

## US Grant Camp 68 SUVCW

### February 9, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Frailey's Pub, I-55 & Butler Hill Rd, 63129

**Present:** BoB Aubuchon, Frank Mathews, Don Palmer, Walt Busch, Bob Petrovic, Jim Stebbings, Mark Coplin, John Avery, Matthew Zahradka, Jim Morrison, Bob Amsler, Sumner Hunnewell, Marty Aubuchon, Greg Wolk, Vincent Heier

**Meeting opened at 1901 Hrs** by Commander Amsler leading pledge of allegiance and Vincent Heier leading us in prayer.

Minutes reviewed and motion to approve by John Avery with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Petrovic.

#### Secretary/Treasurer Report

reviewed and on motion to approve subject to the treasurer report being audited passed. Motion by John Avery and Second by Bob Petrovic.

#### Secretary Report:

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#### SECRETARY – TREASURER REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2020

I apologize for not getting out a mailing to **members nearing delinquency**. The following members have yet to pay: Neil Cummings, Gerhard Ewig, Bill Griffith (advised not renewing), Dennis and Miceal Tamas, Harold Hunt, Chris Hunter, Daniel Jackson, Frank Mathews, Raymond Meyer, Robert Petrovic, Larry Von Behren, Michael Woulfe.

I have the proposal for the **life member ID card** and the **ladder badge** to submit to national for their April meeting. I heard from Member Pahl who advised he thinks that national won't approve an ID card that the national Quartermaster doesn't provide them. I am planning to rework our proposal a little to attempt to combat that line of thinking.

**Communique from Member Greg Wolk** *US Grant Symposium, 2020 edition.*

*The speakers appear at the Soldiers Memorial on Saturday, July 24. The speakers are: 1) Keynote address by Cindy Lovell, formerly Executive Director of the Mark Twain Home in Hartford, Connecticut, and before that ED of the Boyhood Home in Hannibal; 2) Grant portrayal by Curt Fields of Tennessee; 3) Andy Hahn, Executive Director at the Campbell House Museum; and 4) Nick Sacco from the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site.*

*Tucker Blythe attended our most recent meeting, and he has proposed that the Historic Site host a reception late afternoon or early evening on July 23. We'd like very much for the annual ceremony commemorating his death to be held on that occasion as part of whatever program Tucker will be planning. The Symposium speakers will be there, and we'll be looking to generate much publicity for that event as well as the Friday program.*

Walt speaking at Civil War Museum on Feb 15 for their meal/speaker series. Have maxed out at 90 guests. 30 are on the waiting list. Speaking on *Last Tales of Price's Raid*.

EVENTS: Marty Aubuchon, Sumner Hunnewell and I met with Joan Koechig of the Julia Dent Grant Camp on Feb 7 at Paneras in Affton. We came up with the following dates for events with the plan to share the stage and effort to advertise with them.

Department Business Meeting – March 14 10AM – Jefferson City

Memorial Day -- May 25 Our Program Starts around 11 AM – Jefferson Barracks

June 5 & 6 – Department Encampment – Bass Pro Shop Independence, MO

Grant Remembrance Day – July 18 10am Grant National Historic Site (White Haven) (Unless we change for above)

National Encampment – Aug 13-16, Atlanta Marriot Buckhead Hotel and Convention Center, 3405 Lenox Road North East, Atlanta, GA 30326

56<sup>th</sup> USCT Ceremony – Aug 30 - 1 PM - Civil War Museum

Note: Since Jefferson Barracks is being so unhelpful with this event, I contacted the MCWM and they said they would be glad to make it a big event with us. I thought we could have the ceremony, give

a talk in their dining area, and then tell everyone that we will be presenting a wreath at the gravesite and anyone wanting to follow us can. JB can't stop us from a group presenting a wreath.

Allied Orders Conference – Oct 2 & 3 Murphysboro – Logan Museum. Sumner is setting this up.

Department Business Meeting – Oct \_\_\_\_ Jefferson City

Sherman Remembrance Day – Oct 25 1PM – Calvary Cemetery and maybe luncheon speech at Lemp Mansion or some other restaurant in St Louis

**TREASURER REPORT**

DATE	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	IN	OUT	BANK ACTION
1/12/2020	1184	Mike Hudson SVR & Dues	38.00		38.00
1/13/2020	6484	Greg Wolk SVR & Donation in lieu of Dues	35.00		
1/13/2020	12029	Rev Michael J Witt Dues with Initiation	45.00		
1/13/2020	2417	John Avery SUV & SVR Dues	38.00		
1/13/2020	1268	Craig Mathews Dues (to be refunded if becomes Lifer by 3/31)	55.00		
1/13/2020	5576	Steven Leicht Dues, SVR Dues & \$2.00 Donation	40.00		
1/13/2020	5455	Don & John Palmer Dues & SVR	76.00		
1/13/2020	Cash	Sumner Hunnewell Donation from free dinner to split between equip and Sherman	40.00		
1/23/2020	DEP	Deposit			367.00
2/8/2020	Cash	Sumner - 2 sets of Address Labels/no Postage	8.00		
		<b>TOTALS</b>	19,038.62	17,335.31	2,394.68
<b>Committed Funds</b>			<b>Committed Funds \$576.76</b>		
Sherman Flag Fund 178.00			Uncommitted Funds \$1,825.92		
Equipment Fund 206.25			Total in Checking \$2,394.68		
SVR Fund \$192.51			Undeposited Funds \$8.00		
<b>TOTAL \$576.76</b>			<b>Total \$2,402.68</b>		

**Commander's Report:**

Discussion about purchasing Camp Seal. Commander provided with information. He wishes to use to it certify flags flown over Sherman's Grave.

