Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites the public to join Park Rangers for new and exciting tours, talks and walks! For detailed information concerning specific program locations and descriptions, please check the park website (www.nps.gov/chch) or call the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center at 706-866-9241 or the Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center at 423-821-7786.

150th Anniversary Programs at Chickamauga & Chattanooga NMP

These programs commemorate the Civil War Sesquicentennial and focus on national occurrences in 1861 and their connections to Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP.

Friday, March 4: 3pm – 3:45pm
Abraham Lincoln’s Inauguration

Sunday, April 10: 2pm -5pm
Fort Sumter at Chickamauga and Chattanooga (2 mile walk)

Tuesday, April 12: 7pm – 8pm
Fort Sumter at Chickamauga and Chattanooga (1 mile walk)

Saturday, May 7: 9:30am – 3:30pm
2nd Annual Civil War Symposium
Girls Preparatory School, 205 Island Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37405

Saturday, May 21: 2pm – 3pm
Secession on the Border: Slave States that Did Not Secede

Saturday, May 28 & Sunday, May 29:
Tennessee Secession Debate (Point Park)

Saturday, July 2: 2pm – 3pm
Boys of ’61

Thursday, July 21: 7pm – 9pm
Bull Run at Chickamauga

Wednesday, August 10: 6pm – 7pm
Wilson’s Creek at Chickamauga

Friday, September 2: 7pm -8pm
The “Good Bishop” Commits a Blunder: Leonidas Polk Violates Kentucky’s Neutrality

Saturday, October 22: 1:30pm – 2:30pm
My Old Kentucky Home: The Confederate Army of Tennessee

2011 Special Programs at Chickamauga & Chattanooga NMP

These are special programs/tours located at Chickamauga Battlefield, Lookout Mountain Battlefield, or other Civil War units of the park, separate from the 150th Anniversary programs.

Saturday, March 5: 1pm – 2pm
Kate Cumming’s Chattanooga Experience

Sunday, March 6: 2pm – 2:30pm
Women of the Civil War

Saturday, March 19: 11am – 12pm
Women in War: The Roles Women Played

Saturday, April 2: 2pm – 3pm
From Chicago to Chickamauga

Sunday, April 3: 2pm – 2:30pm
Drummer Boys in the Civil War

Friday, May 20: 6pm – 7pm
The Nature of Battle (walk)
In recommending creation of the park, both House and Senate military affairs committees pointed out that probably no other field in the world presented more formidable natural obstacles to large scale military operations than the slopes of Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. Since the purpose would be to maintain the park in its historic condition, they also noted that there had been scarcely any changes in the roads, fields, forests, and houses at Chickamauga since the battle, except in the growth of underbrush and timber, which could easily be removed. Taken together, these battlefields offered unparalleled opportunities for historical and professional military study of the operations of two great armies as they both encountered the multiple military obstacles created by forests, steep mountains, open fields, and streams. From strategically placed observation towers placed on the Chickamauga Battlefield, Missionary Ridge, and Lookout Mountain, observers and students could comprehend the grand campaign that extended over a 150 mile front and follow many tactical details of the actual battle. No battlefield park of this quality and magnitude could be found in any other location in the world.

Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park was officially dedicated on September 18-20, 1895. Most of the 1,400 monuments and historical markers on the battlefields were planned and placed by veterans of the battles, under the supervision of the War Department, which administered all national military parks until they were transferred to the National Park Service in 1933.

Efforts continue today to protect and preserve the park’s many cultural and natural features while providing an inspiring experience for visitors.

We look forward to your visit.

Moccasin Bend National Archeological District will be hosting a series of bike rides and special events this year. The park has partnered with Outdoor Chattanooga in order to offer special bike rides, known as “Biking the Bend,” from Chattanooga to Moccasin Bend. As an added bonus for bikers and park visitors alike, park staff from Russell Cave National Monument will provide educational opportunities about American Indians and their ties to Moccasin Bend through a program entitled Prehistoric Peoples and Their Lifeways. Other programs offered this year include walks along the Old Federal Road, hikes to Civil War earthworks and fortifications, and programs dealing with life and death on the bend before, during, and after European contact. The park staff encourages the public to visit Moccasin Bend to learn more about this national treasure and its importance to Chattanooga and the surrounding area! For additional information on these and other programs, please visit the park website (www.nps.gov/chch) or call the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center at 706-866-9241 or the Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center at 423-821-7786.

