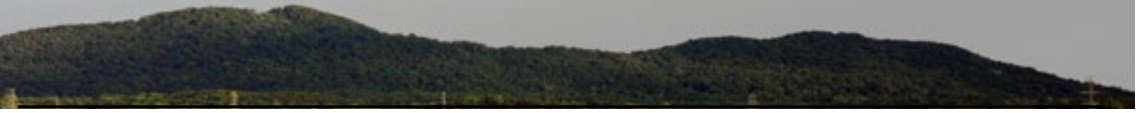




# EARTHWORKS



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## NPS Will Host A Virtual Summer Camp In June

Also, KMNBP will be hosting a Virtual Summer Camp June 1 – 5 - <https://www.facebook.com/events/866262777189555/>

See their Facebook page for other events this summer. They will be listed at either <https://www.facebook.com/KMNBP> or [www.nps.gov/kemo](http://www.nps.gov/kemo). See also pages 13 & 14.



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## Recommendations For Trail Users On Observing Physical Distancing Minimums

There are a number of specific recommendations for advising the public to keep safe physical distancing when in parks or on trails:

- Follow CDC's guidance on personal hygiene prior to heading to trails — wash hands, carry hand sanitizer, do not use trails if you have symptoms, cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing, etc.
- Observe at all times CDC's minimum recommended physical distancing of six feet from other people. Practice it and know what it looks like. Keep it as you walk, bike or hike.
- Warn other trail users of your presence and as you pass to allow proper distance and step off trails to allow others to pass, keeping minimum recommended distances at all times. Signal your presence with your voice, bell or horn
- Note that trail and park users may find public restrooms closed — be prepared before you leave and time outings so that you are not dependent on public restrooms.
- Bring water or drinks — public drinking fountains may be disabled and should not be used, even if operable.
- Bring a suitable trash bag. Leave no trash, take everything out to protect park workers

There is no question that this is a fluid and evolving situation. The experiences of other countries have shown that more stringent measures may be employed by the government to restrict the use of public spaces and private facilities. This guidance is current today, but park and recreation professionals and agency directors should monitor CDC guidance and local, state and federal updates daily.

For more information about NRPA's response to COVID-19, as well as available resources for park and recreation professionals, please see our Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) webpage.

Richard J. Dolesh is an editor-at-large for NRPA and Allison Colman is NRPA's Director of Health.

## Bridge Replacement Coming!

The bridge(s) that cross John Ward Creek on the north loop of the Kolb Farm East Trail have been deteriorating for some time now. Prep work has begun, as can be seen by the trail rework north of the current bridge and the rip rap being stored there. Once the complete Park operation reopens, the Trail Club may be installing a new bridge, similar to the one previously installed over John Ward Creek on the Kolb Farm West Trail.

Stay tuned!



*Photo by Dave Skilling. Current Bridge over John Ward Creek on the Kolb Farm East Trail.*



## Irrigation of Farm Land at the Base of Kennesaw Mountain

Kennesaw Mountain is basically a huge rock outcropping covered by mineral soil and topped with organic soil. Both soil layers are deep enough to sustain and support roots of large trees. When it rains significantly, the water passes through the layers of soil and reaches the rock outcrop surface. The water drains down the rock outcrop surface accumulating additional water as it flows to the base of the mountain where under the increased hydrostatic pressure it breaks the ground surface as springs. This spring water was channeled into irrigation ditches which supplied water to farm crops and orchards. Evidence of these ditches can be seen as a channel along a portion of the Park's Environmental Trail near the Visitor Center. Moss-covered stones dam the water along the channel and are visible to the keen-eyed hiker. These dams captured the water and allowed diversion of the water to rows of farm crops. While walking the Environmental Trail counter-clock-wise, the channel and associated dams are located about 60 yards after the cut off to the 24-Gun Trail.

On the 24-Gun Trail near the center set of rock steps and the bridged creek crossing is a moss-covered stone dam. The dam is about 50 feet across and about 3 feet high at the center. This dam captured water to form a pond which was used for agricultural crop irrigation.

None of the rocks used to control erosion on the Park's trails were taken from any military earth work or any agricultural structure in the Park. The rock used for crib walls and steps used to reduce the effect of erosion were bought from local rock sources outside the Park. The reason for using bought rock used for crib walls and steps was not to disturb or change the existing rock on military earth works and agricultural structures on the surrounding ground of the Park.

