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7/13/09 WORKDAY AT NOSES CREEK

By Bill Gurry

On Saturday, July 13 approximately 36 volunteers joined a dozen Crew Leaders and several Trail Ambassadors to continue work on the Noses Creek trail.

Peter and Geoff removed the last of the buried rocks in the trail and built drainage. Jay and Rodney along with new Crew Leader Kelly Keener completed the rebuild of the trail at the big puddle and started work at the next puddle heading south. Curt and Jerry ran the new dump trailer to move about half of the rocks over to the storage area near Camp Brumby. Bob had a small crew of big, strong volunteers that loaded the rocks into the trailer and made several trail repairs along the way. Scott ran the Gator with Bill aboard

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supporting all the crews, and Fred took "just a few" photos. Danny, Harry, and Coach Rich eradicated privet near the meadow west of the Nose Creek Trail and into the woods heading south.

Again, big thanks to Bob for moving materials from Kolb's Farm to the work area and flagging the work site on Friday.

Thanks to all you Trail Ambassadors as well for making the day go smoothly. And thanks to Adam for staging the equipment.

AUGUST 10 WORKDAY BACK AT NOSES CREEK

The August 10 workday will be back at the Noses Creek Trail. We will muster again at the meadow near the Burnt Hickory parking lot at the usual time. We will flag the work sites and stage material on Friday depending on the weather. Stay tuned.

STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION AT KMNBP

Two leaders and half a dozen SCA members will be at KMNBP to perform trail work, eradicate invasive plants, and other activities. The leaders are scheduled to arrive on 7/24 and the members arrive on 7/29. We expect that the trail work will start on 7/31 and continue until the members leave on 8/24, and the leaders will leave shortly after. During their stay, several field trips and other activities are scheduled.

SCA provides its own leadership and supervision and coordinates with the park. The Trail Club will be laying out the trail work and invasive plant work. Working with these folks is very rewarding, a lot of fun, and you get to work with tools yourself if you want. Also, thanks Jay Dement for your help in laying out this year's work plans for the SCA.

Friends of KMNBP!

A new organization is forming at Kennesaw Mountain called "Friends of KMNBP (Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park)." They will be a fundraising organization to raise money for improvements to the park, support of on-going visitor programs, and of course materials for our trail maintenance. They are looking for dedicated volunteers to staff their board. Please contact Scott Mackay at box2105@mindspring.com if you are interested in helping get this organization started up.

NPS/KEMO Kudos to the Trail Club!

Donald and Janie:

I wanted to express my sincere thanks to the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club for your assistance during Battle Anniversary. There were so many Trail Club volunteers who assisted in various ways, in serving as parking assistants, staffing our information table, trailing on various hikes and walks, assisting with Living History programs, roving, and being wonderful "faces of the park". The Trail Club is such a strong organization, and we are very thankful to have you all as park partners. Each person that volunteered during last week's event gave their time, their energy, their knowledge, gave great customer service, and helped our visitors make connections with the park and it resources. Thank you all very much!

Marjorie Thomas

Chief of Interpretation

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Thanks!

Thanks!

RE Club participation in 155th Anniversary Commemoration Activities

Esteemed Colleagues

I know I did not have the opportunity to see some of you during the 155th anniversary celebration. I hope you had fun. At times I wasn't sure I was having fun but those times were few and outweighed by pleasure. I thank you so much for the gifts of your time, your patience and your willingness to step forward and support the park during a high profile event. You make the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club proud to have you as members.

Janie Brier

Trail Ambassador Director

History Comes to life at Kennesaw Mountain -- With a Bang!

Article appears in the Marietta Daily Journal
See the article in the MDJ regarding the 155th Anniversary -

https://www.mdjonline.com/news/ history-comes-to-life-at-kennesawmountain---/article_30bc716c-9aaf-11e9-a14c-bf20a016dde2.html?utm_ medium=social&utm_source=email&utm_ campaign=user-share

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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!

To All Of The Participants Who Made the 155th Anniversary A

Success!

