



## *Camp Orders 2016-06*

**Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

*Grand Army of the Republic*

**"Old Abe" Camp #8**

Wisconsin Department



### **Camp November 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting & Bean Supper Will Be Held At Oshkosh Fire Station #17, 1813 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI**



Our November meeting & bean supper, Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, is being held at Oshkosh Fire Station #17, 1813 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI.

This fire station is located at the southern end of Riverside Cemetery in Oshkosh, WI. Parking will be in back of the fire station where the red arrow is.

**Next Old Abe Camp 8 Meeting  
will be on November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Supper starts at 6:00 PM,**

**Please bring a dish to pass, your  
own beverage, and place setting.**

**Meeting and Election starts at**

**7:00 PM**

**Location is:**

**Oshkosh Fire Station #17  
1813 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh, WI.**

### **- Meeting Directions -**

Coming from the north or south take Hwy 41 to exit 120. After exiting head into the city of Oshkosh on Algoma Blvd. Drive on Algoma Blvd past the large cemetery on your right which will be Riverside Cemetery. At the end Riverside Cemetery you will see Fire Station #17 just before the intersection of Algoma Blvd & West Murdock Avenue.

From Waupaca & the west take Hwy 45 straight into Oshkosh. Hwy 45 becomes Algoma Blvd once you pass over Hwy 41. Stay on Algoma Blvd & go past the large cemetery on your right which will be Riverside Cemetery. At the end Riverside Cemetery you will see Fire Station #17 just before the intersection of Algoma Blvd & West Murdock Avenue.

# COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

**CAMP COMMANDER**  
**WILLIAM W. PARKER**

Brothers, I would just like to say Thank you for supporting me the last 2 years as your Camp Commander. It has been a learning experience I will soon not forget. There are not many members at 32 years who could say that they were elected a Camp Commander or at the age of 34 years, a Past Camp Commander. I feel like the last time that has happened was in our early history. But it is time for a change and I hope you all will support the next Camp Commander like you have supported me. I know I will give him my full support.

Our election will be held at the Oshkosh fire station #17 on Monday November 21<sup>st</sup>. Our annual Bean Dinner pot luck at 6pm with a meeting to follow. I cannot stress enough the importance of this meeting and I hope as many brothers can show up. If you can't make the meeting, please message me also if anybody is interested in an elected position, let me know.

William Parker



## RENEWAL – NOTICE

**Dues were Payable as of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Please send \$40.00 to the Camp Treasurer:**

**Kurtis Kirk  
W 2154 Cottonville Court  
Berlin, WI 54923**



Brother Jim Schumann and Camp Commander William Park at Boy Scout Jamboree, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Tri-Norske Ski Area, Rome, Wisconsin.



# Edward S Bragg #8, ASUVCW

## AUXILIARY TO THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR



Are you looking to give back to your country? Honor your Civil War ancestor?  
Do more with your husband who is a Sons of Union Veterans member?

**Join me in becoming a charter member of a new auxiliary and...**

- Instill love of country in yourself and others
- Assist the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
- Properly observe Memorial Day
- Support our troops
- Help with headstone dedications
- Support our Veterans at King Veterans Home
- Learn and teach proper flag etiquette
- Learn more about the Civil War
- Care for and support your fellow Auxiliary members
- Meet new friends and have fun

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# Wade House Civil War Weekend 2016



Camp member Dave Rambow talking about wet plate photography in the activity tent & answering the public's questions at his display.



Camp Commander Bill Parker and Jr Vice Commander Ron Arndt with McAllister's Battery during the afternoon battle.



Brother Jim Schumann participating the afternoon battle as a southerner.

Photographs submitted by PCC Kirby Scott





## Wade House

Old Abe Camp 8 had a display set up at this year's 26<sup>th</sup> annual Civil War Weekend at Wade House in Greenbush, WI.

On Friday, the day before, Camp member Kirby Scott set up the Camp's display with help from Bill Parker. They set up the Camp fly & display as well as a wall tent and picture board that hasn't been there for the past few years that the public really enjoys.

