

Department of Illinois SUVCW
136th Mid Term Encampment
Held Oct. 19, 2019 at
Sycamore, Illinois

The 136th Mid Term Encampment of the Department of Illinois was opened in due form by DC Harry Reineke IV at 12:30 pm with Dept. Acting Chaplain Richard Hoovler giving the opening prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag of our Country.

The Roll of Dept. Officers was called with the following results:

Dept. Commander: Harry Reineke IV – Present
Dept. Chief of Staff: Steve Westlake, PDC – Present
Dept. SV Commander: Joe Hutchinson – Present
Dept. JV Commander: Gary Gunderson – Present
Dept. Secretary: Steve Aarli – Present
Dept. Treasurer: Wm. Johnson – Present
Dept. Council: Leigh Franklin- Present; Tom Oestreicher– Present; Gene Walker - Present
Dept. Counselor – Ron Clark - Absent
Dept. CW Memorials Officer: Steve Anderson - Present
Dept. Chaplain: Jerry Kowalski – Absent
Dept. Historian: Terry Dyer, PDC - Present
Dept. Signals Officer: Robert Welch - Absent
Dept. Eagle Scout Coordinator: Vacant
Dept. ROTC Coordinator – Nick Kaup – Absent
Dept. Guide: Patrick McConnell – Absent
Dept. Guard: Rob Hauff CC – Present
Dept. P. I.: Michael Zafrane - Present
Dept. GAR Hwy Officer: Vacant
Dept. GRO: Steve Aarli PCC – Present
Dept. Organizer: Nick Kaup PDC Absent and Steve Westlake PDC – Present
Dept. Real Son Liason – Joe Hutchinson PCC – Present
Dept. Fraternal Relations: Leigh Franklin – Present
Dept. Color Bearer: Leigh Franklin – Present

Roll Call of Camps:

Gen. George A. Custer Camp #1 (Wilmette) Present
Gen. Philip H. Sheridan Camp #2 (Aurora) Present
Gen. John A. McClernand Camp #4 (Springfield) Present
Capt. Frank Reed Camp #24 (Tuscola) Absent
John A. Logan Camp #26 (Rockford) Present
Gen. E. F. Dutton Camp #49 (Sycamore) Present
Col. John C. Bryner Camp #67 (Peoria) Present
Col. Freidrich K. Hecker Camp #443 (Belleville) Absent
Old Glory Camp #6165 (Chicago) Present

Total representatives present: 27 members.

At this time DC Harry Reineke III proceeded to give his report to the Encampment. He gave a brief update on Chap. Jerry's health and he's coming along slow but sure. As a goal he hopes to attend Remembrance Day at Gettysburg this November and has asked for about \$250 to help defray cost of the Hotel. It was suggested to "Pass the Hat" during our break.

DC Reineke IV recognized Dept. of Illinois PDC's Westlake, Bigwood and Dyer who were present.

Minutes of the 136th Annual Encampment were approved as distributed via email earlier. Moved and seconded accept as printed and ordered placed on file.

Dept. Treasurer Wm. Johnson presented the following Treasurers report:

Beginning Balance:		\$22955.62
Expenses:		
Nat'l Encampment Add	40.00	
Nat'l Dues (per capita)	4809.00	
Steve Aarli Secretary Expenses	125.08	
Nick Kaup ROTC expenses	80.81	
Bill Shipper ROTC expenses	105.31	
Jerry Kowalski	175.00	
Postage	10.70	
New members	44.50	
Past Commander Badge (for Charles Brady)	77.99	
Terry Dyer Hist. (?)	237.25	
New Members	49.50	
Stephenson Memorial Fund	200.00	
Total Expenses:	\$5955.14	\$17000.48

Income:

Insurance payment from Camp #67	\$69.56	
Medal Income (Commander)	42.50	
2016 Medal Sales	108.00	
New Members	473.50	
Total Income:	\$693.56	
New Balance:		\$17694.04

A motion was made by J. Hutchinson and seconded by S. Westlake and passed to accept the Treasurers report.

