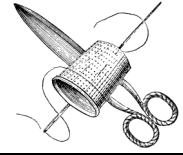


The Tailor's Ledger



Upcoming Events and Programs

August 3rd & 4th 2013 Emancipation Celebration at George Clem School

This year marks the 150th commemoration of Emancipation of slavery in Tennessee. The National Park Service will participate in the community wide celebration with an exhibit on the history of August 8th, the day tradition says Andrew Johnson freed his personal slaves. Join us for the celebration at 310 Floral Street Greeneville, TN



September 15-21 2013 Constitution Week

Join the park staff in celebrating this event by signing your name on the Constitution and discover why Andrew Johnson was known as the Defender of the Constitution.



Rotating Exhibit Now through September

"Shouting the Battle Cry of Freedom"

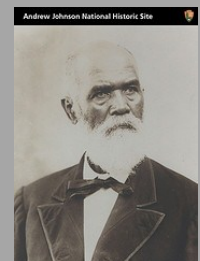
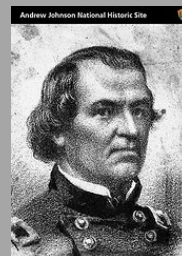
August marks the 150th anniversary of the emancipation of Andrew Johnson's slaves. Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation took effect on January 1, 1863. The exhibit examines this important moment in American history.

The theme of the exhibit focuses on how African American military service during the Civil War helped end slavery and promoted the causes of civil rights and full equality.

Although African American soldiers fought in segregated units until 1948, those who fought for freedom during the Civil War set a powerful example for the servicemen who came after them. This service and sacrifice is honored by the National Park Service during the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

Second Set of Trading Cards Released

Kids can collect stories about the Civil War and civil rights! Visit our site in person and ask a ranger what you can do to earn a card or two. Our first cards were made available last year and now our second set has just been released! The second set focuses on emancipation and Reconstruction. Ask us how your child can collect all 10!



A New Exhibit to Commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War

Andrew Johnson's political and personal story is linked to that of Tennessee during the war. Abraham Lincoln had such trust in Johnson's devotion to the Union and his capabilities as a politician that he appointed Johnson Military Governor of Tennessee in 1862 when most of the state came back under Union control. During this time Johnson freed not only his personal slaves, but all the slaves in Tennessee.

On a personal level, Andrew Johnson's son Charles and a son-in-law died during the war. His family spent time as refugees, and his slaves were confiscated by Confederate troops.



These events have been commemorated in the Andrew Johnson Visitor Center museum with an exhibit as part of the Civil War's 150th anniversary.

Highlights of the exhibit include a copy of Johnson's commission as Military

Governor. This commission is signed by Edwin Stanton, who would someday become a key figure in Andrew Johnson's impeachment.

In addition, there are letters sent to Abraham Lincoln, a railroad pass used by Johnson's son Robert and a letter for payment sent to Andrew Johnson by a Knoxville lady who boarded his slaves during the fall of 1863.

As appreciation for his service, Johnson received gifts from the "loyal men of Nashville" in the form of a silver set and from the African-American community in the form of an engraved gold pocket watch. A goblet from the silver set and the pocket watch are both on display.

Come and discover more about the Johnson family and the struggles they would face during the Civil War.

Volunteers In Parks



East Tennessee 4-H All Stars



Logan Minnick

Professional Partners in Education

For the fifth consecutive summer, Andrew Johnson National Historic Site welcomes a local teacher to be a part of historic site's education program.

We are pleased to welcome 2nd grade teaching assistant, Kayla Watts. She will spend six weeks at the Historic Site, bringing creativity and new ideas to enhance the education program.

These summertime partnerships expand public outreach for children and offer training to staff on current state learning standards, as well as sharing the themes and stories of National Park Service sites in the classroom upon their return to school.

Greene County and Greeneville City schools have been essential in the successes of the education program here at the Andrew Johnson National Historic Site.



Junior Ranger

Earn a Junior Ranger badge while exploring Andrew Johnson's Homestead, Early Home, and Cemetery by completing the Junior Ranger booklet, available at the Visitor Center desk!



Junior Civil War Ranger

Andrew Johnson National Historic Site is one of twenty-four National sites where you can earn a special patch only available until 2015. Ask us how!