



The Fugelman

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fu gel man - A well-drilled soldier placed in front of a military company as a model or guide for others.

The Second and Third Wisconsin Regiments ordered to Washington. Gov. Randall received the following dispatch by telegraph this morning:

Washington, April 3d, 1861

Gov. Randall: -Send this place immediately by rail your three years regiments.

Report when they can come.

SIMON CAMERON,

Secretary of war.

The call is for the Second and Third regiments. The Second will probably be ready in three or four days; the Third cannot possibly be put in readiness without considerably more delay.

State of Wisconsin

Proclamation To the Loyal Citizens of Wisconsin:

For the first time in the history of this federal government, organized treason has manifested itself with several states of the Union, and armed rebels making war against it. The Proclamation of the President of the United States tells of unlawful combinations too powerful to be suppressed in the ordinary manner, and calls for military forces to suppress such combinations, and to sustain him in executing the laws. The Treasures of the country must no longer be plundered; the public property must be protected from aggressive violence; that already seized, must be retaken and the laws must be executed in every State of the Union alike. A demand made upon Wisconsin by the President of the United States for aid to sustain the Federal Army, must meet with a prompt response. One Regiment of the Militia of this State will be required for immediate service, and further service will be required as the exigencies of the government may demand. It is a time when, against the civil and religious liberties of the people, and against the integrity of the Government of the United States, parties and politicians and platforms must be as dust in the balance. All good citizens, everywhere, must join in making common cause against a common enemy. Opportunities will be immediately offered to all existing military companies, under the direction of the proper authorities of the State, for enlistment to fill the demand of the Federal government, and I hereby invite the patriotic citizens of the State to enroll themselves into companies of seventy-eight men each, and to advise the Executive of their readiness to mustered into service immediately.- Detailed instructions will furnished on the acceptance of companies, and the commissioned officers of each regiment will nominate their own field officers. In times of public danger bad men grow bold and reckless. The property of the citizen becomes unsafe, and both public and private rights liable to be jeopardized. I enjoin upon all administrative and peace officers with the State renewed vigilance in the maintenance and execution of the laws, and in guarding against excesses leading to disorder among the people.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the State of Wisconsin, this 16th day of April, A. D. 1861

Gov. Randall

Weekly Patriot
Madison, April 20, 1861



Pass in Review

By Gary Klas

We held our annual meeting on January 27, 2001 and got quit a bit

of work completed, once transcribed the notes of the meeting will be published in the newsletter.

At the meeting I announced that I would not seek re-election next year. Before any rumors start I am doing this because I want to see more of our members take an active interest in the Association. And, there is no better way than to get new people in the upper positions that the Association offers.

I have received word on the cost of news flags for the Association. To have both flags redone will cost the Association right around \$3000.00. So, I have asked the Association Officers on their suggestions on how best to proceed. The word that I received back was to order the new National Colors this year and the Regimental Colors next year. I also feel that is the best course to follow but will wait until you all read this and get a chance to respond.

So, please let me know what you think. Once again it's time to get ready for another reenactment season. I would like to remind everyone that now is the perfect time to go over your equipment and make any required repairs. Any buttons on your shirts or uniform loose? How about repairing your tentage? Does it need sewing or waterproofing? Don't forget your leathers and brogans. Any minor repairs that can be made now will save you time and money in the future. Last but not least, what kind of shape is your musket in? Did you experience misfires last year? It may be time to take it into a gunsmith and get it fixed. There is nothing worse than getting to a reenactment and not being able to participate because of equipment failure.

In closing, I wish all of our members and their families and safe and enjoyable 2001 reenactment season. And, I will see you all soon on the tented fields.

