

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.)

Note: try to record items separately. Cannons near monuments should be recorded & photographed separately, etc. Thank you.

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:

John Stahel Camp 34 SUVCW, L.G. Armstrong Camp 49 SUVCW; WRC 32; John McDermott Post #101, G.A.R.

Original Dedication Date 1896

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

102 Mary Street, Boscobel, WI

The Memorial is currently located at:

Street/Road address or site location GPS Coordinates 43°7'54"N 90°42'23"W

City/Village &/or Township Boscobel

County Grant State WI Zip Code 53805

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc.

Dept./Div.

Street Address 4816 Rothman Place

City Monona State WI Zip Code 53716

Contact Person Loretta Hooker Telephone () ext

Is Memorial on the National Register of Historic Places Yes No ID # if known 07001329

Listed July 20, 2007 on the WI State Historical Register & 12/27/2007 on the National Register of Historic Places

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:

Material of Cannon = _____ Bronze _____ Iron _____ Type of Cannon (if known) _____

Rifled _____ Yes _____ No _____

Markings: Muzzle _____ Base Ring/Breech _____

Left Trunion _____ 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 Meeting Hall for GAR, WRC and SUVCW

Materials of the Memorial Wood frame building finished with clapboards, trimmed with simple cornice and corner boards. resting on a fieldstone foundation. Woodframe porch on front. wood ramp on side.

Complete for All Memorials

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

2 Storys _____ Height 45' _____ Width 32' _____ 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.

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: Building in residential neighborhood

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*]

Submission of this form requires at least one type of identification so that you may be contacted regarding the information on this form. This information will most likely be in the public domain. Your name is required; please include one (or more) pieces of contact information.

1. If a member of an Allied Order, the name of your camp, auxiliary, tent, circle or corps; along with your department;
2. Physical Address;
3. Phone Number
4. E-Mail address.

By submitting this, you are allowing the posting of this information on the internet.

Inspector Identification _____ Date of On-site Survey 1 May 2024
Your Name James Griesel
Address 1005 Wisconsin Avenue
City Boscobel State WI Zip Code 53805
Telephone (608) 391-1263 E-Mail griesel@yahoo.com

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?

L.G. Armstrong Camp 49, SUVCW

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. Photographs & GPS Co-ordinates are very much desired.

Pages 4 & 5 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*.

Please mail (or e-mail pdf, and picture files) to:
Walt Busch, PDC, Chair, 1240 Konert Valley Dr., Fenton, MO 63026, cwmemorials@suvchw.org (314) 630-8407

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War - Civil War Memorials Committee.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM
ADDENDUM – MONUMENT’S CONDITION

Completion of this form is required when requesting grant money using form CWM-62 SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions.

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.

Table with 3 columns: Question, Sculpture, Base. Rows include: If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed?; Any evidence of structural instability?; Any broken or missing parts?; Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes?.

Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Sculpture, Base. Rows include: 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

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

Inspector’s Name Date

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM
ADDENDUM – NARRATIVE

[Generally used to record the text of monuments, but may be used for any other useful information, such as if the monument has been moved or if you have information about the day of dedication. May repeat use of page as often as necessary.]

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Street/Road address or site location _____

GPS Coordinates 43°7'54"N 90°42'23"W

City/Village and/or Township Boscobel

County Grant State WI Zip Code 53805

TEXT

The Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall was built as a Baptist Church in 1871. In 1896 John McDermott Post 101 and WRC 32 renovated the building into a meeting hall. The GAR and WRC were joined by Camp 34 SUVCW in 1897. In 1914 the Sons reorganized as Camp 49. The GAR met at the Hall until the death of their last member in 1942 while Camp 49 SUVCW met at the Hall until they disbanded in the 1930's. The Son's chapter relinquished their Charter which was then reissued in 2003. In 1989 the WRC organized the non-profit Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Preservationists, Inc. and transferred ownership of the building to them in 1990. Membership of the Preservationists is open to members of WRC 32, Camp 49 SUVCW and interested public citizens.

