



The Friends of Camp Geiger presented \$1,000 for preservation of regimental flags. From the left are Taylor Kern, Melissa Ohlinger, Jeff Brosky, Darlene Brosky, Neil Coddington, State Rep. Julie Harhart, Tom Mulhern, Kathleen Coddington, Chris Holub, Jason Kern, Gary Weaver and Bob Grim.

Camp Geiger Friends Help Flag Fund

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Friends of Camp Geiger recently presented a check for \$1,000 to the Pennsylvania Capitol Preservation Committee for its Civil War "Save the Flags" project. The money was raised through donations made at the Friends' 2009 Lehigh Valley Civil War Days event that is held each June in Whitehall, Pa.

The funds will help preserve the collection's 377 Civil War battle flags and 22 Spanish-American flags. Friends of Camp Geiger Flag Project Coordinator, Melissa Ohlinger presented the check to his-

torian Jason Wilson. State Rep. Julie Harhart attended the presentation ceremony, which took place at the flag repository building in Harrisburg.

After viewing about 10 original Civil War flags, Executive Director Ruthann Hubbert-Kemper gave the group a tour of the Capitol building. They have been invited to return Dec. 8 in period dress to meet the full Pennsylvania Capitol Preservation Committee.

Friends of Camp Geiger is a group of Lehigh Valley Civil War reenactors who hold an annual

event to further the public's knowledge about the Civil War and to raise money for Civil War preservation.

The group chose its name to honor Sgt. Christopher Geiger, a former reenactor, who died while serving in Afghanistan.

Donations for flag preservation may be made to the Capitol Preservation Committee. For information go to <http://cpc.state.pa.us> or call (717) 783-6484. Information about Lehigh Valley Civil War Days can be found at www.campgeiger.org.