

US Grant Camp Meeting

9 January, 2012

d.dooley's 026, Fenton, MO.

Present: Cmdr Mark Coplin, PCC; SVC James Egbert; Sec-Treas Walt Busch, PDC; Marty Aubuchon, PCC; Bob Amsler, PCC; Bob Petrovic, PDC; C-in-C Don Palmer, PDC; Dan Jackon, PCC (for about 5 minutes); guests: Dennis Hannon (representing his son, Miceal, who is in sports practice); Gail Egbert.

Prior to conducting official business, new challenge coins passed out and some bills paid in relation to them. Monies taken in from sales of coins, name tags, and dues.

1. Opening Ceremonies by Commander Coplin at 7:01 PM.
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Reading and approval of November and December minutes. Motion to accept by Marty Aubuchon and seconded by Bob Petrovic. Passed on voice vote.

4. Treasurer's Report

Currently:	Inks Cemetery	\$341.42	For Cemetery Clean-up
	Geo Williams Fund	\$670.40	For JR ROTC Program Awards
	SVR Fund	\$124.50	For paying for member SVR dues
	Total Committed Funds	\$1,136.32	
	Total Checking Acct	\$1,745.50	
	Total Savings Acct	\$ 396.22	
	Undeposited Checks	\$ -0-	
	Cash	\$ -0-	
	Total Assests	\$2,141.72	

Walt reported that once he gets his Visa bill that he will be owed around \$650 for paying for the Grant coin shipment. He is concerned that we will need about \$986 to pay per capita this year and with the above \$650 that it might take a while for the next coin to come out.

[Note 1: Taken in prior to the meeting and up to 1/15/2012 is \$426.06 and spent is \$22.87 for coin shipment]

[Note 2: Besides some donations that are tax deductible being taken in, Cmdr Coplin suggested to Walt after the meeting that maybe we can raise temporary funds by use of a Loyalty Bond. Maybe we need to discuss this if we really want to get all the coins out this year.]

After discussion, the camp agreed to let Walt call for when we can order the next coin. If we have to temporarily loan money from one account to another, to do so. Walt thought that if we

got a few sales at the Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet, we might be able to place an order in March for the 4th coin.

Bob Petrovic made motion and Marty Aubuchon 2nd to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit.

5. **Secretary Report:**

Unpaid Members as of 1/15/2012

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Walt's Projects Since November 2011

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- 12-27 Walt added info on unknown Major James Wilson, Salem, Liberty, Foster, McPherson and Lookout Posts
- 12-28 Info on Last Soldier Isaac Henry. GAR Posts: Herron 161, Wilson 189, Fordland 249, Dixon 355 Arthur 299, Houston 339, Boone 257, Harrison 386, Norwood 274, Pardee 352, Edward Wray 209, Marshfield 225
- 1-4-12 New GAR Posts added: 276 Brun, 203 Brokaw, 166 Minkey, 113 New Cambria, 110 McKee, 108 Davis, 97 Boomer, 38 Forbes, 6 Garfield.

6. Commander's Report

- a. Lt. Charlie Funck's funeral was attended by Don Palmer, Marty Aubuchon and John Avery. Sent message to Ruth expressing sympathy
 - b. Gary Scheel asked to be removed from SVR list. Forward to SVR unit
 - c. Need articles for next Hardscrabble.
 - d. Thanks to Don and Kim Palmer for Christmas meeting
7. Senior Vice and Junior Vice Reports – None. Commander went over some SVC duties for James Egbert and advised he want him to run a meeting or two this year.
8. Department Report:
9. Old Business:
- a. Ink's Cemetery – Spring Clean-up
 - b. Grant Coins: 3rd one is in. 4th picture picked out, but Bob Amsler still wants to try to Get Kunstler to allow us to use a likeness of his Wilderness picture. Bob Amsler to check on that, if not we go with option we already picked.
10. New Business:
- a. Set up calendar for the year.
Meetings 2nd Monday of Every Month – At least til April at d.dooley's 026, Fenton, MO
Feb 25 - Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet
Feb 26 – Sherman Day, Calvary Cemetery
Mar 10 – Dept Business Meeting, Capitol Bldg, Jefferson City
Apr 14 – Lincoln Remembrance Day – Springfield, IL- 10 am

28 May - Memorial Day, Jefferson Barracks

Jun 2 – Department Encampment – Ste. Genevieve, MO – Creole House

Jun 9 – Salute to the Soldiers – Lincoln Tomb, Springfield, IL

Jul 21 – Grant Remembrance Day – US Grant NHS (White Haven)

Aug 9 – 12 – National Encampment – Los Angeles, CA

Sep 29 – Civil War Day in Ste. Genevieve, MO (Proposed 150th Event – St. James Camp)

Oct 5 & 6 – Central Region Association /Allied Orders Meeting - Springfield, IL

Oct 20 - Dept. Business Meeting (actual date and location to be determined)

Nov 17 – Remembrance Day , Gettysburg, PA

Dec 10 – Christmas Party

Marty Aubuchon brought up us possibly sponsoring a 150th signature event in October at Palmyra. “The Palmyra Massacre” where Union General McNeil shot several people who aided bushwhackers. Marty will check with Tom Jett to see if Palmyra will be hosting an event that we can tie into.

- b. New Member: on motion from Marty Aubuchon and seconded by Bob Amsler, Micael Hannon was voted into membership.
11. Meeting Closed with Prayer at 8:20 PM

Secretary Report

1/9/2012

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US Grant Camp Meeting Minutes

12/13/2011

Greenbriar Country Club

Kirkwood, MO 63122

Present: C-in-C Don Palmer, Bob Petrovic, Mark Coplin, Marty Aubuchon, Bob Amsler, and Walt Busch. Other SUV members present: Dept Commander Chris Warren. Cher Petrovic and Twyla Warren of the ASUV were also present along with other guests.

Dinner

Program by Chris and Twyla Warren on the Macklinds.

Swearing in Ceremony

Closing Ceremony

Good time had by all, except Walt had to go home sick before concluding ceremonies.

US Grant Camp Meeting Minutes

11/14/2011

d.dooleys026 Bar & Grill

Fenton, MO 63026

Present: Commander Dan Jackson, James Egbert JVC, Walt Busch, PDC Sec-Treas, Mike Woulfe, Mark Coplin Chaplain, Marty Aubuchon, Bob Petrovic, Natl CofA member and guest Gail Egbert. C-in-C Don Palmer was fashionably late in showing up.

Income rec'd prior to the meeting: Check from Don Martin for name tag \$11.00 and \$15 for sesquicentennial badge from Mike Woulfe.

Prior to meeting – Set up holding this room with d.dooleys026 for the 2nd Monday of the month from Jan – April.

Meeting was convened at 7:04 pm with Chaplain Mark Coplin saying the prayer and leading the pledge.

October minutes were read and on a motion from Marty Aubuchon and a 2nd from Mike Woulfe were passed.

At 7:12 pm C-in-C Don Palmer showed up.

Commander Jackson advised he had no report and apologized for not sending out a meeting reminder. He then asked about the sick and distressed. Walt gave an update on his brother David. Dwight Prade's name was brought up. Chaplain said he would check on him.

