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# Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp 47 NEWSLETTER

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a fraternal organization dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of heroes who fought and worked to save the Union. Organized in 1881 and chartered by Congress in 1954, we are the legal successor to the Grand Army of the Republic.



Camp Commander Don Lillicrap

# From Commander Lillicrap

November is closing upon us and soon December will be here. What an interesting year we have had! But it is almost over. The real question is, "What will next year be like?" I hope everyone is doing well and being safe. We held our last meeting at a new location and I think everyone was very happy with it. I look forward to seeing you all at the December Christmas party.

Christmas Party is on!

Dec'r 12, 6 p.m.

De Soto Community Ctr. 400 Boyd St.

\$10 at the door

Stuck on what to get yourself for Christmas?

Have we got a deal for you!

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### Fletcher Camp Takes Part in Sherman Day Event

Calvary Cemetery, St. Louis October 25, 2020

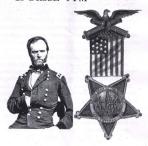
The U. S. Grant Camp #68 hosted this year's Sherman Remembrance Ceremony at Calvary Cemetery. Camp members Sumner Hunnewell, Don Lillicrap, and Chris Warren and Auxiliary members Abby Warren, Twyla Warren, and Katherine Wortham attended. Grant Camp Chaplain Msgr. Michael Witt gave the opening and closing prayers. Grant Camp Commander Bob Amsler gave the talk about Sherman's anxiety attacks and the DUVCW 1861-1865 Julia Dent Tent's president provided an outline of Sherman's life up to the point of the Civil War.

The event was very well attended this year, hopefully even more next year!

# General William Tecumseh Sherman Remembrance Ceremony

Calvary Cemetery
25 October 1 PM







## Post-Sherman Day Event at Bellefontaine Cemetery (St. Louis)

October 25, 2020



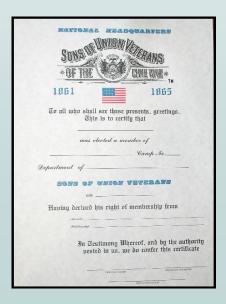
After Sherman Day, the Warrens stopped by the Macklind and Fletcher graves. For those "not in the know," our SUVCW camp and ASUVCW auxiliary are named after Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher and Louisa (Volker) Macklind.



# Looking for Something for Christmas for Someone You Love?

That would be you.

The SUVCW has two different membership certificates. The camp has a small supply. If you purchase one and supply pertinent information, Sylvia Hunnewell will do the calligraphy on them. **Contact Sumner if you want one (or both) before Christmas.** 



\$7.00



\$5.00





#### **NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

#### Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 meeting minutes (unapproved)

19 November A. D. 2020, Redeemer Lutheran, 1620 Boyd St., De Soto, Missouri

**Attendees: Sons:** Steve Alexander (SVC), Mark Arbuthnot (Council), PCC Sumner G. Hunnewell (Secretary), PCC Don Lillicrap (Commander), Don Roussin, PCC Doug Roussin (Council), Alan Trodus (Secretary)

Auxiliary: Colissa Alexander (Council, Chaplain), Twyla Warren (President)

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

Mark led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chris led the prayer.

Commander Don thanked Doug about being Commander. He said that he will miss Leonard Wright, who died recently.

Sumner said that the National Encampment was held on-line. The only thing that came to mind was that the encampment decided to rescind its statement on monuments, which was a resolution passed at the Springfield, Ill., national encampment. Parenthetically, Mark said that he heard the mayor of Ironton say that Pilot Knob was canceled not due to the pandemic but the possibility of protests.

Alan presented the unchanged treasurer's report, reiterating that the sword raffle ticket will be pulled Veterans Day 2021.

Twyla said that the Auxiliary donated \$50 in memory of Kelly's mother. They purchased flowers for the event after Sherman Day. Balance of their account is \$107.58.

#### **Old Business**

The Christmas Party will be December 12 at the De Soto Community Center. Steve will check to see if there is a minimum amount of people required. Alan said last year there were 29 in attendance. Cost will be \$10/person. The Camp will cover any shortfall. Last year we gave them a \$60 tip. Mark said that he could have some of his cannon club attend if we come up short of members. The current count we would have is about 16 people. We decided to move forward with the party with a 6 p.m. start. We will keep the same menu but have ham instead of roast beef. Other fare is mashed potatoes, green beans *almondine*, corn, garden salad, and yeast rolls. We will pay at the door.

#### **New Business**

We will participate in the De Soto Christmas Parade. The Twin Cities parade was canceled. Don said he wouldn't be surprised if De Soto was canceled as well. There will be a 5 p.m. line-up, 6 p.m. parade. We will use white wooden muskets. Alan can provide a trailer or Doug has an 8' long trailer; we will go with Alan's. We will see if we can have battery operated lights on the trailer. Alan will check on batteries in the lanterns.

Doug said he met with the family of Leonard Wright and retrieved Leonard's Civil War outfits, photos, and badges. The family thought that the Jefferson County Historical Society in Festus might want them. Don texted Brother Bernard Laiban of the Society. If the museum did not want things, then we would sell items to members of the camp. Some of the proceeds could be given to the Society in honor of Leonard. Bernard wrote back to say that he would take items but did not need any proceeds from sales of other items. Doug will bring the Society the following: pants, suspenders, jacket, vest, belt, cartridge box, cap box, satchel, and badges. We will keep the photos with the camp. Sumner will take the photos to have them for display at living history events. A suggestion was made to donate pictures of the reënactment of Grant's Commission to the Pilot Knob museum. A great coat and canteen was sold to Don Roussin and a bayonet and holder was sold to Mark.

Alan talked about the property list. This is required and would identify camp property, if the camp were to fail, to go to the department. Alan walked through the list of things each member has. The boxes that Don Lillicrap has in his basement might have a book and medals that are in the inventories [this was confirmed].

For the Good of the Order, Sumner said that Tim Ogle wanted to put a Veterans Administration stone up for Pvt. James S. Foxton. Don Roussin suggested that he go to a funeral home to help fill out the necessary forms.

Twyla asked if there was anything in the papers about Sherman Day. The answer was no.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m. Mark supplied us with sustenance in the form of pepperoni and sausage pizza.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

# General Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47 Treasurer's Report for NOVEMBER 2020

827.99

None	
Income	
None	
Current Balance (17 Nov 2020)	827.99
Checking Account	786.11
Cash	41.88
Checks (not yet deposited)	0.00
End Balance	827.99
Sword Raffle status: 57 chances - \$43 donations	

Balance from last report (Oct 2020)

Expenditures

—Alan R Trodus, Treasurer

# YOUR CAMP OFFICERS

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### **CALENDAR**

5 December - De Soto Christmas Parade

12 December - Christmas Party

Who knows what 2021 will bring!?

Reminder — No meeting in January!

#### Camp/Auxiliary Meetings

12 December

# November birthdays

14th Kelly Noack 20th Katherine Sago Wortham 26th Chris Warren

December birthdays
9th Twyla D. Warren
14th Abbie Warren
16th Randal Aubrey Burd Jr.
28th Katherine Roussin
28th Alice Marie Sago