



## FEBRUARY 2011

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★ ***Back of the Big House and the Planters' Prospect***

2:00p.m. Free

Author John Michael Vlack, professor of American Studies and Anthropology at George Washington University, visits The Manassas Museum to talk about his book on slave life during the Civil War. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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★ ***Daily Life of the Freed and Enslaved in and around Chapman's Mill***

10:00a.m. and 4:00p.m. \$5.00

Recent archaeological evidence and census records shed new light on daily life of the freed and enslaved in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries in and around Chapman's Mill. This insightful presentation will be held at the Afro-American Historical Association's museum in The Plains, VA (snow day February 16). The exhibit will be there the entire month of February. Interested schools should call the AAHA. This event is co-sponsored by the Afro-American Historical Association of Fauquier County and the Turn the Mill Around Campaign at Chapman/Beverley Mill. **Afro-American Historical Association Museum**, 4243 Loudoun Avenue, The Plains, VA 20198, 540-253-7488.

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★ ***The Underground Railroad Network to Freedom***

11:00a.m.-4:00p.m. \$5 per car

Leesylvania will celebrate its connection to local black history and the Underground Railroad network. A band of runaways informed Union soldiers of Confederate activity at Freestone Point in September, 1861. Come to the park to learn about all aspects of the park's rich and diverse history as we celebrate Black History Month. **Leesylvania State Park**, 2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191 703-730-8205. [www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/lee.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/lee.shtml)

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★ ***A Slave's Life at Liberia Plantation***

10:00a.m. and 1:00p.m.; \$15

On the eve of the Civil War, Liberia was one of the largest and most successful farms in western Prince William County. With the labor of more than 80 slaves the Plantation produced grains and vegetables sold commercially in Washington City. The Weir Family also raised a large herd of Moreno sheep as well as horses, cattle, and hogs. A Slave's Life will offer visitors a rare glimpse into the historic 1825 plantation home for a short tour and a performance on slave life by Interpreter Marion Dobbins. **Liberia Mansion**, 8601 Portner Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.manassasmuseum.org](http://www.manassasmuseum.org).

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★ **History Lecture Series: "There Stands Jackson"**

7:00p.m. Free

On Sunday, July 21, 1861, General Thomas J. Jackson's life would forever be changed. The little known professor of Artillery at Virginia Military Institute would receive an immortal nickname and brand his memory onto the pages of southern history as "Stonewall Jackson." Join historian Scott H. Harris, Director of the New Market Battlefield State Historical Park as we explore the life of General Jackson up to and including the events of that fateful summer day in 1861. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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★ **Casanova Hunt Point to Point Race**

**Buckland Farm**, 6342 Pleasant Colony Lane, Warrenton, VA 20186, 703-754-4000

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★ **Lecture Series—Plantation Culture from Those Who Built It: A View of Slavery through Architecture and Art**

7:00p.m. Free, donations appreciated

Join nationally renowned historian Dr. John Michael Vlach as he explains the culture and life of slaves through their places of work and rest. There are very few depictions of slaves in 19<sup>th</sup> century plantation images and there are even fewer remaining examples of the buildings where they spent their everyday lives. Through stories and images, Dr. Vlach will bring a different view of life on a plantation, from the perspective of the people that gave plantations their power, the slaves. Dr. Vlach is a Professor of American Studies and Anthropology at The George Washington University and Director of the university's Folklife Program. He has also authored two books on plantation and slave life, *Back of the Big House* and *The Planter's Prospect*. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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★ **Voices of Tomorrow Performance**

2:00p.m. Free

The museum will continue its observance of Black History Month with a musical performance by "Voices of Tomorrow," a popular youth choir from the First Baptist Church of Manassas. The teen singers have performed for enthusiastic audiences at the museum for the past seven years, and will perform a lively mix of Gospel music to musical accompaniment. **Center for the Arts at the Candy Factory**, 9419 Battle Street in Manassas. 703-368-1873. [www.manassasmuseum.org](http://www.manassasmuseum.org)

## MARCH 2011

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★ **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Greater Manassas St. Patrick's Day Parade**

11:00a.m.-12:15p.m. Free

This year's St. Patrick's Day Parade will feature a Peace Jubilee Float sponsored by Historic Manassas and PWC Historic Preservation. **Historic Manassas**. [www.stpatparade.net](http://www.stpatparade.net)

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★ **Manassas: Legends and Lies**

2:00p.m. Free

John Hennessy, Chief Historian/Chief of Interpretation of the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park, will be at The Manassas Museum to present *Manassas: Legends and Lies*. After the program, he will sign copies of his book *Return to Bull Run*, noted as one of the more definitive accounts of Robert E. Lee's triumph over Union leader John Pope

in the summer of 1862. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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### ★ *Reflections on the Civil War: Dr. James I. Robertson, Jr.*

7:30p.m. Free

Dr. James I. Robertson, Jr., nationally renowned Civil War historian, Executive Director of the Virginia Center for Civil War Studies, and charter member of Virginia's Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, will present "Reflections on the Civil War." **Evergreen Manor House**, 15900 Berkeley Drive, Haymarket, VA 20168, 703-340-6447, [www.evergreenmanorhouse.org](http://www.evergreenmanorhouse.org)

## 31

### ★ *Lecture Series—They Fought Like Demons: Female Combatants in the Civil War*

7:00p.m. FREE, donations appreciated

On July 18, 1861 north and south clashed at Blackburn's Ford. Each army had at least one soldier who held a secret; their gender. On the Union side Sarah Emma Edmonds and on the Confederate side Loretta Velázquez, both women disguised as men, would fight against each other. In honor of National Women's Month, join historian Joyce Henry as we explore the lives of these "Patriots in Disguise" and their contributions to the Civil War. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## APRIL 2011

### 1-2

#### ★ *Buckland Village and Buckland Farm Historic House and Garden Tour*

Admission to be decided. **Village of Buckland**, Rt.29 in Gainesville; **Buckland Farm**, 6342 Pleasant Colony Lane, Warrenton, 20186. 703-754-4000.

