☆ Civil War Remembrance 2013 ~ UPDATE & NEWS ☆

PLEASE DISTRIBUTE TO ALL PARTICIPANTS

The Henry Ford continues to acknowledge the Civil War Sesquicentennial years through new programs and exhibits as well as bolstered *Civil War Remembrance* offerings. Please read through this update and take full advantage of the opportunities while they are here in our region. Thank you for engaging e guests and bringing inspirational moments to them as we bring history forward.

- ★ CIVIL WAR RESOURCE CENTER (Village Pavilion): Sat (12:00pm 7:00pm) Sun & Mon (11:00am 5:00pm) We will once again be offering special exhibits, researching expertise, presentations, access to view original collections and interaction with historians and material culture experts from around the country. We STRONGLY encourage all participants to visit the Village Pavilion as this is a very unique and rare opportunity to view the originals, interact with these top-notch and nationally recognized historians/experts and listen to the presentations. Additionally, we will have Jack C. Mason, Michigan author, present and book sign "Until Antietam: The Life and Letters of Major General Israel B. Richardson, U.S. Army." Dr. Scott Stabler from Grand Valley State will speak on General O.O. Howard. Matt Switlik will share his Loomis' Battery exhibit, including Gun #23, the original 10-pounder Parrot rifled cannon that belonged to the First Michigan Light Artillery, Battery A ("Loomis' Battery") and captured by Confederates on September 19, 1863 during the Battle of Chickamauga. We are very pleased and proud to bring in these magnificent collections and historians for our participants and quests:
 - Jack Barnhart: (Ohio) ~ CW Army artifacts and history, "Army & Navy Expedition"
 - Kraig Lawson: (Ohio) ~ CW Navy artifacts and history, "Army & Navy Expedition"
 - Jack C. Mason, Michigan Author, "Until Antietam: The Life and Letters of Major General Israel B. Richardson, U.S. Army"
 - Dennis Wynn: (Michigan) Civil War flag staff eagles
 - K Krewer: (Illinois/Michigan) ~ civilian clothing, women/men, accessories, material culture
 - Brian Koenig: (Maryland) ~ civilian clothing, men, accessories, material culture
 - Dale Niesen: (Michigan) ~ photographic historian, researcher, Michigan ID soldiers, etc.
 - Carolann Schmitt: (Pennsylvania) ~ civilian clothing, accessories, material culture
 - Beth Turza: (Michigan) ~ fashion show, material culture historian (Town Hall)
 - Scott L. Stabler, PhD: Michigan scholar "Onward Christian General: O. O. Howard's lifelong attempt to rectify his legacy at Chancellorsville and Gettysburg"
 - Matthew C. Switlik: (Michigan) ~ Civil War and antique ordinance historian
 - Jackie Wakeling: (Michigan) ~ civilian clothing, accessories, women/men material culture
 - Pam Yockey: (Michigan) ~ civilian clothing, accessories, women/men, material culture

Saturday, May 25 (12:00pm - 7:00pm)

1:00 pm: Dennis Wynn: "The Eagle Standard, from Rome 200 BC to Appomattox 1865 AD"

2:00 pm: K. Krewer: "Serving the Country in Harvest Field: Women in 19th Century Agriculture"

3:00 pm: Jack C. Mason, Michigan Author, "Until Antietam: The Life and Letters of Major General Israel B. Richardson, U.S. Army"

4:00 pm: Carolann Schmitt: "A Variety of Patterns & Colors: Clothing Textiles in Mid-19th Century America"

5:00 pm: Brian Koenig: "Overshirts & Long-Top Boots, Laborer's Clothing in the Mid-19th Century"

Sunday, May 26: (11:00am – 5:00pm)

2:00 pm: Carolann Schmitt: "A Variety of Patterns & Colors: Clothing Textiles in Mid-19th Century America"

3:00 pm: Brian Koenig: "Overshirts & Long-Top Boots, Laborer's Clothing in the Mid-19th Century"

4:00 pm: Matthew C. Switlik: "Loomis' Battery, 1st Michigan Light Artillery"

Monday, May 27: (11:00am – 5:00pm)

1:00 pm: Scott L. Stabler, PhD: Michigan scholar "Onward Christian General: O. O. Howard's lifelong attempt to rectify his legacy at Chancellorsville and Gettysburg"

2:00 pm: K. Krewer: "Serving the Country in Harvest Field: Women in 19th Century Agriculture" 3:00 pm: Dennis Wynn: "The Eagle Standard, from Rome 200 BC to Appomattox 1865 AD"

Civil War Artifacts from the collections of The Henry Ford (Village Pavilion)

Each year, The Henry Ford will display a few select Civil War items form the collection. We will once again display the original poem, entitled "The Last Camp", that was written by J. Wesley Benedict of Port Huron, Michigan in 1872 that was recited at a grand Memorial Day observation in 1894.

