

# Historic Perspectives

*News About the Preservation of Prince William County's Historic Resources*

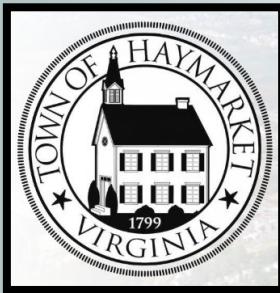


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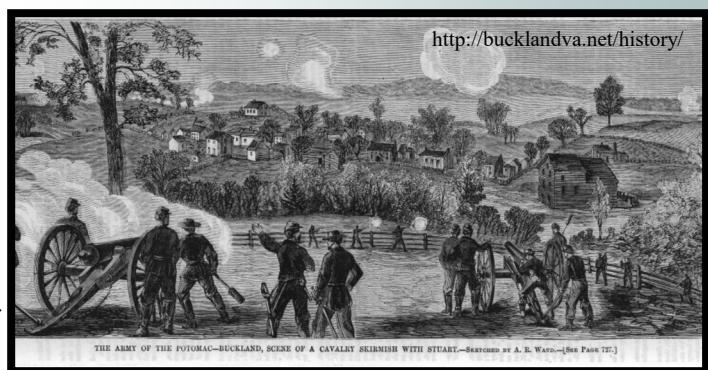
## Walking Tours of Historic Prince William

One's self-identity is largely comprised of a sense of community. Communities can range from people who share the same interests, ethnic heritage, occupation background, or the place one lives in. People in Prince William County belong to many different types of communities but some of the strongest are the communities where they live. Today the overall county is one of the main sources of civic identification, but for nearly 200 years smaller towns and settlements that were scattered throughout Prince William shared that feeling. The suburbanization within the past four decades demolished some sense of small town pride as some communities suffered destruction to make way for new development, or the once separated places, became better tied into a larger area. This spring and summer, local historians will explore some of these communities in a series of special tours.



On the first Friday of the month in June, July, and August, local historians will lead an hour-long walking tour of some of the towns that many people are familiar with or perhaps may not be. Collaborating with local experts of the towns, these tours will provide a special overview of the rich history and culture at each of these areas. On June 1st we will be exploring one of the older towns in Prince William. Originally called Red House Tavern, Haymarket proved to be a microcosm of western expansion in the 1800s. From the western end of the county, on July 6th the tour moves to the eastern end for a tour of Occoquan. A colonial trading post, religious enclave, and charming town, Occoquan has experienced a lot since founded in 1765. The final tour on August 3rd is back on the western end for a tour of Buckland. Straddling the Fauquier/Prince William line, Buckland was one of Prince William County's first planned communities back in the 1790s. All the tours begin at 7:00pm and are free.

In addition to walking tours, on Saturday June 2nd local historians will also be conducting a bus tour of some of these lost or forgotten communities in our county. Some towns, like Antioch are still around, while others are gone save but the name of a street like Smoketown. Very few communities are completely gone, with nothing to mark that a busy intersection was once a thriving town. For more information on any of these programs, please call 703-365-7895.



**Bill Backus**  
**Historic Site Manager**  
**PWC Historic Preservation Division**

# History Corner

## The US Census - A Great Primary Source

Two recently explored documents are giving us a better look at how Rippon Lodge functioned in the mid-1800s, before the Civil War and after the Blackburns. The Rippon property first came into Atkinson hands in 1811 when George Atkinson bought it from Bushrod Washington. His son, Richard, would inherit the property on George's death in 1844. Richard had six years before the US Agricultural Census of 1850 came around to enumerate his farm products, land, livestock, and equipment. While the regular census would count his family members and slaves, the agricultural census gives us a look at what was going on with the farm.

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# Collections Corner

## Soldiers Suffer from More than Wounds

When we think about a museum collection, many things come to mind: furniture, clothing, pictures, letters written tools used. The biggest artifact we have isn't a chest of drawers or a cabinet. It's our buildings. And we have a lot of them! **Sixteen!**

As we work to preserve these buildings, we do our best to keep as much original material as possible. Sometimes –parts are removed and replaced to preserve the structure. In many cases where this happens, these pieces become part of the collection. They provide a great way to study how our buildings changed over time. One piece of our collection is a board that was under the stairs at the Barnes House.