**Geoff Grosguth**

Crew Leader

*Left - Rock dam between rock steps and bridge over creek.  
Bottom - irrigation ditch with periodic rock dams to slow water; on Environmental Trail, just past split for 24-Gun Trail.*

*Photos by Geoff Grosguth.*



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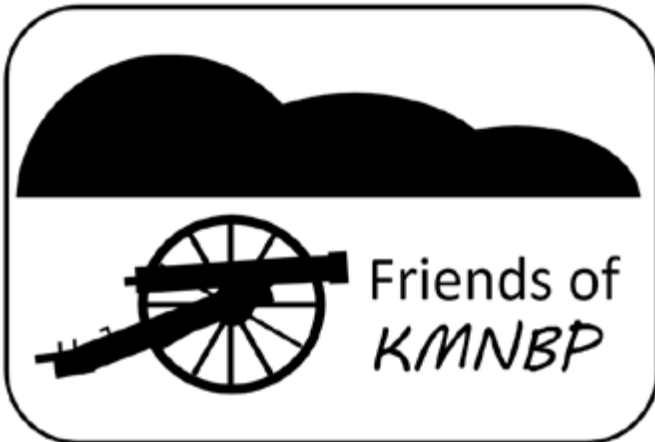
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**Additional Volunteers needed! Call today!**



*155th Anniversary - 6/29/19 - Artillery demonstration - Atop Kennesaw Mtn - photo by Fred Feltmann*



The Friends of KMNBP's mission is to raise funds to support programs and projects at the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

Your Membership helps to fund this mission.

Please join us.

Our website is [FriendsOfKMNBP.org](http://FriendsOfKMNBP.org).

Visit to find out more info, to donate, or to sign up for one of our Board positions or to register as a member of the Friends organization.

**Our Mission:**

The mission of the Friends of KMNBP is to work in partnership with the National Park Service and the local community to raise annual funding for projects and activities in the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park.

**Programs supported:**

- Outdoor Education
- KEMO Trail Club
- Living History
- Trail Ambassadors

**Open Positions:** Membership Chair  
 Audio File Transcriber  
 1-Year Board Members

Contact Scott Mackay for info/details:

[box2105@mindspring.com](mailto:box2105@mindspring.com)

## 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 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) (3 PROJECTS)  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 287 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (2 PROJECTS)  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 433 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT) (2 PROJECTS)  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 442 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)  
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 PROJECTS)  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 1011 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)  
BOY SCOUTS T 8880  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 8880 (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT)  
CUB SCOUT PACK 204, MARIETTA  
GUMBERLAND SCHOOL  
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
FLIGHTWORKS  
FRIENDS TO THE FORLORN PITBULL RESCUE  
GEORGIA TECH  
HARRISON HS BETA CLUB  
HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB  
HARRISON NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
HILLGROVE HS NJROTC  
KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS  
KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS HOPE  
KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HS NJROTC  
KSU  
KSU BETA ALPHA PSI  
MARIETTA HS  
MT PARAN CHURCH  
PACESETTER STEEL  
SCA  
SPRAYBERRY HS HOPE



TRUST  
US ARMY  
VOLUNTEER KSU  
WHEELER HS  
WOODSTOCK HS NJROTC



### FY 2020

ALLATOONA HS NJROTC  
BOY SCOUT TROOP 89  
KING'S ACADEMY HS ARMY JROTC  
HILLGROVE HS NJROTC  
POPE HS - NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY  
RIVER RIDGE HS  
RIVER RIDGE HS ARMY JROTC  
TRUST (KSU)  
WALKER HS

Our May Work Days were cancelled because the coronavirus.

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### **Wanted: Membership Chair!**

"The Friends of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park is looking for a personable, self-starting, take-charge volunteer to lead their membership team. [Contact Scott Mackay at box2105@mindspring.com.](mailto:box2105@mindspring.com)"

### **Park Visitation Outdistances That At Other Civil War Battlefield Parks!**

Kennesaw Mountain again topped the charts in 2019 as the most-visited Civil War Battlefield Park in the country! In 2014, Kennesaw Mountain NB Park had 2,360,256 visitors and in 2019 we had 2,621,050 visitors far surpassing:

--Gettysburg 925,117  
--Chickamauga/Chattanooga 977,158  
--Fredericksburg/Spotsylvania 906,800  
--Vicksburg 576,456  
--Manassas 510,427

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## RE-IMAGINING

With our being 'shelter-in-place' for periods of time; did you imagine that that would happen? Now we even have to re-imagine what is going to happen.

That word "Re-imagine" came up on some news or talk show; I actually don't recall but when I heard it I jotted it down. It struck me as odd that we're now looking at things much differently than several months ago.

Of course a lot of us older folks have been experiencing things that we could only imagine many years ago. Hopefully, there are lots of young volunteers who come out on Trail Days, read the newsletter and are thinking about what may occur in the future.

Recently TV's "Saturday Night Live" has had a couple of the broadcasts performed at the actors & musicians homes via in house media (ie. computer).

