Hallowed Ground

History Center and Allegheny Cemetery to honor United States Colored Troops from Civil War

Nov. 14, 2010
1:30 p.m.

Allegheny Cemetery
4734 Butler St., Lawrenceville, Pittsburgh, PA
“These United States Colored Troops buried in Allegheny Cemetery are remembered and honored not only for their bravery in war, but for their act of liberation on behalf of four million enslaved Africans in America.” — Samuel W. Black, curator of the African American Collection at the Heinz History Center

Today we honor 132 individuals interred here at Allegheny Cemetery. These individuals have been verified as United States Colored Troops (USCT) from the Civil War. Their names are based on a list published in *Fields of Freedom* by Ron Gancas and supplemented with sources from the archives at Allegheny Cemetery, The Senator John Heinz History Center, and Soldiers and Sailors Museum. Oversight of any individual is unintentional. If you have information on an individual interred here whom you believe to be a USTC from the Civil War, please contact Natalie DeRiso, Community Programs Manager at the History Center at nnderiso@heinzhistorycenter.org.

Hallowed Ground is presented by the History Center in partnership with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the statewide Quest for Freedom initiative.

**Special thanks to the following individuals and organizations:**

*United States Army Honor Guard* who volunteered their holiday Sunday to pay tribute to those who came before them.

*Soldiers and Sailors Museum Drum and Bugle Core performers:* Larry Anderson, Marshall Anderson, Javon Jones and Robert Kirksey.

*Wreaths for Veterans,* a national non-profit organization that provides wreaths for graves and memorials of United States Veterans.

*Ron Gancas* whose biographical research and book, *Field of Freedom: United States Colored Troops from Southwestern Pennsylvania,* was used as part of the research for this project.

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**Schedule**

**Sunday, November 14, 2010**

1:30 p.m.

Army of the United States of America Honor Guard presentation of the American Flag.

Andy Masich  
President and CEO  
The Senator John Heinz History Center

David Michener  
President  
Allegheny Cemetery

Samuel W. Black  
Curator of the African American Collections  
The Senator John Heinz History Center

John Brewer  
African American Advisory Council Member  
The Senator John Heinz History Center

Soldiers and Sailors Museum, Drum and Bugle Core  
Directed by John Ford, Historian

Wreath Laying Ceremony  
Mike Flournoy, Veterans Association

Marlene Bransom  
African American Genealogical Society

*Andy Masich—Invitation to pay respects to individual USCT gravesites*