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SESQUICENTENNIAL
COMMENORATION EVENTS

MAY 18 - JULY 4, 1863
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Vicksburg Campaign Battle Commemorations

APRIL 19-20: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Port Gibson Sesquicentennial Commemoration. The Battle of Port Gibson Commemoration includes living history presentations, a cemetery tour and a battlefield tour in the city that was “too beautiful to burn.” A Living History will be presented at Grand Gulf Military Monument throughout the weekend. “Whispers in the Cedars,” a tour of Wintergreen Cemetery featuring the graves of local people who were active participants in the War Between the States, will take place at 7:00 pm on Friday, April 19 and at 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm on Saturday, April 20. A battlefield tour led by Brig. Gen. Parker Hills will take place from 10:00 am until noon on Saturday. For more information contact Pastor Michael Herrin at First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson at michaelherrin@juno.com.

MAY 11: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Raymond Sesquicentennial Events. The City of Raymond and Friends of Raymond present the Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Raymond and Cannon Dedication beginning at 10:00 am at St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 205 W. Main Street. The Commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Raymond will feature guest speaker Mississippi Supreme Court Chief Justice William L Waller, Jr followed by lunch in the garden. The Cannon Dedication Ceremony to honor cannon sponsors begins at 1:00 pm at the Raymond Military Park Cannon Line, Highway 18 in Raymond. The events conclude at 2:00 pm with the Grand Gulf – Raymond Scenic Byway Historical Marker Dedication at Dillon’s Farm, 5 miles west of Raymond, Old Port Gibson Road. For more information or to RSVP call Raymond City Hall at 601-857-8041.

MAY 12: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Raymond Commemoration. The program will begin at 7:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park Visitor Center, 3201 Clay Street. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 14: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Jackson Commemoration. The commemoration will begin at 7:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park Visitor Center, 3201 Clay Street. The Battle of Jackson, fought on May 14, 1863, in Jackson, Mississippi, was part of the Vicksburg Campaign in the American Civil War. Union commander Maj. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant and the Army of the Tennessee defeated Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston, seizing the city, cutting supply lines, and opening the path to the west and the Siege of Vicksburg. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 15: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Champion Hill Commemoration. The commemoration will begin at 7:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park Visitor Center, 3201 Clay Street. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 17: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Big Black River Commemoration. The commemoration will begin at 7:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park Visitor Center, 3201 Clay Street. The Battle of Big Black River Bridge, or Big Black, fought May 17, 1863, was part of the Vicksburg Campaign of the American Civil War. Union commander Maj. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant and the Army of the Tennessee pursued the retreating Confederate Lt. Gen. John C. Pemberton following the Battle of Champion Hill, in the final battle before the Siege of Vicksburg. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 18: Vicksburg Campaign Battle of Champion Hill Commemoration. The all-day sesquicentennial event on the Champion Hill battlefield will begin at 8:00 am on the grounds of Champion Hill MB Church. The historic site between Edwards and Bolton was the home of the Champion Family and later used by General Grant as headquarters during the Battle of Champion Hill. Bertram Hayes-Davis, a great-great-grandson of President Jefferson Davis, will be the featured speaker at the 10:00 am opening ceremony. He will be introduced by Michael Madell, superintendent of the Vicksburg National Military Park. Souvenir medallion will be awarded to those whose ancestors fought in the May 16, 1863 battle. You must be present to receive the medallion. Following the program, Lunch on the Lawn will be served ($10.00 a plate). Highlights of the afternoon will feature a stroll to the “Hill of Death” followed by a reenactment and a historic marker dedication at the Champion Hill Crossroads. Admission is free. Visit www.battleofchampionhill.org for more information.

MAY 19: Commemoration of First Assault on Vicksburg. First Assault programs begin at 10:00 am with the Confederate perspective at Stop 12, Stockade Redan in the Vicksburg National Military Park. The Union perspective begins at 1:00 pm at Stop 5, Stockade Redan Attack. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 22: Second Assault of Vicksburg Defenses. Second Assault programs begin at 10:00 am at three separate locations in the Vicksburg National Military Park: Stop 5, Stockade Redan Attacks (The Forlorn Hope), Second Texas Lunette Attack and Assault on the Great Redoubt. At 1:00 pm the Assault on Railroad Redoubt will begin. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

