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Grand Review

Grand Review 2015 of the USCT Soldiers

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Nov. 13-14, 2015
A commemoration of African American Patriots of the Civil War

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The background:

Everyone knows the story. At the end of the Civil War a Grand Review of troops who fought was held in Washington, D.C. marching past President Johnson and other dignitaries seated in front of the White House. On one day 60,000 white troops marched one the next day 80,000 troops marched up Pennsylvania Avenue. The 180,000 Black soldiers who fought were not invited.

In November of that year, however, the women of Harrisburg, and their supporters, held a Grand Review of the US Colored Troops. This year we shall honor that bold march and commoerate the brave deeds of these soldiers who fought in the War.

Rep. Patty Kim Introduces the 2015 “100 Voices: Cadets”

We are happy to announce that the 2015 Grand Review -100 Voices cadet project is dedicated to memory of Rachel Jones Williams.

The initiative is anchored by Harrisburg University, Harrisburg and Susquehanna school Districts, Penn State Harrisburg, the United States Colored Troops Living History Association (USCTLHA) and private and public partners. Young journeymen use WPA oral history methods to interview the oldest living relatives of the soldier, and immerse themselves in the heritage of visiting USCTLHA regiments.

100 Voices cadets will provide conservation support through service learning workshops at Midland Cemetery, Lincoln Pennbrook and Old Negro Middletown. Cadets serve as hosts for visiting USCT regiments and escorts for White Carnation elders. You will see 100 Voices cadets as monitors and escorts along the procession line

Throughout the commemoration, and Jubilee Hall experiences, look for 100 Voices cadets as procession monitors and cultural concierge at our “ask me booths”. Catch them engaging visitors in storytelling and dialogue at Strawberry Square- Jubilee Hall. They’ll facilitate the “place yourself in history” project and encourage young

people to capture the day with a selfie and place themselves in history. Be sure to visit their “facebook lounge” at Strawberry Square where you can become part of the public record of this historic weekend.

100Voices Cadets



Patty Kim, Co-chair

A legion of legislators provide the Weekend at a Glance

Sen. Rob Teplitz

Welcome to USCTLHA

Harrisburg is proud to host the 2015 Annual meeting of the United States Colored Troops Living History Association who meet concurrent with the 2015 Grand Museum. This proud alliance of elders, scholars and African American leaders represent 25 states across the nation. Come out and witness their grand tradition as they lead our landmark process and engage our educational and civic communities through workshops, exhibitions, and civic engagement. Special thanks to historic Grace United Methodist Church for hosting the 2015 UCTLHA Annual meeting.



*Congratulations on the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Review
Tom Connolly, Swatara Township Commissioner*

FRIDAY NOV 13

Midlands, Lincoln Pennbrook, Old Middletown

11 am -2 pm

Nov.13- co-presented by Pennsylvania Hallowed Grounds Project; Intergenerational and multicultural service and stewardship project



Speaker of the House Mike Turzai

6-9 pm.

150 years later the families celebrate the White Carnation gathering with guest speaker V. Chapman Smith

Grace United Methodist Church

SATURDAY, NOV. 14

Rep. Dan Moul

Reading of 100 names of USCT soldiers whom we honor as examples of this great patriotism. Join us for the ceremony and Blessing of the Marching Units – Grace UM Church, 10 am

Featuring Brigadier General Wilbur Wolf and Malcom Beech, USCTLHA President

10 - 10:30 am
(Grace United Methodist Church, 216 State Street)

Join us as Downtown's Strawberry Square is transformed for the day into the Jubilee Exhibit Hall and Chautauqua (a floating museum) of tabletop exhibits by over 50 cultural organizations. Outstanding special installations, an informative speakers series and entertaining main stage presentations all held in Strawberry Square, co-sponsored by Harrisburg University and Harrisstown-Strawberry Square



Join Us On Saturday, Nov. 14 for the Procession: GET READY FOR THE JUBILEE!

Imagine a man enslaved who has a quest for freedom so fierce that he follows the Northern Star and sets off for Pennsylvania and his independence.

Imagine he arrives and thrives with expanded liberty. Imagine that his regard of citizenship fuels his patriotism.

Imagine he responds to the call and dons Union blue to head south despite the bounty on his head as an escaped slave because he yearns to achieve emancipation for others who are enslaved.

