

# **EXPEDITION NATCHEZ 1813: BECOMING “OLD HICKORY”**

**NATCHEZ TO NASHVILLE AND ALONG THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY**

**WAR OF 1812 BICENTENNIAL**

**April 12 – 21, 2013**

**Sponsored by:**

**Natchez Trace Parkway Association**

## **PUBLIC EVENTS**

Events in Natchez are co-sponsored by the 7<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry Living History Association

**Friday, April 12    NATCHEZ**

5:00 pm. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** at the DAR Marker on the Bluff, Natchez Chapter DAR.

6:00 p.m. **Landing and Parade of General Jackson and the Troops Through Natchez.** Sponsored by the City of Natchez. Main Street.

6:30 p.m. **Reception for General Jackson and the Mayor of Natchez** at the exclusive Prentiss Club with period music and heavy hors d’oeuvres. This ticketed reception is sponsored by Natchez Downtown Development Association. See below for ticket information.

**Saturday, April 13 NATCHEZ**

8:30 a.m. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** at Historic Jefferson College by Pathfinder Chapter DAR.

9:00 a.m. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** at Elizabeth Female College by James Gilliam Chapter DAR.

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Natchez Expedition 1813 and Washington Community Faire** with 50 camps of living history demonstrators at Historic Jefferson College. Portrayals of General Jackson's encampment with marches, parades, drills and camp life demonstrations in the territorial capital of 1813 Washington, Mississippi Territory. Area craftsmen, musicians, gunsmiths and others have traveled to town to demonstrate their talents on the 1813 Saturday. Admission \$5 for ages 12 and older.

10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. **War of 1812 Lectures at Historic Jefferson College.**

10:00AM - Mr. James Parker, Director, Fort Toulouse/Fort Jackson, Alabama.

"Happenings Along the Gulf Coast and Their Influence on Natchez 1804 - 1813"

11:00AM - Mr. Tom Kanon - Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee. "The War of 1812 and the Problem of Causation"

1:00PM - Mr. Clay Williams - Director, Old Capitol Museum, Jackson, Mississippi. "Frontier in Flames: The Creek War Begins!"

2:00PM - Mr. Tony Turnbow - Attorney, "The Natchez Expedition that made Andrew Jackson "Old Hickory"

3:00PM - Mr. Bud Clark - Great great great grandson of Capt. William Clark. "William Clark and the War of 1812 in the West"

3:00 p.m. **Ladies' 1813 Tea at 1812 Auburn Historic House.** The ladies of the 7<sup>th</sup> U.S. Infantry Living History Association portray Natchez society at a tea at the grand Natchez home newly constructed in 1813. \$7 admission at the door.

6:00 p.m. **Fife and Drum performance by the Lewis and Clark Fife and Drum Corps** in the Natchez Eola Hotel lobby.

6:45 **Period Dinner honoring General Jackson and his brave Volunteers** at the Natchez Eola Hotel. String music during dinner provided by the Sinclair Family

Trio. Sponsored by the Natchez Downtown Development Association. See below for ticket information.

**Sunday, April 14 NATCHEZ**

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. **Pioneer Living History Camps and Demonstrations** continue at Historic Jefferson College. General Jackson and his troops will have departed early. No admission on Sunday.

**Monday, April 15 RIDGELAND**

9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. **Educational Initiative** areas on the Natchez Trace Parkway at Choctaw Agency, Brashear's Stand, Doak's Stand, Old Trace Park Barnett Reservoir. Open to the public.

2:00 pm. Choctaw Agency. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** by Rebecca Cravat Chapter DAR.

**Tuesday April 16 RIDGELAND**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Educational Initiative** areas on the Natchez Trace Parkway at Choctaw Agency, Brashear's Stand, Doak's Stand, Old Trace Park, Barnett Reservoir. Open to the public.

