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June 9 National Trails Day

Report

On June 9, 2012, the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club participated in National Trails Day, the American Hiking Society's 20th annual nationwide celebration of trails. Activities at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park included trail maintenance on some of the 20 miles of multi-use (hiking, running, equestrian, dog-walking) park trails.

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July 14, 2012 Work Plans

Trail work for the Sat., July 14 trail day will consist of the following projects. All work is scheduled on the visitor center side of Big Kennesaw and because of the summer warm weather, all work will be shaded areas.

Dennis & Susan Cook and volunteers will continue work at visitor center area. Their work will consist of weeding, trimming, stacking rock, fencing and spreading mulch.

Harry Carpenter will head up team starting at the base of the mountain going up the 'old' trail doing pruning and correcting grade dips and trail edge to the mid-mountain fire road.

Cindy Witt will have her team working on the fire road at the area between the old and new trail to add water bar/grade dip with added dirt material and also adding a water bar above the 'U' turn, past the old trail and filling over the exposed and rough rocks in the roadway. Also, they'll be clearing the drainage ditch along the upper edge of road.

Jim Moylan is looking forward to forming a team to continue work on our major project of building rock stairs and correcting the trail from the fire road base to up mountain trail.

Jay Dement and his team's task will be to continue work on the trail above the rock steps to continue the work of diverting water off the trail and minimize the rock and loose dirt in that area.

Scott Mackay's team has the area from the top of the mountain parking lot down to connect with Jay's crew. They'll be pruning and working at correcting trail edge and grade dips and paying special attention to any loose or badly exposed rock in the trail tread.

We look forward to a good day and expect to be able to finish projects on schedule (by 12:30 or 1:00 pm).

All crew leaders are needed since we have a good number of volunteers already preregistered. It's an ambitious project schedule. Please encourage everyone to come out and "Join The Fun"!

Thanks,

Doug Tasse

Outreach Director & Crew Leader

Jim Moylan & Doug Tasse Co-Trail Supervisors for July
(Randy Whitten Trail Director)

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Information tents were also set up at three (3) trail heads and manned by uniformed Trail Ambassadors to provide hiking maps, trail information and interpretive materials.

The National Trails Day weather was great! About 60 volunteers registered and received a "goody bag" with a "thank you" label, containing a 150th Anniversary national park patch, a Chick-Fil-A coupon, park map in color, and 2 granola bars. Under the leadership of 15 crew leaders, volunteers worked on 5 projects throughout the park: rock steps on Big Kennesaw Mountain; mulch, sod & stone work at the Visitor Center; trail repair in the saddle between Big Kennesaw and Little Kennesaw mountains; spreading gravel and dirt on the connector trail to Old John Ward Road; and pruning on the south part of West Kolb Farm trail. The work sites were well prepared with materials and machines ahead of time so that the work went smoothly. Crew leaders were very pleased with their teams and their accomplishments. Sixteen (16) Trail Ambassadors hosted information tents at the Visitor Center, Burnt Hickory Road parking lot and Illinois Monument parking lot. As Trail Ambassador Kerry Sustak, on duty at the Visitor Center reported, she "manned National Trail Day table talking with hikers, discussing and passing out maps, information about Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club, our monthly trail maintenance day, passing out snacks, and thanking hikers for taking such good care of their dogs by giving them a doggie treat bag containing poop bags, leash, treats, and information on canine mascots in the Civil War... High turnout and several hikers sounded committed to volunteering on the trails. Dog owners were especially tickled with the dog leashes courtesy of Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club and specifically the Trail Ambassadors. This was a very positive experience." Throughout the day, Amanda Corman, our NPS Volunteer Coordinator visited the work sites and information tents. Special thanks to our National Trails Day sponsors:

- CHICK-FIL-A (BARRETT PKY)
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Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!
FAX: 770-516-9120 (Call first, so I can turn it on!)

Mount Rainier National Park (WA) -Ranger Nick Hall Falls To Death During Rescue

Ranger Nick Hall, 34, fell to his death during a rescue attempt on the Emmons Glacier on Thursday afternoon, June 21, 2012. Hall fell from the 13,700 foot level to about 10,000 feet on the mountain's northeast side as he was helping to prepare other climbers for extrication by helicopter.

Just before 2 p.m., four climbers from Waco, Texas, fell from the glacier as they were returning from a successful summit attempt on Mount Rainier. Two members of the party slid into a crevasse. A third member of the group was able to call for help using a cell phone. As the first of the climbers were being evacuated by helicopter around 5 p.m., Hall fell, sliding more than 3,000 feet down the side of the mountain. He did not respond to attempts to contact him and was not moving.

High winds and a rapidly lowering cloud ceiling made rescue efforts extremely difficult, but with the help of Chinook helicopters from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, three of the original climbing party members were lifted off the mountain by about 9 p.m. and taken to Madigan Hospital. The last member of the party spent the night on the mountain with climbing rangers from the park. All four suffered non-life threatening injuries.