At some point in time, the Barnes news papered those boards, a method frequently seen as a poor man's insulation. Papering over the wood boards helped to block drafts. At the Barnes house the upstairs was papered along both walls – and again under the stairs in a small storage closet. We opted to put most of those boards back- but downstairs one piece was kept for future display.

I've been looking at the board for a while – hoping it would reveal clues about its past. Most of the board has advertisements for clothing and fabrics, but on the bottom is an article about the YMCA. Most of the logo remains visible, and enough words were clear enough to do a search. A search on Chronicling America allowed me to look for newspaper advertisements by the YMCA dating between 1915 – 1919. A few minutes later I was looking at the November 17<sup>th</sup>, 1917 edition of the Evening Star newspaper.

From that article we know that the papering of the space happened after November 1917. We aren't sure that the same advertisement wasn't run in other local newspapers, but it's completely logical for the Evening Star to make its way out of DC and into Prince William County. Check out the board below, and the newspaper scan of the original ad. Sometimes we get a chance to learn about our houses in unexpected ways!

A close-up image of the YMCA ad fragment from the board found in the Barnes House



Photo: HPD

**Sarah Nucci**  
Preservationist  
PWC Historic Preservation Division

The original advertisement in the Evening Star on November 17, 1917.  
Image Courtesy of Library of Congress, *Chronicling America* Historic American Newspapers



# Staff News



## Staff Training

Nate McDonald and David Born attended Black Powder Training with Virginia State Parks.

Bill Backus attended the VAM workshop:  
“Managing Projects and People”

## Staff Updates

- ~Interpretive Division Supervisor , Rob Orrison, has accepted the position of Vice President of VAM!
- ~Congratulations to Lisa Struckmeyer, one of our historic interpreters, who graduated this month with a Master of Arts degree in Cultural Anthropology from George Mason University.
- ~Welcome to Lance Russell, our new seasonal historic interpreter, assigned to Rippon Lodge this summer.



Almost all of the HPD interpretive staff attended the Virginia Association of Museums (VAM) 50th anniversary conference in Norfolk!

We attended workshops everyday and received special behind-the-scenes tours from local museum colleagues.

Every year we learn something new and try to incorporate and develop exciting programming for visitors and residents of Prince William County!

People in the photo from left to right:  
(standing) Mary Wheeler, J. Nate McDonald, Bill Backus, Paige Gibbons-Backus, Warwick Steer, Lance Russell, and (kneeling) Lisa Struckmeyer and Rob Orrison

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*One of the manifold goals of the Prince William County Historic Preservation Division is to “advance our knowledge of our community’s history”.*

*Throughout Virginia many local museums, historical societies, and other historic preservation groups routinely publish an annual history magazine or journal exploring the local history of the particular community.*

*Soon Prince William County will have one as well. In partnership with Historic Prince William, we are planning on an annual Journal of Prince William History to be published every March.*

*If you would like to submit an article to this journal, the deadline for submissions are December 1, 2018.*

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**Rippon Lodge Historic Site**  
15520 Blackburn Rd., Woodbridge, VA  
703-499-9812



**Lucasville School**  
10516 Godwin Dr., Manassas, VA  
703-367-7872



**Old Manassas Courthouse**  
9248 Lee St., Manassas, VA  
703-367-7872

# Schedule of Events

All fees listed are *per person* unless otherwise stated. All programs are free for children under six, unless otherwise stated. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather for outdoor programs. No pets, please. Programs may be cancelled due to inclement weather. Call site phone number for updated information and to make reservations, where required.

## June 1

### Walking Tour of Historic Prince William Towns: Haymarket

7 p.m.; Free; donations accepted

Join local historians on the first Friday of every month this summer for a special walking tour of historic towns in Prince William County. On June 1 explore Haymarket then on July 6 we will tour Occoquan and we will finish the series at Buckland on August 3.

Please meet at Haymarket Town Hall: 15000 Washington St., Haymarket, VA 20169. 703-365-7895.

