

**Minutes for SUVCW Meeting on February 4, 2015**

**The meeting was called to order by Commander Mike Drouin at 6:32 P.M.**

**The invocation was given by chaplain Steve Neuberger**

**The pledge of allegiance was led by Bob Meardian**

**Brother John Silva introduced his guest, Clay Sampier. Mr. Sampier told the Camp about his Civil War Ancestor.**

**The Secretary-Treasurer's Report was voted upon and approved by a voice vote. Brother Lyons announced the balances in the bank accounts: Camp 22-\$2,558.88; Company B-\$963.79.**

**Brother David Salyer gave the Company B report. He advised that several members of Company B attended the event and the event attracted about 3,000 re-enactors in uniform and many visitors also attended the event. A photographer was taking pictures of the re-enactors using the 1860's method of photography. Brother Salyer showed the members a glass plate picture he bought from the photographer and explained the process in general terms.**

**The Alcatraz event is upcoming on February 28. Brother Bohmfalk asked that all those attending be at the dock by 8:30 A.M. Brother Salyer announced that the aforementioned photographer will be attending the Alcatraz event.**

**Commander Drouin reminded the Camp that the Department Encampment is coming up fast and that the date of February 15 is the last day to sign up to attend the event.**

**Commander Drouin asked for volunteers to man the appointed positions in the Camp.**

**The Gibson Ranch event was brought up. It will take place on the first week-end of May. Brother Jon Henry asked for volunteers to set up the Camp's tent and gear as well taking it down.**

**There will be an event at the placer County Museum on March 1 during which T.J. Meekins and her co-author will speak.**

**Brother Henry asked the Camp's newest member, William Helton to talk about his Civil War ancestor, Jesse Helton, who fought in a Kentucky regiment. Brother Helton gave an interesting talk on the subject.**

**Brother Don Wilt announced that long time member Charles Ford has suffered a stroke and cannot communicate easily. His wife has been helping him, but is ill herself.**

**After thanking Camp 22 and Company B for their donations to the friends of Alcatraz, Brother Fred Bohmfalk gave a very interesting presentation about the Presidential election of 1880. He talked about the backgrounds of the two major party nominees, Winfield Scott Hancock and James Garfield. He also talked of the maneuvering at the two Party nominating conventions. It was interesting that James Garfield was not a candidate for President at all when the Republican Convention opened, but was nominated after several ballots. Brother Bohmfalk showed photos of both candidates as the presentation closed.**

**The benediction was given by Chaplin Steve Neuberger, then the meeting was adjourned by Commander Drouin at 7:35 P.M.**

**Treasurer's Report**

**Camp 22: \$2,486.88**

**Company B: \$881.79**