

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON
FACILITIES USE GUIDELINE**

SUBJECT: Use and Scheduling of Camp Randall Memorial Park (G.A.R. Park)

FROM: Facilities Use Committee

DATE: July 2005

Introduction, Background and Authority

The University purchased the 50-acre Camp Randall site, a former Civil War training ground, in 1892. In 1911, a portion of the property was designated as Camp Randall Memorial Park (also known as G.A.R. Park). The park is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is designated a Wisconsin State Memorial Park.

The UW-Madison Division of Facilities Planning and Management (FP&M) is responsible for the management and maintenance of this park. The Wisconsin Board of Veterans Affairs “*may approve, recommend and veto any proposed plans, modifications and changes or policies with respect to established state memorials, including Camp Randall memorial park...*” (Wis. Stat. 45.35 (3m)(a)).

Scheduling Policy

Because of its historical significance, it is not the intent of the University to reserve or regularly schedule large-scale public or private events in this area, however, it is recognized that some events may be compatible with its special status.

Historical re-enactments or teaching/research activities are permitted when such activities are conducted in a manner that does not compromise the ecological and cultural integrity or historic fabric of this important site.

Requests for scheduling events should be submitted to the Central Reservations Office, centralreso@union.wisc.edu or 262-2511. Each request will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by FP&M staff and, when appropriate, FP&M approved proposals will be conveyed to the Board of Veterans Affairs.