JUNE 7: Commemoration of Battle of Milliken’s Bend. The Battle of Milliken’s Bend, fought June 7, 1863, was part of the Vicksburg Campaign of the American Civil War. Confederate Lt. Gen. John C. Pemberton and his army were besieged in Vicksburg, Mississippi, by Union commander Maj. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant and the Army of the Tennessee. In an effort to cut Grant’s supply line and relieve the city, the Confederates attacked the Union supply area at Milliken’s Bend up the Mississippi. The Milliken’s Bend area, 15 miles to the northwest of Vicksburg, had until recently served as a staging area for Grant’s Vicksburg Campaign. It was a site of supply depots and hospitals, many of which were manned and guarded by black soldiers, some of whom were recently recruited men who were freed slaves. Although a relatively small battle, it was distinguished by the prominent role played by black Union soldiers who, despite lacking much military training, fought bravely with inferior weaponry and finally drove off the Confederates with help from gunboats. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

JUNE 25: Commemoration of Explosion at Third Louisiana Redan. Late in the siege, Union troops tunneled under the 3rd Louisiana Redan and patch new mine with 2,200 pounds of gunpowder. The explosion blew apart the Confederate lines on June 25, while an infantry attack made by troops from Logan’s XVII Corps division, followed the blast. The 45th Illinois Regiment (known as the “Lead Mine Regiment”), under Col. Jasper A. Malby, charged into the 40-foot (12 m) diameter, 12-foot (3.7 m) deep crater with ease, but were stopped by recovering Confederate infantry. The Union soldiers became pinned down while the defenders also rolled artillery shells with short fuses into the pit with deadly results. Union engineers worked to set up a case mate in the crater in order to extricate the infantry, and soon the soldiers fell back to a new defensive line. From the crater left by the explosion, on June 25, Union miners worked to dig a new mine to the south. On July 1, this mine was detonated but no infantry attack followed. Pioneers worked throughout July 2 and July 3 to widen the initial crater large enough for an infantry column of four to pass through for future anticipated assaults. However, events the following day negated the need for any further assaults. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.
May 23–27: Vicksburg Sesquicentennial Commemoration: Signature Event. A series of open air concerts will take place in front of the Vicksburg National Military Park Visitor Center, 3201 Clay Street. The US Navy Concert Band located in New Orleans will present a concert with a theme revolving around the Civil War on Friday at 7:00 pm. On Saturday evening, the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra with special guest Trace Adkins will perform at 7:00 pm. On Sunday evening, the Jackson Community Mass Choir will present a choral program beginning at 7:00 pm. All of these concerts are free to the public. Other activities during Memorial Day weekend include a display of Special Boat Unit 22, part of the Navy’s modern river forces, a rededication of the Iowa Memorial and special programs on Civil War engineering and siege tactics and on African-Americans and the Civil War exploring the roles of freeman, US Colored Troops and enslaved peoples. There will also be ranger-lead walks and talks during the weekend highlighting significant events during the Vicksburg Campaign. For more information, call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

Schedule of Events

May 24:
- 7:00 – 8:30 pm: US Navy Band Concert at Park Visitor Center

May 25:
- 9:00 am – 5:00 pm: Soldiers Through the Ages Program at USS Cairo area; Special Boat Team 22 at USS Cairo (Possile demos in Vicksburg Harbor area)
- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm: Shirley House open (programs all day)
- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm: Pemberton’s Headquarters open (programs all day)
- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm: U.S. Camel Corp program at Old Administrative Building, Pemberton Ave.
- 9:00 am – 3:00 pm: Book signings by Jeff Shaara, Dr. Michael Ballard, Rebecca Drake, Jeff Giambrone, Tim Isabell and Dr. John Marszelek
- 9:00 Am – 4:00 pm: Siege Programs at Illinois Monument Area
- 9:00 am – 4:00 pm: Living history programs at Visitor Center area and throughout park
- 10:00 am – Iowa Monument Rededication by Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad
- 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Mississippi Symphony Orchestra Concert with special guest Trace Adkins

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- 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm: Jackson Community Mass Choir

May 27: (Memorial Day)
- 10:00 am: Memorial Day Parade – Mississippi Army National Guard 41st Army Band, etc.
- 11:00 am: Program at Vicksburg City Auditorium
- 12:00 pm: Wreath Laying – Vicksburg National Cemetery at Flag Pole

MAY 25:
- 10:00 am: Memorial Day Parade of Veterans will travel north along Washington Street from Belmont to Jackson streets beginning at 10:00 am. The Memorial Service begins at 11:00 am at the Vicksburg Auditorium, 901 Monroe Street. The Wreath Laying Ceremony featuring the 41st Army Band begins at 12:30 pm in the National Cemetery with a motorcade to the cemetery by way of Fort Hill Drive. For more information contact Willie Glasper at 601-634-0163.