In 2014-2015 the building was raised onto a new foundation with a basement. At the same time the front porch was reconstructed, and a restroom/kitchenette addition with a handicap accessible ramp was added to the side/rear of the building. A new Furnace/HVAC system was installed and the flagpole was also replaced. During this work, existing cracks and plaster damage to the Hall's walls and ceilings worsened. Phase 2 of exterior work - painting and installation of gutters, was completed in 2024. In 2021-2023 Phase 1 plaster stabilization in the second floor meeting room and stairway was completed. Phase 2 of plaster stabilization along with electrical work in the second floor meeting room is underway with a goal of completion by January 2025.

Inspector's Name James Giesel

Date 05/13/2024

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL FUND REQUEST**

(FORM CWM #62)

REQUESTOR INFORMATION (Please print or type)

CAMP AND DEPARTMENT NAME: L.G. Armstrong Camp 49, Department of Wisconsin

NAME/ TITLE OF CONTACT PERSON: James Griesel

ADDRESS: 1005 Wisconsin Avenue

CITY: Boscobel STATE: WI ZIP CODE: 53805

PHONE(S): (608) 391-1263 E-MAIL: griesel@yahoo.com

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME OF MEMORIAL/MONUMENT Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall

NAME, NUMBER & STREET ADDRESS OF CEMETERY OR OTHER LOCATION

102 Mary Street

LOCATION DESCRIPTION (i.e. corner of 3rd and Lincoln St) _____

Residential neighborhood, South side of Mary Street, between Mound and Wisconsin Avenue

GPS N 43 7'54 W 90 42'23 City Boscobel State WI ZIP 53805

WAS REQUIRED FORM CWM-61: GAR MONUMENTS/CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS ASSESSMENT SUBMITTED? Y ___ N ___

EXISTING MONUMENT NEW MONUMENT LAST SOLDIER PROJECT

RESTORATION COST \$ 3037 AMOUNT RAISED \$ 800.00 REQUESTED \$ 2000

CHECK PAYABLE TO: Boscobel GAR Hall Preservationists

ADDRESS: 4816 Rothman Place

CITY: Monona STATE WI ZIP CODE 53716

Memorial Grant Committee Use Only					
Grant Request # _____		Amount Approved \$ _____			
Approve	Deny	Table	Name Committee Member	Signature	Date

Check box, sign, date & return completed email to Committee Chair, who will send to National Treasurer for payment.

MONUMENT/ MEMORIAL INFORMATION

WHEN WAS IT BUILT: 1871 WHO OWNS IT: Boscobel GAR Hall Preservationists, Inc.

WHO IS FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE? Boscobel GAR Hall Preservationists, Inc.

ARE MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS AVAILABLE? _____ FROM WHERE: _____

ARE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE? _____ FROM WHERE: _____

WAS A GRANT FROM THE SUVCW PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED FOR THIS PROJECT? No

DATE: _____ AMOUNT: _____

DESCRIBE THE WORK THE GRANT IS NEEDED FOR (Be specific, use continuation sheet if needed)

Plaster repair second floor meeting room, plaster repair stair hallway, plaster repair

stairway, UV Film for Windows replaced for all windows, additional outlet in second floor meeting

room, rewiring and hanging period light Fixtures in second floor meeting room.

WHO EVALUATED THE NEED FOR THE WORK AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS? Camp 49 Officers
Daniel Chroninger, James Griesel; Boscobel GAR Hall Pres Rod Dary, Loretta Hooker

WHO WILL DO THE DESCRIBED WORK, AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS? Pat Foley (Plaster)
JC Washburn LLC (Electrical) UV film installation is out to bid, worst case Brothers will install.

WHO WILL RECEIVE FUNDS IF GRANTED? Boscobel GAR Hall Preservationists, Inc.
Non Profit group composed of members of Camp 49, WRC 32 and interested public citizens

LIST WHAT THE CAMP/DEPARTMENT HAS AND/OR WILL DO TO ACCOMPLISH THE PROJECT

Camp 49 Brothers volunteer their time and labor for maintenance of the Hall and supervise

contractors when they work in the Hall. Brothers have also donated materials and fixtures.