No other officer's reports.

Reports from Various Branches of the Organization

National - Don Palmer advised he and Bob Petrovic would be going to Gettysburg for Remembrance Day. Bob Petrovic complained about the lack of updates for the national website.

Department – Marty Aubuchon reported that the department met on Oct 15. He mentioned that the department has an archiving policy now. This brought up discussion by Walt since he holds most of the camp records. He thinks we can just scan the majority of them and then give them to an archives. He will start working on this soon. Bob Petrovic advised that the Department Encampment will be in Farmington probably at the Tradition Inn on June 2, 2012.

Sons of Veterans Reserve: Marty Aubuchon reported that Sherman Day (Feb 25?) is coming up and all members should try to attend. Bob Petrovic mentioned that the School of the Piece may not be held this year in Wisconsin (rotates between Mo and Wi yearly) due to insurance. More to follow on that.

Committees:

Marty Aubuchon brought up the idea about having a sesquicentennial event in July at White Haven for Grant Death Day. Walt was against it as it is really not a 150th anniversary event but rather a remembrance event. The group decided that we should work toward holding only events that commemorate 150th as sesquicentennial.

ROTC –Commander Jackson reported that he has not received any correspondence from the Marine ROTC at Pacific, MO so we are still just going to support the Marquette and Lafayette programs.

Old Business.

Bob Petrovic reported that he turned in the 3rd coin a while back, but called Emblematics this past week to find out if it was going to be completed by the 15th of Nov as promised. They had lost the order. New anticipated delivery is before Christmas.

Inks Cemetery -- Bob Petrovic and Marty Aubuchon checked on it on Oct 15 after the Dept meeting and gave a report. Walt advised them to submit a bill for time against the account.

Christmas Party – Marty Aubuchon reported that the speakers will be Chris & Twyla Warren on Lt & Mrs. Macklind. All approved. Room booked at Greenbriar County Club for Tuesday, December 13 after 6:00 PM. Interested members and their guests are to e-mail Kim Palmer at pondook@aol.com

Mark Coplin gave Walt the name tag for our new real son member, Herb. Walt said he would get it to him.

New Business

Central Region Association Conference – 1st Weekend of October. Grant Camp is sponsoring it in Springfield, IL. Bob Petrovic and Walt Busch will work on it. Marty to check for a speaker. Bob for a hotel. Walt just hoping Chinese food is involved.

Life Member Austin Hooper – Walt brought up that the camp gets \$4 for Austin's membership, but we have to turn in a request to national. He recommended that with National in bad budgetary shape we donate the money back to them. Mike Woulfe seconded. Passed on voice vote.

Dues. Walt made motion that next year's dues stay the same \$35 or \$38 if willing to pay into the SVR fund. Marty Aubuchon seconded. Passed on voice vote.

Election – Bob Petrovic declining commander position. After some discussion and Walt momentarily having his hopes raised that someone else would take over Sec-Treas, Mark Coplin decided accept the nomination. Election was then held. No other candidates for any position were announced Secretary to cast 1 vote for each unopposed position. 2nd by Mark Coplin and passed on voice vote.

New Officers: Commander – Mark Coplin

SVC – James Egbert

JVC – Bob Aubuchon

Council: Bob Amsler, Dan Jackson and Mike Woulfe.

Lincoln Tomb report by Bob Petrovic indicated that a sword has been stolen from the monument. He will follow up on it and we may offer some monetary assistance.

8:27 pm. Chaplain/Commander elect Mark Coplin led us in prayer.

US Grant Camp #68

13 Feb 2012

d.dooleys 026, Fenton, MO

Present: Cmdr Mark Coplin, PCC; Bob Petrovic, PDC; Martin Aubuchon, PCC; Walt Busch, PDC; C-in-C Don Palmer; Future Member Dennis Hannon (joined after meeting); and Bob Aubuchon, who showed up 8:10.

Guest: Mike Hudson

Opening Ceremonies conducted at 7:04 PM by Cmdr Coplin

Minutes of January meeting were read. Motion by Bob Petrovic to approve and seconded by Martin Aubuchon. Passed on voice vote.

Treasurer's Report (attached): Walt advised one correction. It shows the incorrect cash on hand. Shows \$146 and should be \$78. This is a field that doesn't automatically update and he forgot to change it. Motion to approved subject to audit by Martin Aubuchon and second by Bob Petrovic. Passed on voice vote.

Commander's Report:

- a. Sent condolence to Ruth Funck in regard to loss of husband, Charles.
- b. Contacted Sherman Camp commander Joe Difani. Sherman and Grant camps will possibly march together on Memorial Day. He advised he has a PA system. [Marty advised then that he has one also]. Grant camp is the host this year. Intervets meeting is 2nd weekend of March to coordinate the entire event. [Department meeting also on that weekend].
- c. Contacted Brother John Avery about his ability to attend Memorial Day. Asked to check into costs for horse to draw hearse again.
- d. Commander needs articles for the Hardscrabble.
- e. Talked to step father regarding making an informational talk at the Central Region Meeting. He will not be able to attend.

No Senior or Junior Vice-Commander Reports.

Department Report. Walt advised Department meeting is March 10 in Jefferson City. Also that he plans to make a proposal for the department website to be updated using an outside person.

National Report: Don, not much going on.

Old Business:

Ink's Cemetery Clean Up – April, Comdr to set date.

ROTC – No updates. Walt however made a motion that we do away with the “fund” dedicated to the program as it ties up too much money. He motioned further that the even though doing away with the fund that we, as a camp stay committed to at least two ROTC programs as long as the schools desire it. Bob Petrovic seconded. Passes on voice vote.

Grant Coins – With the passage of the above motion, we now have sufficient funds to complete purchases of the entire set of coins. Bob Petrovic advised that coin #4 had been ordered. Bob made a motion to order coin # 5. Seconded by Walt. Passed on voice vote.

Sherman Day – February 26. Marty advised he will be attending.

Swap Meet - February 25 at Jeff Barracks. Marty and Bob Petrovic will work in morning. Walt will be there around noon.

Grant Death Day – White Haven – July 21 – Walt to send Don previous speech. [Done]

April 14 – Lincoln Remembrance Day, Springfield, IL. : Bob Petrovic – People haven’t been signing up. A lot of the reason has to do with the Banner not putting in the information in a timely fashion.

October 6 – Central Region Association meeting in Springfield IL. Our camp is hosting. Bob Petrovic will be having more information shortly.

New Business:

Palmyra Massacre Sesquicentennial – Palmyra is working on an event. Marty working with a local reenactor to see if our camp will sponsor it as a SUV Sesquicentennial Event.

Walt: Fletcher Camp Commander Doug Roussin is selling off a lot of his GAR & SUV memorabilia including a lot of swords. Any member wanting info can contact Walt for Doug’s email.

Mike Hudson: Commented that a Tennessee school board is attempting to remove issues about slavery & the phrase “Civil War” from their history text books.

Meeting Closed at 8:40 PM by Commander Coplin.

Next Meeting: 12th March --- Presentation on Family Research by Commander Coplin.