### 9

#### ★ *Park Restoration Day*

9:00a.m. – Noon Free

Join the Prince William County's Historic Preservation Division staff in ongoing efforts to restore Bristoe Station Battlefield. Come dressed to get dirty as we remove invasive plants, plant native species, and maintain the trails. Wear sturdy work shoes and bring gloves, sun screen and bug spray. Tools will be provided. Meet in the parking lot off Iron Brigade Avenue. Please, no pets. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

### 10

#### ★ *Civil War Trails: Walking Tour of Old Town Manassas*

2:00p.m. \$15/person purchased in advance at [www.manassassmuseum.org](http://www.manassassmuseum.org)

Tour Old Town Manassas with interpreters in period dress as they discuss the importance of the railroad junction to both Confederate and Union forces, military strategies, and the importance of fort locations on this walking tour of Civil

War trail markers. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873, [www.manassasmuseum.org](http://www.manassasmuseum.org). Rain date is April 17, 2011.

## 14-15

### ★ *Civil War Education Day – Henry Hill*

9:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Free

Military and Civilian demonstrations describe life of the Civil War era, and the experience of the soldier. Musketry and Artillery firing. **Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas VA 20109. 703-361-1339.

[www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm)

## 18 -19

### ★ *Taking the Lead in Preserving Virginia's Battlefields Conference*

2:00p.m. – 5:30p.m. \$100 registration, \$20 dinner on Sunday

This two-day conference, sponsored by The Virginia Department of Historic Resources and the Prince William/Manassas Sesquicentennial Committee, will explore local leadership in the preservation of Virginia's Battlefields. The conference will include panel discussion by experts in the preservation field, tours of the Manassas National Battlefield Park, Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, Chapman/Beverley Mill, and Old Town Manassas.

**Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas VA 20109 703-361-1339

**Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136 703-792-5546

**Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Road, Broad Run, VA 20137, 540-253-5888

**Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110 703-367-7872

## 19

Through June 26, 2011

### ★ *They Rode From Brentsville: Faces of the Prince William Cavalry*

10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. Tuesdays –Sundays (closed Monday's)

The Manassas Museum tells the story of the Prince William Cavalry in preparation for the Brentsville Sesquicentennial Civil War Weekend and Cavalry Ride on April 30<sup>th</sup> with genealogy, photographs, artifacts and interactive exhibits for adults and children. Exhibit Opening Reception on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm with the riders of the Prince William Cavalry.

**The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 22

### ★ *Arbor Day*

10:00a.m. Free

Local officials recognize Arbor Day and the Courthouse tree project with a Taft reenactor. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, 20110. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcv.gov/historicsites](http://www.pwcv.gov/historicsites)

## 23

### ★ *Blue and Gray Ball at Cerro Gordo*

Admission to be decided.

The Buckland Preservation Society will host the Blue and Gray Ball at Cerro Gordo which will include period ball dancing, period entertainment, the Black Horse Cavalry, and a silent auction. **Cerro Gordo**, 8001 Cerro Gordo Road, Gainesville, VA 20155, 703-754-4000.

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### ★ *Lecture Series—Keeping Time*

7:00p.m. Free, donations appreciated

April is the month we usually prepare to turn our clocks forward for daylight savings time. Time is kept on a standard today that did not exist in 1861. Join Historian and author Art Candemquist for a unique and informative lecture

centered on how time was kept during the American Civil War. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, 20110. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## April 30-May 1

### ★ *Prince William Cavalry Rides Again! Brentsville Sesquicentennial Civil War Weekend and Cavalry Ride to Manassas*

10:00a.m. – 6:00p.m.

In April 1861, residents of Prince William County met in Brentsville and voted to endorse Virginia's secession from the United States. That same month, several military units were formed in Brentsville to prepare for the defense of Virginia. On the 150th anniversary of this event, come to Brentsville to relive and learn about this tragic time in our history. Witness a debate over secession in the Courthouse, watch the citizens of Brentsville present the Prince William Cavalry with a new flag and watch loved ones say good bye to those going off to war. Explore the camps and watch military demonstrations throughout the day. Then at 3 p.m., watch the Prince William Cavalry ride off to the Manassas Museum. Welcome the riders at the Manassas Museum and see the unveiling of the museum exhibit on the Prince William Cavalry. This program is co-sponsored by the Manassas Museum, Prince William County Historic Preservation Division and the 4th Virginia Cavalry, Inc. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites) and [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-365-7895

**The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873.

## MAY 2011

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### ★ *Manassas Gallery Walk*

6:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. Free

Local artists unveil a season's worth of creative work incorporating Civil War locations, sites, themes and artifacts. Hosted by Old Town Merchants. **Old Town Manassas**, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-361-6599, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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### ★ *Potomac Blockade Boat Tour*

10:00a.m. – 6:00p.m. \$10.00 per person; reservations preferred. Tours will leave from the dock at Leesylvania State Park at 10:00a.m., 12:00p.m., 2:00p.m., and 4:00p.m.