On Saturday Camp members Kirby Scott, Bill Parker, Dennis Jacobs, and Alan Heise help man the display and answer the public's questions about what we do and who we are. It was a beautiful partly sunny Saturday and we had quite a few people stop by. Some Camp members participated in the afternoon battle as members of McAlister's Battery and Jim Schumann participated as a member of the South. Camp member Jim Schumann also was participating in the Winter Quarters part of the site.

On Sunday it was a slow and peaceful for Camp member, Kirby Scott, who was manning the Camp display by himself. By noontime the crowds picked up a little but there weren't too many as compared to prior years. By noontime Camp member, Kirby Scott, started to pack up part of the Camp display because the weather forecast was calling for wind and heavy rain for around 3pm. When the rain got close the organizers allowed people to start leaving early so as to avoid getting tents and everything else soaked. Everything that was set up for our Camp was packed up before the rain started so we lucked out and stayed dry.

This was an enjoyable event but it would have been better if we could have gotten more members to participate. Setting up and tearing down the displays isn't easy and it would be nice to have other members help so that some don't have to do it by themselves. In order for this group to survive for future generations we need to have people step up and help out because you can't expect a few people to do all of the work.

Bro. Kirby Scott



# November 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting

## Traditional Bean Supper & Elections

Our November meeting is our traditional bean supper. Please bring a dish to pass along with your eating utensils & something to drink.

Supper will start at 6:00 pm with the meeting to begin at 7:00 pm.

After our supper we will hold our regular meeting, which will include the election of officers for the 2016 – 2017 year. Please plan on being present for this meeting so you can vote for whom you would like to see in office.

The following positions are elected positions and will be voted on: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Camp Secretary, Camp Treasurer, Camp Delegate, Camp Council (3 positions).

The following positions are appointed: Patriotic Instructor, Camp Chaplin, Color Bearer, Camp Guide, Camp Guard, Camp Counselor, Camp Historian, Civil War Memorials Officer, Graves Registration Officer.

Below are the job description information that is provided by the National SUVCW.

### **Job Descriptions for the Camp's elected positions**

#### **COMMANDER**

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Commander is to direct and to provide oversight of Camp operations in order to foster and promote the goals and objects of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Commander should include:

1. Presiding at all meetings of the Camp.
2. Appointing the appointed officers and all committees.
3. Become familiar with all SUVCW forms that are utilized for conducting the business of the Camp, especially those that require the Commander's signature, and ensure that all reports are submitted to the Department by the specified time.
4. Ensuring that the Camp officers and committees do their jobs.
5. Representing the Camp at community functions.
6. Becoming familiar with the Camp's Bylaws and the Order's Constitution and Regulations.

7. Keeping the membership informed by issuing "Camp Orders", attested to by the Camp Secretary.
8. Consulting with Past Camp Commanders for advice on Camp matters.
9. Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.
10. Serving as liaison between the Camp and Department.

#### **SENIOR VICE COMMANDER**

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Senior Vice Commander is to assist the Commander, promote the Order and preside at Camp meetings in the absence of the Commander.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Senior Vice Commander should include:

- 1 Presiding at Camp meetings in the absence of the Camp Commander.
- 2 Acting as a personal representative upon the request from the Camp Commander.
- 3 Gathering appropriate data about Camp activities and forwarding to the Department Senior Vice Commander
- 4 Promoting Camp activities in the local media.
- 5 Publishing a Camp newsletter.
- 6 Scheduling informative programs for Camp meetings.
- 7 Carrying out other responsibilities delegated to the position by the Camp Bylaws, Camp and Camp Commander.

#### **JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER**

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Junior Vice Commander is to assist with the recruitment and retention of Brothers (Members, Associates, and Juniors).

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Junior Vice Commander should include:

- 1 Contacting prospective Brothers whose names are supplied to the Camp by the Department Junior Vice Commander.
- 2 Supplying prospective Brothers with membership materials including two membership applications, a copy of a SUVCW organization descriptive leaflet, and an invitation to the next Camp meeting.
- 3 Keeping track of applicants' progress in completing

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membership applications.

- 4 Encouraging delinquent Brothers to remain in the Order.
- 5 Presiding at Camp meetings in the absence of both the Camp Commander and Senior Vice Camp Commander.
- 6 Carrying out other responsibilities delegated to the office by the Camp Bylaws, Camp and Camp Commander.

