

# The Association for the Preservation of Historic Congressional Cemetery

# The Heritage Gazette Summer 2004

#### 9/11 Memorial Grove Breaks Ground

Greatest Grounds Enhancement in 150 Years

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Rosemary Dillard, Barry Goodinson of who lost her husband at the Pentagon on September 11th, spoke to the audience of the healing power of the Groves. Quoting Dr. Martin Luther King, she said, "When evil men plot, good men plan. When Continued on Page 6."

# **Congressional to Host Healing Totem Poles**

Lummi Tribe Carvings Part of DC 9/11 Memorial

Reflecting the national outreach women who perished on 9/11. The

Reflecting the national outreach of healing and remembrance that are at the core of the city's 9/11 Memorial Groves project, Washington State's Lummi Indian Tribe is contributing a massive healing totem pole destined for the Kingman Island Grove.

Congressional Cemetery has the honor of hosting the Lummi Tribe's Healing Totem Poles later this year while the Kingman Island site is prepared. The structure includes two 13' bears that are six feet in diameter and a 34' arch across the top that will end in outward facing eagles. Truly an impressive piece of sculpture.

Jewell Praying Wolf James, the master carver, visited Congressional in February to discuss siting and logistics with board members and the *Greenspaces for DC* group that is managing the Grove project.

Jewell explained that the bear is an ancient symbol of strength and endurance and represents the women who perished on 9/11. The eagle is a symbol of courage and vision and represents the men who perished on 9/11. The eagle is a symbol of courage and vision and represents the men who perished on 9/11. The eagle is a symbol of courage and vision and represents the men who perished that day. The Sun and monor of hosting the rand grandmother, suggesting the intergenerational aspects of our mation and our families. The colors of the elements on the poles are red, white, black, and yellow, reflecting the races that compose the United States.

Jewell scarving the poles this summer and shipping them across the country in time for a presentation at the Pentagon on September 11, 2004 and a temporary exhibition at the opening of the new Smithsonian Native American Museum on the Mall in late September 12, 2004 and a temporary exhibition at the opening of the new Smithsonian Native American Museum on the Mall in late September 13, 2004 and a temporary exhibition at the opening of the new Smithsonian Native American Museum on the Mall in late September 14, 2004 and a temporary exhibition at the opening of the new Smithsonian Native American Museum on the Mall in l



25th Annual Meeting of the Association on April 17, 2004

#### **Letter from the Board**

25 Years & Counting

The 25th Annual Meeting of the Association took place April 17th under a a beautiful display of pink petals outside our one hundred year old chapel. Our Kwanzan Cherry trees seem to hold their blossoms every year just long enough to bless our annual meeting with a blizzard of pink— a sight that delights every year.

Twenty-five years is a big milestone for our little Association.

We've seen some great advances.

We've seen some great advances and some great setbacks. We've been blessed with extraordinary volunteers and a wide community of supporters. We've seen summers of long grass and seasons of trim lawns. So where do we stand after 25 years of preservation and

restoration efforts?

Well I think we've turned the corner. We've stepped up from being a struggling grass roots or-ganization that often couldn't afford to mow the lawn to being a professional, financially sound operation that is making dramatic improvements organizationally and physically. This is no mean feat.

Despite the valiant efforts of many board members and volunteers in the '80s and '90s, the times and the fortunes of this city were not aligned for success. Donations and interest were meager at best. Today, however, the times are right, the city is in renewal, and the cemetery is well on its way to a successful inauguration of its third century in 2007.

The strategic planning documents are in place or under way, the endowment fund is safe, secure, and growing, the board is bringing world-class professionals to our doorstep, and we still have a cadre of volunteers that invites the envy and kudos of sister or-

ganizations.

We are on the cusp of making Congressional Cemetery the national treasure it deserves to be. With the help of our friends and members, the Association is creating a multifaceted facility that honors those interred here, cele-brates its heritage, welcomes the neighborhood community, and cares for its natural environment. It is an honor to be on board at this moment in history.

~ Patrick Crowley

#### **Restoration Plans for 2004**

Varied Funding Expands Options

Reflecting the Association's sound and strengthening financial foundation, the Association is entering the summer construction season with three major projects in the works: hazardous tree removals, gravestone repair work, and a massive tree plant-

The Association is pleased to announce the completion of a major landscaping project. Using \$30,000 of the '04 Congressional appropriation, the Board contracted for the removal of 30 dead or dying hazardous trees. Care of Trees, a major landscape and tree care company, removed the trees in March and April.