Hello Everyone,

I apologize for the delay in sending everyone my letter of appreciation. The 155th Battle of Kennesaw Mountain Anniversary events were a wonderful success. My expression of gratitude cannot truly convey how truly thankful I am for your dedication and support in making it another successful anniversary event.

Please bear with me during the long Thank you list.

To the Kennesaw Mountain NBP staff: Through planning and set up, each of you have played a special part in making the event truly possible. From working the visitor center, leading programs, set-up and clean-up, helping with the dinner, purchasing supplies, mowing the grass, and, of course, keeping us safe...the list can go on and on. This dedication is seen time and time again. I enjoy being part of our KEMO team and this is just one of countless examples why.

To the KEMO, STRI, CHCH, and Stephens Light Artillery: It is always a pleasure working with each of you. The firing of cannons are always a crowd pleaser, but the ultimate goal was achieved by honoring those who fought here. This year was even more enjoyable with 6 guns providing visitors the opportunity to listen to the reply from the mountain top and the field. The various crews who have taken the time to travel locally and from sister parks is always welcomed. It is like a family reunion each year.

To the VICK and SHIL Artillery: It was such a pleasure to have you with us this year, especially since you traveled such a very long way. I hope that you and your crews enjoyed yourselves. It is because of you, we were able to provide an artillery interpretation that hasn't been seen in 5 years. It is also a pleasure to have 5 NPS crews on site for an event. It isn't often that crews are able to join together and I am incredibly thankful to your crew and your staff at our parks for supporting the event. I hope we will get another opportunity in the near future. I hate the fact that I wasn't able to say goodbye in person. Also, Chris, Lela, and Danny, thank you for helping me with black powder supervision of the infantry program. It wouldn't have happened without you and I am extremely grateful.

To the 125th Ohio, and the Tiger Band: It is always a pleasure to work with you. You provided such wonderful demonstrations that enable to visitor to truly understand the background of the Civil War soldier. Also providing programs on Civil War music is also such an enjoyable aspect of battle anniversary. I was told many times, that visitors enjoyed the music at the various locations. This portrayal of Civil War life is many times forgotten during interpretive programs; however, having it be part of our programming enables the event to have a very well-rounded story portrayed.

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To All.... Continued from Page 2

To the 4th Kentucky and 33rd Alabama: It is also always a pleasure working with you. Although you normally are not here for the battle anniversary, your program was a wonderful addition to the first person living history walk provided by the 21st Ohio. Both programs moved smoothly into the other and was greatly enjoyed by the visitors. Although, you didn't have many visitors to your camp (we'll have to rethink the location next time), I greatly appreciate the dedication that each of you provided. Thank you for being a part of this year's event.

To the 21st Ohio: Providing a new program this year was enjoyed by all. Thank you for helping us with interpretation at Cheatham Hill. Too often we are unable to provide such interpretation at this important location due to various reasons. By adding this new program, visitors were able to experience something new in one of the most important locations of the battlefield. It was a wonderful addition.

To Decatur Fife and Drum: Thank you for coming out and being part of the battle anniversary. Providing music at one of two locations was enjoyed by all. It was such a nice touch. I heard it was enjoyed when you struck up a tune for the artillery firing.

To Beth Grace and Richard Miller: The civilian portrayal is a favorite of families and especially children learning the natural way that clothes are dyed and is a program that is always a favorite of battle anniversaries. I know that this year we had a little hiccup with participation; however, your dedication to the few has not gone unnoticed. Thank you for being providing this long standing anniversary tradition. It is always a pleasure having you both here. It just isn't the same without you.

To KMTC and Trail Ambassadors: Thank you for helping provide such a variety of support. Being able to help with parking, the anniversary information table, provide range safety, be trails for hikes...again, such a variety of assistance and support, removed some of the burdens that the park staff may encounter. Even if you feel that your role was small please know that it was not small and it was much appreciated.

To the Bramlett Family: Andrew and Lewis, thank you for leading the 24 Gun Battery hike, a new history hike for you this year. Also, continuing to provide our shuttle riders with information as they travel up and down the mountain is so greatly appreciated. Daniel and Beth, thank you for working with Stephanie and maintaining the children's tent. I always enjoyed having the entire Bramlett family be part of anniversary.