Your obedient servant,

Lt. Col. Gary Klas

CALENDAR 2000

April 27-29	George H. Stevens Preservation March Co. A Fox Lake, WI.	July 21-22	Hastings Hastings, MI Black Hat
April 28-29	Brooklyn Depot Days and Company Drill Co. K Brooklyn, Wis	Aug 4-5	1 USSS & 6 Wis Skirmish Team Boscobel, Wis
May 4-6	McDowell, VA Co. C Reenactment	August 3-5	140th First Bull Run Leeburg, VA Vol. Regimental Event
May 5-6	2d Wis Lake Mills Skirmish Team Lake Mills, Wis	Aug. 3-5	Boscobel Co. K Tier 3 Boscobel, Wis
May 11	School Presentation Co. E Erb Park Appleton, Wis	Aug. 10 - 12	Green Bay Rail Road Museum Company E Tier 1 Green Bay, Wis
May 10-12	Pioneer Village Co. A Tier 3 Pioneer Village, Wis	Aug. 17-19	Irish Fest Company A Tier 3 Milwaukee, Wis
May 19-20	Black Hat Spring Drill Black Hat Event Tier 1 Joliet, Ill.	Sept 14-16	South Mountan, MD Co. C Living History South Mountain, MD
May 25-27	Brandywine, DE Co. C Reenactment	Sept 22-23	15th Wis Skirmish Team Bristol, Wis
May 28	Gettysburg, PA Co. C Memorial Day Parade	Sept. 28 - 30	Wade House Regimental Tier 1 Greenbush, Wis
June 9-10	Mazomanie Co. K Mazomanie, Wis	Oct. 5-7	Waukesha Battery B Tier 1 Waukesha, Wis
June 23-24	Rockford by Clock Tower Black Hat Event Tier 1 Rockford, Ill	Oct. 19-21	137th Cedar Creek Co. C Reenactment Middletown, VA
June 23-24	Escanaba Civil War Weekend Company E Tier 2 Escanaba, MI	Oct. 13 - 14	Norskedalen Company B Tier 1 Coon Valley, Wis
June 23-24	7th & 29th Wis Lake Mills Skirmish Team Lake Mills, Wis	Nov 17 2001	Annual Gettysburg Remembrance Day Regimental Gettysburg, PA
June 30-31	N-SSA/ACWSA Skirmish Team Friendship Skirmish Marseilles, IL (Optional Event)		
July 6-8	Gettysburg, PA Co. C 138th Reenactment		
July 14-15	IBG & 66 NC Skirmish Team Stonebank, Wis		

We are still finalizing our calendar for the year there will be more additions over the next month

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Notes from
‘If This Is War’

Gary Van Kauwenbergh

I recently reread Alan Gaff's book, *If This Is War*, and thought I'd share the notes I made on some items I thought were interesting. When reading the notes, bear in mind this book only covers the period of time when the unit began forming in late April of 1881 until shortly after the battle of Bull's Run, which was fought on July 21 of that year.

1. Scott's vs. Hardee's: Gaff says the companies did start using Scott's when they began forming at Camp Randall, but mixed in Hardee's so quickly that within 2-3 months, were using nothing but Hardee's. The unit was still wearing gray when they switched completely to Hardee's. Gaff makes five references to the drill manuals the 2d Wisconsin used to train with.

A.. Page 301. [While at Camp Randall]: "The Second Wisconsin began its military training with the officers reading from General Winfield Scott's Infantry Tactics."

B. Page 98. [Early June, 1861, still at Camp Randall]: "The companies were drilled during the day after their commanders had spent the evenings mastering the intricacies of Winfield Scott's Infantry Tactics, first published in 1840, and W.J. Hardee's Rifle and Light Infantry Tactics, originally printed in 1855."

C. Page 155. [After reaching Virginia]: "Although the tactics of Scott and Hardee were both in vogue, Scott's manual was gradually superseded and one of the Badgers could claim, "We are drilling Hardee altogether, every movement being made in double quick time, a change which is liked very much.'"

D. Page 303. July 2, 1861: "...after

the regiment reached General McDowell's Army... The use of Scott's manual was gradually replaced by William J Hardee's Rifle and Light Infantry Tactic, until one Badger wrote on July 2, "We are drilling Hardee altogether.'"

E. Page 293. [August 4, 1861, After Bull's Run]: "...with the arrival of [Col. Edgar] O'Connor [as commander], the regimental drill was officially changed from Scott to Hardee."

2. Muskets:

A. Page 129. June 22, 1861: "that evening seven hundred and eighty Harper's Ferry muskets, with 40 rounds of buckshot were distributed equally throughout the regiment.

B. Page 145. "By the afternoon of July 1[, 1861], the entire regiment was armed with Harper's Ferry flintlock muskets that had been altered to the percussion system.

C. Page 303. "... it was not until the Second Wisconsin marched into Virginia on July 2 that every soldier had his own musket.

D. Page 161. "Captain Colwell's Company B was issued eighty-four new Springfield rifled muskets on July 13[, 1861]."

E. Page 284: On July 23, after the battle, President Lincoln and Governor Randall review the unit, and the muskets are pronounced "unacceptable."