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Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall
Boscobel, Grant County, Wisconsin

INTRODUCTION

The Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall is a two-story, frame, front gable building (see photo 1). Erected as the First Baptist Church in 1871,¹ it was significantly remodeled in 1896 to serve as the meeting hall for the John McDermott Post #101 of the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.), and its ladies' auxiliary, the John McDermott Woman's Relief Corps #32.² The G.A.R. Hall is finished with broad clapboards, trimmed with simple cornice and corner boards, and rests on a fieldstone, ashlar foundation. Asphalt shingles cover the roof.

DESCRIPTION

The Boscobel G.A.R. Hall stands on the south side of Mary Street between Mound Street and Wisconsin Avenue, in a residential neighborhood just south of Boscobel's central business district. One- and two-story houses dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries surround the building. The G.A.R. Hall occupies a narrow lot, planted with grass and a few mature trees. Between the building and the sidewalk is a commemorative granite marker with a plaque. Placed in 1989, the marker honors Jefferson Coates, a local man who served in the Seventh Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Regiment. Coates was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his valor during the Battle of Gettysburg. Because of its small size, the marker is not included in the resource count.

The G.A.R. Hall is rectangular in plan and faces north. It measures about 45 feet (north-south) by 32 feet (east-west). Wooden, double-hung sash in 2/2 configuration light the building. All were installed in 1896.³

The north-facing (front) façade of the G.A.R. Hall is symmetrical. A door can be seen at either end of front façade. Originally, these likely provided gender-segregated entrances into the First Baptist Church. A window appears at the second story above each door. Between the windows, raised letters read: "G.A.R. Hall." A ca. 1985, concrete ramp with a wooden balustrade leads from the sidewalk to

¹ Dwight J. and Mary E. Parker to the First Baptist Church of Boscobel, Warranty Deed, 6 April 1871, Grant County Deeds, 72:232; American Baptist Home Mission Society to Trustees for the First Baptist Church of Boscobel, Mortgage, 11 July 1871, Grant County Mortgages, 22:355.

² American Baptist Home Mission Society to John McDermott Grand Army of the Republic Post #101 and the John McDermott Corps #32 Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Quit Claim Deed, 11 July 1896, Grant County Deeds, 129:317-18; and Emma Hammond to John McDermott Grand Army of the Republic Post #101, Mortgage, 1 August 1896, Grant County Mortgages, 46:253.

³ Doris Cruckson, president, Woman's Relief Corps #32 and president, Boscobel G.A.R. Hall Preservationists, "The History of the Grand Army of the Republic Hall, 102 Mary Street, Boscobel, Wisconsin," prepared 2000, p. 3, on file, Boscobel G.A.R. Hall, Boscobel, Wisconsin.

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Boscobel, Grant County, Wisconsin

the hip-roofed front porch.⁴ The porch extends across the front façade and exhibits board flooring, simple posts, and plain rails. Its appearance largely dates from 1938, when the previous porch was widened, re-roofed, and its turned posts encased inside the existing square posts. The earlier porch, erected in 1896,⁵ possessed a flat roof, turned posts with spindled brackets, and a spindled frieze. The engaged, turned posts of the 1896 porch are still attached to the building. Prior to 1896, there was no porch.

A narrow door is found on the east corner of the south-facing (rear) façade (see photo 2). A small, wooden deck with a plain rail provides access to this door. A water pump stands on the deck, but is no longer operable. Two, regularly-spaced windows can be seen at the second story. An interior brick chimney with a corbelled top perches on the ridge of roof.

Each of the east- and west-facing facades originally displayed four, tall, multipaned windows, lighting what was then the nave of the First Baptist Church. In 1896, these were reduced with clapboards and the existing windows were installed, reflecting the division of the interior into two floors.⁶ The east-facing façade displays four windows at the first story (see photo 2). Three windows appear at the first story on the west-facing façade (see photo 3). Two windows are found at the second story on each facade.