### **SECRETARY**

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Secretary is to keep the minutes of the meetings and to carry on necessary correspondence for the Camp or Department.

#### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Secretary should include:

- 1 Taking minutes of each Camp meeting.
- 2 Maintaining a book or file of minutes of past meetings.
- 3 Reading the minutes of the preceding Camp meeting.
- 4 Processing and responding to Camp correspondence.
- 5 Notifying Brothers of meeting dates and location.
- 6 Preparing Form 22, "Report of Camp Installing Officer", in duplicate and sending both copies to the Department Secretary.
- 7 Reviewing for accuracy the annual "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (Form 10) that can be prepared by a Camp's Commander, Treasurer or Secretary.
- 8 In conjunction with the Camp Treasurer, prepare and submit a "Camp Annual Report" (Form 27) in duplicate to the Department Secretary on or before April 30 of each year, with check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of the membership application for each new Brother.
- 9 Preparing and submitting a "Camp Status Report" (Form 30) in duplicate to the Department Secretary by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the next month following any change in a Camp's membership after the annual report is filed. A check for per capita and application fees, plus two copies of a new Brother's membership application must be enclosed.
- 10 Maintaining Camp membership applications and supporting documentation.
- 11 Preparing credentials for those serving as Camp delegates and alternates to Department Encampments.
- 12 Maintaining the Camp seal and affixing it to Camp documents as needed.

### **TREASURER**

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Treasurer is to serve as custodian of Camp monies and property, to keep accurate financial records and to prepare periodic financial reports.

#### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Treasurer should include:

- 1 Keeping the financial records of the Camp.
- 2 Preparing a financial report to be presented at each Camp meeting.
- 3 Preparing and sending dues notices to Brothers at least one month before the end of the Camp's fiscal year.
- 4 Issuing membership cards to Brothers upon receipt of annual dues.
- 5 Serving as custodian of Camp property not otherwise provided for.
- 6 Maintaining a bank account in the Camp's name for Camp funds.
- 7 Preparing a report on the financial condition of the Camp for review and approval by the Camp Council.
- 8 In conjunction with the Camp Secretary, prepare a "Camp Annual Report" (Form 27) with check for per capita and application fees, to be submitted to the Department Secretary on or before April 30 of each year.
- 9 Preparing and submitting a "Life Member Reimbursement Form" (for those Brothers who qualify) before March 31 of each year.
- 10 Notifying a Brother who is in arrears for dues or fines, no later than March 31 of each year.
- 11 Preparing and transmitting any and all financial reports as may be required by applicable state law.

### **DELEGATE**

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the delegate is to represent the Camp at Department and National meetings.

### **COUNCIL**

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the three-member Council is to devise and recommend measures to help ensure the financial stability of the Camp and to fill vacancies which may occur in elected Camp offices.

#### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Council should include:

- 1 Devising and recommending measures for preserving and increasing the funds of the Camp.
- 2 Making the Camp's investments, leases, and other contracts.
- 3 Settling and disposing of all disputed accounts between the Camp Treasurer and Brothers of the Camp.
- 4 Examining the books, vouchers and other financial papers of the Camp.

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5 Reviewing and passing upon a quarterly financial report of the Camp.

6 Filling for the unexpired term by of a majority vote of the Council any vacancy which may occur in an elected Camp office.

### Job Descriptions for the Camp's appointed positions

#### PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Patriotic Instructor is to educate and provide Brothers and the general public with information that will help to foster patriotism among the membership and the populace in general.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Patriotic Instructor should include:

- 1 Presenting at each Camp meeting information on such items as - (a) Civil War military, civilian and other great American leaders, (b) National and state holidays, (c) The United States Flag, (d) Duties of citizenship such as voting, (e) Great Civil War battles and battles of other wars, and (f) Great American artifacts and sites.
- 2 Providing public displays and orations on patriotism as called upon.
- 3 Providing awards of recognition to deserving individuals as deemed necessary or ordered by the Camp.

