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FIRST CITY FESTIVAL: DANCIN' IN THE STREETS
HISTORY COMES ALIVE DURING FIRST CITY FESTIVAL

Curious about what it was like being a soldier at Fort Leavenworth during the Civil War? Or under what conditions Union doctors had to perform surgery? What was life like in the trenches of World War I? What new weapons were used in World War II? During this year's First City Festival, you will have the opportunity to learn about U.S. military history from those who lived it.

Living historians will offer authentic period displays and interesting original stories along Three Mile Creek on Saturday, Sept. 12 from 10:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The historical experts will focus on events specific to Leavenworth and Fort Leavenworth, as well as the daily life of American soldiers during historic time periods.

A Civil War surgeon and surgeon's assistant, cannon crew and soldiers from both the Union and Confederate Armies will talk about their experiences. Soldiers representing World Wars I and II will tell festival-goers about the challenges they faced while serving overseas.

As philosopher George Santayana said in his famous quote, "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to repeat it." The living historians encourage festival participants to ask questions as they travel back in time along Three Mile Creek Trail.

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