

October 1, 2021

Department Order No. 7 Series 2021-2022 Department of Illinois Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

October Department Bivouac

After consultation with Br. Dave Wildemuth of the Department Encampment Site Selection Committee, I am making the following ruling:

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of Illinois, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, by the National Constitution and Regulations, the National Policies, and the By-Laws of this Department, it is hereby ordered as follows:

- Due to the low number of reservations it will not be possible for the Department of Illinois to meet on October 16, 2021. Not only will there not be enough income to cover expenses for the venue and entertainment, but there is not enough to have a quorum to conduct the needed business. The in-person Bivouac is hereby cancelled. Br. Dave will contact those who sent in lunch checks. NOTE: Those who may have made hotel reservations need to cancel them as Br. Dave does not know who made reservations.
- 2. There will be a Zoom meeting arranged by Br. Welch of approximately one hour in length at 2 pm on November 13 to cover the agenda items below:
 - a. Approval of payment for submitted receipts by Department Officers.
 - b. Canvassing to populate the Nominating Committee to select 2022/23 officer candidates.
 - c. Scheduling to hold the Annual Department Encampment at the McLean County History Museum in spring 2022. Date must be selected.
 - d. Review and discussion of items to be added to the Department Bylaws due to changes in the National C&R. No vote will be taken on amendment items until the Department Annual Encampment in the spring.
 - e. Discussion of issues with missing orders/installations for the Stephenson Plaza and future.
 - f. Lincoln Death Day/Stephenson Memorial returning to April date in 2022.
 - g. Propose Department Zoom subscription that Camps can share cost and use.
 - h. Other items as needed and deemed appropriate by the Department Commander. Those Camps and Brothers with prospective items to add should send them in writing via E-mail to the Department Commander as soon as possible.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this **1st** day of **October**, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty one, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Two Hundred Forty-fifth year.

/s/ Joseph M. Hutchinson Department of Illinois Commander

Attest by: /s/ Leigh Franklin Department of Illinois Secretary