

# Northern Shenandoah Valley's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

## Winchester/Frederick County

### May 9 - 1pm:

**For the Cause of Liberty** A park ranger from Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park will discuss both Isaac Hite's and the Shenandoah Valley's role in the American Revolution. Belle Grove Plantation, 336 Belle Grove Road, Middletown.

### May 16 - 11am-3pm:

**Fort Loudoun Day** Guided tours of the fort site, children's activities, living history interpreters, demonstrations of archaeological digs, and more. FREE. 419 N. Loudoun Street.

### May 21-25:

**Healing Field of Honor** The Rotary Club of Winchester will display hundreds of American flags, with special flags honoring Revolutionary War Heroes from Winchester. Opening Ceremony May 21, 6-7pm. Closing Ceremony May 25, 3-4 pm. John Handley High School, 425 Handley Blvd. and Valley Ave., Winchester.

### May 23:

**Newtown Heritage Festival and Trolley Tour** Learn about Revolutionary War era history in Stephens City on a Trolley tour! Tours will be offered at 10am, 11:30, and 4pm. FREE, reserve in advance on Eventbrite. 5408 Main St, Stephens City.

### May 25 - 1pm:

**Memorial Day Commemoration Ceremony** Special ceremony with the theme: Made in AMERICA – Made in Virginia: 250th Anniversary of American Independence. "The Price of Freedom". Veterans Memorial, 8050 Main St, Middletown.

### May 29 - 5:30-9pm:

**Virginia Spirits 250th Celebration Dinner** 3-course pairing dinner at Vault & Cellar featuring Virginia Spirits 250: Birthplace of American Spirits collection. Reservations required. Vault & Cellar, 7843 Main Street, Middletown.

### May 30 - 12-9:30pm (drone show at 9:00 pm)

**Splash Bash and Red, White, and Lights!** Drone Show Pool party, fun and games, ending with a spectacular drone show celebrating the 250th. Jim Barnett Park, 1001 E. Cork Street, Winchester.

### June 6 - 10am-1pm:

**Winchester Revolt: Historic Bike Ride** Join the Winchester-Frederick County VA250 Committee for a bicycle tour through the history of Winchester. A narrator or reenactors in period garb will talk about why each site is important. Register in advance on Eventbrite. 329 North Cameron Street, Winchester.

### June 6 - 10am:

**Clowser Family Memorial** Guest speakers with light refreshments and Mercer Company muster and drill. 152 Tomahawk Trail, (Shawneeland), Winchester.

### June 14 - 7pm:

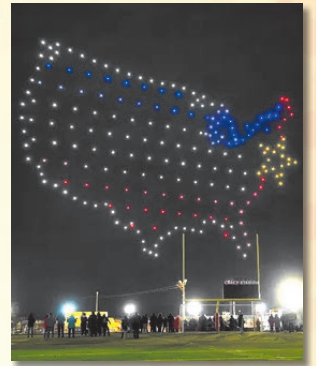
**Flag Day Service** Sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fort Loudoun Chapter. Round Hill Community Fire and Rescue Company, 141 Spinning Wheel Lane, Winchester.

### June 19 - 6:30pm:

**"A Good and Valuable Officer, Daniel Morgan, Rev. War Hero"** Lecture by Mike Cecere about Daniel Morgan's life and contribution to the American Revolution, sponsored by Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society. Old Stone Church, 306 E. Piccadilly Street, Winchester.

Please scan the QR code for more information on these and other events:

Visit [VISITWINCHESTERVA.COM](http://VISITWINCHESTERVA.COM) for more details



## In Shenandoah County:

### SHENANDOAH COUNTY CELEBRATES

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June 20, 2026

### May 2 - 1pm:

**250th Anniversary Event** at the VFW Post 2447, Edinburg. Featuring Music by Amanda Roadcap and speaker David Ferguson. Lunch provided.

### May 9 - 1pm:

**Historic Music Celebration** featuring Martha and Me, the Civil War Dancers, & Teresa Pennington - Woodstock Presbyterian Church. Special performance highlighting songs from the 18th and 19th century.

### May 9 - 11am:

**Uncovering History: Ground Penetrating Radar Results** at Union Church, Mount Jackson. Learn about Ground Penetrating Radar and the recent survey designed to identify unmarked graves and more.

### June 20 - 10-5pm:

**Shenandoah County Celebrates 1776!** - Opening Ceremony at 10am at Woodstock Courthouse followed by displays/activities including Revolutionary War encampment, Mounted Calvary (Dragoons), 18th Century Artisans, Lecture Series, Children's Activities, Family Scavenger Hunt, Patriot Impersonators, Food Vendors, and more in Downtown Woodstock.

