

March 12, 2018
Start Time 7:05 and Ended 8:43

Frailey's Grill
I-55 & Butler Hill Rd.

1. Opening Ceremony – Commander Amsler opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an opening prayer by PCC Coplin
 2. Roll - Call of Members - New member Marvin-Alonzo Greer, Commander Amsler, John and Don Palmer, Bob and Marty Aubuchon, Mike Hudson, Bob Petrovic, Mark Coplin – (acting secretary)
 3. Donation prior to meeting (Can't explain what for – what happens at Frailey's stays at Frailey's) \$45.00
4. Reading and Approval of Minutes – Voted to table minutes until the April Meeting
5. Treasurers – Secretary's Report – Voted to table report until the April Meeting
6. Commander's Report –
 - a. Sherman Day – March 25th - Meet at 12:30 – March in at 1PM. Bugler at the event. (MH) had a potential bugler – called not trumpet here. (BA JR) to look into a bugler. (BP) mentioned that a local member may have a player bugle . Mentioned Dan Jackson as a potential resource. (MA) mentioned that the 17th Missouri will be there. (Commander) has not been able to get a hold of the Dtrs. (BP) suggested to contact Ruth Funke . (MAC) mention sending out a media flyer to local TV and Papers. (Commander) My not need to – the media will not show up. But we can try. (MAC) will put together a media release like we did for Vicksburg and send to major news outlets. (MAC) Mentioned we could include a statement that we are going to honor a Confederate Monument to get their attention. (DP) Mentioned that out of the StL market can get coverage. For some reason the local market does not pick up stories like this event. (Commander) We could say we are going to honor Sherman and then Gen Frost. (MAC) Mentioned he still has the camp flag holders and wreaths. (Commander) Asked about the use of Jack Grothe's flag for the Sherman Day event. Email request for information to contact Jack. Can Fr Heier be there to be Chaplin.
 - b. (Commander) Talked about part of the reason he wanted to be commander this year was that it is the 150th Anniversary of Gen Logan's Order Number 11. Wants to be able to attend a Intervets meeting to talk about being more apart of the Memorial Day Event at JB. Bill Grothe is a member of the committee. Will need to see about contacting him.
 - c. ROTC – Need information from John Avery about the schools we need to still cover. Jack Grothe to continue to perform some of the ceremonies that Sherman Camp has done in the past. Need more information from JA.
 - d. 56th Colored Infantry – May 5th at 10:00 , we are taking over the event. Need to get information about the color guard we have had in the past. Roosevelt? Southwest? Not sure need more information from John. Need Sarah Catos information. Again may want to get the media involve. (MG) mentioned that because it is an election year some politicians may want the opportunity to attend this event.

e. Lincoln Tomb Event April 14th – arrive by 9:30 and march in at 9:45. Program starts at 10:00. Wreaths to be placed. Registration forms in the Banner per (BP). (DP) Mentioned National has released a challenge coin for the 150th Anniversary for order number 11.

f. (Commander) How many Sherman camp members transferred to Grant Camp. Some members reported 3 have transferred. Not able to name who they are.

g. Website – needs to be talked about when Walt is back. Concerns mentioned with the cost and the storage limits on the site.

7. Senior Vice Commander's Report / Junior Vice Commander's Report

SVC not present. JVC – He is in the process of finding a bugler. Nothing else to report.

8. Department Report / National Report -

a. Department meeting was short per (BP and MA) – Most of the discussion was on the changes to the bylaws. (Commander) Was told to hold on this. Read the motion for the Dept and then reported we can continue the process. The wording does not reflect that we are already a 503c but it uses the wording to become a 503c.

b. Department Encampment to be held in Lebanon, MO – (MA) Registration information at the website.