Discussion as to how we will hand out flags and about committees or officers, or just commander deciding who to issue these to. Vote taken that methodology of process to be tabled.

**Senior Vice**

**Commander:** reports that the Company of Military Historians changed the day of their meetings in part to accommodate some of our members attending.

**Junior Vice**

**Commander:** Absent, no report.

**Department Business:**

Next Business Meeting March 14<sup>th</sup>

**National Business:** Passing Away of Past Commander-in-Chief Partington

**Business:** Walt Busch and Greg Wolk led talk about July Grant National Historic Site – Grant Remembrance Day. July 18<sup>th</sup>. Grant Symposium to be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> at White Haven. We said we would have honor guard there.

Insurance issues at Jeff Barracks for events. Want and Bob Amsler to get them worked out as best as we can.

John Avery explained his illness. Camp stated we would help him as we can.

**Civil War Trivia:**

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**Closing: Vincent Heier led us in prayer closing the meeting at 2026 Hrs.**

1. What happened on this date during the Civil War?
2. From which state did "Tarheels" originate? Where did the name come from?
  - a. Alabama
  - b. Kentucky
  - c. South Carolina
  - d. North Carolina
3. Before the secession of South Carolina in 1861, the Union contained how many states?
  - a. 29
  - b. 31
  - c. 32
  - d. 34
4. Who wrote Uncle Tom's Cabin?
5. What was the first double-turreted monitor launched by the US Navy?
  - a. USS Onondaga
  - b. USS Pensacola
  - c. USS Weehawken
  - d. USS Monitor
6. The CSS H.L. Hunley was the only Confederate submarine to attack a US Navy vessel. True or False
7. Which side suffered more casualties at the battle of Stone's River, the North or the South?
8. Which Confederate general was known to some of his men as "Damn Born"?
9. Union Medal of Honor winner Arthur MacArthur was the father of US World War II general Douglas MacArthur. True or False
10. The 1865 battle of Natural Bridge was fought over which Florida river?
  - a. St Marys
  - b. Trout
  - c. Indian
  - d. St Marks

Fun Fact – When was the word CAVALRY first used? - Cavalry (from the French cavalerie, cf. cheval 'horse') or horsemen are soldiers or warriors who fight mounted on horseback. Cavalry were historically the most mobile of the combat arms. An individual soldier in the cavalry is known by a number of designations such as cavalryman, horseman, dragoon, or trooper. The designation of cavalry was not usually given to any military forces that used other animals, such as camels, mules or elephants. Infantry who moved on horseback, but dismounted to fight on foot, were known in the 17th and early 18th centuries as dragoons, a class of mounted infantry which later evolved into cavalry proper while retaining their historic title. King Phillip II of Macedonia used Cavalry as major military units for the first time in Europe in the 300's B.C. European feudalism was made possible by the introduction of saddles in the 4th century, and stirrups in the 8th century, to the West. Both saddles and stirrups had been used in the East since the 1st century.

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**March 9, 2020 Secretary-Treasurer Report**

1. Walt mentioned SUVCW at his speech on February 15 at the Mo Civil War Museum. Spoke to 87 people for a luncheon topic on *Lost Stories of Price's 1864 Raid*.
2. Walt and Sumner drove to Murphysboro IL to set up the October Central Region Allied Orders Meeting. Should be a good setting.
3. The new calendar is posted on line on our website calendar page. The dates of events are:
  - March 14 - Department Business Meeting - Jefferson City
  - April 18 - Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies - Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9AM
  - May 25 - Memorial Day - - May 25 Our Program Starts around 11 AM – Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)

