## Ranger-Guided Tours

**Chickamauga Battlefield**

- **Ranger-Guided Tours** – (1 hr. 45 mins.) Join a park ranger on a car caravan tour to various locations on Chickamauga Battlefield. Learn about the three days of fighting that led to the second bloodiest battle of the American Civil War. This tour begins at the battlefield visitor center. (Tour Times: Daily at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.)

**Lookout Mountain Battlefield**

- **Ranger-Guided Tours** – (30 mins.) Join a park ranger as you stroll through Point Park. Here you will learn about the desperate fighting that took place on the slopes of the mountain on the foggy, drizzly day of November 24, 1863. This tour begins inside the Point Park entrance gate. (Tour Times: Daily at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., & 3 p.m.)

## Ranger’s Choice

- **Ranger’s Choice** – (30 mins.) Join park rangers for talks on the unique firearms that make up the Fuller Gun Collection, discover the various uses of projectiles and match them with the cannons used during the Civil War, and take part in a presentation entitled “How They Got Here,” discussing the movements of the Union and Confederate armies and how they met in the fields and forests at Chickamauga. These programs occur inside the visitor center. (Program Times: Mon. – Fri. at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., & 3:30 p.m.; Sat. & Sun. at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., & 3:30 p.m.)

## Artillery Demonstration

- **Artillery Demonstration** – (30-45 mins.) Hear the roar and smell the smoke as a Civil War cannon is fired! Watch a cannon crew load and fire a reproduction nineteenth century artillery piece. (Sat. & Sun. at 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 1:30 p.m.)

## Cravens House Reservation Tour

- **Cravens House Reservation Tour** – (30 mins.) Join a park ranger as you explore the Cravens House and surrounding grounds. This area is where some of the harshest fighting took place during the Battle of Lookout Mountain. The tour begins on the Cravens House porch. Please inquire at the information desk for directions to the house. (Tour Times: Sat. & Sun., every 30 mins. between 1 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.)

## A Soldier’s Life

- **A Soldier’s Life** – (30-45 mins.) Learn about the daily lives of the soldiers in the Civil War. This program will include a firing demonstration of a reproduction rifle. (Mon. & Wed. 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., & 2:30 p.m.)

## National Park Service

The Official Newsletter of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park • Summer 2011 Volume 1 Issue 2
Special Summer Programs at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Please visit the Calendar of Events link at www.nps.gov/chch for additional information.

Monday, May 30: 2pm – 2:30pm
Casualties of War (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday, June 4: 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Causes of Contact (Location: Moccasin Bend)

Saturday, June 11: 3pm – 4pm
Dogs of War (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Friday, June 17: 6pm – 7pm
Myths of Chickamauga (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

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

Sunday, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 25 & October 23: 9am – 11am
Biking the Bend (Location: Moccasin Bend)

Sunday, June 26, July 24, August 28, September 25 & October 23: 10:30am – 11am
Prehistoric Peoples and Their Lifeways (Location: Moccasin Bend)

Saturday, July 2: 2pm – 3pm
Boys of ’61 (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday, July 9: 2pm – 2:30pm
An Army Moves on its Stomach (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Sunday, July 10: 2pm – 3pm
Wattle & Daub to Warfare (Location: Moccasin Bend)

Thursday, July 21: 7pm – 9pm
Bull Run at Chickamauga (Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Moccasin Bend National Archeological District Riverbank Stabilization

On March 3, 2011, the park began the first phase of stabilizing the riverbank on Moccasin Bend. The project is being managed by the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers through an interagency agreement with the National Park Service. This phase is set to stabilize approximately one-half mile of the most endangered section of the riverbank. Riprap rock is currently being placed on the riverbank, as seen in the pictures below and to the right. After this is accomplished, soil and plants will be added to assist in preserving the cultural and natural resources located within the district. This phase of the project is scheduled to be completed in early 2012.

At present, the stabilization is occuring on the west bank of Moccasin Bend and is progressing down river to the north.