The Board plans to begin a modest gravestone repair program this summer using the funds provided by the Kiplinger Foundation's three-year \$15,000/year grants. The Building & Grounds Committee elected to focus the repair work in the southwest quadrant of the cemetery in the general area of the planned Ward Six 9/11 Memorial Groves allee. Numerous fallen or leaning gravestones will be righted and made safer.

The installation of the Ward Six 9/11 Memorial Grove will see the planting of over 140 trees. Funding for this \$150,000 project is underway

this summer.

The Board will also undertake a number of smaller projects including the repair of the office archival safe, an upgrading of the gatehouse office, and repairs to the brick wall. Completion of last year's vault restoration work is expected to be done by mid-May. In February, volunteer Darrell Isaacs of Standard Restoration went up on the gatehouse roof to make minor roof repairs.  $\Omega$ 

# **PLCAA to Return in July**

Lawn Care Pros Will Treat Yard

The Professional Lawn Care Association of America will return to Congressional Cemetery this summer for the fourth annual Renewal & Remebrance project. The PLCAA's project pays homage to the veterans and founding fathers at Arlington Cemetery and Congressional Cemetery by bringing professional caretakers in for a day of tree care, landscape gardening, and lawn care treatment. The much appreciated assistance saves the us thousands of dollars each year.  $\Omega$ 

#### **Scott Kibler Joins Board**

The Association welcomes Scott Kibler to the board. Mr. Kibler is an architect with the firm EWG Architects. A resident of Capitol Hill, Mr. Kibler has acted as a project manager for several residential design projects and looks forward to using those skills as the Association begins to implement the restoration plans embodied in last year's Historic Resources Report.  $\Omega$ 

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## Twenty-Two Year Old Cherry Trees Failing

DAR Sponsored 1982 Planting in Honor of Geo Washington

of flowering cherry trees is without of petal clusters also tend to last doubt one of the highlights of living longer than those of other cherry in the Nation's Capitol. The Yo- trees. When the flowering season shino and Akebono cherry trees do- comes to an end, the Cemetery apnated by Japan as a symbol of peace pears to blanketed in a carpet of and friendship burst into view in late pink blossom snow. March/early April, grabbing the national spotlight with parades, along Ingle Street from 17th almost speeches, and international declara- to 19th Street was the gift of the tions of fraternity.

thousands of tourists every year to Revolution. The 1982 planting of 50 the Tidal Basin in an annual rite of cherry trees was in honor of George spring: noisy coughing buses, over-crowded sidewalks, far away parking and a long walk. While it's all life span of only 15 to 25 and a long walk. ing and a long walk. While it's al- life span of only 15 to 25 years.

gear up for the trek.

The annual springtime exaltation Japanese cherries. The large bundles

Our allee of cherry trees running California and District chapters of The beautiful blossoming brings the Daughters of the American

ways worth seeing, you do have to Ours are nearing the end of that span and showing signs of insect infesta-For those in the know, however, tion, disease, and dying limbs. Many

For those in the know, however, tion, disease, and dying limbs. Many there's a secluded spot in the city with a smaller yet equally awesome display of springtime rebirth: Congressional Cemetery. About two weeks or so after Tidal Basin show, the Kwanzan cherry trees come out to play in a show that only our regular members get to enjoy.

Named after a mountain in Japan, the Kwanzan was introduced into America in 1903. It has double pink Landscape Plan due for completion flowers and is the showiest of the intersection of the kwanzan trees will be planted at the intersection of lingle Street and Tucker Carriage-way, close by the John Phillip Sousa Memorial, as part of the Ward Six 9/11 Memorial Tree Grove. Replacement of the Kwanzan trees will be a part of the coming Master Landscape Plan due for completion in February 2005. Ω

#### **Iconography:** The Ribbon & Star of The "GAR"

The letters "GAR" stand for a powerful political force. Five Grand Army of the Republic and United States presidents were GAR

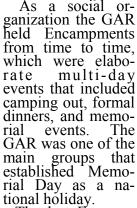
throughout Congressional Ceme-But you tery. won't find them any newer stones: the Grand Army of the Republic was an organization limited to veterans honorably discharged from the Union Army after the Civil War.

