

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO
GEN. WM. H. LYTLE CAMP #10**

A reminder that annual dues of \$30 are now payable to continue your membership in the General Lytle camp and the Sons of Union Veterans. Please make your check payable to Lytle Camp #10 and mail to *Ken Wilson, 6999 Copperglow Ct., Cincinnati, OH, 45244-3646.* {If you have already paid....thank you!}

The Year in Review

Another year has been completed with a number of accomplishments and memories for the Lytle Camp. The year started with the installation of officers at *Jim Houston's* home in Milford and began *Woody Cook's* reign as the 7th Commander of the camp. Department Commander *Ray Nagel* installed the officers of the camp.

The Lincoln Day dinner in February was hosted by the Nelson-Garfield camp of Kentucky and observed at the Down Under restaurant along with the camps from Fairfield and Hamilton.

In April a number of Brothers attended the annual U. S. Grant birthday party in Point Pleasant, the place of his birth. Brother *Nagel* spoke at the event.

In early May, recognition was given to Scott Daria, a Naval JROTC member from Scarlet Oaks. Later in May, the camp dedicated a plaque to the memory of Pvt. Leonidas Fisher in Clermont County. The ceremony was well attended by relatives, Brothers and politicians and featured National Commander *Don Darby*, Ohio Department Commander *Ray Nagel*, Past Dept Commander *Jim Houston* and event chairman *Chuck Reeves*. We received great publicity in the press. May ended with our service, aided by the 6th Ohio Volunteer Infantry, at Spring Grove Cemetery on Memorial Day, a solemn and inspiring event.

The Department of Ohio encampment was held in June and members selected for Department offices were Brothers *Nagel, Reeves, Spellman* and *Houston*.

In July, Commander *Cook* and other Brothers met with officials of the National Park Service and the "Friends of Chickamauga" to discuss a plan for the restoration of General Lytle's monument which was reduced from a pyramid of cannon balls to a one layer level over the years. It will be a long and expensive project but the effort has been started. Also in July the camp helped with the setting and dedication of the head stone, found in Michigan, of Joseph Wolf, 102 OVI.

In September the second observance of the anniversary of the death of General Lytle was held at his gravesite. Brothers *Wilson, Houston* and *Reckner* gave inspirational presentations about the life of William Haines Lytle. Several relatives of General Lytle's family were at the ceremony.

On a blustery day in October, Jack Simons, friend of the Sons, gave a special tram tour of Spring Grove cemetery for the camp. In late October the camp had a display table at the Family History Day in the downtown Cincinnati library.

Throughout the year talks were given by Brothers at several historical and genealogical societies about the Sons and in particular our grave registration program. Brothers are actively working on grave registrations at various cemeteries in Hamilton, Clermont and Warren counties. However, we really need more effort in this area.

The year 2007 looks like another banner year for the camp with *Chuck Reeves, Dennis Brown* and *Kerry Langdon* as officers. We hope to see you at one of our second Tuesday of the month meetings at Scarlet Oaks. [Note: construction activity continues at Scarlet Oaks so watch e-mail or written notices about room assignment]

Ken Wilson PCC, Secretary/Treasurer