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 and of the gun batteries and camps that supported the Confederate efforts. The cruise will include the preserved batteries at Freestone Point and Possum Nose, as well as Evansport and Shipping Point.

Please call 703-499-9812 for more information and to make reservations. **Leesylvania State Park**, 2001 Daniel K Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191 703-730-8205. [www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/lee.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/lee.shtml)

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### ★ *Park Restoration Day*

9:00a.m.–Noon, Free

Join the staff at Bristoe Station Battlefield to work on grounds maintenance projects throughout the 133-acre site. Wear sturdy work shoes and bring gloves and sunscreen. Tools will be provided. Meet in the parking lot off Iron Brigade Avenue. Please, no pets. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 7-8

### ★ *Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. Last tour at 3 pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136.

703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 15

### ★ *Movie Premiere: Life and Legacy of Richard Kirkland*

2:00p.m. Free

Movie premiere on the life and legacy of Confederate soldier Richard Kirkland, known as the “Angel of Marye’s Heights,” with author and film producer Michael Aubrecht. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110. 703-368-1873.

## 21-22

### ★ *Civil War Preservation Trust Conference. To the Gates of Washington: The Battles of Manassas*

Conference will include reception, tours, banquet and speakers including Garry Adelman, Ed Bearss, John Hennessy, Robert E. L. Rick, Robert K. Krick, and Richard Sommers. For information on registration and conference events, visit [www.civilwar.org/aboutus/events/annual-conference](http://www.civilwar.org/aboutus/events/annual-conference).

## 21-22

### ★ *Opening of the Pringle House Hospital Exhibit*

11:00a.m. -5:00p.m. \$5 per person

Join us as we re-open the newly refurbished Ben Lomond Historic Site as the Pringle Hospital. The house has undergone a transformation back to July of 1861 when it became a Confederate hospital after the battle of First Manassas. The new exhibits will chronicle the hectic and traumatic experiences of the medical staff, soldiers, and civilians who occupied the hospital. Program will include living historians, slave life interpretation, medical demonstrations, original medical displays, and hands-on educational tent. Ribbon-cutting ceremony begins at 10:30a.m. **Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas, VA 20109 703-367-7872, [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00p.m. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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### ★ *Lecture Series—First Blood, Battle of Blackburn's Ford*

7:00p.m. Free, donations appreciated

Before the more renowned Battle of First Manassas, the Northern and Southern armies would fight a few days before in a small battle five miles from the more famous battlefield. This battle, at the time, was one of the bloodiest days in American history. It was seen by the Confederates as a resounding “victory” and a “bungle” by the Union. The impact of this battle would set the stage for the Battle of First Manassas. Speaker to be decided. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 28

### ★ *In Memory: Luminaries on the Lawn*

Begins at dusk. Free

The Manassas Museum Lawn is bathed in candlelight on Memorial Day Weekend as casualties of the Civil War and all wars are remembered and honored. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873; [www.manassasmuseum.org](http://www.manassasmuseum.org)

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### ★ *Memorial Day Observance at Groveton Confederate Cemetery and New York Avenue.*

Noon Free

Musketry and Artillery salutes in memory of war dead including the decoration of monuments with state flowers and flags. The ceremony will be held at the Groveton Confederate Cemetery. **Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas VA 20109. 703-361-1339. [www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm)

## JUNE 2011

### 3-5

### ★ *Manassas Heritage Railway Festival & Civil War Weekend*

10:00a.m. -4:00p.m. Free outside activities, \$1 museum admission

Step into a military encampment on the Manassas Museum lawn as living historians from Confederate and Union regiments demonstrate wartime medicine, musket and artillery fire, and camp life. Enjoy free crafts for children, tours of an historic caboose, music, and model railroad displays, the festival is a community celebration of Manassas Railway heritage. Sponsored by Old Town, Historic Manassas Inc. and The Manassas Museum. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110 703-369-1873. **Old Town Manassas**, Manassas, VA, 703-361-6599. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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### ★ *Park Restoration Day*

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## 11

### ★ *Adult's Night Out at Chapman/Beverley Mill*

7:00p.m. – 10:00p.m. \$15.00 per person

Enjoy an evening of candlelight tours of the historic Chapman/Beverley Mill, 19<sup>th</sup> century entertainment, and living history interpretations of Civil War era life. This will all be accompanied by hors d'oeuvres and wine offered by the glass or bottle from the Winery at LaGrange. There will be a presentation on the history of this two-hundred-sixty-nine-year-old industrial, architectural, and historic treasure. This adults-only evening at the Chapman/Beverley Mill has a Civil War history emphasis. Reservations appreciated. For reservations or for further information, call Turn the Mill Around Campaign (TTMAC) at 540-253-5888, or visit [www.chapmansmill.org](http://www.chapmansmill.org). **Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Rd., Broad Run, VA 20137.