MAY 23:
- U.S. Postal Service Release of Civil War Commemorative Stamps. The U.S. Postal Service Ceremonial Release of Civil War Commemorative Stamps at 10:00 am in the Vicksburg National Military Park at the USS Cairo. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 23:
- Vicksburg Sesquicentennial Commemoration: Shadows of the Past. Shadows of the Past will be presented from 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Cemetery located inside the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. This will be a program highlighting veterans’ lives that are buried in the National Cemetery. For more information, contact the Vicksburg National Military Park at 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 25:
- Iowa Monument Rededication. The Iowa monument will be rededicated by Iowa Governor Terry Branstad at 10:00 am at the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 25:
- U.S. Camel Corps Sesquicentennial Program. The U.S. Camel Corp will be presenting sesquicentennial commemoration programs from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm May 25-26. Pemberton’s Headquarters is one of many historical homes in the city of Vicksburg. Martha Willis was the original owner of the home and purchased it in 1863. She was the daughter of Major Burwell Vick, brother of Reverend Newit Vick. Vicksburg would be named after Reverend Vick. Confederate General John C. Pemberton used the house from May 23 through July 4, 1863 as his headquarters during the Siege of Vicksburg, which is the major factor that gives the house its historical significance. For more information, call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

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MAY 25:
- Pemberton Headquarters Sesquicentennial Programs. Pemberton Headquarters, 1018 Crawford Street, will host sesquicentennial commemoration programs from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm May 25-26. Pemberton’s Headquarters is one of many historical homes in the city of Vicksburg. Martha Willis was the original owner of the home and purchased it in 1863. She was the daughter of Major Burwell Vick, brother of Reverend Newit Vick. Vicksburg would be named after Reverend Vick. Confederate General John C. Pemberton used the house from May 23 through July 4, 1863 as his headquarters during the Siege of Vicksburg, which is the major factor that gives the house its historical significance. For more information, call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 25:
- U.S. Camel Corps Sesquicentennial Program. The U.S. Camel Corp will be presenting special sesquicentennial programs at the Old Administrative Building in the Vicksburg National Military Park. According to park officials, during the summer of 1863 “the brave men of the 43rd Mississippi Infantry, Company A, were part of the forces manning the earthwork fortifications surrounding the city of Vicksburg. By their side was a most peculiar sight: their faithful mascot, Douglas the camel, which gave this unit its nickname of ‘Camel Regiment.’” For more information on this event call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.
Vicksburg National Military Park Special Events

APRIL 22-26: Vicksburg National Military Park Fee Free Week. The Vicksburg National Military Park will be allowing free admission during these days. Entrance fees are normally $8 per vehicle and $20 for an annual pass.

MAY 4-5: Civil War Soldier Camp. The Civil War Soldier Camp will be from Saturday, May 4th at 8:00 am until Sunday, May 5th at 12:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. This event is for 4th graders only, and there is no charge. For more information please call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

MAY 4-5: Civil War Reenactors Storytelling. Civil War reenactors will be stationed from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm at numerous locations along the siege lines telling stories about the soldiers who fought and died for their respective causes.

JUNE & JULY: “Lincoln” The Constitution and the Civil War Exhibit. The “Lincoln” The Constitution and the Civil War traveling exhibit will be at the Vicksburg National Military Park in June and July. “Lincoln” The Constitution and the Civil War, the National Constitution Center’s first originally produced feature exhibition, shows how President Abraham Lincoln’s leadership and constitutional vision steered the nation through its most turbulent years and into a future that forever changed America. The exhibition is organized into six main exhibit areas: “Secession Winter,” “Oath of Office,” “Crisis of Secession,” “Crisis of Slavery,” “Crisis of Civil Liberties,” and “Lincoln’s Legacy: The Gettysburg Address in His Time and Ours.” Through the exhibition’s media and interactive elements, visitors can stand alongside Lincoln as he is sworn in as president, view Civil War military conflicts and Lincoln portraits through a replicated 1860s box camera, play a genuine 1862 board game called “The Secession Game,” use clues to solve an electronic jigsaw puzzle, experience a replicated jail cell for citizens arrested for dissent or disloyalty, and more! Abraham Lincoln’s Crossroads, an interactive, educational game based on the exhibition, invites middle school and high school students to learn about Lincoln’s leadership by exploring the political choices he made. This exhibition is sponsored by Lincoln Financial Group. The traveling exhibition is made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities: great ideas brought to life. For more information visit http://constitutioncenter.org/ncc_exhbft_Lincoln_The_Constitution_and_the_Civil_War_Panel_Show.aspx.

