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# AUTHOR/BRCWRT MEMBER RANDY FERRYMAN SPEAKS ON "THE UNRESOLVED TENSION BETWEEN WARRIORS AND JOURNALISTS IN THE CIVIL WAR" AT MAY 10TH MEETING

From the beginning of heavy fighting during the Civil War until the conclusion of the conflict, the U.S. government and the northern press were unable to resolve several disputes over press disclosures and news controls. President Lincoln and his lieutenants debated with publishers, but the parties could not strike a

balance that evenly treated competing constitutional principles of providing for the common defense and protecting lives, while safeguarding individual liberty and freedom of the press. Little Civil War literature has



Correspondent Alfred Waud takes notes and sketches at the Battle of Gettysburg.

addressed this controversy which, in the view of national and military leaders, too often permitted publishers to deliberately print sensitive military information - today defined as "classified" information - that might have compromised military operations, lowered the chance of mission success, and added to already lengthy casualty lists.

Randy Ferryman, who will present this topic to us in his upcoming lecture, is a member of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table, the Gettysburg Foundation, and the Civil War Preservation Trust. He has lectured on Civil War intelligence and Civil War press leaks at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at George Mason

# MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7 p.m. Centreville Library THURSDAY, May 10, 2018 GUEST SPEAKER: Historian RANDY FERRYMAN TOPIC:

"THE UNRESOLVED TENSION BETWEEN WARRIORS AND JOURNALISTS IN THE CIVIL WAR"

University and will lecture there in June on the causes of the Civil War. Mr. Ferryman also conducts staff rides of the Gettysburg Battlefield, having done so on 40 occasions (since 2010) to provide training for analysts in the national security profession. His article on "The Unresolved Tension between Warriors and Journalists during the Civil War," was published in the September 2014 edition of Studies on Intelligence, which can be reviewed at the CIA.gov website.

During a 40-year career in intelligence, Mr. Ferryman has served in a number of analytical and managerial positions aimed at protecting U.S. national security interests associated with the former Soviet Union, Russia, the Middle East and North Africa, and the global issues of illicit narcotics and terrorism. As a Congressional Fellow, he was a staff assistant to a U.S. Senator, and began his career in 1977 as a uniformed analyst in the USAF Strategic Air Command. Mr. Ferryman has a B.A. in History from Concordia College (Moorhead, MN) and a M.A. in Administration from the University of Maryland, University College. Come on out to meet and dine with Patrick at Carrabba's Italian Restaurant, 5805 Trinity Parkway, Centreville, VA 20120: (703)- 266-9755.

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## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

June 14th, 2018 - Stephen Phan - "Battle of Nashville - December 1864"

June 28th, 2018 - David Goetz - "Mosby and Booth." 6:30 at the Bull Run Winery

July 12th, 2018 - Ed Bearss - "Battle of Ft. Donaldson and Ft. Henry"

August 9th, 2018 - Chris Kolakowski - "The Kentucky Campaign - August to November 1862"

September 13th, 2018 - "Cavalry Action at Battle of Chickamauga"

October 11th, 2018 - Dr. Jeff McClurken - "Take Care of the Living: Reconstructing Confederate Veteran Families in Virginia"

November 8th, 2018 - Mark Dunkleman -"Gettysburg's Unknown Soldier: The Life, Death, and Celebrity of Amos Humiston"

**December 13th, 2018** - Eric Buckland - "They Rode with Mosby"

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# The President's Column By Mark A. Trbovich

Bull Run Civil War Round Table Members,

May is a beautiful month of the year – all is in full bloom and we are getting ready for summer (hope it doesn't get too hot). It is also the 27th anniversary of the BRCWRT, our award-winning organization for those years - and many years to come. My hat's off to all of you wonderful members, past and present, and look forward to a great year ahead.

Our May 10th meeting will present BRCWRT member Randy Ferryman to speak on "The Unresolved Tension Between Warriors and Journalists During The Civil War." I'm really looking forward to hearing about a subject many of us have not heard a lot about.

We had such a fantastic visit from Gen. A.P. Hill at our April 10th meeting. Falci, as you know, portrayed Hill in the movie "Gettysburg," and is dedicated to the role. Patrick put on a fantastic show, as he led the members on a

reprise of Gen.

Hill's Civil War

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Gen. A. P. Hill made an appearance at the April BRCWRT to highlight his career and military relationships, aided by the person of actor Patrick Falci. Falci's dedication to the role comes from his great portrayal of Gen. Hill in the movie "Gettysburg."

