



# PAMPLIN HISTORICAL PARK & THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE CIVIL WAR SOLDIER

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## **Pamplin Historical Park Hosts Free Lectures on February 2 and May 15, 2012**

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Petersburg, VA – A. Wilson Greene, executive director of Pamplin Historical Park & The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier, will give a free lecture February 2 on the military actions in the Bermuda Hundred Campaign and another free lecture May 15 on the capture of New Orleans. Both talks will take place at 7:00 p.m. at the Park's Education Center off Duncan Road in Dinwiddie County.

Although the final campaign for Petersburg began in mid June 1864, some 40,000 Union troops threatened the city a month earlier. The Army of the James under Major General Benjamin Butler landed at Bermuda Hundred in Chesterfield County on May 5, 1864 and launched a campaign that lasted two weeks. Greene will outline the events of this important and misunderstood series of battles in a free talk on Thursday February 2 at 7:00 p.m.

New Orleans was the Confederacy's largest and, next to Richmond, most important city. A combined Union army and navy operation targeted New Orleans 150 years ago in a campaign that resulted in the fall of the Crescent City. Greene's free talk on the capture of New Orleans is on Tuesday May 15 at 7:00 p.m.

These free programs will last one hour and light refreshments will be available. No reservations necessary. Directions: From I-85, take exit 63-A/Route 1 South. Go through two stoplights and make a left turn on Route 670/Duncan Road. Go ¼ mile and turn left at the Park's Education Center entrance. For more information, call 804-861-2408, visit [www.pamplinpark.org](http://www.pamplinpark.org), or email [memberservices@pamplinpark.org](mailto:memberservices@pamplinpark.org).

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