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James Longstreet in the Civil War: A Hero and a Villain

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia: Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites the public to participate in a special one-hour program at Chickamauga Battlefield on Friday, June 29, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. The program begins at the Chickamauga Visitor Center parking lot and then will car caravan to the Brotherton farm. Visitors are welcome to bring lawn chairs for this special program.

In conjunction with the 150th anniversary of the Seven Days Campaign, join a Park Ranger to discuss the similar roles and conduct displayed by General James Longstreet in association with the Seven Days Campaign and the Chattanooga Campaign. Longstreet played a prominent role in several of the battles that occurred during the Seven Days Campaign of 1862. Fifteen months later, Longstreet and the First Corps of the Army of Northern Virginia travel to the Chattanooga area to reinforce the Army of Tennessee in an effort to seize control of this important rail center and “Gateway to the Deep South.” Though Longstreet would play a vital role in the Seven Days Campaign and the Battle of Chickamauga, his villainous conduct following both events left much to be desired.

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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