JUNE 1-4; 7-11; 14-18; 21-25; 28-30: Living History Presentations. Living history presentations will be at 10:00 am and 3:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. Reenactors will give cannon demonstrations and explain the everyday life of a Civil War soldier during the Siege of Vicksburg. For more information visit www.nps.gov/vick or call 601-636-0583.

JULY 1-2; 5-9; 12-16; 19-23; 26-30: Living History Presentations. Living history presentations will be at 10:00 am and 3:00 pm at the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. Reenactors will give cannon demonstrations and explain the everyday life of a Civil War soldier during the Siege of Vicksburg. For more information visit www.nps.gov/vick or call 601-636-0583.

JULY 3: Surrender Interview Commemoration. The Surrender Interview Commemoration program will be at 10:00 am at the surrender site in the Vicksburg National Military Park, 3201 Clay Street. On July 3, Pemberton sent a note to Grant, who, as at Fort Donelson, first demanded unconditional surrender. But Grant reconsidered, not wanting to feed 30,000 hungry Confederates in Union prison camps, and offered to parole all prisoners. Considering their destitute state, dejected and starving, he never expected them to fight again; he hoped they would carry home the stigma of defeat to the rest of the Confederacy. It would have occupied his army and taken months to ship that many troops north. Most of the men who were paroled on July 6 were exchanged and received back into the Confederate Army on August 4, 1863, at Mobile Harbor, Alabama. They were back in Chattanooga, Tennessee, by September and some fought in the Battles for Chattanooga in November and against Sherman’s invasion of Georgia in May 1864. The Confederate government protested the validity of the parolees on technical grounds and the issue was referred to Grant who, in April 1864, was general in chief of the Army. The dispute effectively ended all further prisoner exchanges during the war except for hardship cases. Surrender was formalized by an old oak tree, “made historical by the event.” For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

JULY 3: Grande Illumination. A luminary will be placed at each state monument for each casualty from that state during the Vicksburg Campaign. Approximately 20,000 luminaries will be placed throughout the park and on Confederate Avenue in the city. Visitors will drive through the park between 6:00 pm and 10:00 pm to observe the luminaries. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

JULY 4: Surrender of Vicksburg Commemoration. The surrender was finalized on July 4, Independence Day, a day Pemberton had hoped would bring more sympathetic terms from the United States. Although the Vicksburg Campaign continued with some minor actions, the fortress city had fallen and, with the surrender of Port Hudson on July 9, the Mississippi River was firmly in Union hands and the Confederacy split in two. President Lincoln famously announced, “The Father of Waters again goes unvexed to the sea.” The Surrender Commemoration will take place at the Old Court House Museum at 10:00 am. For more information call 601-636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

JULY 4: Vicksburg 4th of July Celebration. Fireworks and live music will be presented at 7:00 pm in front of the Old Depot Museum, 1010 Levee Street following a special Civil War Sesquicentennial Commemoration demonstration. For more information visit www.visitvicksburg.com.
All Vicksburg National Military Park State Days begin at 10:00 am with a wreath laying ceremony at the day’s respective monument. For more information call the Vicksburg National Military Park (601) 636-0583 or visit www.nps.gov/vick.

**Community Sesquicentennial Events**

**APRIL 3-27:** Tapestry: The Pilgrimage to Vicksburg. Experience the rich Tapestry of early Vicksburg life. Explore the fabric of Vicksburg society with tours of our historic homes and hallways. Enjoy interpretive presentations of Vicksburg’s history that bring to life the heritage and culture of this remarkable river city. Fifteen of Vicksburg’s most historic properties will tell their stories from ante- bellum grandeur to the Siege of Vicksburg to the turn of the 20th Century. Together these stories weave the Tapestry of who we are today. Ticket prices for Tapestry 2013 events are $30 for three presentations or $15 for one presentation. Tickets are available at each venue and at the Vicksburg Visitor Information Center, 52 Old Hwy 27, 601-636-9421 or 800-221-3536.

