Inc., Dean-Parker Chapter; Sgt. Elijah P. Marrs Camp #5, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Nicholasville, Ky.; Mary Todd Lincoln Corps #1 of Kentucky, The National Woman's Relief Corps; Wilderness Road Chapter, Military Order of the Purple Heart; The Kentucky Commandery of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. A special thanks goes to Dan Scalf, director, and all the employees of the Lexington Cemetery for their hard work and assistance.

Garland R. Bullock was born in Kentucky in 1835 and mustered in at Louisa, Ky., for three years on Jan. 10, 1862, as Sergeant, Co., F., 22nd Kentucky Volunteer Infantry. He was transferred and commissioned 1st Lieutenant in Co., A., 7th Kentucky Veteran Volunteer Infantry. He mustered in at Baton Rouge, La., for three years, and resigned on Nov. 7, 1865. The 22nd Infantry was consolidated into the 7th Infantry later in the war. According to his obituary in the Lexington newspapers, Garland Bullock was referred to as a Major and Captain. No record of either rank was found in the Kentucky Adjutant General's report of the Civil War. It may be he held temporary rank as Captain or Major at one time, or he could have been awarded Brevet Rank as Captain or Major, which is an honorary rank.

Garland Bullock married Miss Bettie Peck, and had at least one son, Frank Bullock. His occupation was listed as being with the Revenue Service for a number of years. He died on Friday, July 14, 1922, at the age of 87 years, due to a weakening condition of the heart. He resided at 143 N. Mill St., Lexington. He son, Frank, was residing in South America. Funeral services were officiated by Rev. Mark

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Kentucky ceremony continued

Collins, and pallbearers were members of E.L. Dudley G.A.R. Post 54, of which Mr. Bullock was a prominent member. He was buried on July 16, 1922, in Section T, Lot 55, Grave 8. He was survived by his wife, Bettie Peck Bullock, who died on March 14, 1923, at the age of 76, less than a year after her husband. She was survived by a sister, Mrs. Warren Ingels, and several nieces and nephews. Her son, Frank, was not mentioned in her obituaries. She was laid to rest alongside her husband on March 16, 1923. Services were performed by Rev. B.C. Deweese, with Edward Bailey, Thomas H. Dudley, Jess Scott, Samuel Yoeman, R.G. Gerber, Matt Hedges, Jeff Wright, and Ben Myers as pallbearers.

Sanford C. Willhoite was born in Kentucky on Aug. 29, 1844, son of Sanford C. and Camelia Willhoite, both born in Kentucky. He served as Sergeant in Co., E., 30th Kentucky Volunteer Mounted Infantry. He mustered in for one year on Feb. 19, 1864, at Frankfort, Ky., where he mustered out on April 18, 1865. Willhoites who served in the same unit, and may have been related to Sanford, included 1st Sergeant James H. Willhoite; Private John K. Willhoite; Private Jephtha Willhoite, and Private Tobias C. Willhoite.

After the war, S.C. Willhoite was a farmer as well as a gardener. He married Georgia Ann Fortner, who was born on May 24, 1846 to William Fortner and Polly Ann Osborne, both of Ohio. The Willhoites had the following known children: A daughter, Mrs. Alice Willhoite Adams, and three sons, Samuel T., Shiloh O., and Isaac W., who were all living in Lexington at the time of their mother's death on Sept. 27, 1914, at the age of 68 at her home on 908 Manchester St., Lexington, of pulmonary tuberculosis after an extended illness. Her funeral was Sept. 28, 1914, with the Rev. Gus Romage of West End Christian Church officiating. She was interred in Section C-1, Lot E at Lexington Cemetery. Pallbearers were her six grandsons, Claude W., Russell, and Cooper Willhoite, and Lawrence and George Flynn.

Sanford C. Willhoite was an active member of the (G.A.R.) E.L. Dudley Post #54 of Lexington,

where he served as Alternate Delegate in 1909 and was listed as a member in the newspaper on May 30, 1910. On Sept. 5, 1920, he attended the National Encampment in Indianapolis, Ind., and was listed again on Memorial Day, 1924, as one of the members of the post in attendance at ceremonies at Lexington Cemetery.