## June 2

### Lost Towns of Prince William County Bus Tour

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; \$70 per person (lunch included)

Reservations are required.

The historic towns of Dumfries, Occoquan, and Manassas survive today, but many smaller communities and towns,

were abandoned, destroyed, or lost over time. Join local historians as we explore some long forgotten communities (New Market, Smoketown, and Batestown) and learn about a lost chapter in Prince William County history. Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre 12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow, VA 703-365-7895.

## June 9

### Meet the Men of Ben Lomond Candlelight Tour

8:30 p.m. – 10 p.m.; \$10 per person Reservations are required.

Take a special candlelight tour, gain a truly immersive experience, where the men of Ben Lomond will take you throughout their world. Meet Mr. Chinn, the first property owner, and Mr. Pringle, the renter during the Civil War when it was commandeered as a hospital. Tour takes place in near dark; you will see, smell, and hear an active field hospital. *May not be suitable for young children.*

Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.

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## June 16

### Potomac Blockade Boat Tour

10 a.m.—1 p.m.; \$45 per person

Cruise along the Potomac River and view sites that were critical to the Confederate forces' successful blockade of Washington D.C.: September 1861 through March 1862. Local historians will discuss the significance of the Blockade, of the gun batteries, and camps that supported the Confederate efforts. Ticket includes: lunch, seeing batteries at Freestone Point, Possum Nose, Evansport and Shipping Point. Boat departs from Leesylvania State Park in Woodbridge. For reservations call: 703-792-4754.



Courtesy of LOC

## June 16-17

### Father's Day Weekend Tours

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.; \$5.00 per person;

**Free for children under 6 and for Fathers.**



Does your Dad enjoy military history, learning about historic construction and preservation, or the great outdoors? Treat him to a tour of Prince William County's historic sites! All fathers that visit during the Father's

Day weekend will receive a complimentary tour of all PWC Historic Preservation Division sites. 703-792-4754.

## June 16

### Juneteenth Open House at Lucasville

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; \$5 suggested donation

Join us at Lucasville in honor of Juneteenth! Learn about the celebration marking the emancipation of enslaved African Americans throughout the South. Visit the one-room schoolhouse to learn about the development of freedmen communities throughout Prince William County.

Lucasville School 10516 Godwin Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.



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Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park  
Intersection of Iron Brigade Unit Ave. and  
10th Alabama Way, Bristow, VA 703-366-3049



Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre  
12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow, VA  
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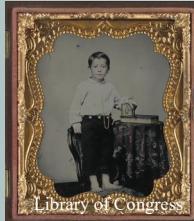
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## Schedule of Events Continued...

**June 18**

### Museum Kids Monday!

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; \$5 per child, ages 8 and under.



Bring your child to explore history through sight, sound, smell, and touch through hands-on activities and crafts. Topics vary each month and will include subjects such as farming, textiles, or 19<sup>th</sup> century toys and more! Adult must be able to participate with children. Please contact the site to learn about the subject of the month. Reservations required. Ben Lomond Historic Site 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.

**June 23-24**

### Brentsville Farmhouse Living History Weekend

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Free, donations accepted

During the middle 1800's most people living in Prince William County were somehow tied to farming. Explore how most residents lived as living historians bring the Haislip-Hall Farmhouse to life. Learn about the various chores that were required to make a 19th century farmhouse run and meet some real farm animals! Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre 12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow VA 703-365-7895.



**June 29**

### Rippon Lodge Revolutionary Readers – A Book Club for Young Readers

10 a.m. – Noon; \$7.00 per child/ per day.

Do you like to read? Then spend the summer with **Revolutionary Readers** at Rippon Lodge Historic Site. Rippon's summer book club invites young readers (rising 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade) to join. This summer, explore books and topics connected to early American history through the eyes of young adults. Selected book for June:

***Bully for You, Teddy Roosevelt* by Jean Fritz**

Each gathering includes a book discussion, followed by interactive games, crafts, food ways, and more. All titles are available at the local library and Amazon.

Advance registration is required.

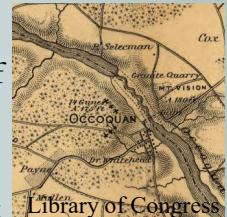
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**July 6**

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For more information, call: 703-365-7895.

