



National Mall and Memorial Parks

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DAILY INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS



Join National Park Service rangers to learn more about the meaning, symbolism, and significance of the park's many memorials. No prior sign-up is required, and all programs are free. Program length varies. For more information contact a ranger at each memorial.

Programs are offered at the following memorials...

- World War II Memorial
- Lincoln Memorial
- Thomas Jefferson Memorial
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial

Scheduled Programs are presented on the hour from:

10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

**Additional programs on request.

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Korean War Veteran

By Ranger Richard Ayad

"...In a place called Korea, and this war was forgot, Where the winters can get to 40 below and summers are blazing hot... Back home it was called a police action, but they forgot to send along the cops." SAM FIELDER, FARMER

Following World War II, the Korean Peninsula was divided at the 38th Parallel by communist North Korea and democratic South Korea. On June 25, 1950, North Korea, backed by the Soviet Union and China, invaded South Korea. The United States and fourteen other countries sent troops to restore the 1945 border. President Truman evaded Congressional approval by calling it a police action. An armistice signed July 27, 1953 replaced the border with a demilitarized zone. This is the story of some of those who participated in this police action. Partial vignettes from interviews conducted by the editor.

America's Mantelpiece.
LOUIS NELSON, DESIGNER,
MURAL OF FACES

"I remembered the photos on grandma's mantelpiece, people I knew. The mural pictures could be friends or family. Really, the faces on the wall could be those of anyone...from any war."

Bobby



"We were needed."
NURSE BETTY "GREG" GREGORIO, 23

When a doctor invited her to the Great Lakes Naval Station the head nurse showed her around and she liked what she saw." *Recruited?* She laughs, "I think they were. They made a good shot at it." That was 1948.

Assigned to the neural surgery section of the combat zone hospital ship USS Consolation, Greg was often off the North Korea coast, immersed in the lightning and smoke, sound and fury of artillery fire and the roaring of aircraft. *Concerned?* "We were too busy to think about it, so many men to take care of; some weren't able to swallow and required 24 hour attention." Later, in Hawaii, but reassigned to Memphis, Greg spent a few days seeing the sites with Hank Baker.

"...I asked her to marry me, but she demurred. Well, after a few months, I kinda got mad about waiting and sent her an airmail special delivery letter. When will the wedding be? The 11th or the 18th?" HANK

"The 11th will be fine." GREG

That was 53 years ago.

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NATIONAL MALL AND MEMORIAL PARKS
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Park Websites: www.nps.gov/nama
www.nps.gov/mall

National Mall Plan Website:
www.nps.gov/nationalmallplan

Radio: 1670 AM

JULY

Don't Forget...

Daily ranger programs presented at the memorials, every hour from 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Artwork by Ranger Dennis Mosso</p>				1	2 🚶 10 a.m. 🕒 10 a.m.	3 🕒 10 a.m. 🕒 11 a.m. 🚲 1 p.m.
4	5	6	7 🕒 6 p.m.	8 🕒 8 p.m.	9 🚶 10 a.m. 🕒 5 p.m.	10 🚲 1 p.m. 🚶 6 p.m.
11 🕒 11 a.m. 🚶 6 p.m. 🚲 1 p.m. 🚶 1 p.m.	12	13 🚶 10 a.m.	14 🕒 8 p.m.	15 🕒 6 p.m.	16 🕒 10 a.m. 🕒 6:30 p.m. 🕒 8:30 p.m.	17 🚶 8 a.m. 🚲 1 p.m. 🚶 6 p.m.
18 🚶 8 a.m. 🚲 1 p.m. 🚲 2:30 p.m.	19	20	21 🚶 10 a.m. 🕒 6 p.m.	22 🕒 8 p.m.	23 🕒 6:30 p.m. 🕒 8:30 p.m.	24 🚲 1 p.m. 🕒 6 p.m. 🚶 6 p.m.
25 🕒 11 a.m. 🚲 1 p.m.	26	27	28 🕒 1 p.m. 🕒 6:30 p.m.	29 🚶 10 a.m. 🕒 6:30 p.m.	30 🕒 8 p.m. 🕒 8:30 p.m.	31 🚲 1 p.m. 🚶 6 p.m. 🚶 6 p.m.

PROGRAMS

Friday, July 2 & Saturday, July 3
Fire at Little Round Top
 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.,
 12 p.m. – 1 p.m.,
 2 p.m. – 3 p.m., 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

On July 2, 1863 Colonel Joshua Chamberlain and the 20th Maine were placed at the extreme left of the Union line at Gettysburg only moments before the Confederates attacked. Come walk through the fire of Little Roundtop with Chamberlain. Meet at the Lincoln Memorial. Contact Garrett Radke at 202-233-3520.

Saturday, July 3
Salute to the Minutemen
 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The soldiers who fought in the American Revolution came from all backgrounds. Come learn about the triumphs and disasters of the citizen soldier as they came together from both of the developing regular army and the local militia united for a cause. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Michael DiPaolo at 202-233-3520.

Wednesday, July 7
Dorothea Lange:
Teach Us to See
 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Dorothea Lange captured some of the most well-known images of the Depression, including “Migrant Mother,” and later of the Manzanar internment camp during WWII. Her camera was a tool “that teaches people to see without a camera.” To see them, meet at the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial. Contact Susan Philpott at 202-233-3520.

Thursday, July 8
Gettysburg, Vicksburg & Lincoln
 8 p.m.-9 p.m.

The Battles of Gettysburg and Vicksburg turned the tide for the Union Army. Find out how President Lincoln reacted to these victories, and how Ulysses S. Grant became a household name while George Meade did not. Meet at the Lincoln Memorial. Contact Paul O’Brian at 202-438-7066.

Friday, July 9
The Battle of Kursk
 5 p.m.-6 p.m.

The Battle of Kursk was the largest tank battle fought during World War II. It lasted from July 5 - 12,

1943. It was the last offensive on the Eastern Front for the Germans and they never recovered. Meet at the World War II Memorial. Contact Paul O’Brian at 202-438-7066.

Sunday, July 11
An American Revolutionary in Paris
 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.,
 3 p.m. – 4 p.m., 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Witness the violent birth of French democracy through the eyes of Thomas Jefferson, liberté’s most passionate American spokesman, and the U.S. ambassador to France

on the eve of its bloody revolution. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Mike Leard at 202-233-3520.

Wednesday, July 14
FDR and Churchill
 8 p.m. – 9 p.m.

