Civil War 150th Commemorative Series

http://www.cem.va.gov/history/index.asp

Goals of NCA's Civil War sesquicentennial programs are:

- Demonstrating the Nation's enduring commitment to caring for Veterans and families, honoring their service and sacrifice, by increasing awareness of our mission, the national cemeteries and benefits we provide.
- Educating target audiences about Veterans' service and sacrifice, including the contributions of Civil War soldiers and attracting "cultural tourism" to our historic properties.
- Enhancing employee performance through greater understanding of our history, mission, vision, core values and Sacred Trust.
- Expanding our historical record and recognizing our role as steward of significant cultural resources through historic preservation and education projects.

Past Programs



December 6, 2011

Conserving/Replacing the Oldest U.S. Civil War Memorial: 32nd Indiana Infantry Monument (or Bloedner Monument)

Panel: NCA Senior Historian Sara Amy Leach and NCA Historian Alec Bennett; Justine Bello, conservator, Conservation Solutions Inc.; Nicholas Benson, carver, The John Stevens Shop.



April 18, 2012

This Republic of Suffering: Death and the American Civil War

Guest: Dr. Drew Gilpin Faust, author, Harvard University President, and Lincoln Professor of History



July 17, 2012

150th Anniversary of Omnibus Act of 1862: Creating the first national cemeteries

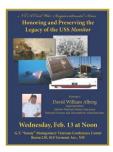
Guests: Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs Steve L. Muro and VA Deputy Secretary W. Scott



November 13, 2012

U.S. Burial Registers Digitization Project: Sharing a History of Service

Guest: Todd Godfrey, Senior Director of Global Content, Ancestry.com



National Cemetery Lodges 150 Years of Stewardship

Tuesday, May 21 at Noor

February 13, 2013

Honoring & Preserving the Legacy of the USS *Monitor* – and the forthcoming burial of the remains of two sailors in Arlington National Cemetery

Guest: David W. Alberg, Superintendent, *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary

May 21, 2013

National Cemetery Lodges: 150 Years of Stewardship Dual theme with "May is National Preservation Month"

Guest: Tom Vitanza, Senior Historical Architect, Historic Preservation Training Center, National Park Service; Sara Amy Leach, NCA Senior Historian, and Alec Bennett, NCA Historian

November 7, 2013

American Indians and the Civil War Triple theme for Native American Heritage Month and Veterans Day

Guest: Dr. Robert Sutton, Chief Historian, National Park Service



February 20, 2014

Black Soldiers & Sailors in the U.S. Armed Forces During the Civil War Dual theme for Black History Month

Guest: Dr. Joseph P. Reidy, U.S. History Professor & Associate Provost, Howard University



June 19, 2014

Educational Walking Tour of Historic Alexandria National Cemetery Commemorating Memorial Day

Tour Leader: Hillori L. Schenker, NCA Historian