3. Miscellaneous:

A. Page 117: "Each man carried a knapsack bearing his company letter, a haversack and a three pint canteen covered with flannel."

B. Music in camp, page 105: "Every night when the campfires were blazing there would be groups of men gathered around amateur musicians playing the jewsharp, the bones, the banjo, the tambourine, the guitar or

violin, ("drawing the tail of a horse across the bowels of a cat" as the boys liked to call it.)"

C. Numerous references are made to the oppressive heat, and men suffering from heat stroke during the battle of Bull's Run. Even though the unit had newly issued gray cotton uniform available, but the unit wore their older gray wool uniforms during the battle. "The gray summer uniforms were left in camp because it was felt the soldiers needed the old wool clothes to keep warm in the cool nights." (page 165)

D. The original flagstaff on the regimental national colors was broken by a cannon ball the took of the head of color bearer (page 197.)

During the retreat, the colors would have been captured by confederate horsemen, except for the efforts of two musicians who threw down their instruments in defense of the colors (page 237.) The first regimental flag was not presented to the unit until after the battle (pages 288-289.)

E. Page 69. Cpt. Allen sings "The Star Spangled Banner" at a rally in Mineral Point on May 4, 1861. The song is not yet the recognized as our national anthem.

4. Humorous Quotes:

A. Page 106. "The folks in Racine were disturbed by the news that the boys of their company "played cards, drank whisky and stole chickens [on] Sundays."

B. Page 135, from Cpt. Tom Allen, concerning the regimental band: "...our brass band afforded us daily exhibitions of tunes of excruciating melody, and of marching time, to which no man, except a broken-legged cripple, could possibly keep step."

C. Page 146. "[A member of Company K], while on picket, shot a cow that failed to answer his challenge."

SCHEDULE – PRESERVATION MARCH 2001 February 25, 2001

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

2:00 pm Registration Opens
3:00 pm March from Registration Site to Original Depot Site
3:30 pm Shuttles to Original Depot Site begin
9:00 pm Shuttles to site cease

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

6:00 am Registration Opens
Reveille at Original Depot Site – Breakfast on your own
Shuttles Start
7:00 am March Steps off
10:00 am Graveside service in Riverside Cemetery
10:30 am Parade through town – Civilian Participation
10:45 am Talk at College Site with Drill to follow
12:00 pm Noon Lunch at Depot Museum (authentic issued fare only cooked over fire)
Depot Open for visitors – Living History
1:00 pm Speaker at Depot Museum
5:00 pm Depot Museum closes – March Steps off for Legion Fund Raiser Dinner
Those remaining behind will be responsible for own meals
6:00 pm Legion Fund Raiser Dinner is served
7:00 pm Historian Speakers with Social and Period Dance to follow

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Living History all Day – Meals on your own
9:00 am Period Church Service held in bldg. where Citizens' Guard was organized
10:00 am Depot Open – Food and Beverages available for purchase
5:00 pm Depot Closes
All times are subject to change prior to the event.

Weekend of History at Depot Museum

While the Citizens' Guard is encamped at the Depot Museum, chances for the public to learn local and general Civil War history will abound. There will be living historians everywhere doing what was done during the Civil War.

The military encampment will be a typical one with soldiers everywhere doing the things that soldiers do. There will be tents and Company Streets, campfires and authentic cooking. There will be a food ration for the rest of the weekend prior to Saturday's noon meal, allowing the public to view how the rations are given then how the men cooked them and what they ate them with.

There will be a civilian living history as well with some local ladies inhabiting the Museum's Summer Kitchen and making ready for the departure of their husbands and trying to make them comfortable in their camp. Questions from the public are highly encouraged, as this is the best way to learn a little about our past.

On Saturday, at 1:00 pm Robert Frank, a local historian and Fox Lake Historical Society board member, will speak on the history of the railroad in Fox Lake. How it got started, how it built the city, and – sadly – how it ended. He will tell us how Fox Lake got a Depot Street without a depot and how the railroad serviced a city that was 2 ½ miles from the main line.

Fox Lake has a rich history due in part to the railroad. This event is tied into the railroad because the Citizens' Guard is tied into the railroad's history. We all have a chance to hear the whole story on Saturday, April 28, 2001 at 1:00 pm.