It was ironic that in his obituary in 1931, he was reported to have been a Confederate Veteran, a mistake by the Lexington newspaper. By this time, S.C. Willhoite was living in the Union Mills neighborhood near Nicholasville, Jessamine County, Kentucky, where he was residing with his son, Isaac. He died on May 22, 1931, at the age of 86, and was buried on March 23, 1931, in the family plot, with the following grandchildren as pallbearers: Claud Everett, Cooper, Russell and William Willhoite, and William Jackson. He was survived by his daughter and three sons.

Clinton O. Rawlings was born in Kentucky in 1844 to James Rawlings and Polly Purdum, both of Kentucky. A Union Civil War Veteran, he served as Sergeant in Co., A., 5th Kentucky Volunteer Cavalry. He enrolled on Oct. 23, 1861, was mustered in on March 24, 1862 in Nashville, Tenn., for three years, and mustered out in Louisville, Ky., on May 3, 1865.

An active member of E.L. Dudley Post #54, (G.A.R.), Lexington, he served as Commander in 1903. He married Mary E. Rawlings and had three daughters and a son. The family resided at 360 Merino St., Lexington. Mary Rawlings died on April 24, 1904, at the age of 60, of tuberculosis. She was buried on April 25 in Section D-1, Lot D, of Lexington Cemetery, with the Rev. George V. Morris officiating.

Clinton O. Rawlings died on Nov. 10, 1918, at the age of 74. He was residing at the home of his daughter, Mr. H.B. Robinson, 534 E. 3rd St., Lexington, and was also survived by Mrs. Joseph Kallage, Covington, Ky.; Mrs. (?) Chase, Emporia, Kansas, and a son, (?) Rawlings, Minnesota, and a brother, Ben Rawlings. He was buried on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, in the family plot, with Rev. Thomas B. Roberts officiating.



The founding of the GAR

by James Pahl,
Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief

Dr. B.F. Stevenson of Springfield, Illinois, founded the Grand Army of the Republic with the first organizational meeting on April 6, 1866 in Decatur, Illinois. Many accounts talk about Dr. Stevenson consulting with Rev. William J. Rutledge, a chaplain in the 14th Illinois Regiment. However, recent reported discoveries of the personal papers of Dr. Stevenson now call that association into question.

This first meeting took place on the second floor of a print shop. Currently occupied by a bank, this is located on S. Park Street in Decatur – just south of Central Park. Only a small plaque marks this location. The significant motto "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty" was adopted and in the great army that was subsequently established, its high ideals were not only introduced but ever maintained.

The first national encampment was held at Indianapolis on November 16, 1866 and S.A. Hurlbut was elected the first commander-in-chief. Dr. Stephenson was disappointed he was not elected Commander-in-chief, but faithfully served the Order in those formative years. The following text is from an article in the April 6, 1906 edition of the Saratogian, Saratoga Springs, NY, provided for this article by Lorraine Orton, Past Department

President and Past National Historian, Woman's Relief Corps, Aux. to the G. A. R.

"The Growth of the order was phenomenal. †The members were all men in the prime of life in those days and soon there was scarcely a place in which resided veterans of the Civil War, which did not have its post. †What the order has done for the men who fought to preserve the Union is a matter of record. †The establishment of Memorial Day, the founding of State and National soldiers homes, the enactment of pension statutes and other laws according to the veterans' proper recognition and a full measure of protection, the dispensation of relief to worthy members and their dependents, the promotion of patriotic instruction among the young, the inculcation of the principles of love of country and the protection of the flag, and many other enterprises that have been in the interest of the public welfare have been fostered by the grand order."

But the Grand Army passed away. While many of them were exceedingly active for their years and played important roles in life's battle, it is left to us – their descendants – to carry on. To carry on the traditions, the accomplishments for which the Order was founded at the close of the war. We are called upon to rejoice and to gather around the campfire and celebrate their achievements. Lest we forget.

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Funeral Held for One of Oldest Department of Massachusetts Members

By Reynaldo Rodriguez,
Editor, Clarion Call newsletter

For the 104 years Brother Cliton E. Gaunt of A.A. Sherman Camp #18, was on this earth, his three biggest loves were God, country, and family. Brother Clifton was born on October 1, 1901, and actually knew veterans of the Civil War. He was quite possibly the last First World War veteran. He was at Fenway Park in Boston, Mass., in 1918 to witness the Red Sox win the World Series. It took his beloved team 86 years to win another, which he joyfully saw happen. Clifton was very active, always standing to pay his respects to the flag. Among his many hobbies was rug hooking.

