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1. The Department of Michigan and I offer our heartiest congratulations to Department Treasurer and Brother Brian Shumway and his wife Anne in accepting a new career opportunity and relocation to Phoenix, AZ. Brother Brian, a member of Curtenius Guard Camp 17 of Sunfield, MI has worked diligently and in many capacities within his Camp and Department. He plans to remain active within the Sons with final plans undecided.
2. It is understandable that I accepted Brother Brian's resignation as Department of Michigan Treasurer effective July 31, 2009. The Department will greatly miss Brother Brian's experience and insight as well as his attention to the details of the Department's accounts. The Department of Michigan extends its gratitude for your work well done.
3. Therefore, the Department of Michigan is seeking a capable brother to fill the office of Department Treasurer for the remainder of the 2009-2010 business year. Please send me your intentions prior to July 31, 2009 by email to [worleyc@myrural.com](mailto:worleyc@myrural.com) .

Department Bylaws Article III, Section 4: If a vacancy should occur in any elected office, the Council shall convene and, by a majority vote of said Council, elect a Brother of the Department of Michigan to fill said vacancy until the next Annual Encampment.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,  
/s/  
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Commander, Department of Michigan  
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Attest: /s/  
Kevin J. Lindsey  
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*Department Orders No. 4**Series 2009-2010**5 August 2009*

1. It is my pleasure to announce that the Department Council has unanimously agreed to fill the office of Department Treasurer with the selection of Brother Bruce Gosling, Camp Commander of March to the Sea Camp 135. Brother Gosling will hold the office and duties until the next Department of Michigan Encampment of April 24, 2010.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

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*Department Orders No. 5**Series 2009-2010**17 August 2009*

1. All Camps within the Department that have updated or changed their Bylaws to reflect the addition of Junior and Junior Associate classes of membership and other changes may now mail to me two copies for my signature.

My address is: Chuck Worley, Department Commander

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2. It is my pleasure to congratulate on behalf of all the Department, Brothers Kent Armstrong and Doug Armstrong of George W. Anderson Camp 58 and Brother Dick Hutchins of Gilluly-Kingsley Camp 120, recipients of Meritorious Service with Gold Star. The awards were presented at the 128<sup>th</sup> National Encampment.
3. I strongly encourage all Brothers of the Department to express their concern about The Governor's Executive Order 2009-36 and the future of the State of Michigan Department of History, Arts, and Libraries and the irreplaceable collections in the State's possession to your State Representatives and Senators before the implementation date of October 1<sup>st</sup>.

In Fraternity, Charity & Loyalty,

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## Commander's Comments

Chuck Worley

To the Brothers of the Department of Michigan:

I wish to congratulate the Delegation from the Department of Michigan for their part in the successful 128<sup>th</sup> National Encampment held in Louisville Kentucky. There were fourteen brothers in the delegation and from a wide sampling of Camps. We participated in an interesting tour of the Lincoln birthplace in Hodgenville, had good times in serious and not so serious conversations, and helped conduct the business of the National Order.

Our 2009-2010 Commander in Chief is Leo F. Kennedy from Rhode Island. Our own favorite son, DSVC Don Shaw was not fortunate in winning his bid for the Council of Administration. The highlight of the Encampment came on Saturday morning. Three brothers from our Department had been nominated and received the Meritorious Award with Gold Star by Commander in Chief David Medert and the Council of Administration. Brother Dick Hutchins of Gilluly-Kingsley Camp 120, and Brothers Douglas Armstrong and PCinC Kent Armstrong of George W. Anderson Camp 58 are to be commended and congratulated for their continued efforts in the work of the Sons.

On another note, I encourage every brother to take time to look over the National Website at <http://suvchw.org> to read the latest updates of National Officers and Appointments, and the current issue of General Orders 1 and 2. I also want to draw your attention to the Memorial University button on the front page. Click on it. I think you will be pleasantly surprised by the work of the National Committee on Education and Leadership. Take some time to look over the course plan for Junior and Junior Associates. Is there a young man or two in your camp that might profit from enrolling?