- June 6 – Department Encampment – Bass Pro Shop Independence, MO
  - July 18 - Grant Remembrance Day – July 18 10am Grant National Historic Site (White Haven) (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - July 23 - US Grant Symposium Kick Off - Evening - Grant National Historic Site (White Haven)
  - August 13-16 National Encampment – Marriot Buckhead Hotel and Convention Center, 3405 Lenox Road North East, Atlanta, GA 30326
  - August 30 - 56th USCT Ceremony - 1 PM - Missouri Civil War Museum, with wreath laying later at Jefferson Barracks. (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - October 2 & 3 - Allied Orders Conference – Murphysboro – Logan Museum. Grant Camp Member is setting this up.
  - October 10 - Department Business Meeting – Jefferson City
  - October 25 Sherman Remembrance Day – Oct 25 1PM – Calvary Cemetery and maybe luncheon with speech at some other restaurant in St Louis (SUVCW/DUVCW Event)
  - Dec 9 (Date Tentative)- Christmas Dinner - Date, Time, Location TBD
4. Walt has been in e-mail contact with PCC Dan Jackson and he is signed up to do Bugle (or bagpipes if that is what we want) for the following days – Grant, 56<sup>th</sup> USCT & Sherman Remembrance Days.
  5. Added some items to website besides calendar. Checked to see if we pay enough so that we have a members only section for our members to vote on items, have private information, etc. WE DO NOT. As I run one such website and know some of the ins and outs of it, I don't think it would serve us to pay the additional fees. This was considered regarding commander's desire to have votes on who to present Sherman Flags to.
  6. Speaking of the website – Jim Morrison is a member of four of the five groups I run websites for. I made an 'executive decision' to appoint him the keeper of my passwords for all these groups in case something happens to me so that the camp can recover their website.
  7. February 24 – Sent out mailed reminders to 9 members about needing to pay dues. Neil Cantwell, Dennon & Micael Hannon, Harold Hunt, Christopher Hunter, Frank Mathews, Raymond Meyer, Bob Petrovic, and Carl Wattenberg, Jr still outstanding.
  8. Sent officers review of the 56<sup>th</sup> USCT agenda and the Memorial Day Agenda for Jefferson Barracks and no comments received. E-Mailed the packages to JB Director Parker on 3/2/2020. They sent it back wanting specific release of responsibility for musket/cannon fire. I sent it in again On 3/4/2020.
  9. I've been working a little on producing more items for our sales. Magnetic Name tags, Ladder Name Tags etc. Our order pages might end up being five pages long, but I plan on making them fill in the blank. So that on a name tag the member can type it up the way they want so they can see how it looks as well.

#### Treasurer's Report –

Starting to keep track of items I don't ask for reimbursement for and want it applied to my brothers' dues this next year. Will inform camp of all such expenses as they occur.

The camp commander directed HDMI cables and an extension cord for our power point machine bought. I bought them at Walmart and added them to the box with our Powerpoint™ projector

This month's expenses I will recover in 2021 dues

Nine 55 cent stamps -- \$4.95

HDMI Cable --- \$6.24

Extension Cable --- \$16.97

(no charge for paper, envelopes or tax)

So far, \$28.16 paid out

Will be an update as mailing an envelop of nametags, so probably another \$4.00



DATE	DEP	DESCRIPTION	\$ IN	\$ OUT	BANK ACTION
1/23/2020		Deposit			367.00
2/8/2020	Cash	Sumner - 2 sets of Address Labels/no Postage	8.00		
2/10/2020	5025	Frank Mathews Dues	35.00		
2/10/2020	1235	Sumner Hunnewell Dues for Gerhard Ewig	35.00		
2/14/2020	2345	Michael Woulfe Dues, SVR & Donation	50.00		
2/14/2020	4950	Larry Von Behren Dues	35.00		
2/13/2020	DEP	Deposit			78.00
2/24/2020	1423	Jim Stebbings donation for free dinner	50.00		
3/2/2020	5025	Frank Mathews Stop Payment on Check Refund with Bank Fee		-40.00	-40.00
3/2/2020	4006	Fredrick Campbell Name Tag	16.00		
3/2/2020	101	Ulbrickson Name Tag	28.00		
3/2/2020	3588	Clint Anderson Name Tag	23.00		
3/2/2020	1190	Mike Hudson Extra Dues?	38.00		
3/2/2020	104	Arch Engraving Inv#217686 & 217571		-46.10	-46.10
3/2/2020	DEP	Deposit			240.00
		TOTALS	19,038.62	17,335.31	2,626.58

<b>Committed Funds</b>		<b>Committed Funds</b>	<b>\$641.76</b>
<b>Sherman Flag Fund</b>	228.00	<b>Uncommitted Funds</b>	<b>\$1,984.82</b>
<b>Equipment Fund</b>	218.25	<b>Total in Checking</b>	<b>\$2,626.58</b>
<b>SVR Fund</b>	\$195.51	<b>Undeposited Funds</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$641.76</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,626.58</b>

AGENDA FOR \_\_\_\_\_ 2020 MEETING

PRESENT: \_\_\_\_\_

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BILLS TAKEN IN OR MONEY REC'D: \_\_\_\_\_

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OPENED AT \_\_\_\_\_ HRS PLEDGE \_\_\_\_\_ PRAYER \_\_\_\_\_ LED BY \_\_\_\_\_

MINUTES APPROVAL YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY TREASUER REPORT APPROVAL YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ SUBJECT TO AUDIT

COMMANDER'S REPORT: \_\_\_\_\_

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JVC REPORT: \_\_\_\_\_

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REPORT FROM DEPT MEETING \_\_\_\_\_

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