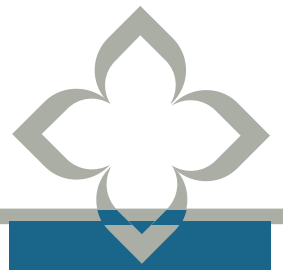


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Encourage and enable elders to share their knowledge and talents with school children to reverse any negative aspects of racism

November 2011

Scarlet O'Hara Sighting at St. Mary's!

Harriett Krumpelman once again dazzled students, this time at St. Mary's School, decked out in her Scarlet O'Hara Civil War costume with a wide, sweeping gown made of green velvet. Harriett brought with her an actual letter that her distant cousin had written concerning his recuperation from a Civil War battle and many photographs of her family members during the Civil War time period. When asked if they had ever seen the movie "Gone with the Wind" very few students said "yes" but, after Harriett described the movie and her costume, an exact replica of the gown worn in the movie, the students were eager to see it.



Harriett explained that all of her information was gathered over an 8 year time period researching her family genealogy with her daughter. She emphasized to the students the importance of writing down and keeping track of your life. If no one had done this in



her family, she would not have been able to have the information. The classroom teacher, Eileen Wabler, agreed with the importance of keeping records and said that the

classes have already been working on projects of this nature.

Discussing her great, great grandfather's role as a farmer providing land for troops, her distant cousin's battle wounds and the impact of having family members on both sides, North and South, Harriett brought history to life for the 8th grade students of St. Mary's.

