



EARTHWORKS



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Troop 1776 Service Project

November 23, 2013

Troop 1776, St. Anne's Catholic Church, Marietta, came out this morning and did an awesome job of refurbishing the Cheatham Hill Dr. fence and did some trail trashing and light pruning.



They had 27 scouts and adults, working 4.5 hours (121.5 hours, total). We had two community service appointees work with us the whole time, as well. (photo by Doug Tasse)

Thanks,

Donald Olds

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December Work Day Plans

Winter hours - 11:30 AM registration!

Remember our December Trail Day check in is by 11:30 am @ Old Hwy 41 Overflow Parking Lot.

We'll assemble for trail work briefing @ the outdoor classroom by visitor center picnic area on December 14th.

Simply put, our trail work will be defining the newly approved 24-Gun Trail. Trail Head is located on Environmental Trail, the trail leads to and crosses Old Mountain Road and ends at Gilbert Rd. Areas of concern will be flagged and crew leaders advised of any special work. We'll be doing much scraping and chipping away at roots and stones; we'll proceed as able to establish a well defined trail corridor.

This is a first step process in trail construction; give yourself a Holiday present that will last a life time; Come help establish the trail!

Thanks,

Doug Tasse - KMTC Trails Director

Crew Leader Training Class

March 1, 2014

Been volunteering at our Work Days and want to go to the next level?

Want to learn more about trail maintenance and be a part of a fun group - making the Park a better place to visit?

Want to spend more time at the Park, giving back to the community?

Want to work with people, making the trail system better?

Want to learn more about our community treasure?

Here's your chance! We will be conducting a Crew Leader training class on March 1st, from 9 am to 4 pm.

If you are interested, want to sign up, or just want to get more information, contact Scott Mackay at president@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org or see him at our next work day!

Is Your Thing Invasive Plants?

"Invasive plant" control has continued to need our help and we are looking for people to lead some dedicated work days. To do this we will need you to take our crew leader training that is usually offered in February each year. You should contact Scott Mackay at president@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org if you are interested. This role will require a long term commitment with the Trail Club. We have "lots" of Invasive plants!

Creek Cleaning Crew - November Trail Work Day

I had the pleasure of working with the young men and women from the Allatoona Navy JROTC on Saturday at the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Work Day.

Clearing the creek was a dirty job and the furthest work site of the day. The youth started to work immediately and worked hard the entire morning.

We accomplished everything we had planned and then some.

As a group or as individuals, they certainly would contribute to future work days.

Thank you!

Harry Carpenter
KMTCC Crew Leader



Prepping the area for the December 14th work day - Harry Carpenter - photo by Doug Tasse.

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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!

FAX: 770-516-9120 (Call first, so I can turn it on!)

November Trail Report

"Horse Snort" - November Trail Report

A wonderfully successful November Trail Day! We had terrific volunteer participation, another 100-plus day. And we also had our new class of crew leaders there to supervise trail work and use their leadership skills.

Thank you all very much.

We worked on the East Kolb Farm Trail from its intersection with West Kolb Farm Trail to Ward Creek: almost a mile-long project. Twelve (12) areas of concern were addressed with the help of the Girl Scout "Pruning Brigade" and JNROTC "Creek Clearers". Being the Marine Corps Birthday and Veterans Day weekend, the Order of The Day was trail protection. Six teams were dispatched to do work on the twelve sections and the Scouts and JNROTC teams went to work along with the many other groups and individuals there to help. We filled ditches in the trail, broke down side berms, added protective berm to guard earthworks, and added rolling grades and nicks to aid in proper drainage all to sustain the trail.

One trail worker was working on what appeared to be a smooth trail section and asked why we were working on a "perfectly good trail". At times it may appear that way, but go out after a heavy rain and that's when problems show the best. What we did on trail day was to protect the trail in some areas so it will remain a perfectly good trail.

So, what about that "Horse Snort?" Well, as we all learned on trail day, when many horses passed by as we worked, this trail section is popular with the equestrians who use the park trails.

The volunteers also saw our Trail Ambassador Larry driving up and down the trail delivering dirt, tools and refreshments. Larry is also the park's main goodwill ambassador and trail monitor who patrols on horseback. He and his big black horse have patrolled the park for many years.

