

### Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Upcoming Interpretive Programs

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

Programs start at Visitor Center except when noted otherwise.

#### Everyday @ 1:00 pm Ranger Led Museum Tour

Join a Kennesaw Mountain Park Ranger for an in-depth exploration of our museum chronicling the events surrounding the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

#### **November**

### November 4 @ 11:00 - 12:00 am 'Environmental Trail Hike'

This program will consist of a guided hike 1.3 mile hike along the Environmental Trail. It will focus on the importance of preservation, protection, and history within the National Parks. This is an outdoor activity, so please dress and plan accordingly. The event will also be cancelled due to inclement weather.

# November 4 and 26 @ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm 'Civil War Music Program'

Music during the Civil War served many functions. Not only did it help to organize and rally, but also went a long way to boost morale amongst the soldiers. Come join musician and living historian KD Braunsroth as she demonstrates this using the fife.

### November 5 @ 11:00, 12, 2, and 3:00 'Artillery Demonstrations'

Artillery (cannon) demonstrations show visitors the steps taken to fire cannons during the American Civil War. Each program lasts approximately 30-40 minutes and includes and explanation of the role of artillery during the Atlanta Campaign and at the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain. This demonstration will be held at Cheatham Hill, near the Illinois Monument.

#### November 11 @ 11:00 – 12:00 "Kennesaw Mountain's Illinois Monument: Commemorating the Past, Honoring the Present and Inspiring the Future"

The story of Kennesaw Mountain did not end after the battle in 1864, but was continued by the veterans who fought on the battlefield. Park Ranger Amanda Corman will discuss how Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park was established through efforts of Union veterans who fought at Cheatham Hill. *The program will begin at the Cheatham Hill Drive parking lot.* 

#### November 11 @ 8:30 am – 12:30 pm 'Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Work Day'

Volunteers are needed for each work day to help park staff maintain the 20-plus trails of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. Parking and registration is at the overflow parking lot on Old Highway 41. The NPS Volunteer Services Agreement is required. A parent must sign the form is the student is under 18 years old. The form and directions to the registration site are available on the club.

#### November 12 @ 11:00 - 11:30 am 'Life of a Soldier"

Life for the common infantry soldier during the Atlanta Campaign was less than ideal. Come out and enjoy an interactive Ranger presentation that will utilize various reproduced props and personal items to illustrate how soldiers lived and fought on the campaign trail in 1864.

# November 18@ 11:00 - 11:30 am 'The Importance of NPS Battlefields'

This 30 minute Ranger led program discusses the importance of preserving historic battlefields and the preservation efforts taken by the National Park Service.

#### November 19 @ 11:00, 12, 2, and 3:00 'Infantry Demonstrations'

Come out and enjoy an interactive infantry demonstration at Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. This program will consist of a step-by-step description and demonstration of basic infantry tactics and culminate in a musket firing. This program is free to attend and open to the public

## November 25 @ 11:00 am – 12:00 pm "Guided Mountaintop Hike"

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

#### November 26 @ 11:00 am – 11:30 pm "Atlanta Campaign Map Talk"

This 30 minute Ranger led program focuses on the 1864 Atlanta Campaign and how the Union and Confederate forces moved through the north Georgia countryside to the city of Atlanta. This program will also utilize the various interpretive maps and signs of the Visitor Center.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Outdoor programs (Living History programs and hikes) may be cancelled in the occurrence of inclement weather).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> For more program details, please contact Visitor Center at 770-427-4686, ext. 0, or visit our website at www.nps.gov/kemo