Climbers reached Hall several hours after the incident began and found that he had not survived. Nick Hall is a four-year veteran of Mount Rainier's climbing program and a native of Patten, Maine. He was unmarried and has no children.

(As a side note, in the May/June time frame on Denali, 6 climbers lost their lives in 3 separate instances.)

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 in February. 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!

Equestrian Groups "Ride To the Rescue" By Volunteering

Several Equestrian Groups and GE helped out on National Trails Day. Many thanks for their help!

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF NW GA (BCHNWG)

SADDLE UP COBB (SUC)

WEST GA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE WGMSAR)

GE (GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY)

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 2011 (October 2010 - September 2011):

FY 2011

ATLANTA AUDUBON SOCIETY
BANK OF AMERICA
HANDS ON ATLANTA
LOCKHEED MARTIN MARIETTA
KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
OMEGA ACADEMY
PEBBLEBROOK NHS
U.S. NAVY
VARIOUS SCOUT TROOPS/PACKS
WALKER SCHOOL
WAL-MART

FY 2012

AESTHETICS
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
CUB SCOUT PACK 702, MARIETTA
CUB SCOUT PACK 1954, ATLANTA
GEORGIA TECH TRAILBLAZERS
HANDS ON ATLANTA
KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL NAVY ROTC GROUP
LIFE UNIVERSITY
REI
ROBOTICS TEAM, McEACHERN HIGH SCHOOL
SERVECOBB
TROOP 1, SMYRNA, GA
TROOP 147, MOBILE, AL
TROOP 277, MARIETTA, GA
TROOP 405, McEACHERN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY

JUNE 9TH GROUPS:

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF NW GA (BCHNWG)
SADDLE UP COBB (SUC)
WEST GA MOUNTED SEARCH AND RESCUE WGMSAR)
GE (GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY)

Again, thank you for all of your support!

Another Success!

After the last work day, our KMTC Secretary forwarded to me a request from a company that wanted to have some employees come out during the week to perform a community service project. I eagerly followed up as the board has agreed that it's a good idea to engage others to volunteer at times other than our regular monthly trail day. As it turned out, we had two crew leaders and one club member and four corporate volunteers work together on a very hot Thursday, just before the 148th anniversary of the battle at Kennesaw Mountain..

The volunteers were from a Hi-Tech company with offices worldwide and headquarters near the mountain. We all worked together to clear brush, grass, limbs and do general cleanup at the Illinois Monument area. It was a job that wouldn't normally be performed on a trail club work day, but it was work that was sorely needed. Everyone performed beyond our expectations. As with many of the club's projects, everyone who has seen the work has been amazed at the transformation. The work was even more appreciated because of the large number of visitors expected during the anniversary weekend. The historian lecturing to groups in the evening at the monument was thrilled at the improvement to the surroundings.

It was a pleasure for us to work with these gentleman. It was also a great learning experience that taught us we can branch out and accept requests from groups wanting to volunteer during the week. We expect it will lead to our club soliciting companies to send volunteers to us at various times during the week as we are able to staff these work sessions.

Everyone had a good time doing a rewarding community service project.

Doug Tasse

Outreach Director & Crew Leader

KMTC - It's Not Just About Trail Maintenance....

We, as members of the Trail Club don't do just trail maintenance. There's a lot more to be done - and we can use all of the help we can get! As a case in point, on June 23rd and June 24th, the Trail Ambassadors, an important part of the Trail Club, provided 63 hours of support to the National Park Service for the 148th Anniversary of the Battle For Kennesaw Mountain. They provided information to visitors, guided them to the various demonstrations at the Park and answered questions asked by them.

Fred Feltmann



Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Calendar for 2012

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
JULY			
7/8	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
7/14	8:30 - 1:00	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	July Trail Work Day
7/14	11, 1	Cheatham Hill	Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman
7/22	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
AUGUST			
8/5	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
8/5	1	Cheatham Hill	Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman
8/11	1	Cheatham Hill	Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman
8/11	8:30 - 1:00	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	August Trail Work Day
8/13	7:00 PM	Visitor Center	Monday Night History Program
8/19	11, 12, 2, 3	Cheatham Hill	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
SEPTEMBER			
9/2-3	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
9/8	8:30 - 1:00	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	September Trail Work Day
9/10	7:00 Pm	Visitor Center	Monday Night History Program
9/30	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
OCTOBER			
10/13	8:30 - 1:00	Old Hwy 41 parking lot	October Trail Work Day
10/14	11, 12, 2, 3	Visitor Center	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)
10/15	7:00 Pm	Visitor Center	Monday Night History Program
10/28	11, 12, 2, 3	Mountain Top	Artillery Demonstrations (cannon firing)

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. 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. 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 30,000 volunteer hours to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

We hope to see you at a work day soon!