As constructed, the interior of the First Baptist Church was a tall, open space. The Baptist congregation folded in 1879, leaving the building vacant. When the John McDermott Post #101 G.A.R. and Woman's Relief Corps #32 acquired the building in 1896, the interior was divided into two floors, with two rooms and a kitchen on the first floor, and a large meeting hall on the second floor.⁷ The current layout dates from the 1896 remodeling. The west front door opens into the foyer (see attached floor plans). A wooden, half-turn-with-landing staircase rises at the west end of the foyer, in the northeast corner of the plan (see photo 4). South of the foyer is the social hall (see photo 5). The front room (housing Civil War artifacts) lies east of the foyer, and can be entered directly from the exterior through the east front door. The kitchen is located in the southeast corner of the first floor, with a door leading onto the back porch (see photo 6; note the dry sink and original stove). A large meeting hall occupies most of the second floor (see photos 7 and 8, note pews from First Baptist Church). Near the center of the hall, drywall partitions erected in 1994 screen the furnace from view.⁸ A small office is tucked into the northeast corner of the plan. A closet, set between the stair hall and

⁴ Ibid., p. 5.

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ Ibid., p. 3.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid., p. 7.

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the office, is entered through the stair hall. Original broad, board flooring appears throughout. Wall finishes include paper, plaster, vertical board dado, and vertical board paneling called "railroad car siding," supposedly used by the railroads (see photo 8, far wall). The ceilings display board, plaster and paper finishes. Paneled wooden doors with porcelain knobs are found throughout the building. Some of the doors and surrounds are painted in imitation of wood graining, and the door into the meeting room retains its spy hole (see photo 9). Many furnishings original to the 1896 remodeling remain in place, including three cast iron stoves, a long dry sink in the kitchen, tables, chairs, and other items used by the G.A.R. members. The meeting hall also contains several plain wooden pews and an organ, used by the G.A.R. members, but acquired from the First Baptist Church. The Boscobel G.A.R. Hall is currently operated as a museum, and houses an extensive collection of artifacts, records and memorabilia from the Civil War, and the local chapters of the G.A.R., the Sons of Union Veterans, and the Woman's Relief Corps.

ALTERATIONS

The Boscobel G.A.R. Hall has suffered few alterations since it was remodeled for meeting hall use in 1896. The front porch was extensively remodeled in 1938, and a concrete ramp leading up to the porch was installed ca. 1985. Interior alterations have been limited to cosmetic changes, such as wall paper (1950s), and drywall partitions around the furnace on the second floor (1994). Although the Boscobel G.A.R. Hall is a modest building, it retains excellent integrity.

Post Matters.

Following are a number of interesting facts concerning the John McDermott Post of this city and also of the W. I. C. and their position. At their dedicatory supper and entertainment, \$45.00 was cleared, for which the two organizations are truly thankful.

John McDermott Post No. 101, Boscobel, Wis., was organized Aug. 7, 1883, with 44 charter members, nine of whom have died. Over 200 names appear on the rolls as having at one time or another been members of the organization. The present list of members includes 56 names.

The hall recently purchased and remodelled by the Post has necessitated an expenditure of \$725.00. Liabilities, still outstanding, including interest, \$325.00.

Graves decorated last Memorial day, 57.

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John McDermott W. I. C. No. 32, was organized Jan. 8, 1896, with 16 charter members, by Mrs. Dunlap, Ist. Dept. President. Two charter members have passed away. The present membership numbers 27.

Charity work for the past year about \$50.00.

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The John McDermott Post was named in honor of John McDermott, a young farmer residing in the town of Pennimore, who left the harvest-field in 1862 and organized Co. C, 20th. Wis. Inf., of which he was appointed Captain, and it was sufficiently drilled in six months as to be ready for service. He was killed at the battle of Prairie Grove, Mo., in Dec. 1862. The color bearer had been shot and the young captain fearlessly took his place but soon met the same fate. He fell near the log cabin of a man, who with his two sons, lay dead—victims of the skirmish. The wife and mother, frenzied by the sight of the dead ones so dear to her, sought to wreak her vengeance upon the "Yankees" by mutilating the body of the brave young captain but was restrained from doing very much harm. His comrades who were in attendance at the meeting were Nicholas Franzoso, Harvey Clark, Edward Smith and Jacob McLaughlin.