There is something I noticed at the national Encampment that concerns me that relates to the second course offering of SUVCW Officers Training course. This is coming from a Commander that enjoys "Politics from a distance." Regardless of how eager a brother wishes to advance within the ranks of our Order, sooner or later we will each have to pitch in by holding an office in the Camp or Department. How well we serve our brothers is a matter of personal understanding of the office and its responsibilities. Again I encourage every officer to set up a username and password and enroll in a few of the Officers Training classes to better acquaint himself with our objectives. After all, we will need to train our replacements and leaders for the years ahead.

In this same vein, the brothers of Michigan need to remain visible on the National scene and learn how to keep our interest represented. I also encourage your interest in attending the GAR Allied Orders Central Regional Association meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 at Kokomo Indiana. You can look up the registration form at <http://suvchw.org/in/DEPTIN.html> or contact Alan Teller at [alan.teller@comcast.net](mailto:alan.teller@comcast.net). Then if you have or haven't ever attended Remembrance Day at Gettysburg, this is the event that will move you deeply time and time again. Come with a group or join the brothers of Michigan when you arrive, but start planning and reserve a room in the area early.

An important issue is at hand and soon to be decided for us by the State of Michigan Senate. Many of you are aware of the Governor's Executive Order 2009-36 to dismantle the Department of History, Arts, and Libraries, HAL. Those that aren't acquainted should know that the collections of books and records of the State Library and Archive are at risk of being disbursed and transferred to other State Agencies and Institutions. These priceless and one of a kind collections may not be accessible to the citizens in the future. These are the primary sources for much of the work of the Sons of Union Veterans and other organizations like us. So please email your State Senator and express your concern that these collections be preserved and accessible.

As we approach the time of year for Camp elections, I hope every brother will consider serving the Camp with the talents he holds. May your elections go well, and I look forward to your installation.

May God Bless

## Junior Vice Commander

Paul "Dave" Arnold

As your Dept Jr. Vice Commander, I felt it important to address the subject of Department Membership. I have developed a base document addressing membership & ways we can promote the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and thereby help Camps increase their membership base. If you have not seen this document, please contact me and I will send you one.

Keep in mind that this is a base document. Many of the ideas in this Dept of Michigan Membership Initiative are things that many Camps have or already are doing. I wanted to start to compile these ideas into a printed format.

During the next several months, I would like to solicit additional suggestions from your camps on different promotions/ideas that have worked for you as far as increasing your Camp Membership. It is my hope to compile these suggestions, sending out periodic updates.

Eventually I would like to provide a comprehensive document copied in CD format that can be shared with Camps department wide.

In this way, when New Camps are formed, we have something to give them far as a road map on - How to Get Started - based on methods that have worked for other camps in the past.

Also, by sharing these ideas, hopefully established camps & those that might be struggling will be able to pick up some new ideas as well.

With the Civil War Sesquicentennial approaching in 2011 we have a unique opportunity to bolster our Department/Camp membership by taking advantage of the publicity this National Celebration will garner. By having ideas/guidelines in place a head of time, hopefully it will be easier for your camp to do so.

***By the time you receive the next issue of Michigan's Messenger Brother Adair will have a very important enhancement added to the Department Website in the form of an all-name index for every issue of the Messenger. This huge idea and accomplishment was done by Brother Jim Jackson of Camp 22, kudos to you, sir! ed***

*Editor's Note: Why Michigan's Messenger is now distributed electronically:*

*In 2005 the Department was faced with rising printing and mailing costs for the nationally recognized Michigan's Messenger. Very few options were available to Department Officers, so the issue was put on the floor at the Department Encampment.*

*The Members voted to publish Michigan's Messenger in an electronic format, with each edition being forwarded to one person in each Camp (thereafter called a Camp Signals Officer), who would then distribute the newsletter to Camp Members.*

*As a result of this action by the Membership, dues have not been raised.*

***I believe that the Camps have the responsibility to report changes, so that we can continue to serve you, you must provide me with a current contact for electronic mailing.***

*I have tried to include every article that was sent to me prior to publication, so that all future issues will be timely. I welcome all constructive suggestions, and encourage all of you to submit relative news about your committees, your Camps, and your ancestors. This is your newsletter, and its success depends on you. Rick Danes, Editor mimessrd@aol.com.*

**Patriotic Instructor***LTC (Ret) Max Riekse, PCC*

The National Commander has asked all Department PI's to encourage all camp PI's to say something about Abraham Lincoln. To that end, I would also ask that you keep a record of what your camp PI's do in case our national PI requires a PI report next year.

