



Nelles Manor Museum

Newsletter

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Hi all. I hope you've had a nice summer! Here is our third and final newsletter for the 2018 tour season at Nelles Manor. Keep reading to find out what happened during the month of August, and what we have planned for the Fall/Winter.

We conducted tours daily, making it one of the busiest months since our Grand Opening in May of 2016. It has been a pleasure watching our visitor numbers grow over the past years and seeing more awareness about our Museum as time goes on.

We also had the chance to prepare for our **Open Hearth Cooking Classes**, coming up on September 9th. Historic Cook Demonstrator *Julia Baird* has been hard at work practicing her techniques with our 230-year-old open hearth fireplace. Together with our 30 attendees we will be making soda bread and pumpkin soup, churning butter, and learning about pioneer cooking.

On one particularly hot day last week, a group of volunteers came to the Manor to do some yard work and gardening. As a non-profit organization, we must conserve funds where we can, meaning that things like **Gardening** can sometimes get overlooked. The grounds are now sparkling, thanks to these hard-working individuals. We are so blessed to have such a great community of people involved in running Nelles Manor. The morning of course was followed by some well-deserved peach crumble and vanilla ice cream.

We have had a **Door Prize** available for most of the season as well. Our winner was given a \$75 Gift Certificate to the local *Objects to Desire* store in town. In addition to this draw, we were glad to announce the winner of the raffle draw for the beautiful quilt, donated to us by the *Grimsby Quilters' Guild* earlier this season. The draw was held on September 1st, and the winner was a lucky member of the Halton Quilters' Guild. We sold well over 200 tickets in this **Quilt Raffle!**

Now that the school year has begun, things will be much quieter over here. Although we are now closed until May 2019, there are still a number of exciting events coming up this Fall/Winter, put on by our ever-faithful Special Events Committee.

If you wish to remain updated about what goes on during our off-season, there are a variety of ways in which you can stay connected. You can Like our Nelles Manor page on FaceBook, or follow @nellesmanor on both Instagram and Twitter. You can even watch some videos on our *Nelles Manor Museum* YouTube channel! If you haven't yet done so, consider visiting our website for pictures, past newsletters, bits of history, and more. We will of course continue to send out newsletters when we can.

Before I sign off, let me briefly mention something for which you may want to **Save the Date**. Next year, on Saturday June 8th, 2019, there will be a very big event in commemoration of the Battle of the Forty, which took place in our town on June 8th, 1813. There will be military demonstrations and a flag-raising ceremony featuring the colours of the 4th Lincoln Militia. We will also be providing period correct food, music, and entertainment for all to enjoy. Mark it on your calendars!

Upcoming Events:

- **Doors Open Grimsby**
 - September 22 from 10-4 o'clock
 - Self-guided tours of Nelles Manor
- **Harvest Afternoon Tea with a Tour**
 - September 29 @ 12:00pm OR 2:00pm
 - Cost is \$30 per person and includes a tour.
 - *Pre-registration Required*
- **Ghost Tours: The Mysterious Manor**
 - October 19, 20, 26, 27
 - 4 tours per night, beginning at 6:30
 - Cost is: Child- \$10 (ages 3-14)
Adult- \$20 -Family- \$40
 - *Pre-registration Required*
- **Christmas Candlelight Tours**
 - Dates and Times TBA
- **205th Anniversary of the Engagement at the Forty**
 - Saturday, June 8th, 2019
 - Military demonstrations, Sutler camps, flag-raising ceremony, 1812 exhibits, historic dancing, music, food, and more!