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club

THE NATIONAL PARKS FOUNDATION

2012 Active Trails Grants Program

June 2012

The Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park in partnership with the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club received an Active Trails grant of \$19,990. The project is made possible in part by a grant from the National Park Foundation through the generous support of the Coca-Cola Foundation. The objective is to engage up to 40 high school students in a program that teaches them the healthy benefits from outdoor pursuits and to have the students record their activities in photos and videos, all in an effort to encourage them to become active park users.

The program will consist of several scheduled activities at the park, including trail work (with KMTC crew leaders) on the West Kolb Farm Trail while introducing them to the historical aspects of the park. The grant will provide funds to transport the students, video equipment and materials for the trail work.

PROJECT PARTNERS

The new project partner will be South Cobb High School in Austell, Georgia. This school was chosen because it is in the same county as the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. It is a majority minority school with 66% African-American and 16% Hispanic students. Andy Cole, a South Cobb High School teacher and interpreter at the park, will coordinate the school's involvement and Amanda Corman will coordinate the project for the park.

VIDEO

The idea is to have students use video to record their activities promoting the use of the park and to start a trail information resource that will be used in the Visitor's Center. The editing and production will be handled by Mike Stoudemire with the Kennesaw Mountain Historical Association.

ACTIVITIES

The program will start with a kick-off picnic in September that will outline what participants can expect to be doing and learning through the fall. A register will be kept to log individual work and frequency of visits. Based on their successful participation, the students will celebrate their achievements at an awards dinner in December.

HEALTHY BENEFITS

The students will become increasingly aware of the connection between healthy activities and human health through the lessons incorporated into the hikes. Fitness messages will also be included in the products of this program (video, web postings etc.)

SCHEDULE

April/May, 2012	Project selected, grant agreements & check request processed
May /June 2012	Planning meetings with school staff, park staff, and association staff & club volunteers
July 2012	Project materials ordered; detailed scheduling of hikes, trail work, parties responsible, transportation
August 2012	Work at high school with student groups, school staff, and participant selection
September 2012	Student orientation, guided hikes held, kick-off event held at park, trail work planned, and creative projects underway
October 2012	Trail work underway, video projects underway, data collection on student retention, hours of students, staff, volunteers

Mid-point of the work at the end of October 2012

November 2012	Trail work completed; video projects completed
December 2012	Final hike on trails in work area; final celebration for students, staff & volunteers; video projects shared. Final data collection on student retention; staff and volunteer hours

Activities completed by the end of December 2012

January 2013	Final Reports completed
Lessons:	History, health, stretching, walking, foods, trail design & maintenance, Leave No Trace, etc.

Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club

Picnic - 2 June 2012

Over 40 folks from the NPS staff, Kennesaw Mountain Historical Society and Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club gathered on a pleasant Saturday afternoon for the first annual Trail Club picnic. Crew leaders, Board Members and guests were hosted by the Trail Ambassadors (TAs). The occasion was held to give everyone a chance for socializing away from work days and to provide continuing historical education.

Founding KMTC Board member, Fred Feltmann started the program with a prayer. He then resumed his traditional duties as Trail Club photographer.

We feasted on Chick Fil-A sandwiches and sides provided by the TAs and finished with some extraordinary desserts.

After dinner the program began with Trail Club Historian Jay Haney who spoke about what was happening on this date during the Civil War 150 years ago in 1862:

- In Richmond, VA—RE Lee had just taken command of the Army of Northern Virginia after JE Johnston had been wounded at the battle of Seven Pines during the Peninsular Campaign.
- The Union Army was 6 miles from Richmond and could hear the ringing of Richmond church bells. They felt they had won a victory at the battle of Fair Oaks. As often happened during the Civil War each side had a different name for the same battle. In this case the Confederates felt they had won the battle of Seven Pines!
- Seven Pines/Fair Oaks was the first use of a hydrogen balloon with telegraph to observe the battle and send telegrams to Union General G McClellan. This information was not used as well as it could be because the general was sick with a recurring case of Malaria. Professor Lowe, Chief Aeronaut, made this flight.
- Union fortunes were about to take a severe reversal. It was the closest the Union Army would get to Richmond for almost 3 more years of war.

Jay introduced the guest speaker, Mike Stoudemire, Director of the Kennesaw Mountain Historical Association and Vice President of the Civil War Roundtable of Cobb County. Mike spoke about the use of intelligence by commanders to impact the outcome of military operations in June's past:

- How the British commanders at the Battle of the Somme 1916 during WWI knew the Germans were exceptionally well dug in but attacked none the less.
- How American Naval Commanders used the breaking of the Japanese code to pin point the location of the Japanese attack and ambush their aircraft carriers. The Battle of Midway 1942 was the turning point of the WWII in the Pacific theater.