**July 7-8**

### World War II Weekend at Rippon Lodge

11 a.m. – 4 p.m. daily; Free, donations accepted

The Greatest Generation evolved during a time of war. Learn about daily life of World War II soldiers in the European and Pacific Theatres from living historians portraying Axis and Allied soldiers. Hear about their equipment, armaments, historic military vehicles, and medical care on and off the battlefield. Additionally, explore how citizens at home supported the war effort, view original WWII artifacts and learn about Admiral Black, the last owner of Rippon Lodge, a



WWII veteran and survivor of Pearl Harbor. Enjoy refreshments, house tours, crafts, and more!



Rippon Lodge Historic Site, 15520 Blackburn Road, Woodbridge, VA 703-499-9812.

# Schedule of Events Continued...

**July 9-13**

## Technology through the Ages Camp at Ben Lomond Historic Site

9 a.m. – 12 p.m., \$130 per child ages 8-13

Advanced registration required.

Technology has been around since ancient times, it was just different than technology in use today. Learn about technologies used for hunting, cooking, warfare, health and more throughout Virginia's history. The camp will cover history and science from Virginia's early settlement through the 20<sup>th</sup> century with hands-on activities, crafts, games, and more. Registration for this camp can be completed on line at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org) or by calling: 703-792-8320. Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.



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**July 14**

## Off Site Tour: Prelude to First Manassas Car Caravan Tour

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.; \$20 per vehicle.

Although the Battle of First Manassas was the first major engagement of the war, with over 36,000 troops meeting on the fields near Bull Run, it did not come out of nowhere.

Throughout the area, several events contributed to the battle and signaled the difficulties that laid ahead. On this caravan tour, visit several historic locations that helped shape the battle that we now know today. Stops will include sites such as Blackburn's Ford, Signal Hill, Liberia, Yorkshire, and more. Tour starts at Ben Lomond Historic Site.

Ben Lomond Historic Site

10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.

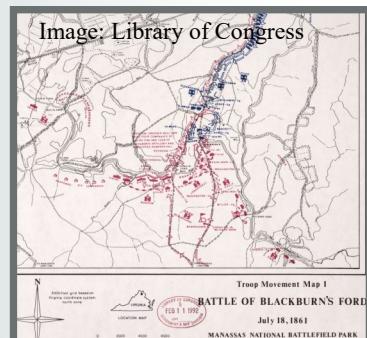


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**July 16**

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10 - 11 a.m.; \$5 per child, ages 9 and under.

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**July 21-22**

## Ben Lomond Civil War Hospital Weekend

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday; 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Sunday Free during the day; For the evening event, we welcome a \$5 suggested donation.

After the Battle of First Manassas, Ben Lomond served as a field hospital to treat the wounded. Visit Ben Lomond on the 157th anniversary of the battle and learn from historians and Civil War reenactors how soldiers were treated during the war and how the conditions of these hospitals differ from the hospitals we have today. The weekend will consist of demonstrations, tours, children's activities, and a special evening luminary recreating the hospital on Saturday evening from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.



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**July 30-August 2**

## Historic Living at Rippon Lodge Summer Camp

9 a.m. to 12 noon daily; \$100 per participant, ages 8 to 15

What was it like to live at Rippon Lodge 270 years ago?



Image: Library of Congress

What happened on the farm? What did children learn, eat, make or do to contribute to the household so long ago? What did the Blackburns do to survive difficult periods of weather? Come encounter life at the Blackburn's homestead during the Colonial era at Rippon Lodge's four-day camp. Each day, campers experience all new hands-on activities, crafts, chores and more! The camp will run rain or shine. Reservations are required and space is limited. Registration for this camp can be completed at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org).

Call 703-499-9812 for more information.

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703-499-9812.



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# Schedule of Events Continued...

**August 3**

## Walking Tour of Historic Prince William Towns:

### Buckland

*7 p.m.; Free; donations accepted*

Join local historians on the first Friday of every month this summer for a special walking tour of historic towns in Prince William County. Wrapping up our summer series of tours with a visit to one of Prince William County's oldest towns, Buckland on August 3. Please meet at the Buckland Heritage Museum: 6275 Vint Hill Rd, Warrenton VA, 20187.

