



Camp Orders 2020
2nd Edition
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Grand Army of the Republic
Old Abe Camp #8

Wisconsin Department



Our May meeting, Monday, March 16th, 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.



**Next Old Abe Camp #8 meeting
Will be on March 16th**

**Meeting starts at
7:00 pm**

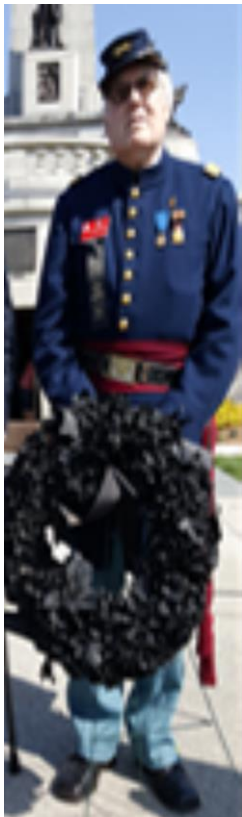
**Location is:
Oshkosh Fire Dept Station #17
1813 Algoma Blvd
Oshkosh, WI**

**Wear your membership badge,
please.**

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.

**Camp Commander
Alan Petit**



RENEWAL - NOTICE

Dues were payable as of Jan. 1st.

Please send \$40.00 to the
Camp Treasurer:

Kurtis Kirk
W 2154 Cottonville Court
Berlin, WI 54923

MEMORIAL DAY MAY 25

King ceremonies start at the
lakeshore at 9:30 am.

Please try to attend this or another
ceremony on this day.

Commanders

Comments

Greetings Brothers,

Thank you for electing me Camp Commander. I will try to live up to your expectations.

We had a busy schedule for January and February.

January Camp Meeting. This was not held due to a lack of quorum, but the dinner was held.

The Department Mid-winter meeting was held at Aliotos in Wauwatosa. There was only one member of Camp 8 there, Dept. Secretary Brian Peters.

The Echoes of the Past Trade Fair was held at the Oshkosh County Fairgrounds. There were three camp members present both day, Kim, Kirby, and myself. We had some visitors

The Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois on Saturday April 18, 2020. I try to attend every year and have made 10 of the last 12. If you have never been there you should consider going. It is quite impressive. There are deadlines for hotel and luncheon reservations. See flier in the newsletter.

We also have a number of grave stone dedications, at least three and several last soldier markers to attend to this summer that need to be scheduled. We are also planning a raffle.

There may or may not be an Open House day at King in mid-May. See the newsletter. Also keep in mind our sacred obligation to commemorate Memorial Day and make plans to attend a ceremony somewhere.

In F, C, &L

PDC Alan O. Petit

Camp Commander

Old Abe Camp 8

2020 Camp Calendar

May 16th, 7:00 PM
Camp 8 regular meeting
Location: Oshkosh Fire House

June 6th & 7th
Pinecrest Historical Village Civil War Weekend
Location: Pinecrest Historical Village, Manitowoc, WI.

May 17th? POSSIBLE. Not on the WVH schedule yet.
King Veterans Home Open House and Car Show
Location: King Veterans Home, King WI.

May 25th
Memorial Day. Please attend one of the local ceremonies, King, Oshkosh, etc.

June 6th
Wisconsin State Department Encampment
Location: Clark Hotel, Waukesha, WI.

June 14th
Flag Day

June ?
Heritage Hill Civil War Weekend
Location: Heritage Hill Historical Museum, Green Bay, WI

July 20th, 7:00 PM
Camp 8 regular meeting & picnic
Location to be announced

August 13th – 16th
National Encampment
Location: Atlanta, GA.

NEW – Sept 12th
Cemetery Walk
Woodlawn Cemetery
Shawano, WI

Events to be scheduled

* 2 Last Soldier Marker dedications

*Dedication for 7 new headstones for previous unmarked graves in Riverside Cemetery

*Dedication for 1 new headstone installed on previous unmarked grave in Weyauwega Oakwood Cemetery

*Dedication for 2 new replacement headstones installed on graves in Bell Cemetery, Winneconne, WI

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO COMPLTE
THIS LIST. DEDICATIONS TAKE A
NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO WORK
TOGETHER. PLEASE HELP HONOR
THESE VETERANS.**

2020 Events continued

Sept. 21st
Camp Meeting
Location: Oshkosh Firehouse

September 26th & 27th
Wade House Civil War Weekend
Location: Wade House, Greenbush, WI.