c. 2021 National Encampment – (BP) waiting on information from National. The organizational manual is now 45 pgs. COA has voted that the Ladies Organizations are paying too much for the encampments. Was \$550.00 for the Allied Orders to attend. Now it has gone up to \$700.00. Now have to sign up with the Sons and have the funds upfront to attend an encampment. (DP) This is a fiasco at the National level. Spent so much of his time in command to help heal and bring the Allied orders back together. Now in the course of a few years the Ladies organizations that help us in our time of need are not wanting to attend our encampments. (BP) The ladies organizations in the past have held us up and help get back on our feet. If the ladies leave the encampment and hold a separate event their husbands will be going with their wives. Then the Sons encampment will suffer. (Commander) You lose butts in beds and your costs start going up. The price of conventions depends on how many people will attend. You need to have a guaranteed number of attendees. (BP) if you don't National will not pick up the loss the Department is up to pay the difference. Without number the meeting rooms will cost more and the meals will cost more. (Commander) If we do get 2021 we need to try to get the Allied Orders back in attendance. We need to circumvent National somehow. (MG) Use information on the Allied orders members and get that information to the Commander to change the policy.

(Commander) What needs to change to get this policy reversed. (MA and DP) Can who runs National. Change the leadership, change the Encampment policies. Will take several years to resolve this issue. (Commander) I have no faith in the organization in the making of a good decision. (MAC) Commander should I write this or keep it off the record? (Commander) Keep in the minutes. Their decision is Stupid! (DP) Need to have this done at National. Need to discuss this with the incoming Commander in Chief Don Shaw. Will need to sit down and talk about this issue. He is from Michigan and so is Jim Pahl. Will need to talk to Don Shaw to start making changes. (BP) The ladies org contacted me about the event. Offered them the same rooms that the Sons have and have been treating them right. It will take a little effort to resolve this issue. Received a letter from the Ladies org thanking him for treating them nicely. (Commander) Do we need to have a resolution to change this back sent to the floor of National at the Encampment. (MAC) You will just build walls to the Department if you make a direct attack. (MG) This is an issue of what if that was my wife, my dtr, my aunt and they could not attend the encampment then the men will follow the women to support them. Then all of a sudden we as an organization will not exist in the next 5-10 years. Ladies organizations survive. When the Sons are no more the Ladies organization will remain strong. (BP) We need to get the Ladies org back in to the order and restore the Allied Orders. (MG) We would benefit by being together. You pay less for the conventions when the Allied orders are together. No more Fraternity, Charity or Loyalty (DP) A few are making the decisions at National that will kill the Sons if you alienate the women. (BP) In the 70s when our membership was down the ladies organizations carried us. The ladies paid for some of our encampments. (Commander) What are we going to do about this issue? (DP) We need to talk to Don Shaw first. (MAC) Is this policy out? (BP) It may be coming out in the next Banner. If not is a recent order. Maybe on the website.

7. Trivia – Civil War - March 2018

1. What was the most-purchased newspaper in America in 1860?

- a. New York Herald
- b. New York Times
- c. New York Tribune
- d. Harper’s Weekly Journal of Civilization

A. What was the most-purchased newspaper in America during the Civil War? D.

2. Which Confederate general was sometimes known as “The Bengal Tiger”?

- a. Hiram Bronson Granbury
- b. James Cantey
- c. David Emanuel Twiggs
- d. Chatham Wheat

Twiggs was commissioned as Colonel of the 2nd U.S. Dragoons in 1836 and served in the Seminole Wars in Florida, where he earned the nickname "Bengal Tiger" for his fierce temper. He also decided to act offensively against the Seminole rather than wait for them to strike first. Some of the Seminole moved deep into the Everglades, evading US forces. They never surrendered, and the US government finally gave up on hopes of removing them to Indian Territory.

3. How many former Confederate generals fought in the Imperial Mexican Army during the Juaristas Revolution? 4 – Mosby Parsons, Sterling Price, John Magruder and Joseph Shelby

Beginning in 1862, while the United States was paralyzed by Civil War, the French under Napoleon III tried to create an empire in Mexico under a puppet ruler, the Archduke Maximilian of Austria. Over the next five years of war some 300,000 Mexicans died, and French ambitions were dealt a bruising blow. How had this conflict come about, and how did a weakened, divided nation defeat one of the most powerful empires in the world?

