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Photo at left: Who are they really? Answer on Page 18

On the Cover: St. Louis' General Grant statue stands in Washington Park, in front of City Hall. Sculpted by Robert P. Bringhurst, the city's first professional sculptor, the monument is the earliest in the downtown area, which still stands today. It was presented by the Grant Monument Association in 1888 and was moved to its present location ten years later, when a new city hall was built. A plaque on the front of the statue depicts the Battle of Lookout Mountain.--Photo by Cher Petrovic

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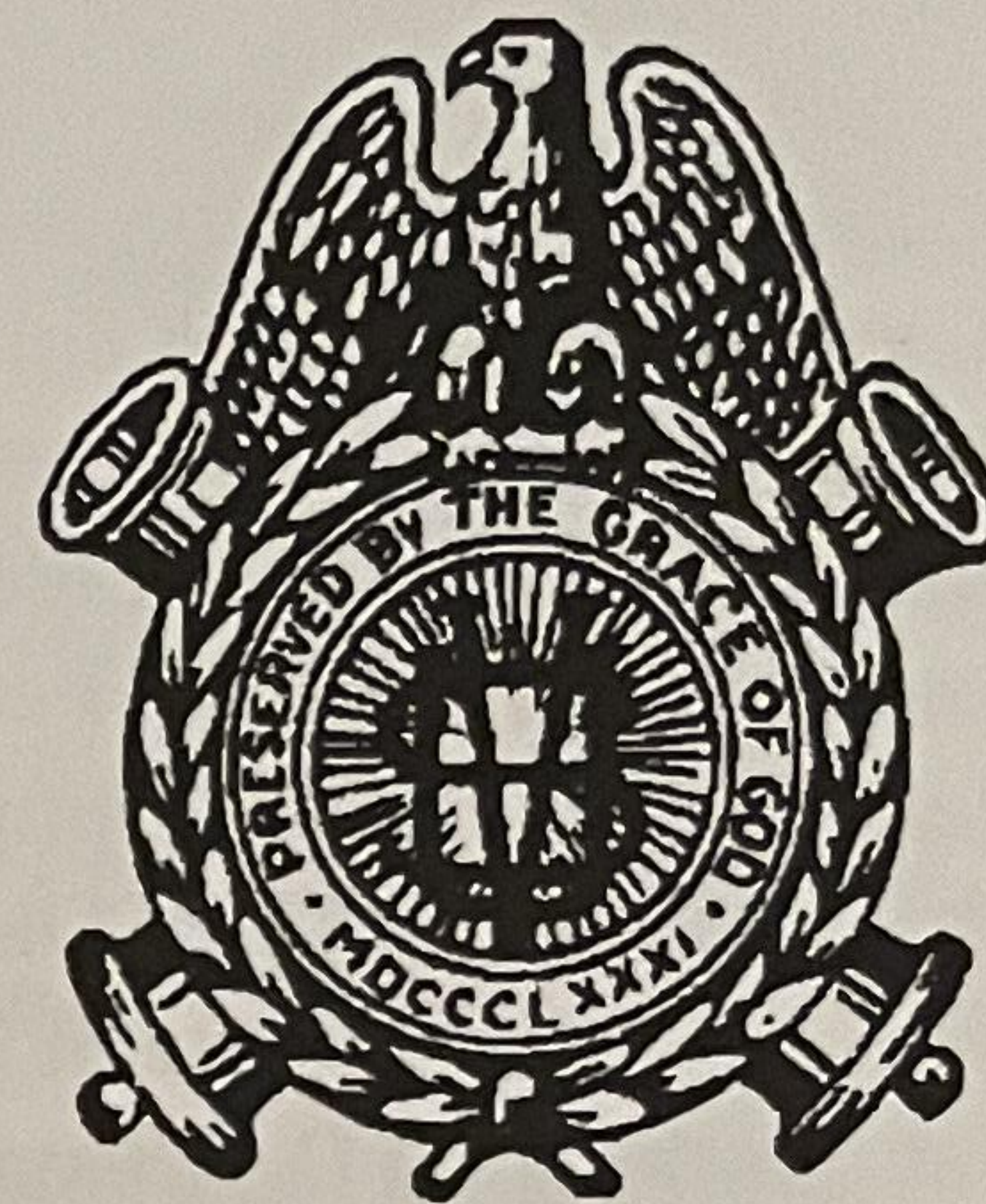
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Winter