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and British Prime Minister developed a critical relationship during World War II. Come explore this relationship, one that also included war time conferences with Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin. Meet at the Franklin Dela-



no Roosevelt Memorial. Contact Paul O'Brian at 202-438-7066.

Thursday, July 15
The Forgotten War
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

The Korean war: was it really a war, or just a conflict? It raged for three years yet many people are unfamiliar its details. Was it forgotten, unknown or simply ignored? Join us for a fascinating look at this time in our history. Meet at the Korean War Veterans Memorial. Contact Raul Nazereno at 202-233-3520.

Friday, July 16
Born in The USA,
Revolutionary Roots
10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
& 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.

This program will discuss the early lives and influences of our founding fathers. These aristocrats were adamant in demanding their independence from Great Britain, but why? Meet at the Survey Lodge Ranger Station. Contact David Hoffman at 202-233-3520.

Friday, July 16 & 23
Thursday, July 29
Women In Wartime
6:30 p.m - 7 p.m.

American women have served in wartime since the Revolution, including Deborah Sampson who impersonated a man to join the Continental Army. Come learn more about Sampson, other individuals, and female units which became prevalent during World War II. Meet at the World War II Memorial. Contact Victor Pillow at 202-841-1774.

Wednesday, July 21
Maya Lin
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Come and hear about Maya Lin's design of the Vietnam Memorial. Lin's is perhaps most well known for her first public commission, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, conceived of when she was still an undergraduate at Yale University. Meet at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Contact Douglas Shriver at 202-233-3520.

Thursday, July 22
Liberation of France
8 p.m. – 9 p.m.

After the Allies landed in Normandy on June 6, 1944, German forces doggedly fought to hold them at bay. By July 25 Allied forces had only gained ten miles. Find out what happened when they were finally able to break out of Normandy. Meet at the World War II Memorial. Paul O'Brian at

202-438-7066.

Saturday, July 24
Barbary Pirates and
America's Second Navy – 1794
6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Learn how the new United States Navy was formed to protect trading vessels from Barbary Pirates who were capturing American ships and crews. Meet at the 56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence Memorial. Contact Marsha Barrett at 202-233-3520.

Sunday, July 25
The Better Angels of our Nature
11 a.m. – 12 p.m., 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.,
3 p.m. – 4 p.m.

In his inaugural address Abraham Lincoln spoke of a nation identified by the better angels of our nature. Inspired by this sentiment, Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain came to exemplify the ideals that this nation is founded upon. Meet at the Lincoln Memorial. Contact Garrett Radke at 202-233-3520.

Wednesday July 28
Civilian Conservation Corps
and the National Park Service
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Civilian Conservation Corps became Roosevelt's most popular program. Learn how the CCC, in addition to providing meaningful work for young men without jobs during the Great Depression, helped to improve our national and state parks. Meet at the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial. Contact Liz Cavanaugh at 202-233-3520.

Wednesday, July 28
Thomas L. Casey: The Man
Who Finished the Monument
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Robert Mills designed the Washington Monument but he died years before it was finished. It fell to Thomas L. Casey to complete the job. Find out how he completed this monumental task. Meet at the Washington Monument. Contact David Rappel at 202-359-1533.

Friday, July 30
Warfare Under the Pacific
8 p.m.-9 p.m.

During World War II submarine warfare in the Pacific produced many defeats for the U.S. Navy. It was trial and error for some time before they became effective against the Japanese Merchant Navy. Find out what life was like aboard a U.S. submarine during World War II. Meet at the World War II Memorial. Contact Paul O'Brian at 202-438-7066.



Friday, July 16, 23, 30,
and August 6
Urban Campfire Programs
8:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.

As the sun sets on a day of visiting the Nation's Capital, join National Park Service rangers as we present another season of Urban Campfire programs on the grounds of the majestic Washington Monument! This four-week session of programs will be presented with accompanying illustrations on a wide screen draping the stage of the Sylvan Theater. This summer's theme is "Ranger Grab Bag." In other words, find out what topics our talented rangers select when you arrive! The only thing that is not a mystery is that these programs will be a great way to cap off your day's visit to National Mall and Memorial Parks! Meet at the Sylvan Theater. Contact Brad Berger at 202-438-4173.



Saturday, July 3
History of the Mall
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

From George Washington's original vision to the District of Columbia of today, how has this span of green space in the heart of the Nation's Capital been altered over time? Come see how The National Mall has evolved into what you experience today. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.

Sunday, July 4
NO TOUR
July 4 Festivities

Saturday, July 10
Off the Beaten Path
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

In a city full of colossal and iconic memorials to great men and even greater deeds, these statues, urns, and symbolic gestures of friend-

ship and remembrance can be found all over the city, yet their stories have gone largely untold until now. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.

Sunday, July 11
The Union in Crisis: Part II
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

This tour will cover the first two months of Lincoln's presidency starting with Lincoln's inauguration, through the firing on Ft. Sumter, and culminating in Lincoln's concern for the defenseless capital. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Eric Pomerville at 202-359-7040.

Saturday, July 17
History of the Mall
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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Sunday, July 18
All Rise!
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

The interpretation of the meanings and principles of the United States Constitution are the ultimate authority of the Supreme Court. The history of the Supreme Court is the story of powerful personalities, incredible challenges, desperate conflicts, and great moments of social change. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.

Sunday, July 18
Family Bike Tour: The hunt is on! The search for symbols on the National Mall
 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Have you ever thought there might be something hidden inside the monuments and memorials on the National Mall? If so, you're right! There are symbols, some in plain view, others hidden, which are clues about the person or event being memorialized that help visitors better understand the structure. You just need to know where and what to look for. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391 to make reservations.

Saturday, July 24
A Liquid Look at American History
 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Join park rangers on a bike tour to find out how whiskey rebellions, temperance movements and Coca-Cola during the Cold War had a role in creating and shaping America and its culture. And it all started with a cup of tea. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.

Sunday, July 25
Walt Whitman's Washington
 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Although mainly associated with New York City, Walt Whitman spent over a decade in Washington, D.C. Many of Whitman's years were spent nursing the wounded and dying soldiers during the Civil War. We will also discuss how this work influenced his book of Civil War poetry, Drum Taps. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.

Saturday, July 31
The Bonus March
 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

The Bonus Expeditionary Force contained disaffected war veterans who demanded early payment of their war service bonuses. Order degenerated into chaos, the Army responded to calls to preserve the peace, and the country awaited the outcome. The reputation of an American president ranked among the casualties of that summer clash while the stock of a man seeking that office rose immeasurably. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Jason Martz at 202-438-4391.



