

**135th New York Dept. Encampment SUVCW  
Saturday, April 21st, 2018, Rochester, New York**

Time Opened: 9:03 AM by the sound of the gavel by DC Daryl Verstreate Jr..

Attendance: 26 Brothers

Special Guests: Bro. Kenneth Freshley, PCinC  
Bro. Mark Day Representing CinC National Organization  
Bro. William McCohen, CC of Dept. of VT

#### **CHARTERED CAMPS**

It was noted that two camps closed, their charters recalled (Stewart Hope Camp and Admiral Worden Camp). Location of Charters unknown. Other camp properties to be turned in.

A new camp was chartered the Richard J. Clarke Camp #110 of Nassau, Suffolk, NY. Charter to be delivered.

#### **IRS FILINGS**

A reminder was made by Sec. Pugsley, PDC that Camps must file 990s and Form 30s to Dept.

- Camps will need to be suspended if their 990s are not filed with the IRS
- The IRS filing must be done by May 15th.(30 days after)
- Currently, there are up to 10 camps who have not met that obligation.
- Camps are instructed to print two copies of the filing - one for camp commander, one for secretary/treasurer.
- Username and password should be held by two officers so they are never lost.
- Bro. Sec. Pugsley, PDC offered to maintain a partial list of some passwords and usernames for camps for IRS 990s.

#### **CAMP REPORTS**

Bro. Sec. Pugsley, PDC, noted that Camps submitted a low number of camp reports. More Camps should try to submit camp reports along with their standard camp reporting forms detailing their actions throughout the term as it gives a time capsule of history of that camp for that term.

#### **FINANCES**

A budget was proposed and accepted which was over \$152.00 and with a budget line item of \$200.00 for a new camp website, and operations priceline increased for costs of PDC Badges.

The Department has \$12,889.13 in our checking account.

## **DISCUSSION**

Suggestion was made for the Dept to maintain a new email list of Brothers for registration for department news. Which would be sent electronically through an email service, like MailChimp. Such a email registration list could be made but dependent upon brothers registering on website.

It was suggested by Bro. Wheeler, PCinC, to appoint a one-day encampment study committee. It was amended to read that the committee shall be made up of one member each of the Dept allied orders and it was passed.

It was noted that the Ellis Camp offered a Scholarship Prize Program in the form of a Essay Contest. Additionally it was noted that the order needs more ways of reaching out to and serving the community as a 501c.

## **CHAPLAIN REPORT**

4 Brothers Deceased

## **HISTORIAN REPORT**

An old SUV sword was recommended by Bro. Jerome Orton, PDC which he would pay to be engraved and donated to the Dept to use as the Department Commander's symbol of authority and displayed at Dept. Encampment recommendation was passed.

## **WEBMASTER REPORT**

Graves/Monuments project page needs to be updated, more info from camps.

JROTC/ROTC Units are not complete on Dept website, It was recommended to update list on Dept website. Bro. Shafer, PDC noted that New York got 12 ROTC Awards this past year, we need to award more. We need better lists of units and point of contacts on Department website.

## **NEWSLETTER EDITOR REPORT**

Next issue of Volunteer has August 1st publication deadline date.  
Email materials/stories to [wisecres1@1and1.net](mailto:wisecres1@1and1.net)

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT FEASIBILITY COMMITTEE**

The committee concluded that the National Encampment Feasibility Committee would most likely not recommend a National Encampment in New York next year. As such, they recommended that we give up this attempt. It was voted upon and decided to stop pursuing this year for the time being (11 for continuing a bid for next year, the rest against in favor of not pursuing this year).

## **MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS COMMITTEE**

Reported that there were no applications for grants and it was recommended by the Dept. Memorials Officer and Cmte that the grant protocol process be more prominently displayed on Dept. website. Work continues on the Dept memorials registered in the hopes of getting database in future on Dept website for all to see.

