



Lansing/Sunfield Curtenius Guard Camp #17 Department of Michigan Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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Civil War History Seminar Showcases “Post Civil War Veterans’ Organizations and Michigan’s GAR Memorial Hall and Museum”

The Lansing /Sunfield, Curtenius Guard, Camp #17, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) continues with its series of “Free” Civil War History Seminars. The series has been officially recognized by the National Organization of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The program will be held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 7:15 PM at the Sunfield United Brethren Church located at 8476 West Grand Ledge Hwy (M-43) in Sunfield Michigan. The church is located approximately ½ mile west of the four corners of Sunfield Hwy. and (M-43). The topic of the presentation will be “**Post Civil War Veterans’ Organizations and Michigan’s GAR Memorial Hall and Museum**”.



Upon return from the Civil War, many veterans became members of various organizations whose purpose, among other things, was to help to maintain the camaraderie and the battlefield friendships formed during the war years. Among the many different Veterans’ organizations that were created following the Civil War, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States (MOLLUS) and the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) ultimately would become the most



prominent of them all. In particular, the GAR’s 90-year existence greatly influenced both social and political opinions at the local, state and national levels. Although gone from existence by 1956, its influence continues into today.

The speaker will be Mr. Keith G. Harrison. He is a member of the Michigan Commandery of the MOLLUS and the Curtenius Guard, Camp #17 of the SUVCW. He also has served as the National Commander-in-Chief of the both SUVCW and the MOLLUS. A native of Michigan, he holds a Bachelor and Master degree in Wildlife Biology/Ecology and served 25-years as an environmental executive in state government. He belongs to numerous historical and genealogical organizations and currently is the Board President of Michigan’s GAR Memorial Hall and Museum in Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Come join us as Keith Harrison discusses the organizations that our Civil War veterans created following the war and how Michigan commemorates the influence made by them on our local communities, our state, and our country.

Admission is Free for the program. Directions and Maps to the seminar are available by visiting the Lansing/Sunfield, Curtenius Guard, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War website at <http://suvchw.org/017/017home.htm> and clicking on the (Announcement link).

Maps to Brethren Church, 8436 West Grand Ledge Highway, Sunfield, Michigan