- How Gen. Eisenhower used a weather forecast only available to the Allies because of Allied control of the North Atlantic to order the cross channel attack that we know as D-Day 1944 during WWII.

The program continued with remarks from Trail Club President, Scott Mackay and Trail Club Secretary, Anne Strand on Trail Club accomplishments and future activities.

Superintendent Nancy Walther closed the program, expressing her thanks to all who work to make Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield Park a great place to visit.

Trip Report – Filming of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain



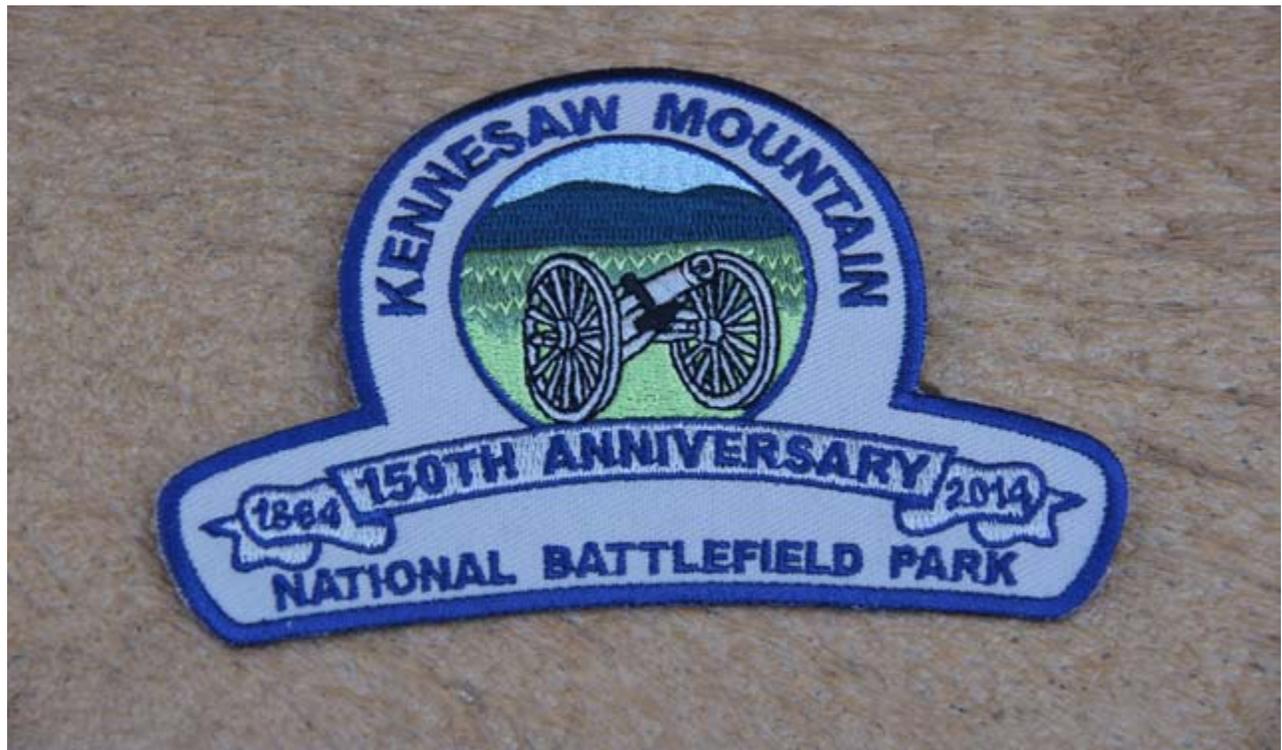
Many of you may have heard that a new documentary film is being made about the battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Since battle reenactments cannot be conducted at the park itself, the filming occurred at a site in North Georgia. After several weeks of site preparation, the stage was set for civil war reenactors from around the United States to converge at the site and depict the various battle scenes that occurred right in our park in late June and early July of 1864.

The park had several people on hand to help with ensuring that the scenes were accurate. Willie Johnson, our park historian was there providing oversight. Historian Brad Quinlin was a consultant for the project and he was on site during the filming. Anthony Winegar, our Chief Ranger, was there as a soldier who gets shot in the chest in the battle of Cheatham Hill. The illusion of his death was intensified by explosive packets attached to his shirt.

Anne Strand, David Strand, Cindy Witt and I, Scott Mackay, were there as invited observers for the filming of the battle scenes at Pigeon Hill. The filming was very realistic! Replicas of the granite rocks, characteristic of the real Pigeon Hill, were carefully placed to create the exact look of the of the real battle area. As the Federal troops made their

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KMTC Picnic - 6/2/12



Is There Anybody Out There

Roger Waters of Pink Floyd fame was in Atlanta recently to perform a production of "The Wall". This was one of my favorite rock albums and I saw Pink Floyd on the original tour when this musical score was performed. I went every time Pink Floyd was in town; and some of it I remember. The venues have become muddled over time, but the memories are great. I know that Roger Waters wrote many of the songs and he has exclusive rights to present and perform "The Wall." I wanted to go but I think I'll just remember how it was.