Friday, July 2, 9
Tuesday, July 13
Wednesday, July 21
Thursday, July 29
A Day with a Ranger
 10 a.m. - mid afternoon

Spend the day with your very own park ranger and learn about the history and architecture of the National Mall from A to Z. The tour ends on the grounds of the Washington Monument (entrance not included). Bring comfortable shoes and water. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Brad Berger at 202-438-4173.

Saturday, July 10, 17, 24, 31
Vive la Revolucion:
South America's War for Freedom
 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Have you ever wondered why some of Latin America's greatest leaders have statues in the heart of the Nation's capital? Join us for a guided tour of the memorials to the heroes that helped liberate Latin America from Spain. Meet at the Foggy Bottom Metro Station. Contact Michael Balis at 202-438-9710.

Sunday, July 11
Secrets of the Washington Monument
 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

The Washington Monument Grounds hold as much fascination for the history explorer as the Monument itself. Discover what lies beneath the surface, figuratively and literally, as we explore the history and mystery of the Washington Monument Grounds. Meet at the Paddle Boat Parking Lot (near the concession stand.) Contact Michael Kelly at 202-359-2662.

Sunday, July 11, 18, 25
Holocaust: Remembrance and Repetition?
 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The year 1945 marked the end World War II and its death camps. Or is it only a pause in time before that industry of death resurfaces? We will discuss these matters at this memorial and sites nearby. **WARNING: CONTENT AND PHOTOS GRAPHIC**, may not be appropriate for children. Meet at the World War II Memorial. Contact Lowell Fry at 202-438-9603.

Sunday, July 18
Chit-Chat Run - Fighting For Freedom
 8 a.m. - 9 a.m.

The story of America is one of bringing definition to an ideal through the founding ideals of Freedom and Equality. Come explore this journey as we seek to find our place in history. The run is approximately 3.5 miles. Please bring your own water. Meet at the Washington Monument. Contact Susan Martin at 202-437-1888.

Saturday, July 31
An Evening with a Park Ranger
 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Spend an evening with a ranger and tour the mall as you learn more about its history, monuments, and memorials. Bring water and a flashlight. Meet at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Contact Kathy Kagle at 202-438-5377.



How to Visit the Washington Monument

Washington Monument admission is free, but does require a ticket for everyone over the age of two. Open daily except July 4 and December 25.

Timed entry tickets are required and may be obtained in two ways:

1. The Washington Monument Lodge, located along 15th Street, opens at 8:30 a.m. for distribution of free, same day, timed tickets on a first come, first served basis. One person may pick up as many as six tickets as well as select their preferred ticket time from what remains available for that operating day.
2. Reserved tickets may be obtained in advance by visiting www.recreation.gov or by calling 1-877-444-6777 (for individuals) or 1-877-559-6777 (for large groups). Reserved tickets are often booked 30 days or more ahead of time. Please plan accordingly. All reserved tickets carry a \$1.50 convenience charge.

Summer Hours: 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
 Monday, May 31 - Monday, September 6

Rest of Year: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**National Mall and Memorial Parks
 Cell Phone Tours**
 Lincoln Memorial: 202-747-3420
 First Amendment: 202-595-0085
 Cherry Blossom Festival: 202-747-3465

Korean War Veteran

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"I was not cut-out to be a secretary!"
 THERESA "SUE" SOUSA,
 ARCHITECTURAL STUDENT/SECRETARY-
 CONSTRUCTION CREW MANAGER
 Too young to join her brothers in WWII,
 Sue joined a Marine reserve unit, 1949. By
 1951 Sue was delivering mail throughout
 Camp Pendleton (California), including
 the movie set for WWII film, The Flying
 Leathernecks, starring John Wayne. Always
 accompanied by friends, she became "the
 most popular girl on the base." On her first
 visit to the Korean War Veterans Memorial
 she noted, "It was a misty morning, about
 daybreak. I saw the Marines and felt like I
 was there, walking with them. I studied their
 faces, the movement portrayed." Sue added,
 "If it was war, it was a war! Our boys were
 getting killed over there... I knew some of
 them."

"Mother said, 'Julia, you would rather go work in that operating room than go to a party.'" "Yes... I would." JULIA C. BAXTER, MASH NURSE

"I still don't know why they went into Luzon, Philippines. That's where my brother died, January 1945." To honor her brother, Julia, Operating Room Supervisor, enlisted March 1945.

"I don't think we can imagine it." Caring for Americans, International Forces, and POWs there might be "a thousand wounded laying in the yard." "But we were young and happy. We just accepted what came along. We worked as much as we could." Twelve hours on and twelve off gave them a bit more time for chores and eating, "but time didn't make a difference; we were on call 24 hours a day."

Julia, pregnant, reluctantly left the Army in 1959. Now 90, she says, "I loved my years in the military. I traveled. I met my husband. I can't ask for more than that."

"I told my girlfriend we could make wedding plans and that I wasn't going overseas. The field First Sgt. had told me so, and in the Army they were like GOD. My future mother-in-law said, 'Oh, you can't trust the Army.'" LOUIS GASPARINI, INFANTRYMAN, 1952 SOON TO BE A TRUCK DRIVER ON OKINAWA.

Lou was told he would be on special assignment -intelligence, on Okinawa- was instead a heavy weapons rifleman in Korea. "I learned you did what you were told to do." Lou, first time guard, green, scared, cold, and too fearful to fall asleep, thought he saw movement and took a shot. "Soon everyone was shooting. Boy, did I get my ass chewed out. But, that was better than feeling guilty" if a buddy had been killed. The night of the armistice Lou remembered his friend, killed in action, "I heard taps playing in the distance...I cried, and thanked God for keeping me safe." He left Okinawa a mechanic, returned and married his girlfriend.

"How I remember those hot Korean days and the bitter cold... Again I will hear the cries of battle and thunder of artillery shells. And stand among Our Last Patrol as they go forward into hell."
 SAM FIELDER, POET

"Only problem was back here. Overseas we were integrated. But, back in good ol' America it was segregated."
 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE RANGER GIL LYONS,
 WASHINGTON, D.C. NATIVE, WIREMAN- KOREA,
 IRON TRIANGLE

"There were no ponchos. Men froze to death. We wore long johns under summer pants and sometimes peed on our fingers" to ward off frostbite.

