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Commander' Corner

Dear Grant Camp Members - Our meetings have been going well at Growlers. We have had good attendance over the past few months. We have had several faces that we haven't seen in a while along with the regulars. Our dilemma with the meeting room was resolved this past meeting. Lets hope it continues to work for us. There are a lot of things ahead of us. The 2007 Encampment here in St. Louis and the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War is closer then you think. The State of Missouri and the is gearing up for this event. We also as a camp need to use this time as well to help educate the public and expand our numbers. We can't sit back and let our organization loose ground. We need to instill in our membership a pride in what their ancestors did to preserve the Union. Speaking of pride - I am proud to announce our newly elected Officers for 2006.

Commander - Walt Busch

Senior Vice Commander - Bob Amsler Jr.

Junior Vice Commander - Chris Warren

Secretary - Treasurer - Mark Coplin

Camp Counsel - Don Palmer, Dwight Prade, Bob Petrovic

As you can see I agreed to stay on for another year. Bob told me that I had to continue Commanding until I got it right.

Installation of Officers will be during the the Christmas Party at The Old House Steak House in Kimswick on December 3rd.

Please contact me if you are able to attend. I would like to get a count so I can contact the restaurant with the number attending.

If you plan on attending I would like each of you to bring a Civil War or GAR related item that is special to you and be willing to share your thoughts and feelings on the item with the group.

Please don't bring weapons. Thank you for letting me service you and the camp.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Walt Busch - Commander

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2007 National Encampment Here in St. Louis is Moving Forward - Will You Be Ready ?

For those of you who haven't heard yet. The Department of Missouri will be hosting the 2007 National Encampment here in St. Louis. This will be the 125th Anniversary of the GAR Encampment held here in St. Louis. Several members of our camp are active in the behind the scene details. Gary Scheel is the Encampment Treasurer - the Department is currently selling **Loyalty Bonds** for \$20 a piece. The Department will use the money to purchase items for the encampment. When the encampment is over you will receive your \$20 back. (Because we are Tax Exempt we are not able to offer interest on the bonds.) If you would like to purchase a Loyalty Bond please contact Gary or Bob Petrovic. What about Bob, well he has been busy working out the contract details with the Frontenac Hilton. The hotel is located on Lindbergh and Highway 40. Bob is also working on plans to include a tour of Jefferson Barracks and possibly White Haven and Hardscrabble. Cher Petrovic has been working on the many covers needed for the Encampment Publications. Kim Palmer will be working on the decorations for the banquet. There will be plenty to do so don't feel left out. Contact anyone of those mentioned to see what you can do to help. It should be one of the best Encampments yet. Bob does a great job organizing these events. The Department of Missouri and the Grant Camp should be proud of him and his efforts. **Thanks to all who are helping.**

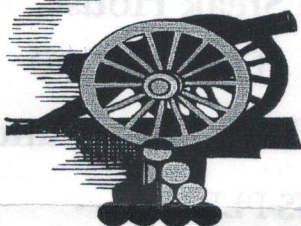
U.S. Grant Camp Along with Our Brother Across the Mississippi in Illinois Honor Sergeant Christian Hinterberger of the 17th MO Inf.



November 5th 2005 - Dedication of New Grave Marker for Sergeant Christian Hinterberger of CoC 17th Missouri Infantry. Mount Hope Cemetery in Belleville, Illinois. Brother Phil Hinderberger a member of U.S. Grant Camp had made a request of the camp in 2004. He wished to have a new marker set for his ancestor. He and his wife were able to travel from California where they reside and see this become reality. On this date six brothers of the Sons - Members of U.S. Grant and Members of Hecker Camp - dressed in uniform to honor Brother Hinderberger's ancestor. Ladies were also present in period dress to honor Sergeant Hinterberger. 20 people from the community attended this program. The director of the Mount Hope Cemetery was able to arrange both television and paper coverage. Channel 11 taped a segment that aired that evening at 9 o'clock locally. The Belleville area paper also covered the event. Thanks goes out to Gary Scheel who helped see this project through as well as John Avery. Bob Petrovic was also able to attend the presentation. In the future we could use more support. If you are able to attend please make the effort. Brother Phil we hope you were happy with the program. Hope to see you in the future. You are always welcome here in Missouri.