**Photo by Janet Greentree** 

outstanding time for all, and we look forward to seeing him again down the road at future Civil War events.

Don't forget - you can also "tune in" to all of our lectures, as well as view Powerpoint slides, of each of our presentations at our Web site audio archives, located at the address: http://bullruncwrt.org/BRCWRT/AudioArchives/Audio menu.html.

Our 2018 Membership Campaign has wrapped up, and I would like to offer my thanks to all who have joined the BRCWRT so far, and for all who plan to do so this year. I also want to thank Vice President Mark Whitenton and Treasurer Mark Knowles for an excellent effort supporting this endeavor. Please reach out to anyone you know who hasn't signed up yet, and remind them of what a great newsletter we provide. As always, I fully encourage everyone to bring new folks by to join the Round Table.

For the past two months we rolled out our BRCWRT Committee volunteer program by which all members can participate in committee work. Please consider volunteering for a committee that interests you! We have had a few folks join and hope to see many more as the year progresses. Everyone has some unique skill sets, and we are looking for folks to become a part of the BRCWRT team as we move forward to new heights this year and in years to come.

Our Scholarship Committee, led by Nancy Anwyll, is in the final phase of choosing our 2018 scholarship winner of the \$2,000 award this year! A winner will be introduced to the membership at our June 14th meeting. Don't want to miss that!

Again, we are so happy to announce that on June 28th, at the Winery at Bull Run, we will host a special lecture by Dave Goetz, starting at 6:30 p.m. Your Executive Committee has been working overtime on new initiatives for constantly improving our round table's vision and mission.

This year will be another tremendous year for us at the BRCWRT, as we continued to bring great lectures and events to the membership. Preservation Lead Blake Myers and his team have been working on many projects this year, and look to be involved with many more as the year unfolds. Our BRCWRT Tour Guide lead, Scott Knepp, is also working on his 2018 tours - he has scheduled our first Spring tour for May 12th. We are visiting the Aldie, Middleburg and Upperville cavalry battle in June of 1863! Sign up online today!

As always, please try to make it out to each meeting, as we will have so much local Civil War

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# The Book Corner Welcomes Booker T. Washington Review

By Tim Duskin

Barry Mackintosh. Booker T. Washington: An Introduction to the Man and His Times. 1972. Washington: U.S. Government Printing Office. 78 pp.

"The Book Corner" in the April issue inspired me to visit the Booker T. Washington National Monument in Franklin County, Virginia, on my way to this year's annual Civil War Conference at Liberty University in Lynchburg. The former is the site of Washington's birthplace, where he lived until emancipation. It was the first time I have ever been there. When I was there, I purchased this book, which was put out by the Office of Publications of the National Park Service. It is an excellent brief summary of the life of Booker T. Washington.

Booker T. Washington was born a slave in 1856 and obtained his freedom when emancipation came in 1865. Young Booker had always wanted to go to school, ever since accompanying his master's children to school when he was a slave. He left home in 1872 to attend a school for freed slaves, the Hampton Institute, now Hampton University, in Hampton, Virginia. The institute was headed by former Union General Samuel C. Armstrong. Washington worked his way through school there and was such an outstanding student that he was invited to teach there after his graduation. Washington said, "At Hampton, I not only learned that it was not a disgrace to labour, but learned to love labour, not alone for its financial value, but for labour's own sake and for the independence and self-reliance which the ability to do something the world wants to be done."

When another such school was founded in Tuskegee, Alabama, in 1881, to be called the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, General Armstrong recommended Washington as the man to head it. Washington accepted the appointment and made this new school his life's work. He built up the school from nothing. This was his philosophy:

"I would teach the race that in industry the foundation must be laid – that the very best service which one can render to what is called the higher education is to teach the present generation to provide a material or industrial

foundation. On such a foundation as this will grow practical education, professional education, positions of public responsibility."

He would ride about Tuskegee every morning on his horse, Dexter, to make sure everything was in order and would have any deficiency corrected. Mackintosh writes:

"Booker T. Washington and his Tuskegee program came to have strong appeal for many white Americans sincerely concerned about the economic plight of the Negro. In an age that worshipped individual effort and self-help, this extraordinary former slave working to elevate his race from poverty was hailed by many as the answer to a great national problem. The appeal of Washington's educational philosophy and the force of his dynamic personality eventually won financial support from many of the era's foremost philanthropists."