During the entire weekend, there will be food and refreshments available to the public, so bring your family and plan on spending the entire day learning about Fox Lake and its ties to the Civil War! The Fox Lake Historical Society will offer food and beverages for sale to the public during its open hours. Proceeds from this sale go toward the Societies activities and Depot Museum upkeep, so please come hungry and eat plenty.

Depot Museum hours for the weekend will be as follows. Saturday the museum

will be open from noon until 5:00 pm. On Sunday the museum hours will run from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Both days will be kept busy with the previously mentioned living history activities as well.

Historical Fund Raiser to be Held

On Saturday evening, April 28th, 2001, everyone is invited to take part in an important fund-raising event for the community of Fox Lake. That evening will be held the Citizens' Guard Remembrance Party for the George H. Stevens Banner Preservation. All funds raised will go into the restoration and preservation of this one of a kind item that is currently falling apart. This irreplaceable relic is suffering from over one hundred years of time's battle against it, and needs your help now.

The party will begin with cocktails and social at 5:00 pm at the American Legion Hall in Fox Lake. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and will consist of a family style Thanksgiving dinner as would have been served in 1861 to the men as their going away party.

After dinner, all attending will be treated to the speaker John K. Driscoll, a Civil War author and historian. He will be speaking on the history of the Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry and what their life was like in Fox Lake as well as the Civil War. We will also be told the story of the Banner and the lady who made it and donated it to the GAR Post, Harriet Stevens. She was the widow of George H. Stevens, the Captain of the Citizens' Guard when they left Fox Lake on May 4th, 1861. Julie Flemming, our Librarian, will tell the story of her life and how the banner came to be.

Following the speakers, will be a social with period music. Many of the Citizens' Guard members will be present for the evening and will be willing to answer questions, or just chat about life and the Civil War. They will be sharing their dinner with the citizens of Fox Lake and preparing to leave this fine city behind in an effort to crush the great rebellion in the south. The revelry and fellowship should go on into the night, and all should leave with the warm feeling of doing something good and having a good time doing it!

George H. Stevens Preservation March

Weekend on April 27-29, 2001
Fox Lake, WI.

This living history weekend will be something completely new for Company A as all proceeds will go towards the preservation of the George H. Stevens G.A.R., Post 100 Banner that is in poor condition.

**Company A, 2d Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc.
*The Citizens Guard***

“Committed to Preserving a Heritage of Devotion to Duty”

If you have any questions, please feel free to give us a call or e-mail.
Ask early so you're not in a bind when the date of the event comes.

We have the honor to be, your obedient servants,
Tom Klas, Scott Frank

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Austrian Lorenz Rifle

From: "Gary Van Kauwenbergh

Paul Hinds forwarded this to me.

This might be a good opportunity to mount a write-in campaign encouraging Armi Sport to market an affordable 1854 Austrian Lorenz Rifle.

From: Armi Sport [mailto:info@armisport.com]

Sent: Friday, February 23, 2001

To: Sarah Bro Hinds

Subject: Austrian Lorenz Rifle

We thank you very much for your request and for the interest into our products. We have received several requests for the 1854 Austrian Lorenz rifle and we are evaluating the opportunity to reproduce this model, which would be available in the course of the year 2002.

Thank you again and best regards.

Armi Sport

info@armisport.com

Austrian Lorenz Rifle

Dear Sirs;

I would like to express my strong interest in the rumor that you are considering reproducing the Austrian Lorenz. I would definitely like to be placed on any list, you generate, of persons who would like to purchase such a rifle for reenactments/shooting.

I assume if you do carry forward this project that there would be some modern "cost-effective changes" [e.g. standard, not the 'tigr' breach, enfield-style rifling] but that would not be problem for me.

I would request that you also think about offering the original pattern bayonet.

I do hope that you will carry forward and supply an affordable arm to this segment of the market.

Paul Hinds

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January 19, 1862

We sent an invitation to correspondent "C" of the Sentinel, but he could not be present.

I got these documents of "W.R.S."

The correspondent of the Northwestern.

We tried to see which could drink the most Catawba.

I beat him a very little and then I took these from him

Those long promised guns have at last got here; they arrived direct from Austria and we got them yesterday, the 18th of January.

They are called the Austrian rifle, and I think will shoot a great distance and do duty they are rather rough outside, and look clumsy enough, but we don't care a continental for looks, if they will kill.

P. S.

COMPANY K, 7TH, WIS, REGT.

*Quartermaster Shirrell of the 7th
Regiment in a letter dated
Warrenton, Va. July 24th
giving the list of causalities found
below says:*

ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND
A LIST OF THE
CAUSALITIES IN CO. K.
7 TH REGIMENT.

IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN
SENT ON BEFORE NOW,
BUT THE FACT IS WE HAVE
BEEN PUT THROUGH ON A
DOUBLE QUICK EVER
SINCE WE LEFT OUR POSI-
TION OPPOSITE
FREDERICKSBURG.

This is the 47th day that we have
been on the move and during that
time have not with just one or two
exceptions stopped more that one
night at a place.

We have had long and tedious
marches through the hot sun, rain
and mud, finally came up with Lee;
the result you already know. Our
loss in the Gettysburg fight was
heavy but that of the rebels most
fearful.

The Old "Iron Brigade " was as
usual the first into the fight and
before reinforcements could
reach them they were very
badly used up.

Before going in they drew
rations for 2250 men; they now
draw for but 850 men. The 7th
now draw for
but 191 men.

There are but a few of them, but
they cannot be whipped; you
can "bet" on that.

**I know not how you look at it
at home, but I assure you that
it is "glory" enough for any
one man in these parts to have
the honor of belonging to the
Old "Iron Brigade."**

140th First Manassas Reenactment

UPDATE for 140th First Manassas/Bull Run:

We are getting very close to having enough men to rent a motor coach (a.k.a. a bus) to travel in to and from the First Manassas Reenactment. We have 22 men registered for the reenactment, with 19 interested in taking a bus. We calculate we need only 11 more men for a total of 30, in order to make renting a bus affordable.

So come on Co.s A, B, & E and Battery B; now is the time to say yes I don't want to miss a large national reenactment this year, I want to take part in the 140th Manassas, and remember the sights sounds for many years to come!

JOIN YOUR FELLOW 2nd WISCONSIN REENACTORS FOR THIS HISTORIC EVENT

"ON TO RICHMOND" !!

We will be staying in motel rooms before and after the event, and put several men in each room.

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I am pleased to list the following men as registered for the 140th First Manassas/Bull Run Reenactment from Co.'s K & E:

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|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Jason DeRocher | 12. Ken Mulry |
| 2. John Diefenthaler | 13. Ed Neve |
| 3. Paul Edlen | 14. Don Noble |
| 4. Bill Elkington | 15. Vic Penman |
| 5. Dave Hartmann | 16. Doug Pettit |
| 6. Grant Herling | 17. Ugi Pirocanac |
| 7. Jim Johnston | 18. We Severson |
| 8. Cole Lewis | 19. Marc Storch |
| 9. Bob Mann | 20. Jeremy Tentis |
| 10. Craig Mickelson | 21. Roger Wisinger |
| 11. Mike Moran | 22. Doug Rasmussen Co. E |

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First Bull Run/ Manassas

While the Association voted against a National event this year, some of us would like to attend a national anyway. We are trying to get together a group to go to the First Bull Run/Manassas event this August 3-5

We have about 15 people from Company K going and we expect to join with Company C and re-enact as regulars.

We are hoping other people from the 2nd will be interested. It would be great if we could get around 40 people total and get a bus. Even if we don't have enough for a bus, it may make sense to make group van/car pool and motel room reservations.

Eric, I know the battery wasn't at First Bull Run, but they are regulars and were trained as infantry as well as artillery.

Craig Mickelson spoke with Captain Bill Huber of Co. C Sunday night about our falling in with C for the reenactment.

We will be portraying US Regulars so we'd wear our frock coats and Hardee hats (don't know about sky blue vs. navy blue pants at this point). Co. C is in Vincent's Brigade so that is who we'll register with too.

Registration is \$10 until March 1, 2001 when it will go to \$15.

More information on the event is available at the following site:

www.firstmanassas.com

**First Bull Run
Reenactment is
Located in Virginia's
beautiful Loudoun
County, the
reenactment site is only
30 minutes from
Manassas National
Battlefield Park.
Other area Civil War
battlefields and sites
include Balls Bluff,
South Mountain,
Antietam, Harpers
Ferry and Gettysburg.**

PRIMEDIA and event coordinator Don Warlick look forward to your participation in the 140th anniversary reenactment of this thrilling and historic battle. The Federal commander will be Dana Heim, U.S. Vols. Battalion and the Confederate commander is Charles Clark, ANV.

