

EVENTS

APRIL 17-26, 2015

Bennett Place will be holding 10 days of events on the anniversaries of the surrender that took place there. They include living history programs, a bus tour, guided tours of the site, new exhibits, demonstrations, and more.

MAY 11-23, 2015

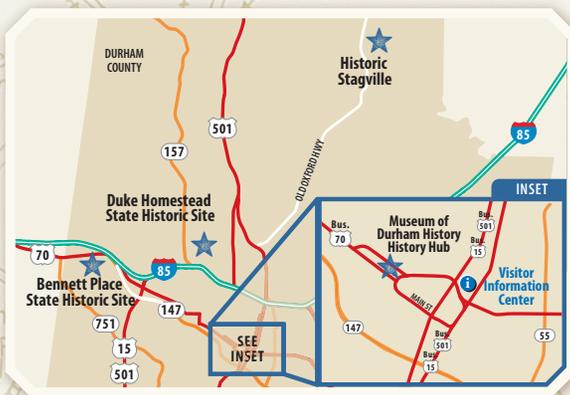
Duke Homestead will mark the anniversary of Washington Duke's noted trek from New Bern to Durham by having historian and reenactor Philip Brown take that journey himself. He will be in period clothing and will hold events at each stop along the way, reaching Durham on May 22 and 23.

MAY 30-31, 2015

Stagville will be host cooking demonstrations, special tours, children's activities, and living historians discussing life after the end of slavery in an event called Freedom 150: Commemorating Emancipation at Stagville.

RESOURCES

For more information about the Civil War in Durham, visit civilwardurham.com. There you will find expanded versions of the stories contained in this brochure, a detailed timeline of events, and an extensive list of resources for further exploration.



The **Museum of Durham History History Hub** (500 W. Main St; museumofdurhamhistory.org) is a great place to start learning about Durham's history. Durham's three historic sites, **Stagville** (5828 Old Oxford Hwy; stagville.org), **Bennett Place** (4409 Bennett Memorial Rd; bennettplacehistoricsite.com), and **Duke Homestead** (2828 Duke Homestead Rd; dukehomestead.org), all offer tours and other insights.

To plan your trip to Durham, visit durham-nc.com or stop by the official **Visitor Information Center** (101 E Morgan St; (919) 687-0288). You can find information about historic sites, tours, places to stay, dining, and other things to do.

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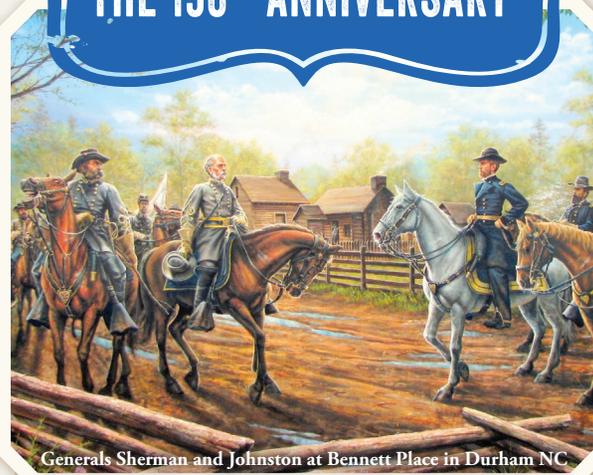
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IT ENDED IN DURHAM

With Gen. Johnston's
surrender of 89,000 men

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ANTEBELLUM

Leading up to the Civil War, Durham was simply a railroad depot called Durham Station. But Stagville, located nearby, was a 47-square-mile plantation with 900 slaves. It was so large that it would take a person three days to get off Stagville property if they attempted to run.



That setting, and the lives of the people who lived there, show the significant personal cost of slavery and how life in Durham was indicative of the experiences and problems faced throughout the country.

They are tales that demonstrate something not just about Durham, but about African-American history and the development of the United States.

Visit Stagville today to see restored slave quarters – a rarity in the modern day – and other historic buildings.



RECONSTRUCTION

From humble beginnings to renowned business success, Washington Duke endured multiple personal tragedies and a war on his way to shaping Durham's future. Moreover, the industry he engendered in Durham helps show how the country as a whole developed after the Civil War.



Duke was a small farmer until he was conscripted into the Confederate Army. After spending time as a prisoner of war, Duke was forced to walk 135 miles from New Bern back to Durham. But once there, Duke took advantage of the taste for tobacco Union soldiers developed during the war and began what would grow into one of the biggest tobacco companies in the world, helping to build Durham into the city it is today.

The Duke family homestead now hosts restored historic buildings and a tobacco museum.



THE WAR & SURRENDER

Also located near Durham Station was a 325-acre farm owned by the Bennitt family. It was not an especially notable farm – not until Confederate general Joseph Johnston passed it as he rode to meet Union general William T. Sherman halfway between their armies in Greensboro and Raleigh.

Then the farm became the site where the two generals, longtime enemies who had been battling against one another since the previous year, sat down to discuss an unlikely possibility – one of peace.

They met days after Lincoln's assassination, which complicated affairs. But in the end, Johnston agreed to the largest surrender of the war. It marked the effective end of the Civil War.

Visitors to Bennett Place can tour a museum and receive a guided tour through this fascinating tale.



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