4. T or F – The Confederacy did not mint any coins? F -A limited number of dollar and half dollar coins were minted in New Orleans before the fall of the city.

In 1861, the Civil War began. This same year, the governor of Georgia ordered Confederate troops to take over the Dahlonega Mint, which they did. On March 9, 1861 the Confederacy passed a bill authorizing the New Orleans Mint, Charlotte Mint and the Dahlonega Mint to continue producing coinage under the Confederacy.J

5. Which Confederate general supposedly hid behind a tree instead of leading his men into battle at Stone’s River? a. Robert Hoke b. Gideon Pillow c. William Scurry d. John Gregg
It was reported that during the January 2, 1863 Battle of Stones River, Pillow hid behind a tree instead of leading his men into the fray.

6. Before the Civil War, which of the following officers had the most seniority in the US Army: Joseph E. Johnston, Robert E. Lee, Albert Sidney Johnston?

7. T or F - More total casualties were suffered during the Seven Days Battles than during the battle of Gettysburg. F about 36,000 lost at 7 Days Battle, about 58,000 at Gettysburg

8. What was the last state to join the Union before the secession of South Carolina?
a. Nevada b. New Mexico c. Kansas d. California

9. In 1861, William F. Ketchum patented what kind of weapon that saw service during the war?
a. machine gun b. hand grenade c. man-portable mortar d. steam gun

10. Which battle contained “ The Mule Shoe”?
a. Cold Harbor b. Fredericksburg c. Second Manassas d. Spotsylvania Courthouse

Fun Fact – “ I cannot guess Hood’s movements as I could those of Johnston, who was a sensible man and only did sensible things.” William T Sherman

8. Good of the Order – (MAC) had a flyer that he made for posting at libraries or museums. Post at the Civil War round table. Changes talked about. (DP) was thinking more in the line of a brochure that can be handed out with information on each

speaker. (Commander) Can post on the website. Will need to wait for Walt to get his input on the topic.

Plaque for Frailey's – Cost at Arch around \$68.00. (BP) mentioned he may be able to get it cheaper. MAC to email BP with the information and the layout ideas. The Kiwanis plaque in the meeting room mentions the date of their meetings. May want to add that to our plaque. (Commander) Also may want to put our website information on the plaque as well. (Commander) Offered up a motion that the plaque can cost up to \$100.00 DP Made the motion. Mike Hudson 2nd – vote carried.

Presented to
Frailey's Southtown Grill
for their support of
U.S. Grant Camp #68
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Thanks for 5 years of Good Food
and a Great Atmosphere

September 10, 2018

or we can do --

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9. Closing Ceremonies – Around 8:43 – MAC closed the meeting with a prayer.

ARTICLE I: ——— NAME

The name of the Order shall be the ~~U.S. Grant Camp #68 of St. Louis, MO, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR — ALLIED ORDERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC~~, hereafter referred to as the **CAMP**.

Article 1: Organization & Exemption Purpose

Section A: Organization

The Camp shall be constituted and remain constituted as provided by the Constitution and Regulations (C&R) governing the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and shall be known as the Ulysses S. Grant Camp #68, SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, hereafter referred to as the Camp. The Camp is organized as an incorporated association under the laws of the State of Missouri, Charter Number N00053890. The camp is also known as US Grant Camp 68,. Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War according to the State of Missouri Registry of Fictitious Name, Fictitious Name Charter Number X01303133. The Camp shall be organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

Section B: Exemption Purpose

No part of the net earnings, if any, of this Camp, shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons, except that the unincorporated association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes described in section 501(c)3.