Imagine he survives the entire ordeal and marches through the streets of Harrisburg's Old 8th Ward in 1865 to the accolades of his community. Imagine that they shower him with white carnations.

Imagine the people of the commonwealth gathering this fall in Harrisburg to host interpreters, USCT descendants and stewards from 16 states across the nation under the banner of the White

Carnation.

Now imagine yourself marching with us as we walk in the footsteps of the victorious USCT through the Old 8th Ward and into the Capitol Complex. Pause with us at the Soldiers' Grove to remember their great sacrifice.

Adopt one of the 100 Voices of the USCT and form your own White Carnation walking unit. Come, step into the street, and make history with us.

Stand in witness as we reverently place a wreath with the descendants of USCT soldiers like the Cole family from Reading, the Wilson family from York, Lancaster's Quomony family, Shippensburg's Shirke- Bonapartes, and Mercersburg's Frisby Family. Meet them at Strawberry Square's Jubilee Hall exhibit in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Harrisburg Grand Review.

And join us for the Procession. We'll meet at the Capitol steps to the rear of the Capitol and at Soldiers Grove from 10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Then we'll proceed to the Commemoration and Wreath Laying, beginning at 11:15 a.m. and concluding about 12:15 p.m.

The Recess from Soldiers Grove to 3rd and Walnut streets will take place from 12:15-12:45 p.m.



Pennsylvania Senator Rob Teplitz



The 23rd USCT Exhibit at Strawberry Square.



Gun salute at Midlands Cemetery

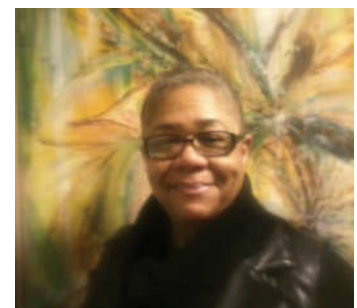
The White Carnation Dinner Reenacts Another Special Event in Harrisburg

While the men were busy polishing boots before and after the Grand Review in 1865 the women of Harrisburg, united by membership in the Garnet League, held a white carnation dinner. This event will also be reenacted in Harrisburg on Saturday, November 14. The site chosen will be the historic Grace United Methodist Church at 216 State Street, Harrisburg, 17101.

Lead by our Black sister, Yvette Davis, this edifice is only a few doors from the Capitol of Pennsylvania on State Street. It is a grand building, so grand

that when the Capitol burned after the Civil War, our legislators took over this sanctuary to hold their sessions. Today the congregation and the pastor welcome us to this monumental building fronted by a very large Tiffany window donated in the early 1900s, and many works of art that will thrill those attracted to this sort of embellishment.

By invitation, the White Carnation Dinner will celebrate a key event in this weekend celebration of the 180,000 Black men who served our country in the Civil War.



Keynote Speaker, Yvette Davis

Democratic Black Caucus Applauds the Pennsylvania Hallowed Ground Project

USCT soldiers faced new challenges upon returning from the war and reaching old age. Unfortunately, USCT soldiers were as segregated in death as they had been in life.

That is why we find Confederate graves in Harrisburg Cemetery, for example, but not one African American Civil War soldier is buried there. Indeed, a parallel network of benevolent societies, church groups, guilds and leagues grew up to assist Black families in finding final resting places for their Civil War dead.

Some communities solved the challenge by isolating a section of a larger cemetery for African American graves. Benevolent societies often purchased separate land. Many families were deeded land from municipal sources for family plots, and church yards provided everlasting rest.

For the past five years, an alliance of descendants, stewards, care takers, and

conservationists have come together to form the PA Hallowed Grounds project, which has facilitated conservation, education, and advocacy.

Today, their statewide network of dedicated African American burial sites preserve USCT graves.

The members of the Pennsylvania Black Caucus welcome the Pennsylvania Hallowed Grounds Project site teams to Harrisburg as they gather for the 2015 Grand Review, Nov. 13-14.

You'll have a chance to roll your sleeves up and stick your hands in history during a guided tour on November 13 from noon -3pm. Tour three important Hallowed Grounds regional sites: Midlands Cemetery in Steelton, Lincoln Cemetery in Pennbrook, and the Old Negro Cemetery in Middletown.

