



Sons Of Union Veterans  
Of The Civil War  
Colonel John C. Bryner  
Camp 67  
Peoria, Illinois



The monthly meeting of the Colonel John C. Bryner Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Camp 67 of Peoria, Illinois opened on Monday, **January 11, 2010** at 7:05 PM at the GAR Hall with Commander Hutchinson presiding. Brother Lickey performed the invocation in place of Chaplain Carrow who was absent. Recitation of the Pledge followed. Those members in attendance were as follows:

Brothers:	Jon Lickey	Lionel Kinney	Dave Rogers
	Joe Hutchinson	Mike Triplett	Jon Austin

**Secretary's Report:** Brother Hutchinson read the minutes of the last meeting. Brother Lickey made a motion to approve the minutes with Brother Triplett seconding. The motion carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Kinney reported that the balance of the Camp's account. He said that 14 member dues were deposited with two more received. Newly initiated Brother Ashby's dues and payment for membership materials was also deposited. He said that several renewals had additional donations. Real Son Garland Pool made a donation to the camp and Brother Kinney suggested that one of the remaining G.A.R. Hall history booklets would be an appropriate gift. A check was written to Brother Hutchinson for materials purchased for the dressing room and display case projects and a check was written to Department for Brother Ashby's 2009 prorated dues. Brother Kinney reported that 7 member dues were outstanding. Brother Rogers made a motion to approve the treasurer's report with Brother Lickey seconding. The motion was approved unanimously.

The membership stands at 29 with five being "Real Sons", twenty-one regulars, and three associates.

**Sickness:** None to report.

**Building Committee:** Brother Hutchinson reported that there was a roof leak before Christmas in the library due to defective flashing. He said that Kreilling Roofing was out and made a temporary repair. There was water damage to the wall that will require it to be repainted.

The new refrigerator that Richard Coggins of the Dance Society bought was found dented in the box and he is trying to get an adjustment.

The Health Department inspection was passed and certificate issued to CILF.

The remaining unused windows in the basement need to be bricked up in the spring to keep out rodents. A squirrel had been found between the glass and the exterior plywood and the mouse poison had been eaten.

Brother Hutchinson reported that he may be able to get a large bookcase with glass doors to be used for displays downstairs from the Peoria Public Library along with a couple of door push bars due to their remodeling the main library building.

The Central Illinois Landmarks Foundation has placed an ad for Hall rental in the Peoria wedding planning magazine that comes out in January in hopes of having income from receptions. A prospective tenant for the

small office had been found but agreement could not be reached on the rent. The prospect only wanted to pay \$225.00/mo. The space included heat, light, alarm, use of restroom facilities and furnishings. CILF had hoped to get between \$300.00 and \$350.00/mo.

**Springdale Committee:** Jon Austin, the new manager, introduced himself and presented a short autobiography. He said he was looking forward to reinstating formal programs on Memorial Day and Veterans Day and would appreciate any ideas and assistance the camp could provide.

**Communications:** Brother Hutchinson said that he has been in contact with the National Director and the Department Treasurer to resolve the problem with missing applications. Department Secretary Clark has had some family health issues along with the death of his wife last spring that has caused delay in processing. Treasurer Johnson has assured me that it has been resolved. Brother Hutchinson sent copies of everything directly to the director on January 8.

Brother Hutchinson reported that Brian “Fox” Ellis has donated a lecture series on CD about the Civil War to the Camp’s library and that he had sent Mr. Ellis an acknowledgement.

He also reported that he received word from Brother David Dellinger that the charter for the new Simon Schafer Camp had been approved and that a ceremony was being planned.

**Old Business:** Brother Ron Kirchgessner presented at the Eagle Scout Alumni banquet again this year at 10 AM, January 9 at the Embassy Suites in East Peoria. Commander Hutchinson also attended. There were at least 300 present, including 60 Eagle Scouts, their Scoutmasters and families.