Sadly, Brother Clifton Gaunt passed away on Saturday, Nov. 26, 2005. At the Holt Funeral Home in Woonsocket, R.I., his casket was draped with a U.S. flag, flanked by the National and Regiment Colors of a Civil War Unit. Sharing his coffin was a World War I garrison cap, and a Red Sox tee shirt and bat. His coffin was guarded at all times by two uniformed Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Those standing guard as family and friends paid their last respects were Brothers Roy Henry, Frank Haley, Benjamin Emerick, James Gass, Norman Wheeler, Robert H. Knight, Steven Twining, George Maple, Reynaldo Rodriguez, and Benjamin Duce.

During the wake, more than one solemn ceremony was observed. There was a traditional Catholic clergy sermon delivered, as well as a ceremony by the Masons. The last ceremony was a burial service for a Son of Union Veterans of the Civil War given by Brother Roy Henry, assisted by Brother Robert H. Knight. Also present to pay respects to Brother Cliton was Brother Bill Ryerson and a brother representing our brothers in Rhode Island.

The next morning, the Sons paid their very last respect as a contingent stood in a single flank and slowly saluted Brother Clifton together as one. The casket was then left for the closest family members prior to being prepared for Brother Clifton's last ride.

Leaving Woonsocket, R.I., a procession of cars led by the funeral van, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, family, Brother Clifton Gaunt, and then friends soon crossed over into Massachusetts. Once in Millville, the Chief of Police proudly controlled the traffic, allowing cars to reach their destination at St. Augustine's Church.

At the church, the Sons stood at attention as the


casket passed through the entrance. During the ceremony, one of Brother Clifton's works of art, a beautiful image of Jesus, was on display on the altar. The hooked rug work consisted of thousands of strands of yarn and took Brother Clifton hundreds of hours to make. Brother Clifton donated it to the church, where it always received comments on its beauty by all who entered. The Sons stood at attention as Brother Clifton was transferred to his final resting place in North Smithfield, R.I.

Brother Clifton Gaunt finally arrived at the Union Cemetery, where a U.S. flag was placed on his casket, with a wreath of flowers at the top, as well as a U.S. flag blowing in the wind. Brother Clifton was ready to receive a patriotic delivery to Heaven. A drummer played, and following the eulogy, Brother Roy Henry gave a few last words on behalf of the Sons. Brother Benjamin Emerick then played his fife in solemn tribute. Soon after, there were three volleys of musket fire. Finally, taps was played and echoed by Brother Joseph Hall, PDC of Rhode Island. The ceremony concluded as family members and Sons placed flowers on the casket and left Brother Clifton E. Gaunt in everlasting peace.

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GENERAL ORDER 2006-1 Sons of Veterans Reserve 27 February 2006

1. Effective 27 February 2006, Private Kenneth V. Early, a member of Co. G, 42nd Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Seventh Military District, SVR, and recently appointed Chief of Staff of the Seventh Military District, is commissioned a Second Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This Commission will expire on 28 July 2006 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

GENERAL ORDER 2006-2 Sons of Veterans Reserve 14 March 2006

1. Effective 14 March 2006, Private John R. Burch, Sr., a member of A Company, Frankfort Battalion, 1st Regiment Capital Guards, Third Military District, SVR, having been duly promoted, is commissioned a Second Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This Commission will expire on 13 March 2009 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled.

GENERAL ORDER 2006-3 Sons of Veterans Reserve 20 April 2006

1. Effective 20 April 2006, QM Sergeant John A. Mills, III, a member of A Company, Frankfort Battalion, 1st Regiment Capital Guards, Third Military District, SVR, having been duly promoted, is commissioned a First Lieutenant, SVR.
2. This Commission will expire on 19 April 2009 unless the same shall otherwise be lawfully determined void and annulled..

GENERAL ORDER 2006-4 Sons of Veterans Reserve 20 April 2006

1. Effective 15 April 2006, and upon action duly taken by Captain Lindin R. Lairson, Commander of A Company, Frankfort Battalion, 1st Regiment Capital Guards, Third Military District, SVR,
2nd Lt. Scott A. Hurst, SVR, is relieved of duty as Adjutant of A Company, Frankfort Battalion, 1st Regiment Capital Guards, Third Military District, SVR.

2. Effective 15 April 2006, the commission of Scott A. Hurst, as a 2nd Lt. in the Sons of Veterans Reserve and memorialized in General Order 2005-20 is terminated and annulled and he is reduced in rank to Private.