"The Chinese wanted the high ground, but we were determined they wouldn't get it." In hand to hand combat Gil was bayoneted. He shows me the scar and curls his hand, as though holding his weapon. "He wasn't the only one I killed."

Back in Richmond, California, Gil recalls being denied service at a restaurant, "Some of my white friends left with me and others stayed... I was back home."

You were my teenage love when we were in high school... Then I went off and fought a war and you went back to school... We each found a brand new love and went our separate ways... Then you lost him and I lost her to the same disease... Then one night I walked into the County Fair and you took my breath away when I saw you sitting there... Sweetheart of the fifties, I'm back in love with you... Sweetheart of the nineties, I'll stay in love with you!"
 SAM FIELDER, FARMER-POET-ARTILLERYMAN/KOREAN WAR,
 TO HIS WIFE DORIS

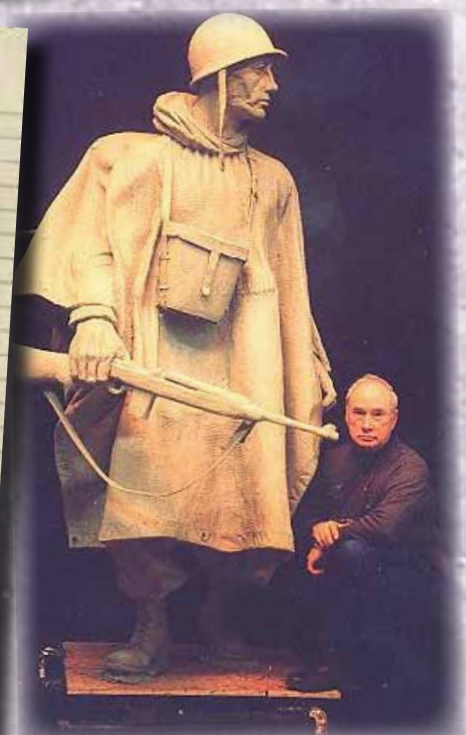


Sam Fielder with his image on the Korean War Veterans Memorial

"My men are not pretty." FRANK GAYLORD - WORLD WAR II VETERAN AND SCULPTOR

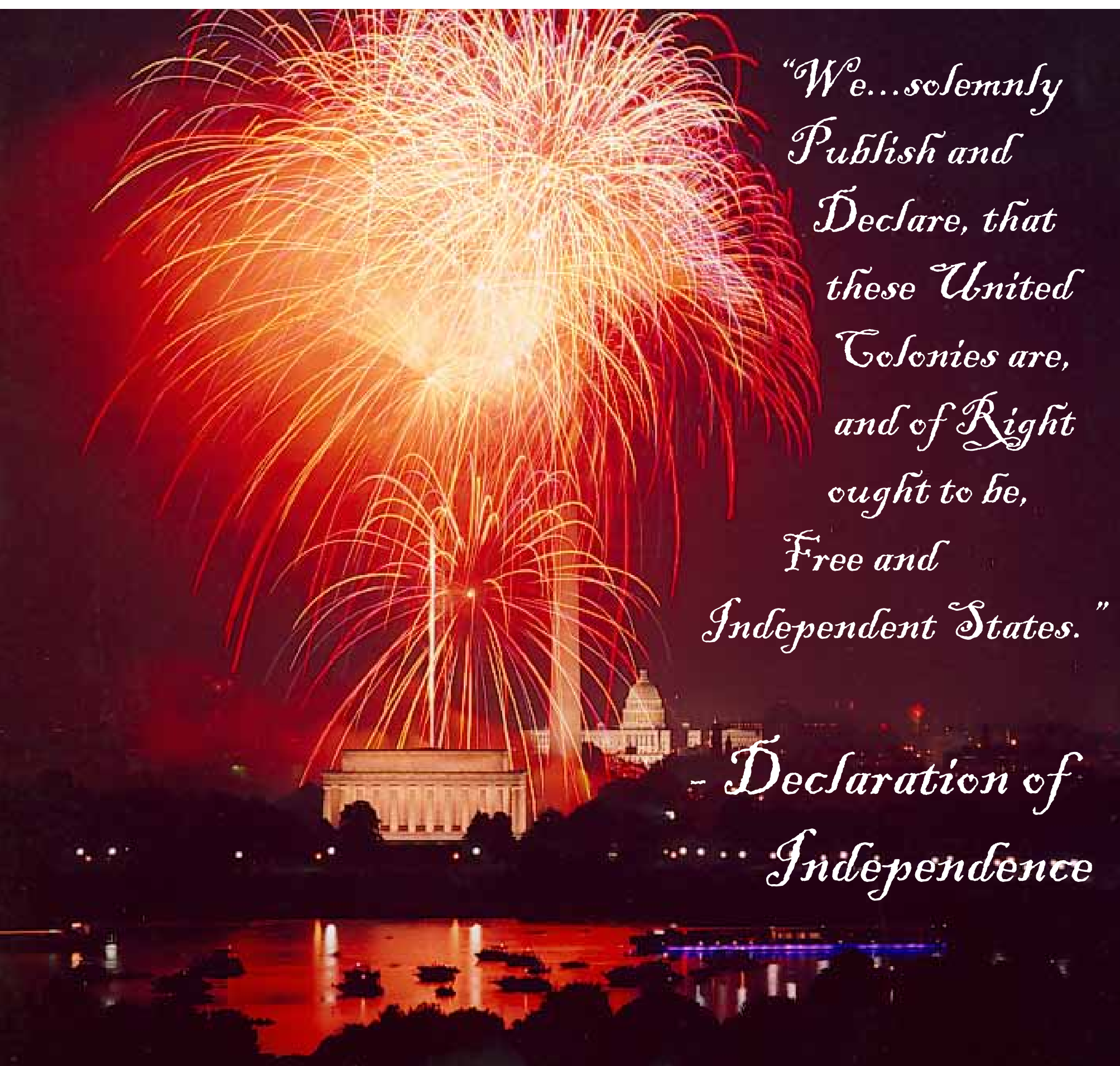
The statues, like the men he knew, are "combat men, trained to face the enemy personally. They get up in the morning and go into attack or defend from attack. They must endure the hideous realities of intense fear, blood and death."

Frank met his girlfriend Hilda about 6 years ago. He had known "about" her for a long time, but it wasn't till his wife of 56 years and her husband of 48 years died that they met. They reminisce about the area where they have spent their lives; he close to the stone he carved and she close to her childhood home. As we go for lunch, he waits on her to fetch her jacket and speak a few words with a neighbor. While we wait he recites, from memory, a sonnet of Shakespeare.



