

# Civil War Days at Naper Settlement ~ Sunday, May 17, 2009 10 am-4 pm

**10:00 Non-denominational Church Service** – *Chapel*  
Presented by Jerome Kowalski, portraying Major General George Henry Thomas.

**10:30 Captain Henry Wirz** – *Tavern*  
Hear the other side of the story from Rick Benson as he portrays Captain Henry Wirz, commandant of the infamous Andersonville Prison, where over 40,000 Union soldiers were incarcerated.

**History of Civil War Music** – *Meeting House*  
Kathryn and John Atwood perform famous and forgotten Civil War-era songs, offering insight into the singers, the historical context of the song and the role of music during wartime.

**Confederate Infantry Drill** – *Village Green*  
See the foot soldiers in gray prepare for battle.

**11:00 “The Civil War in General”** – *Chapel*  
Using his illustrations, artist and history enthusiast, Jim Weren, provides an intriguing glance at the unique and colorful group of men who commanded the battlefields of the American Civil War.

**Emancipation Proclamation** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
Presented by President Abraham Lincoln, portrayed by Max Daniels.

**Union Artillery Drill** – *Village Green*  
See the men in blue prepare for battle.

**11:30 The High Command of the Confederacy** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
Confederate President Jefferson Davis, General Stonewall Jackson and General Robert E. Lee met together only one time shortly after the Seven Days Battle on July 13, 1862.

**Harriet Beecher Stowe** – *Meeting House*  
Actress Paddy Lynn talks about Harriet Beecher Stowe, famed author of “Uncle Tom’s Cabin.” Her book helped strengthen the abolitionist movement and contributed to the start of the Civil War.

**Noon Harriet Tubman** – *Chapel*  
During a presentation filled with music and soulful songs, Pam Welcome portrays Harriet Tubman, a slave who risked her own freedom and life to help others escape.

**Presidential Press Conference** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
Listen to Max and Donna Daniels as President Abraham Lincoln and his wife Mary Todd Lincoln.

**Civil War Cooking Demo** – *Near the Bandstand*  
Join veteran reenactor Norman Camp as he demonstrates how families and soldiers cooked during the Civil War.

**12:30 Stephen A. Douglas** – *Pre-Emption House Visitor Center Tavern*  
Terry Lynch portrays Stephen A. Douglas, an Illinois legislator who dominated the U.S. Senate and was known for his political rivalry with Abraham Lincoln.

**Union Infantry Drill** – *Village Green*  
See the foot soldiers in blue as they prepare for battle.

**1:00 Major Ballou’s Letter to Sarah** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
Hear Jerome Kowalski as Major Gen. George H. Thomas as he reads aloud a love letter sent from a soldier at war to his wife.

**Louisa May Alcott** – *Chapel*  
Author of the classic books “Little Women” and “Civil War Hospital Sketches,” Louisa May Alcott, portrayed by Rebecca Sutura Tulloch, will discuss her life as a Civil War nurse.

**Recruitment Rally: “Answering the Call to Arms”** – *Village Green*  
Norman Camp invites kids to “join up” as he recruits soldiers into the regiment.

**The Hunley Submarine** – *Meeting House*  
Presented by Stephen Quick, the H.L. Hunley was the first submarine to sink an enemy vessel.

**1:30 Miss (Major) Pauline Cushman, Union Spy** – *Pre-Emption House Visitor Center Tavern*  
Actress turned Civil War spy, Miss “Major” Pauline Cushman, portrayed by Helen Milam, was one of many brave women who risked everything to support the Union Army and the Federal campaign.

**Gettysburg Address** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
Join President Lincoln, portrayed by Max Daniels, as he addresses the nation.

**2:00 Troop Inspection** – *Village Green*  
Whether they wear blue or gray, the soldiers must pass inspection.

**2:30 Battle** – *Village Green*  
The battle lines are drawn, the soldiers are ready, let the battle begin.  
**Please note that for visitor safety, all buildings except the Pre-Emption House Visitor Center are closed during the battle.**

**3:00 Troops pass in review** – *Village Green*  
See the troops parade around the Village Green.

**3:15 Surrender at Appomattox** – *Paw Paw Post Office Porch*  
A play performed by the reenactors who portray General Grant, General Lee, General Custer, Lt. Col. Marshall, Lt. Col. Porter and Lt. Col. Babcock.

**Frederick Douglass** – *Chapel*  
Kevin McIlvaine, artist-in-residence at the National Park Service’s Frederick Douglass Historic Site in Washington, D.C., will perform excerpts from Douglass’s speeches illustrating various periods in the life of the famed abolitionist, orator and author.

