

Continuing to Innovate: Regional Bus Tour Programs



The staff of the Southwest Virginia Museum Historical State Park consistently search for new and innovative programs that complement our visitors' exploration of the region. Bus tours have expanded the exploration opportunities immensely in the past several years, and the process of creation continues in 2015!

The newest multi-day bus tour the park has to offer is “Adventures in History: Battle of Point Pleasant.” Join us at the “first engagement” of the American Revolution as we trace the steps of the Virginia Militia to the Battle of Point Pleasant. Dr. Lawrence Fleenor will guide our winding tour through Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky on this multi-day tour which will culminate at

Point Pleasant and other sites pertinent to this pivotal point in history. The program will run three nights and four days, beginning on Thursday, September 24th and returning on Sunday, September 27th. The tour will include stops at Claytor Lake, Ingalls Ferry, Lewisburg, Point Pleasant, and others. Trip details, including cost, are TBA.

Another brand-new, multi-day bus tour the park is offering in 2015 is “Adventures in History: 72 Hours Before the End.” 2015 marks the final year of the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War. Join us as we take a unique look at the last few days before the end. It will start at Petersburg with the siege and how civilians fared during this time. From there, we will follow Lee's Retreat to the battles of Sailor's Creek and High Bridge, with the final ending of the war at Appomattox. The program will run two nights and three days, beginning on Friday, July 10th and returning Sunday, July 12th. Trip details, including costs, are TBA.

In addition to these new bus tours, the park will offer popular tours from previous years, including: the Coal Camp Bus Tour with Dr. Fleenor, the Wandering the Wilderness Bus Tour with Dr. Fleenor, the Forts of the Clinch Bus Tour with Dr. Fleenor, and the Geology Bus Tour with Tony Scales.

Specific bus tour information is included in the calendar, but interested participants will want to reserve seats early, as space is limited and tours fill very quickly.

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