As with other returning wars, veterans faced problems many that could not be addressed alone. One of the chief goals of the GAR

was to look out for the welfare of at 109 in Indiana in 1956.  $\Omega$ retired soldiers in regard to retirement homes and soldiers pensions. ment homes and soldiers pensions. With a membership of over 400,000 in 1890, the GAR became discussing the history and symbolic meaning of the forms and decoration of grave markers and other memorials.

can be found on many tombstones members as were almost all candi-

dates running for the office for several election cycles.



The last Encampment was held in 1949 and the last GAR member died

This is the fourth in a series of articles

#### **Cemetery Manager's Notes** A Year in the Life of a Cemetery

It's been one year since I accepted the cemetery manager's position of this cemetery, so a bit of reflection is in order. The Association just published our annual report and to read through the list of accomplishments is impressive. We've managed to achieve many of our goals this last year through the hard work of many people, and I want to thank all of those who

helped make it possible.

First and foremost, I have to thank those who've volunteered their time and talents. Some of the volunteers you've read about in this newsletter, but many others have labored with and without our recognition picking up trash, tending a grave, or sending in family information. These volunteers continue to help this organization

achieve more every year.

Secondly I must thank our board of directors who continue to lead the organization by example, volunteering countless hours researching individuals, organizing projects, and reaching out to others. Their leadership in all aspects of our accomplishments has been instrumental. The organization and this cemetery are being carried forward by this dedicated group.

Finally I have to thank the many readers of this newsletter, who stay in touch with what is happening to this historical site in our nation's capitol. Your continued support, through large and small donations, has been the difference. Without you we couldn't have accomplished much this last year, and I wouldn't have been here in the first place. Congress has given us some support, and certainly a good endowment, but it's because they've seen an interest from private individuals that they've continued to stay involved.

When I first arrived here, one look around convinced me of the magnitude of work to be done. I came into this job, without a lot of preconceived notions of how it could be done. One notion I did have is that a cemetery is a quiet place. I couldn't have been more wrong. Congressional may well be a resting place for sixty thousand Washingtonians, but it is active in so many other ways.

~ Bill Fecke

# Congressional Cemetery's American Heritage

# **Commodore Thomas Tingey**

for two years, a distant rumble at succeed in a contest with you; but I best. But the end of the Napoleonic will die at my quarters before a man wars that spring freed the British shall be taken from this ship." His army to focus on America. The year crew gave three cheers and the Surbefore, U.S. forces had burned government buildings in York (now Later that same year, Tingey redidings in York (now Later that same year, Tingey red for a dramatic calamity to befall the tain this violence that the Ganges—

capital of the new nation.

the British marched on Washington, tion to bear heavy weather ... Besetting fire to the American's capi- lieve me Sir, that she has out sailed Ann Evelina Craven (b. 1789). She tal. From the heights of George- every Ship and vessel of the United town, witnesses could see the tow- States. ering red flames consuming the Capitol Building and Presidents House in Washington. Adding to the flames that could be seen 50 miles away was a fire set to destroy the Washington Navy Yard. How-ever, the Navy Yard fire, which consumed about a million dollars of Navy property, was not set by the British army but by the Navy Yard's own commandant: Commo-

dore Thomas Tingey.

Thomas Tingey was born in London, England, on September 11, 1750, the son of a clergyman of the Church of England. In his youth he served as an officer in the British Navy until 1771 when he left to take command of merchant vessels

strate that he did. After the Revolu- mandant, a position he would hold possession of it, having fully pertionary War, he commanded ships for 29 years. in the American merchant service While he

gun ship Ganges guarding the "White House" event.

Windward Passage with much acclaim. In February 1799, officers of sibility led him to take an active 57/Site 1, next to his first and seccession. the 44-gun British frigate *Surprise* part in public affairs. He was a pub- ond wives Margaret Murdoch and boarded the *Ganges* off Hispaniola, lic education school trustee as early Ann Dulany.  $\Omega$ 

The summer of 1814 began with demanding that all English sailors as 1805. He headed the Vestry of the war between Britain and the aboard be handed over. Tingey Christ Church for a long time and United States, which had sputtered firmly replied, "I do not expect to was one of a group of Christ Church

ish hunger for revenge set the stage vice will be found better able to susnor a crew that can, with alacrity, About dusk on August 24, 1814, bring a ship to a state of prepara-

And he is known to have lived in less and a meticulous administrator, and not to fall into their possession. Philadelphia after 1783 and in he was also a highly respected so-Kingston, New Jersey, after 1797. In 1794 Congress established the Ception was complete without him. United States Navy and Tingey was Tingey's rendition of "Hail Columcommissioned a captain four years latter in September 3, 1798. During first reception at the President's February 23, 1829, in Washington, the short lived War with France (1798-1801) he commanded the 24-known vocal performance at a gun ship Ganges guarding the "White House" event.

