John A. Logan Camp #26 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Camp Minutes Meeting at Memorial Hall April 4, 2012

The Meeting was called to order by Camp Com. Aarli at 7:06 pm.

Acting Secretary Jon Mc. called the roll: Twelve members present—S. Aarli, Bob B., Leonard C., Chris C., Terry D., Dave E., Steve H., Bill J., Jon Mc., David St. J., Phil T., John W. No guests.

Chaplain Dave. E. led the opening prayer.

Officers Reports:

Secretary: The Minutes to the March 7 meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer: Previous balance- \$903.89

Leonard C. dues-Bill J. dues-Steve H. dues and pin-Ken A. dues \$48.00

Subtotal \$1102.39 Barb S. (centerpieces) \$50.00

Balance \$1052.89

Initiation: Bro. Chris Cronau was initiated into the Camp.

Committee Reports:

Publicity and Promotions- Steve H.

-Submissions are needed for the next edition of the newsletter, *The Patriot*. The deadline is June 1. Dave. E. will write about his Civil War ancestor.

-Veterans' Day (Nov. 11): the 1st Brigade Band will perform at Memorial Hall from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. We now have the following historical interpreters on board for the event: Steve H., Phil T., Dave E., Bob B., Terry & Carol D., Bill J. RACV will help with the marketing.

-Memorial Day weekend (May 26-28):

Saturday, 2:00 pm- Memorial service at Greenwood Cemetery with SVR Honor Guard, Women's Auxiliary conducting service, John W. providing flags; CC Aarli will decide on weather changes.

Sunday- Cannon rededication in Byron (?)

Monday- Parade: SVR will provide color guard, banner; Battery G & Women's Auxiliary to march with us (?); Registration form to be submitted by May 5. Program: We will focus on the Battle of Shiloh; SVR to provide color guard. Readers include Dave E., Steve H., Terry D. and Jon Mc. Local Vets may participate. Bill's grand-daughter invited to sing National Anthem. WTVO has agreed to cover events.

-Publicity & Promotions Committee to meet soon.

ROTC- We need to appoint someone soon.

By-Laws- Steve Aarli. We voted to amend Article 7, Section 5 to read:

Annual Camp dues are due on January 1. A written/email notice will be sent in December. Anyone not paid by March 31, without making other arrangements, will be dropped from the rolls.

Monuments- Phil T. and Bill J. inspected the cannons in Byron, decided the work could be completed in one weekend. May 5-6 was chosen by the members. Requests for funds from the National SUVCW have been submitted. Terry D. is in contact with the Byron Mayor and the Street Department for support.

Communications- Steve A. General Order #17 requests we drape our badges in honor of the death of PCC Loomis. We have been invited to attend a monument dedication in Quincy on April 6 in honor of Dr. Samuel Everett, the first surgeon killed in the Civil War. There will also be a monument dedication in Worden, IL on June 23.

Old Business:

New Business:

Upcoming Events:

April 14: Lincoln Death Day ceremony in Springfield, IL; Attendees include Terry D., Steve H., Phil t., Dave E., Bill j., Steve A. The van leaves the NIU parking lot on E. State promptly at 6:00 am!

April 21: Ladies' Auxiliary meets at Boone Co. Restaurant.

May 12: Dept. of Illinois Annual Encampment at Sycamore, IL;

Department elections to be held. We will take a head count at the May 2 meeting.

June 2-3: Reclaiming our Heritage at Old Soldiers' Home in Milwaukee

June 9-10: Midway Village Museum's Chautauqua; the Camp will participate; dress as GAR members if you come as official representative of Camp.

June 30: Rededication of Camp Randall Arch in Madison, WI; GAR uniforms only, please.

Transfers: Bros. Greg Carter, Jim Lyon and Tom Oestreicher have transferred their SUVCW memberships to other Camps. Br. Jeff Carter was honorably discharged upon his request.

Patriotic Instructor: Jon Mc. told about the "Illinois Boys in Blue," young boys under 18 who served in the US Army during the Civil War and the federal statues of 1850 and 1862 in particular.

SVR: Steve A. related his General Order #5 whereby Bros. Buerger and Cassaro were returned to the rank of Private, due to a loss of two members in the unit.

Chaplain Eisle conducted the closing prayer.

Com. Aarli closed the meeting at _____pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon McGinty, Acting Secretary

Next meeting date: May 2