Sunday, March 13: 4pm – 6pm
Moccasin Bend Federal Road/“Cracker Line” Walk

Sunday, March 27: 2pm -3pm
Wattle & Daub to Warfare

Saturday, April 16: 1pm – 2pm
Wattle & Daub to Warfare

Saturday, April 23: 2pm – 3pm
Biking the Bend

Sunday, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 25 & October 23: 9am – 11am
Biking the Bend

Sunday, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 25 &October 23: 10:30am – 11am
Prehistoric Peoples and Their Lifeways

Saturday, June 4: 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Causes of Contact

Sunday, July 10: 2pm – 3pm
Wattle & Daub to Warfare

Sunday, August 20: 2pm – 3pm
Wattle & Daub to Warfare

Saturday, November 12 & November 27:
1:30pm – 2:30pm
Native American History Month Programs
Become a Junior Civil War Historian

One hundred fifty years ago, our nation nearly tore itself apart. Soldiers in blue and gray struggled on battlefields across the country and changed the face of the United States of America. You can start your journey towards understanding how important the Civil War was to us by becoming a Junior Civil War Historian. When you are done, you will understand how the Civil War shaped our nation’s history and become part of a select group of young visitors who truly appreciate how important the Civil War is to us today.

There are two ways to become a Junior Civil War Historian.

Option 1

Become a Junior Ranger at Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP and two (2) participating parks. Make sure you get a ranger to initial and date your activity card or your Junior Ranger program booklets.

Once you have become a Junior Ranger at three parks, turn in your activity card or Junior Ranger program booklets at a participating park to receive your patch.

Option 2

Become a Junior Ranger at Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP and one (1) other participating park and do one online activity at the Junior Civil War Historian website. http://www.nps.gov/stri/forkids/jcwhonline.htm

Turn in your activity card or Junior Ranger program booklets along with a printout of your completed online activity at a participating park to receive your patch.

The following parks are also participating in the Junior Civil War Historian Program.

- Andersonville National Historic Site
  Andersonville, GA
- Fort Donelson National Battlefield
  Dover, TN
- Fort Pulaski National Monument
  Savannah, GA
- Fort Sumter National Monument
  Charleston, SC
- Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park
  Kennesaw, GA
- Shiloh National Military Park
  Shiloh, TN
- Stones River National Battlefield
  Murfreesboro, TN
- Vicksburg National Military Park
  Vicksburg, MS

Support Your Park

Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park offers a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. The Volunteers in Parks (VIPs) program allows people of all walks of life to lend a hand in helping park staff ensure that visitors have a quality experience at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park. VIPs assist with:

- Staffing information desks
- Landscape restoration by removal of invasive plants
- Maintaining trails
- Cleaning historic monuments and plaques
- Litter pick-up
- Painting historic plaques
- Living history and interpretive programs
- General maintenance assistance

For more information about current opportunities or special group projects contact the park’s volunteer coordinator. To apply for current volunteer openings click on volunteer opportunities on the Support Your Park section of the park website (www.nps.gov/chch) or call the park’s volunteer coordinator at 423-752-5213 ext. 113.
New and Exciting Programs

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Saturday, May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15:
9:30am – 11:30am
Chickamauga Battlefield Bike Ride

Monday, May 30: 2pm – 2:30pm
Casualties of War

Saturday, June 11: 3pm – 4pm
Dogs of War

Friday, June 17: 6pm – 7pm
Myths of Chickamauga

Saturday, July 9: 2pm – 2:30pm
An Army Moves on its Stomach

Sunday, September 11: 2pm – 2:30pm
Andersonville: The Epitome of Civil War Prisons

Saturday, September 17 & Sunday, September 18
148th Anniversary of the Battle of Chickamauga

Friday, September 30: 6pm – 7pm
Hellish Deeds in a Christian Land

Friday, October 7: 6pm – 7pm
Ambrose Bierce – The Truth and Fiction of Chickamauga

Saturday, October 29: 11am – 12:30pm
Battle of Wauhatchie

Friday, November 11: 2pm – 2:30pm
Enlisted Men of the Civil War

Saturday, November 5 & Sunday, November 6
Signaling during the Siege of Chattanooga

Saturday, November 19 & Sunday, November 20
148th Anniversary of the Battles for Chattanooga

Sunday, December 4: 2pm – 2:30pm
Artillery – The Bombs Bursting in Air