Please call 703-365-7895 for more information.



**August 11**

## Candlelight Tour of Ben Lomond Historic Site

*8 p.m. – 9 p.m.; \$10 per person, advanced registration is required.*

Ben Lomond has a grim history as a Confederate field



hospital after the Battle of First Manassas. Come take a special candlelight tour and have a truly immersive Civil War hospital experience, where you will see, smell, and hear an active field hospital. Tour takes place in near dark. This tour may not be suitable for young children. Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.

**August 18**

## Stonewall Jackson's Bold Sweep: Second Manassas Campaign Bus Tour

*8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; \$70*

*Reservations required; space is limited*

To commemorate the 156th Anniversary of the Second Battle of Manassas, the tour will detail Confederate General "Stonewall" Jackson's famous flank march around the Union army in August 1862. This march led to the largest battle in Prince William County and Northern Virginia, resulting in over 18,000 casualties. The tour will visit sites along Jackson's march such as Orlean, Marshall, Thoroughfare Gap, Bristoe Station, Conner

House and the Bull Run Bridge Battlefield. Cost includes transportation, admission to all sites and a boxed lunch. Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Ave., Bristow, VA 703-366-3049.



**August 18-19**

## Paranormal Investigation and Spend the Night at Ben Lomond Hospital

*7 p.m. – 8 a.m.; \$75 per person, advanced registration is required.*

Ben Lomond has a diverse history from being a Civil War hospital to the home of countless slaves. Today, many local residents claim that the house and grounds are haunted by spirits from the past. Ben Lomond Historic Site is partnering with East Coast Research and Investigation of the Paranormal (ECRIP) to host a paranormal seminar and investigation at Ben Lomond. Participants will first attend a seminar with discussions about various theories and current techniques and then participants will work alongside members of ECRIP in a paranormal investigation. The seminar will run from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and the investigation will be held from 9 p.m. to midnight. After the investigation, settle in for the night in the Civil War hospital and sleep in the same space you searched for paranormal activity. Light breakfast refreshments included. Reservations are required for space is limited.

Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.

**August 18**

## National Bee Day at Rippon Lodge

*11 a.m. – 3 p.m.; \$5 per person*

Enjoy National Bee Day at Rippon Lodge Historic Site. With special guest Bees in Schools LLC and Edgemoore Art Studio, learn about all types of honeybees, how a hive works and see the way bees store honey. Find out how you can contribute to protect these endangered species, and what can be made with the honey and wax. Purchase Rippon Lodge's very own honey from our hive in our gift shop.

Please note: bees are temperamental and may sting. If you are allergic to bees or honey, please make sure you use extra caution or do not attend. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Please do not wear black, as it attracts bees. Rippon Lodge Historic Site, 15520 Blackburn Road, Woodbridge, VA 703-499-9812.



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## August 20

### Museum Kids Monday!

10-11 a.m.; \$5 per child, ages 9 and under.

Bring your child to Ben Lomond this summer to explore history through sight, sound, smell, and touch with hands-on activities and crafts! Topics vary each month and will include subjects such as archaeology, plants, and 19<sup>th</sup> century toys. Adult must stay to participate with children. Please contact the site to learn about the subject of the month. Reservations are not required.

Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.



## August 25

### Battle of Bull Run Bridge Car Caravan Tour

8 a.m. - 11 a.m.; \$20 per vehicle

Join Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park staff for the 156th anniversary of the Battle of Bull Run Bridge— part of the opening rounds of what would become the Second Battle of Manassas. Hours before the Battle of Kettle Run to the South, the Battle of Bull Run Bridge was the first Federal attempt to drive Stonewall Jackson away from Manassas. This August 27th battle, while small, was particularly bloody for the Union Army and took a heavy toll on the regiments that fought there. Visit the ground on the actual anniversary for specialized in-time walking tour that will make this forgotten battle come to life in vivid detail. Stops include Manassas Junction, Liberia House, Mayfield Fort, Connor House and more!

Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Ave., Bristow, VA 703-366-3049.

