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How Did the Southern States Assist Former Southern Soldiers after the American Civil War? The Pension Series Continues at the NCWM

(Harrisburg, PA) – [The National Civil War Museum](http://www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org) announces a lecture on “The Southern Pension System after the American Civil War.” Join Museum CEO Wayne E. Motts during the final lecture in his two part series on the American Pension system after the Civil War. The Spring Civil War Lecture Series continues on April 23, 2016, 1:00pm-2:00pm at The National Civil War Museum.

After the surrender at Appomattox, Southern states began to slowly enact pension systems for former Confederates at the state level. Unlike their Union counterparts much of the southern pension system was need based and compared to the Federal system less generous. However, a concerted effort was made by the ex-Confederate states to assist former southern soldiers, most especially those who were disabled or indigent. Learn more about the state initiatives for former southern veterans.

The 2016 Spring Civil War Lecture Series will conclude with the final lecture “Early Preservation at Gettysburg” scheduled on April 30, 2016.

For more information and a complete listing of other events at the Museum, please visit the Museum website: www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org or call 717.260.1861.

About The National Civil War Museum

*Opened in February 2001, The National Civil War Museum, a member of the Smithsonian Institution Affiliations Program, is a non-profit private educational institution dedicated solely to the American Civil War. It is one of the largest museums in the world which interprets the entire American Civil War from a military and civilian perspective. The Museum preserves and exhibits some of the nation's treasures, including General Robert E. Lee's personal Bible, and more than 24,000 artifacts, documents and photos. Admission to the Museum is \$11.00 for adults, \$10.00 for seniors, and \$9.00 for students with reduced rates for children and families. The Museum offers complimentary ample parking. For more information, please call 717.260.1861, or visit the Museum's website at www.nationalcivilwarmuseum.org. **Connect with us!** [Facebook.com/TheNationalCivilWarMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/TheNationalCivilWarMuseum); [Twitter.com/NCWM](https://twitter.com/NCWM); and [FourSquare.com/NationalCivilWarMuseum](https://www.foursquare.com/NationalCivilWarMuseum)*

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