#### CHAPLAIN

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Chaplain is to conduct such devotional services as directed by the Camp or Department.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Chaplain should include:

- 1 Conducting prayer at all meetings.
- 2 Conducting grave site services for Brothers and important dignitaries.
- 3 Conducting memorials for grave dedication or rededication ceremonies of veterans - especially Union veterans.
- 4 Serving as custodian of the Camp Bible unless assigned to another Camp officer.
- 5 Preparing an annual necrology of Camp Brothers and submitting the list to Department Chaplain.
- 6 Serving as coordinator for the Camp's Memorial Day

ceremony.

7 Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Rituals and Ceremonials.

#### HISTORIAN

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Historian is to collect and preserve all historical and biographical material pertaining to the Civil War, to members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to members of the Order.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Historian should include:

- 1 Maintaining and cataloging all historical, biographical and/or photographic material given to or developed by the Camp regarding the Civil War, Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.), and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW).
- 2 Such material would include but not be limited to the following: newspaper articles, Post/Camp membership records, Post/Camp meeting minutes, old Post/Camp financial records, photographs, and donated memorabilia.

#### COUNSELOR

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the office of Counselor is to serve as a legal advisor to the Commander and to the Camp.

##### **Activities**

The activities of the Camp Counselor should include:

- 1 Advising the Commander and the Camp on such legal issues as may come before them.
- 2 Upon request of the Commander, providing advice and interpretation of the Camp's Bylaws, the Order's Constitution and Regulations, and on parliamentary questions.

#### GUIDE

##### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Guide is to assist the Commander in the floor work of the Ritual during the Camp meeting and to follow any orders given by the Commander.



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### Activities

The activities of the Camp Guide should include:

- 1 Ensuring that the Camp room is proper order and that the altar and stations are properly arranged.
- 2 Instructing candidates for membership per the instructions of the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.
- 3 Acting as an escort for all visitors.
- 4 Ascertaining if everyone present is entitled to remain for the Camp meeting.
- 5 Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

### COLOR BEARER

#### Purpose

The purpose of the office of Color Bearer is to care for the Camp colors and to assist the Camp Guide during the Camp meeting.

#### Activities

The activities of the Camp Color Bearer should include:

- 1 Placing the altar cloth and an unopened Bible on the altar prior to the opening of the Camp.
- 2 Placing station banners at the stations prior to the opening of the Camp.
- 3 Assisting the Guide in ascertaining if everyone present is entitled to remain for the Camp meeting.
- 4 Presenting the United States Flag during the Pledge of Allegiance by the Camp.
- 5 Attending to the altar and stations by removing altar cloth, Bible and station banners following the close of the Camp.
- 6 Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

### GUARD

#### Purpose

The purpose of the office of Guard is to secure the door to the Camp meeting and to admit only those Brothers and visitors who are qualified or entitled to enter.

#### Activities

The activities of the Camp Guard should include:

- 1 Securing the door of the Camp meeting.
- 2 Checking dues receipts or cards of Brothers and admitting only qualified Brothers and authorized visitors.

- 3 Allowing no one to enter during the opening or closing of the Camp.
- 4 Allowing no one to enter during the initiation of candidates.
- 5 Becoming familiar with the duties of the office as set forth in the Order's Ritual and Ceremonials.

### GRAVES REGISTRATION OFFICER

#### Purpose

The purpose of the Graves Registration Officer is to locate, record, ascertain the condition of and bring to the attention of proper authorities the need for repair or replacement of the grave markers/memorials of Civil War veterans buried in the jurisdiction of the Camp.

#### Activities

The activities of the Camp Graves Registration Officer should include:

- 1 Conducting an inventory of the cemeteries located within the confines the Camp's geographical boundaries and documenting the presence of Civil War veteran grave markers and memorials.
- 2 Bringing to the attention of appropriate governmental agencies the existence of grave markers/memorials in need of rehabilitation or replacement.
- 3 Assisting private parties and governmental agencies in the completion of applications for new federal grave markers for Civil War veterans.
- 4 Providing documentation of location and condition of Civil War veteran grave markers/memorials to the Department Graves Registration Officer.

### CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS OFFICER

#### Purpose

The purpose of the Camp level Civil War Memorials Officer is to coordinate the locating, physical examination of, and recording of all memorials dedicated to Union Civil War soldiers and sailors (outside the care of the National Military Parks, and the U. S. Departments of Defense, or Veterans' Affairs) within their respective geographic boundaries. This includes all sizes of monuments (with or without sculpture), those with Civil War era cannon and inert ammunition, memorial fountains, memorial buildings, memorial windows (stained glass), historical markers, and even small plaques.

#### Activities

To prevent a duplication of effort on the part of a Camp's

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membership, the Camp Civil War Memorials Officer should:

- 1 Coordinate the search for, physical examination of, photographing of, and recording of Civil War Memorials (as described above) located within the confines of the Camp's geographical boundaries.
- 2 Maintain observation of care and upkeep for “local” Civil War Memorials – and bring any shortcomings to the attention of the property owners and community government where the memorial is located.
- 3 Provide documentation of location and condition of Civil War Memorials (via SUVCW Form CWM 61) to the Department Civil War Memorials Officer.



### Camp Calendar

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Camp 8 Election of Officers and Traditional Bean Dinner 6pm & 7pm

Location: Fire House #17 1813 Algoma Blvd Oshkosh WI

January 2017 Winter Dinner

March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Summer Dinner

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

*Please send information on events that you are aware of to be included in this newsletter to:  
dennergb@hotmail.com*



## *Wisconsin At Gettysburg*

By Paul Johnson

Patriotic Instructor



*Effective Strength 302*  
*Killed 26*  
*Wounded 155*  
*Missing 52*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Wis. Vol Inf**

The 2nd Wisconsin was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Colonel Lucius Fairchild. He was wounded on July 1st, losing his arm but surviving to later become Governor of Wisconsin. Lieutenant-Colonel Stevens had already been mortally wounded, and Major John Mansfield briefly took command of the regiment until he, too, was wounded. Captain George H. Otis then took over.

The regiment reached the field in the morning of July 1st and launched a counterattack against the Confederate Brigade of James Archer. Archer's Brigade was taken by surprise and suffered heavy casualties. Private Patrick Maloney of the 2nd Wisconsin's Company G captured Confederate General James Archer near Willoughby Run, the first of general officer of the Army of Northern Virginia to be captured in the war.

Confederate reinforcements continued to arrive through the day and after several hours of heavy fighting the Union line north and west of Gettysburg collapsed. Private Maloney did not survive the day's fighting.

The regiment's survivors retreated south of Gettysburg to Cemetery Hill. Only 69 men were still fit for duty at the end of the fighting on July 1. They were posted to the north flank of Culp's Hill, which they held for the rest of the battle.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Wis. Vol Inf**

The 3rd Wisconsin Infantry was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Colonel William Hawley, a Madison furniture maker and veteran of the Mexican War. It brought 260 men to the field.

The regiment built breastworks at the location of the monument on the morning of July 2nd but in the late afternoon were ordered to reinforce the Union left flank around Little Round Top and left the position. When they returned that night Confederates had occupied the works. The regiment recaptured the position at dawn and held it for the rest of the battle.



*Killed 2*  
*Wounded 8*



*491 men*  
*0 casualties*

### **5<sup>th</sup> Wis. Vol Inf**

The 5th Wisconsin was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Colonel Thomas S. Allen. It brought 491 men to the field, suffering no casualties as it served in reserve positions in the army's flank and rear.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Wis. Vol Inf

The Sixth Wisconsin was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Lt. Col. Rufus R. Dawes, grandson of the William Dawes who rode with Paul Revere. It brought 340 men to the field and lost 30 killed, 116 wounded and 22 missing.

The Sixth and the rest of the First Corps were the first Northern infantry in the fight at Gettysburg, going into action northwest of town during the morning of July 1st.

The regiment was initially held in reserve from the rest of the Iron Brigade. When Davis' Mississippi Brigade threatened to outflank the Iron Brigade the 6th Wisconsin charged across open ground to the Railway Cut north of Chambersburg Pike, trapping much of Davis' command and taking a number of prisoners, particularly from the 2nd Mississippi Infantry.