## August 25-26

### Battle of Kettle Run Anniversary Tours

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.; Free, \$5 suggested donation

Join Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park staff and volunteers on the 156th anniversary of Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson's capture of Bristoe Station and the Battle of Kettle Run – the opening round of what would become the Second Battle of Manassas. This August 27th battle, while small, was bloody and took a heavy toll on the regiments that fought there. Visit the park on the actual anniversary for specialized in-time walking tours that will make this forgotten battle come to life in vivid detail.

Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Ave., Bristow, VA 703-366-3049.

## August 25

### Rippon Lodge Car Show

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; \$5 Suggested donation

Enjoy a display of vintage and classic cars on the lawns of Rippon Lodge Historic Site.



Ask questions, take pictures of the beautiful vehicles and cast your vote for your favorite. Period games will be available for kids to play on the lawn. Listen to music while eating some delicious food, available for purchase. Guided tours of the lodge, conducted on the hour, are \$5 per person. Car clubs and individual participants must register. Call site offices at 703-499-9812 to receive information and registration form.

Rippon Lodge Historic Site, 15520 Blackburn Road, Woodbridge, VA 22192, 703-499-9812.

## August 31

### History by Campfire: Bully Bully! Teddy Roosevelt at Ben Lomond

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.; \$5 per person, free for children 2 and under.

Enjoy a warm campfire and roasted marshmallows at Ben Lomond Historic Site while you learn some history. Each session of History by Campfire will feature different activities, artifacts, and maybe even a special guest! For August, learn about our 26<sup>th</sup> President and his escapades at Ben Lomond as well as his friend who made Ben Lomond his permanent residence.

Ben Lomond Historic Site, 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas, VA 703-367-7872.



1909, Fauquier Times  
Image Courtesy of Fauquier Historical Society

# SUMMER CAMPS!

July 16-20

## Civil War Basic Summer Camp at Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre

9 a.m. - noon; \$130 per participant ages 8 to 12

The Civil War Basic Camp is a unique hands on approach to the history of the American Civil War. Activities include enlistment, drill and tactics, uniforms and equipment, flags, food ways and shelters used by both Union and Confederate Infantry. The camp includes a tour of the 1861 portion of Manassas National Battlefield. Registration for this camp can be done on line at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org) or by calling 703-792-8320 or 703-365-7895.

Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre,  
12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 703-792-5618.

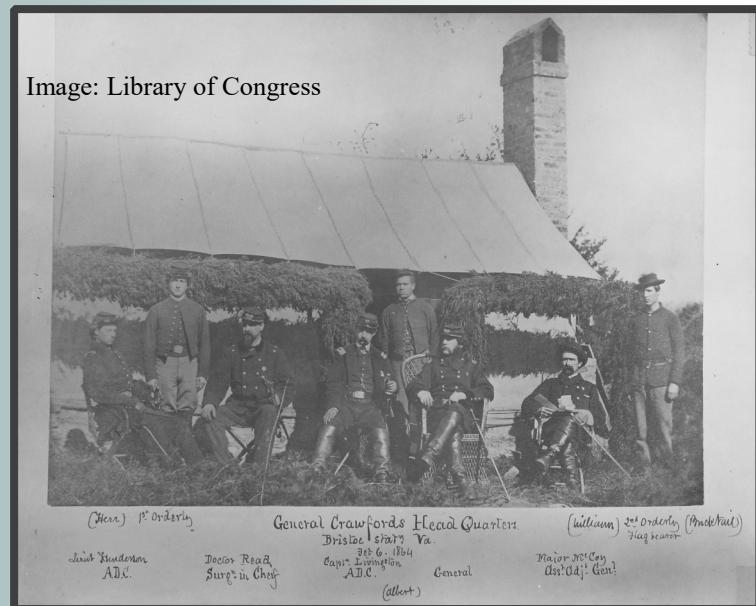
July 23-27

## Civil War Homefront Camp

9 a.m. - noon; \$150 per participant ages 8 to 13

The Homefront camp is designed to give participants a feel for life as a young person while fathers and older brothers are off fighting the War. Activities will include farm chores, food ways to include substitutions, Court day, 19<sup>th</sup> century fishing, letters to loved ones, sewing and needle work. On the last day participants will have a community picnic and homemade ice cream. Registration for this camp can be completed on line at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org) or by calling 703-792-8320 or 703-365-7895.

Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 703-792-5618.



August 13-17

## Civil War Advanced Camp at Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre

9 a.m. - noon; \$150 per participant, ages 8 to 13

The Civil War Advanced Camp picks up where the Basic Camp leaves off.

Participants will have the opportunity to speak with famous officer from the war, expand their knowledge of campaign foods and how they were prepared, learn about the cavalry, participate in artillery drill and build a sunshade. This camp includes a tour of 2<sup>nd</sup> Manassas battlefield sites at Manassas National Battlefield. Registration for this camp can be completed on line at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org) or by calling: 703-792-8320 or 703-365-7895.



August 18-19

## So You Want To Be A Civil War Soldier Camp at Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre

9 a.m. on Saturday to 1 p.m. on Sunday

\$250 for parent and child ages 13-16

This camp is designed to put all of the lessons learned in the previous camps into practice as participants enlist in a company, establish a camp and become a soldier in camp for two days through a series of hands on activities and drills. Parents and children will be staying in shelter



tents and performing camp duties. Participants will need to bring sleeping bag or blankets. Registration for this camp can be completed on line at [www.pwcparks.org](http://www.pwcparks.org) or by calling 703-792-8320 or 703-365-7895.

Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre  
12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 703-792-5618.

# Schedule of Events Continued...

## SPECIAL RECURRING EVENTS:

### Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park Tours

May-October: Tours on 2nd & 4th Weekends

11 a.m. - 3p.m.; Tours leave on the hour;

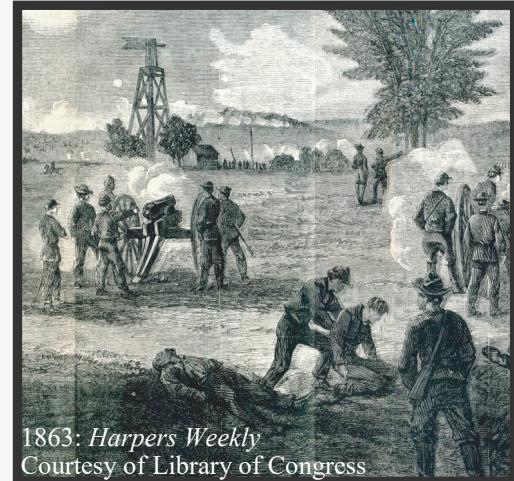
*Free, donations encouraged*

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the hallowed grounds that contain camps, cemeteries, and battlefields. Learn about Camp Jones and the battles that took place in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour leaves at 3PM. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes.

Insect repellent is encouraged.

No pets please. Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park

Bristow, VA 703-366-3049.



### Yoga on the Lawn at Rippon Lodge – Saturdays, June through September: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.

*\$5.00 per class, or 5 classes for \$20.00*

Enjoy yoga on the lawn, with amazing views of the Potomac River and historic Rippon Lodge. Join certified instructor Christopher Glowacki for an hour long Vinyasa yoga practice. Beginning yoga students to well-versed devotees are welcome. Participants are encouraged to bring: yoga mat, towel and plenty of water; beginners may want to bring a block and/or strap. Classes are offered most Saturday mornings from May to September. Call Rippon Lodge to confirm class day and times. Those purchasing 10 classes will receive punch cards which are good for the whole season.

Additional classes may be purchased at any time.