If you have not been to Lincoln's tomb in Springfield, Illinois, I encourage you to do so, along with visiting the Lincoln monument in Washington, D.C. and Mount Rushmore in the Black Hills out West. and also find time if you can to visit the new Lincoln museum in Springfield as well. I have been to Lincoln's tomb several times, along with the Lincoln monument in Washington, D.C. numerous times and visiting them never fails to have an impact on me in regards to what I feel about Lincoln and what he did to preserve the Union. I had five Civil War ancestors who fought in the Michigan Volunteer Infantry and Calvary; two died of disease and two were wounded; I doubt that they had deep thoughts as to the political thoughts of the day, but I'm sure preserving the Union was utmost on their minds; and that was what Lincoln did for our country, preserve the Union, i.e. the United States of America. I can't imagine what a split USA without the South would be like; keeping the South in the Union has helped make our Republic strong, free, prosperous and united.

I would also like to take the time to encourage each camp to acquire a POW - MIA flag; over 20,000 fellow Americans were taken from German POW camps in Europe by Soviet (Communist) Russian forces that overran these camps and these fellow Americans were never heard from again. The German's had kept them alive and well, only to have them end up in Red captivity where they died. Take the time to acquire the 587 page book, "An Enormous Crime - the Definitive Account of American POW's Abandoned in Southeast Asia" by former U.S. Rep. Bill Hendon and Elizabeth A. Steward. Some 800 American POW's were left behind in Laos and Vietnam to die in Communist captivity; hundreds were most likely still alive when Regan left the presidency. Some may still yet be left alive; written off by each and every American democratic and republican president since Nixon; take the time to read the book; then write your US Senator and Congressman. Let me know what they have to say.

**Department Graves Registration Committee***by Rick Danes, Chairman*

First and foremost, I would like to join the Members of the Department Graves Registration Committee in congratulating Brother Dick Hutchins on his award of Meritorious Service with Gold Palm. Dick was recognized for his work in the Graves Registration and headstone replacement efforts. It is great to see that once again, committee members are honored for their time and effort in our outstanding program.

At the September Committee Meeting the attendees decided to reach out to the Camps, to the Allied Orders, and to the various historical and genealogical groups who want to participate in a graves registration program in the hopes of standardizing the process, and encouraging participation. The thought is that we will show them how we do it, and ask for their help. Remember, we still have over half of the lower part of the state to survey and document. We decided that with all of the experts that we have, we would host a one day workshop in the lower part of the state, and then a second one in the northern part of the lower, both next year, one in the Spring and one in the Fall.

Look for more information as it develops.

I am encouraged that we have recently received records from Bay, Muskegon, and Ottawa Counties. We have also received records from out-state veterans from Brother Dick Williams, and records from the state of Nebraska from Brother Chuck Harthy. It is still not too late to do some serious field work before the snow flies, and what a way to share the fall colors with your family or Camp. Stay well, and prosper.

**ROBERT FINCH CAMP NO. 14**

Neal F. Breaugh, PCC  
Secretary-Treasurer

The September 1, 2009 Camp 14 roster shows 48 members. 39 are Brothers and 9 are Associates. Our September meeting will be held on Saturday, September 12th at the Elks Club 625 Bay St. (intersection Grandview Parkway/Division) in Traverse City. Our guest speaker will be long-time favorite "*History Detective*" Chris Czopek, who will be presenting his latest installment on his research into the lives of the 'Warriors of Company 'K' First Michigan Sharpshooters. Afterwards an informal 'Smith Brothers Reunion and Research Symposium' will be held at Sleder's Tavern (one of Michigan's oldest family owned establishments).

On Flag Day, June 14<sup>th</sup>, six Camp Brothers participated in the community ceremonies conducted at the Elks Lodge in Traverse City.

