Petersburg, Va. – Pamplin Historical Park & The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier will be hosting two book lectures and signings on October 7, 2017 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

“Richmond Shall Not Be Given Up” book signing with Doug Crenshaw will take place at 11:00 am - 1:00 pm at the museum.

In the summer of 1862, with the eastern Confederate army on its heels, and the Union army nearing the Southern nation’s capital city, a dramatic turn occurred with a series of battles. Come out and hear historian and author Doug Crenshaw describe these fights in which Robert E. Lee took command of the newly named Army of Northern Virginia and aggressively attacked Gen. George McClellan’s Army of the Potomac.

“Midnight In America” book signing with Jonathan White will take place at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm in the museum.

The Civil War brought many forms of upheaval to America, not only in waking hours but also in the dark of night. Sleeplessness plagued the Union and Confederate armies, and dreams of war glided through the minds of Americans in both the North and South. Sometimes their nightly visions brought the horrors of the conflict vividly to life. But for others, nighttime was an escape from the hard realities of life and death in wartime. Come out and hear historian Jonathan W. White explain what dreams meant to Civil War–era Americans and what their dreams reveal about their experiences during the war. He shows how Americans grappled with their fears, desires, and struggles while they slept, and how their dreams helped them make sense of the confusion, despair, and loneliness that engulfed them.

After the presentations the authors will each be signing copies of their recently published books. A limited number of copies of the books will be available in the Civil War Store for purchase. The event is included with your Pamplin Historical Park membership or paid park admission.

One of “Virginia’s Best Places to Visit” according to the Travel Channel, and designated as a National Historic Landmark, Pamplin Historical Park & The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier is a 424-acre Civil War campus located in Dinwiddie County, Virginia offering a combination of high-tech museums and hands-on experiences. The Park has four world-class museums and four antebellum homes. The Park is also the site of The Breakthrough Battlefield of April 2, 1865 and America’s premiere participatory experience, Civil War Adventure Camp. For more information, please call 804-861-2408 or visit www.pamplinpark.org.