US GRANT CAMP #68 SONS OF UNION VETERANS - MISSOURI

DATE	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Amount Rec'd	Amount Paid Out	Montgomery	Montgomery	On Statements
1/14/2012	Cash	From Marty for Medallion Sale	\$10.00				
1/14/2012	5332	Martin R Aubuchon Donation	\$100.00				
1/9/2012	Cash	Bob Amsler Donation & SVR Dues	\$10.00				
1/9/2012	Cash	From Coin Sales	\$140.00				
1/9/2012	1127	Cobey Check for Name Tags	\$49.00				
1/9/2012	1419	Egbert Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
1/9/2012	9343	Petrovic Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
1/9/2012	4815	Palmer Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
1/9/2012	395	Petrovic for Shipping Coins		-\$22.87	-\$22.87		1/31/12
12/30/2011	INT	Interest	\$0.06			\$0.06	12/31/11
1/9/2012	Cash	Hannon SVR Dues	\$3.00				
1/20/2012	DEP	Deposit			\$426.00		1/31/12
1/20/2012	396	Walt Busch Reimburse for Challenge Coin Payment		-\$641.20	-\$641.20		1/31/12
2/6/2012	2814	Barney Combs Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
2/6/2012	208	Steven Leicht Dues, SVR Dues & \$2.00 Donation	\$40.00				
2/13/2012	DEP	Deposit			\$78.00		2/29/2012
2/14/2012	4139	Dennis Hannon assoc mem dues and init fee	\$45.00				
2/14/2012	447	SUVCW OHIO Camp name tags	\$58.00				
2/14/2012	8852	Mike Woulife Membership Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
2/16/2012	3013	Harold Hunt Check for dues & SVR	\$38.00				
2/16/2012	7258	Robt McDonald Membership Dues & SVR	\$38.00				
2/16/2012	1449	John McAtee Dues & SVR	\$38.00				
2/22/2012	2761	Koontz Coin Set	\$75.00				
2/25/2012	1623	Burke \$25 shirt, Coin Set and 150th Medal	\$115.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	\$15 to Bob Petrovic for 150th medal sold above		-\$15.00			
2/25/2012	Cash	Logan Medal Sold	\$10.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	XL Shirt Sold	\$25.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	Donation from Martin Aubuchon	\$5.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	Donation from Walt Busch	\$2.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	James Sullivan Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
2/25/2012	Cash	Coin Set Sale	\$75.00				
2/25/2012	397	Mo SUV for sale of one Logan Medal		-\$8.00	-\$8.00		
2/25/2012	5722	Chris Hunter Dues & SVR Dues	\$38.00				
2/27/2012	DEP	Deposit			\$623.00		2/29/2012
3/6/2012	168	Hinderberger Dues	\$35.00				
3/6/2012	4498	Kennedy Dues & SVR	\$38.00				
TOTALS			\$10,073.61	-\$7,174.55	\$2,200.43	\$396.28	

TOTAL Check & Savings \$2,596.71

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$301.52
Geo Williams Fund	\$670.40
SVR Fund	\$160.50
Total	\$1,132.42

Estimate of Dues to pay to National if all pay \$23 x 28 = 644.00
 Estimate of Dues to pay to state if all pay \$6 x 28 = 168.00
 Total Needed for Per Capita \$812.00

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$2,200.43
Total Savings	\$396.28
Undeposited Checks & Cash	
Total	\$2,596.71

Committed Funds \$1,132.42
Uncommitted Funds \$1,464.29

SECRETARIE'S REPORT

Only Dan Jackson, Jim Hubbard and Hunter Kelley have not renewed. Membership stands at 30.

Walt attended JB Swap meet on 2/25.

Walt attended Department meeting on 3/10

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d.Dooley's 026
Fenton, MO

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Opening Ceremony at 7:02 PM led by Cmdr Coplin

Minutes of February Meeting Read and passed on voice vote motion by Bob P. and second by Marty.

Treasurer Report. Walt reports additional \$122 taken in that the report does not reflect. Motion to accept report pending audit made by Bob P. and seconded by Dan. Passed on voice vote.

Commander's Report

- a. Contacted Joe Difani about meeting him. Have not heard back from him. Will see if we can meet with the Sherman Camp at their next meeting. Cmdr. Will not be present at Memorial Day.
- b. Still have not head back form John Avery about his ability to attend Memorial Day or the cost of the horse.
- c. Cmdr still needing articles for Hardscrabble. Please help. He will be beginning medical leave on 3/13 so he may be able to work on it then.

PRESENTATION – Cmdr gave presentation on doing family research on the web.

Senior Vice Commander – No report

Junior Vice Commander - Bob gave brief statement about 2 people from Maryland.

Department Report

- a. Covered the flagpole damage at Sherman's grave. Camp expressed interested in helping if it is a SUV project.
- b. Walt reported new camp (Sigel) in the Rolla area
- c. Department encampment will be in Ste. Genevieve at the Creole House.
- d. Gary Scheel, a former Grant Camp commander and current member of the St. James Camp, is desiring to serve the department as JVC. Has issue that he could only make reports for the meetings and not normally attend. Camp would support his nomination.
- e. Marty Aubuchon will be running for Department Commander. Cmdr Coplin to prepare letter of endorsement to be sent to department camps.

National Report

- a. Don has been in Washington DC for Lincoln Birthday Programs
- b. He was at the California Department Encampment and commented on how professionally it was run. Bob P. and Walt then briefly discussed issues as to why the Missouri Encampment is being scaled down..
- c. Walt considering running for Council of Administration in 2013.

SVR Report --- No Updates according to Capt Amsler. Lt Aubuchon working on membership roster and dues.

Old Business

- a. Ink's Cemetery. Shooting for Clean-up on April 7th at 1pm.
- b. ROTC – Coming up, but have not been contacted yet this year by schools.
- c. Grant Coins. All 5 ready to go. Will have all 5 to give out by April meeting. Bob Amsler reports that Mort Kunstler finally gave the OK to use his artwork for the Wilderness coin, but it was too late as the other had gone to press.
- d. Grant Death Day – 10 am. In July. Marty taking lead.
- e. April- Lincoln Remembrance Day – Bob P says registrants are way down.
- f. October – Central Region Association meeting in Springfield, IL. Walt and Bob P. working on planning event. Talked Bob Amsler in to giving a talk on Using Social Media to Recruit.

New Business

- a. Walt reports that he found a picture of Grant's home in Soulard at the MHS archives. It also showed the address. Walt was wondering if the group might want to work with NPS to have some sort of SUV plaque at the location. Walt would check with NPS White Haven to see if they are interested in us funding such a plaque. We could fund it out of some of the money from our coin sales. Marty Aubuchon made a motion for Walt to proceed with efforts and report back. Seconded by Dan Jackson. Passed on voice vote.
- b. Comment was made that Texas Roadhouse will give 10% of proceeds if we get people to come on a specific day. No motion made.
- c. Bob Aubuchon reports need to update website. Walt said it had been and Bob pointed out that the officers still needed to be updated. Walt said he forgot and will get that taken care of.
- d. Need to order some past camp commander badges Dan Jackson doesn't have one and next commander after Mark will need one.
- e. Discussion on noisy room and need to find quieter place to meet. O'Leahry's was one of the places suggested. [Walt checked out and they want too much money]. Any thoughts?