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Westport Camp of Missouri remembers Colorado Calvarymen



The Westport Camp of Kansas City, MO, installs monument honoring six Colorado Calvarymen killed by bushwackers July 17, 1864 near Fredericksburg, MO. Principals dedicating monument, at left, are, from left: Brian Smarker, Secretary/Treasurer of Westport Camp; Charles McCorkendale, Westport councilman; Jim Beckner, Councilman; John Martin, commander and Dept. of Mo. commander; Bud Marks, Senior Vice Commander, Bob Grover, Patriotic Instructor and Councilman and Dirk Stapleton, a member of Westport Camp.

President Lincoln, portrayed by Max Daniels of Illinois, inspects the troops assembled to fire the salute during dedication services in Wood Heights, MO. The memorial is located in Pisgah Cemetery.



Members of the 2nd Colorado Calvary Renactment Group, named in honor of the six men and their company honored at the dedication, prepare to fire canon salute at the ceremonies. The ceremony took place on the 141st anniversary of the battle, July 17, 2005.



Jim Shipman, left, head of the Evergreen Cemetery Historical Committee and Echoes of Blue and Gray producer/master of ceremonies, thanks Ed Diaz, right, of the Association for African-American Historical Research and Preservation, following unveiling of Evergreen Cemetery's new GAR monument. Looking on are Confederate and Union representatives of the Washington Civil War Association.

Echoes of Blue and Gray By Jim Shipman

The restoration of headstones in the G.A.R. section was held on Sept. 10, 2005, by Evergreen Cemetery in Everett, Washington, a member of The Alderwoods Group Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio. A newly-refurbished lich gate also debuted where long ago funeral attendees, after detouring from the local rail line, gathered out of the rain while awaiting the beginning of burial services. Aside from these attractions, the crown jewel of the day was the unveiling of a 10-foot obelisk costing approximately \$6,000. Such a monument was envisioned over 100 years ago by Everett's John Buford G.A.R. Post #89, but it could never be properly funded. The project was officially terminated at the Post meeting held Dec. 16, 1901. Engraved memorial bricks surrounding the monument's base are available for sale to those of the public wishing to add their names to the ambitious modern project.

The upper south face of the monument displays the words "GAR 1861-1865," while the lower section reads "Grand Army of the Republic John Buford Post #89 Everett, WA 1893-1944." The monument's east side features the GAR emblem, while the west is adorned by the CSA Maltese Cross. The northern face displays the follow-

ing inscription: "Dedicated to all the Blue and Gray who gave their lives in the great struggle of 1861-1865 and those who survived to pioneer Snohomish County." An inscribed, in-ground flag holder faces the monument's front.

The monument/restoration project was dedicated with the assistance of a local Boy Scout troop, plus costumed Union, Confederate, and civilian members of the Washington Civil War Association (WCWA). Speakers and other participants in the first annual "Echoes of Blue and Gray" ceremony included local dignitaries, plus representatives of the Gov. Isaac Stevens Camp No. 1, Sons of Union Veterans, Ladies of the GAR, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Keynote speaker was regional historian David Dilgard.

Beyond the oratory, Civil War era field music was provided by the Army of the Columbia fife and drum corps, and black powder musket/artillery salutes by the WCWA. A highlight of the day's activities was the display of 30 personal/unit biographies of the approximately 150 Union and Confederate veterans buried at Evergreen. Additional biographies will be featured at the next ceremony, which is scheduled for Sept. 9, 2006.



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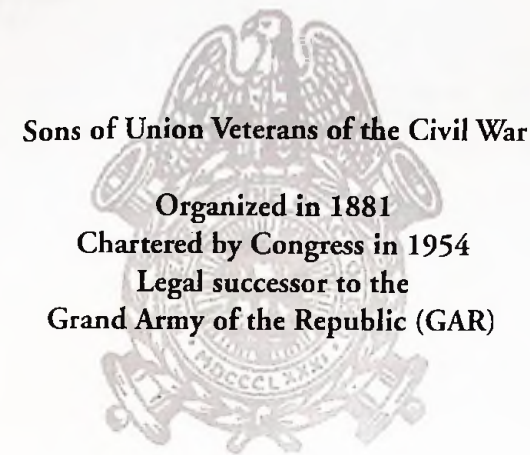
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