Washington's philosophy was summarized in his most quoted speech, delivered at the Cotton States and International Exposition in Atlanta in 1895. He said in that speech:

"To those of my own race who depend on bettering their condition in a foreign land or who underestimate the importance of cultivating friendly relations with the Southern white man, who is their next-door neighbour, I would say: 'Cast down your bucket where you are' – cast it down by making friends in every manly way of the people of all races by whom we are surrounded."

He also urged whites to do the same and to look to blacks for labor instead of to "...those of foreign birth and strange tongue..." for "...the prosperity of the South." He sought to uplift black people by teaching them a vocation at Tuskegee with which they could support themselves. He summarized this thus in the same speech:

"Our greatest danger is that in the great leap from slavery to freedom we may overlook the fact that the masses of us are to live by the productions of our hands, and fail to keep in mind that we shall prosper in proportion as we learn to dignify and glorify labour and put brains and skill into the common occupations of life;

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## **Hansbrough Ridge Preserved**

The Virginia Outdoors Foundation (VOF) and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources have joined the Civil War Trust to protect and save Hansbrough's Ridge, a unique Civil War site in Culpeper County overlooking the hamlet of Stevensburg. In March 2018, these organizations announced the preservation of the 400-foot-high, mile-long ridge, the profile of which one soldier described as resembling "a giant sleeping," where 800 Confederate soldiers barred a Union cavalry

division from the main fight at Brandy Station, and which sheltered more than 10,000 Union troops for five months during the winter of 1863-1864, prior to the beginning of the Wilderness Campaign.

The organizations' announcement culminated nearly two years of fundraising and decades of preservation activism for the

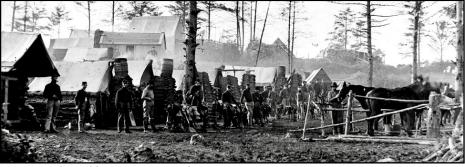
17-acre site, which historians say is unique in its landscape, significance and quality.

The site's importance was recognized in 1991 when the Department of Historic Resources listed the Hansborough Ridge Winter Encampment District on the Virginia Landmarks Register, making it eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. It was later incorporated into the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, a federally designated 175-mile corridor that interprets and conserves nationally significant historic sites in Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

VOF, a public foundation, and the Virginia Board of Historic Resources accepted two conservation easements to forever protect the ridge east of the historic village of Stevensburg. The property stretches from State Route 3 north to near Cole's Hill, which is privately owned. VOF will hold one easement, and the Board will hold the other, administered by staff at the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

Private George Storrs Youngs of the 126<sup>th</sup> New York Infantry described Hansbrough Ridge in a letter written to his sister, Louisa, on January 1, 1864: "The view from our camp is magnificent. We are on the top of an exceeding high hill from whence we can look down upon the canvas cities of the Army of the Potomac on almost every side. Off to the west, nestling among the hills, the city of Culpepper can be seen - its bright spires looking still brighter against the dark background of the Blue Ridge whose towering peaks and cliffs are now covered with snow."

Developers saw a chance to market the ridge's views in 2015, when they bought the property, intent on subdividing it into residential lots. The Civil War Trust negotiated the land's purchase



Members of the 18th Pennsylvania Cavalry pose in their camp on Hansbrough's Ridge in February 1864.

before development occurred, and a noncash donation from the landowner put the purchase price within reach.

The easements not only protect this historic ridge from development, but also enable permanent public access for future generations to be able to visit and learn from the property, while ensuring the perpetual preservation of the site so that it can be protected and interpreted for current and future Virginians and visitors to the state.

In the words of Civil War Trust President James Lighthizer, "There is nothing comparable to it anywhere in the nation. The site remains nearly as it was when the Yankees broke camp and marched east to cross the Rapidan River and battle Lee's Confederates. From the top of the ridge, people will be able to read about the events of that period and survey the terrain as the soldiers did. It will be an amazing way to understand the history of this place."

# CIVIL WAR TRAVELS WITH MS. REBELLE

# Brig. Gen. Edward Stuyvesant Bragg, USA

By Janet Greentree

This is one of those stories where it was a little challenging to find the good general's grave. My sister Kathe and I were visiting Wisconsin last year. We were traveling south from Green Bay towards Milwaukee and wanted to visit a cemetery in Fond du Lac. Ms. Rebelle plugged in the address of the cemetery on the GPS. By the way, in Wisconsin, roads are named with letters and double letters. This cemetery was on Highway K.