The shows came off really well with many different scenes. Quite well done and didn't look at all like my webinars or facetime. I figured, well these people are pros at what they do and I imagined that's why they're there.

Usually, I'm asleep at the end of the show, maybe because it was a new experience seeing it done this way, I was still awake. Then something else happened, I watched (read) the rolling credits. Ever done that? There are so many people involved with putting what I thought were just homemade videos together that it was mind blowing. Now I've re-imagined what is behind the scenes.

With what we're all going through now is going to make people realize how much we depend on people who help get things done. Maybe now visitors to the mountain will think about who does what. If, when you go out to help you'll re-imagine yourself as even though many don't think about the aid that you've given, rock you moved or dirt that you've pushed around, you'll know that you did it and it wasn't your imagination because you were a part of the show.

Of course, doing work at the park may not be the same. As many of you know trail work usually involves 'social distancing.' Don't want anyone working too close together when swinging a tool or working equipment.

And who knows how helping out on a park program will be, especially working with school children. Even group hikes will be different. Re-imagining is indeed working, thinking and interacting in a different way. You'll hear that things will never be the same, well are they ever...ah no... be thankful that you can now re-imagine how things are and will be.

Be strong, safe and well. Thanks,

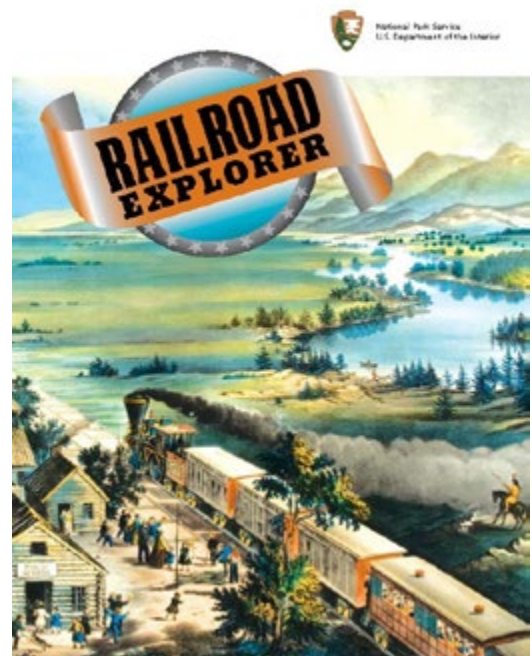
*Doug*

ps: Special thanks to recent graduates. Thank you for your service with our club.

Your being around the older volunteers will influence you by seeing what good people do. Continue trying, work at being best and you will succeed. Really you will! Congratulations, Graduates.

## All Aboard! New Junior Ranger Railroad Program Available Online

The National Park Foundation and National Park Service are excited to offer the newest Junior Ranger booklet, [Railroad Explorer](#), thanks to generous support from Union Pacific Railroad. This new (and free!) [activity booklet](#) is a fun way for kids and families to ride the rails from coast to coast from the comfort of your home. Through the lens of national parks, and with interactive and educational activities, kids and families can dig into the multi-faceted and multi-cultural story of the transcontinental railroad.



*Blue Heron on Noonday Creek - 4/25/20.  
Photo by Jay Haney.*

## 2019/2020 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 80+ 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, along with basic business expenses - e.g. insurance. For these expenses, we rely on your donations.

Each year we kick off a new round of fund raising and this is the 2020 big “ask.” We need your help with this, even small donations help. We will conclude this drive at the end of FY 2020 (September, 2020).

**As we approach our 18th year in operation, we ask you to please think ‘20’, like \$20.. \$40.. \$60..... \$200... \$2000. All donations to the Trail Club support our work at the park, and are tax deductible.**

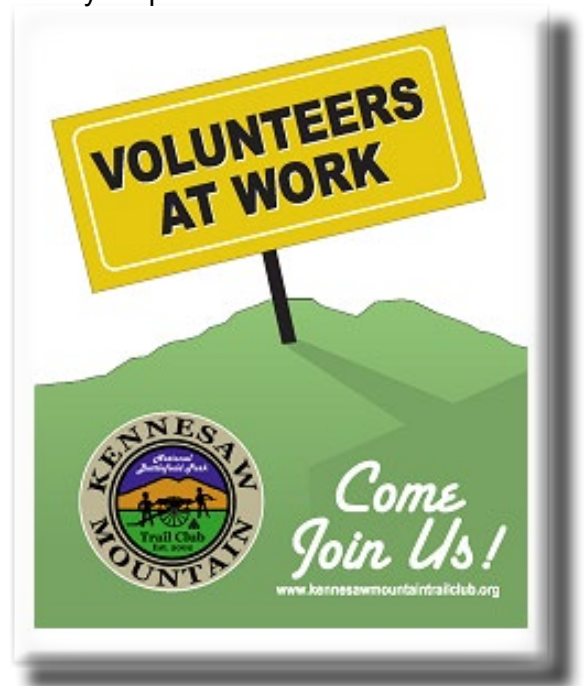
We are a nationally recognized club - having been presented the highest award in the National Park Service in 2014, “The Hartzog Award for Volunteer Group.”. There are several ways to donate:

- 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 <https://smile.amazon.com/> - look for KEMO Trails Corps
- 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

**Date**      **Time**      **Location**      **Event**

**All Work Days and events at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park are cancelled indefinitely at this point.**

**All trails are now open. All parking lots, except those noted below, are now open.**

**The Park staff is conducting Virtual Events on their Facebook Page - [https://www.facebook.com/pg/KMNBP/posts/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/KMNBP/posts/?ref=page_internal)**

**The Visitor Center, rest rooms, the Mountain Rd/Mountain Parking Lot and the Horse Trailer Parking Lot are still closed at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park**

**We will send out an email when events warrant a restart of work days and events and the Park reopens.**

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## Register for Our Work Days!

Once we start rescheduling work days, be sure to register online for our Work Days at <http://signup.com/go/VvavYQj>.

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

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## Mark Your Calendars!

### Upcoming Work Day Schedule:

All planned work days for the upcoming months have been cancelled until further notice.

If your school, church, business, or community organization would like to schedule a special work day as a team building or public service activity once we resume our work day schedules, e-mail us at [kmtctrails@kennesawmountaintrailclub.org](mailto: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 as soon as we return to our normal scheduling!



*Photo taken during Battle Anniversary, June 26, 1926.*

## Kennesaw Mountain NBP: An Overview of the last 6 months

*By Amanda Corman, Volunteer Coordinator*

Over the last few months, we have seen great change within our park, community, as well as our country. In the last six months there has been so many changes that sometimes it is hard to keep track. At the end of December 2019, Nancy Walther, the park's former superintendent, decided it was time for her to step down and retire. Nancy had a long and distinguished career working for the Park Service. She began at Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historical Park in Maryland. This is where she not only began her career but also where she first began to work very closely with volunteers. That dedication to the volunteers and volunteer programs continued throughout her career including her eight years as Superintendent at Kennesaw Mountain. Even though it was sad to see Nancy retire, we wished her the best not only in the new year, but also on her new journey.

As we entered 2020, Anthony Winegar became our acting Superintendent. Anthony, of course, has been a long-time employee at Kennesaw Mountain, first as a Law Enforcement Ranger and now as the park's Chief Ranger. He quickly stepped into Nancy's shoes and began to lead the park into the new year. As we entered our sixth week of the fee program, staff was getting into the full swing of fee collection as well as preparations for the upcoming year. Preparations were underway for school field trips, Junior Ranger Day, Living History events and Battle Anniversary, Park Day, and so much more. There were several new faces to the Kennesaw Mountain team. Earl and Steven joined the team in the fall of 2019. Sadly, Steven had to leave but still stops by to visit. We welcomed Steve from Gulf Islands for a brief period, while he stepped in for a month when Steven had to step down. We also welcomed Sheila and Aaron, who as part of a grant have joined us for a year to help with school field trips and children's programs. In February, Ladrick joined the maintenance team filling the position that was vacated by Adam. In March, Jake and myself attended the NPS History Weapons safety course in Alabama. I, already the park's historic weapons safety supervisor, became an instructor for the course, and Jake became certified as one of the park's additional historic weapons safety supervisors. As usual, every division was in full swing for the upcoming season and were preparing for busy schedules ahead. Then everything changed and everyone was affected by a global pandemic.

On March 17, 2020, the park's visitor center was closed to the general public. A week later, on March 24, Anthony and the management team, with direction from the NPS Region 2 regional office, decided to close the park completely (buildings, parking lots, trails, etc.) for the overall safety of the park's visitors, volunteers, and staff. Only a day later did Cobb County declare a State of Emergency and issued a "shelter in place" order. Staff began working from home with the rest of the country, while law enforcement and

maintenance began working a very specific schedule that would also ensure their safety. As part of the changes, the Interpretive team began offering services via Facebook (ie. genealogical request, virtual Jr. Ranger swear ins, videos, etc.) Sadly, during this time, volunteer activities were cancelled with only a very few working on projects from home. In addition, difficult decisions were made to cancel long standing programs to ensure the safety of all. However, this did not prevent the staff from continuing to remain devoted to the American public.