The reenactment site is Locust Hill Farm, owned by the Wright family since before the Civil War. This 400-acre farm has several pre Civil War structures still intact. Locust Hill Farm is adjacent to Morven Park, a beautiful equestrian facility consisting of 1,000 acres of rolling, well cared for lawn and woods. We hope you will enjoy the beauty of this area as much as we think you will. The road that runs between the two properties was the site of the cavalry battle "Mile Run."

PRIMEDIA will again donate at least \$1.00 per registered reenactor for the preservation of historic sites. Please note the deadlines for registration. Register early and save money.

**Civil War Event
at Waukesha
County Museum**

We are having a Civil War event for the public on Saturday May 12th from 10 am to 4 pm and are looking for a group of reenactors to come out and either demonstrate something or just to talk with visitors.

Would you be interested in helping us out with this event? Or, if you aren't available do you know of anyone who might be interested? We would like to have people here from 11 am to 2 or 3 pm at the very least.

Also, if you are interested could you let me know the names of those coming and who they are affiliated with?

I would like to include that information in the press release we will be sending out.

Thanks so much for your help!

Karla Wheeler

Director of Public Education
Waukesha County Museum

**If Anyone is
interested in a
Regimental
School of the
Soldier**

They should contact their Company President or Commander with this information by the end of March.

Date and location to be determined based on interest.

Regards, Major Scott Wallick

**Tiffany
Iron Brigade
Banner**

The Tiffany Iron Brigade Banner is on display at the Wisconsin Veteran's Museum in downtown Madison on the Capitol Square. This is the banner Co. K donated appx \$1,200 to for restoration a number of years ago.

The Banner is done in blue silk with all 5 Regiments of the Iron Brigade listed, though part of the 24th Michigan has been cut out/worn away.

Craig S. Mickelson

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(Look to the 2d Wisconsin in the "From the Front" Section and read the Sept. 1863 section.

You will find an extensive period description of the presentation of the Tiffany Banner to the Iron Brigade in the Field in September 1863) Ed.

We will if we have the room print the Tiffany presentation in a upcoming Newsletter.

Minutes of Second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry Association, Inc.

Annual 2d Wisconsin Regimental Meeting

January, 2001

The meeting was held at Cecil's Place in Allenton, WI. It was called to order at 10 a.m. and Doug Pettit was chosen to chair the meeting. Victor Penman was appointed to take the minutes.

Board and Military Officers Reports
The President (Ernst Frankenberg) was not at the meeting. There was no president's report.

The Secretary (Peter Kelly) was not at the meeting. The minutes from last year's meeting were approved.

The Treasurer (Dean Tillema) was not at the meeting. Gary Klas gave the treasurer's report. The Association received \$3,290.00 and spent \$2,485.13 during 2000. Ending cash on 12/31/00 was \$4,221.63.

The Regimental Commander (Gary Klas) reported the Association had a good year, despite some turmoil at the end. He urged members to use the chain of command to resolve differences.

The Infantry Commander (Scott Wallick), urged more attendance at Black Hat Battalion events including drills.

The Artillery Commander (Eric Peterson), reported the artillery had hosted a national school of instruction. The battery is raising money for a new limber and is looking into the possibility of locating an additional Civil War cannon. He also reported the battery had broken some windows at an event and that matter was now being negotiated by the adjuster for the Association's insurance carrier.

The Skirmish Team Commander (Gary Van Kauwenbergh) reported 28 members last year, and participation in five competitions. In the 2000 season, the Second Wisconsin musket teams finished 6 and 12 in a field of 14. The carbine teams finished 3 and 8 in a field of 11,

and the revolver teams finished 3 and 8 in a field of 8. So far for 2001, roster strength is 28.

Company A reported it is not having a Tier I event this year. Instead it will be hosting a preservation march. More information is available on the Association's web site. Roster strength of Company A was given as about 40 people.

Company B's Tier I event will be Norskedallen. It was noted that membership in the Association is not required for membership in Company B and that a number of its members do not, therefore, have Association insurance. It was explained that, due to the distance from most Association events, Company B does not require its members to join the Association.

Company K reported a roster strength of approximately 56. It will not have a Tier I event, but is instead supporting the Black Hat Battalion event in Rockford. Company K has authorized the expenditure of \$3,000 for new colors.

Company E reported it is doing very well and has received many new members from Green Bay and Appleton. It's Tier I event this year will be Aug. 10 – 12.

Unfinished Business

The Association Uniform & Equipage Committee Report was referred back to that committee by the Command Staff. Each company and battery which does not already have a member on that committee is to appoint a member.

