



1859 Sketch of Ingles Bridge over the New River by Lewis Miller; the bridge was burned in 1864 to slow progress of Union troops in the area.

(Negative image, Montgomery Museum Collection)

Lest We Forget, War is Hell: 1861 – 1865

The Civil War in Montgomery County

The Montgomery Museum joins other museums and historical societies across Virginia to commemorate the Civil War Sesquicentennial over the next four years. Though the great battles of the war were fought many miles from Montgomery County, the war inevitably had a significant impact on the county's people. The scope and character of the war in Montgomery County will be examined in an upcoming exhibit running from September 30, 2011 – June 2012. The exhibit will include local troops, local and nearby battles, the effects of the war on the local population, the role of Montgomery White Sulphur Springs as a hospital during the war, the two brief occupations of Christiansburg by Union troops in 1865, and the war's local aftermath. On display will be a rare Confederate Cavalry Saber manufactured in Christiansburg by Crush & Wade and other military memorabilia, Confederate Reunion Ribbons, items associated with Montgomery White Sulphur Springs, and images of pertinent period sketches by Lewis Miller.