Throughout the last two months, the management team and park staff has worked diligently to ensure a safe return for visitors, volunteers, and staff alike once the park reopens. During the closure, staff has worked on a variety of projects. Mike has repainted the exterior of the visitor center. The Interpretation staff has produced a variety of videos for Facebook and has even been able to prepare a children's virtual summer camp (June 1 – 5 – Please tell your friends!), a variety of handbooks and trainings have been revised and/or developed, and so much more. Of course, one of the biggest and hardest decisions to make was the cancellation of the 156th Battle of Kennesaw Mountain Anniversary event. However, this doesn't mean that we will completely forget about the anniversary. On June 27 – 28, we will host a variety of Facebook events throughout the day. The anniversary will have videos about artillery and infantry, Facebook Live programs, recorded guided hikes, and children's activities. Please keep posted and share the information with family and friends. Although it will not be the same as a traditional event, we hope that folks enjoy the programs while they remain safe.

On May 10, 2020, we welcomed the park's new acting Superintendent, Lindsey Phillips. She has already jumped right in with her duties and is meeting with employees. As mentioned in last month's newsletter, Lindsey joins Kennesaw Mountain from Gulf Islands National Seashore. She has worked at a variety of parks and we look forward to having her lead the Kennesaw Mountain team over the next four months. At the same time that Lindsey joined us, the park re-opened its trails and most of its parking lots. This of course is part of a three phase re-opening process. With this stage of re-opening, Law Enforcement and Maintenance staff were able to return to their normal work schedules. The rest of the staff remains working from home until otherwise instructed.

We all look forward to returning to the park. Although there is no specific date for a full re-opening, please remember to take precautions regarding your and your families' safety. I know that we all are looking forward to getting back to the park, but I must remind you to not come to the park as volunteers at this time. Not only is it based on a very specific re-opening plan, but it is primarily for your overall safety. Continue to look at the park's Facebook page for more information about the steps the park is making toward

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## **Kennesaw Mountain NBP: Continued from Page 8**

complete re-opening.

Words cannot express our gratitude regarding your dedication, assistance, and patience as we have worked through the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact it has had on our operations. We miss each of you. Without the support and dedication of volunteers, we would not be able to be as successful as we are. Please continue to remain safe and we look forward to seeing everyone at the park again soon.... whenever that may be.

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### **Upcoming June Park Programs!**

Please be on the lookout on Facebook for these special events. Here's some basic information.

- Kennesaw Mountain Backyard Summer Camp - This will be week long virtual event for children. This is for upper elementary age; however, I'm sure anyone can participate in it. It will be the first week of June (June 1 - 5). We will have video posts and activities for children to complete.
- 156th Battle Anniversary - Probably the hardest decision to make was to cancel battle anniversary; however, it is the best decision for the safety of volunteers and visitors. With that being said, we will be making a variety of FB posts on June 27-28, 2020. We will have a few videos, children's activities, and even a couple of Facebook Live posts. So please be on the look out for those as well.

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### **Book review by Jay B. Haney**

Citizen-General: Jacob Dolson Cox and the Civil War Era by Eugene D. Schmiel, Ohio University Press, 2014

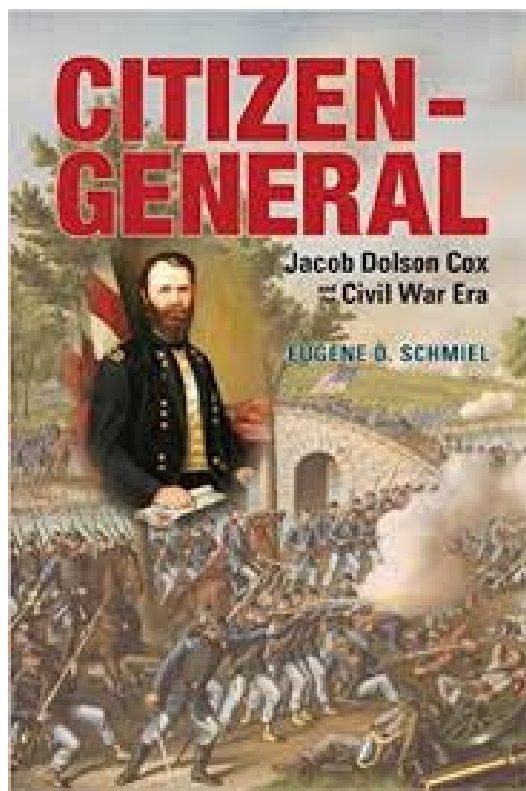
General Cox was a true renaissance man of the gilded age. He was also a key, but little known figure in the battle of Kennesaw Mountain and the Atlanta Campaign of 1864. It was his division that turned Johnston's left flank and forced his abandonment of "the last mountain" as well as the first division to cross the Chattahoochee River at Sope Creek.

"Eugene Schmiel provides an account of Cox's life and career, and the forces that shaped them, that is informative, impressively researched, and consistently interesting."

