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James A. Garfield National Historic Site **2012 Special Events & Programs** **January - March**

January

Saturday, January 7—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.

Wednesday, January 11—12 p.m. at Mentor Public Library (8215 Mentor Avenue)

The Battle of Middle Creek: Major Battles of the Civil War Lunchtime Speaker Series
A Civil War 150th Anniversary Program

Join James A. Garfield NHS staff and volunteers at Mentor Public Library on the second Wednesday of each month for a new talk on "Major Battles of the Civil War!" In January, volunteer David Lintern will discuss Colonel James A. Garfield's first engagement: the battle of Middle Creek, Kentucky, a Union victory fought in January 1862. Program is free of charge; attendees are welcome to bring lunch and eat during the talk.

Saturday-Sunday, January 14-15—12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend—Fee-Free Days!

The Secretary of the Interior has designated Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend as fee-free at all National Park Service sites. Visit on Saturday, January 14 or Sunday, January 15 during the site's normal hours (12 p.m.-5 p.m.) for free entrance to the site. Walk the grounds, check out the museum exhibits, watch the film, and take a guided tour of the Garfield home for free!

Saturday, January 21—11 a.m.

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 per person. Reservations recommended; please call 440-255-8722.

EXPERIENCE YOUR AMERICA

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

February

Saturday, February 4—11 a.m.

Behind the Scenes Tour

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Wednesday, February 8—12 p.m. at Mentor Public Library (8215 Mentor Avenue)
Fort Henry & Fort Donelson: Major Battles of the Civil War Lunchtime Speaker Series
A Civil War 150th Anniversary Program

Join James A. Garfield NHS staff and volunteers at Mentor Public Library on the second Wednesday of each month for a new talk on "Major Battles of the Civil War!" This month, learn about the February 1862 Union victories at Forts Henry and Donelson in Tennessee, the battles that brought Ulysses S. Grant to President Lincoln's attention. Program is free of charge; attendees are welcome to bring lunch and eat during the talk.

Saturday, February 18—11 a.m.

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

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Monday, February 20—10 a.m.-3 p.m.

President's Day Commemoration: Civil War Presidents—A Fee-Free Day!
A Civil War 150th Anniversary Program

Celebrate President's Day at the home of President Garfield. Play the presidential trivia game, learn more about James A. Garfield's participation in the Civil War and his presidency, find out which other presidents served the Union during the Civil War, tour the Garfield home, and enjoy many more activities for kids and adults in honor of President's Day! Games and prizes available for children! Free of charge.

March

Saturday, March 3—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.

Saturday, March 10—1 p.m.

"The Second-Toughest Job in the World:" First Ladies of the United States

A Women's History Month Program

March is Women's History Month, and what better subject to discuss at a presidential home than the importance of First Ladies in American history? First Ladies have promoted important causes, gone on to serve as elected officials, and even saved priceless White House artifacts from destruction! Join James A. Garfield NHS volunteer Andy Curtiss for a fascinating look at America's First Ladies. Free of charge.

Wednesday, March 14—12 p.m. at Mentor Public Library (8215 Mentor Avenue)

The Battle of Hampton Roads: Major Battles of the Civil War Lunchtime Speaker Series

A Civil War 150th Anniversary Program

Join James A. Garfield NHS staff and volunteers at Mentor Public Library on the second Wednesday of each month for a new talk on "Major Battles of the Civil War!" This month the program will cover the March 1862 battle of Hampton Roads, the important naval clash between the *Monitor* and the *Merrimac*. Program is free of charge; attendees are welcome to bring lunch and eat during the talk.

Saturday, March 17—11 a.m.

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

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