

# The Mercer Museum's "Adopt-a-Civil-War Artifact" Campaign

With the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Civil War upon us, and planning for a major exhibit underway, the Mercer Museum is addressing the conservation needs of its Civil War collections. In fact, we are launching a campaign to raise funds for the necessary treatment of dozens of Civil War artifacts – a project in which we are inviting our members and the community at large to participate.

Through the "Adopt-a-Civil-War-Artifact" program, *you* can have a major impact on the preservation of a critical part of our local and regional history. Museum staff has identified more than 75 artifacts in need of conservation treatment. These artifacts have been carefully examined by specialists with expertise in textile, paper and general object conservation to determine the appropriate treatment for each. Treatments will be designed both to ensure the objects' long-term preservation, and to prepare the artifacts for exhibition.

Below is a list of objects to be "adopted," along with the approximate cost of their treatment. A gift in the amount indicated will entitle the donor to a "certificate of adoption," plus recognition in museum catalog records and in label copy for the planned Civil War exhibition in 2013. The credit line to be incorporated in an object's catalog and in the exhibit label will be "Conservation of this artifact made possible through a generous gift by [your name here]." Gifts can be made in the name of the donor, on the part of a group or organization, or in memory of a loved one – or even a Civil War ancestor.

To get the adoption process started, simply clip out the response coupon at right and fill in the requested information. Send the coupon and a check in the amount of the funds required for conservation to the Historical Society's Development Dept. Please direct your gifts to the attention of "Adopt-a-Civil-War-Artifact Campaign." For more information contact the Museum's V.P. for Collections and Interpretation, Cory Amsler, at 215-345-0210 ext. 127, or at [camsler@mercermuseum.org](mailto:camsler@mercermuseum.org).

*Yes, I want to adopt an artifact!*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

The artifact I wish to adopt is (number and description): \_\_\_\_\_

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Gift in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Return this coupon with your check to: BCHS Development Dept., 84 S. Pine Street, Doylestown, PA 18901 Attn: Adopt-a-Civil War-Artifact Campaign*

## Below are the Civil War artifacts and artworks that are available for adoption:

### Objects Under \$500

- 1) Springfield Rifled Musket of Sgt. Joseph Fenton of Morrisville, 118<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (08487): ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ \$100  
*Musket #8487 adopted 2/7/2011 by Henry Konat. Thank you!*
- 2) "John Brown" Pike, from 1859 Raid on Harper's Ferry, Va. (11370): ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ \$100  
*Pike #11370 adopted 2/11/2011 by the Ciufu Family. Thank you!*
- 3) Torch, carried by George Worstall of Newtown in 1860 "Wide Awake" Parade (25073): \$100
- 4) Snuffbox of Henry Skelton, 138<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (95.03.031): \$100
- 5) Commemorative Reunion Cup of Crispin Roberts, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (2005.05.006): \$100