And when that horse sees something different, and she sees everything, she "snorts"!! And following our last work day, she snorted more than a few times; especially at the creek clearing and dirt fill and berm worksites. Larry says she saw it all. And, if more proof is needed that our work is seen and appreciated, many, many park users have commented to Larry about their appreciation for the work you all did.

It just makes plain good horse sense: you make a difference and do good work!

Enjoy the Holiday Season and be thankful for your park and keep on giving.

Thanks,

Doug Tasse
Trails Director

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 no particular order, of the groups who participated during Fiscal 20123(October 2012- September 2013) and Fiscal 2014 (October 2013 - Present):

FY 2013

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT ALLIANCE AT KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
ALLATOONA HIGH SCHOOL NJROTC
ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER - KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
AMANA ACADEMY
AMERICORPS NCCC TEAM
BOY SCOUT TROOP 1, SMYRNA, EAGLE PROJECT
BOY SCOUT TROOP 75, TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CH, MARIETTA, GA
BOY SCOUT TROOP 204
BOY SCOUT TROOP 252, MARIETTA, EAGLE PROJECT
BOY SCOUT TROOP 321, DALLAS, EAGLE PROJECTS (2)
BSA TROOP 277, FUMC, MARIETTA, GA
BOY SCOUT TROOP 405, McEACHERN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
BOY SCOUT TROOP 455
BOY SCOUT TROOP 510, KENNESAW FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, EAGLE PROJECT
BOY SCOUT TROOP 700, DALLAS, GA, EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS (3)
BOY SCOUT TROOP 795, MARIETTA, GA, SERVICE PROJECT
BOY SCOUT TROOP 504, SNELLVILLE, GA
CUB SCOUT PACK 422, ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
CUB SCOUT PACK 312, TURNER CHAPEL, MARIETTA, GA - BEARS & WEBELOS SERVICE PROJECT
CUB SCOUT PACK 1417, MARIETTA, GA
CUB SCOUT PACK 8750
E. PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL AF JROTC
FLIGHTWORKS EMPLOYEES
GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY AND ALUMNI
GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY FEMALE SOCCER TEAM
GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY HOUSING
GEORGIA TECH
GEORGIA TECH, DELTA CHI
GEORGIA TECH RESIDENT HALL STAFF
HANDS ON ATLANTA
HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL GIRL'S SOCCER TEAM
KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL NJROTC
KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
KOHL'S, ACWORTH STORE
KONE EMPLOYEES



HOLDER CONSTRUCTION
KSU BETA ALPHA PSI
LOCKHEED MARTIN
McEACHERN HONOR SOCIETY
OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY, NORFOLK, VA
OMEGA PRIVATE ACADEMY
OMEGA PHI ALPHA - KSU, NATIONAL SERVICE SORORITY
POPE HIGH SCHOOL FRESH LIVING CLUB
PROJECT PLUS
ROTARY CLUB
REINHARDT UNIVERSITY
ST. ANDREW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH TEEN GROUP, MARIETTA
SENIOR SUMMER PHILANTHROPY COURSE OF WESTMINSTER SCHOOLS (GLENN INSTITUTE FOR PHILANTHROPY AND SERVICE LEARNING)
SILVERPOP -ATLANTA
SIMS ADVENTURE AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER CAMP
SOUTH COBB HIGH SCHOOL (TEENS, TRAILS & TRENCHES PROJECT)
STANFORD ALUMNI
THE MOHAWK GROUP
UNKNOWN KARATE SCHOOL
US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
VOLUNTEER KSU GROUP
WALKER HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE CLASS
WALTON COMMUNITIES TSC
WALTON TEEN CORPS
WOODSTOCK HS NJROTC

In addition, the following individuals/groups/businesses have donated materials, etc. to the Club:

Zachary Fox, owner of "Fox Specialty Dogs and Street Eats" donated 6 large cases of drinking water for our November work day. Zachary has volunteered with us several times as well.

Hertz Equipment Rental, Sandy Plains Rd..