Motion to close by Dan Jackson at 8:25 and seconded by Bob Amsler.

NEXT MEETING APRIL 9 7:00 PM SAME LOCATION

Genealogy Research 2012

- ❖ Start with yourself and your immediate family. Sometimes that's hard enough. Many times family members who don't care where they came from won't help much if at all. Start with a paper and pencil. File folders can also be helpful.
- ❖ Branch out to distant relatives. Phone calls emails or letters to an Aunt or Uncle. Look into a very distant relative. 3rd cousin in Texas. A lot of letter writing or emailing. Still paper and pencil unless you want to get a Genealogy Program – Ancestry.com - Family Tree Maker.
- ❖ Start searching in Historical Societies. Emails and Letters! Slow – but be patient. Also be prepared to pay some money. Either you can join their Society for a nominal fee or you can pay for their services.
- ❖ Check to see if you're name was spelled differently hundreds of years ago. My name is Coplin, but my ancestors were Copelind. On my mothers side her grandfather's name was Hyland, but in government records it is also spelled Highland, Hiland, and Hylan. On my father's side his mother's maiden name was Van Hornbeeck. But now the records show it as Hornbeck or Hornback. Also notice the Van was dropped. It can get confusing. The key here is to verify dates closely. When did they come over and from what country?
- ❖ Be prepared to step on toes. This occurs when your data doesn't fit the data of someone else. Be prepared to defend yourself. My father was adopted by his aunt. His biological mother was his aunt's sister. He did not find out till he was 69 years old. My father had one half brother and two half sisters. Just imagine how they felt when you change their family tree at the branch. It can be upsetting and can lead to hard feelings. It lead to a heart attack for my dad.
- ❖ Internet – A great tool once you have hit some roadblocks. Ancestry.com has a website for Union and Confederate descendents. I have a page set up and have found two relatives using the page. They found me. You can also run searches on the web for other persons who are running searches for person with your last name. Fees could be required. Genealogy is still one of the number one moneymakers on the web.

- ❖ International – If you can find out where your ancestors came from then you can email or write to the towns in that country. It is very slow. And may not be correct. When I type in Coplin or Copelind into the programs it cannot give me an area of the world the name came from.
- ❖ Scanner- This can help you if you use a program. Many of the programs today have a section for photos. This can give a face to the voices of the past.
- ❖ Take breaks. Don't think you can figure your family tree out in a week. I have been working on my families trees (Three of them) for going on 15 years. I have gotten back to the 1200's on one side and the 1400's on another side of the family. With my current work on my home I have taken a rest. I took a rest from research about 5 years ago. If you don't rest once and awhile you will burn out and stop doing any research at all.
- ❖ Lastly - Have fun – Don't make Family Tree research a job. It is a hobby. If you get good at it you can make it a job – but I for one am not interested in digging around in other peoples problems.

US Grant Camp Meeting

April 9, 2012

d.dooley's 026

Fenton, MO

Money Collected Before Hand:

\$35 from Marty Aubuchon for picture Walt donated to raise funds.

\$25 from Mark Coplin for Horse/Hearse donation

\$9 from Check/Wade for Badge

\$11 from Check/Enderlin for Badge

\$20 from Check/St Andrew for Badge

\$5 from guest Mike Hudson/donation

\$20 from Bob Aubuchon/donation

\$200 from coin sales

\$20 from Dennis Hannon /donation Total \$345

Present: Cmdr. Mark Coplin, SVC James Egbert, JVC Bob Aubuchon (left before start of meeting), Sec/Treas Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic, Martin Aubuchon, Dennis and Micael Hannon, C-in-C Don Palmer, Dan Jackson **Guests:** Gayle Egbert, Cher Petrovic, Mike Hudson

Opening Ceremony at 7:03 PM led by Mark Coplin

Reading of Minutes. Motion by Bob P and 2nd by Marty Aubuchon. Passed acceptance by voice vote.

Secretary report. Motion to approve by Bob P and 2nd by Marty. Passed by voice vote. Treasurer report motion to approve subject to audit by Bob P and second by Marty. Passed on voice vote.

Commander's Report.

1. Have not had time to contact/meet with Joe DiFani/Sherman Camp yet.
2. Horse for memorial day looks like a go with the donations we've taken in since last meeting and tonite.
Walt commented that he cannot make the memorial day service and someone else needs to give the talk. Cmdr will see if Marty or John Avery interested in doing talk and Capt Amsler to MC event.
3. Have not been able to work on Hardscrabble newsletter
4. Will not be attending Lincoln Ceremony due to work.
5. Did not make it to Growlers to check about better rooms and renewing our relationship. Walt said he checked on O'Leary's and they want \$250 for the room regardless and also advised that he has signed us up with dDooleys through June. In July, we will meet and BBQ at Walt's new home in Fenton. September meeting conflicts with Lions Club at dDooley's so we may be finding another place by then.

Senior Vice Commander Egbert had no report.

Junior Vice Commander had left by now and did not report anything.

Department Report. Marty Aubuchon reported that the 4th Military District SVR wants to run the entire project of restoring the flagpole at Sherman's grave. Motion by Bob Petrovic was made that if they offer Bricks to be made to support the project that our camp may buy one. 2nd by Walt . Passed by voice vote.

Walt reported that department encampment information is on the state website.

National Report: Don Palmer advised he would be at Lincoln Tomb Ceremony. Don also mentioned national encampment and it was then brought up by Cmdr Coplin about whether we should have an ad congratulating Don in the encampment book. Motion by Walt to place a full page ad. Seconded by Marty. Passed by Voice Vote, Dan Jackson opposed.

Old Business

1. Ink's Cemetery Clean-Up = April 28th
2. Dan Jackson reported that both schools are having their ROTC awards ceremonies on Apr 27. Marty and Cmdr Coplin to act as presentors.
3. Grant Coins – All are finished. Need to sell. It was suggested we might offer one more coin of Grant as president and offer to those who bought the sets. Cher will create a mock-up for us.
4. Grant Death Day – White Haven – July 21st. Marty working on it.
5. Central Region Meeting. Bob reports that he will be getting some info in Springfield II for it next week and then he and Walt can start making up the registration forms.

New Business

1. Walt plans to run for Council of Administration in 2013.
2. Don brought up the Christmas dinner. After general discussion all agreed that his wife, Kim, should set it up again for Greenbriar Country Club on Tuesday, Dec 11.
3. Walt has meet with Tim Goode, director of White Haven, and inspected the site that formerly contained the Grant Home in Soulard. Tim says he will have his staff get more info on the site and will support our efforts to use some of our coin money to create a marker for the site.
4. It was mentioned that the Keeler Post is up for sale in Wildwood. We need to try to have a covenant placed on the land so that we can maintain and keep our GAR Post marker there. Cmdr. Coplin checked with Capt Amsler by phone and he said he would try to get something worked up so that the owners can review it prior to sale.
5. Walt was reminded that there is no more George Williams fund and that he needs to merge that fund with general funds in his accounting.
6. Cher Petrovic wants to start an Auxiliary for the camp. Camps traditionally pay the chartering fees for that. She advised she has enough people committed to form an auxiliary. Motion by Marty & second by Walt to pay the chartering dues for the Julia Dent Grant Camp. Passed by voice vote.

