

# *Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia*

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## **The Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia (CHSV) Chesterfield County Department of Parks and Recreation Presents: “Blockade Runners”**

Chesterfield, July 2, 2021 - The Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia (CHSV) and the Chesterfield County Department of Parks and Recreation presents “**Blockade Runners**” at Magnolia Grange House Museum, 10020 Iron Bridge Road, Chesterfield, VA 23832 on Saturday, July 17, 2021 at noon. This event is meant to provide educational information for the community and to increase awareness about Chesterfield County’s historical sites.

Saturday, July 17, 2021 at noon, join Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia and Chesterfield County Department of Parks and Recreation for “Blockade Runners,” a talk on Civil War ships, presented at Magnolia Grange House Museum, 10020 Iron Bridge Road, Chesterfield, VA 23832. The guest speaker for this event will be author and retired U.S. Air Force officer Dr. Andrew English.

In the Air Force, English spent over half of his career at overseas locations in Oceania, Japan, Europe, and the Middle East, including Iraq where he received the Bronze Star. He is a graduate of Air Command and Staff College and Squadron Officers School. The speaker received his Ph.D. in history from the University of Exeter and his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in history from the University of Southern Mississippi. English is the author of *A History of the Early Hattiesburg, Mississippi Area: All Off for Gordon’s Station*, *Chasing the Fox: The Chronology of a Blockade Runner*, and *Ringside at Richburg: America’s Last Heavyweight Bare-Knuckle Championship*. The speaker’s wealth of knowledge on history—military history in particular—is sure to enhance his lecture.

Space is limited, and reservations are required. Please call one week in advance to register. Participants must follow social distancing guidelines, and enhanced cleaning standards are in place. For more details or to sign up for Dr. English’s presentation, call Lorie Arnold at 804-748-1498 or visit [www.chesterfieldhistory.com](http://www.chesterfieldhistory.com).

The Chesterfield Historical Society of Virginia is a private, non-profit 501(c) (3) organization that serves as the center for Chesterfield county history. Its mission is to collect, preserve, interpret and promote the county’s unique past for the education and enjoyment of present and future generations. For additional information or to volunteer, please visit our website at [www.chesterfieldhistory.com](http://www.chesterfieldhistory.com).

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