Frank Gaylord with one of his soldiers

"I feel guilty and indebted since I watched your death come to you on that snowy afternoon in Belgium so long ago. Thank you Bobby, for my family, my house on the hill, and my grandchildren. It might have been me standing there." FRANK GAYLORD



*“We...solemnly
Publish and
Declare, that
these United
Colonies are,
and of Right
ought to be,
Free and
Independent States.”*

*- Declaration of
Independence*

On July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress adopted these words, and a new nation was born. This new nation promised to secure the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for each and every one of its citizens. “In order to form a more perfect Union...and secure the blessings of liberty,” for itself and its posterity, the United States of America established a republican form of government to fulfill that promise. Today, America continues to uphold its ideals and is a symbol of freedom and democracy for the entire world.

Join us this Fourth of July in celebrating America’s 234th birthday in the Nation’s Capital. Nowhere else is this celebration as significant as in the place where our treasured memorials embody America’s ideals and where our country’s representative institutions fulfill America’s promise. We celebrate 234 years of independence and the continuing promise of freedom.

2010 Independence Day Celebration

Sunday, July 4, 2010

All events are FREE!

FIREWORKS

9:10 p.m. - 9:27 p.m.

The optimum viewing areas for the fireworks will be at a distance from the launch site (Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool). These areas include:

U.S. Capitol
Lincoln Memorial
National Mall between 14th Street and 3rd Street
Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial
Thomas Jefferson Memorial
The White House Ellipse
West Potomac Park
East Potomac Park
Benjamin Banneker Park
Anacostia Park
U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima)
George Washington Memorial Parkway across the Potomac River in Virginia.
If you choose to view the fireworks near the launch site (Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool):

Consider wearing eye protection and ear plugs
Remain outside the fenced safety zones around the launch site.

Following the fireworks, avoid walking along Independence Avenue, SW between Daniel Chester French Drive, SW and 17th Street, SW, until safety teams clear the area of potentially harmful fireworks debris.

Arrive early in the day to claim your viewing spot and avoid the last minute rush.

PARADE

National Mall and Memorial Parks Independence Day Parade

Begins at 11:45 a.m., and lasts approximately two hours.

The 2010 Independence Day Parade celebrates the 234th birthday of the United States of America. The parade participants march westward along Constitution Avenue from 7th Street to 17th Street, NW. The parade will consist of over sixty units featuring national personalities, floats, marching bands, giant helium balloons, favorite costumed characters, and unique specialty groups. Leading the parade this year will be the National Park Service recycling team and the new

National Mall and Memorial Parks Superintendent, Mr. John Piltzecker. Also, be sure to look for military marching platoons, the U.S. Army National Guard marching band, and the Louisburg Area High School Marching Band (PA), the Marching Dragons. Come help the National Park Service celebrate this time-honored tradition in the heart of the nation's capital. It is a patriotic, flag-waving, horn-tootin', red-white-and-blue celebration of America's liberty.

CONCERTS

The United States Navy Band along with special guest artist Jane Monheit will provide the musical entertainment on the Washington Monument Grounds beginning at 6:00 p.m. and concluding at 9:10 p.m.

- 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The Navy Band Concert Band/Sea Chanters Chorus/Cruiser's Rhythm
- 7:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The National Park Service will provide an Interpretive Vignette entitled "Stars and Stripes Forever!"
- 8:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The Commodores (Navy Band)

- and Jane Monheit
- 9:00 p.m. until 9:10 p.m. Patriotic music
 - 9:10 p.m. until 9:27 p.m. Fireworks display accompanied by musical selections.

A Capitol Fourth Concert

A Capitol Fourth Concert on the United States Capitol Grounds will be presented during the evening of July 4, 2010, featuring the National Symphony Orchestra.

ROAD CLOSURES

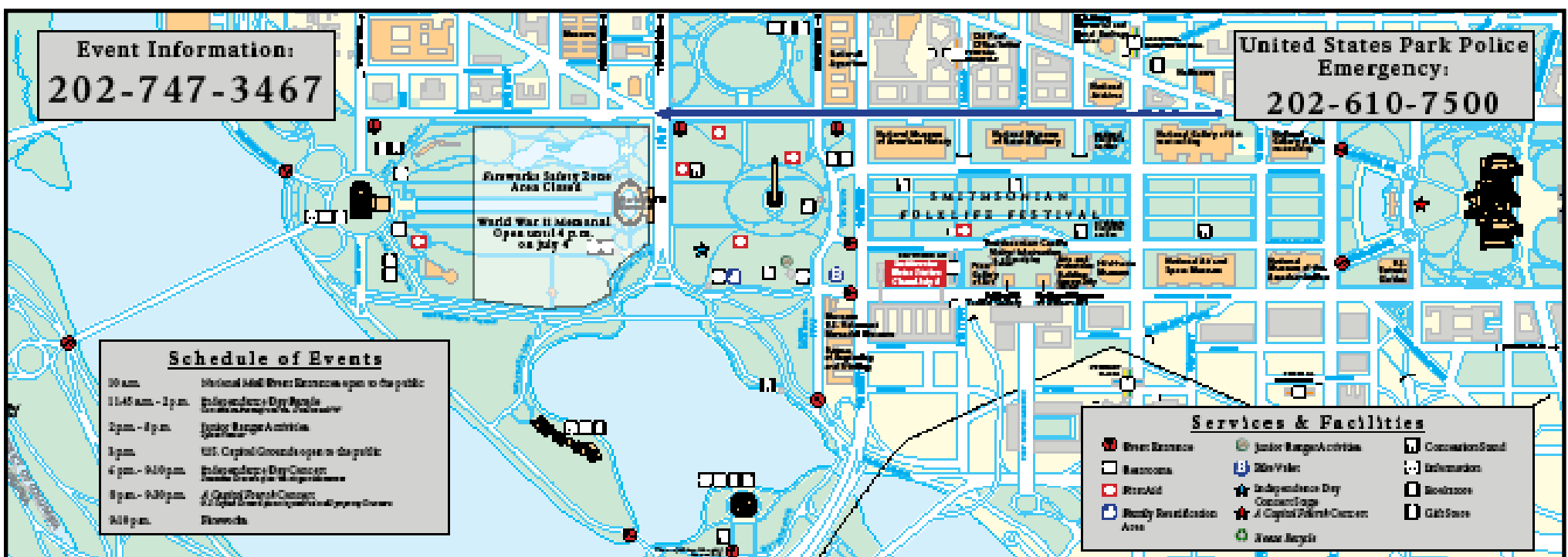
Numerous roads will be closed and there will be multiple checkpoints in and around the park. Please plan accordingly.