One of the lyrics that I have never forgotten - "Is there anybody out there?" - came to mind again when thinking about this month's article. When we put out requests for volunteers or wait at the curb on trail day to check in volunteers, we wonder who will come. We're here and we see people passing by and wonder - "do they see us, do they know what we do?" It's like we see you, but is there anybody out there who wants to help?

In this age of cyber social connections and electronic media some may think, like another favorite lyric - "We don't need no education, No thought control". Well, I'll agree we're not out to control your thoughts, but we do want you to come out and join us. And as far as the "Education" - we hope that all our volunteers feel that they know more about what it takes to maintain and improve Kennesaw Mountain and more about the reason that it has been preserved as a National Battlefield Park.

Don't let a "Wall" stand in your way; tear it down and come volunteer at the "Mountain"

Thanks,

Doug Fasse
Outreach Director



The Butterfly Peas are back! They can be found in various shades of blue. Photo by Fred Feltmann

Kennesaw Mountain Step Project

The project re-doing the rock steps on Big Kennesaw has turned into a bigger chore than anticipated. The Trail Club has spent 3 workdays on the project, but will finally finish it up during our July 14 workday. During our last workday on June 9th we split volunteers into 2 groups. One group of 7 strong guys spent half the workday dragging boulders out of the woods and over to where the steps were being built while the second group groomed & graded the step area, then carefully maneuvered each boulder into place.

And not just any boulder will do -- even though Kennesaw Mountain is one huge pile of rocks, only boulders with large flat surfaces & the right dimensions can be used for steps and sometimes finding them can be difficult. So far the project has involved finding, digging up, and then dragging well over 1 ton of boulders to the work site from as far away as 150 yards. At the end of each work day, volunteers can easily see how much they've accomplished and take satisfaction in knowing they've made a real improvement in the park!

Jim Moylan

The Filming of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain - Continued from Page 6

assault up the hill, the Confederate troops were firing rapidly at them from behind their barricades. Cannon shells were exploding and heavy smoke was moving through the trees, obscuring the view of the Hardage farm fields and Burnt Hickory Road in the valley below them. The Confederates repelled the attack and the Federals called for a retreat as bullets and cannon shells continued to follow them back down to the valley.

Other scenes that were filmed include the battle of Kolb Farm, the battle of Cheatham Hill and the truce at Cheatham Hill to recover the wounded and dead.

Once the film is completed and edited, it will become the movie shown at the park Visitor Center. Its debut will be in 2014 in time for the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

More photos: <http://www.mackayhouse.com/Current/Filming%2012/index.html>

BOOK REPORT

ATLANTA WILL FALL: Sherman, Joe Johnston and the Yankee Heavy Battalions

By Stephen A. Davis

Reviewed by Bill Gurry

No doubt that if you have read any significant amount about the Atlanta campaign and look in the acknowledgements, bibliography, or notes of the materials you read, you have seen the name of Dr. Stephen A. Davis. Steve Davis lives in Cobb County and is a noted researcher and author on the Atlanta campaign and other Civil War subjects.

The title, "*Atlanta Will Fall*," is based on a quote in a May 24, 1864 article by Henry Watterson, the "*Shadow*," in the Mobile Alabama Advertiser. Davis' theme, repeated throughout the book, is that it was a foregone conclusion that Major General William T. Sherman's armies would take Atlanta as predicted by the Shadow. Davis asserts throughout (beginning in the subtitle of the book) that Sherman won the campaign due to his own superior generalship, due to overwhelming Federal numbers and resources, and due to poor generalship by Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston. This premise is very well supported.

This book is about strategy and military politics; so don't look for long descriptions of battles here. For example, the June 27 attacks at Kennesaw Mountain are covered in just 2 or 3 paragraphs. Rather, the book is more about how and why the armies got to where they did and about critiques of the commanders.

The book is presented in two sections, each with its own set of footnotes. The first is about the conflict between Sherman and Johnston from north Georgia to Atlanta until Johnston was relieved on July 17 and one-legged General John B. Hood was placed in command. The second part covers the conflict between Sherman and Hood from the battles around Atlanta to the fall of the city on September 2. Davis' main theme in part two is that the combative Hood gets a "bum rap" whenever historians hold him responsible for the fall of Atlanta because of smashing his armies against Sherman's superior forces. Davis points out that the aggressive Hood was put in command to attack. According to Davis, by the time Hood took command, "the fall of Atlanta was forgone."