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Commodore Tingey died on February 23, 1829, in Washington, and was buried with "usual military honors" in Congressional Cemetery. His gravestone stands immediately Windward Passage with much ac-His strong sense of civic responsible to the first who returned and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which they were peace-and the only one who ventured in on the day on which

cut short by her death in April 1814, even though she was much younger

than he.

However, three years later in 1817 Tingey married once again to too was the sister of a son-in-law and many years his junior. Their son, Thomas Tingey Craven went on to become a naval hero himself. For some twenty-four years, the Tingeys lived in the rambling Commandant's mansion in the Navy Yard that had been designed by Benjamin Latrobe. He and his wife had become quite reluctant to part from it--even in death. Old newspaper articles say that Captain Tingey attempted to will the home to his wife. (There are no official records to support this tale.) Ann outlived Tingey by 32 years.

As the first commandant, Tingey was responsible for the building of the Vard which was then the

the Yard, which was then the Navy's largest ship building and take command of merchant vessels Tingey's success in the West In- refitting facility. As the British trading with the West Indies. There dies brought him to the attention of marched into Washington, holding he met Margaret Murdoch (b. 1751) Benjamin Stoddert, the first Secrewhom he married in 1777. Their 30 tary of the Navy. When the Washington, holding the met Margaret Murdoch (b. 1751) Benjamin Stoddert, the first Secrewhom he married in 1777. Their 30 tary of the Navy. When the Washington, holding the Navy of the Navy. When the Washington, holding the parties of the yard became impossible; losing it unthinkable. Commodore Tingey, seeing the smoke from the burning Capitol at half past eight in the evening, ordered the yard became impossible; losing the unthinkable. Commodore Tingey, seeing the smoke from the burning capitol at half past eight in the evening, ordered the yard became impossible; losing the unthinkable. Commodore Tingey, seeing the smoke from the burning capitol at half past eight in the evening, ordered the yard became impossible; losing the yard became impossible; formed all orders received, in which While he was known to be a tire- was included that myself retiring, and he is known to have lived in less and a meticulous administrator, and not to fall into their possession.

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#### **Outstanding Volunteer**

Barbara Hacker-Allshouse

Barbara Hacker-Allshouse is our Association's genealogy assistant; if you have a question, she'll find the answer. Barbara's interested in genealogy started in high school watching her Aunt Jo-Ann explore her father's side of the family. When Jo-Ann passed away, Barbara began organizing and transcribing her aunt's research.

Since little was known about her mother's side of the family, she began researching it. She located a distant cousin in Oregon from the Eckloff side of the family who reported that there were two brothers (Christian and Godfrey) who emigrated from Prussia in the early 1800's to Washington, DC, where they settled and became tailors.

Seeking pictures of Godfrey's head stone, Barbara visited Congressional Cemetery in 1997 on the day of the annual meeting where the speaker was highlighting Push-Ma-Ta-Ha and his son, Peter Paul



Pitchlyn (both of whom are historic figures in the Choctaw nation). Pitchlyn was married to Godfrey's

daughter, Caroline.

While there, Barbara perused the Association's records, finding more Eckloffs at Congressional, including five of her grandmother Nellie Eckloff's siblings, none of whom made it out of childhood.

After a few more visits to Congressional, Barbara volunteered to help transcribe the daily internment logs from the early part of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century - 1903 to 1920; a very large undertaking. More recently, she has begun helping others find

out about their ancestors.

Barbara works as a Senior Svstems Analyst in Bethesda and is seeking a degree in database technology at Strayer University. Barbara's husband of three years likes to tease her about her hobby saying, "She talks to dead people." Barbara just considers it another form of learning about history.  $\Omega$ 

#### The Cenotaph ~ A Mixed Review

Latrobe Design Reflects Classical But Not Universal Tastes

In a city that was designed from 'graveyard' near the city. I did not the ground up to reflect the grand see the monument erected upon this visions of a new government, it is occasion, but I presume it was in the perhaps not surprising that those same style as several others I had members of Congress who died remarked in the same burying-while in its service were given speground, inscribed to the memory of cial "cenotaphs" (a Greek word members who had died at Washingmeaning empty tomb) to honor their ton. These were square blocks of contributions. Even those whose remasonry, without any prefercion to contributions. Even those whose re- masonry, without any pretension to mains were returned home were splendour." honored with a monument at the Washington Parish Burial Ground.