For the most up to date information, visit our National Mall Independence Day Celebration website at...

www.nps.gov/foju

or call for Event Information

202-747-3467



Park Projects

Beginning this summer and extending over the next few years are a number of construction projects in the park. The following projects will repair, rehabilitate, or build anew some of the Nation's most treasured destinations. The National Park Service (NPS) appreciates your continued support as we strive to improve the condition of our park sites.

Please note: projects may be subject to closures and/or parking constraints and duration of projects is estimated.

A — Ohio Drive Roadwork.

The project will repair and resurface the travel lanes on Ohio Drive from 23rd Street and Independence Avenue to the Constitution Avenue belvedere, and it will realign the road by two feet to develop a wider, safer, multipurpose trail where it passes under Arlington Memorial Bridge and Parkway Drive. The project will add new granite curbs and a concrete sidewalk on the river side of the street, reset the granite cobble sidewalk on the memorial side of the street, and install a new storm water drainage system. Construction was begun in April 2010 and is scheduled to be completed in October 2010.

B — Vietnam Veterans Memorial Center. The underground center will be west of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial along 23rd Street NW. It will affect circulation and visitor experiences in the vicinity of Lincoln Circle and Henry Bacon Drive from 21st to 23rd streets. Surveys are underway and the project is in concept design.

C — Constitution Avenue Roadwork. Constitution Avenue roadwork will repair and resurface the travel lanes and add a concrete lane for bus drop-offs from 17th to 19th streets, as well as provide new granite curbs, curb cuts, new concrete sidewalks on both sides of the street, concrete walks connecting bus drop-offs to the main east-west sidewalk on

the south side, new street lights, and a new storm water drainage system. Portions of travel lane work could begin earlier. The project is scheduled for 2014, but it could be accelerated under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

D — Potomac Park Levee Project. The National Park Service, in cooperation with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the National Capital Planning Commission, has evaluated three action alternatives and a no-action alternative to improve the reliability of river flood protection provided by the Potomac Park levee system to a portion of the monumen-

potable water would only be used as a last choice. A facility for filtering/recirculating water will be located in the U.S. Park Police stables area. A construction contract is scheduled to be awarded in late summer 2010, with construction beginning by the end of 2010 and expected to be completed by November 2012.

F — D.C. War Memorial. Rehabilitation of the D. C. War Memorial is being funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The project has been approved, the contract has been awarded, and restoration is expected to begin in late summer 2010 and last until June 2011.

trian flow across the grounds. Schematic designs are being prepared. Construction is scheduled to be completed by October 2014.

J — Washington Monument Permanent Security Improvements. Completed in 2007, this project reconfigured the grounds of the Washington Monument to create a vehicle barrier system around the monument while maintaining pedestrian flow across the grounds. Work included site walls, sidewalks and plaza, new flagpoles, lighting, irrigation, utility work, and rehabilitation of Monument Lodge. Schematic design based on the previously approved conceptual designs for a permanent screening facility is underway and work is scheduled to be completed by July 30, 2012.

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K — Madison Drive Roadwork. Madison Drive will be milled and repaved. Resurfacing is scheduled to begin July 5, 2010, and be completed September 30, 2010.

L — National

Mall Wayfinding and New Pedestrian Guides. The National Mall and Memorial Parks has been selected for the NPS Centennial Initiative, and the first project is for park signage and graphics. The Trust for the National Mall is providing matching funds (NPS 2008b). The project, which is underway, will develop and update a sign system for all National Mall and Memorial Parks, which will include pedestrian wayfinding signs and directories; identification signs for park areas; orientation, information, and map locations; general information signs; park rules and regulations; temporary signs; and interactive signs. The coordinated sign plan has been reviewed and approved by U.S. Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission, and the first phases for the Mall are scheduled to be installed summer 2010.

M — Eisenhower National Memorial. The Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission is in the planning stages to create an Eisenhower



tal core and downtown Washington D.C. Without adequate flood protection measures, several downtown locations, including portions of the monumental core, portions of Pennsylvania and Constitution avenues, and other public and private facilities south of the U.S. Capitol to Fort McNair, are at risk of flooding from a major (100-year plus) flood event. Construction of a levee closure structure for 17th Street is scheduled to begin in October 2010 and be completed by October 2011.

E — Lincoln Memorial Security and Reflecting Pool Area. A new project that includes a permanent security barrier along with repairs to the reflecting pool, the lower approachway, and elm walkways is being funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Designs have been approved. Rather than using potable water to fill the pool, water from the Tidal Basin will be used, with backup excess water from the World War II Memorial;

G — Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial. A national memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be built on a 4-acre site on the northwest corner of the Tidal Basin. Construction is underway and expected to be completed by October 2011. After construction, the National Park Service will maintain and operate the memorial.

H — Thomas Jefferson Memorial Plaza and Seawall Rehabilitation. The National Park Service is continuing to work on repairing the seawalls near the plaza. Construction is being funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Construction began in spring 2010 to stabilize and repair the seawalls. Work is expected to be completed by June 2011.

I — Thomas Jefferson Memorial Permanent Security Improvements. This project will create a vehicle barrier system around the memorial while maintaining pedes-

National Memorial. The approved site is directly south of the National Air and Space Museum, between 4th and 6th streets SW, and Independence Avenue SW and C Street SW (Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission 2006).

N — American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial. The National Park Service and the Disabled Veterans' Life Memorial Foundation have proposed siting a national memorial for disabled veterans at Washington Avenue and 2nd Street SW, near the National Mall. The National Capital Planning Commission approved this site in August 2001. The memorial will consist of a grove of trees and a reflecting pool. Stone and glass walls will enclose the site and define pathways.

Mall Soil and Turf Study (ongoing.) In 2010, at the direction of the Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, a study has been undertaken to restore soil and turf on the central Mall panels. A consultant design team familiar with sports field development has developed a proposal to remove about 2 feet of soil and replace it with a compaction-resistant but drainable soil system. Turf panels would be crowned for good drainage. The project includes the development of a durable irrigation system that uses captured rainwater stored in underground cisterns. The system would also seek to use groundwater currently being removed from tunnels

under the National Mall. This approach would help meet the goals of Executive Order 13514 "Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy, and Economic Performance" to reduce the use of potable water by 26% by 2020. Since the National Mall is the highest user of potable water within the national park system, this is an important goal.