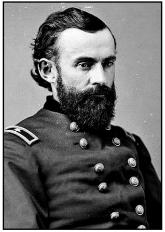
We were driving down the road and came to a total roadblock on the highway leading out to Fond du Lac. There were no other alternative roads around to take. So, I just plugged in the Milwaukee address we were going to. My GPS took us on so many farm roads to

detour off and then get back on the main road to Milwaukee. Nary a gas station in sight either. Thank goodness we trusted the GPS, or who knows where we would have ended up. When we finally got on the highway south, a sign came up for Fond du Lac. again, I plugged in the cemetery address. We went through more country roads and came right up to the entrance of the cemetery. The cemetery map I had took us right to the general's WI. grave in Section OG, grave #196 in Rienzi Cemetery.



Gen. Bragg's grave marker in Rienzi Cemetery, Fond du Lac, WI.

The name Rienzi struck a cord in me. Rienzi was the name of the horse that General Phil Sheridan rode from Winchester to the battle of Cedar Creek to spur on the Yankees. Was the cemetery named for Sheridan's horse? After checking with the cemetery and researching Sheridan's horse, the cemetery was named after the 14<sup>th</sup> century Italian politician Cola di Rienzi. Sheridan's horse was named after the town Rienzi in Mississippi where Sheridan camped. This town was also named for Cola di



Brig. Gen. Edward Stuyvesant Bragg.

Rienzi. Sheridan changed his horse's name from Rienzi to Winchester after the battle of Cedar Creek. Rienzi/Winchester now resides in the Smithsonian.

Edward Stuyvesant Bragg was known as the 'little general.' President Lincoln once said about Confederate Vice President Alexander Stephens: "He's the smallest nubbin I have ever saw shucked." Bragg was smaller than Stephens.

Bragg was born in Unadilla, Otsego County, New York on February 20, 1827. His parents were Joel Bragg and Margarette Kohl. He attended local schools as a child and then went to Geneva College, now Hobart College in Geneva, NY. He left college to read the law and was admitted to the bar in 1848, practicing in Unadilla. He left Unadilla in 1850 and moved to Fond du Lac, WI. He was elected district attorney in 1853 and attended the Democratic National Convention in Charleston, SC, in 1860. His Democratic vote helped nominate Stephen A. Douglas for president.

On January 2, 1854, he married Cornelia Coleman. The couple were the parents of six children.

When the Civil War began, he was 34 years old; he entered the Union Army on July 16, 1861, as a captain of the 6<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. He was promoted to major, lieutenant colonel and then colonel by March 10, 1863. His brigadier general rank didn't come until June 25, 1864. His first dress parade as commander of the 6<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin was at Arlington Heights behind the Lee Mansion, on what is now Arlington National Cemetery. One of his men, Jake Diener, remarked: "Is that little cuss going to command our company?" He would later state after many engagements: "He's no longer a little cuss he looks like a giant."

Bragg fought at the battles of 2<sup>nd</sup> Manassas, Gainesville, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Mine Run, the Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Laurel Hill, North Anna, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Fitzhugh's Crossing, Overland Campaign, and Appomattox. He was severely wounded at the battle of Antietam. In his AAR to General Gibbon of the Iron Brigade after attacking the Confederate Left Flank, he

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related that "no sooner had I given this order, and while it was being executed, I received a slight but painful wound in the left arm, but was still able to direct the right companies, G and K, to draw back their line under cover of the fence and fronting the road, which was being executed when faintness compelled me to go to the rear,



The Hardee hat of the Iron Brigade.

and I was unable to rejoin my regiment until it had been relieved."

He was wounded again at Chancellorsville and missed the Gettysburg Campaign due to those injuries. From June 7, 1864, to February 10, 1865, Bragg was the 4<sup>th</sup> commander of the Iron Brigade. The Iron Brigade's

distinctive uniform included a black Hardee hat, brass infantry bugle, red Corps circle patch, brass numbers/letters to identify the units/companies, brass eagle badge on the side of the Hardee hat, and an ostrich



The 6th Wisconsin - Iron Brigade - monument at Gettysburg.
Photo by Lisa Greentree Tully

feather plume. Soldiers wore a dark blue single breasted long coat with 9 brass buttons with eagles on them. The cuffs and collars of the coat were adorned in a lighter blue trim. Either light blue or dark blue trousers and white gaiters completed the uniform.