The book runs 215 pages in its original printing with footnotes, maps, and bibliography. "*Atlanta Will Fall*" has been reprinted and I've seen it for sale in the Kennesaw Mountain Visitors Center.

From the above, readers might believe that Steve Davis is an admirer of Federal Major General William Tecumseh

Sherman. Don't be deceived. Davis has a new book expected out soon entitled "*What the Yankees Did to Us: Sherman's Bombardment and Wrecking of Atlanta*." I am told this new work will be the most detailed, in-depth study of the damage done to Atlanta and its citizens during the siege of Atlanta and after. Davis had a hand in the "*War In Our Backyards*" exhibit at the Atlanta History Center and has written on this same subject in the past.

Also of interest, in the Fall, 1984 issue of "*The Atlanta Historical Journal*," Steve Davis teamed with well-known Atlanta campaign author and lecturer Dr. Richard McMurry on "*A Reader's Guide to the Atlanta Campaign*" that goes on for 13 pages with short descriptions of publications on the Atlanta Campaign published prior to 1984.



Water diversion feature - added to approach trail enroute to Little Kennesaw Mtn from the Visitor Center - photo by Fred Feltmann.



Photo by Jay Haney

National Trails Day - June 9, 2012



*Photos above and to the right -
Cindy Witt*

Photo below - Kay Piper



*Photos (Lower left and below -
Jim Moylan*



Other June Activities



Scouts spreading surface materials on June 16th.



Lets' put that "rock" right about.....there! - July 1st.



Break time - July 1st



He went that-away. Ken Shogren giving a fellow horse rider some information about the trails. (June 16th)



Living History - 148th Anniversary - June 23rd



150 years ago during the Civil War—July 1862

- July 1 Battle of Malvern Hill, Virginia. Final battle of the Peninsular campaign a Union victory. But, McClellan continued his withdrawal to the Potomac.
- July 2 Morrill Land Grant Act approved by President Lincoln. Authorized the organization of land grant colleges.
- July 12 Morgan's Confederate raiders capture Lebanon, KY on their first raid
- July 13 Garrison at Murfreesboro, TN captured by Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest
- July 14 Secession of the western counties of Virginia recognized by Senate as state of WV
- July 15 Iron clad CSS Arkansas sorties from Yazoo River and passes the combined Union fleets inflicting severe damage and steaming on to Vicksburg, MS

Photo # NH 73378 CSS Arkansas running through the Union fleet, 15 July 1862



THE CONFEDERATE RAM "ARKANSAS" BUSHING THROUGH THE UNION FLEET AT VICKSBURG, JULY 15, 1862.

- July 16 Confederate representative meets with Napoleon III of France to discuss foreign aid
- July 22 President Lincoln presents the Emancipation Proclamation to the Cabinet
- July 29 Belle Boyd, Confederate spy, captured

Trail Club Shirts and Merchandise Available

http://www.cafepress.com/kennesaw_trails

100% Cotton Denim Embroidered Shirt \$35.00



Support your club and Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park by showing the colors. We have a selection of shirts both long-sleeved and short-sleeved available in our online Gear Store. 20% of the purchase price of any of our products goes directly to support the park.

The yellow tee shirt (\$17.99) with the club logo on the back has become the default standard uniform shirt for trail workdays. The bright yellow color stands out in the woods, and the logo is clearly visible when you are bent over swinging a Pulaski or a MacCloud.

If you would like to have one or more shirts at this price, e-mail **Jay Dement** at tees@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org with your name, size, and quantity of shirts. The Yellow shirt is available at a special price of \$15.00 during Trail Maintenance on the second Saturday of the month.

Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Staff Thanks County Workers For Extra Effort

Thomas Sparks, facility manager of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, sent a letter to the Cobb Department of Transportation thanking staff for assistance recently when large boulders fell on Kennesaw Mountain Road. The boulders had forced closure of the road and created safety hazards for park visitors and staff.

“A crew from Cobb County DOT promptly responded,” Sparks said. “The crew removed the boulder as well as another large boulder that had become dislodged and was going to fall on the roadway. After completion of the boulder removal, the crew repaired the road and cleaned up the area. Without the help of Cobb County DOT, Kennesaw Mountain would not have been able to get the road open nearly as quickly.”



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2012 Activities at Kennesaw Mountain Battlefield

June:

June 1 – July 27: Fun-at-the-Mountain Fridays | Each Friday children can have fun with the rangers, participating in various nature and history centered activities that encourage hands-on involvement. Programs last approximately one hour, beginning at 1 pm each Friday.

June 9: National Trails Day | 8:30 am - 1 pm meet @ Old Hwy 41 Parking Lot.

June 10: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

June 17: 11, 1 Cheatham Hill Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman

June 23-24: 148th Battle Anniversary | Various events commemorating the anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Artillery and infantry demonstrations presented, along with civilian and military life encampments.