On June 20th, Camp 14 participated in unique 'double header' grave dedication ceremonies. Over 15 Brothers and Auxiliary members arrived from Traverse City for the 11:00 A.M. dedication at East Jordan's Sunset Cemetery honoring Pvt. George W. Hayner: Pvt. CO. F 125th N.Y. Infantry. As the Honor Guard was reloading their rifles, Brother Skillman recalled the service of the 125<sup>th</sup> at Harpers Ferry, Virginia-being a 'green regiment' and in their first action. Private Hayner's service record shows that he was disabled after being 'struck by a falling tree limb'. Brother Skillman reported that his injury was likely sustained by the artillery barrage rained down on the town by Gen. T.J. 'Stonewall' Jackson. Until the surrender at Bataan in World War 2, the largest loss of U.S. POW's occurred at Harpers Ferry. Following the dedication, Brothers and guests were invited by great-great granddaughter of the veterans, Jane Prebble, and her family to a lunch reception at the East Jordan Inn. Jane was pleasantly surprised to discover that family members from Florida and Washington flew in to attend the ceremony, as well as discovering some cousins who she had never met before also arrived for the celebration. A 2:00 P.M. the Brothers traveled to Charlevoix to conduct the second dedication at Brookside Cemetery in Charlevoix for Pvt. Newton A. Balch, Pvt. CO I 5th NH Infantry

Commander Jeff Morse led the Camp contingent. Brother Breaugh served as Master of Ceremonies, and recited the poem, "*A Man Lives As Long As He Is Remembered*" while Emily Breaugh contributed the "*The Unknown Dead*". Camp Bard, Jim Ribby, delivered a stirring rendition of '*The Last Camp*'. New Brother, Reverend James Friesner of Frankfort, officiated as Chaplain. Color bearers were Ted Mattis, A.J. Morse, and Jim Morse Jr. The Three Brothers were Dale Aurand, H.G. Smith, and Tom Jenkins. The Honor Guard comprised of Alan Wederhoff Jr., George Goodrich, Jim Ribby, Don Gray, and John Dyle (who placed the 'symbols of the soldier' on both gravesites). Brother Bill Skillman played the bugle signals from the Civil War throughout the ceremonies.

Camp 14 held their annual July picnic this year at the Almira County Historical Museum in Lake Ann. Commander Morse presided over the happy gathering of over 30 Brothers, Auxiliary, families and friends. The weather was warm and sunny; and there was an extensive array of Civil War culinary delights. Visitors had the opportunity to visit the museum, an original homestead and 1930's fire engine. Francis Finch Auxiliary added 4 new members and Jane Prebble was initiated by Emily Breaugh with help of Department President, Linda Kronberg, and Chaplain, Diana Fisher.

From the other side of the Atlantic, Camp 14's 'Our English Brother', Andrew Hopkinson, sent along a photograph of himself wearing his Stetson cowboy hat adorned with SUV CW wreath and 4 small American flags. He will be returning to the USA in time to attend the 2010 September meeting.

John Hughes, representing the Robinson's Battery (reenactment group) has requested Camp 14 to conduct a grave dedication service at Traverse City's Oakwood Cemetery on October 17th honoring Civil War veteran Sergeant Sinclair (who served with the 1st Michigan Light Artillery). Neal is checking with the local sheriff about Robinson's Battery request to substitute the infantry volley for a salute by one of its Parrott rifles.



**General Benjamin Pritchard Camp # 20**

Submitted By John R. Keith CC

The Allegan County News

**A4** July 16, 2009**Dedication honors Civil War veteran**

TROWBRIDGE TWP.—More than 90 people attended the Gen. Benjamin Pritchard Camp 20, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War plaque dedication in honor of Ralph R. Towner on Saturday, July 11, at Mallory Cemetery in Trowbridge Township.

Towner, the last surviving Civil War veteran of Allegan County, served in Company F of the 186 New York Infantry. He was 98 years old at the time of his death in April 1946. His death left Michigan with only three remaining Civil War soldiers.

During the ceremony, Camp 20 member Bill Brennan of Allegan described Towner's

history. Camp members also deposited soil from Rome, Pa., Towner's birthplace, on his grave.