Henry Latrobe, who was then work- complained that the cenotaphs ing on the new south wing of the should have been marble and been a Capitol, these identical cenotaphs – more beautiful design rather than

which somemarked times an actual burial and sometimes not – reflected the classical inspiration that was shaping the city plan and its new Capitol bu<u>i</u>ldiņg.

Each monument was made of Aquia sandstone and reported by Latrobe to weigh 800 pounds.

symmetrical Latrobe's journal sketch of cenotaph The block topped by a and brick vaulted tomb, 1819 simple conical cap

typical shape and size of early tinued for another American gravestones.

when Latrobe designed the cenotaph costly and was discontinued in 1876. form and when the first one was installed at the burying ground. Form was erected in the 20th centrough Uriah Tracy was buried in tury, after Rep. T. Hale Boggs Sr. of 1807 and his grave is marked by a Louisiana and Rep. Nicholas Begich

1827 witnessed the funeral and burial of a congressman, and described the cenotaphs already in place: "The Breitkreutz of Waterford, Virginia. body was interred in an open

By 1830, the "short, square and plain" sandstone cenotaphs had been Designed by architect Benjamin painted white. In 1839, a writer

> the plain and tasteless tomb" that was used.

> As transportation improved, most legislators who died in office were returned home their states. and burials of congressmen Washington had nearly

ceased by 1855. The tradition of erecting cenotaphs

was a marked departure from the in memory of those who died con-20 (suspended during the Civil War), It has long been uncertain exactly but the practice became increasingly

cenotaph, the monument could have been installed years later.

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## **Reserve Your Place in History**

Interment Sites are again available in Historic Congressional Cemetery Call the Gatehouse for details—202-543-0539



#### Ward Six 9/11 Grove

Procurement of the trees and the landscape architecture design services was made possible by funding from the U.S. Forest Service and the TKF Foundation. Greenspaces for DC, as the managing organization for the groves, has committed \$45,000 toward the \$150,000 total cost of the Ward Six grove. Installation of the grove will be made possible by donations of Ward Six residents and businesses.

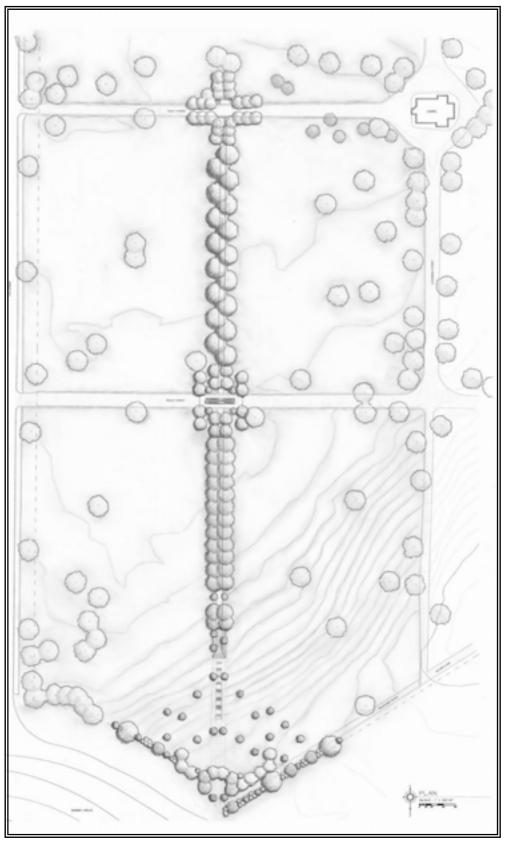
Lee & Associates, a local award winning landscape design firm, is designing the Ward Six Grove, as well as the main grove at Kingman Island. Jeff Lee, principle of Lee & Associates, noted that the Grove is intended to be non-prescriptive, allowing each person to interpret and memorialize the loss of that day in their own way. Association member Jill Dowling, also a member of the Lee design team, was especially pleased to help bring the design to fruition to both remember those lost on September 11th and to enhance Congressional Cemetery.

