

Battle of Antietam 146th Anniversary Programs



Antietam National Battlefield will present a series of programs to commemorate the 146th Anniversary of the Battle of Antietam. Fought on September 17, 1862, Union and Confederate Armies clashed for twelve hours over the rolling fields outside of Sharpsburg, Maryland. When the sun set, over 23,000 soldiers had been killed or wounded in what is considered the bloodiest one-day battle in American History.

Friday, September 12, 2008

- Program:** Orientation Talk
Time: 10:00 a.m. (Duration 30 minutes)
Location: Visitor Center
Description: Join the ranger for an overview of the battle.
- Program:** Artillery Talk
Time: 11:00 a.m. (Duration 45 minutes)
Location: Visitor Center
Description: Meet the ranger for a talk on the role of artillery during the Battle of Antietam.
- Program:** Ranger Led Automobile Tour
Time: 1:30 p.m. (Duration 2 ½ hours)
Location: Visitor Center Observation Room
Description: Ranger provides overview at Visitor Center, take your own car and meet the Ranger at Cornfield, Sunken Road & Burnside Bridge.
- Program:** Orientation Talk
Time: 3:00 p.m. (Duration 30 minutes)
Location: Visitor Center
Description: Join the ranger for an overview of the battle.
- Program:** Orientation Talk
Time: 4:00 p.m. (Duration 30 minutes)
Location: Visitor Center
Description: Join the ranger for an overview of the battle.
- Program:** Commemoration Ceremony
Location: The Dunker Church
Time: 6:00 p.m.
- Program:** Presentation by Tim Smith, author of *The Golden Age of Battlefield Preservation: The Decade of the 1890's and the Establishment of America's First Five Military Parks*
Location: Visitor Center Theater
Time: 7:00 p.m.