By late afternoon the Union position north and west of Gettysburg collapsed and the Sixth was forced to retreat though Gettysburg to Cemetery Hill. It was ordered with the rest of the First Division to the north side of Culp's Hill, which it defended for the rest of the battle.



Corporal Francis A. Waller of Company I was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions on July 1st when he captured the flag of the 2d Miss. Inf.



*Killed -- 30.  
Wounded -- 116.  
Missing -- 22.*



## 7<sup>th</sup> Wis. Vol Inf

The 7th Wisconsin was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Colonel William W. Robinson. Robinson took over the brigade during the battle, and Major Mark Finnicum then led the regiment.

The regiment reached the battlefield on the morning of July 1st and launched a counterattack from the location of the monument against the Confederate Brigade of James Archer. Archer was captured and his brigade suffered heavy casualties. But Confederate reinforcements continued to arrive through the day and after several hours of heavy fighting the Union line north and west of Gettysburg collapsed. The regiment's survivors retreated south of Gettysburg to Cemetery Hill. They were then posted on the north flank of Culp's Hill, which they held for the rest of the battle.



Corporal Francis Coates was awarded the Medal of Honor "In action at Gettysburg, PA on July 1, 1863 for unsurpassed courage in battle where he had

*Effective Strength  
370  
killed - 39  
wounded - 103  
missing - 52  
total - 194*

## 26<sup>th</sup> Wis. Vol Inf

The 26th Wisconsin was commanded at the Battle of Gettysburg by Lieutenant Colonel Hans Boebel, a printer from Milwaukee who was wounded in the fighting on July 1. Major Baetz had been wounded by this time, and Captain John W. Fuchs took command.

The regiment arrived on the battlefield in the early afternoon of July 1st and marched through Gettysburg to the plains north of town. The 26th was on the right flank of the brigade, with a large gap between them and Barlow's division to the east.

The brigade was heavily attacked from the front and was holding its own when Barlow's division collapsed. Suddenly the 26th was hit from the flank by overwhelming numbers, and the brigade was forced to fall back to Gettysburg, which one member of the regiment later admitted was "not as orderly as it should have been."

The regiment's loss of line officers was especially heavy. Four were killed, nine were wounded, and one was missing.



*Effective Strength 516  
Killed 46  
Wounded 134  
Missing 37*



## Wisconsin Sharpshooters 1st U.S. Sharpshooters, Co, G



Col. Hiram Berdan's two regiments of sharpshooters were unique in the Union army, using different uniforms, weapons, equipment and tactics from the "line units". Although formed as United States Army units, each company within the regiments was formed of recruits from a single state. After the war the states (Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Wisconsin) each erected monuments to their respective companies.

The 1st Regiment was commanded at Gettysburg by Colonel Berdan until he took command of the brigade. Lieutenant Colonel Casper Trepp then took over.

The 1st Regiment as a whole brought 371 men to the field and lost 6 killed, 37 wounded and 6 missing. It was part of 3rd Corps - 1st Division - 2nd Brigade.



Senior Vice Commander portraying Capt. Charles R Tyler during a cemetery walk on September 8<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at Woodlawn Cemetery in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Captain Charles R Tyler was an assistant Quartermaster stationed in Baltimore, upon his return to Green Bay, he was appointed Postmaster for Green Bay.

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### ***Camp Orders Newsletter & Camp Web Page***

**NOTICE:** The full *Camp Orders* are available "on line" (in color!) and can be accessed in PDF format from our Camp 8 web page, on the Wisconsin Department Website at [suvchw-wi.org](http://suvchw-wi.org). Hard copies will also be mailed to any member upon request to the Camp Commander or the Newsletter Editor (contact info on last page).

All photos and stories are provided by the *Camp Orders* Editor unless otherwise indicated. To submit an article or information for the Camp Orders Newsletter or website, contact the Newsletter Editor. Deadline for a submission is 3 weeks prior to a meeting.