## **RALLY AROUND THE FLAG COMMITTEE**

An Albany County trial run of mailing to local cities and towns for them to sponsor their local regimental flags for flag restoration would begin. It was recommended that the Flag database be placed on Dept website and it was agreed.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A deed of gift agreement that was not signed between the Dept, under former Dept. Commander LeMay, and The NYS Military Museum was brought up by PDC LeMay. The deed was signed off on by Dept. Commander Verstrete and will be mailed to the Museum by PDC LeMay after much discussion.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. PASSED: An advertisement to be placed in next edition of Volunteer for lost proceedings.
2. PASSED: Edit Article 19 and 20 into Bylaws (Refer to G.O. #18 TO adopt language)
3. FAILED: Resolution from P.G. Cook Camp to change article 3, section 4, the hotel expense of CinC to be just banquet expense.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. APPROVED: Allied Orders One Day Encampment Study Committee
2. APPROVED: Lost Proceedings Committee to go one one more year and publish article in Volunteer seeking past lost proceedings.
3. APPROVED: Grants protocol to be displayed on website
4. APPROVED: SUV Sword for Dept Commander to be engraved and donated at Bro. Orton's cost and expense as a symbol of the power and authority of the Dept commander at Dept. meetings and functions.
5. APPROVED: Update list of ROTC units on Dept Website
6. APPROVED: NYS Civil War Flags Database to be placed on Dept. Website.
7. APPROVED: Camp Officers List to be posted on members only section of Dept. website.
8. APPROVED: Create an email registration for department news on Dept website for brothers to sign up.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Bro. Freshley PCinC noted that the Dept. of Ohio is recommending Bro. Peter Rictiko for the CofA.

Budget and Finance: 2018-2019 Dept. Budget APPROVED.

FOLLOW UP: The Dept Musicians Award was a plaque at one time; what happened? It was requested that the Proceedings be consulted to verify 2002/2003/2004 that the award was to be a plaque and not a certificate.

## AWARDS

DC Verstrete presented these awards:

- Certificates of Commendation to Brothers Pugsley and Wheeler for their work on the Dept. Encampment.
- The Joseph Rippey Award for 2018 to Bro. Paul Ellis Graham, PDC.
- The Archibald Gracie SCV Camp Award to the Ellis Camp for 2018.

Dept. P.I. Certificates will be mailed out by Bro. Dept. PI Straight, the following certificates are to be awarded:

\*Abraham Lincoln, Camp # 6 - Patriotic Instructor, Robert Pugsley

\*Walter H. French, Camp # 17 - Patriotic Instructor, Jeffery French

\*Capt. Oliver Tilden Camp # 26 - Patriotic Instructor, Arthur Kirmes

\*Sydney Camp # 41-Patriotic Instructor, George Boyer

\*Col. John B. Weber Camp # 44-Patriotic Instructor, Michael E. Erb

\*Judson A. Hicks Camp # 111-Patriotic Instructor, Robert Pugsley

\*Homer Searle Camp # 114-Patriotic Instructor, Jason Wolczanski

\*Col. Augustus van Horne Ellis Camp # 124-Patriotic Instructor, Jeffrey Albanese

\*Cpl. James Tanner Camp # 134-Patriotic Instructor, Doug Brenner

\*Col. David Ireland Camp #137- Patriotic Instructor, Ben Gardiner CC

\*Col. George L. Willard Camp # 154-Patriotic Instructor, Paul Cooney

\*Richard J. Clark Camp # 210-Patriotic Instructor, Scott McKendrick

\*Phineas Catlin Camp # 341-Patriotic Instructor, Ted Dudgeon

\*Moses A. Baldwin Camp # 544-Patriotic Instructor, Scott McKendrick

The Dept PI Award Prize was presented to Bro. Scott McKendrick of the Richard J. Clarke Camp No. 210.

The awarding of two Dept. Awards, The Oliver P. Clark Plaque, and The John Kernan Cup were deferred as reports were not due yet and tallies could not be made for membership totals.

## **NOMINATIONS / ELECTIONS**

Results of Voting (25 Voting Members):

*Commander:* Leo McGuire, PCC

*Sr. Vice Commander:* Richard E. Straight, CC, PDC

*Jr. Vice Commander:* Darin Everdyke

*Dept. Council:*

1. Raymond Wheaton, PDC
2. Paul Ellis Graham, PDC
3. Daryl Verstrete Jr., PDC

*Delegates to National Encampment:*

1. Richard Straight, CC
2. Paul Ellis Graham, PDC
3. Leo McGuire, PDC
4. Dennis Duffy
5. Daryl Verstrete Jr., PDC
6. Danny Wheeler, PCinC
7. Jeffrey Albanese, PDC
8. Bruce Glaser, PDC
9. Darin Everdyke
10. Jerry Orton, PDC (?)

Appointed:

*Secretary:* Robert Pugsley, PDC

*Treasurer:* Jeffrey Albanese, PDC

*Officer Appointments to follow by order of DC McGuire*

*Installation of Department Officers Ceremony.*

*DC McGuire gave acceptance speech and for what he envisions during his term for the Department.*

Closed at the sound of the gavel by New DC Leo McGuire.