-Ethan S. Rafuse, author of McClellan's War

Book Chapters include:

- Civil War career, including the West Virginia campaign 1861, Battle of South Mountain 1862, Battle of Antietam 1862, Atlanta Campaign 1864, Franklin-Nashville Campaign 1864 and the North Carolina Campaign 1865
- Governor of Ohio (1866-1868)
- Secretary of the Interior (1869-70)
  - Implemented civil service reform
  - Dominican Republic annexation treaty
  - Indian affairs
- Liberal Republican revolt (1870-1872)
- Railroad President and Receiver (1873-1878)
- U.S. Representative (1877-1879)
- Cincinnati Law School Dean (1881-1897)
- University of Cincinnati President (1885-1889)
- Leading military historian and author. Cox wrote authoritative books about all his campaigns. His diaries are included in the Official Records in full text.
- Microscopy studies (1873-1895)



## Forest Echoes

Fred Feltmann  
2/21/99

Deep within the forest.  
Deep within.  
    In amongst the shadows and branches.  
        The birds call.  
            Call one another.  
For friendship.  
    For security.  
        To find a friend.  
            A mate.  
                Or to let others know that they are there.  
Deep within,  
    The shadows of the forest.  
        Amongst the branches.  
            In the undergrowth.  
Along its paths,  
    A chickadee calls.  
        A bluebird sings to its mate.  
            A hummingbird wings its way to another sunlit spot.  
                In search of sustenance.  
                    As sun and shadow play,  
                        Among the whispering breezes,  
                            Whispering through the pines and boughs.  
Deep within.  
    Flying amongst the branches and boughs.  
        Amongst the interplay of sun and shade.  
            As they dance among the trees and branches.  
                And all is at peace with their maker.  
                    Deep within the forest.

### *Forest Echoes - It's origins.*

When on business trips, I had a propensity to wander after work. Specifically, I liked to wander through malls, parks, museums, etc. during the evenings. And so it happened every time I visited Boston, that I would on at least one night wander the malls between Copley Place and Prudential, which are interconnected by a skyway. After a period of wandering, I would end up at the piano bar at the Marriott in Copley Place for an adult beverage and to listen to the piano player/composer Silvard Kool, who regularly played there during the 90's and 00's. And one night, he played a song, Forest Echoes, which he had composed....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M9srOBFik5w>

## On The Threshold of Liberty

Fred Feltmann  
October, 1986

(Inspired by a PBS Special - "The Making Of Liberty" - on the reconstruction of the Statue of Liberty and the Mark Isham theme, above.)

Of this Country,  
    I am.  
  
Its roads and rivers are my arteries,  
    My veins.  
  
Its people,  
    My lifeblood.  
  
Their ideas,  
    My knowledge.  
  
Their goals,  
    My will.  
  
I am Liberty.  
    Liberty for all.  
  
As my gaze is searching,  
    So is their desire for freedom.  
  
My torch is for all.  
    To show them the way.  
    To open their hearts.  
    And their minds,  
    for all.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WNk-PK169I>

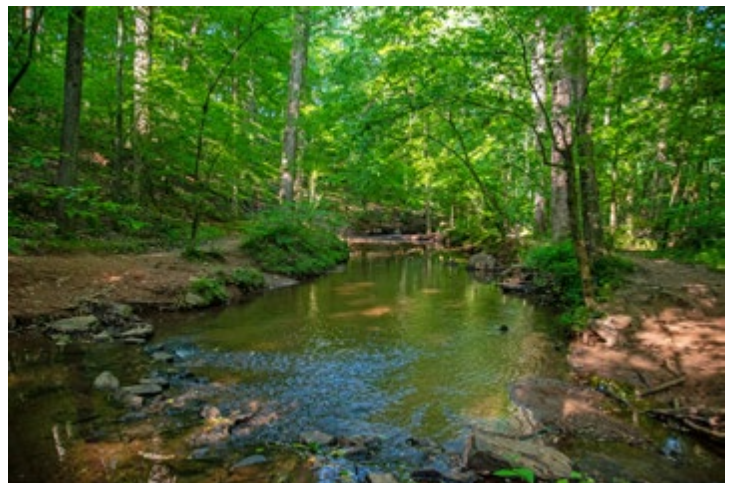


Photo by Fred Feltmann



*Ranger Jacob Boling provides a group the history of the 24 Gun Battery on 6/29/19 during the 155th Anniversary of the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. Photo by Fred Feltmann*

