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58th North Carolina Infantry at Chickamauga

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia: Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites the public to attend a special Living History weekend at Chickamauga Battlefield on Saturday, July 28 and Sunday, July 29, 2012.

Throughout the weekend, living history volunteers representing the 58th North Carolina Regiment will conduct Infantry demonstrations at the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center. Living Historians will present talks about the life of the common soldier throughout the weekend on Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., and on Sunday, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. They will conduct rifle firing demonstrations at 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., and 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, and at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday. Visitors are encouraged to visit the camp throughout the weekend to learn what routine life was like for the Civil War soldier.

In the Battle of Chickamauga, the 58th North Carolina regiment, part of Kelly's Brigade, commanded by John H. Kelly, was heavily engaged at Horseshoe Ridge on Sunday afternoon, September 20, 1863 and suffered a fifty percent casualty rate. The regiment went on to fight at Missionary Ridge on November 25, 1863. They also participated in the 1864 Atlanta campaign.

For more information about programs at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, contact the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center at (706) 866-9241, the Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center at (423) 821-7786, or visit the park's website at www.nps.gov/chch.

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