Learn about the history of the sites. Meet the stewardship teams and help



Brandon Flood, Executive Director of the Legislative Black Caucus

communities prep the site for the long winter. It's the service-learning experience for your students, family or community. For more information visit: 2015grandreview.com

100 VOICES!

From the Pennsylvania State Archives, 100 African Americans were selected who fought in the United States Colored Troops during the Civil War. Many of these veterans were either born or buried in Pennsylvania. Each person in this list has a record in the State Archives and a listing on Dickenson College's House Divided web site.

3rd USCT

- James Bostick
- Isaac Becket
- James Bostick
- Wilson Day
- Moses Dunsmore
- Jacob D. Enos
- Elisha McGuire
- Isaac Newton Phillips
- John Roberts
- John E. Smith
- James A. Spriggs

6th USCT

- Jeremiah W. Asher
- Levi Chaplin
- Thomas Dorsey
- John Harvey
- Alexander Kelly
- Lewis Mills
- Samuel Nadine
- Joseph Rutherford Phares
- Mordecai West

8th USCT

- Samuel Gibson
- Gibbs Hoff
- Rufus Sib Jones
- Prime Parrish
- Elias Pennington
- Melchia Thomas
- Lloyd W. Watts

22nd USCT

- Clement Baker
- Emanuel T. Butler
- Benjamine A. Collins
- John W. Pinkney

- Joseph Rideout
- Enoch Watson
- Jacob Winters

24th USCT

- Henry B. Carter
- William Clark
- John A. Fauset
- William Miller
- Abaraham Quamany
- William H. Rex
- Samuel Richardson
- John W. Simpson
- Lloyd W. Watts

25th USCT

- Solomon Butcher
- Owens Dawson
- John R. Lewis
- Amos Johnson

27th USCT

- Samuel Gardner

32nd USCT

- Isaac Cole
- William Maxwell
- Samuel McClellan
- John Aquilla Wilson

37th USCT

- Ephraim Slaughter

41st USCT

- Gabriel Boyer
- Isaac Johnson
- Jacob V. Saddler
- Joseph E. Turner

43rd USCT

- John C. Brock
- Lemuel Burton
- Hannibal Carrol
- Robert Bridges Forten
- John Hamilton
- George Heizkiah Imes
- William Nelson Molson
- Reuben J. Pradis
- Nimrod Warren

45th USCT

- James Howard Bruin
- Allen W. Catterdon
- John W. Johnson
- Joshua Mason
- Henderson Wallace
- Jacob Williams

127th USCT

- Wilson Brown
- Henry Gooden
- Isaac Amos Hollingsworth
- Thomas S. Johnson
- William H. Mathews
- Frederick J. Ray
- Samuel A. Wright

5th Mass. Cav.

- Aquila Amos
- James H. Bronson
- Lewis Bronson

54th Massachusetts

- George Brummzig
- Jacob Christy
- Albanus Fisher
- Wesley Krunkleton



Dr. Frank Smith, Founder and CEO of the African American Museum, Speaker



Ed Gannett, Speaker

- William W. Nesbit
- George T. Prosser
- James Shirk
- John Shirk
- Hezekiah Watson

55th Massachusetts

- Lemuel Butler
- Oliver O. Steele
- Isaiah H. Welch

Rep. Patty Kim, Co-chair

"Steps in time" Take a historical walk through the Old 8th Ward in memorial of the 1865 event. Great photo moments abound at the formation at the Capitol steps and the a procession from 3rd and State Streets to Soldiers Grove via North Street and Commonwealth Avenue. Come out and honor the African American Patriots of the Civil War (10:45-11:15 am) including marching units from 16 visiting states; civic and social organizations, family walking clubs, fire and drum bands and more.



Rep Kevin Schreiber, Co-chair

Take your spot near the Captiol fountain and take a stand for History: the Roll Call begins at Soldiers' Grove at 11:15 am.

Experience the presentations of proclamations, and commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Harrisburg 1865 Grand Review.

Rep. Vanessa Brown

And a host of legislative Grand Marshals and escorts

Joined by Living history and re-enactment participants from throughout Pennsylvania and 16 visiting states. Pause with us for the wreath-laying, then enjoy the presentation of the 2015 W.H. Day Oratory by Dr. Frank Smith, founder and CEO of the African American Museum of the Civil War, Washington D.C.

Music by Kent Courtney, Diane Wilson, Rev. Lela Henderson, and more.

