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Help Celebrate the 100th Birthday of the National Park Service #FindYourPark

It's 2016 and we are joining the rest of the nation to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service. The year will be filled with ways to #FindYourPark and celebrate across the nation. In Mississippi, we are especially fortunate to be the home of the Vicksburg National Military Park. Please join us in the celebration!

To celebrate the Centennial, Friends of VNMP and Campaign will host a cocktail reception at the U.S.S. Cairo Museum on Thursday, October 6, 2016. VNMP has agreed to open the park after hours for this special occasion. The private ticketed event will give people the unique opportunity to enjoy a cocktail while the sun sets over the National Cemetery, next to the Cairo, one of the countries largest and most well preserved Civil War artifacts.

Please help us make this commemoration a special one. Vicksburg is so fortunate to be home to this amazing unit of the National Park Service. VNMP is known as the art park of NPS thanks to the many beautiful sculptures and reliefs that memorialize the sacrifices made here for our country. We would love for you to consider a sponsorship of this special and rare event to recognize the contributions the National Park Service has made in our community and their 100 years of service to the public.

All proceeds from the event benefit Friends of VNMP and Campaign, the official partner organization for VNMP. All donations to our 501(c)3 organizations work to help us enhance the battlefield and promote public appreciation for the history it symbolizes. While the park's basic operations are funded by the National Park Service, many features and programs that visitors enjoy most are made possible through private funds, including important work maintaining one of the Nation's largest collections of sculptures, monuments, markers and tablets. Friends of VNMP is committed to the park and the public it is designed to serve.

Vicksburg National Military Park is Mississippi's top tourist attraction. Every dollar raised through our organization helps enhance and promote our state's top tourist attraction and bring vital tourism dollars into our state economy. Please see the attached sheet for benefit levels and sponsor information.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and we sincerely hope you will join us in preserving history and celebrating 100 years of National Parks!

With appreciation,

Bess M. Averett

Bess Mitchell Averett Executive Director



NPS 100th Anniversary Commemoration Sponsorship Form

Yes! I would like to sponsor the National Park Service 100th Anniversary Commemoration at Vicksburg National Military Park on Thursday, October 6, 2016. Sponsors will received a commemorative 100th Anniversary National Park Service Coin, tickets to the event (corresponding to giving level), recognition during the event and in media, recognition in the park Visitor Center and on the Friends of VNMP website (corresponding to giving levels). Sponsors committed by August 31, 2016 will be listed on invitations. All donations to our 501(c)(3) work to help us enhance the Vicksburg National Military Park and promote public appreciation for the history it symbolizes.

Sponsorship Levels	Please make checks payable to:
\$500 Bronze (2 tickets)	Friends of Vicksburg
\$1,000 Silver (4 tickets)	PO Box 821286
\$2,500 Gold (6 tickets)	Vicksburg, MS 39182
\$5,000 Platinum (8 tickets)	
\$10,000 Diamond (10 tickets)	Or pay by credit card:
Other \$	☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ American Express
	Account Number
	Exp. DateSignature
	Card Verification Code (3 or 4 digits on back of card)
Name:	
Company:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	

Thank You!

For more information about our organization or the events, please visit www.friendsofvicksburg.org, call 601-456-0804, or email us at director@friendsofvicksburg.org.

Return form, payment, and business logo for recognition to: Friends of Vicksburg, PO Box 821286, Vicksburg, MS 39182