# SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR 

JOHN A. LOGAN CAMP \#26<br>SONS OF UNION VETERANS<br>OF THE CIVIL WAR DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS

Camp Minutes for August 3, 2016 Held at Memorial Hall Rockford, Ill.

The meeting was called to order by Commander DeGroff at 7:05 pm. There were 11 members present: Steve Aarli, Philip Brenning, Leonard Cassaro, Hugh DeGroff, Terry Dyer, Steve Haight, Richard Hoovler, Bill Johnson, David Johnson, Phil Thompson and John Wade. Plus one guest Gary Hoff.

Chap. Phil Thompson led the membership in opening prayer.
Acting Secretary Aarli called the roll of the membership.
The minutes of the July 6, 2016 Camp meeting were read. Bro. Wade motioned to accept as read $2^{\text {nd }}$ by Bro. Hoovler motion carried.

Treasurer Bill Johnson read the Treasurers report stating there was no change from last month. Balance on hand is $\$ 1196.74$.
Sickness \& Distress: Bro. Thompson was pleased to report that everyone was healthy.
Old Business: Bro. Bill Johnson related that Nat'l. Encampment booklets have been printed ( 300 copies) and he has heard that we are close on running out of medals.
New Business: PCC Dyer reported that he received an email from Jim Crain that the Banquet and bus trip are sold out. Bro. Crain also mentioned a record number of Nat'l. Encampment attendies have signed up to be at the Encampment and all blocks of rooms set aside at both hotels are taken. Bro. Crain also mentioned numbers this high haven't been seen since at least 2008.
Bro. Dyer also mentioned that the Petersburg project has been started and there should be a lot of progress to be seen.
DC Zeien's GO \#6 was read concerning the Department wide support for the Camp Douglas site be placed on the Nat'l. Register of Historic Places. Bro. Aarli moved that Sec. Zeien write a letter of support on behalf of the Logan Camp in accordance with the above Gen. Order. Seconded by PCC Dyer, motion passed.

Some discussion was had about the Nat'1. Encampment such as appropriate dress for varies functions. Also DC Zeien's GO \#7 regarding alternates assisting in various functions during the Encampment to help our Dept. committee during the meetings, etc.
Bro. Aarli stressed the importance of our Dept. Delegates be in the meetings especially when voting takes place.
Memorial Hall Manager Scott Lewindowski is trying to get the soldier statue in place by November 11 and plan a dedication service.
Bro. Dyer has been trying to have the Wisconsin Regimental Band come to Memorial Hall for a concert. After some discussion it was suggested that we try to have them come the same weekend as the Soldier statue dedication.
Bro. Aarli mentioned there is another glitch in the Nationals graves database and is frustrated.
Camp P. I. Brenning highlighted events in August of 1866.
Guest Gary Hoff, a friend of PCC Aarli, shared a photo of his GGGrandfather in uniform with what appears to be a GAR style medal. He trying to find info on him if this was some type of GAR uniform.
Bro. Thompson led the members in closing prayer.
CC DeGroff closed the meeting at $7: 55 \mathrm{pm}$ according to protocol.
In Fraternity, Charity \& Loyalty,

PCC Steve Aarli, Sec. pro tem