To Stephanie Farley: Thank you for being part of our battle anniversary. I know as a first timer to the event, it can be a bit overwhelming. However, I heard wonderful things about the historic toys and making the dolls. Everyone loved them. I hope you enjoyed being part of the event and will

come back in the future. Thank you for taking the time and being part of it all.

To Mike Evans and Hewitt Dupont: Thank you so very much for traveling to KEMO. It is always a delight to get to work with both of you again. Having each of you step in to help with programs as well as give programs, is truly appreciated. We enjoyed your visit and your presence. It never seems like we are able to spend enough time to just sit and visit. However, having you here is always a pleasure.

To Gloria, Emily, and Amanda: Due to your attention to details, efficiency, and pleasant presence, you kept us fed. Lunch and dinner ran smoothly and like a well-oiled machine. Even with a new lunch vendor and a new location for meals, every aspect of the lunch and dinner line was set up beautifully. Due to this dedication, I know that I never have to worry about not having volunteers fed during this long, hot event. I can't express my gratitude.

To Larry and Ricky: Thank you for keeping the water coolers filled. Hydration of everyone during such a hot, humid, and busy day, is perhaps one of, if not, the most important behind the scenes task. I would not be able to do it without you. Water was available not only for keeping volunteers and staff cool and hydrated, but also was available when other situations required it. Thank you.

To the Eastern National employees and Front Desk and Mountain Top Greeters volunteers: You have kept operations running smoothly as normal. It is always nice to have pleasant volunteers take care of our daily operations. You continue to provide information and assistance to the visiting public, regardless of a large event or a rainy January day. This devotion and steadfastness keeps us going. We appreciate your constant devotion to the front desk and mountain top regardless of the time of year.

I do apologize if I have left someone out; it is not intentional. You are just as appreciated as all those that have been listed

Although there was so much planning that went into this event, it is only because of the teamwork, dedication and devotion of each of us that made this event a success. To honor the men who gave their lives 155 years ago, is our greatest goal. However, next is serving the visiting public. Every individual that I saw or met seemed to enjoy the programs and demonstrations that was provided. It was because of you that it was all possible.

Thank you, I cannot truly express my utmost appreciation and honor of working with each of you.

All the best,

Amanda

PS – Please pass along to other members of artillery crews, infantry units, and the many other volunteers who helped make the 155th Battle Anniversary possible.

*Amanda K. Corman*Park Ranger
Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park

KMTC Annual Business Meeting

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club's Annual Business Meeting will take place on Saturday, September 7th 2018 starting at 9:00 AM in the Education Room at the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Visitor Center. New Club Officers/Directors will be elected and installed for the coming year, select Directors will report on their activities for the year past, new changes/ updates to the Club By-Laws will be presented for consideration/vote, and a look-ahead to upcoming Club activities will be provided.

Per our current By-Laws, all Voting Members (Officers, Directors, Trail Ambassadors and Crew Leaders) and Community Volunteers (individuals who have participated in, at least, one club event/activity during the current calendar year) are welcome to attend the Annual Business Meeting.

The nominees for election to office for the 2019 – 2020 year are:

President Don Olds

Vice-President TBD

Secretary Bob Brier

Treasurer Tom Okenberg

Trails Director Bill Gurry

Communications Fred Feltmann
Community Volunteers Rena Bailey
Trail Ambassadors Janie Brier
Invasive Plants Danny Leigh

Archivist TBD

Technology Jerry Givan

A Special Thanks!

Each year we have various groups who come out and help us. Henceforth, we will make every attempt to list your group here for the current/past fiscal year. If you are participating as a group, be sure to let us know when you are registering!