DEPT. OFFICER/CAMP COMMANDER REPORTS: These were emailed prior to the Encampment for review with the exception of DC Reineke which he proceeded to read. A motion was made seconded and passed to accept these reports and have them placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS: A notice of a CW Grave Marker to be held Saturday Oct. 26, 2019 at Fisk Cemetery west of Paw Paw, Lee County Illinois beginning at 2:00pm. Two notices concerning Remembrance Day activities in Gettysburg, Pa. on Nov. 23, 2019. Bro. Aarli will email these out next week. A thankyou card from PCinC Don Shaw for the Stephenson Brick as well as the kindness and fellowship extended him this past year while CinC.

AWARDS: CC Dennis Maher presented two plaques as Camp awards to their members Herb Holderman and Matt Woodstrup for their tireless work in Camp affairs.

OLD BUSINESS: the proposed Dept. by-law change concerning Dept. per capita for Real Sons and Life members was ordered laid over until next May for further review. The matter of the Gift of \$300 for Encampment Host Camp was discussed. Bro. Gene Walker gave an update on the Vermont, Ill GAR Monument rehab and dedication. Bro. Hutchinson gave a recap of the Peoria Monument dedication last weekend. It was announced that PDC Jim Lyon stepped down as Dept. Eagle Scout Coordinator and we need a replacement.

NEW BUSINESS: PDC Dyer presented a 15 minute video on the Dr. Stephenson Memorial Plaza that was produced by a local group to be used as a promotion for acquiring more funding and awareness of this project. He also said ordering and book keeping is in the process of being moved here and to be overseen by Bro. Dyer. Bro. Dyer moved and Bro. Franklin 2nd to request a \$500.00 gift from the Dept. of Illinois to add to the project fund. Motion passed.

Bro. Dyer also suggested that the Dept. of Illinois consider having the Petersburg event as a separate event from the Lincoln Tomb event.

DC Reineke announced that Dept. Web Master Bob Welch has created a new Dept. Web site at www.suvcwil.org replacing the current site.

DC Reineke appointed Bro's Steve Westlake, Dennis Maher and Wayne Wehrheim as a Nominating Committee to prepare a proposed slate of elected Dept. Officers to be presented at our Annual Dept. Encampment next May 2020.

DC Reineke appointed Bro's Dennis Maher, Tom Oestreicher and Leigh Franklin as a committee to revise the current Dept. meeting sites. The current one will be finished by October 2020.

Bro. Aarli presented a PDC Medal that belong to PDC Charles Brady found on Ebay. Bro. Brady was Dept. Commander of Illinois in 1960. This medal was then given to Dept. Historian Terry Dyer to keep in our Dept. archives. It was also suggested that when a Brother passes away, instead of just disposing of his medals present them to the Department archives.

Camp #2 announced they will be celebrating their 25th anniversary next Sept. 19, 2020 hopefully at the Aurora GAR Hall.

Bro. Aarli highlighted some of the additions to the Dept. by-laws that were incorporated due to Nat'l C & R changes.

BILLS: The following bills were presented and ordered paid: Steve Aarli, Dept. Sec. supplies \$104.58; Jim Lyon Eagle Scout supply \$4.92 and Terry Dyer Petersburg programs \$127.00. Total: \$236.50. Bro. Zafran moved and Bro. Haight 2nd to pay these motion passed.

Annual Encampment: Dept. Annual Encampment will be held on May 9, 2020 in West Belleville to be hosted by Camp #443. More details will be supplied early next spring.

Initiation of new members: None

Dept. Officer/Delegate Elections: None

Installation of Officers: None

Announcements & Good of the Order:

Closing of Encampment: There being no further business to bring before this Encampment, DC Harry Reineke IV thanked everyone for their attendance and formally closed the 136th Annual Encampment of the Department of Illinois at 2:50 pm in due form.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Steve Aarli, Dept. Sec. Dept. of Ill. SUVCW