## 11 -12

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### ★ *The Maps of First Bull Run*

2:00p.m. Free

The Maps of First Bull Run, a Book Talk with Bradley M. Gottfried. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 18

### ★ *The Campaign of First Manassas Sesquicentennial Van Tour*

8:30a.m. -5:00p.m. \$85, reservations required

Join local historians for an exciting day learning about the events leading up to the Civil War's first major battle. Tour includes sites such as Centreville, Blackburn's Ford, Mitchell's Ford, McLean House Site, Signal Hill, and Manassas National Battlefield. Cost includes transportation, entrance fees to all sites, and a boxed lunch. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-365-7895. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 25

### ★ *Cannon Branch Fort Dedication*

Time to be decided. Free

The City of Manassas dedicates the interpretive markers and trail at the Cannon Branch Fort at Manassas Landing with military interpretations. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.manassasmuseum.org](http://www.manassasmuseum.org)

## 25 -26

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### ★ *Lecture Series—United States Marines at First Manassas*

7:00p.m. Free, donations appreciated

Abraham Lincoln, in describing the soldiers of the armies both north and south, said, “you are green yes but so are they. You are all green together.” This would be a very good description of the U.S. Marines from Washington Barracks who marched into battle as infantry on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July 1861. Many of these men were to experience combat for the first time on the plains of Manassas and several were only weeks into training when the battle of 1<sup>st</sup> Manassas was fought. How would they perform? Join Gunnery Sergeant Thomas E. Williams of the United States Marine Corps Historical Company to explore the answers to these and other questions. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## JULY 2011

### 9-10

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### 11-15

### ★ *Basic Civil War Summer Camp*

9:00a.m. – Noon; \$90 per child; Ages 8 – 13, Reservations required

Children will participate in activities designed to develop a better understanding of soldier life during the American Civil War. Activities include “Enlist in Virginia’s Army”, “Life in Camp”, “Infantry Drill”, “Did Civil War Soldiers Really Eat that

Stuff?”, “Civil War Medicine” and a field trip to Manassas National Battlefield Park. **Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas, VA 20109 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## July 16-September 4, 2011

### ★ *The Civil War in Virginia: An American Turning Point*

10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m.; Tuesday – Sunday

This exhibition, traveling to eight museums throughout Virginia starting with The Manassas Museum, will challenge visitors to interpret events from the Union, Confederate, and African-American perspectives; to evaluate the war from both the battlefield as well as the home front; and to better understand the social and cultural legacies of the war.

Sponsored by the Virginia Civil War Commission. Opening Reception at 7:00p.m. on Friday, July 22, 2011. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## July 21-September 11, 2011

### ★ *Color in Freedom*

10:00a.m.-5:00p.m., Monday-Friday; 1:00p.m.-5:00p.m., Saturday

African-American artist Joseph Holston brings a fresh and invaluable perspective to an important American story in this fresh interpretation of the journey along the Underground Railroad. **Center for the Arts** (Candy Factory), 9419 Battle Street, Manassas, VA 20110-5438, 703-330-2787; 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 21

### ★ *Sesquicentennial Event*

While a number of ancillary educational events will occur, the main focus of planning by the Virginia Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, National Park Service staff, and officials in Manassas and Prince William County, is on the July 21 program at the battlefield and courthouse. A tentative outline is below:

- 9:30a.m.** Media event
- 10:30a.m.** Special battlefield tour for dignitaries, Living history and hands-on demonstrations for the public all day **Civil War 150 History Mobile; Civil War 3-D photography exhibit**
- 4:00p.m.** *Reenactment of Peace Jubilee*  
Prince William County and Manassas participate in a full recreation of the 1911 Peace Jubilee for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with vintage automobiles, flags, colorful bunting, peace maidens and a production of the ceremony on the courthouse steps with President Taft and Civil War soldiers. Media event at Prince William County Courthouse, to be followed by a welcoming ceremony at the Harris Pavilion in Old Town Manassas. **Old Manassas Courthouse**, 9248 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110. **Harris Pavilion**, 9201 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110. 703-361-6599, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)
- 7:00p.m.** *Live Civil War Period Music*. Dance instructors will teach period dance, including the waltz. **Harris Pavilion**, 9201 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 21

### ★ *Sesquicentennial Commemorative Concert*

8:00pm; tickets: \$30, \$45, \$60; group discounts for 10 or more

A concert of Americana music will feature opera star Denyce Graves and conductor Lorin Maazel with the Castleton Festival Orchestra. For tickets, call 888-945-2468 or go to [www.hyltoncenter.org](http://www.hyltoncenter.org) Box office hours: 12:00p.m.-6:00p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. **Hylton Performing Arts Center**, Merchant Hall, 10960 George Mason Circle, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-993-7550.

## 21-24

### ★ *Confederate Headquarters at Liberia*

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

Liberia, the Manassas home built in 1825 by William James Weir, will once again serve as it did in 1861 as the headquarters for Confederate General P.G.T. Beauregard and his officers before the Battle of First Manassas. This program will feature interpretations on William James Weir, General P.G.T. Beauregard, President Davis, and lady spy Rose Greenhow. **Liberia Mansion**, 8601 Portner Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873.

[www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 21-24

### ★ *Defending the Junction at Mayfield*

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

Interpreters discuss Confederate military strategy and the defense of Manassas Junction in 1861. This site will feature the making of the famous Quaker guns, dispatches and communication with signal flags, telegraphs, and horses.