The following Groups participated this past month (November):

WOODSTOCK HS NJROTC
ALLATOONA HS NJROTC
HEWLETT PACKARD EMPLOYEES
TROOP 29 EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT
GIRL SCOUT TROOP 2517
THE NEWLY WED GROUP AT NORTH METRO CHURCH, KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY, SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, THETA CHI FRATERNITY
POPE HS HONOR SOCIETY
COTTAGES ON MOUNTAIN CREEK

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar

Date	Time	Location	Event
December			
12/7	9:00-12:00	Visitor Center	Ticket to Ride program, Douglas County Middle Schools
12/14	<u>11:30-4:00</u>	Old Hwy 41 pkg lot	December Trail Work Day - <u>NOTE - Winter times!</u>
12/25	<i>Closed!</i>		<i>Merry Christmas!</i>
January, 2014			
1/1	<i>Closed!</i>		<i>Happy New Year!</i>
1/11	<u>11:30-4:00</u>	Old Hwy 41 pkg lot	January Trail Work Day - <u>NOTE - Winter times!</u>
February			
2/8	<u>11:30-4:00</u>	Old Hwy 41 pkg lot	February Trail Work Day - <u>NOTE - Winter times!</u>
March			
3/1	9 am - 4 pm	Visitor Center	Crew Leader Training Class

SPSU Trail Test

This test is easier than my way which is to go hiking during a major rain event and see where the water is going, and more precise than Jim Moylan's technique of reading the ground like you're reading a putt on the golf course. I wish we had done this test to Curt's dip because it looked so good, but that dip will be there for a long, long time and we can try this test next time we're down there.

Bill Gurry



Mark Your Calendars!

Upcoming *Winter* 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. For *Winter*, we will meet at 11:30 am at the new parking lot, .2 miles north of the Visitor Center on Old 41 and usually are finished by 4:00 p.m. (December - February). 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.

As winter months approach, weather conditions can change quickly. 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 50,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day soon!

Nov. 9 Work Day Photos

Photos by Fred Feltmann



Allatoona HS NJROTC Creek Clean-up Project

Creek Clean-up - Harry Carpenter and his group from Allatoona HS NJROTC. Not pictured is Cindy Witt, who also was instrumental in this clean-up project on November 9th, as part of our regular work day. In the beginning of this project, a silt dam and rotting tree trunk had blocked the creek. - Photo, left, by Doug Tasse; photos, below, by Fred Feltmann



Troop 29 Eagle Project

Photos by Fred Feltmann



Jonathan Wood, Troop 29 of American Legion Post 29, Marietta, led a group of 26 adults and scouts to construct and install 10 "brigade" earthworks signs between the Illinois Monument and Kolb Farm. As you can see from the pictures, these signs look absolutely awesome and his work has set a standard for this type of signage that will hopefully be copied in other areas of the park as identification of the earthworks is made available. The project took 224 hours to complete. Congratulations, Jonathan on a job very well done! Thank you from the park staff and the trail club for your interest in Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park and good luck on finishing your Eagle Scout rank award!



Photos, above, by Donald Olds.

The KMTC & National Park Service wish you all a
very Merry and Safe Holiday Season
And a
Happy New Year!

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<http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>

BOOK REPORT

THE ROAD PAST KENNESAW

The Atlanta Campaign of 1864

By: Richard M. McMurry

Reviewed by Bill Gurry

There's another free book you can read on line at several places or download and print. This booklet is part of the public domain, published by the National Park Service, and made possible by a grant from the old Kennesaw Mountain Historical Association.