July:

July 8: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

July 14: 8:30-1:00 Old Hwy 41 parking lot Trail Work Day
11 am, 1 pm Cheatham Hill Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman

July 22: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

August:

August 5: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.
11 am, 1 pm Cheatham Hill Talk about Cheatham Hill battle, Phillip Whiteman

August 11: 8:30-1:00 Old Hwy 41 parking lot August Trail Work Day

August 13: Monday Night Program | These programs cover a variety of historical and culturally relevant topics delivered by subject experts. Speakers are to be announced; please check back later for more details.

August 19: Artillery Demonstration @ Cheatham Hill | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

September:

September 2 - 3: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

September 10: Monday Night Program | These programs cover a variety of historical and culturally relevant topics delivered by subject experts. Speakers are to be announced; please check back later for more details.

September 30 : Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

October:

October 14: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

October 15: Monday Night Program | These programs cover a variety of historical and culturally relevant topics delivered by subject experts. Speakers are to be announced; please check back later for more details.

October 28: Artillery Demonstration @ Mountain Top | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm.

November:

November 11: Artillery Demonstration @ Visitor Center | 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 3 pm

December:

148th Anniversary of the Battle For Kennesaw Mountain



Living History Presentations. Photos by Victor Williams, June 23, 2012



Leave No Trace **A w a r e n e s s W o r k s h o p**

Presented by the Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club
Saturday, August 18, 2012
REI Kennesaw

The Awareness Course is a vital component of the nationwide Leave No Trace program, to help recreationalists minimize their ecological impact while enjoying the outdoors. This program assists the participants in learning more about the seven principles of Leave No Trace.

There is no charge for this informative workshop and participants will receive a certificate upon completion. Seating is limited to 25 participants. For more information and to sign up go to www.jaydphotos.com/LeaveNoTrace.htm.



leave no trace

- Plan Ahead and Prepare
- Travel and Camp on Durable Surfaces
- Dispose of Waste Properly
- Leave What You Find
- Minimize Campfire Impacts
- Respect Wildlife
- Be Considerate of Other Visitors



Date: Saturday, August 18, 2012
Time: 10:30 am
Place: REI Kennesaw
(740 Barrett Parkway)
www.rei.com/stores/125

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TO: Trail Maintenance & Hiking Club Release

ITEM: Article below on Southeastern Foot Trails Coalition Region Meeting Sept. 20-23, 2012

RELEASE DATE FOR PUBLICATION: Immediately, especially anytime before mid-July, 2012

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Southeastern Foot Trails Coalition Invites Your Club Members to Tennessee's Cumberland Plateau Gathering in September

Members of the 40 hiking and trail maintenance clubs in the Southeast interested in hiking the trails on the Cumberland Plateau or wanting to know more about all aspects of trails and trail building/maintenance are invited to the 7th biennial meeting of the Southeastern Foot Trails Coalition (SEFTC) at Fall Creek Falls State Park in southeastern Tennessee near Pikeville on the Cumberland Plateau on September 20-23, 2012, about 70 miles north of Chattanooga.

The SEFTC is a coalition of most all the hiking and trail maintenance organizations in the Southeast, representing over 40 such clubs from Florida to Virginia and Kentucky.

The coalition leadership has planned a fun and informative four days. There will be numerous trail-related workshops led by experts in the field. A variety of hikes are planned, both inside this 25,000-acre state park and in the surrounding state/protected areas of the Cumberland Plateau. Trail fellowship and a wide exchange of ideas are part of the offering. Special speakers and entertainment will be yours each evening.

Much of the beautiful lakeview lodge, cabins, and campground have been reserved by SEFTC for this weekend. Part-weekend registration and attendance is available for those not able to be present the full time.

Early registration now is encouraged. Some fees go up August 1, and there is a limit to housing with almost no alternatives nearby outside the park.

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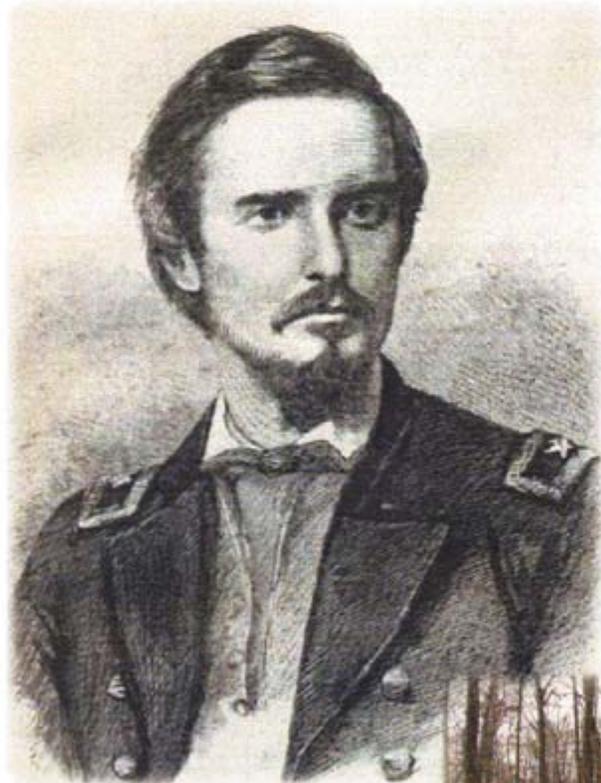


Cheatham Hill Battlefield Guided History Walks

You are invited to join historian Phillip Whiteman on guided history walks of the Cheatham Hill battlefield area!