Meeting then closed --- Next Meeting May 14 at 7:00PM / Secretary needed for the meeting.

Minutes of Closed Session on 5/14/2012 at d.dooleys 026

On motion by Bob Amsler and second by Walt Busch, passed unanimously, US Grant Camp 68 SUVCW moved into closed session to discuss the gift to be given to C-in-C Don Palmer.

After discussion, motion was made by Bob Amsler and second by James Egbert to give him a shirt.

Motion was then made to return to open session.

US GRANT CAMP MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2012 7:00 PM
D.DOOLEYS 026, FENTON, MO.

Present: Cmdr Mark Coplin, SVC James Egbert, JVC Bob Aubuchon, Sec-Treas Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic. Arriving at 6:55 PM, Bob Amsler. Guests: Cher Petrovic, Gail Egbert

Opening Prayer and Ceremonies 6:48 PM led by Cmdr Coplin.

Reading of Minutes from April Meeting. Motion to approve by Bob P. 2nd by Bob Aubuchon. Passed on voice vote. Secretary advised nothing to report. Treasurer report reviewed. Motion to approve treasurer's report subject to audit by James Egbert. 2nd by Bob Aubuchon. Passed on voice vote.

Commander's Report

1. Attended the JROTC program at Lafayette on April 27. Marty attended Marquette. Very impressive event at Lafayette. About 305 people were in attendance. The cadet that was to receive the SUVCW medal could not attend the event.
2. Attended the Inks Cemetery clean-up on April 28th. Submitted expenses to Walt.
3. Article written for the Unionist – emailed to Cmdr. Warren
4. Rec'd a letter from Jerome Orton (NY SUV) with some Grant information. Info shared.
5. Contacted Growlers. They are willing to give us the room on second Mondays, according to Penny. Discussion held. We may try there in September, when this place has another meeting, but the group is generally happy with d.dooleys
6. Comdr out of town in June for meeting. SVC to hold event.

Senior Vice and Junior Vice Commanders' Reports – None

Department of Missouri Report. – Encampment June 2nd in Ste. Genevieve. Info on line at www.suvcwmo.org. Walt advised that we had over 3500 points which should give our camp the EADS award again.

National Report. There is a problem with us running as a 504-C-4 subsidiary of national. Currently we cannot take donations and advise people that they are tax deductible. Bob Petrovic said they are working on this problem. Bob Amsler advised if need be we can go and file paperwork for 501-C-3, but until National has worked a while on this problem, we should abstain from doing this.

Old Business:

1. Grant Coins. No new sales this month. Bob Petrovic suggested he could sell some through the charitable foundation on consignment and that he'd be selling them there for \$75 and we'd be paid \$50. This was the original pricing and Walt said that the camp already sold some to Fort Davidson on a similar basis and that this still gives us our original profit estimate. Walt made a motion to consign some to the SUVCW Charitable Foundation. 2nd by James Egbert. Carried by voice vote with Bob Petrovic abstaining.
2. Grant Death Day Remembrance on July 21 at White Haven. Marty in charge of setting it up. Since he is not here, no report.
3. June 2nd Encampment. Walt said we need delegates and are entitled to four (besides our past commanders). Walt made motion and seconded by Bob Petrovic that James Egbert and Bob Aubuchon are two of the delegates and that the rest of the camp roster are elected as alternates to fill out our delegate numbers. Passed by voice vote.
4. Central Region Association Meeting in Springfield, IL on October 6 being sponsored by Grant Camp. We have a special rate for a morning tour of the Lincoln Museum (\$7 instead of \$12). One hold up is negotiation on a meeting place. The hotel wants too much money. Bob Petrovic still working on it.
5. Memorial Day: Bob Amsler to give speech. Walt to send him a copy of his speech from several years ago [DONE].

New Business:

1. Topic of the month. Mark Coplin suggested that we inform camp members of a topic of discussion for each month prior to the meeting and have a round table discussion of it at the meeting. It would prevent the meeting from being all business.
2. University City JROTC appears to want to work with us for us to present awards each year at their ceremonies. Bob Petrovic also advised that he has been contacted by a ROTC program in Arkansas to do the same. We currently support programs at Marquette and Lafayette. Bob Petrovic made a motion that we support each of these additional programs. Walt seconded. Carried by voice vote.
3. Grant Camp Merchandise: We need to resubmit our request to sell SUVCW logo shirts, name tags, etc. After some discussion, it was decided that we should no longer carry shirts and jackets as it is too time consuming for the quartermaster and we get so few orders. We still want to keep name tags and address labels. Bob Petrovic suggested that we could donate our pattern to the charitable foundation and they would make shirts. They could also buy out our remaining stock. Motion by Walt and second by Bob Aubuchon to continue selling name tags and address labels and to donate our pattern to the charitable foundation for them to make shirts and jackets. Passed on voice vote with Bob Petrovic abstaining. [Letter sent to national by e-mail on 5/22/2012).

4. Don Palmer's past C-in-C gift. Bob Amsler moved we go to closed session for discussion. 2nd by Walt. Passed on voice vote. [Minutes of Closed Session see document "Minutes of Closed Session on 5-14-2012 Grant Camp.docx"]
5. Mark Coplin brought up the issue of the Keeler Post being sold and the need for a covenant restricting removal of our monument. Bob Amsler said he forgot to check with his brother about creating such restrictions.
6. Grant Souldard House. Bob Amsler to check with city street department about placing a sign. Walt suggested holding off on that until he checks with Tim Goode of White Haven about his discussions with the Souldard Historical Society. Eventual goal is for our camp to buy a marker where Grant had a house in Souldard.
7. An e-mail from Marty to Bob Petrovic brought up the issue of having a day trip to our real son in Poplar Bluff and possibly having a birthday event for him at the nursing home he is now at. [Birthdate is 12/31/1919]. No motion on topic.

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm by Bob Amsler and second by Bob Aubuchon. Carried by voice vote.

Comdr Coplin recommended topic for next month: "Why did you join the SUVCW?"

Next Meeting: June 11, 2012 at d.dooleys. July 9th Meeting at Walt's new Fenton home.

SECRETARY REPORT --- Nothing to report.

TREASURER REPORT

DATE	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Amount Rec'd	Amount Paid Out	Checking	Savings
					10408347	1443216
5/14/2012	406	Nat'l SUV pay for 3 badges			-\$67.00	
5/14/2012	407	Bob Petrovic - Coin Mailing		-\$93.04	-\$93.04	
5/14/2012	Cash	Bob Aubuchon - for badge	\$26.00			
5/14/2012	A62492 52	From State of Mo for purchase of Challenge Coins by Fort Davidson	\$250.00			
5/30/2012	DEP	Deposit			\$276.00	
5/31/2012	408	Arch Engraving Inv #402186		-\$13.00	-\$13.00	
TOTALS			\$10,938.61	-\$9,771.63	\$457.35	\$413.28

TOTAL Check & Savings

\$870.63

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$228.78
SVR Fund	\$31.50
Total	\$260.28

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$457.35
Total Savings	\$413.28
Undeposited Checks & Cash	
Total	\$870.63

Committed Funds \$260.28
Uncommitted Funds \$610.35

U.S. Grant Camp Meeting
6-11-2012 7:00 p.m.
d.dooley's 026 Fenton, MO

Present: Acting Commander James Egbert, SVC; Bob Aubuchon JVC; Walt Busch, PDC Sec-Treas; Martin Aubuchon, PCC; Bob Petrovic, PDC; Don Palmer, C-in-C, Dennis Hannon; Micael Hannon; Dan Jackson, PCC; and guests Gail Egbert and Cher Petrovic.

