



# the Visitor

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## 150<sup>th</sup> Year Since Start of Civil War

# Encampment: Creative Learning

It's been 150 years since the start of the Civil War and interest in that conflict between the Northern and Southern states is as great today as then. Many believe the outcome of the war was a defining moment in American history.

Each year, many school children from the South-Western schools and other districts encourage students to attend The Encampment as a class history project.

The re-enactors who participate are well educated on Civil War history and encourage questions from all ages.

The 2011 event is no different than year's past and should provide educational opportunities for all who attend.

## Bluegrass, Vintage Baseball, Cannons: Part Of Activities

The 2011 Encampment will cover three days where re-enactors from the American Revolution, Civil War and the people who settled the Midwest plains will join forces for one great event in Grove City.

The Encampment, in its 11<sup>th</sup> year, will take place at Century Village at Fryer Park, 4185 Orders Rd., in Grove City April 29, 30 and May 1.

**Friday, April 29** will get underway at 7-8:30 p.m. with a free Bluegrass music concert. During the concert, some of the re-enactors will be setting up camp for their first night at the Village.



**Saturday, April 30** will be a busy day for everyone attending. Scheduled activities begin at 10 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. including:

- 10 a.m. – Live music begins on and off throughout the day at the log cabin and stage.
- Noon – 1846 era baseball game between local residents and the Ohio Historical Society's Muffins. Players will wear period reproduction uniforms and follow the baseball game rules that were in place well over 100 years ago.
- 1 p.m. – Toll of the bell for deceased members of the Southwest Franklin County Historical Society.
- 1:15 p.m. – Announce name of Civil War veteran to be honored in special ceremony.

**Sunday, May 1** activities begin at 10 p.m. and end at 3 p.m. Scheduled activities include:

- 10:30 a.m. – Outdoor interdenominational worship service.
- 1:30 p.m. – Dedication of Double Pen Barn.
- 2 p.m. – Vocal performance by Jackson Middle School students.

**Saturday and Sunday** learn how to throw a tomahawk, see a stuffed, full size bison, take a picture beside an authentic stage coach and learn how a Civil War surgeon treated soldiers. Experience cannon fire, see demonstrations of black powder long rifles, observe military drills. Vendors and food available.

**Other Civil War spots to visit:** Ohio Historical Society's *Ohio and the Civil War* exhibit; Motts Military Museum's Civil War display; Camp Chase where more than 25,000 Confederate prisoners were housed during the Civil War with over 8,000 there at one time. The only part of the prison that remains is the Cemetery where 2,260 Southern soldiers are interred.



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