

Coming this April PWC's Historic Sites!



April 1 Civil War Trust Annual Park Clean Up Day – Bristoe Station Battlefield

8 a.m. – 12p.m. Free

Park Day is a nationwide event that encourages Civil War enthusiasts to help maintain, restore and preserve Civil War sites. Come out and join us for a fun and rewarding day of work at Bristoe Battlefield. Wear sturdy work shoes and bring gloves. Tools and snacks will be provided.

Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, Bristow, VA. 703-366-3049.



April 8 Eggstravaganza at Ben Lomond Historic Site

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.; \$5 per person, 2 and under free

Ben Lomond Historic Site and Pat White Center at Ben Lomond are coming together for a special Eggstravaganza, but we need your help to find the eggs! Join us for a day of hunts, games, crafts, tours, a petting zoo and more. Tickets can be purchased at the Pat White Center at Ben Lomond. **Ben Lomond Historic Site, Manassas, VA. 703-367-7872.**



April 8 Potomac Blockade Bus Tour

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; \$80 per person (lunch included)

From September 1861 through March 1862, the Confederate army was able to blockade the Potomac River. Join staff historians for a special bus tour that will explore this little known period of Civil War history. Tour includes lunch and departs from Williams Ordinary in Dumfries. **For reservations call 703-792-4754.**



April 15 Easter Egg Hunt at Rippon Lodge

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.; \$5.00 per Child, \$2 per Adult; Free for 2 and under.

Eggs have been hidden among the trees, bushes and vines at Rippon Lodge, and we need you help to find them! Along with the search for eggs, crafts, games, and tours of the historic house make this a day the whole family may enjoy. Bring your own baskets to collect eggs. House tours are on the hour.

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



April 20 Brews and Brains Series at Bad Wolf Brewery

6 p.m.- 8 p.m., free, donations accepted.

Northern Virginia has a rich social history throughout in which beer played a part. Join the Historic Preservation Division and Bad Wolf Brewery as we examine the role of beer throughout American History in this four-part series of lectures, artifacts, and activities. The series will take place at Big Bad Wolf Brewery, located at 8420 Kao Circle, in Manassas, VA. April's session will be about "Alcohol in the Civil War." For more information call **703-367-7872.**



April 22 Art in the Park at Brentsville Courthouse

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Free

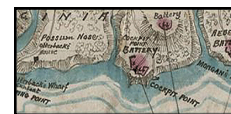
In the tradition of Monet, O'Keeffe, and Ansel Adams, come and set up your easel, open your sketchbook or focus your camera at Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre. We will have art table fun for the budding artists, art for sale, and pop-up art lessons throughout the day. Be sure to look in the historic schoolhouse which will feature Prince William County student art! **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre, Bristow, 703-365-7895**



April 22 Potomac Blockade Boat Tour

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; \$45 per person

Cruise along the Potomac River shoreline and view sites that were critical to the Confederate forces' successful blockade of Washington D.C. The cruise will include the preserved batteries at Freestone Point and Possum Nose, as well as Evansport and Shipping Point. Tour includes lunch and departs from Leesylvania State Park in Woodbridge. **For reservations call 703-792-4754.**



April 22 Junior Girl Scouts Gardening Badge

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.; \$5.00 per Scout

Come out and help Rippon Lodge plant the vegetable garden for spring while earning the Junior Girl Scouts Gardening Badge. Scout leaders must purchase the badges on their own. The program will run rain or shine. Reservations are required and space is limited.

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



April 27 Flying Machines of the Great Wars

7 p.m. Free, donations accepted

In a relatively short time the flying machine of the Wright Brothers became a weapon of war that is still today a critical component of our nation's defense. Join representatives of the Freedom Museum as we explore these flying war machines and their roles in our nation's defense from World War I through today. **Old Manassas Courthouse, Manassas, VA. 703-792-4754**



April 29 The Deadliest Enemy: Disease in the Civil War

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.; \$5 per person, children 6 and under free

Since the very beginning of the Civil War, disease was a critical problem among the armies of both North and South. During this special tour of the field hospital, learn about why disease was such a big issue, what diseases swept through the regiments, their causes, and the treatments used to try and cure the soldiers. Tours begin on the hour.

Ben Lomond Historic Site, Manassas, VA. 703-367-7872



April 29 Lost Towns of Prince William County Bus Tour

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; \$80 per person (lunch included)

While historic towns such as Dumfries, Occoquan, and Manassas survive to the present day, many smaller ones were abandoned, destroyed, or lost throughout history. Join local historians as we explore these long forgotten communities and learn about a lost chapter in Prince William County history. **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre, Bristow, VA. 703-365-7895**



April 29 Spring Migration Bird & Nature Walk at Julie J. Metz Neabsco Creek Wetlands Preserve

8am; FREE, Donations

The Julie J. Metz Neabsco Creek Wetlands Preserve is home to a diverse bird population. Join local birding and nature experts on a guided walk along the trails and boardwalks. Bring binoculars and guide books. No pets please. **Julie J. Metz Neabsco Creek Wetlands Preserve, Woodbridge, VA. 703-499-9812**



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