**Mayfield Fort**, 8401 Quarry Road, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 21-24

### ★ *Union Military Strategy at Cannon Branch Fort*

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

Interpreters discuss Union military strategy and the importance of the railroad in the war, along with fort construction and artillery. This site will feature a raid on the Union camp and Signal Corps. **Cannon Branch Fort**, Gateway Blvd, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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## 21-24

### ★ *Life after the War*

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

In 1893, former slave Jennie Dean, after almost a decade of charismatic fundraising, chartered the Manassas Industrial School. The site interprets the Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth on October 7, 1893. Learn about the life of former slaves after the war and this unique woman. **Jennie Dean Historical Site**, 9601 Wellington Road, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

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## 21-24

### ★ *Living History on Manassas Museum Lawn*

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

Living history on the lawn will feature demonstrations of period crafts, military demonstrations of drilling, artillery, and camp medicine, along with authentic music from military and civilian reenactors. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 21-24

★ **Camp Manassas**

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Sunday Free

Visit 26 acres of living history from the 1860s, featuring military encampments, blacksmith, soap making, cooking demonstration, and medical area with operating tents and ambulances. The site will also have a children's area with period games and a separate area for horse training, drills, and equipment display. An area for slave interpretation and live military demonstrations are also being planned. A Catholic Mass will be celebrated on Sunday at 10:00am. **Jennie Dean Historic Site**, 9601 Wellington Road, Manassas, 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**21-24**

★ **Stories in Stone at the Confederate Cemetery/Manassas City Cemetery**

10:00a.m. – 8:00p.m. Thursday-Saturday; 10:00a.m.-4:00p.m. Sunday

Self-guided tours of the land originally donated by Colonel W.S. Fewell and where in 1868 the remains of an estimated 250 Confederate soldiers who died in adjacent farmhouses and field hospitals were re-interred. **City Cemetery**, 9027 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873 [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**22**

★ **Manassas Civil War Military Parade**

10:00a.m. Free

Civil War reenactors from around the country are invited to join the local community to commemorate the First Battle of Manassas and participate in a military parade through the streets of Manassas in preparation for the battle reenactments on Saturday and Sunday. **Old Town Manassas**, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-361-6599.

[www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**22**

★ **Virginia's Civil War Exhibit - Opening Reception**

7:00p.m.

Official opening of state exhibit. **The Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110.

703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**22**

★ **Live Civil War Period Music**

7:00p.m. Harris **Pavilion and Battle Street**, Manassas, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**22**

★ **Battle Reenactment**

2 p.m.

Reenactment of a small skirmish on the eve of 1<sup>st</sup> Manassas between Union and Confederate scouts in current day Yorkshire. **Osborn High School**, 9005 Tudor Lane, Manassas 20110. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

**22-23**

★ **World Premiere: Director's Cut of "Gods and Generals" at The Hylton Performing Arts Center**

Reservations required; \$

**22nd** 3:00p.m. – 5:00p.m.: Panel discussion moderated by director/producer Ron Maxwell with actors Robert Duvall, Jeff Daniels, and Steven Lang. 6:00p.m. – 11:00p.m. Exclusive screening for ticket holders.

**23rd** 6:00p.m. – 11:00p.m. Exclusive screening for ticket holders.

Hosted by The Journey through Hallowed Ground partnership. *Contact:* [esther@jthg.org](mailto:esther@jthg.org)

Hylton Performing Arts Center, 10900 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110

## 22-23

### ★ *Pringle House Hospital*

10:00a.m.-5:00p.m. Saturday; 10:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Sunday; \$5 per person

Discover how the Pringle House—also known as Ben Lomond—was used as a Confederate hospital after the battle of First Manassas in July 1861. **Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas, VA 20109. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 22-24

### ★ *150th Anniversary of First Manassas at Manassas National Battlefield Park*

10:00a.m.- 4:00p.m.

Commemoration of sesquicentennial of First Manassas continues, with special ranger tours of the battlefield; military demonstrations of musket and artillery firing; soldier life encampment; living history impressions of Union and Confederate soldiers and music. Henry Hill, “Manassas’s Own” Artillery (representing Union Battery D, 5th U.S.) and infantry troops portray Union and Confederate soldiers. The annual commemoration of the first battle with special tours, living history demonstrations, and historic weapons firings reveals military tactics and portrays soldier life. **Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas, 20109. 703-361-1339. [www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm)

## 23

### ★ *Civil War Baseball Game*

2:00p.m. Free

Enjoy a game of America's National pastime as far more than just a mere sporting event, baseball has become a major part of the American culture and has often been responsible for bringing people together in times of crisis. Therefore, it somehow seems fitting that the origins of modern baseball can be traced back to a divided America when the country was in the midst of the Civil War and both sides sought relief by playing baseball. **Jennie Dean Elementary School**, 9601 Prince William Street, Manassas, VA 20110. **Old Town Manassas**, 20110, 703-361-6599. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 23

### ★ *John Chapman’s Civil War Nightmare*

11:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. \$5.00, Children under 12 free

Take a guided tour through historic Chapman/Beverley Mill and learn about the Civil War history of the mill and the family who operated it in that era. Hear the fascinating history of Chapman’s Mill during the Civil War from a “living historian” interpreting Ellen Chapman, the widow of John Chapman. Learn the impact of the war on this important 19<sup>th</sup> century industrial center and the man who operated it. Additional reenactments will take place. This event is also available upon request at your site. For further information, call the Turn the Mill Around Campaign (TTMAC) at 540-253-5888, or visit [chapmansmill.org](http://chapmansmill.org). **Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Rd., Broad Run, VA 20137.