Meeting opened at 7:02 pm by SVC James Egbert

Reading of Minutes. Motion to approve by Dan Jackson and seconded by Bob Petrovic. Passed on voice vote.

Treasurer's Report – Motion to approve subject to audit by Dan Jackson and seconded by Bob Aubuchon. Passed on voice vote.

Secretary Report – Motion to approve by Bob Petrovic and second by Dan Jackson. Passed on voice vote.

Commander Coplin's Report :

- a. Attended Department Encampment in Ste Genevieve. Avoided any office of the department by not going to the restroom during nominations.
- b. Working on July 21st US Grant Death Day event with Marty
- c. Out in Kansas harvesting wheat so couldn't attend this meeting.

Senior Vice Commander's Report - Went to encampment

Junior Vice Commander's Report – Went to encampment

Department Report - Grant Camp won the Eads Award. – Brother Marty Aubuchon is the new Department commander --- Encampment voted to seek the National Encampment here in Missouri in 2015. – Marty went to Newburg Sesquicentennial. --- C-in-C Don Palmer won the prestigious Frank Blair Award.

National Report – C-in-C Palmer went to the New York Encampment, Mo and Ohio Encampments. Spoke a little about the issue with 501-C-3 status. National is working on it.

Old Business –

- a. Grant Coins – Bob Petrovic sent an ad to the Banner to help sales through the SUV Charitable Foundation.
- b. Grant Death Day – White Haven on the 21st - Commander Coplin and C-in-C Palmer will be there.

- c. October Central Region Allied Orders meeting in Springfield. Our camp sponsoring. Bob Petrovic waiting for contracts [have been set now, need 10 rooms rented at hotel, interested? E-mail Walt].
- d. Jr ROTC – Went well. We voted that we will support U City ROTC as well.
- e. Acting Commander James Egbert presented PCC Daniel Jackson with his PCC badge.

New Business

- a. Topics for the Month? For July? Meeting is at Walt's house see below for directions.
- b. What are your feelings on which battle had more impact on ending the war. Discussion was short and Dan Jackson said there is no sense in arguing that because Vicksburg was it.

Good of the Order

- a. Why did you join SUV? Short discussion.

Motion to adjourn by Dan Jackson and 2nd by Marty Aubuchon. Passed on voice vote.

Closing Ceremonies at 8:29 p.m.

Next meeting Walt's house. July 9, 2012. If cool enough will be on patio.

Walt supplying meat, chips, some beers and soda. Although not required, cover dish or BYOB if you have a specialty drink.

From Hwy 141, turn onto Hwy 21 heading south (towards Hillsboro). Travel 0.9 miles

Exit right onto Old Hwy 21 and travel 0.2 miles to second road on right

Konert Road, turn right. Travel 0.2 miles (or less)

Turn left onto Konert Valley Dr. Drive 0.4 miles to

1240 Konert Valley Dr. , Fenton, MO 63026 Walt's Home Phone 636-548-8144

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**US Grant Camp #68
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2012 7:00 P.M.
1240 Konert Valley Dr, Fenton, MO 63026**

Members Present: Cmdr Mark Coplin, SVC James Egbert, Sec-Treas Walt Busch, DC Martin Aubuchon, Bob Petrovic, C-in-C Donald Palmer, Dennis and Miceal Hannon, John Soucy, and signing up this meeting, Mike Hudson.

Meeting called to order at 7:20 p.m. by Cmdr Coplin.

Minutes read and accepted on motion from Bob Petrovic and second by Dennis Hannon.

Treasurer's Report read and accepted subject to audit on motion by John Soucy and second by Dennis Hannon.

Commander's Report

Discussed that there seems to be a perception that the rest of the camps in Mo have an attitude of being against the Grant Camp. Discussion ended with general consensus that if they don't want Grant Camp members to run the department as is sometimes alleged, they need to step up so they can be voted into office. Since 1996, Grant camp members have been dept commander, 9 out of 17 years. The two other large camps have only one member each holding that office.

Some discussion about the department meeting which was favorable.

Senior Vice Commander reported that he didn't like serving last month as commander.

Junior Vice Commander was absent and no report.

Department Report

DC Aubuchon reports that the department business meetings will be held on 10/13 and 3/9 of the coming year. He also commented that he has visited 3 camps so far and believes the dept needs a communications officer. He reports that the department doesn't have a signals officer yet. He reported on finalizing the organization of the Spradling Camp in Fort Smith, AR.

Some discussion at this time about holding the 2015 National Encampment. We as Grant Camp believe we can either do it ourselves or in conjunction with other members of the department. We are a backup for this, as Illinois should host it as that is the 150th of the beginning of the GAR.

National Business

C-in-C Palmer reports 33 days to go until he is no longer commander. He reported that he went to the Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Ohio encampments and that later this same week he would be in Murphysboro TN at the Sons of Confederate Veterans Encampment.

Question asked about the situation with the 501-C-3. National trying to get lawyers. Will have a report on the situation at the national encampment.

Old Business

Grant Coins - Still selling slowly. [No sales in June-July – some in August – walt]

Grant Death Day at White Haven – Marty, who has been taking the lead on this, wants to make it more period. Membership has no issue with expanding the event. For this year, however, it will be the same as in the past.

Central Region Association – Springfield IL. – Organizing it nearly finalized. Registration Nearly completed [now on line at <http://www.grantcamp.org/CentralRegionAssociation2012Registration.pdf>] Grant Camp is running it. Bob Amsler is speaking on social networking and Walt is speaking on the effects of General Orders, No. 11.

We will have a coin ad in the next Banner.

New Business

Do we have a topic of discussion for September? None Given

Questions asked if we will have Grant Coins being sold at the encampment. We will, but they will be sold through the SUV Charitable Foundations which is doing it for us for no charge.

DC Aubuchon reported that Bob Aubuchon attended a monument dedication at Worden, IL representing our camp and SVR unit.

Next Meeting

DC Martin Aubuchon is inviting us to his house on September 11, 2012 starting at 6:00 PM for our meeting. This is because dDooley's had the room booked. We will be returning to dDooley's on October 8th and November 12th. The Christmas party will be at Greenbriar Country Club, presently planned for December 11th.

Marty and others will be supplying some food for the meeting. So get there hungry! If you wish to bring something, coordinate with Marty at 314-606-9622.

Directions to his house

10515 Hackamore Lane, St. Louis, MO 63128.

Heading south on Lindbergh Blvd. , Drive past Sappington Rd. .. The next stop light is for Lindbergh High School. Drive past this light and about 300 feet will be Hackamore Lane. Turn Right. 10515 is on the right about 3 houses down the lane.

