

JOHN A. LOGAN CAMP #26 SUVCW  
HELD AT MEMORIAL HALL  
ROCKFORD, ILL.

CAMP MINUTES FOR  
JANUARY 5, 2010

The meeting was opened in due form at 7:05 pm by Camp Commander Paul Zeien with the following 12 officers and members present: Steve Aarli, Sec; Robert Buerger, Jr., SVC; Greg Carter, PCC, Council; Geoff Carter; Leonard Cassaro, Guide; Terry Dyer, PCC, DC; Council; David Eisele, Chaplain; Stephen Haight, JVC; William Johnson, Treasurer; Jon McGinty, Historian; John Wade, Guard; Paul Zeien, Camp Commander.

Chaplain Eisele opened the meeting in prayer after which Commander Zeien lead the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our country.

The minutes of the December 1, 2010 were approved with a minor grammar change. Bro. McGinty motioned to approve and Bro. Wade 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passed.

Camp Treasurer Johnson reported that since our December meeting Bro's Aarli, McGinty and Lyons paid their Camp dues of \$45.00 each and our balance as of Jan. 5, 2011 now stands at \$516.30. A motion to accept the report was made by Bro. Wade, seconded by Bro. Carter and the motion passed.

Bro. Dyer reported that Bro. Oestreicher was under the weather with a bad cold and Bro. Jim Lyons was in the hospital with back problems. Bro. Haight reported that he briefly talked to Bro. Ray Empereur on the phone. He seemed distant but said he was all right.

Bro. Haight reported that Midway Village was hosting a Civil War Symposium Jan. 22, 2011 from 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. And he plans to attend with information concerning the Logan Camp and the SUVCW. Anyone else from the Camp who is interested in attending are encouraged to come.

Memorial Hall. He will supply more details at a later date.

In accordance with General Order #8 from CinC Brad Schall reporting the death of Sister Opal A. Nelson, Past President of the Ladies of the G. A. R., on Dec. 20, 2010. It was ordered that all Camp, Dept. and National web sites as well as Member badges be draped in mourning for a period of thirty (30) days. As Signals Officer, Bro. Zeien has draped both the Camp and Dept. of Ill. Web sites to reflect this General Order.

PCC Greg Carter gave an interesting P. I. report on States that seceded from the Union during January 1861. Next month he will continue with those states that left during February.

PCC Carter reported that cataloged several Civil War monuments in the Quincy, Il. area.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

PCC Dyer reported that due to the closing of Binati's restaurant, our Camp's holiday Dinner Party will be held at the Boone County Family restaurant on the corner of Rt. 173 and 76 starting at 5:30 pm.

A lively discussion was held over the proposed 2011 Camp activity calendar. Outside of the usual monthly meetings being set, more discussions will be held in regards to adding other events to our calendar as time goes on.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Camp Secretary Steve Aarli proposed a fund raiser program of recycling aluminum cans with the monies to go into a fund to offset any special awards the Camp may give to Camp members. Bro. Aarli was willing to collect the cans saved by Camp members and take them to the recycling center in Belvidere where his son works when he has enough to fill his truck. Money received will be turned over to Camp Treasurer Bill Johnson for deposit into the Camp Awards fund. As seed money for this project, Bro. Aarli made an initial donation of \$51.80 which was given to Camp Treasurer Johnson.

Camp Secretary Aarli also proposed an attendance award be set up to encourage and recognize attendance of Camp members during the year. This could cover not only Camp meetings, but both Department meetings, Lincoln Tomb, National Encampment, monument restorations/dedications and other Camp sponsored events that are planned. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept this program. CC Zeien appointed SVC Buerger and CC Zeien to set up the program.

A discussion was started by Camp Secretary Aarli with concerns about what are we planning on doing with our SVR Unit Rockford Zouaves. The unit was started over a

year ago with plans to meet and drill on a regular basis but hasn't happened. Many of the SVR members have purchased uniforms with plans to be a viable extension of the Logan Camp. It was also noted that PCC Dyer has received several requests for our SVR unit to appear for some activity but declined the offer as he felt the SVR was not properly prepared. Bro. Aarli has contacted his church and will continue to pursue the possibility of using the churches gym as a practice site and will keep the Camp posted on his progress. PCC Dyer suggested that he will contact Bro. Jim Lyons to see if he would be willing to take over training and drilling our SVR unit as he has extensive back ground in this area.

Camp Secretary Aarli announced that he acquired a Camp seal for use on Camp papers that would require it at a cost of \$47.50. A motion was made by PCC Dyer to reimburse Bro. Aarli for this expense and seconded by Bro. McGinty. Motion passed.

Communications:

Camp Commander Zeien announced that a picture of Bro. Oestreicher presenting his 400<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout award should appear in the next issue of the Rail Splitter and hopefully in the next issue of the Banner.

Also that CC Zeien was appointed to the Nationals web site committee.

Camp Secretary Aarli highlighted CinC Schall's General Order #8 concerning the death of Sister Opal Nelson Past President of the LGAR and that all member badges and websites should be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days.

Also General Order #9 concerning the addition of a page on the Nationals website listing candidates for National office.

Also, there is posted on the Nationals website information concerning dates, etc. for this years Lincoln Tomb event and National Encampment.

With no further business to address, Camp Commander Zeien proceeded to close the Camp in due form at 9:00 pm.

In F.

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Steve Aarli

Camp Secretary