The committee is to issue new recommendations to the Command Staff for review prior to their being submitted to a vote of the general membership. The committee was thanked for the time and effort it had put into the report. Members were cautioned against making inappropriate

comments in e-mail and particularly on web pages where they might cast the association in a negative light before the general public.

It was noted that section 14.0 of the Association Handbook which is supposed to contain the uniform requirements for the battery is empty. This is to be corrected.

Uniform change approved: Everything in the current Handbook will remain the same except for section 6.05 Hat, line #4 in which the 1 7/8" red 1st Corps Badge is now optional for impressions only after April of 1863.

We also voted our new primary impression to be Late 1862. This basically consists of Hardee Hat, Frock or Sack Coat, Sky Blue or Dark Blue Trousers, and Leggings which are optional.

Our Minimum Uniform Required For All Field Commands will remain the same consisting of Sections 6.05-6.10 of the Handbook.

These are as follows:

- 6.05 Hat
- 6.06 Coat
- 6.07 Eyewear (if needed)
- 6.08 Pants
- 6.09 Belt
- 6.10 Brogans

Purchase of Regimental Colors: Gary Klas reported that he has been attempting to communicate with Steven Hill who did the 33rd's colors. He stated that if continues to be unable to contact Mr. Hill, he will find someone else.

He is also looking for someone to create the unusual ball and spear that topped the color staff. Scott Frank was appointed to measure the original ball and spear which is in the Veteran's museum.

New Business

The following schedule was adopted:

	Tier I:
May 19-20	Black Hat spring drill in Joliet, Ill. Black Hat
June 23-24	Rockford by Clock Tower Black Hat
July 21-22	Hastings, MI Black Hat
Aug. 10-12	Green Bay Rail Road Museum Company E
Sept. 28-30	Wade House 2 nd Wisconsin
Oct. 5-7	Waukashua Battery B
Oct. 13 -14	Norskedallen Company B

Tier II:

June 23-24	Escanaba Co. E
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Tier III:

May 10-12	Pioneer Village Co. A
Aug. 3-5	Boscobel Co. K

A motion to include the Atlanta Event, the Black Hat Battalion's National event, was defeated.

Continued Liability Insurance: the Association voted to continue its liability insurance.

Current cost is \$8 per member.

Newsletter and Website: the web site cost is approximately \$287 per year. The newsletter cost about \$200 per issue. A motion was made to establish a regimental e-mail list.

The motion was amended to include the establishment of a list of phone numbers and addresses. These lists are to be published in the Fugelman. The Fugelman is to be made available electronically, via e-mail, to those members who want it in that form.

There was considerable discussion about some recent e-mail. E-mail discussions should be civil. If there are disagreements as to fact, these should be approached in an appropriate, scholarly

fashion. Members should use the company and regimental command structure to resolve disputes.

When the regimental e-mail list becomes available, it should be used appropriately — for the good of the Association.

Black Hat Battalion: the Association voted to continue its participation in that organization.

For the Good of the Association:

Scott Wallick asked people who want Association shirts or hats to contact him. He stated he only intends to order a couple of times during the year to place larger orders and keep down costs.

Greg Rupnow reported on the progress of the South Mountain Monument. The organization behind this is getting tax exempt status and he is seeking Association support.

Scott Wallick reported that that the Gettysburg Remembrance Day event is scheduled for Nov. 16 –18 and people who want room accommodations can contact him, provided they do it soon. Victor Penman noted that it is dangerous for us to go up and down muddy, slippery hills with bayonets fixed and that we should stop doing that.

Announcements:

Regimental Commander Gary Klas announced that he will not accept any military office during next year's officer elections.

He stated it is time for some younger members to step up.

It was noted that we need people who have not already done so to pay their regimental dues. Dues are \$12 per family plus \$8 per person.

It was requested that Dean Tillema inform the appropriate company or battery when someone joins the organization.

Regarding event registration, companies and the battery should handle this through Doug Pettit or, when they do this on their own, notify Doug so he doesn't double register them.

Company A may have a school of the soldier June 15 -17.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Join members of the Second Wisconsin traveling from the Midwest to join our brothers in arms of Company C at a parade of remembrance over the weekend of November, 2001. Being in the town of Gettysburg over this weekend is an opportunity to time-travel as modern dress is the exception .

Contact Scott Wallick or Jeff Meicher for information.

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