Post Matters (30 Dec 1896)



Clipped By:

griesel169

Thu, May 9, 2024

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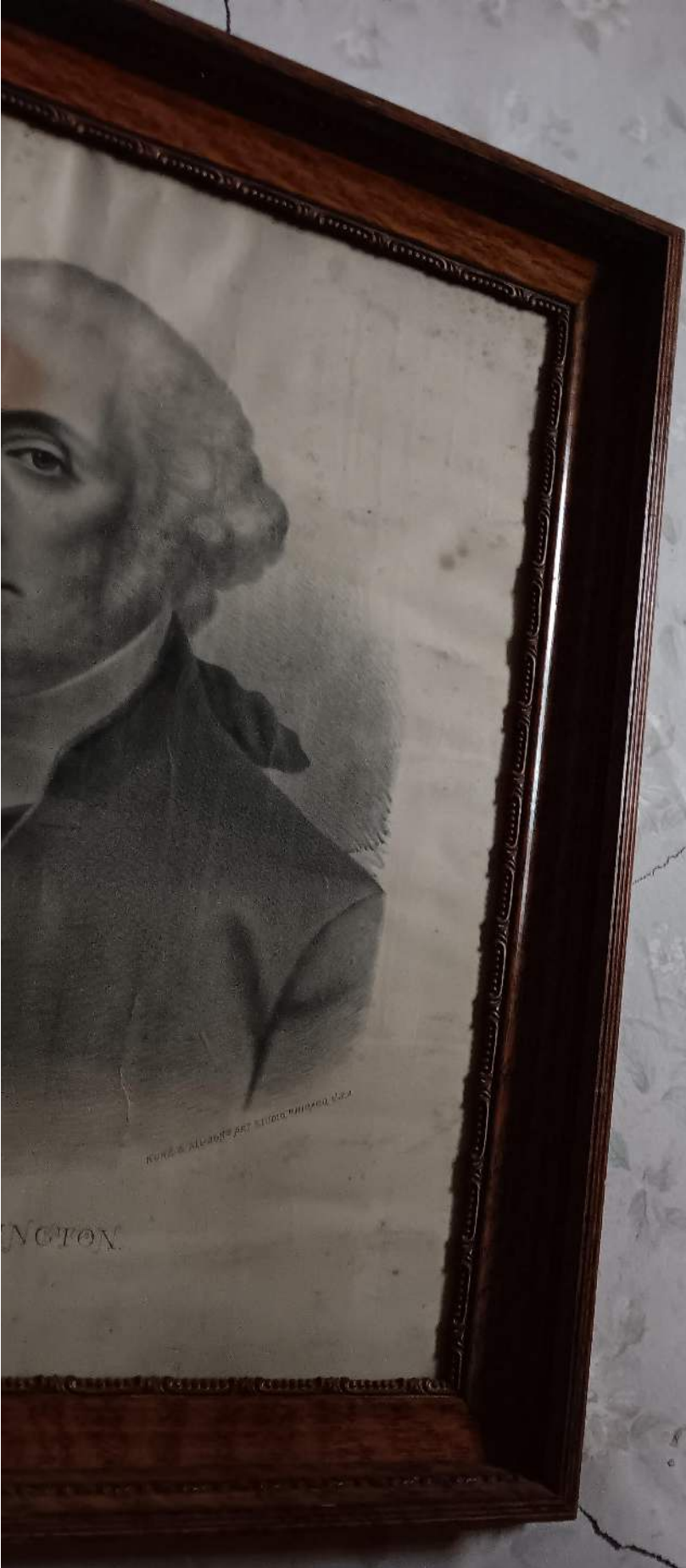




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CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

PLEASE:

- Type or print, using a ball-point pen, when filling out this form. Legibility is critical.
- 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 Monument with Cannon
 Monument without Sculpture Historical Marker Plaque

Affiliation

G. A. R. (Post Name & No. _____) M. O. L. L. U. S.
 W. R. C. (Corps Name & No. _____) Other Allied Order
 SUVCW (Camp Name & No. L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, Dept of WI) (Please describe below)
 DUVCW (Tent Name & No. _____)
 Other: _____

Original Dedication Date 1896 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

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 Street/Road address or site location 102 Mary Street
 City/Village Boscobel, WI Township _____ County Grant

The front of the Memorial faces: North South East West

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

Name Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Dept./Div. _____

Street Address 102 Mary Street

City Boscobel State WI Zip Code 53805

Contact Person Gary Young Telephone (608) 375-5765

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

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.) Wood Frame Building

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

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = _____

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 30' Width 40' Depth 100' 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 _____

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.