# Ongoing activities

**1860s Pastimes Activity Demos** – 11:30-2:30 - Daniels House Yard  
See how women of the Civil War era occupied their time during the bleak war years.

**Flea Circus** – Noon, 1 & 2 p.m. - South of the Pre-Emption House  
Magician Michael Kett performs his famous Flea Circus.

**The Old Time Medicine Show** – 11:00, 12:30 & 3:00  
South of the Martin Mitchell Mansion

Join Dan Barth, the Traveling Medicine Man, as he takes a step back in time to demonstrate medical cures to help all known ills.

**Medical Demonstrations** – In front of the Paw Paw Post Office  
Major Orange B. Ormsby, M.D., of the 45<sup>th</sup> Illinois Volunteers, portrayed by Robert Fox, tells what life would have been like in a makeshift hospital in Civil War America.

**Burial Arrangements** – In front of the Paw Paw Post Office  
Undertaker Scott Paulson will be discussing burial arrangements of the Civil War era.

**Miller's Petting Zoo** – Next to the Martin Mitchell Mansion (nominal fee charged)  
It's feeding time! Touch, pet and feed the animals in an open-air petting zoo.

**Meet the Generals Grant, Lee, Hancock, Custer and Jackson** – Across from the Chapel  
Meet the generals at their camp to learn more about their perspectives on the war.

**Old-Time Photographer** – Between the Blacksmith Shop and the Tavern  
Visit an old-time photographer and dress in vintage clothing for a one-of-a-kind photographic remembrance of Civil War Days. (Additional fee)

**Victorian Lawn Parties** – Next to Halfway House  
Meet the Victorian ladies of the Great Lakes Re-enactors Guild as they host traditional lawn parties throughout the day.

**Sutler's Row** – Along Aurora Avenue between the camp sites  
Shop for items soldiers bought from merchants who followed them from camp to camp.

**"Naperville in the Age of Lincoln" exhibit & Civil War display** – Located in the Pre-Emption House  
Visit the "Naperville in the Age of Lincoln" exhibit, which examines the everyday life of an Illinois community during an era of sweeping national change. In the lobby, see a display case with photographs of Civil War soldiers and actual letters and diaries written by and to people in the Naperville area during the Civil War period.

**The Museum Store** – Located in the Pre-Emption House  
Shop for Civil War memorabilia, games, toys, books and reproductions. Proceeds benefit Naper Settlement. Stop in to enter a gift basket drawing.

**Cricket Games** – Next to Fort Payne  
The English game of cricket was brought to the United States during the colonial era and by the 1860s could be found throughout the United States. Visitors can play this 19th century game, which Tom Melville conducts on a continuous walk-up basis. Absolutely no experience required! (Not played during the battle.)

**29th Illinois Regimental String Band** – Traveling the grounds  
This band will perform traditional music and dances of the time period.

**Battlefield Balladeers** – Traveling the grounds  
A musical duo that blends history and harmony.

**Fox Valley Genealogical Society** – Near the Naper Haight House  
Find out about your Civil War ancestors! The FVGS will help you to discover your family connections. Learn about Civil War era cemeteries in our area and more.

**Naperville Area Stamp Club** – Near the Log House  
See stamps of the era and commemorative stamps.

## For Your Safety

Please watch your step! Because this is a 19th century village, some paths, stairways and floors are uneven. Please do not eat, drink or smoke in village buildings. No strollers, tripods or photography/video of any kind are allowed inside the buildings. Foods and goods sold may contain nuts or other allergens. Toys may not be suitable for young children.

During the military drills and afternoon battle, do not cross in front of soldiers on the firing line. During the battle, please stay behind the ropes to the sides of the Village Green and do not sit on any of the fences. Follow the instructions of our line guards, who are here for your safety. Buildings will be closed during the battle. Please be advised that the battle at 2:30 p.m. is loud. If you or your children are sensitive to noise, you may want to leave the battlefield area at this time and visit the Brushstrokes exhibit in the Pre-Emption House Visitor Center lower level, which remains open.

## Food Vendors

Look for the finest in festival food from our vendors. Vendors are located in the picnic area next to the Halfway House. Old Tyme Kettle Korn is located next to the Paw Paw Post Office.

Admission: \$9 adults, \$8 seniors, \$6.50 youth  
Free admission for Naperville Heritage Society members,  
Log onto our Web site to become a member and save!



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