Deadline - Oct. 15

Spring

Deadline - Jan. 15

Summer

Deadline - Apr. 15

Autumn

Deadline - Aug. 15



CENTRAL REGION TO MEET

by PDC J. Alan Teller

The Indiana Dept. invites all members of the Allied Orders to attend the Central Region Association (CRA) Conference in Crawfordsville on October 6th. The CRA includes Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nebraska, Ohio, Tennessee, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Crawfordsville is on I-74, just 34 miles east of the Illinois state line.

The 2007 Conference will begin with two tours: (1) Lane Place – Henry Lane, was Indiana's first Republican Governor and Senator. He served as an honorary pallbearer for President Lincoln in 1865; and (2) Lew Wallace's study – built with profits from Ben Hur. Wallace served as a Major General, judge at the Lincoln conspirators' trial, Governor of New Mexico Territory, and U.S. Minister to Turkey.

The afternoon program on "Recruiting the Troops" will offer ideas on gaining members, including handouts and a Q&A period. The business meeting will follow.

Programs and meals will be at St. John's Episcopal Church in downtown Crawfordsville. Attendees will enjoy a buffet lunch and later, a banquet with entertainment provided by the Company Singers from Huntington, IN.

For information on the Conference go to: www.suvcw.org/in/DEPTIN.html or contact Alan at alanteller@insightbb.com or (765) 455-0484. Call the Holiday Inn (765) 362-8700 to reserve a room. Ask for Block Code CRA. Rates are \$73.95 to \$79.95 plus tax, before September 14th. The lower priced rooms will be the first booked, so do not delay.

Crawfordsville is just about 30 northwest of Park County, IN, home of 30 wooden covered bridges.

very excited about the potential of this new program. He also noted that the Lincoln Bicentennial coin being produced by the Foundation should be available by the 2007 Nat. Encampment.

PCinC Harrison noted that there's now a Letter of Understanding between the MOLLUS and SUVCW regarding the annual Lincoln Tomb event. It is hoped that this will enable the two groups to work together to coordinate and grow this annual event.

PCinC Darby presented hardware options for scanning and archiving the voluminous paper records at our Nat. HQ and a discussion ensued.

Nat. Treas. Newman then gave his Financial Report. PCinC Darby moved that a new and separate account be opened for finances related to the memorials grant fund. This was seconded by Council Member Hanby and passed unanimously. Br. Hanby then moved that a separate account be opened for the Lincoln Tomb Observance Comm. This was seconded by Council Member Kennedy and passed unanimously.

Br. Newman then proposed that the SUVCW purchase and place a granite bench featuring the Sons' name and logo in the garden near a statue of Julia Dent Grant at the home of Gen. U.S. Grant in Galena, IL. This project is being coordinated by the DAR. PCinC Darby moved that up to \$1500, as required, be contributed for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hanby and passed unanimously. Br. Newman then updated the Council on difficulties encountered with the Order's accountant/auditor, and the steps currently being taken to rectify the situation. The CinC and National Counselor are now actively involved.

All were reminded that the next Council of Admin. meeting would be just prior to the 2007 Nat. Encampment in St. Louis, MO. CinC Pahl thanked the Brothers assembled for their participation in the meeting and for their dedication and service to the Order.

The meeting was adjourned at about 10:30 PM.

Submitted in F, C, and L,
Michael S. Bennett, PDC
National Secretary, SUVCW

AWARDS

PDC Alan Russ, Camp 4 (Dept. of Kansas) was awarded the Meritorious Service Award with Gold Star for work with the NMAL.

