

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

Type of Memorial (check all applicable)

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

Affiliation

___ GAR ___ MOLLUS ___ SUVCW ___ WRC ___ ASUVCW
___ LGAR ___ DUVCW ___ Other

If known, record name and number of post, camp, corps, auxiliary, tent, circle or appropriate information of other groups:

The graduating class of Abraham Lincoln H.S. in Council Bluffs in 1910 donated the cannon to the school.

Original Dedication Date 1910 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: The SUVCW member in charge of cannon prefers to keep location private.

Street/Road address or site location _____ GPS Coordinates _____

City/Village &/or Township _____

County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

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

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Council Bluffs Community School District

Dept./Div. _____

Street Address 300 W. Broadway

City Council Bluffs State Iowa Zip Code 51503

Contact Person _____ Telephone (712) 328-6446 ext _____

Is Memorial on the National Register of Historic Places ___ Yes No ID # if known _____

For Monuments with/without sculpture:

Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = ___ Stone ___ Concrete ___ Metal ___ Other

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

Material of the Sculpture ___ Stone ___ Concrete ___ Metal ___ Other Is it hollow or solid? _____

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) _____

For Historic Marker or Plaque:

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = _____

For Cannons with/without monument:

Phoenix Iron Works M 1861

Material of Cannon = _____ Bronze Iron Type of Cannon (if known) 3 inch Ordnance Rifle Rifled YES NO

Markings: Muzzle No 230 1862 813 lbs Base Ring/Breech _____

Left Trunion _____ JNW Right Trunion _____

Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? _____ Yes No

[For camp/department monuments officer's use: Cannon on list of known ordnance] Yes No

For Other Memorials: (flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

What best describes the memorial

There is a steel sleeve inside the barrel to make it safe to fire

Materials of the Memorial

Complete for All Memorials

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

bore diameter 3.0 inch Length of tube 73"
Height _____ Width _____ Depth or _____ Diameter _____

For Memorials with multiple Sculptures, please record this information on a separate sheet of paper for each statue (service, pose, etc) 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

Please attach legible photographs of all text &/or Record the text in the space below. Please use the addendum - narrative sheet if necessary.

see attached

Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

Cemetery Park Plaza/Courtyard "Town Square" Post Office
 School Municipal Building State Capitol Courthouse College Campus
 Traffic Circle Library Other: residential

General Vicinity

Rural (low population, open land) Suburban (residential, near city) Town 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 _____

[To detail the condition of a monument used the addendum form for *Monument's Condition*]

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.

Addendums attached to this electronic file are the *Monument's Condition* and the *Narrative* forms. Only the *Monument's Condition* form is required if you are requesting grant money using form CWM-62 *SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions*.

Thank you.

The cannon is fired at SUVCW events and re-enactments - I have not seen it for a number of years

Inspector Identification _____ Date of On-site Survey 2013 ?

Your Name Tom GAARD

-Email gaardt@aol.com

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?
SUVCW Gen. Grenville Dodge Camp #75

Please send this completed form to:

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair
1240 Konert Valley Dr.
Fenton, MO 63026

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

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Department of Iowa - Civil War Monuments
Pottawattamie County - Council Bluffs

3 inch Ordnance Rifle

This is a 3 inch ordnance rifle, M1861 cast at the Phoenix Iron Works in 1862. It weighs 813 pounds as noted below on the clear markings on the face of the barrel. It was originally on display at Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs. The graduating class of 1910 donated the cannon and carriage to the school as their class gift. Due to deterioration of the carriage and then the cannon mount, in 1997 the school had a member of the SUVCW restore the barrel and build a carriage. In turn he would have it for use in reenactments and other special occasions. While it remains in the excellent care of this person and is not on display at the school, it is clearly understood that the ownership remains with the Council Bluffs School District. The first photo was taken at the Kinsman monument rededication on 5/18/13 in Council Bluffs. The other photos were taken 6/13/09 at Carson, Iowa.