US Grant Camp #68 SUVCW
Meeting Minutes
10 September 2012
10515 Hackamore Ln, St. Louis, MO 63128

Present: SVC James Egbert, JVC Bob Aubuchon, Sec-Treas Walt Busch, Donald Palmer PCinC, DC Marty Aubuchon, Bob Petrovic, Jr Member John Palmer

Meeting called to order at 1908 hrs by Acting Commander, SVC James Egbert. Prior to this we had a fine bar-be-que at Department Commander Martin Aubuchon's house enjoying the good evening weather on the back deck.

Secretary Report :

1. Communique from Dale Crandell re: SUVCW Westport Camp invites you to attend our dedication of the restored Hollingsworth Cemetery. Time: 2:00 pm Date: Sunday, 16 September 2012
Place: 800 West 184th Street, Lawson, Missouri
2. Communique from Gary Schell, PCC, re: Sesquicentennial Event: Formation of the 78th EMM
Time: All Day Date: Saturday, 29 September 2012 Place: Ste. Genevieve Square, Ste. Genevieve, MO
3. Communique from Michael Pearce , Friends of Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet
Time: 9am – 3pm Date: Saturday, 23 February, 2013 Place: Grant Shelter, Jefferson Barracks,
Lemay, MO Table Registration: \$15

Discussion prompted by Bob Petrovic regarding swap meet table. Thought Department might want one that we could man also besides working one ourselves. Walt suggested selling Grant coins \$50 for the day only, marked down from \$75. Marty will put on agenda for department meeting. We will have at least one table and will need volunteers.

Treasurer's Report:

Report on next page. Bob Petrovic also reported that so far we have the following break down on coin sets sold. 4 given away as gifts, 28 sold at \$50 & 20 sold at \$75. Walt reported our break even at about \$3250. Bob reported that he has 4 more that have been sold that Charitable Foundation has not reimbursed us for yet. That puts us to about \$100 shy of break even. Bob also reported that an ad for them will be in the Banner again in time for Christmas.

US GRANT CAMP #68 SONS OF UNION VETERANS - MISSOURI

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6/29/2012	INT	Interest				\$0.06	6/29/2012
7/9/2012	DEP	Deposit Cash from Above			\$20.00		7/31/2012
7/9/2012	Cash	Dues & Init Fee + \$1 SVR Fund Mike Hudson	\$30.00				
7/10/2012	410	Mo SUVCW - Hudson Dues		-\$19.50	-\$19.50		8/31/2012
7/11/2012	411	Bob Petrovic Palmer Gift & Postage		-\$50.23	-\$50.23		7/31/2012
7/21/2012	412	Cher Pterovic - Programs for Grant Day		-\$18.75	-\$18.75		7/31/2012
7/22/2012	3746	Check from Paul Arnold Name Tag	\$11.00				
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7/30/2012	1174	Teller Check for Alan & Lee Ann at CRA	\$108.00				
7/31/2012	413	Walt Busch for MO SOS Corporation Registration		-\$10.00	-\$10.00		08/31/2012
8/1/2012	1956	Walt Busch Check for CRA	\$54.00				
8/3/2012	DEP	Deposit	\$234.00		\$234.00		8/31/2012
8/9/2012	2751	Medal Set sold to Danny Wheller	\$75.00				
8/11/2012	Cash	Sold 1 medal set and upgrade one medal set	\$115.00				
8/11/2012	Cash	CRA Conference Check from John Eger	\$54.00				
8/11/2012	Dep	Deposit			\$244.00		8/31/2012
8/27/2012	3489	Don Shaw CRA Conference Ck	\$54.00				
8/27/2012	1155	Judy Rock CRA Conference Ck - Short \$8	\$46.00				
8/27/2012	5494	Marty Aubuchon CRA Conference Ck	\$54.00				
8/28/2012	414	Arch Engraving Inv #403759		-\$18.00	-\$18.00		
9/1/2012	1012	Shirley Grant & Guest CRA Conference	\$108.00				

9/12/2012	DEP	Deposit			\$262.00	
9/11/2012	1249	Check from Charitable Foundation for sale of Grant Coins	\$250.00			
9/11/2012	415	Lincoln Library for CRA Tour		-\$140.00	-\$140.00	
		TOTALS	\$12,182.61	\$10,040.11	\$948.87	\$413.40

**TOTAL
Check &
Savings** \$1,362.27

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$228.78
SVR Fund	\$32.50
CRA 2012 Acct	\$486.00
Total	\$747.28

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$948.87
Total Savings	\$413.40
Undeposited Checks & Cash	
Total	\$1,362.27

Committed Funds \$747.28
Uncommitted Funds \$614.99

Motion by Bob Petrovic and seconded by Bob Aubuchon to accept the treasurer's report subject to audit. Passed voice vote.

Commander's Report: None

Senior Vice Commander's Report: None

Junior Vice Commander's Report: Bob Aubuchon reports that since my last meeting (a few months back) I attended a re-enactment on June 16 at Jacksonville, IL. Also attended memorial and monument dedication at Worden, IL for 14 Civil War soldiers buried there at New Hope Cemetery. Got to meet Kurt Derment, the Illinois SUV Commander, and Dr. Gary Ladd, Camp Commander of Hecker Camp. Also attended Civil War authentic period re-enactment at Lone Jack, MO on August 18 & 19 during which I participated with Honor Guard for memorial at the cemetery. There a short service honoring the 300 men in the mass grave was held. Also on hand were 2 of the descendants of battle veterans.

Department Business: Marty Aubuchon reports that the by-laws have been approved. Walt working with web designer to update website. Walt reported will probably need more money. Marty reports that there is a meeting on Oct 13 in Jeff City. He also showed the vision boards Don Palmer created. Finally, he says he has invited C-in-C Mellor to our department encampment and it will depend on whether or not he attends as to location.

National Report: Don reports that he is a has-been.

Old Business:

1. Walt reports Central Region Association which our camp is running has 11 signed up for it so far. Form is on website and we are in Springfield.

New Business:

1. Bob Petrovic reported on issues with Dept of Illinois and their attempt at an encampment in 2016. He also reports that only 2 groups have submitted for the 2015 encampment and they are New York and Missouri.

At 2004 hrs, acting commander James Egbert turned over the meeting to junior vice commander Bob Aubuchon.

2. Christmas party and swearing in of officers is scheduled for Dec 11th at Greenbriar Country Club

Meeting closed at 2014 hrs on motion from Bob Petrovic and 2nd by Marty Aubuchon which passed on voice vote.

US Grant Camp Secretary Report Sep 2012

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9/11/2012	1249	Check from Charitable Foundation for sale of Grant Coins	\$250.00		
9/11/2012	415	Lincoln Library for CRA Tour		-\$140.00	-\$140.00

TOTALS \$12,182.61 - \$10,040.11 \$948.87 \$413.40

**TOTAL
Check &
Savings** \$1,362.27

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$228.78
SVR Fund	\$32.50
CRA 2012 Acct	\$486.00
Total	\$747.28

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$948.87
Total Savings	\$413.40
Undeposited Checks & Cash	
Total	\$1,362.27

Committed Funds \$747.28
Uncommitted Funds \$614.99

US Grant #68 Meeting
October 8, 2012 7:00 PM
dDooley's026 – Fenton, MO

Present: Cmdr Mark Coplin, SVC James Egbert, JVC Bob Aubuchon, Sec-Treas Walt Busch, Martin Aubuchon DC, Bob Petrovic, Don Palmer PC-in-C, John Palmer (Junior Member), Cher Petrovic (ASUVCW).