- 6) Canteen of Dr. Robert S. Dana, Surgeon, 107<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (02434): \$150
- 7) ~~Sword and Scabbard of Dr. Robert S. Dana, Surgeon, 107<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (02464): \$150~~  
 Sword #02464 adopted 2/14/2011 by Mary Jane Clemens. Thank you!
- 8) ~~Knife, Fork and Spoon of Dr. Robert S. Dana, Surgeon, 107<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (02448, 02452): \$150~~  
 Knife, etc. #02448 and 2452 adopted 2/14/2011 by Mary Jane Clemens. Thank you!
- 9) ~~Smith & Wesson Revolver of John Fackenthal, 19<sup>th</sup> Pa. Cav. (66.022): \$150~~  
 Revolver # 66.022 adopted 12/15/2011 by Robert Myers as a gift to John & Valerie Bojarski
- 10) ~~Cane made by Charles Toy, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., from tree limb on Fair Oaks battlefield (11634): \$150~~  
 Cane # 11634 adopted 2/10/2011 by Henry and Jacqueline Conroy. Thank you!
- 11) ~~Cane made by Asher Anders, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., from limb on Fair Oaks battlefield (01793): \$150~~  
 Cane # 01793 adopted 8/30/2011 by Henry and Jacqueline Conroy. Thank you!
- 12) Cartridge Box, James W. Dedrow manufacturer (97.00.120): \$150
- 13) ~~Sword and Scabbard of Major Joseph Archambault of Newtown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pa. Cav. (25889): \$150~~  
 Sword and Scabbard #25889 adopted 2/14/2011 by Florence Wharton, with an additional contribution from Daniel Archambault, 4/19/2011. Thank you!
- 14) ~~Sword and Scabbard of Colonel John Ely, 23<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Inf. (21914): \$150~~  
 Sword and Scabbard #21914 adopted 8/16/2011 by Barb and Joe Salvadore in Memory of Robert Hevner. Thank you!
- 15) Kid Gloves of Col. John Ely, 23<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Inf. (20917): \$150
- 16) Colt Police Revolver of Major James H. Hart of Southampton, 1<sup>st</sup> N.J. Cav. (24905): \$150
- 17) ~~Springfield Rifled Musket of Pvt. Fred Harper of Landisville, Bucks Co. (11561): \$150~~  
 Musket #11561 adopted 2/9/2011 by Marge and Gene Hamilton. Thank you!
- 18) Epaulets of Lieut. Horace Mitchell, 3<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Heavy Artillery (27038): \$200
- 19) Commemorative Badge of Sgt. Joseph Fenton, 118<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (08486): \$200
- 20) Spurs of John Moore, 15<sup>th</sup> Pa. Cav. (24422): \$200
- 21) ~~Pewter Desk Box for Civil War revenue stamps, J. Hart Bank, Doylestown (95.03.012): \$200~~  
 Desk Box #95.03.02 adopted 2/14/2011 by Mary Jane Clemens. Thank you!
- 22) Canteen of Lieut. Charles Cuffel of Doylestown, Battery D, Pa. Artillery (01903): \$200
- 23) Canteen of Pvt. John Cuffel of Doylestown, Durell's Pa. Independent Battery (01902): \$200
- 24) ~~Rifled Musket of Pvt. Henry Lear, 31<sup>st</sup> Pa. Emerg. Trps., P.S. Justice & Co (2000.03.001) \$200~~  
 Musket #2000.03.001 adopted 2/9/2011 by John W. Lear. Thank you!
- 25) Infantry Cartridge Box (02806): \$200
- 26) Infantry Cartridge Box (01303): \$250
- 27) Saber and Scabbard of John Moore, 15<sup>th</sup> Pa. Cav., Mansfield, Lamb & Co. (24119): \$250
- 28) Sword and Scabbard of Colonel John Ely, 23<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Inf., Waldsheid (20913) \$250
- 29) ~~Sword and Scabbard of Capt. Mahlon Yardley, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., Horstmann & Sons (25718) \$250~~  
 Sword & Scabbard #25718 adopted 5/4/2011 by the McClellan Rangers Re-enactment Assoc.
- 30) Iron Fry Pan of Cpl. George Schmultz, 188<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., with commemorative tag (24895): \$250
- 31) Allen & Wheelock Revolver of William S. Sulger, Musician, 3<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Reserves (17352): \$250
- 32) ~~Arm Splint and Sling of Col. W.W. H. Davis, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., 1863 (01764): \$250~~  
 Arm Splint and Sling #01764 adopted 2/14/2011 by Mary Jane Clemens. Thank you!
- 33) ~~Mexican War Sword of Col. W.W.H. Davis, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., Horstmann & Sons (01520): \$250~~  
 Sword #01520 adopted 2/14/2011 by Mary Jane Clemens. Thank you!
- 34) ~~Confederate Enfield Rifled Musket, captured by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Inf. (20915): \$250~~  
 Musket #20915 adopted 12/15/2010 by Michael Moss. Thank you!
- 35) Saber and Scabbard of Major James Hart, 1<sup>st</sup> N.J. Cav., Ames Mfg. Co. (no. 24903): \$250
- 36) ~~Gauntlets of Col. Robert Bodine, 26<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (26492): \$250~~  
 Adoption pending for Gauntlets # 26492
- 37) ~~Sword of Lt. Colonel Thompson D. Hart, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (or 01886): \$250~~  
 Sword #01886/01887 adopted 5/4/2011 by the McClellan Rangers Re-enactment Assoc.
- 38) Sword and Scabbard of Lieutenant Horace Mitchell, 3<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Heavy Artillery (27036): \$300

- 39) Sword/Scabbard/Belt of Capt. John Afflerbach, 174<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., Horstmann & Sons (25723): \$300  
 40) ~~Money Belt of Isaac K. Mann, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (93.02.001): \$300~~  
 Adoption pending for Money Belt # 93.02.001