Bragg's 6<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin performed well at Gettysburg. They fought on July 1, 1863, and repulsed the Confederates at Herbst's Woods, capturing Confederate General James J. Archer and his brigade, plus

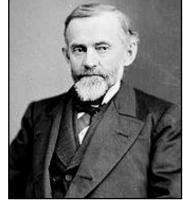
hundreds of Confederates, and also the flag of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mississippi. There is a 6<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Iron Brigade monument on Reynold's Avenue, south the Railroad Cut. The photo here featuring the monument was kindly taken by my daughter, Lisa Greentree Tully.

General Bragg mustered out of the Army on October 9, 1865, returning to Fond du Lac. He was first appointed

postmaster by President Andrew Johnson in 1866. He then served in the Wisconsin Senate from 1868-69. He was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1876 and re-elected in 1877-83. He served in the 45<sup>th</sup>, 46<sup>th</sup>, and 47<sup>th</sup> Congresses. He was chairman of the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice from 1877-79 and the Committee of War Claims from 1879-81. In 1884, at the Democratic National Convention, he seconded the nomination of Grover Cleveland for president, stating: "We love him for the enemies he made." His comment was used often in Cleveland's campaign and referred to Cleveland's conflict with Tammany Hall.

In 1886, he returned to Fond du Lac to practice law

again. President Cleveland appointed him in 1888 as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Mexico. He was also appointed consul general to Cuba in 1902, and to Hong Kong from 1903-06. Col. John Singleton Mosby had held the position of consul to Hong Kong from 1878-85.



Gen. Edward S. Bragg, retired, later in civilian life.

The Muskegon Chronicle reported on March 6,

1907, that Bragg resigned from his consul position to Hong Kong "returning to Fond du Lac to live in retirement from active business life. He receives a pension of \$75 a month." The *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* reported on May 2, 1934, in an article about General Bragg that "As a military commander at the head of Wisconsin's famous Iron Brigade, he was unconquerable. His career as a congressman was enlivened with independent pronouncements and as a diplomat he embarrassed the state department by the statement with reference to Cuban independence, that "you cannot make a whistle out of a pig's tail."

General Bragg died on June 20, 1912, at his home in Fond du Lac, at age 85, of a stroke that followed a lengthy illness.

NOTE: Ms. Rebelle's hobby is traveling the country finding and honoring the graves of our 1,008 Civil War generals. So far, she has located and photographed 420 - 169 Confederate and 251 Union. You may contact her at <a href="mailto:iglgrtree@erols.com">iglgrtree@erols.com</a>.

# "Both Sides" Tour a Great Way to Join J.E.B. Stuart in His Ride Around McClellan



Many Bull Run Civil War Round Table members join Don Hackenson on his very popular "Both Sides Tour" - this recent one taking in the Gen. J.E.B. Stuart's "ride around McClellan" that contributed to the failure of Gen. George B. McClellan's gambit to reach Richmond by means of his Peninsular Campaign in June of 1862.

Shown here, L-R – are tour leader Don Hakenson, Ed Wenzel, Gwen Wyttenbach, Janet Greentree Ben Trittipoe, Pete Andrews, Pam Unger, Saundra Cox, Doug Cox, and Sam Laudenslager.

Photo courtesy of Janet Greentree.

# President's Column - (con't from page 3)

information to get out to you, and also to share in fellowship with friends. This month (every month in 2018) we will continue to offer for sale Ed Wenzel's Chronology of the Civil War of Fairfax County. This book is the perfect gift for the Civil War enthusiast on your shopping list.

The BRCWRT 25th anniversary book will also be on sale at the meeting and on the Web site. There was a great article on our Fairfax County History Book award (for the 25th

Anniversary book) in the Civil War News last month!

As the year moves forward, we will be here bringing you the best Civil War lectures, tours, events and newsletters in the region, with preservation and education as a solid part of our mission!

Let us never forget the people who served, and what they did for us. God Bless all of you.



# It's a New Recruit for the Ly Family!

It may not be the "Lee" family - but *ALL* our members are of the First Families of History! And so we are pleased to announce that recent BRCWRT members, David and Misty (McCurdy) Ly, have just been blessed with a young boy, Torian Joseph Ly, born on April 27. As Misty comments, "We are excited to teach him about history, and especially the Civil War."