Following is a list, in alphabetical order, of the groups who participated during Fiscal 2018 (October 2017- September 2018 and Fiscal 2019 (October 2018- Present):

FY 2018

ATLANTA OUTDOOR CLUB

ALLATOONA HIGH SCHOOL HONOR SOCIETY

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC

BETA ALPHA PSI FROM KSU

BSA TROOP 75

BSA TROOP 17, ARAGON, GA

BSA TROOP 1011

CAMPBELL HS

HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL

HILLGROVE HS NJROTC

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS NJROTC

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS KEY CLUB

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS AP MAGNET ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CLASS

KSU

KSU BETA ALPHA PSI

KSU PHI SIGMA PI

PACK 405, McEACHERN UMC

PHI SIGMA PI FROM KSU

POPE HS HONOR SOCIETY

POPE HS SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

SERVICE DAY - KSU

SWINERTON CARE CREW

U.S. ARMY TRAINING CLASS

VENTURE CREW 540

VOLUNTEER KSU

WALKER SCHOOL

WOODSTOCK HS NJROTC

Thanks!

FY 2019

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC

ATLANTA OUTDOOR CLUB (AOC)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 008 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 144 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 200 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 277 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 287 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (2 PROJECTS)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 445 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 540

BOY SCOUT TROOP 540 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (3 PROJECTS)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 545 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (2)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 700 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 797

BOY SCOUT TROOP 797 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (2)

CUB SCOUT PACK 204, MARIETTA

CUMBERLAND SCHOOL

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

FIIGHTWORKS

FRIENDS TO THE FORLORN PITBULL RESCUE

HARRISON HS BETA CLUB

HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB

HARRISON NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

HILLGROVE HS NJROTC

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS

KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS NJROTC

KSU

KSU BETA ALPHA PSI

GEORGIA TECH

MARIETTA HS

MT PARAN CHURCH

VOLUNTEER KSU

WHEELER HS

WOODSTOCK HS NJROTC

The following groups participated in our July work days:

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC

HILLGROVE HS NJROTC

PACESETTER STEEL (SEPARATE WORK DAY)

AOC

We had approximately 36 volunteers and 15 Club members participate in the July Work Day. Thanks, for a job well done!.



Trail Ambassador Update May - July

Historically the summer is the least busy time of year for Trail Ambassadors. The school year ends around the middle of May, people go on vacation, it's hot and nothing is going on at the park. Wrong! This year the park has been the happening place.

From May through July Trail Ambassadors supported 7 field trips, 6 Marietta and Kennesaw Summer Camps and 3 trail work days. Supporting these events were Rena Bailey, Cynthia Baerman, Karen Petrella, Yvonne Robinson, Catherine Akins, Jayden Ayash, Gavin Gaffney, Kelly Burke, Laurie Poppell, Cam Graham, Sally Hunter, Karen Evanoff, Jay Haney, Anne Page Mosby, Debbie Dement and Janie Brier.

The high visibility event of the summer was the 155th Battle Anniversary. There were 2 full days of events at the Visitor Center area and at Cheatham Hill which required many extra people to adequately and safely assist. Supporting the artillery and infantry demonstrations, ranger led hikes, volunteer led hikes, children's games tent, satellite information desk and parking lot access control were Curt Spinney, Laurie Poppell, Karen Evanoff, Jay Haney, Anne Page Mosby, Scott Mackay, Cam Graham, Rena Bailey, Katie Sanstead, Gavin Gaffney, Noura Soued, Tim Poolos, Dave Dubelle, Alicia Gutierrez, Catherine Akins, Mark Miller, Cameron Sanders, Gwyn Posey and Scott Posey, Janie and Bob Brier and Trail Ambassador Candidates George Smith and Chase McNair.

My deepest thanks to all the Trail Ambassadors, the Trail Ambassador Candidates and Crew Leaders who generously gave their time and effort to make the 155th Battle Anniversary a safe, enjoyable and memorable event.





Top right two photos - by Scott Mackay. Top left and lower right two photos - by Fred Feltmann Photos are of Trail Ambassadors and Volunteer-In-the-Park members during the 155th Anniversary.







2018/2019 Fund Raising

Your volunteer hours help greatly for the many projects we do in the park and we greatly appreciate you contributing your "sweat equity" alongside our 40+ staff volunteers who routinely support each event. We are a non-profit all volunteer organization. However, like any business, we do have bills to pay.

Many of our projects are funded by the park or through grants we apply for. These funds are typically targeted for specific projects and do cover the big expenses such as rocks, stone dust, dirt, wood beams, bridges, fences, and such. But, after all the big stuff is paid for, we still have need to cover our day-to-day operating expenses for things like saw blade sharpening, fuel, tool repairs, equipment maintenance, work gloves, bug spray, drinking water, snacks, and porta-potties. For these expenses, we rely on your donations.