## 23

### ★ *You Are There: July, 1861, the Pringle House Confederate Field Hospital*

6:30p.m. – 8:00p.m. \$10 per adult; \$5 children to age 15.

On July 21, 1861, the Civil War came to Prince William County when two untrained and inexperienced armies waged a bloody contest near Bull Run. As the Federal army fled to the safety of Washington, it left in its wake thousands of casualties on both sides. Virtually every barn, shed, and house in the vicinity was requisitioned for the care of the wounded and the dying. One such place is the Ben Lomond house, known as the Pringle House during the war. This daunting and grim task of caring for an unprecedented number of wounded fell upon the fledgling Confederate medical

department. How effective will its response be to this extraordinary undertaking? How will local citizens cope with the carnage and disruption to their lives? What will be the reaction of the troubled and worried families of soldiers back home? Answers to these questions and more will be explored in this special first-person interpretive program using concepts from the award winning 1950's *You Are There* television show hosted by Walter Cronkite. Due to the mature theme, this program may be inappropriate for children less than 11 years of age. **Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas, VA 20109. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 23

### ★ *Sesquicentennial Blue and Gray Ball*

8:00p.m. Ticketed event at Liberia Mansion \$

Enjoy period dress, music and food under the stars at the **Harris Pavilion**, 9201 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110, [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org).

## 23 -24

### ★ *150th Anniversary of First Manassas Reenactment*

7:00a.m.-3:00p.m. on Saturday and Sunday

This two day reenactment at Pageland Farm in Gainesville Virginia, will include 8,000 to 10,000 civil war re-enactors and feature historically accurate battle reenactments on both days. Displays and exhibits will include artillery firing demonstrations, lectures, book signings, a sutler's row, living history vignettes, and children's activities. For more information contact the Prince William County/Manassas Convention and Visitors Bureau at 703-396-7130. [www.visitpwc.com](http://www.visitpwc.com) or [www.manassasbullrun.com](http://www.manassasbullrun.com).

## 23-24

### ★ *Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 24

### ★ *Inter-faith Service on the Lawn*

10:00a.m. Free

Manassas concludes its Sesquicentennial commemoration with a church service with the weekend's participants on the Manassas Museum lawn in Old Town Manassas. A Catholic Mass will be celebrated at 10am at the Camp Manassas site, Jennie Dean Historic Site. **Manassas Museum**, 9101 Prince William Street, Manassas, 20110. 703-368-1873. **Jennie Dean Historic Site**, 9601 Wellington Road, Manassas 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 24

### ★ *United Daughters of the Confederacy Wreath-Laying Ceremony*

2:00p.m. Free

The UDC remembers their veterans at the Manassas City Cemetery. **City Cemetery**, 9027 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110, 703-368-1873. [www.visitmanassas.org](http://www.visitmanassas.org)

## 25-28

### ★ **Historic Brentsville Summer Camp**

9:00a.m. – Noon daily; \$90 per child; Ages 8-13; Reservations required

This camp will include activities associated with the various periods of history at Brentsville. Children will conduct a historic mock trial in the 1822 Courthouse, cook a snack and create historic crafts in the ca.1850 Haislip Farm House, learn about a school day in the one-room schoolhouse and engage with nature as they identify animals and plants along the Brentsville Nature Trail. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-365-7895. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 29-30

### ★ **Mosby Heritage Area Association (MHAA) Commemoration of the Battle of 1<sup>st</sup> Manassas**

The Mosby Heritage Area Association will sponsor a two-part event commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of 1st Manassas:

**Friday, July 29** 6:00p.m. tickets \$60 for MHAA members, \$75 for non-members. Noted Civil War author and historian John Hennessey will present a talk on the Battle of 1st Manassas at the **Hill School**, 130 S. Madison Street, Middleburg, Virginia. A reception will follow.

**Saturday, July 30** 8:30a.m.-3:30p.m. Tickets \$60 for MHAA members and \$75 for non-members. Mr. Hennessey will act as guide for a tour of the battlefield.

Tickets may be purchased online at [www.mosbyheritagearea.org](http://www.mosbyheritagearea.org), or by calling 540-687-6681. **Hill School**, 130 S. Madison Street, Middleburg, VA. **Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas, VA 20109.

## AUGUST 2011

### 6

#### ★ **Family Night at Chapman/Beverley Mill**

4:00p.m. to 7:30p.m. admission \$15.00 per family or \$5.00 per person

Visitors on Family Night will enjoy an evening of family fun and entertainment, including the First Virginia Cavalry Confederate reenactors depicting Civil War camp life and the role of cavalry units in the Civil War. Families can participate in a variety of activities from the 19<sup>th</sup> century for kids of all ages. There will also be 19<sup>th</sup> century music and interpretive tours of Chapman/Beverley Mill. For further information, call the Turn the Mill Around Campaign (TTMAC) at 540-253-5888, or visit [chapmansmill.org](http://chapmansmill.org). **Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Rd., Broad Run, VA 20137.