The National Park Service would like to advise those operating boats that they should use caution in the vicinity of this construction project.

Moccasin Bend Riverbank Stabilization
Top: View of Lookout Mountain and riverbank from Moccasin Bend
Middle: Contractor measuring distance from riverbank to where rock is to be placed
Bottom: Track hoe placing rock during stabilization with rock on barge to the rear
A Call To Arms: The Struggle Continues

This year, Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park will be hosting its 2nd annual summer day camp, entitled “A Call to Arms: The Struggle Continues.” Students from 4th grade to 8th grade are encouraged to attend and participate in this unique opportunity! Campers will learn about the “unusual” make-up of certain Confederate and Union units that fought on Chickamauga Battlefield, take part in preservation by helping clean a monument on the battlefield, and take a field trip to Orchard Knob Reservation, a unit of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park.

This year, the day camp will be divided into two weeks based upon grades.

Week 1: July 12-15 for grades 4 – 6, Week 2: July 19-21 for grades 7 & 8

Monument Preservation to Continue in Park

Beginning June 8, 2011, a preservation team from the Historic Preservation Training Center in Frederick, Maryland, will remove the eagle from the top of the Ohio Monument located near Cravens House on the Lookout Mountain Battlefield and transport it to a workshop on the Chickamauga Battlefield. Last year, it was discovered that the eagle is not made of bronze, but instead is constructed of a metal rod skeleton that is covered with thin copper sheets. The metal rods are severely corroded and the eagle is in danger of breaking off at its anchor point.

A metal conservator will conduct repairs on the corroding metal of the inner skeleton and patch a bullet hole in the eagle before it is returned to its perch on top of the Ohio Monument.

On June 20, 2011, the preservation crew plans to move to Bragg Reservation on Missionary Ridge, where they will work on the Illinois Monument.

The areas directly surrounding these two monuments will be fenced off and temporarily closed to protect the public while the crew completes this important preservation work on or about July 27, 2011. The staff wishes to apologize for any inconvenience that these activities might cause park visitors.
Special Summer Programs: Living History Groups at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Saturday & Sunday, June 4-5
37th Georgia Infantry
(Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, June 11-12
58th North Carolina Infantry
(Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, July 2-3
37th Georgia Infantry
(Location: Lookout Mountain Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, July 9-10
59th Ohio Infantry
(Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, July 23-24
37th Tennessee Infantry
(Location: Lookout Mountain Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, August 13-14
Western Federal Infantry
(Location: Lookout Mountain Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, August 20-21
37th Tennessee Infantry
(Location: Chickamauga Battlefield)

Saturday & Sunday, September 3-4
16th Alabama Infantry
(Location: Lookout Mountain Battlefield)

The Battlefield Dispatch is a quarterly publication of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park.

Editor
Christopher Young

Supervisory Park Ranger- Resource Education
Kim Coons

Contributors
Christopher Young
Jim Szyjkowski

NPS Photographers
Christopher Young

Comments? Write to:
Kim Coons
Chickamauga and Chattanooga NMP
P.O. Box 2128
Fort Oglethorpe, GA 30742

New Donation to Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

The Warren County Historical Society, located in Warrenton, Missouri, recently received three “Comrades of the Battlefield” ribbons through a donation. They are dated September 19 & 20, 1895, the official date of Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park’s dedication! The historical society offered two of the ribbons to the national military park’s museum, which gladly accepted the donation. The ribbons, as can be seen in the picture, are in outstanding condition.

2011 March for Parks – A Great Partnership

On May 17, 2011, over 300 students from Graysville Elementary School in Ringgold, Georgia, participated in Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park’s “March for Parks.” This initiative allows students to “march” from the southern portion of the Chickamauga Battlefield to the visitor center, where they receive programs geared toward educating them about what happened during the battle in 1863 and why it is so important for them to continue to preserve the park for future generations. The money they raise helps fund preservation projects, such as recasting tablets. This year, Graysville raised a total of $1, 371.63 for preservation. Great job!

3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students from Graysville Elementary School participate in March for Parks as way to raise money for preservation.