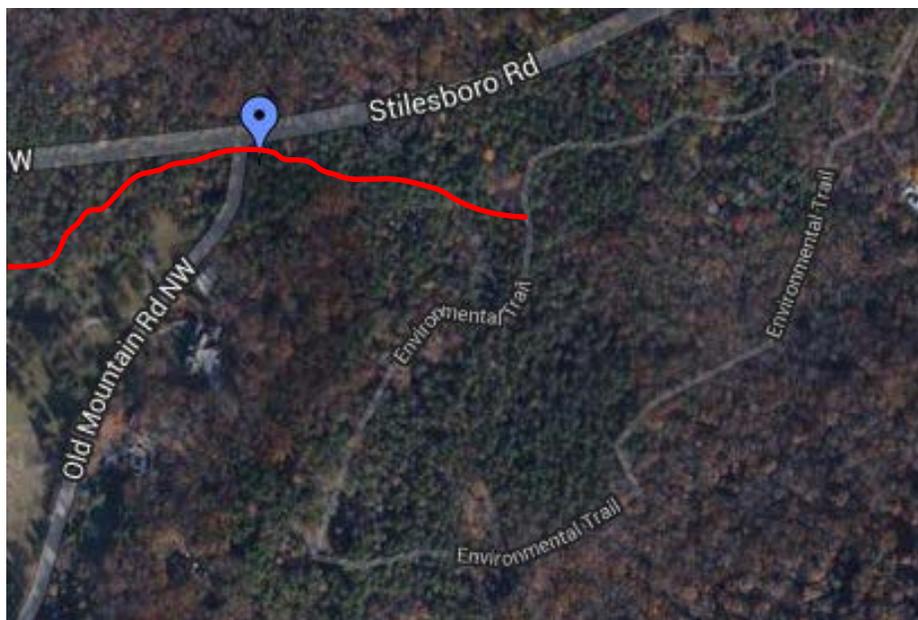
The booklet is an excellent, fairly general short narrative of the campaign. When it was published in 1972, the only general book-length study of the campaign was then 90 years old (stay tuned), so even at its short length, it filled a need at the time. The narrative covers 72 pages with many maps that I like, sketches, and several of the ubiquitous George Barnard photographs. The pen and ink sketches of Sherman and Johnston make them look like monsters. It looks like the ink may have run at the printers; on the other hand, it may have been intentional.

A chapter in the middle of the book, "In the Ranks," describes the daily life of the soldiers. The author says that history is not just about the generals and leaders, but also about the men in the ranks.

Since the movements of the armies were so dependent on the Western and Atlantic Railroad that travelled from Chattanooga to Atlanta and borders the Kennesaw National Battlefield Park (railroads were often referred to simply as "roads" in the day), the W & A may have been the inspiration for the title, but I don't remember reading that in the booklet. Nevertheless, *The Road Past Kennesaw* is a great title for a work on the Atlanta campaign.

The booklet was priced at \$1.00 when it was issued in 1972, but I must have been too cheap to buy it even at that price when I first visited the park in 1973. Instead, I bought the 1966 16-page park brochure, which is actually really good, which only cost one thin dime. In those days, it cost 50 cents to drive up to the top of the mountain, or \$1.00 for an annual pass. The brochure shows only two trails; the trail from the Visitor's Center to a clearly marked dead end on the crest of Little Kennesaw, then a trail up Pigeon Hill to another dead end. There is a picture of the cover of this brochure on the trail club website.

Editor's note: The two trails mentioned above were connected in late 1960's or 1970's. An Eagle project by Troop 287 was done in 1989 to attempt to correct erosion issues and to close several shortcuts between the switchbacks on the backside of Little Kennesaw. By 2002, this steep connector trail eroded so badly that it had become real hazard; the reroute was the second project undertaken by the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club.



24-Gun Battery Trail.

This new trail will cross Old Mountain Rd. at the noted location - it will begin on the Environmental Trail, portrayed above, continue across Old Mountain Rd., and continue to Gilbert Rd.. We will be working on this trail on December 14th, weather permitting. Please visit <http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org> to determine the current trail work plans. (The approximate location of the trail is portrayed by the red line in the photo, above.)

Civil War January 1864

The relationship between Lincoln and his military commanders was tested in January 1864 when the president commuted a death sentence passed on a Union deserter. Union generals believed that such a move would undermine discipline in the Union armies. Later in the same month Lincoln did the same thing.

