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**APPOMATTOX PLANS SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY IN 2015**  
*“Variety of Activities at Multiple Locations Will Mark the Place Where Our Nation Reunited”*

**Appomattox, VA (December 6, 2014)** –The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the close of the American Civil War will take place in April 2015. Many will look to Appomattox as the epicenter of the war’s end and a rebirth of the nation. Throughout the year there will be special events to commemorate the significance of this monumental event in United States history. A wide range of programs and activities are being offered by *The Appomattox County Historical Society, The Museum of the Confederacy – Appomattox, Appomattox Court House National Historical Park and the Appomattox 1865 Foundation – the Friends of the National Park.*

Visitors can expect a series of “real time” programs and battlefield walks, lectures, evening lantern tours, reenactments, period music programs and a Civil War Ball. Certain activities will allow visitors to mark key anniversary moments associated with the surrender and the final days of the war. Costumed educators, military encampments, breakfasts with renowned Civil War scholars, speakers and writers and the Virginia Civil War 150<sup>th</sup> History Mobile along with ranger led programs, wet-plate photography, authors’ tents and programs for kids will provide something for every level of interest. There will be a large scale reenactment April 10-12 at the Appomattox Center for Business and Commerce located 2 miles north of Appomattox along Highway 26.

The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2015 will kick off with The Annual Civil War Seminar in February held at Longwood University in Farmville. Sailor’s Creek Battlefield Historical State Park, and High Bridge Trail State Park, will be holding a march for preservation and tactical demonstration at Sailor’s Creek, and various commemorative programs from April 4 through 7. For those that can’t be in Appomattox in April, there will also be additional “Stacking of Arms” reenactment ceremonies at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park in July and October. Please check back to learn more details about the diverse activities planned, including ticket/reservation availability, prices, fees, exact times and locations. Visit the sponsoring organization websites and watch for periodic updates and more announcements. A preliminary schedule for the events in can be found at [www.appomattox1865foundation.org](http://www.appomattox1865foundation.org).

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**About the Appomattox 1865 Foundation:**

The mission of the Appomattox 1865 Foundation is to enrich the understanding and appreciation of the heritage and significance of Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. The Foundation focuses on efforts to preserve the past, augment financial support, commemorate history and enhance each and every visitor’s experience.

*The Appomattox County Historical Society*  
[www.appomattoxhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.appomattoxhistoricalsociety.org)

*The Museum of the Confederacy – Appomattox*  
[www.moc.org](http://www.moc.org)

*Appomattox Court House National Historical Park*  
[www.nps.gov/apco](http://www.nps.gov/apco)

*Appomattox 1865 Foundation “Friends” Group*  
[www.appomattox1865foundation.org](http://www.appomattox1865foundation.org)

*Sailor’s Creek Battlefield Historical State Park*  
[www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/sai.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/sai.shtml)

*Appomattox Sesquicentennial Committee*  
[www.appomattoxva.gov](http://www.appomattoxva.gov)