Objects from \$500-\$1,000

- 41) Presentation Sword and Scabbard of Colonel Thomas E. Rose, 77<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (19492): \$500  
 42) Presentation Sword, Scabbard and Case of Col. Robert Bodine, 26<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (26491): \$500  
 43) Leather belt and holster of John Moore, 15<sup>th</sup> Pa. Cav. (24423): \$500  
 44) Service Record of Co. G, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (2005.00.002): \$500  
 45) Service Record of Sgt. Hiram Pursell, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. (2005.00.001): \$500  
 46) Service Record of Co. C, 8<sup>th</sup> Pa. Cav. (BCHS-13): \$500  
 47) Original Design Drawing for 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Monument, Struthers and Sons, 1866-7 (BCHS-16) \$650  
 48) Canteen of Cpl. George W. Schmultz, 188<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (24894): \$750  
 49) Recruiting Broadside, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (574): \$750  
 50) Recruiting Broadside, Archambault's Troop, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pa. Cav. (991): \$750  
 Broadside #991 adopted in part by Daniel Archambault, 4/19/2011  
 51) Service Record of Sgt. Joseph Fenton, 118<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-7): \$750  
 52) ~~Lithograph, Currier & Ives, "The Battle of Fair Oaks," W. Livezey, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (18975): \$750~~  
 Adoption pending for lithograph #18975  
 53) Service Record of Capt. C.K. Frankenfield, 128<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-15A): \$750  
 54) Service Record of Capt. F. Yeager, 128<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-15B): \$750  
 55) ~~Map of 1864 Union Camp, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf., St. Helena Island, S.C. (no number): \$750~~  
 104<sup>th</sup> Camp Map adopted 4/19/2011 by Charles Dunleavy. Thank you!  
 56) Forage Cap of Cpl. George J. Schmultz, 188<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (98.00.199): \$750  
 57) Grand Army of the Republic Cap of Isaac Mann, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (93.02.002): \$750  
 58) Kepi from Camp 140, Sons of Union Veterans (98.00.201): \$750  
 59) Grand Army of the Republic Cap of Crispin Roberts, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (2005.05.001): \$750  
 60) Anti-slavery Proclamation on silk, Philadelphia, 1833 (no number): \$750  
 61) Blanket of Pvt. George Harper of Fallsington, 71<sup>st</sup> Pa. Inf. (91.07.049): \$750  
 62) List of Deserters Broadside (87-M): \$850

Objects \$1,000 and Over

- 63) McClellan Saddle of Col. Robert Bodine, 26<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (08479): \$1000  
 64) Camp Lacey Regulations Broadside, Doylestown, 1861 (2185-M): \$1000  
 65) Original Drawing, "Headquarters of Col. W.W.H. Davis, St. Helena, S.C." (SC-28-582): \$1000  
 66) Lithograph Print of Camp Lacey, Doylestown, 1861 (SC-28): \$1000  
 67) Service Record of Col. Robert Bodine, 26<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-8): \$1000  
 68) Service Record of Whittingham Livezey, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-9A): \$1000  
 69) Service Record of Co. E, 196<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. (BCHS-14): \$1000  
 70) Original Design Drawings for 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Monument, Doylestown (87-07244-003-004): \$1000  
 71) Original Design Drawings for 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Monument, Doylestown (87-07244-001, 002, 005): \$1000  
 72) Frock Coat of Col. John Ely, 23<sup>rd</sup> Pa. Inf. (20917): \$1000  
 73) Shell Jacket of Pvt. George Harper of Fallsington, 71<sup>st</sup> Pa. Inf. (91.07.006): \$1000  
 74) Cornhusk Doll, souvenir of Philadelphia Sanitary Fair, 1864 (02322): \$1000  
 75) ~~Frock Coat of Capt. Mahlon Yardley, 104<sup>th</sup> Pa. Inf. and Provost Marshall (99.00.069): \$1500~~  
 Coat #99.00.069 – adopted by the Questers of Fonthill 2/25/2011  
 76) Sketch of Union Cavalryman by William Trego (93.00.044): \$2000  
 77) Painting: *Camp of the 104<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Regiment at Meridian Hill*, by Thomas Otter, c. 1885 (#08322), includes treatment of frame \$2500

- 78) Painting: *Davis' Brigade at Meridian Hill*, by Thomas Otter, c. 1885 (#04108), includes treatment of frame \$2500
- 79) Painting: *Casey's Division at Meridian Hill*, by Thomas Otter, c. 1885 (#08330), includes treatment of frame \$2500
- 80) Painting: *The Rescue of the Colors*, by William Trego, 1899 (#01830), includes treatment of frame \$10,000