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## Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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### **Summer Programs on Moccasin Bend**

Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites the public to participate in the 2011 summer programs occurring at the Moccasin Bend National Archeological District. Programs will be presented on various dates, and at various locations on Moccasin Bend over the course of the summer. Programs will end on Labor Day weekend.

The following programs will be offered at Moccasin Bend National Archeological District:

#### **Biking the Bend - Sunday, June 26, July 24, and August 28: 9am – 11am**

*(Begins at Outdoor Chattanooga, 200 River St., Chattanooga, TN)*

Take a leisurely ride as a park ranger bikes with you on Moccasin Bend. Along the way, you will learn about the rich history and archeology the District has to offer Chattanooga residents and visitors.

#### **Prehistoric Peoples and Their Life-Ways - Sunday, June 26, July 24, and August 28: 10:30am – 11am**

*(At future visitor center site off Hamm Road on Moccasin Bend, please follow the special event signs)*

Join park rangers from Russell Cave National Monument as they educate visitors about the prehistoric people who once lived on Moccasin Bend. This program will focus on different American Indian lifeways each month.

#### **Wattle & Daub to Warfare - Sunday, July 10: 2pm – 3pm**

*(At the Blue Blazes Trail off Moccasin Bend Road, please follow the special event signs)*

Just like Americans today, games were important parts of American Indians' lives on Moccasin Bend. These games were often used to settle disputes between towns or villages. Games also helped build camaraderie and skills that assisted warriors in battle. This program will offer visitors the opportunity to learn about and participate in familiar games played today that can be traced back to an earlier time.

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The National Park Service cares for special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.

**Wattle & Daub to Warfare - Saturday, August 20: 2pm – 3pm**

*(At future visitor center site off Hamm Road on Moccasin Bend, please follow the special event signs)*

By the time Mississippian Indians lived on Moccasin Bend, warfare was a very real and sometimes typical occurrence. Learn how park rangers know that warfare was present on or near Moccasin Bend and some of the ways American Indian villages settled disputes.

These programs take place outside on Moccasin Bend. Visitors are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather, wear sturdy walking shoes, and bring water.

Visitors wishing to attend the programs, other than **Biking the Bend**, are encouraged to take the Manufacturer's Road exit off Highway 27 North, turn left at the stop sign onto Manufacturer's Road, and follow the special program signs to the site. For those visitors travelling on Highway 27 South, please take the Manufacturer's Road exit, merge right onto Manufacturer's Road, and follow the special program signs to the site.

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](http://www.nps.gov/chch).