- Jan 1 The weather greatly hindered nearly all forms of military activity. Sub-zero temperatures occurred as far south as Memphis, Tennessee.
- Jan 2 General Banks led his campaign against Galveston by moving along the Texan coast.
- Jan 3 Chronic inflation hit the South especially hard. Basic foodstuffs were 28 times more expensive in the South than in 1861. During the same period, wages only went up by 3 to 4 times.
- Jan 4 Lee was given permission by Jefferson Davis to commandeer food in Virginia. Such a measure may have helped his troops but not the people of the state.
- Jan 5 General Banks was encouraged by General Halleck to be more aggressive during his offensive. Halleck envisaged Union troops in Galveston by the spring.
- Jan 7 Lincoln commuted the death sentence imposed on a Union deserter. His move, as commander-in-chief, was not well received by the Union's military hierarchy who felt that it would undermine discipline even more. Union desertion was at an all-time high, especially in the Army of the Potomac. The problems were many but one of them was that men were paid a bounty to enlist. Many did then deserted only to enlist again to collect another bounty. Also if your name came up in a draft for your town/city you could exempt yourself by paying \$300. Or you could get a substitute to do your draft for you. Big cities saw a major growth area in "substitute brokers" who, for a fee, would find a substitute for someone.
- Jan 8 David O Dodd, convicted of being a Confederate spy, was hanged in Little Rock, Arkansas.
- Jan 10 The Confederacy responded to its economic plight by printing more money. Foreign governments were unwilling to lend money to it and only accepted gold for the payment of weapons. The North made matters worse for the South by printing counterfeit Confederate notes, which made confusion endemic.
- Jan 11 Senator John Henderson (Missouri) proposed within the Senate that slavery should be abolished throughout the USA.
- Jan 18 Protest meetings were held in North Carolina regarding the conscription policy of the Confederacy. All white males between 18 and 45 were required to enlist – shortly to increase to all males between 17 and 60.
- Jan 19 Pro-Union supporters met at Little Rock, Arkansas.
- Jan 21 Pro-Union supporters met in Nashville, Tennessee.
- Jan 23 Lincoln approved a plan that allowed plantation owners to hire those who had previously worked as slaves on their plantations.
- Jan 26 Lincoln commuted another 9 planned executions, as he did not want to "add to the butchering business". On the same day he approved a plan to improve trade between the Union and those parts of the Confederacy now under Union control. Lincoln was already thinking beyond the end of the war and wanted to 'normalize' internal trade as much as possible.
- Jan 31 Lincoln stated that he hoped all former slaves who wanted to fight for the Union would swear the oath but that it was not an absolute requirement. The same was true for those men who had been in Confederate ranks – swearing loyalty to the Union was preferred but was not absolute.

Source based on www.historylearningsite.co.uk



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National Battlefield Park
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November 8, 2013

Scott Mackay, President
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Kennesaw, GA 30144

Dear Scott:

On behalf of the staff at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, I want to formally thank you for your support with the debut of the park's new film "Kennesaw: One Last Mountain" on September 22, 2013. The assistance consistently provided by you and Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club is greatly appreciated. The film's debut was a great success and has drawn interest in the park across the community. I look forward to future collaboration as we prepare for the sesquicentennial commemoration of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Once again thank you for your contribution in supporting the mission of the National Park Service.

Sincerely,

Nancy Walther
Superintendent

Preparing The Way - For The 24-Gun Trail - Photos by Fred Feltmann



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150th Events at Kennesaw Mountain NBP

Thursday, June 26 – Sunday, June 29



Thursday, June 26, 2014

- 7:00 pm – Kennesaw Mountain and the Atlanta Campaign – Opening Ceremonies

Friday, June 27, 2014

All Day Activities at Main Park Entrance

- Civil War Medicine Tent with George C Wunderlich, Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine
- Children's Activity Tent
- Event Tent (Presentations, Speakers/ Authors)

Highlights of Scheduled Activities (repeated throughout the day, unless otherwise specified)

- Real Time Hike – Dead Angle Assault @ Cheatham Hill (9:00 am)
- Union & Confederate Infantry Demonstration @ Cheatham Hill
- Cannon Demonstrations @ Kennesaw Mountain Top, Cheatham Hill, & 24 Gun Battery
- 2-3 mile Guided Hikes @ Burnt Hickory & Kennesaw Mountain
- 30 minute program overview of the following sites – Visitor Center, Kennesaw Mountain Top, 24 Gun Battery, Burnt Hickory, Cheatham Hill, & Kolb Farmhouse

Musical Concert @ 7 pm, Visitor Center Event Tent

- Featuring Claire Lynch Band and Bobby Horton

Claire Lynch Band is the reigning 2013 IBMA (International Bluegrass Music Association) Female Vocalist of the Year. She has been recognized and praised as a creative force in acoustic music. Dolly Parton credits Claire with the “one of the sweetest, purest, and best lead voices in the music business today.” She co-wrote a song entitled “Dear Sister” which is about an intimate farewell letter shared between a brother and sister, their lives ravaged by the destruction of the Civil War.