Environmental Setting

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

Type of Location

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input 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: <u>residential street</u> |
| <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)

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	Sculpture	Base
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)

	Sculpture	Base
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 ...	_____	_____

The foundation of this 130 year old structure is failing, and surrounding development over the years has made it the lowest point in the neighborhood, causing water to accumulate under the structure and deterioration of the structures

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)

This 130 year old GAR Hall, John McDermott Post #100, is suffering from foundation failure. L. G. Armstrong
Camp #49 has taken on the project to place the Hall on the National Register of Historic Sites, and acquire the
grants necessary (approximately \$200K) to put a proper foundation under the hall that ensures its future integrity,
restore the building architecturally to near its original look, and add restroom facilities to enhance its function as a
museum. The first step is to place the Hall on the National Register so as to qualify for the preservation grants.

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. **A brief summary is attached.**

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey January 16, 2003

Your Name Gary W. Young

Address 1004 Chestnut Street City Boscobel

State WI Zip Code 53805 Telephone 

Please send this completed form to:

Todd A. Shillington, PCC



Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
 National Civil War Memorials Committee

John McDermott Post #101 Grand Army of the Republic Hall

Boscobel, Grant County, Wisconsin

This is the last GAR Hall in Wisconsin, one of only three left in the Midwest. It has an uninterrupted history going back to 1896. It still serves as a meeting Hall for the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.



John McDermott Post #101 Grand Army of the Republic Hall Boscobel, Wisconsin

The Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc. is a small non-profit corporation formed with the primary objective of preserving and maintaining as a museum the John McDermott Post #101 Grand Army of the Republic Hall located at 102 Mary Street in Boscobel, Wisconsin. This organization grew out of the Woman's Relief Corps #32, Boscobel, the original conservators of the Hall. The GAR Hall is the last remaining GAR Hall in Wisconsin, and one of only three remaining in the Upper Midwest.

John McDermott Post #101, Grand Army of the Republic was formed in 1883, with Dr. L. G. Armstrong as its first Commander. The Post was named after Captain John McDermott, Commander of Co. C of the 20th Wisconsin Infantry Regiment. Captain McDermott was fatally wounded while trying to save the colors at the battle of Prairie Grove, AR, December 7, 1862. He was subsequently awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. By 1896 this Post of Civil War veterans had purchased a small Baptist Church building to serve as their meeting place, and that survives today as The Grand Army of the Republic Hall Museum.

John Stahel Camp #34, Sons of Union Veterans was organized in Boscobel, 1897 in support of the Hall. It was later reorganized as L. G. Armstrong Camp #49. By the 1920's there were no active GAR members left, and participation by the Sons of Union Veterans dropped off. Camp #49 surrendered its charter in 1927. Fortunately John McDermott Post #101 Woman's Relief Corps #32 was strong and dedicated. As an Allied Order of the GAR, they became the conservators of the GAR property, Hall and artifacts. WRC #32 has met continuously in the Hall since 1896 – 108 years of unbroken dedication and service. Those ladies and the members of the Preservationists have maintained the Hall and preserved the associated GAR artifacts for over 75 years. They have been joined by L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, chartered in January of 2003. This Camp is focused on the maintenance and preservation of the Hall, and meets in the Hall monthly.

At this time (August, 2004) the Hall structure is threatened by age and environmental challenges. The oldest structure in the neighborhood, it has become as a result of over a century of development around it, the lowest point in the neighborhood. Therefore, water continuously collects in the crawl space under the structure. Due in part to the water problem, the quarry stone foundation which was simply laid on a bed of sand, is failing and the building has begun to sag noticeably, threatening the integrity of the structure.

