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## **RELIVE HISTORY AT CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL PARK, FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2013**

Confederate Memorial Park offers visitors an annual opportunity to experience daily life of Civil War soldiers. Once the location of Alabama's only soldiers' home for Confederate veterans, the park contains a state-of-the-art museum, reproduction Civil War barracks, cemeteries, pavilions, nature trails, and other resources. In operation from 1902 to 1939, the home cared for elderly veterans, and wives and widows of veterans.

On Friday, April 26, the park offers two living history sessions—9 am to 11:30 am or 12:30 pm to 3 pm—and admission is free. The 6<sup>th</sup> Indiana Union and 33<sup>rd</sup> Alabama Confederate re-enactors will demonstrate artillery and infantry firing, show cavalry horses, and see a wide variety of soldier's equipment. Military maneuvers include student participation. Re-enactors live in tents and the newly constructed 1863 replica army barracks building.

The museum offers opportunities to see Civil War era uniforms, weapons, and everyday equipment. Exhibits tell the story of life on the homefront during the War. Note admission is charged to see the museum. Schools receive the group rate of \$2 per person and are limited to ten groups in the morning and ten in the afternoon. Phone 205-755-1990 for museum reservations.

Covered pavilions and picnic tables are available on a first come basis. A licensed vendor will be on site selling food and refreshments.

The Alabama Historical Commission owns Confederate Memorial Park, in Marbury, Chilton County. For more information contact the park office at 205.755.1990 or visit the website at <http://preserveala.org/confederatepark.aspx>.

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Photo and interview opportunities are available during the event.

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