Each year we kick off a new round of fund raising and this is the 2018 big "ask." We need your help with this, even small donations help. We will conclude this drive at the end of FY 2019 (September, 2019).

As we approach our 16th year in operation, we ask you to please think '15', like \$15... \$30.. \$45..... \$150... \$1500. All donations to the Trail Club support our work at the park, and are tax deductible.

We are a nationally recognized club - having been presented the highest award in the National Park Service in 2014, "The Hartzog Award for Volunteer Group.". There are several ways to donate:

- Use Guidestar on the bottom of our home page on the Trail Club website http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org
- Subscribe to Amazon "Smile" where they will donate to us based on your purchases
- Send a tax deductible contribution to:

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club*

Attn: Tom Okerberg

Whitlock Accounting Services

739 Kennesaw Avenue NW

Marietta, Ga. 30060

ALSO: Please check with employers about matching donations.

* Corporate name is KEMO Trail Corps, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization.



Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

<u>Date Time Location Event</u>

August, 2019

8/10 8:30 am - Noon Pigeon Hill Parking Lot Trail Work Day - Register at SignUp, below.

September, 2019

9/14 8:30 am - Noon TBD Trail Work Day - Register at SignUp, below.

October, 2019

10/12 8:30 am - Noon TBD Trail Work Day - Register at SignUp, below.

Note: In case of inclement weather and our regular work day is cancelled, we may schedule a make-up work day - see our website for details! We will confirm this in our cancellation notice.

Check pages 14 - 15 for NPS/Kemo-sponsored activities for August.

Register for Our Work Days!

Be sure to register online for our Work Days at http://

SignUp

Com

Formerly VolunteerSpot

signup.com/go/VvavYQi. By registering, we can be better prepared with the amount of tools, bottled water, gloves, etc. on hand.



Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming Work Day Schedule:

Our trail work days are open to the public on the 2nd Saturday of each month and are a wonderful way to get outside & enjoy nature while helping preserve the national park for future visitors. Registration will open at 8:00 am and usually are finished by 12:00 p.m.

This month we will meet at the Pigeon Hill Parking Lot (Burnt Hickory and Old Mountain Rd.)

Activities usually include the use of shovels, rakes, picks, and other tools to fix erosion problems on the 20+ mile trail system. Please do not wear open-toed shoes. Long pants are recommended.

We value our volunteers' health, comfort and safety so to promote safer work conditions, we'll cancel work days if the temperature is below 40 degrees and/or there's a high probability of precipitation. If we must cancel a workday, we'll post an announcement on the front page of the KMTC

website at: www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

If your school, church, business, or community organization would like to schedule a special work day as a team building or public service activity, e-mail us at kmtctrails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org at least 4 weeks in advance. Trail work can be performed any day of the week.

We work closely with the Park Service and assist the park staff by providing critically needed volunteer effort to install signs, build bridges, and maintain the 20+ miles of trails. Since our beginning in 2002, the Trail Club has donated over 45,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day soon!

Trail Skills Workshop

The Trail Skills Workshop (TSW) will be held October 26 – 27, 2019 at Lake Winfield Scott. The TSW is a training event focused on teaching the most current Trail construction and maintenance methods applicable for Eastern landscapes. Courses are a mix of classroom instruction, field time, and social time; they are project-oriented and led by local maintaining clubs, the United States Forest Service, and the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

While the curriculum is still being finalized; the following courses will be offered:

105: Essential Trail Maintenance

This course is designed to be an overview of all aspects in maintaining trail systems, with a special emphasis on improved modern methods. Main subjects include: standard safety protocols, corridor clearing, cleaning and retrofitting drainage structures, and tread realignment

215: Drainage Design and Drain Dips

An intermediate to advanced course that gives in-depth field instruction explaining the use, application, and modern design of drainage structures. This course also discusses the appropriateness of structures such as culverts, French drains, cross drains and armored drainage control devices.