The actual Civil War jacket that Towner wore through the war was used to cover the plaque during the ceremony and was removed by Towner's descendants during the ceremony. The jacket now belongs to the Allegan County Historical Society.

Pictured are (holding the jacket, from left) Towner's descendants Al Veenkant and Darlene Hollander flanked by members of the historical society as members of the 3rd Michigan Infantry Re-enactors look on. (Photo provided)

**Sgt. John S. Cosbey Camp 427***By Rick Danes, CC*

Camp 427 has been busy during the Summer, educating the public about the Order and the struggles of the soldier to save the Union from 1861 – 1865. We successfully held a fund-raising garage sale on June 18-20; and continue to survey Elmwood Cemetery in Detroit; we performed a headstone dedication on July 11 for Bvt. Colonel Albert Marshall Edwards, Company F 24<sup>th</sup> Michigan Infantry at Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit; held a camp picnic on July 12; and co-coordinated the Dearborn Homecoming History Hill encampment on August 7, 8 and 9. In September prior to this publication, we Participated in the John A. Logan School Presentation, and the Abner Austin Ceremony.



The Honor Guard awaits the command at the headstone dedication ceremony for Brevet colonel Albert Edwards at Woodmere cemetery. Shown are Camp 427 Members Jerry Radloff, David Curtis, Henry Heatly, Howard Fite, Gus Sherwin, and 24<sup>th</sup> Michigan Reenactor Paul Limley.

**Future Michigan's Messenger Publications  
Submittal Dates and Publication Dates****Spring - March 1 for a March 15 Publication****Summer – June 1 for a June 15 Publication****Fall – September 1 for a September 15 Publication****Winter – December 1 for a December 15 Publication**

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**ALL PUBLICATIONS WILL BE MADE ON TIME**

**Please do not send me photos without the names of persons in the photo and a suggested caption.  
Thanks for your support!**



### **John A. Logan School, Detroit**

*By Bruce B. Butgereit, Camp 1 Patriotic Instructor*

Respect and Remembrance. This was the theme for the program conducted at the John A. Logan School in Detroit, MI, on Friday, September 11, 2009. The story though, doesn't start there nor does it end there simply because the ceremony has concluded.

The story begins –

On a trip to Detroit earlier this year, some friends took me past the John A. Logan School in Detroit because they knew I am a member of the General John A. Logan Camp No. 1 in Grand Rapids and that I might be interested in a school named after our Camp namesake. Naturally I was more than just a little interested when I saw the words Est. 1925 above the entrance to the school. Why would a school be named after a Civil War general so long after that was had ended?

After a couple of email exchanges with the school principal, Mr. Mauro Cruz, I drove over to meet with him and to obtain a small packet on the school's history.

I learned that the school had first been established in 1867 and so named by the returning soldiers who had served with General Logan. After several additions to the school in 1893 and 1903, the school was destroyed by fire in 1921. (Parts of that original building still exist after the being salvaged and bought for \$80 by a local resident to use in the construction of homes in the neighborhood.) The students met in portable buildings while the current building was being built and the school officially opened again in November of 1926.

I also learned, as I walked thru the halls and offices, that there were no images of General Logan or anything offering some history of the General's connection to Memorial Day. However, after a brief conversation about who I am and what we do as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, I knew Camp 1 was about to adopt a school and change that.



The question that verified our relationship was asked by Principal Cruz when he asked, "Can you help me get a new flag?" The wheels of opportunity turned quickly and I, without hesitation, replied in the affirmative.

I saw an opportunity to form a relationship wherein Camp 1 could partner with the National Woman's Relief Corps in getting the school a flag (for their 50' flag pole). I also envisioned an educational opportunity where we could provide living history programs on the Civil War for the students which would include an annual patriotic essay and poster contest. My vision of course included a nicely framed image of General John A. Logan and some history of Memorial Day hanging proudly in a conspicuous place in the school.

