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Summer Programs Begin at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia: Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites you to take part in the summer 2012 programs occurring at Chickamauga Battlefield and Lookout Mountain Battlefield. Programs for the summer begin May 26 and end mid-August. The Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., while the Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There are several different programs to choose from over the course of the summer.

At Chickamauga Battlefield, visitors can join a park ranger for a car caravan tour of the battlefield, stopping at various locations to discuss how the second costly battle of the Civil War unfolded around them. Additionally, visitors can find a park ranger at Tour Stop #4 (Brotherton Cabin), Mondays through Thursdays, and at Tour Stop #6 (Wilder Brigade Monument), Fridays through Sundays, during a program entitled "Where's the Ranger?"

For those visitors wishing to hear the roar and smell the smoke of a reproduction Civil War cannon as it is fired by park crew members, they may do so at Chickamauga Battlefield on June 9 and August 4. The park will also offer a program on the daily lives of Civil War soldiers. This program concludes with a firing demonstration of a reproduction Civil War rifle. These living history programs will take place adjacent to the visitor center.

At Lookout Mountain Battlefield, visitors can join a park ranger on a guided tour of Point Park, where they learn about the desperate fighting on the slopes of the mountain. Saturday and Sunday afternoons tours of the Cravens House on Lookout Mountain are available for visitors to enjoy as well. In addition to touring the house, visitors can learn about the area where some of the harshest fighting of the "Battle Above the Clouds" took place.

For those visitors on Lookout Mountain wishing to participate in a program where a reproduction Civil War cannon as it is fired by park crew members, they may do so inside Point Park on July 7.

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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