In consultation with local engineers and preservation groups, and based on my own experience as an Officer in Charge of Construction in the U. S. Navy, it was determined that the best solution to these structural challenges would be to place a basement under the structure to ensure its integrity for the NEXT 100 years. As that is a major construction issue, it was determined that as a part of that process it would be desirable to bring water and sewer into the site, add a lean-to to the back of the Hall (in accordance

with Historic Register requirements that would permit basement access without violating the integrity of the Hall itself, and provide space for a restroom, enhancing its status as a museum and better supporting the organizations that use it today as a meeting place (Son of Union Veterans of the Civil War, John McDermott Post #100 Woman's Relief Corps #32, Armistead-Bingham 1862 Masonic Lodge of Research, and the 1st Wisconsin Cavalry, Co. D). In addition, this project would enable us to remove the furnace/air conditioner room from the 2nd floor meeting hall to the basement. This would alleviate the floor load challenges it presents and facilitate full restoration of the 2nd floor meeting hall.

Failure to act in the near future to these structural challenges hazards the viability of the Hall. The grant of money by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at the 2004 National Encampment provides the point of departure to get this project started and save John McDermott Post #101 Grand Army of the Republic Hall. L. G. Armstrong Camp #49 is proud to take the lead in this most worthy endeavor in support of our heritage.

Prepared 15 August, 2004 by
Gary W. Young
Secretary, L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, SUVCW, Department of Wisconsin

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL FUND REQUEST

(FORM CWM #62)
Requester Information

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(Please print or type)

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PHONE(S): 608-375-5765 E-MAIL: Camp_49@mchsi.com

Memorial or Monument Information

NAME OF MEMORIAL: John McDermott Post #101 Grand Army of the Republic Hall

LOCATION: (Name and address of cemetery or other location description, such as, corner of 3rd and Lincoln Street) _____

102 Mary Street, Boscobel, Wisconsin

WHEN WAS IT BUILT: 1871, purchased and converted by John McDermott Post #101 GAR 1896

WHO OWNS IT: Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc. a 501(c) (3) corporation

WHO IS FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR IT: Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc.

*From CWM 61 lead
Database # 4WI4
John Phillips 21 Aug 2004*

ARE MATCHING FUNDS AVAILABLE: NO FROM WHERE: _____

ARE OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE: YES FROM WHERE: Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc in addition to this grant request

AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED: \$1,500

DESCRIBE WORK THAT THESE FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR: (Be specific, use back if necessary)

Gary W. Young, Secretary of L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, is the Preservationist's designated agent to submit for and administer grants to the purpose of Hall preservation. The Hall foundation is crumbling and major work needs be done to repair this and restore the Hall with improvements to make it a more viable Museum and repository of artifacts related to the GAR and the Civil War. The purpose of this request is to help fund the initial process of placing the Hall on the National List of Historic places. Specifically, it will help fund the architect's drawings/plans required by the Wisconsin Historical Society to place the Hall on their list and nominate the Hall to the National authority. A motion to fund this was approved by the assembled delegates at the 123rd National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War at Cedar Rapids, IA.

WHO EVALUATED THE NEED FOR THE WORK AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: Gary W. Young, Secretary of L. G. Armstrong Camp #49 and designated grant writer for the Hall owners.

WHO WILL DO THE WORK DESCRIBED AND WHAT ARE THEIR QUALIFICATIONS: The architect will be one recommended by the Jeffris Foundation based on our initial contacts.

WHO WILL RECEIVE THE FUNDS IF GRANTED: L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, 1004 Chestnut Street, Boscobel Wisconsin 53805

Todd Shillington

From: "Todd Shillington" <coh94nyv@rochester.rr.com>
To: "Camp 49 SUVCW" <Camp_49@mchsi.com>
Cc: <SUVNATTRES@aol.com>; "Stephen Michaels" <steve_michaels@metronetworks.com>; "Ron Aronis" <secretary@suvchw-wi.org>; "Daniel Chroninger" <Daniel.Chroninger@wi.usda.gov>; "Tom Truog" <truogins@mwt.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2004 7:12 AM
Subject: Re: Memorial Funds Request

Dear Brother Gary,

Yes, the Form which you have sent me, CWM # 62 Civil War Memorial Fund Request, is required under normal, and these special circumstances, to obtain funds from the memorial restoration fund. These are special circumstances because the Encampment voted to approve the funds, not just the members of the committee.