No substantial part of the activities of the Camp shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Camp shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these by-laws, the Camp shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (a) by a nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or*
- (b) by nonprofit corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)2 of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.*

ARTICLE XV: DISSOLUTION AND DISPOSITION OF ASSETS

~~In the case of the surrender or forfeiture of the **CAMP CHARTER**, all **CAMP** property and funds shall be turned over to the **DEPARTMENT COMMANDER** or to his duly authorized representative, and shall be held by it as a charitable trust that is held and used for the purpose which the **ORDER** exists. Any such transfer or disposal within six (6) months of disbandment or surrender of the Camp's charter without the written consent of the Department is prohibited. The property and funds of the **CAMP** shall not be divided among its members.~~

Article XV - Separation, Dissolution and Disposition of Assets

In the case of surrender or forfeiture of the Camp Charter, all Camp property and assets shall be turned over to the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War or his duly authorized representative and such become the property of the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, an organization exempt from taxes under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. The receipts for property and assets shall be added to the surrendered Department records.

All property of the Camp shall be held by the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, as a charitable trust and used for the purpose for which the Order exists. Any such transfer or disposal within six (6) months of disbandment or surrender of the Camp Charter without the written consent of the National Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is prohibited. The property and funds of the Camp shall not be divided among its members.

In the event the National Organization, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, no longer exists, said property and funds shall revert to the benefit of the first and any remaining organization of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic or in their absence, to the holdings of the Missouri Historical Society (or State Historical Society of Missouri, or St. Louis Mercantile Library). Distribution to local county or city libraries is prohibited.

Notwithstanding the above language, upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

Article XIV – Youth Protection

All Brothers and guests under the age of 18 years of age shall be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or chaperon when participating at any SUVCW Camp event. A chaperon must be 18 years of age or older, and have written authorization from a parent or legal guardian.

All Brothers must comply with all applicable laws pertaining to child protection. Any Brother who witnesses or suspects any type of physical, mental, or sexual abuse of any other Brother or guest under the age of 18 is obligated to report such activities to local authorities and the Camp Commander.

Every Brother who may have direct contact with or oversight of another Brother or guest under the age of 18 (other than their child) at a SUVCW Camp event must complete a child protection course offered by a government agency or other reputable source. Evidence of course completion must be provided to the Camp Commander.

***RENUMBERING OF CURRENT ARTICLES XIV THRU XVIII TO
BECOME ARTICLES XV TO XIX***

DATE	Item	Description	In	Out	Bank Action
2/13/2018	DEP	DEPOSIT			70.00
2/15/2018	6992	Harold Hunt Dues	35.00		
2/17/2018	DEP	Deposit- Mail in			35.00
3/6/2018	238	John Avery for Scout Mailing		-50.50	50.50
4/1/2018	239	Arch Engraving 628822 & 628150		-30.40	-30.40
4/6/2019	Cash	Harold Hunt SVR dues	3.00		
4/6/2018	2321	Patrick Levitt Membership & SVR Dues Initial Membership	38.00		
4/6/2018	11034	Bob Petrovic Dues & SVR	38.00		
TOTALS			19,038.62	-17,335.31	2,542.33

Committed Funds	
SVR Fund	\$161.51
Total	\$161.51

TOTAL MONEYS	
Total Checking	\$2,542.33
Undeposited Funds	\$79.00
Total	\$2,621.33

Committed Funds **\$161.51**

Uncommitted Funds **\$2,459.82**

Will need for per capita approx 32 members x 29.00 = \$ 928.00

RENEWALS DELINQUENT

James Egbert
Christopher Hunter – Heard from Chris, His renewal was returned by USPS. Should come shortly
Dan Jackson – Heard from Dan
Ron Laboe
Patrick Levitt
John David McAtee
David Gregory Marshall
Kenneth Roberts

Mark did excellent job at minutes. Recommend he take over the job again.

Website

Weebly or Wix. Weebly more static than the work John did, but is cheaper and our storage can be unlimited. Since I am more familiar with it, I think we need to go that way. Renew website for 2 years would be \$120 paid in one payment versus \$336 regardless of how paid.