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SHAKER VILLAGE RIVERBOAT CRUISE FOCUSES ON CIVIL WAR The Civil War on the Kentucky River tour will be offered September-October.

HARRODSBURG, KY, (August 28, 2019) – Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill will debut new programming for their daily riverboat cruises aboard the Dixie Belle starting September 6th through October 31, 2019. The tour entitled "<u>Civil War on the Kentucky River</u>" will give guests a history lesson on how the Civil War affected the Shakers who relied on the Kentucky River during wartime.

"We are proud to offer seasonal programming, not only for our riverboat excursions, but for our <u>Daily Adventures</u>, so there is always something new for our guests to learn and experience," said President and CEO Maynard Crossland. "The topic of the Civil War always brings great interest, and we are excited that we get to showcase how this fascinating and difficult time in America's history played out right here in central Kentucky."

Passengers will take a narrated journey along the Kentucky River to discover how troop movement impacted the accessibility of the river for the Shakers at Pleasant Hill. The Shakers were pacifists, but the skirmishes, battles and consequences of the war affected their community just like many others in the South.

The Dixie Belle Riverboat embarks every day at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. Tickets should be purchased at the Welcome Center. Pricing for ages 13+ is \$10, \$5 for ages 6-12 and free for ages five and under. All river adventures are subject to weather and river conditions and will only run if the temperature is above 50 degrees. All scheduled excursions can be found on the Shaker Village Events Calendar.

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill in Harrodsburg is located just 40 minutes away from Lexington, and 80 minutes outside of Louisville. To plan your visit to Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, or to learn more, visit <u>shakervillageky.org</u> or call 800.734.5611.

ABOUT SHAKER VILLAGE OF PLEASANT HILL

Named a top hidden travel destination by BBC News and awarded TripAdvisor's Certificate of Excellence, Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill is a landmark destination that shares 3,000 acres of discovery in the spirit of the Kentucky Shakers. With 34 original Shaker structures, the site is home to the country's largest private collection of original 19th century buildings and is the largest National Historic Landmark in Kentucky. Demonstrating a commitment to community, sustainability and ingenuity, Shaker Village embraces three pillars rooted in time-honored Shaker legacies, including balanced preservation and conservation; engaged learning and exploration; and warm, spirited hospitality. Onsite services at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill include overnight accommodations, dining, beverage and catering services, three craft shops,

exhibitions in historic buildings, a farm and garden area, the Dixie Belle Riverboat and 1,200 acres of restored native prairie. For more information, please visit <u>shakervillageky.org</u>.

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