Under normal funds requests, to obtain my endorsement, *another* form is also required. This additional form is CWM#61, memorial assessment form, which can be obtained on request from me, or by going to this webpage: <http://suvchw.org/ftp/memorial.pdf> .

Since this is not the normal way we approve funds for memorial restoration, I believe it is possible that C-in-C Steve Michaels could rule that a submission of form CWM#61 (assessment) is not required. As C-in-C Steve is copied in on this, the matter will be brought to his attention.

Regardless of how this is decided, please submit to me a completed copy of Form CWM#61 as soon as possible. I realize, of course that this is not what is normally considered a memorial, but to me, and many others, a G.A.R. Hall is very much a memorial, and needs preservation as much as any monument or cannon.

Good luck in your preservation efforts! We have two G.A.R. Halls in New York that we are working to preserve, and I know something of what you are doing.

Sincerely in F, C, & L,

Todd Shillington, PDC
 Nat'l C.W. Memorials Officer

----- Original Message -----

From: Camp 49 SUVCW
To: coh94nyv@rochester.rr.com
Cc: SUVNATTRES@aol.com ; Stephen Michaels ; Ron Aronis ; Daniel Chroninger ; Tom Truog
Sent: Sunday, August 15, 2004 3:10 PM
Subject: Memorial Funds Request

Dear Brother Shillington,
 Attached is a memorial fund request as approved at the National Encampment in Cedar Rapids, yesterday, 12 August. I was advised by C-in-C Michaels National Treasurer Newman that submission via your committee was required before Brother Newman could cut us a check.

A hard copy will go in the USPS tomorrow.
 In FCL,
 Gary W. Young, Secretary
 L. G. Armstrong Camp #49, Department of Wisconsin

Todd Shillington

From: "Todd Shillington" <coh94nyv@rochester.rr.com>
To: "Camp 49 SUVCW" <Camp_49@mchsi.com>
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Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2004 1:41 PM
Subject: Boscobel G.A.R. Hall funds

To: Brother Gary Young, Sec'y, L. G. Armstrong Camp No. 49, Boscobel, Wisconsin

Dear Brother Gary,

I received in yesterday's mail the paperwork you submitted in support of the grant of funds approved by the National Encampment for the Boscobel G.A.R. Hall. All appears to be in order, and the funds request meets the requirement of having submitted a memorial assessment with the National Civil War Memorials Officer.

I will forward the request to Bob Petrovic, the senior member of the Grant Fund Committee for further action.

You have taken on a large task, but are doing the work of the Order, and I wish you success. If I may be of assistance, please do not hesitate to ask.

In F, C, & L,

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JOHN MCDERMOTT POST #101 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC HALL

15 August, 2004

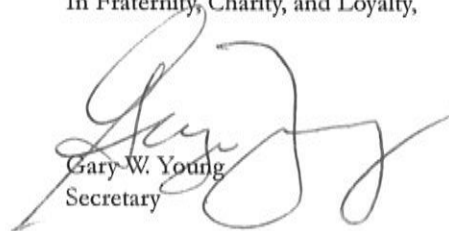
Todd A. Shillington, PCC, Chair
National Committee on Civil War Memorials, SUVCW
15 Park Place
Holley, NY 14470-1022

Dear Brother Shillington:

Enclosed are two copies of a Memorial Funds request prepared pursuant to a motion approved yesterday at the National Encampment in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. This submission is a follow-up to my e-mail of earlier today.

It is recognized that this is not the standard "bricks and mortar" and "designated vendor" request related to your committee's work. However, it is submitted via your committee at the direction of PCC Kent Armstrong, with the advice and consent of Commander-in-Chief Michaels and National Treasurer Newman. Should there be any other necessary pieces missing from this request, please advise via e-mail so I might get that to you expeditiously.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



Gary W. Young
Secretary