### 13

#### ★ **Occupied Land: Civilian Civil War Sites in Prince William County Van Tour**

8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m. \$85 per person. Space is limited, reservations required.

Prince William County witnessed three major battles and many skirmishes, but the impact of the war reached far beyond the battlefields. Homes, businesses and towns were ravaged by the armies. This tour will highlight the plight of citizens in the County and share their stories of hardship and survival. Sites and activities include visits to Civil War camp sites across the County, Brentsville, Liberia Plantation, Haymarket and Chapman's Mill. Cost includes admission to sites and a boxed lunch. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-365-7895. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

### 13 -14

#### ★ **Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours**

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00p.m. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 20-21

### ★ *“Hard Tack and Coffee” Brentsville Civil War Soldier Camp*

10:00a.m. Saturday until 10:00a.m.; Sunday; \$125 per person, ages 16 and older with adult only, reservations required. 150 years ago, Prince William County citizens came to Brentsville to learn how to be soldiers. These farmers, shopkeepers and laborers brought few skills that would prepare them for life in the army. Step into the past and discover the military and daily life skills of Civil War soldiers. Activities of this overnight intensive camp include military drill, firing demonstrations, camp life, cooking and building a soldier hut. Meals are included. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-365-7895. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 22-25

### ★ *Advanced Civil War Summer Camp*

9:00a.m.– Noon \$110 per child, Ages 8 – 13, Reservations required

Children will participate in activities built on fundamentals that they learned during the Basic Civil War Summer Camp (July 11-15). Participants will drill their peers, learn an artillery drill, explore non commissioned officers’ administrative responsibilities, spend a day with Confederate General Robert E. Lee and take a field trip to Manassas National Battlefield Park. Participants MUST have attended the Basic Civil War Summer Camp (see July 11-15, 2011, event).

**Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas, VA 20109. 703-367-7872.

[www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 27

### ★ *Battle of Thoroughfare Gap Commemoration at Chapman/Beverley Mill*

9:00a.m. – 6:00p.m. \$5.00 per person, under 12 free. Tours at 9:30a.m.; 11:00a.m.; 5:30p.m.

Tour the ground in the Bull Run Mountains where the Federal defeat led to the dramatic Confederate victory at Second Manassas. Tour guides include Civil War historians Childs Burden, Jim Burgess and Bruce Slawter. Experience the First Virginia Cavalry Confederate re-enactors. Meet a Union survivor of the Battle of Thoroughfare Gap as interpreted by another “living historian.” For further information, call the Turn the Mill Around Campaign (TTMAC) at 540-253-5888, or visit [www.chapmansmill.org](http://www.chapmansmill.org). **Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Rd., Broad Run, VA 20137.

## 27

### ★ *Battle of Kettle Run Special Tours*

9:00a.m. – Noon \$5 per person; Free for children under six

On August 27, 1862 Federal and Confederate forces clashed for the first time at Bristoe Station. Join local historians on the 149<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for in-depth tours of the battle that served as a prelude to the Second Battle of Manassas. Where comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. No pets please. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 27 -28

### ★ *Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 27-28

### ★ *149th Anniversary of the Battle of Second Manassas.*

10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

Special ranger tours of the battlefield, military demonstrations of musketry and artillery firing, cavalry demonstrations, living history portrayals of soldiers in an encampment of Union and Confederate troops, cavalry demonstrations of maneuver and carbine firing, and music will mark this anniversary event at Brawner Farm and various locations throughout the park. "Manassas's Own" Artillery (representing Confederate battery) and infantry troops will portray Union and Confederate soldiers. **Manassas National Battlefield Park**, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas VA 20109. 703-361 – 1339. [www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/mana/index.htm)

## SEPTEMBER 2011

### 3-4

#### ★ *Battle of Buckland Races Reenactment*

Schedule to be announced; Admission \$10.00 per person; \$5.00 for students; Free for children under 5 years.

A reenactment of the Battle of Buckland Races will commemorate the October 19, 1863, battle at Buckland Farm. The cavalry demonstrations and battle will be organized by the Black Horse Cavalry. **Buckland Farm**, 6342 Pleasant Colony Lane, Warrenton, VA 20186. 703-754-4000.

### 10

#### ★ *Adult's Night Out at Chapman/Beverley Mill*

7:00p.m. – 10:00p.m. \$15.00 per person

Enjoy an evening of candlelight tours of the historic Chapman/Beverley Mill, 19<sup>th</sup> century entertainment, and living history interpretations of Civil War era life. This will all be accompanied by hors d'oeuvres and wine offered by the glass or bottle from the Winery at LaGrange. There will be a presentation on the history of this two-hundred-sixty-nine-year-old industrial, architectural, and historic treasure. This adults-only evening at the Chapman/Beverley Mill has a Civil War history emphasis. Reservations appreciated. For reservations or for further information, call the Turn the Mill Around Campaign (TTMAC) at 540-253-5888, or visit [chapmansmill.org](http://chapmansmill.org). **Chapman/Beverley Mill**, 17504 Beverley Mill Road, Broad Run, VA 20137.

### 10-11

#### ★ *Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the

parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. Last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

**17**

★ ***Beyond the Battlefield: Civil War Sites in Prince William County Van Tour***

8:00a.m. – 5:00p.m. \$80 per person. Space is limited, reservations required.