The walks take place on:

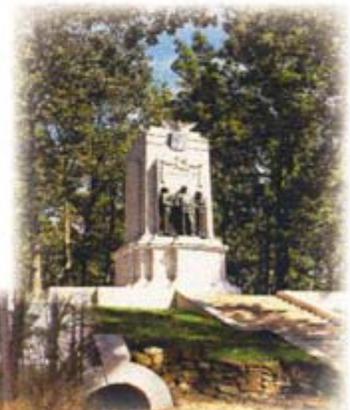
~~May 26~~
~~June 17~~
July 14
August 5



Col. Dan McCook

Walks are at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM on each date. No advance registration is required and the walks are free of charge.

For questions on this or any other program offered, please call us at 770-427-4686 x 0 between 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM.



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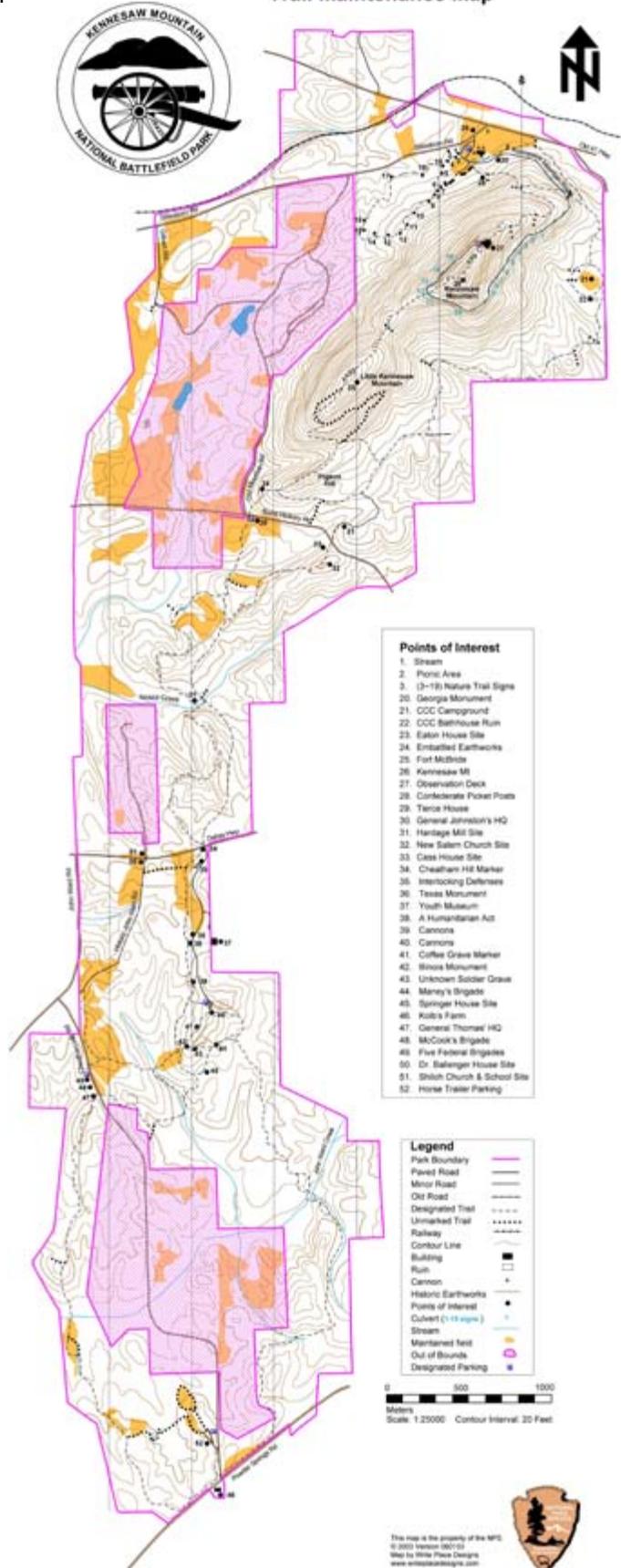


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KENNESAW MOUNTAIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK

Trail Maintenance Map



August Newsletter Deadline

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