Opening Ceremonies and prayer conducted by Cmdr. Coplin

Topic of the Month: Favorite Battlefields. Cmdr Coplin led off with Manassas, James Egbert said he had no favorite, Cher said Pilot Knob, Bob Petrovic mentioned Fort Macon, John Palmer said Shiloh, Don Palmer's favorite is Shiloh and Walt said his was Fort Pulaski.

Minutes were then read and approved on motion by Bob Petrovic and seconded by Bob Aubuchon.

Walt made a report for treasurer, but didn't bring copies for everyone so approval pending audit deferred. He reported on the income and expenses of us running the Central Region Association meeting and we ran it with a slight profit that we then returned to the CRA. Bob Petrovic motioned to approve info provided regarding CRA income and expenses. Second by Don Palmer, motioned passed.

Commander's Report - Cmdr spending time working on his kitchen. Not much SUV work. He reports he has been corresponding with Brother Orton of NY. Orton has been sending him Grant info.

Senior Vice Commander's Report: None

Junior Vice Commander's Report: Since last meeting attended three events. Battle of Munday Hollow in Camdenton on 9/15; Hermann, Mo Civil War Day on 9/22 and Living Hisotry at Meramec Caverns on 10/6.

Department Report: Meeting on 10/13 in Jefferson City coming up. Cmdr Aubuchon reported on some various events, major updates to department website and that he was elected as CRA Senior Vice Commander. Next CRA conference in Bardstown KY. Great place to visit. Lots of history museums, etc.

National Report- Gettysburg coming up on 11/17. Bob Petrovic mentioned needing a resolution to get Walt on Council and Grant Camp should support it. Bob Petrovic motioned for support. Martin Aubuchon seconded and it passed. Lincoln Death Day is on April 13, 2013

Old Business – Coin sets still selling. 5 more sold.

New Business – Nominations for next year

Cmdr – Mark Coplin Motion by Walt and second by Bob P.

SVC – James Egbert Motion by Walt and second by Bob P.

JVC – Bob Aubuchon Motion by Marty and second by Bob P.

Sec/Treasurer – Not this year

Councils – Bob P., Don P. and Bob Amsler. Motion by Walt and second by Marty.

Bob Petrovic then motioned that one vote be cast by secretary for the slate. 2nd by Martin Aubuchon, but after discussion tabled until November meeting in case anyone else wants to run.

Inks Cemtery brought up. There are funds for cemetery, but we really need to do something with them since no one lives in the area anymore to work on it. Walt suggested hiring a lawn cutting service with the remainder of the funds until gone. Mark suggested monument.

Changing the meeting location again was discussed. The food is good here and reasonable, but sometimes the noise is too much. Fraileys on Butler Hill discussed. Bob P. to check out.

Martin Aubuchon moved to donate \$25 to **Bugles Across America** for Nancy working our event at White Haven for Grant Remembrance Day. Motion amended by Marty to \$50. Seconded by Bob Aubuchon. Passes.

It was noted that past camp commander Daniel Jackson is pictured in the West County Journal blowing his bagpipes.

Closing Ceremonies at 8:20 PM.

Next meeting at dDooleys 026 on November 12. Topic of discussion will be Ancestors.

SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER MEETING

1. Rec’d communiqué from National regarding a change to National SUV preamble to allow descendants of men who served in the Revenue Cutter Service.
2. Communiqué from Mike Pierce wanting groups to sign up for Jefferson Barracks Swap Meet in Feb.

TREASURER REPORT – BELOW BALANCES WITH STATEMENTS

US GRANT CAMP #68 SONS OF UNION VETERANS - MISSOURI

DATE	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Amount Rec'd	Montgomery	Montgomery Savings
				10408347	1443216
10/8/2012	DEP	Deposit		\$330.00	
10/29/2012	1253	Charitable Foundation for 5 coin sets	\$250.00		
TOTALS			\$13,173.67	\$944.87	\$413.46

TOTAL Check & Savings \$1,358.33

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$228.78
SVR Fund	\$32.50
CRA 2012 Acct	\$0.00
Total	\$261.28

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$944.87
Total Savings	\$413.46
Undeposited Checks & Cash	
Total	\$1,358.33

Committed Funds \$261.28
Uncommitted Funds \$1,097.05

US Grant Camp Meeting Minutes
12/11/2012
Greenbriar County Club
Big Bend Rd, Kirkwood, MO 63122

Prior to the meeting was an informal social hour in a sitting room of the country club. Around 7:00 pm, we gathered for dinner with our guests. Those present included (without past honors being listed): Mark & Norma Coplin; Robert & Janice Aubuchon; Walt Busch and Sandy Walther; Dr. and Mrs. Donald J. Palmer; Martin and Deborah Aubuchon; Robert Amsler, Jr.; Bob and Cher Petrovic; and Fr. Vincent Heier

After prayers and the pledge of allegiance, a fine dinner was presented and then devoured. After dinner Fr. Vincent Heier gave a presentation on General Custer and his connections to a Virginia plantation and his friendship with a wounded Confederate General and the partying going on between the two and their lady friends early in the war. Fr. Heier was presented with a set of our Grant coins to thank him for volunteering to speak to our group.

After the presentation, PC-in-C Palmer assisted by Fr. Heier as chaplain swore in the officers present of the US Grant Camp #68, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The meeting adjourned around 10:00 p.m. after agreement was made that we should attempt to dine at Greenbriar again for the December 2013 meeting.

Secretary Report for the January 2013 meeting

DUES are now due! \$35 for membership \$3 for SVR, paid so far for membership: Robert Amsler (life), Walt Busch, Herb Gramelspacher (real son) , Dan Jackson, John Palmer (Junior), Dwight Prade, John Soucy Jr, and Carl Wattenberg Jr

Correspondence:

Several E-Mails from Mike Pierce about Jeff Barracks Swap Meet

*Fr. Vincent Heier e-mailed Walt on 12/20 that he would be honored to join the group. Membership items not yet rec'd

*Commander Coplin e-mailed Walt on 12/21 that website needs to be updated.

*Gary Scheel e-mailed Walt on 1/11 that he needs a camp history sent to him per dept/nat'l requirements

*Gary Scheel and Walt Busch talking about probably going to go to Poplar Bluff in Jan on a Monday to see our real son member.

Treasurer's Report for January 2013 meeting

Committed Funds	
Inks Cemetery Fund	\$228.78
SVR Fund	\$49.50
CRA 2012 Acct	\$0.00
Total	\$278.28

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$1,693.87
Total Savings	\$413.46
Undeposited Checks	\$111.00
	\$2,218.33

Committed Funds	\$278.28
Uncommitted Funds	\$1,940.05