Brother Hutchinson reported that Brothers Carrow, Huber, Hutchinson, Kinney, Lickey, Kirchgessner, Triplett and Wachtveitl were installed as officers at the potluck dinner held on January 3, 2010 at the hall.

**New Business:** Brother Hutchinson asked the membership if they knew of anyone who might be interested in joining the SUVCW as he was thinking of sending out invitations. He thought Matt Ryan and Dale Beaver would be good prospects as each is a re-enactor. Matt Ryan also ran the Peoria Civil War Roundtable. Brothers Kinney and Lickey said they would check old rosters from the Bryner and Thrush Camps.

**For the Good of the Order:** Brother Austin passed around a book about artillery tactics dated 1861 that was owned by Col. Bryner.

Brother Hutchinson showed a front-page article that appeared in the December 2009 issue of Senior News and Views about Brother Ron Kirchgessner’s medical unit.

**Program:** Brother Lickey read portions of an article from the September 2009 issue of “Patriot Post” magazine about the challenges the Constitution faces from perceived abuses by the Judiciary and Executive branches. The article stated that the framers of the Constitution intended that laws be made by the people and their elected representatives, not by un-elected bureaucrats.

Brother Lickey performed the benediction and the meeting was closed at 8:40 PM.

**\*\* \*The next meeting will be March 8, 2010 at the GAR Hall\*\*\***

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph M. Hutchinson  
Commander & Secretary,  
Col. Bryner Camp 67

# Calendar Of Events

**Monthly:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday evenings, 6:30 to 8:30 PM—Central Illinois Civil War Dance Society practice at the GAR Hall. All are welcome to attend. Previous experience and period attire is not required.

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday evening, 7 PM—Col. Bryner Camp 67 SUVCW regular meeting at the GAR Hall. (No meeting in July) Note: Business meeting will follow programs.

Peoria Civil War Roundtable. Contact Matt Ryan at “PCWRT2004@yahoo.com” for info.

**February:** Re-enactor Fest will be Feb. 5-7 at Westin Chicago North Shore Hotel in Wheeling, IL. One-day pass is \$20, two-day pass is \$25, three-day pass is \$30. The Grand Ball Saturday night is \$5 at the door or free with a three-day pass. Ages 12 and under free.

Monthly meeting Bryner Camp 67 at the hall February 8 at 7 PM. Program TBA.

“American Heroes Ball” at Marian Center for Non-profits, 3211 S. Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI, 7-11 PM on February 27, 2010. Fundraiser for Friends of Reclaiming our Heritage. \$20 advance, \$25 at door. Tickets and info: 414-427-3776. “www.rohmilwaukee.org”

Fundraiser ball at Jacksonville, Illinois on February 27, 2010. Details TBA.

**March:** Monthly meeting Bryner Camp 67 on March 8 at 7 PM at the hall. Program TBA.

**April:** “Hard Times Ball” to be held at Marian Center for Non-profits April 10, 2010 at 7 PM. For more info go to “www.wssas.org” .

Annual Lincoln Death Day observance at Lincoln’s Tomb in Springfield, IL, April 17, 2010 at 10 AM followed by a luncheon at noon at “The Inn at 835”, 835 S. Second St. Cost of lunch: \$25. Ceremony celebrating the founding of the GAR will take place at 3 PM at the gravesite of Dr. Benj. Stevenson at Rose Hill Cemetery in Petersburg. More info available at “www.suvcw.org”.

“US Grant Birthday Celebration” at Galena, Illinois. April 16-18, 2010. **NOTE: Details of this event have changed. The re-enactment and ball have been cancelled. Go to “www.galenahistorymuseum.org” for more info.**

Pea Ridge re-enactment at Keokuk Iowa on April 23-25 at Rand Park. Activities throughout the weekend include a Ladies Tea and Fashion Show, Military Ball, Breakfast with the Troops, Memorial and Church Service at the National Cemetery and two Battle Reenactments.