**APR. 20:** Rededication of Soldiers’ Rest Cemetery. The rededication of the Soldiers’ Rest section of the Cedar Hill (“City”) Cemetery begins at 10:00 am. Soldiers’ Rest was started in 1866 and is the burial site of approximately 5,000 Confederate soldiers. The key note speaker will be Bertram Hayes Davis, great-great grandson of President Jefferson Davis and Executive Director of Beauvoir and the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library in Biloxi. The ceremony is free and open to the public. For more information call 601-415-3607.

**MAY:** Midnight March to Shaifer House, Port Gibson. To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Port Gibson (which took place on May 1st) participants will gather for a midnight march from the bottom of a hill along the old sunken road used by the Federal troops to reach the Shaifer House. With local men engaged in battles elsewhere, only women, children and their servants remained at the Shaifer House as the enemy approached. With no horses left behind to transport them to safety, the women managed to pull their loaded wagon to the Confederate line at Magnolia Church where help was found to carry them into Port Gibson. Those same women and children would return to the Shaifer House which has been used first as a headquarters and then as a Union hospital during the battle. One can only imagine the horrors they faced. For more information call 601-437-4500.

**MAY:** Rivertown, Port Gibson. Rivertown, a story set in Vicksburg where the Mississippi River played a big part in all lives, revealing three cultures found there (Black, Jewish and Christian) as well as tales told by ghosts “living” in the Vicksburg National Military Park. For more information call 601-437-4500.

**APRIL 30:** Connecticut
**MAY 1:** Minnesota
**MAY 2:** Tennessee
**MAY 3:** Michigan
**MAY 4:** Missouri
**MAY 5:** Virginia
**MAY 6:** Arkansas
**MAY 7:** Florida
**MAY 8:** Louisiana
**MAY 9:** West Virginia
**MAY 10:** Mississippi African American Monument
**MAY 11:** South Carolina
**MAY 12:** Texas
**MAY 13:** Rhode Island
**MAY 14:** Alabama
**MAY 15:** Massachusetts
**MAY 16:** Georgia
**MAY 17:** Pennsylvania
**MAY 18:** Indiana
**MAY 19:** North Carolina
**MAY 20:** New Hampshire
**MAY 21:** Kentucky
**MAY 22:** Wisconsin
**MAY 23:** Kansas
**MAY 24:** Ohio
**MAY 24:** United States Navy Monument
**MAY 25:** Iowa
**MAY 25:** Mississippi
**MAY 26:** Illinois
**MAY 27:** Maryland
**MAY 28:** New York
**MAY 29:** Missouri
**MAY 30:** Louisiana
**MAY 31:** Texas
May 10-12: Vicksburg Film Festival: “Civil War Through the Lens.” The Westside Theatre Foundation and Old Court House Museum present the Vicksburg Film Festival “Civil War Through the Lens” at the Strand Theatre, 717 Clay Street. Friday’s show features Ken Burns’ *The Civil War* episode 4 (Vicksburg) at 7:00 pm with free admission. A rare showing of the 1915 silent film *The Crisis*, which was filmed in Vicksburg, will be presented on Saturday at 7:00 pm accompanied with live music. $10 admission. The festival wraps up on Sunday at 4:00 pm with a showing of Buster Keaton’s *The General*, a story of the Civil War. Admission is $5 in advance and $7 at the door. For more information or to reserve tickets call 601-529-7252 or visit www.westsidetheatrefoundation.com. Advance tickets also available at Highway 61 Coffeehouse, 1101 Washington Street.

May 11: The Dixie Surgeon Presentation. The presentation will be from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Outlets at Vicksburg, 4000 South Frontage Road, in Suite 109. As part of Vicksburg’s sesquicentennial events of the Battle of Vicksburg the Outlets at Vicksburg is hosting The Dixie Surgeon as he takes you to the battle where medicine is often the soldier’s worst enemy and reluctant savior. The event is free to the public. For more information call 601-636-7434 or visit www.outletsatvicksburg.com.

May 25-26: Holt Collier Sacred Harp Singing. The annual Holt Collier Sacred Harp Singing is at 10:00 am in the courtroom of the Old Court House Museum, 1008 Cherry Street. For more information contact George “Bubba” Bolm at (601) 636-0741 or societyhistorica@bellsouth.net.

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