Bobby Horton is a multi-instrumentalist, seasoned performer and music historian. He has produced and performed music for thirteen PBS films by Ken Burns, including “The Civil War”.

Saturday, June 28, 2014

All Day Activities at Main Park Entrance

- Civil War Medicine Tent with George C Wunderlich, Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine
- Children's Activity Tent
- Event Tent (Presentations, Speakers/ Authors)

Highlights of Scheduled Activities (repeated throughout the day, unless otherwise specified)

- Civil War Fashion Show @ Visitor Center (1:00 & 4:00 pm)
- Union & Confederate Infantry Demonstration @ Cheatham Hill
- Cannon Demonstrations @ Kennesaw Mountain Top, Cheatham Hill, & 24 Gun Battery
- 2-3 mile Guided Hikes @ Burnt Hickory & Kennesaw Mountain
- 30 minute program overview of the following sites – Visitor Center, Kennesaw Mountain Top, 24 Gun Battery, Burnt Hickory, Cheatham Hill, & Kolb Farmhouse

Illinois Monument Re-dedication (1914 – 1914)

- Reception for Dignitaries prior to Illinois Monument Re-dedication (7:30 pm)
- Rededication Ceremony (8:30 pm)
Speakers include: Georgia Gov., Illinois Gov. NPS
(McCook and Cheatham Descendants will be invited)
- Luminaries (9:00 pm)

Sunday, June 29, 2014

All Day Activities at Main Park Entrance

- Civil War Medicine Tent with George C Wunderlich, Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine
- Children's Activity Tent
- Event Tent (Presentations, Speakers/ Authors)

Highlights of Scheduled Activities (repeated throughout the day, unless otherwise specified)

- Reading of the Names of the Fallen @ Visitor Center Event Tent (3:00 pm)
- Union & Confederate Infantry Demonstration @ Cheatham Hill
- Cannon Demonstrations @ Kennesaw Mountain Top, Cheatham Hill, & 24 Gun Battery
- 2-3 mile Guided Hikes @ Burnt Hickory & Kennesaw Mountain
- 30 minute program overview of the following sites – Visitor Center, Kennesaw Mountain Top, 24 Gun Battery, Burnt Hickory, Cheatham Hill, & Kolb Farmhouse

Closing Ceremony @ 5 pm, Visitor Center Event Tent

For further information and updates see:

<http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/150Commemoration.php>

<http://www.kennesawmountaintrailclub.org/150events.php>

<http://www.battleofkennesawmountain150.com/>



KEMOTrail Corps, Inc.

dba Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club



Battlefield Volunteers & Friends,

We know that you are proud to be a volunteer at the wonderful Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. This summer from June 26-29, there will be a “once in a lifetime” event, the [150th Commemoration of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain](#). We want you to help us improve and develop our trails to ready the park for this historic occasion.

This will be a time to ensure that the stories and sacrifices of the battles fought here are not only known, but honored and passed down through the generations. This event will impact visitors, local businesses, residents and volunteers, giving all a sense of pride in this National Battlefield Park right in our back yard. Your support, both volunteer and financial, will have a lasting effect.

We are the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club, incorporated as KEMOTrail Corps, Inc. a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, partnering with the National Park Service to make possible an outstanding and memorable national event. We want this, the last of 12 sesquicentennial commemorations held at major Civil War battle sites over the last three years, to be THE premier event.

Our goal is to raise \$150,000 for the 150th Commemoration. Please keep the park in mind as you make your 2013 tax-deductible donations. Donate what you can, and if possible, please make it \$150 for the 150th!