This year we will also have a Michigan Civil War Soldiers theme. Artifacts and stories from the collections of The Henry Ford include photographs of Henry Ford's uncles, John and Barney Litogot, of the 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry; the sword of Captain Joshua Slayton of the 13th Michigan Infantry; and an 1889 oil painting of the Michigan Cavalry Brigade Monument at Gettysburg.

Robert Hendershot, Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock (Village Pavilion)

See the ornate jacket Robert Hendershot wore when he played his military drum at veteran events in the 1880s and 1890s. This Civil War veteran used his savvy promotional skills to garner fame as the legendary, brave "Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock." This item on loan to THF for this weekend.

★ FASHION SHOW AND CIVIL WAR ERA SHEET MUSIC DISPLAY.

Once again, material culture historian Beth Turza will conduct period fashion shows at the Town Hall stage Saturday 12 noon & 4pm and Sunday at 12:30pm. Inside Town Hall will be extensive display of CW era sheet music. Town Hall will be open during the same hours as the Village Pavilion – see program.

★ ICE FOR SALE & COFFEE

Participants have asked that ice be made available to purchase during CWR. Although we have attempted to do so in the past without much success, we will try this once again. The Henry Ford will have 7 lbs bags of ice available for purchase at the Check-In location during Check-In times. Ice will be sold at our cost of \$2 each and only available at Check-In during Check-In times. See 'Participant Information Check-In hours'. The Owl Night Lunch stand, on the corner of Main Street and Bagley Avenue in front of the Ford Motor Company building, will be open for business (coffee, etc) for participants starting at 8am each morning. The TOH restaurant will not be open until 9:30am.

★ SUTLER ROW

Once again, we will have high-quality and superior sutlers available for participants and guests. We strongly encourage you to take this opportunity to improve your impressions and living history presentations through these high-quality vendors. We realize that some of the prices may indeed be higher than "normal" but the accuracy and quality of these goods and wares are unparalleled and/or benchmark standards. FYI ~ The Henry Ford benefits solely and ONLY through the improved impressions and presentations to our guests! Here is the list of the vendors and their websites so you can familiarize yourself with their goods and wares:

- THE DRESSMAKER'S SHOP ~ Kimberly Lynch ~ www.thedressmakersshop.com/
- PAST REFLECTIONS REPRODUCTIONS ~ Jackie Wakeling & Beth Tart ~ www.pastreflectionsreproductions.com/
- EZRA BARNHOUSE GOODS ~ Beth Crabb ~ http://www.ezrabarnhousegoods.com/
- HOWARD "BILL" MCINTOSH ~ Mac's Sutlery, sole proprietorship state of Maryland
- JAMES RIVER MERCANTILE ~ Betty Loba and Gayle Simmons
- Civil War Wood Reproductions ~ Gary and Donna Winzeler ~ www.civilwarwoodreproductions.com/index.php

★ PARKING AND CAMPING

As explained at the Planning Meeting, the area behind the Carousel is no longer available for camping. We have made arrangements for those units/participants affected by this change, but will not know entirely how this will sort out until everyone is on-site. Please have patience and work together as the civilian camping situation is reorganized this year. Parking is ALWAYS a challenge for this weekend. Please park in the appropriate areas and be mindful of the space you are taking to allow the maximum number of participants to park. Overflow parking will be in the Employee Parking lot and the guest parking area to the west of the Museum. Parking Permits must be placed in dashboards of all vehicles.

★ Participant Information

http://www.thehenryford.org/events/participants.aspx

The Participant Information web-link above will have participant information, schedules, maps, etc. for the *Civil War Remembrance* weekend. Information will be added as the event nears.