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James A. Garfield National Historic Site **2011 Special Events & Programs**

****James A. Garfield 180th Commemoration (1831-2011) ****

****Civil War 150th Commemoration (1861-65 to 2011-15) ****

November

Saturday, November 5—11 a.m.

Behind the Scenes Tour

See the Garfield home and property as you've never seen it before! This special two-hour tour takes you into rooms in the Garfield house not open to the normal public tour, including the basement and attic. You'll also explore the windmill, barn, and other outbuildings. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Reservations recommended; please call 440-255-8722. Minimum age is 16. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and be prepared to climb steps without difficulty.

Thursday, November 17—10 a.m.

James A. Garfield Presidential \$1 Coin Release Ceremony

Join James A. Garfield NHS and the U.S. Mint as the new Garfield \$1 gold coin is unveiled and released into circulation! Local dignitaries, Garfield family members, and more will be on hand to celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime event. Kids under 12 receive one free Garfield coin. Cardinal Community Credit Union of Mentor will be on hand to exchange cash for new Garfield coins. Related events will include a three-day coin show at the Radisson Hotel in Eastlake (just a few miles from Mentor)! This event is free and open to public!

Saturday, November 19—9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Garfield Hike – Celebrating the Life and Legacy of President Garfield

On the 180th birthday of our 20th president, join us for the annual Garfield Hike from his birthplace to his resting place. This hike occurs in two legs – the 12.5 mile hike begins at the Garfield birthplace in Moreland Hills (2350 SOM Center Rd), continues to the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes (2600 South Park Blvd., Shaker Hts.), and ends at the Garfield Monument at Lake View Cemetery (12316 Euclid Ave., Cleveland) in time for the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Garfield tomb (1:30 p.m.). The 2.5 mile option begins at Shaker Lakes at 12:15 p.m. Hikers are then invited to **drive** to the Garfield Home in Mentor for a tour of the family's home. Fee for the hike is \$5/person (made payable to Lake View Cemetery

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Foundation), and there is a \$5 entrance fee for visitors 16 years or older. Be sure to dress for the weather, bring a brown bag lunch and provide your own return transportation from Lake View Cemetery. All registered participants receive a commemorative t-shirt! Please call Lake View Cemetery for information and reservations, 216-421-2687.

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James A. Garfield and the Civil War Tour—A Civil War 150th Anniversary Program

This informative program is a must for both casual and dedicated Civil War buffs. It explores James A. Garfield's Civil War service to the Union, including his roles at the battles of Middle Creek and Chickamauga. This 90-minute tour begins in the visitor center and then proceeds to the Garfield home and emphasizes Garfield's time as a soldier. Cost is \$15.00/person. Reservations recommended; please call 440-255-8722.

December

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