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Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sunday 12-5 p.m.

**November 12: Virginia War Museum Foundation Annual Meeting.** Begins at 1:00pm in the Virginia War Museum Theater. This annual meeting will begin with a review of the VWMF and its support of Endview Plantation, Lee Hall Mansion and the Virginia War Museum. A lecture and book signing will follow with Civil War author and historian Patrick A. Schroeder. Schroeder was born January 1, 1968, at Fort Belvoir, VA, and was raised in Utica, New York, until he was 13. Patrick attended Stuarts Draft High School in Augusta County, VA. In the spring of 1990, he graduated *Cum Laude* with a B.S. in Historical Park Administration from Shepherd College, Shepherdstown, WV. He has a M.A. in Civil War History from Virginia Tech. From the summer of 1986-1993, Patrick worked as a seasonal living history interpreter at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park. In 1993, he wrote *Thirty Myths About Lee's Surrender*, which is currently in its twelfth printing. From 1994-1999, he was employed at Red Hill, the Patrick Henry National Memorial. Patrick has written, edited and/or contributed to more than twenty-five Civil War titles including: *More Myths About Lee's Surrender*; *The Confederate Cemetery at Appomattox*; *Recollections and Reminiscences of Old Appomattox*; *Tar Heels*; *Sailor's Creek: General Custis Lee Captured with Controversy*; *Civil War Soldier Life: In Camp and Battle*; *A Duryee Zouave*; *We Came To Fight: A History of the 5th NY Veteran Vol. Inf., Duryee's Zouaves*; *Campaigns of the 146th Regiment New York State Volunteers*; *Pennsylvania Bucktails*; *The Bloody 85<sup>th</sup>*; *The Life of General Ely S. Parker: Least Grand Sachem of the Iroquois and Grant's Military Secretary*; *Appomattox County*; and *With the 11<sup>th</sup> New York Fire Zouaves: In Camp, Battle and Prison*. Patrick resides in Lynchburg, VA, and he has worked as an independent researcher, author, historian, and tour guide. He has been the Historian at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park since 2002. In an effort to protect sites relevant to the Appomattox Campaign, Patrick has set up the "Appomattox Fund" with the Civil War Trust, to save land important to the climatic events of April 1865.

Mr. Schroeder's books will be available for purchase and signing from the author. **VWMF Membership is required to attend the Schroeder lecture and annual meeting.** VWMF annual memberships start at \$20 for an individual and \$35 for a family. Individual student memberships are \$10. Memberships payable in cash or check only. Regular museum admission only includes the book signing event.