There is no charge for this event which includes camping at Lake Winfield Scott and a BBQ dinner Saturday night. Hard hats are required for work in the National Forest, they can be provided if necessary. For more information contact jay@jayDphotos.com and to register go to https://forms.gle/3LizEEgx9xGSUcRZ8.

Jay Dement



Are You In The Picture?

At the recent Marietta Forth of July Parade our group got together for a picture. It's sort of a tradition to have a remembrance of such occasions, and, yes, frequently someone is not in the picture.



Here's hoping that y'all check out the Trail Club's monthly "Earthworks" newsletter. Maybe you don't read the articles but you do look at the photos, especially if you were at one of the work days or events; most likely hoping to see your picture.

Well even though many photos are taken, chances are you won't be in one. Does that change your attitude about helping out?

Hopefully - no it doesn't.

Frequently those who do so much are out of the picture. As was the case referenced above; the person missing was the man who organized our being in the parade. The term 'behind the scenes' is recognized by most everyone. Sure its nice to be seen, but what's even better is for you to know that you were there and did something.

There is just so much room for pictures but memories are unlimited.

Recently during an extended hospital stay I didn't come out of my room. So I didn't see all the people helping me, but I knew they were there.

Think about all the people using the park; they mostly don't see you but surely they must know that someone has done the work. In these instances no picture is needed.

So even though your picture may not be in the newsletter, keep on helping out. Help during your walks in the park or during one of the Trail Club events. You may even want to take some pictures (or a Selfie) to remember your work. Believe me, Fred (editor and club photographer), takes very many photos. So if you're not in this issue, you may be in his picture archive. In any case just because you're not in the picture by no means indicates that you are not needed or recognized.

Thanks,

Doug

ps: Who's not in this picture (left) of Bob, Rodney, Peter & Jerry? It's Bill Gurry one of the hardest working longtime member's of the Trail Club! (He took the picture).

155th Anniversary Photos Photos by Fred Feltmann















155th Anniversary Photos



Photos, above, by Anne Page Mosby. Photos, below, by Scott Mackay.



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http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

7/13/19 Work Day Photos by Fred Feltmann, except where noted.

















Records Management Volunteer Needed!

The Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club (KMTC) Board of Directors seeks a records management professional to volunteer to assess KMTC records management needs, review current records and define policies (SP) needed for records support going forward. An example model SP for records management follows:

"A document retention and destruction policy identifies the record retention responsibilities of staff, volunteers, board members, and outsiders for maintaining and documenting the storage and destruction of the organization's documents and records."

https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/tools-resources/document-retention-policies-nonprofits

Please contact Jay Haney, KMTC Director for Program Planning for additional details. Haney69jb@gmail.com_cell 770.313.4864

KMTC is a not for profit partner of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park in Kennesaw, Georgia.

Contact List - Updated 3/29/19

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Website		http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/
Facebook Page		http://www.facebook.com/kmtcsocial
Volunteer Sign-up website*		http://signup.com/go/VvavYQj

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Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Interpretive Programs for AUGUST

**All park programming is free and open to the public. No registration required unless noted.

Programs start at Visitor Center except when otherwise specified.

Everyday @ 1:00 pm Ranger Led Museum Tour

August 3 - 4 @ 9:00 am - 3:00 pm '34th Georgia Living History Weekend'

Come out and enjoy a weekend of interactive living history demonstrations at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. This program will consist of various infantry and civilian demonstrations. Please note that rifled musket firings are loud, especially to those with hearing sensitivity (i.e. dogs, children, etc.).

August 4 @ 11:00 am & 2:00 pm 'Cheatham Hill Walk'

Join historian Brad Quinlin on a short and interactive walk around Cheatham Hill, the Illinois Monument, and the Dead Angle. Programs typically last 30 – 45 minutes. Because this program is held outdoors, it will be weather dependent.

*This program is **not at the Visitor Center**.