Michael Virts, Camp 2, (Dept. of Maryland) was made a National Aide for his recruiting efforts.

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Hardscrabble Monument Re-Dedicated

Members of the 34th Illinois Vol. Inf. and the 2nd Missouri Vol. Inf. SVR, served as Color Guard for the re-dedication of a monument (shown above), marking the site of Ulysses S. Grant's 1855 cabin, in St Paul's Cemetery in Afton, Missouri. The original monument was placed by the DAR in 1947 and had deteriorated over time, and the National Park Service arranged for replacement. The current location of the thrice moved and nominally rebuilt cabin, is at Grant's Farm, an animal theme park owned and operated by the Anheuser Busch Brewing Company, and is open for public viewing.

Assisting in the re-dedication were re-enactors from the Turner Brigade, Stan Prater as Gen. Grant, Girl Scout Troop 1445, Boy Scout Webelos Pack 30, and the DAR's Carol McKay. Also attending as honored guests were Grant family descendants, members from the Allied Orders of the GAR, and Mr. Chris Eckhart Chief of Interpretation at the U.S. Grant NHS. During the ceremony, wreaths were placed by the W. T. Sherman Camp 65 and the Julia Dent Camp 16, DUVCW.

SVR PERSONNEL ACTIONS

The following are promoted to:

2nd Military District

1Lt. Robert A. Dorsey, Commander of The Gettysburg Blues

1Lt. Robert L. Pugsley, Co. of 355th Northcoast Vol. Inf.

2Lt. Justin M. Dorsey, Adjutant of The Gettysburg Blues.

4th Military District

2nd Lt. Gregory R. Decker, Adjutant of Co. C, 5th Reg., MO Vol. Cav. (re-commissioned).

6th Military District

1Lt. Charles J. Gardali, Commander of Co. G, 1st CA Vol. Inf.

2Lt. Charles O'Hartz, Adjutant of Co. B, 1st Nevada Vol. Inf.

2Lt. D. Brad Schall, Commander of Co. B, 8th CA Vol. Inf.

At their own request, the following were reduced in rank to:

2nd Military District

Pvt. Lee F. Walters, The Gettysburg Blues

Pvt. William S. Poulton, 355th Northcoast Vol. Inf.

6th Military District

Pvt. Mark L. Breckner, Co. B, 8th CA Vol. Inf.

Pvt. Steven E. Hauk, Co. B, 1st NV Vol. Inf.

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Officer in Charge</u>
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9TH		
2 – 4 pm	On site Registration	PCinC George Powell
3 – 8 pm	Tour of Jefferson Barracks & U.S. Grant Historic site	PDC Robert Petrovic
7 – 9 pm	On site Registration	PCinC George Powell
8:30 pm	Council of Admin. Meeting	CinC James B. Pahl
FRIDAY, AUGUST 10TH		
7:30 am – 5 pm	On site Registration	PCinC George Powell
8 – 9 am	Memorial Service	Nat. Chap. Jerry Kowalski
9:30 – 11:30 am	Business Session	CinC James B. Pahl
11:30 am – 1 pm	Lunch	
1 – 5 pm	Business Session	CinC James B. Pahl
5:30 pm	PCinCs' & PNPs' Dinner	
7 -8:30 pm	Campfire Program	Missouri Department
8:30 – 10 pm	Courtesy Hour	CofS PDC Donald Palmer
SATURDAY, AUGUST 11TH		
7 – 8 am	SVR Breakfast	BG David V. Medert
8 – 11:30 am	On site Registration	PCinC George Powell
8:30 – 11:30 am	Business Session	CinC James B. Pahl
11:30 am – 1 pm	Lunch	
1 – 5 pm	Business Session	CinC James B. Pahl
6:30 – 8:30 pm	Banquet	PDC Robert Petrovic
8:30 pm - ?	Open House	CinC James B. Pahl
SUNDAY, AUGUST 12TH		
8 am	Council of Admin. Meeting	CinC Elect