Visitor Transportation Routes. A Visitor Transportation Study for the National Mall was completed February 5, 2010, when a "Finding of No significant Impact" was signed. The system would offer more frequent service to National Mall destinations, improved connections to public transit, and links to public transportation. The National Park Service has begun discussion with the city and public transportation providers about potential partnerships to implement transportation proposals.

Rehabilitation of McPherson Park. The rehabilitation of this park includes the replacement of all sidewalks in the park, as well as the irrigation system, benches, drinking fountains, trash receptacles, street-light system along the interior sidewalks, and plant material other than trees. Located on 15th St. between I St. and K St. Construction is scheduled from August 2010 - June 2011.

National Mall Plan Update

Since 2006 the park has been preparing a plan to envision and define the future of the National Mall.

We are nearing the end of the process. During spring 2010 the National Park Service (NPS) has been responding to public comments received on the Draft National Mall Plan. A final 2-volume plan incorporating changes and responding to comments will be issued this summer. After a thirty day period the NPS can complete planning with a Record of Decision. You can read more about planning or access the plan and

other materials at www.nps.gov/nationalmallplan.

The plan sets a practical, ambitious but achievable vision for a sustainable National Mall where visitors feel welcomed and proud of this space that symbolizes our nation. The plan is important because the level and kinds of use the National Mall receives today could not have even been imagined in past plans (1791, 1901, 1930s and even 1970s). As planning began there was more than \$450 million in repairs needed, and those repairs did not address needed improvements to meet the high level of use. The wear and tear resulting from more than 25 million visits contributes to the deterioration of the historic landscape and its vistas; results in lack of basic and convenient services such as restrooms, water and food; and the need for improved information, access and circulation.

The National Mall is the heart of the area where citizens and others learn about American values, democracy and culture. The National Mall is the primary civic space for our nation where we gather for recurring annual national celebrations and express our First Amendment rights. Its memorials are symbols of our nation. The National Mall, the adjacent U.S. Capitol, White House & President's Park, museums and federal buildings belong to us all.

Eastern National Bookstores



Serving the Visitors to America's National Parks and Other Public Trusts

National Mall and Memorial Parks is a very inspiring and powerful place, but your experience does not have to end in Washington, D.C. Continue learning more about park sites and American history by visiting the many Eastern National bookstores throughout the park. Capture the moment, take home a book, and explore the ideas and values that make visiting National Mall and Memorial Parks such a stirring experience. Eastern National, a park partner, operates four bookstores located at:

Washington Monument Lodge
8:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Lincoln Memorial
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Thomas Jefferson Memorial
8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Franklin Delano
Roosevelt Memorial
9 a.m. - 8 p.m.



Washington Monument Lodge

www.easternnational.org

Park Concessionaires

Guest Services, Inc. manages all retail operations for National Mall and Memorial Parks. This includes refreshment kiosks and gift stores throughout the park. They also operate the following recreational opportunities...



GUEST SERVICES

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The Washington Monument: A Tribute to the Revolution

By Ranger Jan Buerger

What could be more spectacular than Independence Day fireworks around the Washington Monument? Congress intended the Monument to be a tribute to the Revolution and to the universal ideals behind our Independence. This year, we celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Monument's dedication in 1885.

As the leader of the Continental Army, George Washington carefully considered the timing of his orders. For example, his order that ended the Revolution was issued on April 19th 1783, the anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord. His first order, however, had no precedent. On July 4th 1775, he mandated the unity of the colonial militias to symbolize the ideals for which they fought. Abraham Lincoln later argued that Washington's troops did not survive crossing the Delaware just to establish their own rights; rather, they fought and died for something larger than themselves. Lincoln recognized that Washington had made the nation a symbol of that largeness.

At the end of the American Revolution in 1783, Congress resolved to build a National Monument to Washington at the seat of the new federal government: an equestrian statue on a base depicting four major events of the Revolution. After the Residence Act of 1790 established Washington, D.C. as the Federal City, architect Peter L'Enfant designed it with a place for the Monument at its center. Decades passed while Congressional debates on

plans for a Monument bogged down. Members abandoned the statuary concept opining that they would never design a monument that could measure up to their memory of the man.



Robert Mills's original design for the Washington Monument

The concept of a Monument to the Revolution persisted and in 1833 the Washington National Monument Society formed to achieve that goal. In 1836 Robert Mills' design of a 600-

foot tall obelisk, representing the Nation's lofty ideals, rising from a circular neoclassical base, was chosen. The base was to house a pantheon of statues including Washington and the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Congress approved the site in time for the Society to lay the corner stone on July 4th, 1848. Later that year, the Society solicited memorial stones for the interior; stones arrived to honor Washington and other heroes of the Revolutionary era, like Joseph Warren, General Henry Knox, Nathaniel Greene and John Stark. When the monument was finally dedicated it stood over 555 feet tall and was the tallest structure built up to that point in history.



Memorial stone to General Henry Knox

John Adams worried that no one would remember what his generation had achieved. The early history of the Monument suggests otherwise. Many then knew the Monument needed to be the reminder of that era, and this is still true today, though the pantheon was never realized. Congress voted on the Declaration of Independence (July 4th 1776) a year to the day after Washington's order articulated its universal ideals (July 4th 1775) and we celebrate Independence on that day. This July we celebrate both our independence and a centerpiece of the 392-unit National Park system that is more than a miracle of engineering.

The Care and Preservation of the D.C. War Memorial

By Ranger Michael Kelly

"The deathless story of heroic deeds done..."

-President Herbert Hoover,
November 11, 1931



D.C. War Memorial

One might stand again at a refurbished District of Columbia War Memorial on a summer evening and hear patriotic strains of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "Stars and Stripes Forever." An American President stood here on Armistice Day in 1931 amidst those same melodies to utter eloquent words about those who had fought and died for country in a horrific conflict that knew its end exactly

thirteen years earlier, at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. That "deathless story of heroic deeds done" by District of Columbia men and women in the Great War was engraved in white marble for all succeeding generations to read. Ever since that day, time has taken its toll on the D.C. War Memorial. This summer, the National Mall and Memorial Parks will initiate a restoration effort based on years of study and practice.