Parking is at 947 Cheatham Hill Dr, Marietta (the Illinois Monument parking lot)

August 10 @ 8:00 am – 12:30 pm 'Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Work Day'

Volunteers are needed for each work day to help park staff maintain the 20-plus trails of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. Parking and registration is at the Burnt Hickory Lot. The NPS Volunteer Services Agreement is required. A parent must sign the form if the child is under 18 years old. The form and directions to the registration site are available on the club's website: kennesawmountaintrailclub.org

*This program is **not at the Visitor Center.**

Registration is at the Pigeon Hill parking lot at the intersection of Burnt Hickory Rd and Old Mountain Rd

August 10 @ 11:00 am - 11:30 am 'Freaky Funky Furs: Animals of Kennesaw Mountain'

Come out and enjoy a Ranger-led program on different animal species found here at Kennesaw Mountain. The program will utilize pelts from different animals found at our park to help teach visitors more about the diverse habitat here and the animals that call the park 'home'!

August 11 @ 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm 'Guided Cheatham Hill Hike'

Follow in the footsteps of the Union and Confederate soldiers who fought here in that summer of 1864 with this guided hike. A ranger will take you along the Assault Trail, detailing the events of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain and Cheatham Hill. The approximate length of this hike is 1 mile and will be weather dependent.

*This program is **not at the Visitor Center**.

Parking is at 902 Cheatham Hill Rd., Marietta (Recreation Area # 3 parking lot)

August 17 @ 2:30 pm 'Sustainability at Kennesaw Mountain'

At Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, every day is Earth Day! Come join us for this 30 minute presentation explaining what sustainability truly means and highlighting the important steps our park is doing to be more sustainable.

August 17 @ 11, 12, 2, and 3:00 pm 'Artillery Demonstrations'

Artillerists explain the steps of firing a cannon by detailing the role of each person working the cannon. Afterwards, the process is performed in real time and the cannon is fired. The program is free and open to the public. Please note that cannon firings are very loud, especially to those with hearing sensitivity (i.e. dogs, children, etc.).

August 18 @ 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm 'Guided Mountaintop Hike'

Join us for a ranger-led hike to the top of Big Kennesaw Mountain. The hike will focus on local and Civil War history, as well some of the ecology of the area. This is an outdoor program, so please prepare accordingly. Length of the hike will be approximately 2 miles, and will be weather dependent.

August 18 @ 11:00 am & 2:00 pm 'Cheatham Hill Walk'

Join historian Brad Quinlin on a short and interactive walk around Cheatham Hill, the Illinois Monument, and the Dead Angle. Programs typically last 30 – 45 minutes. Because this program is held outdoors, it will be weather dependent. *This program is **not at the Visitor Center**; parking is at 947 Cheatham Hill Dr, Marietta (the Illinois Monument parking lot)

August 24 @ 11, 12, 2 & 3:00 pm 'Infantry Demonstrations'

Come out and enjoy an interactive infantry demonstration at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. This program will consist of a step-by-step description and demonstration of basic infantry tactics and culminate in a rifled musket firing. This program is free to attend and open to the public. Please note that rifled musket firings are loud, especially to those with hearing sensitivity (i.e. dogs, children, etc.)

August 24 @ 1 pm 'Michael Shaffer Atlanta Campaign & Battle of Kennesaw Mountain Lecture'

From the opening action at Tunnel Hill to the Fall of Atlanta, the armies moving through Georgia maneuvered, fought, and left destruction in their wake. Historian Michael K. Shaffer will discuss the various military engagements during the 1864 campaign, and provide an overview of the June 27, 1864 Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

August 25 @ 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm 'Welcome to Kennesaw Mountain'

To celebrate the 103rd birthday of the National Park Service, come out and enjoy a ranger-led presentation on the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, the Atlanta Campaign, and how these events shaped our history and the park as it is today. This presentation will utilize various maps and artifacts to illustrate this portion of history. This program is free to attend and open to the public, and will be held at the Visitor Center.

August 31 @ 11:00 am – 12:30 pm 'Guided Mountaintop Hike'

Join us for a ranger-led hike to the top of Big Kennesaw Mountain. The hike will focus on local and Civil War history, as well some of the ecology of the area. This is an outdoor program, so please prepare accordingly. Length of the hike will be approximately 2 miles, and will be weather dependent.

** Outdoor programs (Living History programs and hikes) may be cancelled in the occurrence of inclement weather).

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