You can donate online at www.battleofkennesawmountain150.com or send your check to:

KEMOTrail Corps, Inc.
Campaign for the Civil War 150th
P. O. Box 5208,
Marietta, GA 30061-5208

We hope you will join us in this unique opportunity. We cannot accomplish our goal without your help.

KEMOTrail Corps Fundraising Committee

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Battle of Kennesaw Mountain
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Buy the DVD for \$10.95

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Visitor Center

900 Kennesaw Mountain Drive, Kennesaw, GA 30152

Or contact Dan Beard to order the video

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<http://kennesawmountaintrailclub.org>

Sponsors/Partners Corner

Many thanks to our Sponsors and Partners for their support!

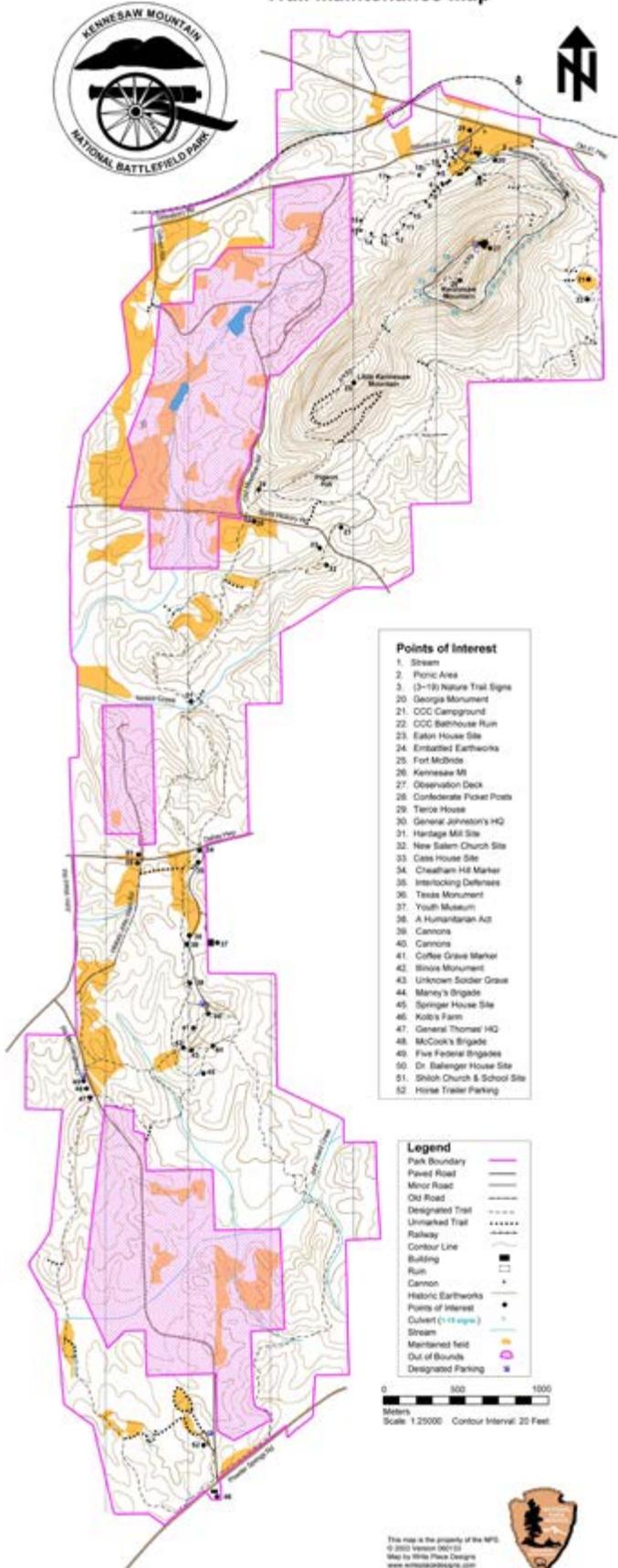


<http://americanhiking.org>



KENNESAW MOUNTAIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK

Trail Maintenance Map



January Newsletter Deadline

If you wish to have an article published in the January Newsletter, please submit it to Fred Feltmann at faf1948@bellsouth.net no later than December 20th!