Gary Scheel Named New Quartermaster for Grant Camp

Since Gary wasn't present at our November meeting we decided to give him a new title. (As Gary reads this article he is finding out for the first time of his new title. Gary Scheel - Quartermaster) Gary has been in charge of the camp merchandise for the past few years and has agreed to keep seeing that our Brothers across the United States receive the items that we sell. Gary has decided to step down as Secretary - Treasurer for the camp. Congratulations to Brother Scheel on your new post. We would also like to thank Gary for his devotion to the organization and his dedication to those who served during the War of the Rebellion. Thanks Quartermaster Scheel.



Joint Dinner with Sherman Camp Planned

There is plans in the work for a joint dinner sometime in January of 2006. Sherman Camp would like to put together a SUVCW Dinner at Andre's off of Telegraph Road. So far word is that the cost will be around \$11 per person. Uniform is preferred but not required to attend. If interested please contact Commander Busch as soon as possible.

U.S. Grant Camp Items Missing

Attention all members of U. S. Grant Camp - Several items all missing from the camp. If you have any items of the camp please contact either Commander Busch or Secretary - Treasurer Mark Coplin. The items we are missing include a metal sign with the SUVCW Logo on it, Red-White-Blue Bunting for table displays, Flag holders (Cast Iron Field Type). We are also in need of a local St. Louis member who would be willing to maintain the items of the camp. Currently the items of the camp are stored with the Commander down in Pilot Knob. If someone needs an item they have to either go to Walt's home or meet Walt some where to pick up the items needed. Please open a small place in your closet and let the items stay with you for a while. You will also get to have a cool title like GARY. Camp Property Officer. Now doesn't that sound cooler then Quartermaster ? Let Commander Busch know if you have any room in your home. Thanks - Sorry Gary I could not resist.



U.S. Grant 2005 Events

- Ink Cemetery Work - On Going
- Jefferson Barracks Graves Reg. - On Going
- LaGrange Missouri Cemetery Registration - Spring

2006 Date to be Announced

- Christmas Party - Old House Steak House

December 3rd - 6:30 Cocktails - Dinner 7:30

Bring a GAR/Civil War Item - Show and Tell

NO WEAPONS PLEASE

- New Years Day at the Avery's - Times to be Announced

CAMP QUARTERMASTER

POLO SHIRTS - Red - White - Blue

S, M, L, XL	\$40.00
2XL, 3XL	\$43.00
4XL	\$48.00

DENIM SHIRTS - SHORT/LONG SLV.

S, M, L, XL	\$45.00
2XL	\$49.00
3XL	\$53.00

SWEAT SHIRTS - Red - White - Blue

S, M, L, XL	\$32.00
2XL, 3XL	\$35.00
4XL	\$40.00

SATIN JACKETS - BLACK OR BLUE

S, M, L, XL, 2XL	\$95.00 FLANNEL
	\$98.00 QUILTED
3XL, 4XL, 5XL	\$99.00 FLANNEL
	\$103.00 QUILTED

ADDRESS LABELS - 90 COUNT

SUV - GAR LOGOS \$4.00

NAME BADGES - LASER ENGR.

2 X 3 PLASTIC Blue - Camp Red - Depart.

Gold - National

\$5.00 for Camp Members

COFFEE MUGS - SUVCW

\$15.00

STATION BANNERS

14X16 - SET OF 3

WITH FRINGE - \$110.00

WITHOUT FRINGE - \$80.00

Contact Gary Scheel to Order Items

(636) 257-5247

