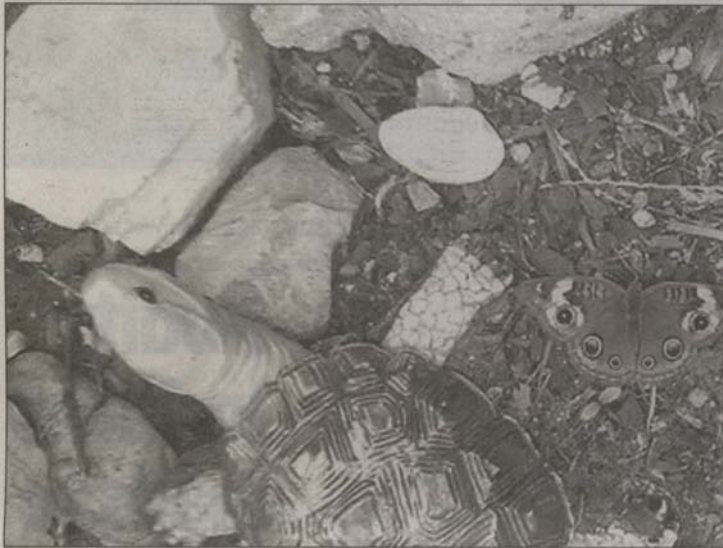




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Butterfly resting in my garden. Photo by Glenda Walker. {Posted by zoomer}

TODAY'S TOP ONLINE STORIES

- 1. One arrested in Montclair standoff:** Neighbors told to stay in their homes or evacuate during Wednesday night incident.
- 2. Police notes:** The driver of an Acura TL exiting Interstate 95 onto eastbound Dale Boulevard struck the rear of a Trailblazer, which then struck a Kia Borrego, police said.
- 3. Teen pulls man from burning car:** Christopher Berger didn't hesitate after a fiery crash on Logmill Road this weekend.
- 4. Prince William County police looking for owner of injured dog:** The black and white Shih Tzu is severely injured; authorities need the owner's permission to fully treat it.
- 5. Prosecutor won't go after fire-breathing bartenders:** Two men arrested after performing at Jimmy's Old Town Tavern in Fairfax don't face felony charges.

ONLINE READER REACTION

» Comments at insidenova.com on a story about a boy pulling a man out of a burning car:

"That is my dad! Thank you soooo much! He is alive today, because of you! I will leave my contact information with the writer. Please contact us! Thank you so much!"
— posted by *lllmo_1770*

"This is the kind of story that is a joy to read in the days of bad news and divisive politics. Good for you Christopher!"
— posted by *Pollexter*

BRISTOE STATION

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HOW TO SUBMIT

Bristoe Station to commemorate key Civil War battle

BRISTOW » Park to hold tours Saturday on 148th anniversary of the Battle of Kettle Run

By **KATHERINE MERCURIO GOTTHARDT**
For the News & Messenger

U.S. and Confederate forces clashed for the first time Aug. 27, 1862, at Bristoe Station, in what is known as the Battle of Kettle Run.

Now, local historians plan to commemorate the anniversary of that battle by providing tours with in-depth interpretations of the confrontation that served as a prelude to the Second Battle of Manassas.

Becky Super, site manager for Prince William County's Division of Historic Preservation, discussed the significance of Bristoe Station and the park itself recently.

Q: Why celebrate the anniversary of Bristoe Station?

A: It is important to remember the people who gave their lives in August of 1862 at Kettle Run. It's also important to remember the lives of the families who called Bristow home during the war. Right now, we are in the process of learning more about them and how the war affected them.

Q: What can you tell us about the history of Bristoe Station?

A: What is now Bristow was part of a land grant given to Robert Bristow by King James. Before the Civil War, parcels of Robert Bristow's original tract were being offered for sale and were bought by several individuals. We are still in the process of tracking down whom all those individuals were.

Q: What might attract people who aren't necessarily interested in history to the park?



Bristoe Station in Bristow was the site of major Civil War activity, beginning with the Battle of Kettle Run. Prince William County's Historic Preservation Division will conduct interpretative tours on Saturday, the anniversary of the battle. {Submitted photo}

A: For those who are not into history, the park offers 133 acres of open space with walking trails.

For bird watchers, there is an amazing assortment of birds, including a blue heron that likes to

fish in the ponds, red-winged blackbirds, raptors, etc.

Right now, there are some great wildflowers in bloom: Solidago and New York Iron Weed, to name a few.

Visitors can use the almost three miles of trails for walking, jogging, on-leash dog-walking and bicycling. We just ask that you stay on the trails and clean-up after your pets. (Please do not bring pets on the tour.)

The anniversary tours will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at Bristoe Station Battlefield Heritage Park, 10708 Bristow Road.

Tours begin on the hour and depart from the kiosk in the parking lot at the intersection of 10th Alabama Way and Iron Brigade Unit Avenue.

Cost is \$5 per person, but children younger than 6 get in free.

For more information, call 703-792-5546 or e-mail rsuper@pwccgov.org.