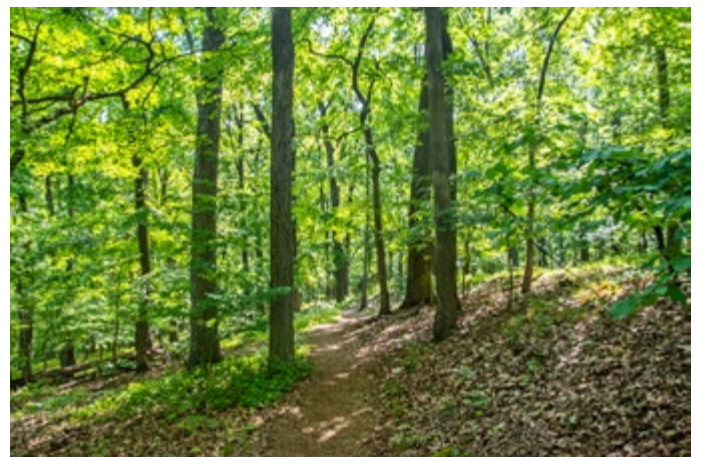
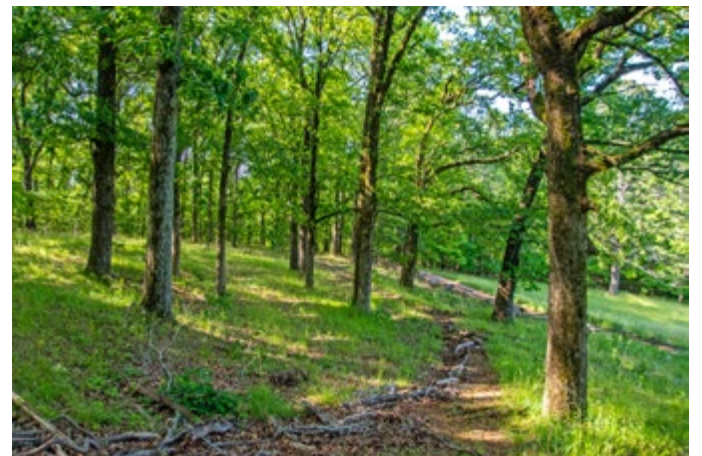
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# A Walk In the Park - Week of 5/11/20

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## National Park Service News Release

**Release Date:** Immediately

**Contact:** Marjorie Thomas

### **Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Hosting Virtual Summer Day Camp**

**Kennesaw, GA** – Next week, from Monday, June 1 through Friday, June 5, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park will host a virtual summer camp, entitled “Backyard Virtual Junior Ranger Summer Camp” geared for elementary-aged children. The park is offering this online experience as a way to fill a niche during this time of social distancing when kids might be at home looking for fun and engaging activities that they can participate in.

The online activities will be aired on the park’s Facebook page in the form of pre-recorded videos and suggested supplemental activities, and will be posted in 30 minute increments beginning at 10:00 and ending at 12:00. Each activity varies in length and may or may not fill the full 30 minutes. Cobb Water System also partners with the park for these offerings. The themes for each day are as follows:

Monday: Explore the National Parks  
Tuesday: Investigate Kennesaw Mountain  
Wednesday: Nature Hunt  
Thursday: Civil War Facts  
Friday: Look Beneath

No pre-registration is required; participants simply log onto park’s Facebook page to participate. For a full schedule of activities for the Virtual Summer Camp, visit [www.nps.gov/KEMO](http://www.nps.gov/KEMO) in the events\_section or follow [www.facebook.com/KMNBP](https://www.facebook.com/KMNBP).

While currently under [limited operations](#), Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park is using a phased approach to increase on-site access, in accordance with federal and public health guidance; trails and specific parking lots are open for increased access.

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

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Daily schedule with materials needed



*Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park*  
*Backyard Virtual Junior Ranger Summer Camp*



