Connecticut Civil War Commemoration
Opening Ceremonies

April 16, 2011

Connecticut Civil War
Commemoration Commission

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The Governor’s Foot Guard
American Foreign Legion--West Hartford Post
Union Re-enactors from across New England
Confederate Re-enactors from across New England
Color Guards Preparing for Raising of the Flag and National Anthem
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Connecticut National Guard Raising the American Flag
President Lincoln and Senator Richard Blumenthal Standing for the Raising of the Flag
CT Media Personality Diane Smith Emcees the Ceremony
Diane Smith, Dr. Felton Best (African Am Studies – CCSU), Dr. Linda Schwartz, CT Commissioner of Veterans Affairs), Bill Macnamara (former mayor of New Britain), Dr. Matthew Warshauer.
Gary Miller (Senior Pastor of the historical Asylum Hill Congregational Church), Senator Richard Blumenthal, Howard Wright as Lincoln.
Dr. Booker DeVaughn, Co-Chair, CT Civil War Commemoration Commission
Twenty-one Gun Salute to End Opening Ceremony
Field of Flags to Represent the almost 6,000 U.S. Troops killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Kids were asked to place the flags.
Senator Richard Blumenthal and Dr. Matthew Warshauer, Co-Chair, CT Civil War Commemoration Commission.
Exhibit Hall, Student Center, Central CT State University – Three Dozen Historical Society and Museums Displayed Items.
The Camp Lincoln String Band Entertained the Crowds that Visited the Exhibits
SAMUEL STEVENS WOODRUFF

Born November 12, 1811 in Southington
in 1849, went to California to search for gold
Returned to Southington
Enlisted in 20th Connecticut, Company E
Elected Captain of Company E
Led Company E for duration of the war