## OLD ABE CAMP MEETING MINUTES, SEPT. 19, 2016

1. Started at 7:07 P.M. Oshkosh Fire Station #17
2. Roll call of officers. NONE. (6 members present)
3. Minutes approved. Treasurer's Report. The small CD was rolled over. CD 1 is \$1032.91. CD 2 is \$4266.89. \$4093.05 in checking account. \$100.00 was donated to the Dept. patriotic fund at the last meeting.
4. Any sick or distressed brothers? NONE.
5. Guests. NONE.
6. New members. D. Jacobs may have a prospect from Fond-du-lac.
7. Prior business
  - a. A silk regulation U.S. regimental infantry flag has been ordered.
  - b. Flag poles of the telescoping variety are being investigated. Motion ? By K. Heltemes, seconded by B. Peters to authorize \$425.00 for four poles.
8. New business.
  - a. Camp elections and bean dinner at the November meeting. Meeting is at the fire station. Candidates are needed. Please step up.
  - b. Motion by B. Peters, seconded by K. Heltemes to donate \$500.00 to the restoration project at the GAR hall in Boscobel. Tabled until the next meeting for a vote.
  - c. A new veteran's memorial, in Taft Park in New London, is partially constructed with the dedication tentatively scheduled for Memorial Day 2017. There is bronze eagle on top of the obelisk. A. Petit will check and see if the camp and/or the department may have an interest in participating.
9. Past events.
  - a. National Encampment. Wisconsin had nine brothers present. New officers were elected. Richard Orr was voted out as treasurer.
10. New events.
  - a. Sept. 23-25. Wade House CW event. K. Scott will set up fly on Friday. W. Parker, Matt and Ron Arndt will be there with the battery. All are welcome to attend.
  - b. Sept. 24. An SAR-SUV-Mohican-Deleware grave dedication ceremony at 2:00 P.M., off of Wisc. Hwy 55, east of Lake Winnebago. Check with K. Heltemes for details.
  - c. Oct. 21-Rome, Wis. One day boy scout jamboree. 1001 Cty.Hwy. O. Contact W. Parker if interested.
11. Any communications and/or bills to address? NONE.
12. Any other old or new business?
  - a. Oct. 26-Oshkosh-Military Veteran's Museum dinner.
  - b. Oct. 6- Meeting of the Oshkosh Patriotic Council.
13. Patriotic Instruction.  
See camp newsletter.
14. Has anyone anything for the good of the order. NO.
15. Closing. Closed at 8:15 P.M.

Submitted by DC Alan O. Petit, Secretary old abe Camp #8, Dept. of Wisc, SUVCW



# Camp Officers for 2016

## Commander

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**Next Old Abe Camp 8 Meeting  
will be on November 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Supper starts at 6:00 PM**

**Meeting starts at 7:00 PM**

**Location is:**

**Oshkosh Fire Station #17  
Oshkosh, WI.**

## OSHKOSH and the OLD ABE Camp

*In 1885 the Old Abe Camp, located in Oshkosh, was the largest SUV camp in Wisconsin. Old Abe was the famous mascot of the 8th Wisconsin Infantry, popularly known as the Eagle Brigade, a unit heavily involved in the campaigns of the western armies. Old Abe the battle eagle became a real war hero - used for recruiting during the war's later years, attending veterans reunions for years after, and finally becoming a National icon for Wisconsin.*

### TO LEARN MORE ABOUT US

Contact the officers on page 13 of this newsletter. Visit the Department of Wisconsin website, and Camp 8 WebPages, at [www.suvcw-wi.org](http://www.suvcw-wi.org). Also, visit the national SUVCW website at [www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org). Camp 8 also has a Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/pages/Old-Abe-Camp-8-Sons-of-Union-Veterans-of-the-Civil-War-SUVCW/192313178329](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Old-Abe-Camp-8-Sons-of-Union-Veterans-of-the-Civil-War-SUVCW/192313178329).

Membership is open to male descendants of a Union Civil War soldier. Application is made through National, Department, or local channels to become a member of a Camp. Some documentation about your ancestor is required – assistance is available through the Camp.

Membership is also available for males who cannot prove lineage to a Civil War soldier.

The initial dues for a new member are pro-rated through the year, and an initiation fee does apply.

Contact the Jr. Vice officer below for information.

## Join Old Abe Camp 8!

**\$40.00/yr. Annual Dues**

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