# BRCWRT Members Add Flair to Fairfax History Day at Blenheim

The Fairfax History Day held recently at Historic Blenheim was a great success, and provided the members of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table with an opportunity to add their unique flair for portraying the people and events of the Civil War at this educational event. Blenheim was used as a field hospital during the war, and many of its displays highlight the conditions of the Wilcoxen family home at the time.



Debbie Page-Maples Whitenton Mark Whitenton (portraying Gen. Joe Johnston).

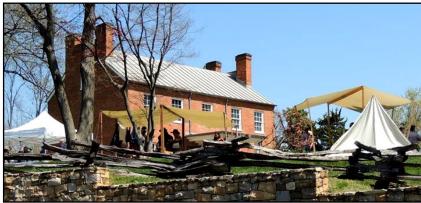


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Poor Drew Pallo, stricken with camp fever, waiting for his BRCWRT comrades to rally him back to health.



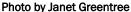
Historic Blenheim

Jon Vrana, portraying Albert Willcoxon, owner of Blenheim



establish to corduroy during the Civil War were found recently by BRCWRT member Jim Lewis near George Mason University, are displayed at the Fairfax History Day event.

Photo by Edward Marion





Naomi Arlund and her friend. a stroll in between exhibitions of Victorian Dancing. **Photo by Edward Marion** 

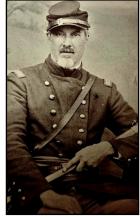


The 28th Mass. on duty at Blenheim: this traveled far to join in.

**Photo by Janet Greentree** 







Left to right: Kevin Garrahan, Fred Eckstein and John Myers style for the camera. Historic Blenheim provided the perfect venue for the showing and telling of Fairfax history!

Garrahan and Eckstein photos by Edward Marion; Myers photo courtesy of John Myers

# **Booker T. Washington** – (con't from page 4)

shall prosper in proportion as we learn to draw the line between the superficial and the substantial, the ornamental gewgaws of life and the useful."

Mackintosh points out that some of Washington's fellow blacks were critical of this. The Niagara Movement advocated immediate civil, political, and social rights for blacks and denounced Washington as conciliatory and compromising. But Mackintosh also points out that, while Washington publicly avoided agitation for such things, he privately supported court cases and other efforts to break down disfranchisement and segregation advance the rights of black people. Manv scores of blacks were able to better themselves by the vocational education which they received at Tuskegee, thanks to him.

What is preserved at the Booker T. Washington National Monument is a portion of that farm where Washington was born and served as a slave. The building in which he was born and lived with his family until he was freed was the Kitchen Cabin. That building or a reconstruction of it is preserved, while the house in which the owner of the farm and his family lived is gone. The road on which the site is located is named Booker T. Washington Highway. James Burroughs was the owner of the farm until his death in 1861. Thereafter, it was owned by his widow, Elizabeth Burroughs. I am certain that it would not have been

imagined at that time that one day, the Burroughs' names would be forgotten while one of their slaves would become so famous that the Kitchen Cabin in which he was born and lived would become a national historic site. Through his extraordinary accomplishments, Booker T. Washington achieved this honor.

The last "Book Corner" also mentioned Frederick Douglass. While Douglass advocated the same kind of activism that the Niagara Movement later did. he also advocated vocational education and work; philosophy of the latter influenced Washington. Washington published the book Frederick Douglass: A Biography in 1906. Douglass reacted when it was seen by Union officers there that blacks were fighting in the Confederate army in the First Battle of Manassas. He said of this, "There are at present many Coloured men in the Confederate Army doing duty not only as cooks, servants and labourers, but real soldiers. having muskets on their shoulders, and bullets in their pockets." \* It was this that influenced him to advocate that blacks be able to serve in the Union army as well. When Jennie Dean founded the Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth, a school similar to Tuskegee, in 1893, Douglass was a speaker at the dedication. That school still survives today in the Manassas city public school system as the Jennie Dean Elementary School.

Signing Up for BRCWRT Events....

by Saundra Cox

Just a courtesy reminder as we enter 2018.

If you sign up for a tour, picnic, or other BRCWRT sponsored event, and find you can't participate, be sure to cancel online or directly with the tour guide as soon as possible. Please don't be a "No Show!"

<sup>\*</sup>Editor's Note: Inclusion in this review of Douglass' statement regarding blacks serving as soldiers in the Confederate army, a statement that is currently generating much debate in the historical community, does not necessarily reflect the views of the Bull Run Civil War Round Table on the matter.