### July 3-5:

**Evening Fireworks Displays** - New Market, Woodstock, Strasburg, and Bryce

### July 8 - 6pm:

**Reading of the Declaration of Independence** at Court Square, Woodstock

Visit [Shenandoah250.org](http://Shenandoah250.org) for times and locations!

### July 11 - 10am:

**Strasburg History Day at the Strasburg Museum** Focusing on the history of Strasburg, VA and the pottery industry that dominated the town in the 19th century, this event will feature special programs and displays.

### July 31 - Aug 1 - 10am-3pm(Sat); 12pm-3pm(Sun)

**Shenandoah Valley Germanic Heritage Museum Celebrates 250 of the Declaration of Independence** Colonial period encampments, living history displays, crafts, and operating outdoor bake oven at historic Hottel-Keller Memorial Homestead

### Sep 15 - 7pm:

**Using Ground Penetrating Radar at Historic Cemeteries** at St. Paul's Heritage Center, Edinburg. Mark Ludlow will present on his findings.

### Aug 31 - Oct 12:

**"We the People" Exhibit** at the Edinburg Mill Museum. Exhibit exploring diversity of the immigration experience and their impact on VA's history and identity.

### Sep 18-20:

**Edinburg Ole Time Festival** - Edinburg. Celebrating the community's unique small-town charm and history at Shenandoah County's oldest community festival.

## In City of Harrisonburg:

### Now - July

**Plains District Memorial Museum** in Timberville displays an exhibit that focuses on the Native Americans in the area and the forts built to protect the settlers who lived there before the War of Independence. 1 - 4 PM Thursday-Sunday

### July 2 5-9:30pm:

**Downtown Harrisonburg VA250 community celebration** with a free Levitt AMP concert, a local opening band, Harrisonburg's biggest fireworks show yet, giveaways, food vendors, free activities and more.

### July 4:

**A reading of the Declaration of Independence** on the Old Courthouse steps. 80 Court Square Harrisonburg

### July 4:

**We the People of the Valley: A celebration 250 years in the making!** Celebrate Independence Day with a family-friendly event packed with patriotic spirit organized by Massanutton Chapter of

the Daughters of the American Revolution and Rockingham County Schools. 9 am-12:30 pm; Spotswood High School

### July 5:

**Bridgewater Historical Society** hosts a walking tour of S. Main St., highlighting the homes and mill location of the town's founders, John and Jacob Dinkel. Historical information will be on display and refreshments served. 1-4 pm.

### July 6 5:30pm:

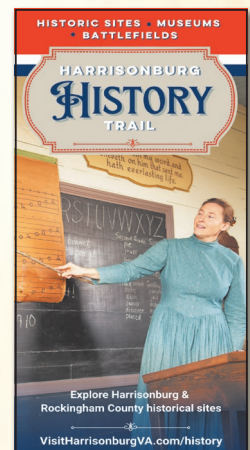
Rockingham Union Lodge No. 27 in downtown Harrisonburg hosts a presentation called a **"250 Years of Independence: Freemasonry's Involvement, Fact or Legend?!"** second floor of 114 S. Main St

### July 4 - Dec. 2026:

**The Virginia Quilt Museum Exhibit Stitching Together History** - 250 Quilts Commemorating the Commonwealth of Virginia.

### July 13-August 24:

**UN/BOUND VMHC Traveling Exhibit** at Massanutten Library



## In Warren County:

### MAY 30 10AM-6PM:

**Freedom Flows Festival** - Shenandoah River & Revolution at Eastham Park. Eastham Park with Samuels Public Library & Experience Warren County Celebrate the Shenandoah River with family fun, hands-on activities, live demonstrations, local food, artisans, and interactive exhibits bringing history to life.

### June 18-21:

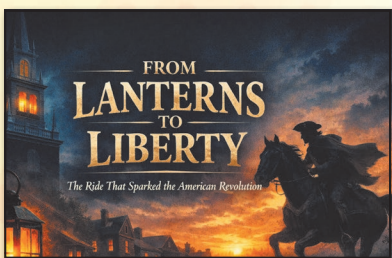
VA250 Mobile Museum will be in Warren County!

### JULY 3:

**Freedom Pops Fireworks** - Gates open at 6:00pm - Celebrate America's 250th with Warren County's biggest fireworks, food, live entertainment, and family fun at the Northern Virginia 4-H Center.

### OCTOBER 3 10-6pm:

**Liberty Day Heritage Festival Rockland Park** with Warren County VA250 Liberty Day delivers big fall family fun with history, reenactments, hands-on activities, live entertainment, and a can't-miss community celebration day.



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