



L. G. Armstrong Camp #49

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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June Activities and Meeting Notes

Thursday, June 19, 7:00 PM Regular meeting in the GAR Hall. Attendees were Commander Dan Chroninger, Sr. Vice Garret Reynolds, Jr. Vice Brian Ewing, Treasurer Tom Truog, Secretary Gary Young, and applicant Oliver Giddings of Fennimore. The Treasurer reported:

Beginning Bal:	\$601.15
Receipts:	560.00
Per Capita PD:	449.00
Crawfish exp:	238.71
Misc. Exp:	2.48
Ending Bal:	470.96

The Secretary reported on the Annual Encampment in Madison, commenting on the swell of earnest support for the GAR Hall in its confrontation with Grant County. Among the things contemplated by the Department are elevating the issue to the National level at the National Encampment, Camps doing fundraisers to help with legal costs, placing the issue on the Department web site, placing the issue on the 2nd Wisconsin web site, and writing letters of support for the Boscobel Hall to the Grant County Board of Supervisors and Grant County newspapers. (Your Secretary has passed the necessary information to cognizant persons). National Jr. Vice Commander in Chief Stephen Michaels and retiring Department Commander Randy Novak continue to be involved and supportive of this effort to defend the integrity of the Boscobel GAR Hall. The ladies of the Allied Orders provided Camp #49 with a Bible for the Altar.

Two new members were elected to Camp #49: James Weighton (Sgt. George C. Wright, 6th Iowa Cavalry, Co. M) of Central City, IA, and Nelson A. Ward (Pvt. Reuben Drake, 17th Wisconsin Infantry, Co. I) of Viroqua, WI.

Discussed Muskets and Memories weekend: We will conduct the Cemetery tours 10:00 to Noon, and 3:00 to 5:00 on Saturday, and 10:00 noon on Sunday. Brother Young will prepare cemetery maps for sale for \$3 to people taking the tour.

Sr. Vice Commander Garret Reynolds volunteered to coordinate.

The Camp committed to gathering enough volunteers to post an ARMED guard at the GAR Hall during all the time it is open for tours on the weekend. Commander of the Camp Guard will coordinate.

Brother Young was requested by the M&M Committee to open the Hall for tours during the Officers' Social Friday evening. He will support with the concurrence of the BGAHP.Inc.

We painted over half the floor of the meeting hall. This was facilitated by the fact the ladies had cleaned the floor so it was ready to paint. THANKS WRC! Brother Young with some help from Brother Reynolds will complete the floor prior to our July meeting. We hope to install the stairwell light and paint ourselves out the front door at the July meeting.

Flotsam and Jetsam

Thanks to Sr. Vice Commander Garret Reynolds, Camp #49 has it's own web page. You will find it at <http://camp49.the-rs-services.com>

Remember Camp #49's email address is

Camp_49@mchsi.com

Heritage Alert: The suit by Grant County against the Boscobel Grand Army of the Republic Hall Preservationists, Inc. for GAR artifacts, flags, and WRC records continues. John McNamee, the group's pro bono attorney is preparing the required response to the pleading which must be responded to by July 14. Letters to the Grant County Board of Supervisors on this issue may be sent to 111 South Jefferson Street, Lancaster, WI 53813. *The Boscobel Dial*, 901 Wisconsin Avenue, Boscobel, WI 53805, or *Grant County Herald Independent*, 208 West Cherry Street, Lancaster, WI 53813.

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