Rep. Harry Lewis, Jr.

Be sure to stay for an incredible closing event, the Voices of Unity – Gospel Hour, featuring winners of the East Coast Gospel Competition, co-hosted by Diane Wilson and Rev. Lela Henderson. Bring along your fan and white handkerchief for the grand finale. Co sponsored by Jump Street Inc, and East Coast Gospel Competition.

Brandon Flood

Be sure to stop by our "ask me" desks throughout the procession route, Soldiers Grove and Strawberry Square Jubilee Hall. Meet the "100 voices" cadets who bring to life the stories of the men we honor as they mentor with the elders of the USCTLHA. Co-sponsored by Harrisburg and Susquehanna School districts, Harrisburg University. The 100 voices insure that we pass the torch to a new generation.

EXHIBITORS

Wanda Williams, Harrisburg Council Woman

Be a part of the action! Here are some ways you can make a difference:

(a) Bring along old Glory and retire your weathered flag at Dauphin County Vets booth at Strawberry Square

(b) Cut a one foot by one foot square of cotton cloth, attach a card with a short story describing its meaning to you, and deposit your scrap for the African

American Quilters Guild quilt bag.



take a selfie to post and place yourself in History 100 Voices – Facebook Lounge

Jeff Baltimore, Harrisburg Councilman

Here are a few ways to make it a great Day-cation. Amtrak has eight daily roundtrips on the Keystone Line from Philadelphia to Harrisburg! Plan a reunion of family and friends and have them join you. Be sure to enjoy the entertainment and exhibits at the station. If you are local or regional, visit our web page at 2015grandreview.com and plan the best CAT (City Bus) schedule directly to 2nd and Market streets. (You'll be just a few blocks from the action!) Or log on and plan a bike route to the event. It's a great way to combine history and physical exercise. You can even bring your bike on CAT and combine the experience.



Steelton Councilman, Jeff Wright

Make it a holiday and plan to stay over at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. There's a great 99.99 rate waiting for you and your friends and family. We've even got a special group rate at the Comfort Inn-Front Street so organize a walking group and take those steps through time. We've included this map for your easy reference.



For a complete list of exhibitors, performances and presentations, visit our web site at 2015grandreview.com

*Participate, advocate.
It's not too late to donate!*

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PRESENTATION (30)

Welcome Booth
Four (4) Ask Me booths
Hbg University
Hbg Public Schools
Jump Street
Gamut
HSDC
Steam into History
Pride of Susquehanna
Fire Museum
Broad Street Market
Quilt Room and exhibit

Photography installation
African American Museum of Philadelphia
Pittsburgh – Martin Delaney Group
Gettysburg Project
Fife and Drum
CUG
Andrew Adams Boy scout
Pa Hallowed Grounds
Showcase Now booth
Bike tours booth
Dept. of Vets- flag retiring
Chautauqua Room
Memory Tables
Flag workshop

Live and Learn
Civil War and More book store
Bethel Trail
Sunbury books
Stakpole books
Civil war Cinema
Letters Wal- Inatallation
2010 photos – instalation
Civil War 2016- advance committee
Acebook lounge



Rep Kevin Schreiber

USCTLHA VISITING EXHIBITS

AAMCW-D.C. CW150 shop
Frank Smith Flags (installation)
Installation of 26th panorama
3rd Regiments USCT
Portable Exhibit
Philadelphia PA
54th Mass Co.
54th Mass. Boston
Chanucy Herring's Special Collection
Newport News Virginia

Robert Hick's Civil War Medical Exhibit
Philadelphia PA
Yulanda Burgess The Sanitary Commission Detroit Mich
Yolanda Burgess Quilt
Robert Smalls Squardon Famous Black Sailors Navy Newport News Virginia
FREED
Women and the Civil War, Washington D.C.
Ladies of the Civil War, Virginia



November 14, 2015 USCT Grand Review Procession Route & Venues

- 1 Grace United Methodist Church**
100 Voices Roll Call
9:00 a.m.
Formation (State Street)
Grand Review Procession
10:00 a.m.
- 2 Soldiers' Grove**
Wreath Laying Event
10:00 a.m.
Grand Review
11:00 a.m.
- 3 Strawberry Square**
Jubilee Exhibit Hall & Chautauqua
12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Voices of Unity Gospel Hour
4:0 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