# Celebrate Historic Preservation Month

Did you know that the Historic Preservation Division preserves 13 sites and over 750 acres of historically and culturally significant property throughout the county? We strive to protect Prince William County's heritage and provide the community a chance to learn and engage in these historic places. Take a look at some of the events we are hosting during Historic Preservation Month!

May 4

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

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 May 4 explore Dumfries, the oldest chartered town in Virginia. Please meet at the Weems-Botts Museum in Dumfries: 3944 Cameron Street, Dumfries, VA 22026. Call 703-365-7895 for more information.

May 5 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. The cruise will include the preserved batteries at Freestone Point, Possum Nose, and more! Tour includes lunch and departs from Leesylvania State Park in Woodbridge. Call 703-792-4754 for more information and to make reservations.



#### May 12 Bennett School Hard Hat Tours

11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m.; \$10 suggested donation, reservations suggested

Celebrate Historic Preservation month by getting a rare glimpse inside a historic landmark. Bennett School was built in 1909 as an agricultural high school, but instead was used as an elementary school until 1969. Bennett School is an active construction site so please dress appropriately. Bennett School is located at 9300 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA. For more information and reservations, please contact 703-792-4754.

May 12

#### Wildlife Walk at Bristoe Station Battlefield

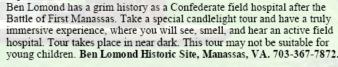
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.; Free, donations accepted. Bristoe Station Battlefield is home to a complex



May 12

#### Candlelight Tour of Ben Lomond Historic Site

8 p.m. - 9 p.m.; \$10 per person, advanced reservation is



#### Architectural Tours of Ben Lomond

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

For Historic Preservation Month, join us for a unique spin on our tour of Ben Lomond, focusing on the 1832 architecture of the house. Learn how Ben Lomond was built without modern technology, the styles and needs of the time that influenced the design, and about the people who built it. Portions of this tour will take you to places not ordinarily open to the public. Ben Lomond Historic Site, Manassas, VA. 703-367-7872.

May 19

## Armed Forces through the Ages at Rippon Lodge

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.; \$5.00 per person, Free admission for children under 6. Celebrate the Armed Forces with Rippon Lodge. From the earliest orga-

nized armies to the modern age, view encampments of soldiers of all military branches and centuries. Living history presentations, military vehicles displays and cavalry, and much more during this special one-day event. Rippon Lodge Historic Site, Woodbridge, VA 22192, 703-499-9812.



May 19

#### Paranormal 101

7 p.m. – midnight; \$70 per person; reservations are required. Brentsville has a diverse history from being a County seat for Prince William County to being a quiet town. Today, many local residents claim that the jail, courthouse, and grounds are haunted by spirits from the past. Join Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre and East Coast Research and



Investigation of the Paranormal (ECRIP) where you can attend a seminar with to lean about the theories and techniques of paranormal investigation and then participate in one! Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre, Bristow, VA, 20136. 703-365-7895.

May 21 Museum Kids Monday!

10 a.m. -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 from archaeology, plants, 19th century toys and more! 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, Manassas, VA. 703-367-7872.

May 26

### Ben Lomond's Antique Rose Garden Tea

1 p.m. -3 p.m.; \$30 per person, registration is required. Celebrate the arrival of spring by spending a wonderful afternoon in the antique rose garden at Ben Lomond enjoying historic tea and garden themed treats. Lean about 19th century roses and how to care for them in your own garden. Ben Lomond Historic Site, Manassas, VA. 703-367-7872



## Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park Tours

2nd and 4th Weekends of May 11 a.m. - 3p.m.; Tours leave on the hour; Free,

Bristoe Station Battlefield historians will provide guided tours of the hallowed grounds that contain camps, cemeteries, and battlefields. Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, 703-366-3049

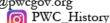




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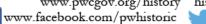


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BULL RUN CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE
The Stone Wall
P.O. Box 2147
Centreville, VA 20122

# **2018 Bull Run Civil War Round Table — MEMBERSHIP FORM**

We are delighted that you are interested in joining our organization and look forward to seeing you at our next meeting and at our upcoming events!

## **Annual dues are:**

Individual—\$20. Family—\$25. Student (age 22 and under)—FREE.

Make checks payable to: BRCWRT (Bull Run Civil War Round Table). This form may be given to the Treasurer at the General Membership meeting, or mail it to:

Mark Knowles, BRCWRT Treasurer, 169 Applegate Drive, Sterling, VA 20164

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