The Ward Six grove is the largest enhancement of the Congressional Cemetery grounds in over 150 years. It reverses a decades long trend of tree removals and deferred plantings. Chair Linda Harper noted that the Grove continues a tradition of memorials at Congressional like the Arsenal Monument and the cenotaphs. Once installed, the Association will assume responsibility for the care and mainte-

nance of the trees.

Also attending the ground-breaking were Kitty Stoner and Mary Wyatt of the TKF Foundation, an organization renowned for endowing sacred spaces. Mathew Arnn of the U.S. Forest Service, the primary funder of the project, and Sally Boasberg, President of *Greenspaces for DC* assisted in the groundbreaking.

Approximately one-third of the funding is in hand for the installation of the grove. Fundraising efforts for the remainder will begin this summer. Construction of the hardscape is expected to begin in July and plantings will go in the ground in September. For more information see: www.greenspacesfordc.org.



The allee of trees stretches from Magnolia trees circling the Lummi the Sousa memorial bench to the Barney Circle fence. At the north end is a cross of 24 Okame Cherry trees in gat a meditative space. Looking followed by 17 Chinese Elm trees in an alternating setting. At the Prout fence line of redbuds, witchhazel, Street intersection are 16 flowering and juniper.  $\Omega$ 

#### **Congressional Quiz**

A Builder & Destroyer

Commodore Thomas Tingey was a highly respected figure in the early days of the new Federal City. He is famous for having set fire to the navy yard he built as first commandant of Washington's Navy Yard. Are the following statements true or false?

- Tingey served as an officer in the British Navy in the Pacific before emigrating to the Colonies upon retirement.
- Tingey set fire to the Navy Yard during an experimental firing of a new cannon design.
- Tingey's failure as a land speculator lead to the opening of a cemetery on his waterfront property.
- Tingey was the first person to sing at a White House event.
- Tingey commanded merchant ships in both the British and American merchant marines.

Answer in Essay on Page 4.

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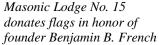
## Around the Yard



Webmaster Sandy Schmidt



Spring Clean-up Volunteer





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# The Heritage Gazette Summer 2004

# On The Horizon

#### **School Namesakes Exhibit**

Sumner School Hosting History

The Sumner School at 1201 17th Street, NW, is hosting a special exhibit dedicated to those for whom

# Nat. Amer. Museum to Open

Corollary Celebration Here

The National Preservation Institute will return to Congressional Cemetery on September 13 to offer to celebrate the new museum with a weekend tribute to Native Americans who died while in Washington representing their people and are interred at Congressional. Several tribal chiefs will attend to offer memorial services and consecrate the Lummi Tribe Healing Poles.  $\Omega$ The National Preservation Institute will return to Congressional an accurate knowledge of what used to be. The Association hopes to restore the Williams Vault this summer, but we have no photographs of what it used to look like. If you have any old photos of Congressional Cemetery, especially of the brick vaults, please contact our gatehouse and be part of the restoration work relies on an accurate knowledge of what used to be. The Association hopes to restore the Williams Vault this summer, but we have no photographs of what it used to look like. If you have any old photos of Congressional Cemetery, especially of the brick vaults, please contact our gatehouse and be part of the restoration work relies on an accurate knowledge of what used to be. The Association hopes to restore the Williams Vault this summer, but we have no photographs of what it used to look like. If you have any old photos of Congressional Cemetery reservation techniques. The registration deadline is August 16th. Call NPI for more information at 703-765-0100.  $\Omega$ 

### Sousa's 150 Birthday Bash

Marine Band & Masonic Tribute

November 6, 2004 will be the 2004 marks the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 150<sup>th</sup> birthday of Marine Corps of the Benjamin B. French Masonic Band Leader John Philip Sousa. Lodge French was a major figure in DC schools have been named. While the band has made annual Many of these stellar citizens are interred at Congressional. Our own samples are sandy Schmidt is curating part of the show, which runs from September 11th through November 12. Call the Gatehouse for details.  $\Omega$  Each of the band has made annual the Lincoln Administration and close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this anniversary with the John Philip Sousa. Lodge. French was a major figure in the Lincoln Administration and close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this anniversary with the John Philip Sousa. Lodge plans to close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this samples and the Lincoln Administration and close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this samples and the Lincoln Administration and close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this samples and the Lincolns and close friend of the Lincolns and close friend of the Lincolns. The Lodge plans to co-celebrate this samples and the Lincoln Administration and close friend of the Lincolns and close friend of the Lincolns

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