In preparation –

Knowing the long history of the National Woman's Relief Corps' involvement with schools through educational and patriotic exercises, I excitedly shared the news of my visit to the school with my wife Marcia Butgereit, President of the National Woman's Relief Corps. It took only one phone call to the National Secretary of the WRC, Lurene Wentworth of New Hampshire, to start the process of purchasing a new flag for the school. Sister Wentworth promptly ordered a new 8' x 12' flag to be presented to the school as a gift from the Woman's Relief Corps. (It should be noted that Sister Wentworth used her own finances to purchase this flag.)

In an effort to brighten up the area surrounding the school's flag pole, Sister Jeannine Trybus (WRC) and Wenda Fore (DUVCW), both of Grand Rapids, joined Marcia and I and three of our grandchildren on Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> as we cleaned up the grounds and planted new mums. Also assisting with encouragement and a steady supply of water for the flowers was Marie Trybus, a long time resident of the neighborhood and cousin to Jeannine's husband Chet Trybus.



(Naturally, being in Detroit, we had lunch at the American Coney Island and then visited the Michigan Soldier's and Sailor's Monument in Campus Martius to show the grandchildren some history.)

September 11, 2009 –

The day began a little hazy and quickly turned into a glorious morning filled with sunshine. Around 8:30 AM, the participants in the program began to arrive. Seeing this event as an opportunity to also partner with other members of the Allied Orders, my invitation to attend and assist in this event was readily accepted by Sgt. John S. Cosby Camp No. 427, Dearborn, SUVCW; Sarah Sterling Tent No. 3, Detroit, DUVCW; Champlin Corps No. 41, Grand Rapids, WRC; National Membership-at-Large, WRC; and Eva Gray Tent No. 2, Grand Rapids, DUVCW. Shortly before 9 AM, the 500 plus students of the school began to assemble in the area surrounding the flag pole.

The Color Guard was made up of Brothers from Camp 427 and included Keith Kushnir, Ian Kushnir, Howard Fite, Jerry Olson, Ed Binkley, Aaron Schrader, Jerry Radloff, and Rick Danes.

The program's speakers included the Executive Assistant to Detroit Mayor Dave Bing, Superintendent Teresa Gueyser of Detroit Public Schools, and State Representative Rashida Tlaib. Leading us in a moment of silence for the victims of 9/11 and for those currently serving in our nation's military was Sister Wenda Fore. Sister Jeannine Trybus read the words from a 1926 flag dedication ceremony conducted by the WRC. Also joining us was Sister Bennie Latimer, retired Detroit teacher and member of Tent No. 2



Presenting the flag to Principal Cruz and representing the office of the National President of the WRC was Sister Cindy Zerkowski, National Membership-at-Large and resident of Detroit. Assisting the students in raising the flag was Camp 1 Commander Bill Truss and my son Colin Butgereit.

One of the highlights of the program for me was when Past National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and retired teacher of the Detroit Public Schools, Sister Celestine Hollings led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The sound of over 500 voices speaking in unison was a moving experience.

The program ended with a round of applause and thanks from the staff and students of the school. (It officially ended for all of the participants after we shared coffee and donuts in the Principal's office.)

In conclusion –

This event served many purposes on many levels.

By reaching out to this school, we met the challenge of perpetuating the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and those who wore the Blue in the Civil War. As Allied Orders of the Civil War; the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Woman's Relief Corps, all worked together in the principals Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.



We answered the call of educating our youth in the proper respect for the flag of the United States. The call for patriotism was met in remembering the sacrifices that allowed us to raise the flag that morning. By “adopting” the John A. Logan School, we have committed ourselves to more than just a one-time event.

The future –

Plans are underway to create a John A. Logan School Color Guard. Working with local business Mindfield USA, who is designing a suitable image for use on t-shirts and sweatshirts, we will offer special opportunities for students to “earn” the privilege to serve in the Color Guard. As an introduction to learning more about the flag, each student received a copy of the SUVCW Flag Facts Flyer.

We will also return in May of 2010 to conduct educational programs on the Civil War and Memorial Day and its connection to General Logan.



**Sister Cindy presenting the flag;  
A gift from the National Woman’s Relief Corps**



**Raising the new flag**



**Lowering the flag in honor of 9/11**



**Sister Celestine leading the Pledge of Allegiance**

School by Marcia Butgereit; Garden Crew photo by Marie Trybus;  
and Event photos by Cally Butgereit