Prince William County witnessed three major battles and many skirmishes, but the impact of the war reached far beyond the battlefields. Homes, businesses and towns were ravaged by the armies. This tour will highlight the plight of citizens in the County and share their stories of hardship and survival. Sites and activities include a walking tour of Occoquan, visits to Brentsville, Liberia Plantation, Haymarket and Chapman's Mill. Cost includes admission to sites and a boxed lunch **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-365-7895.

[www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

**24**

★ ***Commemoration of Warrenton-Fauquier Heritage Day***

Schedule to be announced; \$10.00 per person, \$5.00 for students, free for children under 5 years.

A reenactment of the Battle of Buckland Races will commemorate the October 19, 1863, Battle at Buckland Farm. The cavalry demonstrations and battle will be organized by the Black Horse Cavalry. **Buckland Farm**, 6342 Pleasant Colony Lane, Warrenton, VA 20186 703-754-4000.

**24–25**

★ ***Anniversary of the Potomac River Blockade 1861***

11:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. Parking fee.

Join Living Historians as they camp at Freestone Point, the preserved site of the Confederate Gun Battery during the Blockade of the Potomac. Discover the story of the Battery and see artillery demonstration, camp life, and learn about the lives of soldiers and the women and children left behind. Living History events are planned for the Town of Dumfries as well. Various Confederate units, including the 10th Alabama Volunteer Infantry Reg. Reenactors group from Fredericksburg, will have an encampment in Merchant Park with demonstrations of a soldier's life there. Authentic camp life demonstrations, drills, cooking, entertainment and general living conditions will be exhibited. A headquarters camp will be set up at Williams Ordinary in which a Confederate officer and his staff will explain the blockade situation.

**Leesylvania State Park**, 2001 Daniel K. Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191, 703-583-6904. **Weems Botts Museum**, 3944 Cameron Street, Dumfries, VA 22026, 703-221-3346. **Williams Ordinary**, 17674 Main Street Dumfries, Virginia 22026, 703-792-4754. [www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/lee.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/lee.shtml)

**24 -25**

★ ***Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours***

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person, free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. Last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136.

703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

**OCTOBER 2011**

**8 -9**

★ ***Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours***

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person; Free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## 15

### ★ *Battle of Bristoe Station Anniversary Tour*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person; Free for children under six

On October 14, 1863 Federal and Confederate forces met once again at Bristoe Station. Join local historians for in-depth tours of the Battle which ended General Robert E. Lee's last offensive of the war. Where comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. No pets please. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot. The parking lot is located off of Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136. 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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### ★ *Bristoe Station Battlefield Tours*

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$5 per person; Free for children under six

Bristoe Station Battlefield staff and volunteers will provide guided tours of the battlefield. Learn about Camp Jones and the two battles that took place there in 1862 and 1863. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot on Iron Brigade Unit Avenue. The last tour is at 3:00pm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. No pets please. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## NOVEMBER 2011

### 12-13

### ★ *Camp Jones Encampment Sesquicentennial Event*

11:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. on Saturday and Sunday (camp area); 5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. on Saturday for candlelight tours.

Camp area free; Candlelight tours \$5 person; children under 6 free. Candlelight tours on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. In 1861, thousands of Confederate soldiers were encamped in the fields around Bristoe Station.

This large encampment was called "Camp Jones." Here for several months, Confederate soldiers from all over the south would endure hard winter conditions and be exposed to numerous illnesses and diseases. Nearly 1,000 men died and were buried at Bristoe during this time. This living history program will demonstrate Civil War camp life and the hardships that soldiers faced during the war. Camps will be open to visitors during the day with special candlelight tours offered on November 12th. **Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park**, 10708 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-792-5546. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

## DECEMBER 2011

### 10-11

★ ***Civil War Santa Visits Ben Lomond***

11:00a.m.-4:00p.m. Saturday, 11:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Sunday; \$5 per person

In December 1862 Artist Thomas Nast drew one of the earliest images of Santa Claus giving gifts to soldiers. Santa will dust off that old suit he wore then and visit Ben Lomond. See the house decorated in true Victorian style by the Prince William County Garden Council and make period decorations to take home. **Ben Lomond Historic Site**, 10321 Sudley Manor Road, Manassas 20109. 703-367-7872. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

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★ ***Civil War Christmas at Brentsville***

3:00p.m. – 9:00p.m. \$5 per person

During the winter of 1861, Prince William County was home to nearly 70,000 soldiers who spent Christmas here instead of in their homes. Step back 150 years to see how soldiers and civilians celebrated Christmas time during the Civil War. Walk through camps by candlelight and interact with the soldiers and learn about Christmas customs of the past. Enjoy hot cider and join in on caroling or enjoy a musical performance in the historic Union Church. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**, 12229 Bristow Road, Bristow, VA 20136, 703-365-7895. [www.pwcgov.org/historicsites](http://www.pwcgov.org/historicsites)

**17-18**

★ ***A Civil War Christmas at Leesylvania State Park***

11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. \$2 per person, \$6 per family (there will be a fee for parking)

Join us at the Park's Visitor Center and tell Santa what you want, enjoy light refreshments, help decorate the park's Christmas tree, and make some 19<sup>th</sup>-century decorations for home. **Leesylvania State Park**, 2001 Daniel K. Ludwig Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22191. 703-730-8205. [www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/lee.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/lee.shtml)