*Calendar of Events*

Day	10:00 am	10:30 am	11:00 am	11:30 am
<b>Monday</b> <b>June 1, 2020</b>  Theme: <i>"Explore the Nationals Parks"</i>	<b>Symbols of the National Park</b>  Materials Needed: Paper and crayons/markers	<b>Build Your Own Park</b>  Materials Needed: Basic craft material (i.e yarn, pipe cleaners, tissue paper, toys lying around)	<b>Leave No Trace</b>  Materials Needed: None	<b>Hopscotch Challenge</b>  Materials Needed: Sidewalk chalk
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>June 2, 2020</b>  Theme: <i>"Investigate Kennesaw Mountain"</i>	<b>Mammals of Kennesaw Mountain</b>  Materials Needed: none	<b>What is Water Pollution?</b>  Materials Needed: (optional: celery, water, and food dye)	<b>Bursting Buds</b>  Materials Needed: paper, crayons, or markers	<b>Celery Water Pollution Experiment</b> Materials Needed: Celery, food coloring, clear container, water
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>June 3, 2020</b>  Theme: <i>"Nature Hunt"</i>	<b>Spectacular Slithering Snakes</b>  Materials Needed: paper	<b>My life as a Tree</b>  Materials Needed: Paper plate or paper, crayons, and markers	<b>Beginning Birding</b>  Materials Needed: Empty toilet paper roll or binoculars if you have them, ½ of an orange peel, peanut butter, and bird seed	<b>Use Technology to identify plants with Cobb County Water System</b>  Materials Needed: none
<b>Thursday</b> <b>June 4, 2020</b>  Theme: <i>"Civil War Facts"</i>	<b>Gone Camping the Soldier's Edition</b>  Materials Needed: none	<b>Introduction to Land Navigation</b>  Materials Needed: compass	<b>Cannons of the Civil War</b>  Materials Needed: none	<b>Cooking Class: Hardtack</b>  Materials Needed: unleavened flour or cornmeal and water
<b>Friday</b> <b>June 5, 2020</b>  Theme: <i>"Look Beneath"</i>	<b>Leaf Art</b>  Materials Needed: Leaves. Paper, crayons	<b>Freshwater Stream Exploration with Cobb County Water System</b>  Materials Needed:	<b>The Rockin' Rock Cycle</b>  Materials Needed: fruit snacks, soft candy, or playdough	<b>Make Your own Bubbles with Cobb County Water System</b>  Materials Needed: 1 cup of water, 1 tbsp of dish soap, 1 tbsp of sugar, bowl, straw or bubble wand, spoon to stir

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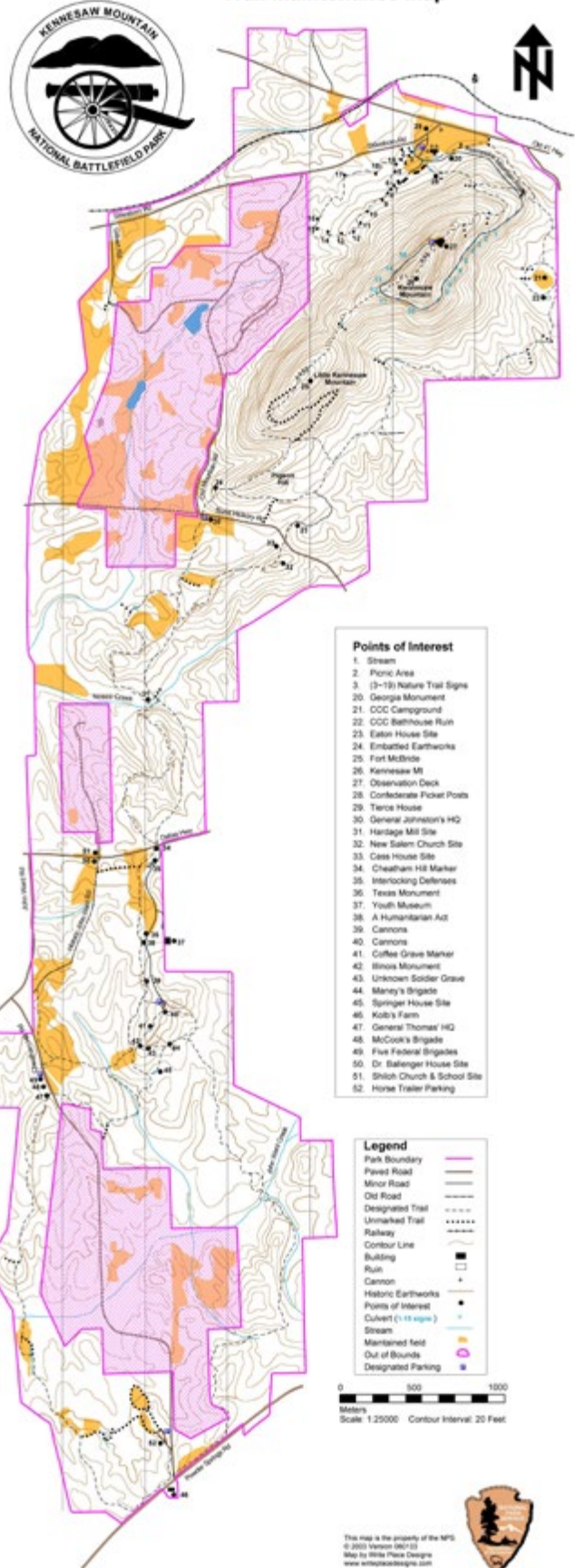


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## KENNESAW MOUNTAIN NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK

### Trail Maintenance Map



## July Newsletter Deadline

If you wish to have an article published in the July Newsletter, please submit it to Fred Feltmann at [faf1948@bellsouth.net](mailto:faf1948@bellsouth.net) no later than June 20th!

**PS** Even if you're just a "volunteer," you can also present an article for publication - and you won't be the first!