**Tuesday April 16 JACKSON**

5:30 – 7:00PM. **Old Capitol Museum House Chamber Event.** Mississippi Supreme Court Chief Justice and former Brig. General of the Mississippi National Guard William L. Waller, Jr. speaks on military leadership. Other remarks by Vice-Chief Kevin Edwards of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians. Grant Hardin, portraying Andrew Jackson, will read the address President Jackson prepared to give at the building on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans. The event includes a reception in the rotunda with hors d'oeuvres and string music.

**Wednesday, April 17 FRENCH CAMP**

1:00 p.m. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting Ceremony** at the DAR Marker honoring the encampment of Jackson's War of 1812 troops by Samuel Hammond Chapter DAR.

**Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19 PONTOTOC**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 pm. **Educational Initiative** on the old Natchez Trace at Longbow Trails Park.

2:00 p.m. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** on the Old Natchez Trace at Zion Baptist Church by Pontotoc Historical Society.

**Friday, April 19 TUSCUMBIA**

6:00 p.m. **Reception at the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art.** Special exhibits on George Colbert and Col. John Coffee will include Chief George Colbert's sash. Music by the Sinclair Trio. Sponsored by the Alabama Chapter and the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau. See below for ticket information.

7:00 p.m. **Historic Dinner to Honor Chickasaw Contribution to the Natchez Expedition**, Roundhouse Restaurant. John Coffee descendants will formally thank Chief George Colbert and Chief Levi Colbert descendants for the help their ancestors provided in feeding the troops in 1813 to prevent them from starving. Period Music by "Two Hammers and a Pick." Sponsored by the Alabama Chapter and the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau. See below for ticket information.

**Saturday, April 20 TUSCUMBIA**

8:00 a.m. **Tour of Tuscumbia Landing and Discussion of the Long-range Consequences of the War of 1812**, led by Robert Thrower, Preservation Officer of the Poarch Band of Creek Indians. The landing was one of the removal sites on the Trail of Tears.

10:30 a.m. **Tennessee River Crossing Ceremony at Colbert Ferry.** The historical significance of the site will be discussed by C. Brady Davis, Representative of the Chickasaw Nation, Natchez Trace Parkway Acting Superintendent Dale Wilkerson and others. It will be emphasized that Jackson became “Old Hickory” with the help of the Chickasaws and others during the Natchez Expedition. The event will include a **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** by the Chief Colbert Chapter DAR.

#### **Saturday April 20 HOHENWALD**

1:00 p.m. **Homecoming for the Tennessee Volunteers** –Re-creation of dismissal of troops at Grinder’s Stand by William Carroll and welcome home of troops by 1813 families. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** by the Re-enactors (tree sponsored by the Tennessee Society DAR) and Ceremonial tribute at Meriwether Lewis gravesite.

#### **Saturday April 20 LEIPER’S FORK**

3:00 p.m. **Bicentennial Tribute to the Tennessee Militia of 1812-** War of 1812 Memorial Site. Mile marker 426.3. Adjutant General Terry “Max” Haston of the Tennessee National Guard, Andrew Jackson’s current successor in that office, Natchez Trace Parkway Acting Superintendent Dale Wilkerson, Tennessee Society U.S. Daughters of 1812 president Charlene Miller and General Society of 1812 member Dr. Sam Gant will pay tribute to those who participated in the Natchez Expedition and the soldiers who died during the marches. Wreath laying ceremony. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** by Tennessee Society U.S. Daughters of 1812.

#### **Sunday, April 21 NASHVILLE**

10:00 a.m. **Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Grave of President Andrew Jackson,** The Hermitage. **Bicentennial Hickory Tree Planting** by Tennessee Society U.S. Daughters of 1812.

\*For tickets to the Reception for Andrew Jackson at the Prentiss Club and to the dinner for Andrew Jackson and his Volunteers at the Natchez Eola, please contact the Historic Natchez Foundation at 601-442-2500 or call 601-445-8220.

\*\* For tickets to the Reception at the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art and the Colbert and Coffee Descendants Dinner at the Roundhouse Restaurant, contact the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau, (256)383-0783.

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