November 16th
Camp 8 Annual Bean Dinner, Meeting and Camp Elections
Location: To be announced

Please send information on events that you are aware of to be included in this newsletter to:
heltemesk@centurylink.net

If any of the members want to attend the June 6th Department Encampment, you must get a credentials card from the Camp Secretary, Alan Petit.

He will have cards available at the camp meeting, through an email request, or a phone call. His number is on the last page of this newsletter.

You will not be able to vote or be recognized at the meeting without that card. Your vote does count so get the card.

If you plan on attending the SUVCW National in August in Atlanta, GA, you will need a credential card from the Department Secretary, Brian Peters.

Being a delegate at either Encampment is an honor. Please go through the proper motion to make your vote count and represent your Camp or Department.



The open house at King has not been scheduled yet. Not sure if it has been cancelled. There will be notification sent to the members when more can be determined.

**CAMP 8 at
ECHOES of the PAST
OSHKOSH, WI Feb 22, 23, 2020**



To the left and bottom right are photos of Camp 8's display at the Exposition Center in Oshkosh.

To the bottom left, Dept SVC, Kirby Scott, has his photo taken at the event.

Photos courtesy of Kirby Scott.



OLD ABE CAMP MEETING MINUTES

JAN. 25, 2021. There are no notes for the Jan. 25, 2020 meeting due to a lack of quorum. (four members present)

White House Inn, Butte des Morts

Submitted by PDC Alan Petit, acting Secretary Camp #8, Dept. of Wisc, SUVCW

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Camp Council

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ANNUAL LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY

All are invited to participate in the 64th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS, commemorating the 155th Anniversary of President Lincoln's death. It will be held at the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, IL at 10 AM on Saturday, April 18, 2020.

Headquarters Hotel: President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, 701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL 62701. The room rate is \$105.00 for single - quad. A 10% dining discount at Lindsay's Restaurant is included. Call 1-866-788-1860 for reservations and mention "Sons of Union Veterans". **Reserve your room by March 27, 2020.** After this, the remaining blocked rooms will be released.

Wreaths may be ordered from local Springfield florists. Instruct the florist to have the wreath delivered c/o the Lincoln Tomb, Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, by 9 AM on Saturday, April 18th.

Luncheon will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 12:30PM. The luncheon program will feature a talk to be determined. Luncheon cost is \$35.00 per person.

For event info, go to the SUVCW web site (suvchw.org) or contact Robert Petrovic at: rpetro7776@aol.com or 636-274-4567.

OBSERVANCE WREATH PRESENTATION

(please print clearly)

Organization name in full: _____

Name & title of wreath bearer: _____

e-mail address: _____

if no e-mail, home address: _____

City, State, & Zip code: _____

To insure being recognized in the program, this notice MUST be received no later than April 1st at the address shown below.

OBSERVANCE LUNCHEON

Please accept _____ luncheon reservation(s). Please list name, e-mail address, home address & phone number of person responsible for picking up tickets at the door. PLEASE PRINT.

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Abe's Braised Short Ribs _____ Roasted Turkey _____ Vegetarian _____

Include remittance of \$35.00 per person for each lunch reservation payable to **National Organization SUVCW**.

Reservations must be made by April 6th and cancellations by the same date in order to receive refund.

There will be no extra tickets sold at the door. Make a copy of this form for your records and send original with remittance to:

SEND TO:

ROBERT M. PETROVIC

6519 CHEROKEE LANE

CEDAR HILL, MO 63016

P# 636-274-4567

For Military Parade Information, please contact:

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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 9 of this newsletter. Visit the Department of Wisconsin website, and Camp 8 WebPages, at www.suvcw-wi.org. Also, visit the national SUVCW website at 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.

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!

Membership

\$40.00/yr. Annual Dues*

For New Membership, Contact:

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