Limited funds delayed a complete D.C. War Memorial restoration but park staff has diligently pursued efforts toward fulfillment of the service's preservation mission. Working with the Volunteers-In-Parks program, the Divisions of Interpretation & Education and Maintenance sponsored memorial washing, tree grove pruning, and trash removal days from 2001 to 2004. The Division of Cultural Resource Management replaced a non-functioning lighting system in 2003 and later re-pointed the marble blocks in the steps, base, and outer dome. Two interpretive wayside panels were installed in 2004 and the park worked with contractors from 2005 to 2009 to

document the memorial's architecture, history, construction, dedication, and refurbishment recommendations. The resulting Historic American Buildings Survey drawings, Historic Structure Report & Cultural Landscape Assessment, and Cultural Landscape Inventory report all provided a firm basis from which to



Micro-abrasive cleaning

In 2009, the park ranked the D.C. War Memorial restoration high on its priorities list and received \$7.3 million dollars from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The first of three project phases will begin in August 2010. Soiling, stains, and calcium deposits will be removed with water-mist and micro-abrasive cleaning methods, then cracks, spalling, and separations will be repaired and the stonework re-pointed. The second component will be the reestablishment of the sylvan setting for band concerts through maintenance of the overhead tree canopy and removal of non-historic shrubbery and ground covering. The



Water mist cleaning

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KIDS' Column



56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence Memorial



Visitors come to the National Mall to see memorials, but many will leave without ever seeing a memorial in honor of the men who signed the Declaration of Independence. Tucked away on an island in Constitution Gardens, between the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the World War II Memorial, sits a simple stone memorial, with each signer's name, hometown, occupation, and signature (left.) By putting their names on the Declaration of Independence, these men risked their lives. In July of 1776, the American Revolution had only been going on for a year, and no one knew how it would end. For colonists to speak out against their own government, the British, during a war, could have terrible consequences for those that signed. But these men felt independence was worth that risk.

Explore the Memorial to the 56 Signers of the Declaration of Independence with Memorial Bingo!

This memorial was dedicated in 1984. The idea came after the United States celebrated its bicentennial in 1976 and felt Washington D.C. needed a memorial to honor the Declaration signers. This area is known as Constitution Gardens, (right) a park created in the 1970s, so people in the city could have a place to enjoy nature. At one time, this area would have been home to numerous government office buildings (below.)



Memorial Bingo

How Many Signers Were There?	Name One Signer From South Carolina	What was Samuel Adams's occupation?
Which signer has his own memorial near the Tidal Basin?	On the document, who had the largest signature?	Which colony had the most signers?
What 3 things did these men pledge to each other?	What date is associated with the Declaration?	Find the last name of the 2 signers who were brothers.

Unfortunately, around the Fourth of July, the holiday that honors these men, the memorial falls within the firework safety zone. The area may be closed off for a few days around the holiday, so make sure to come back and visit another day.



CAN YOU SOLVE THIS MONTH'S MALL MYSTERY?

How many memorial stones are inside the Washington Monument?

Go to the Survey Lodge Ranger Station with the correct answers to receive your prize!

Message from the Superintendent

July is a great time to experience your national park. Our ranger staff presents interpretive programs throughout the park including park-wide walking tours and shorter detailed programs of each memorial.

To learn more about the future of the National Mall, visit the National Mall Plan website, www.nps.gov/nationalmallplan to read current alternatives, express ideas, and follow our progress.

Page through this newspaper to find out more about the many fascinating ranger programs offered throughout the park. Our park staff and volunteers will be glad to answer any of your questions. Thanks for visiting, and have a wonderful experience at National Mall and Memorial Parks.

Superintendent
John Piltzecker

“Monuments, and reservations, which purpose is to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.”

National Park Service Organic Act

August 25, 1916

Potomac Nature Packs

Birds, Bugs and Trees, OH MY!

Discover the wild side of the National Mall with nature packs designed to engage the entire family. Each pack is filled with a sketch pad, binoculars, books, park brochures, maps, and activities for the whole family. These self-guided nature packs allow the whole family to put on their Eagle eyes, and explore the unbelievable sights and sounds of the National Mall!

Packs are available at the Survey Lodge Ranger Station near the southwest corner of the Washington Monument grounds. Packs are available on a first come, first served basis, and require an adult's drivers license. One pack per family. Call 202-426-6841 for more information.



Old Post Office Tower

The Old Post Office, built between 1892 and 1899, is home to the Bells of Congress, which were a gift from England on our Nation's Bicentennial. From the observation deck, located 270 feet above the street level, the visitor can get a spectacular view of our Nation's Capital.



Operating Hours

Summer: Memorial Day through Labor Day

Monday through Saturday
9 a.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Sunday and Holidays
10 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Winter: Labor Day through Memorial Day

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Sunday and Holidays
10 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.

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www.nps.gov/opot

Ranger led walking tours of Pennsylvania Avenue

**Upon Request:
Saturdays and Sundays
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Join a park ranger for an interpretive program to learn more about one of Washington, D.C.'s more impressive and fascinating landmarks, the Old Post Office Tower. Tours are by

request. Call 202-606-8691 for more information.

For Whom the Bell Tolls: The Washington Ringing Society and the Bells of Congress

**First Thursday of every month
6:45 p.m.**

The art of change ringing goes back to the Middle Ages, and you can experience it firsthand at the Old Post Office Tower! To learn more about the systematic ringing of the Bells of Congress, join members of the Washington Ringing Society the first Thursday of each month for a full explanation of the Bells of Congress, why they are here, and how they work. The program will be followed by their weekly practice session. Call 202-606-8691 for more information.

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final element will be the rehabilitation of the historic bluestone paving around the memorial base and the replacement of the non-historic parallel walkways with wider, more

sustainable, granite approaches. The project also includes replacement of the decorative floor plate and reintroduction of the historic lighting features of the inner dome using modern, energy-efficient bulbs and light strips. Progress will be documented and

posted on the park website starting this fall.

The long decades of silence appear to be ending. The perfect harmony of Sousa's notes, concertgoers' murmurs, birds' chirps, and locusts' calls again may enliven a summer evening at

the D.C. War Memorial. Here, all future generations will visit and remember the "deathless story of heroic deeds done" by previous generations, including ours.

Be sure to visit the updated Lincoln Memorial website! <http://www.nps.gov/linc>

Highlights include a new Lincoln Memorial Construction Flipbook and an Interactive Site. The flipbook utilizes historic photographs to tell the story of the memorial construction from inception to completion. You can experience a virtual walk-through of the memorial, and listen to ranger reflections of the memorial and its history on the Interactive Site.

