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National Historic Site

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Carl Sandburg Home NHS News Release

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Experience Your National Park

(Flat Rock, NC)—Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site Superintendent Connie Backlund welcomes interested members of the community to a day-long session in the park accompanying rangers in activities such as caring for a museum collection, exploring Sandburg’s written legacy, preserving historic buildings and landscapes, eradicating non-native plants and saving hemlock trees. “This is the perfect opportunity for you to go behind the scenes and explore the resources of your National Park,” stated Backlund. The opportunity to be a park ranger for the day includes hands-on demonstrations and education programs designed to explore how national parks are managed, cared for and preserved, while remaining vibrant, interactive places for visitors to enjoy. This program builds on Ken Burns’ most-recent documentary, *The National Parks: America’s Best Idea*, in sharing the unique history and future of a national park in your own backyard. The day-long session will be offered twice this fall on Monday, November 16 and repeated again on Monday, November 23 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Participants must be able to commit to attending the entire day. Lunch will be provided courtesy of the Friends of Carl Sandburg at Connemara. Each session is limited to twelve persons. To apply, please visit www.nps.gov/carl/parknews, or call 828-693-4178.

Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site is located three miles south of Hendersonville off U.S. 225 on Little River Road. The park is open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily, except Christmas Day. For further information, please telephone 828-693-4178, or visit our website at www.nps.gov/carl.

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Photo Caption:

An “*Experience Your National Park*” participant records data while Biological Science Technician Irene Van Hoff treats a Hemlock tree for Hemlock Woolly Adelgid at Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site. Photo Expressions! Photography

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Contact Information		
Name (last, first, middle)		
Address	City, State	Zip
Telephone Number	E-mail Address	
What is your interest in attending this program?		
I would like to attend the following session (if you are available for both, please place a 1 next to your first preference and 2 next to the second preference date)		
	Monday, November 16, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (lunch will be provided)	
	Monday, November 23, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (lunch will be provided)	
PLEASE SIGN BELOW IF YOU ARE ABLE TO COMMIT TO THE FULL DAY SESSION		
Signature:		Date:

Please return completed form by fax to 828-693-4179 or by mail to:
Carl Sandburg Home NHS, Attn: EYNP, 81 Carl Sandburg Lane, Flat Rock, NC 28731

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