Rippon Lodge Historic Site

15520 Blackburn Rd., Woodbridge, VA 703-499-9812.

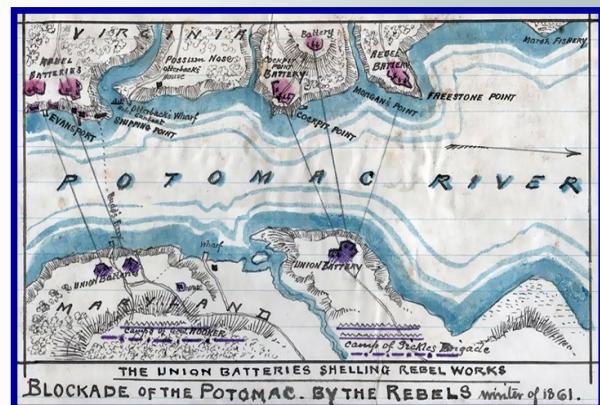


### June 16, September 22, October 20

#### Potomac Blockade Boat Tour

*10 a.m. - 1 p.m.; \$45 per participant*

Cruise along the Potomac River shoreline and view sites that were critical to the Confederate forces' successful blockade of Washington D.C. from September 1861 through March 1862. Local historians will discuss the significance of the blockade, gun batteries and camps. The cruise includes: the preserved batteries at Freestone Point & Possum Nose, Evansport and Shipping Point and lunch! We depart from Leesylvania State Park in Woodbridge. Call for more information and to make reservations. Prices are subject to change without notice. Boat tour departs from the boat dock at Leesylvania State Park 2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 703-792-5618.



# Kids Corner



Play this History Detective Game!  
CAN YOU CRACK THE CODE?



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	A	B	C	D	E	F
2	G	H	I	J	K	L
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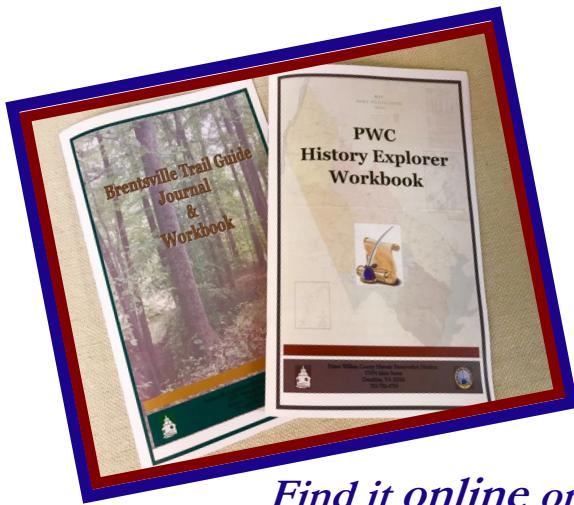
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If you enjoy this kind of challenge, check out our History Explorer Program!



*Find it online or at any of our historic sites.*

# Become a Member of the Prince William Historic Preservation Foundation for FREE!



Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre

## Membership Benefits include:

- \*Receive the Quarterly Newsletter\*
- \*20% off Gift Shop Merchandise\*
- \*\$1 off Admission\*



Ben Lomond Historic Site

Sign up at one of four sites:

**Ben Lomond, Brentsville, Rippon Lodge, or Williams Ordinary.  
Receive your membership card on the spot!**



## Become an Official PWC Junior Preservationist!



**Do you love history? Do you want to be a part of your community?  
Are you between the ages of 13-18?  
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Get an introduction to the fields of history, historic preservation, archeology, museum education and more.

Time commitments are flexible to fit busy schedules.

Contact HPD for more information at  
703-499-9812 or email: [historicpreservation@pwgov.org](mailto:historicpreservation@pwgov.org)



## Prince William Historic Preservation Foundation Memorial and Recognition Gifts Tree Donation



The Prince William Historic Preservation Foundation is proud to support Prince William County's efforts to preserve our past and fund important work that restores county-owned historic properties and structures.

Your gift to the Tree Donation Program will help preserve the historic landscapes of Ben Lomond Historic Site, Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre, Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, Rippon Lodge, Lucasville School, William's Ordinary, and the Old Manassas Courthouse.

For more information on the tree donation program please call 703-792-4754 or send an e-mail to [historicpreservation@pwgov.org](mailto:historicpreservation@pwgov.org)

# Historic Property Rentals

Host your next special occasion, corporate retreat or business meeting at one of our historic sites. We are sure to have the perfect venue to showcase your event! Come visit **Rippon Lodge** and see the stunning views of the Potomac River, **Old Manassas Courthouse** with the quaint experience of historic Manassas around the corner, and Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre where the 19th century **Union Church** is nestled.



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Old Manassas  
Courthouse  
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Manassas, VA

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For More Information  
Call: 703-792-5546 or  
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