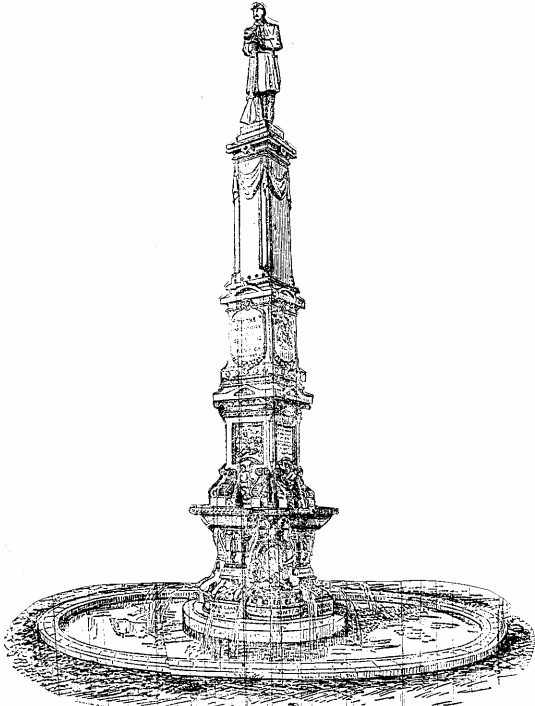




Sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
General John A. Logan Camp No. 1
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Together... We CAN do it!

The Civil War (1861-1865) was an important part of our history. We have a proud heritage in Kent County. We had more than 4,200 men who fought to preserve the Union.



The monument stands in a little park by the Grand Rapids Children's Museum.

In 1885 - Twenty years after the Civil War was over, citizens of the community erected a monument and fountain to honor those who fought in that terrible war. It also reminds us of how important our freedoms are and what was done to keep them.

The monument is very special.

- It's the only Civil War monument in Michigan that's a fountain.
- It's the first one in our country to recognize women's efforts

It is 116 years old and it needs to be fixed because the fountains don't work. It is cracked and corroded.

A group of people, called the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, is raising money to fix it. Their ancestors fought in that war. They also want to help the hungry people in this community.

Here's how you CAN help!

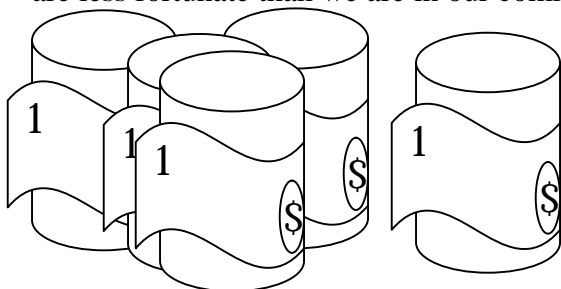


➔ Bring **one CAN** of food with a **one-dollar bill** taped around it to your classroom on this day:

The **dollars** will be given to fix the monument.

The **CANS** will be given to Second Harvest or God's Kitchen to feed the poor.

With your kindness, we **CAN** preserve part of our history AND at the same time share with people who are less fortunate than we are in our community.



Thank you for sharing!

P.S.-A History Note:

Canned foods have been around since the early 1800's!

