



NELLES MANOR

Newsletter

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2022

Our first event is our Mother's Day tea and it is fully booked.

Opening day is **May 21** and we are planning something special to open this year.

August 14 - Benefit Concert – by New Vintage Winds

In July we are working towards a Quilt Show

June 12th – a speaker on Joseph Brant from the **Joseph Brant Museum**.

Volunteers -

On Sunday April 24 the Nelles Manor Museum board held a volunteer appreciation event. We were so happy to see so many volunteers. To those who attended and those who were unable to attend, we thank you and appreciate everything you have done to contribute to making Nelles Manor a first-class Museum.

Wanted

Volunteers to assist Manager part-time with administration duties. This would include duties such as opening and closing during public days, responding to emails and phone inquiries and scheduling of volunteers and tour guides.

A volunteer or 2 to work on educational programming. This would involve contacting speakers that relate to our late 1700s and early 1800s period. Also, research topics for speakers and possibly creating relevant programs for public presentation.

Volunteers Needed for the Preservation and Maintenance Team

As with all buildings, especially ones built in 1798, there is always something that needs tending to. The skills we are looking for are:

- interior and exterior painting
- small carpentry projects
- woodworking
- window repair
- stone working
- installing and removing storm windows
- plastering
- snow removal
- and other small maintenance projects

Prior to opening, we are having a couple of special events where guides will be needed.

In all cases, please contact Kate at the office if you are interested.

Donation Classified Ads

Looking for a donation of cedar split rail fencing. 8 or 10 pieces for the Manor property.

The Fenian Raids were amongst the first Battle that the British awarded war medals. We are looking for examples of these Fenian medals since at least 5 members of the Nelles Family were in the militia during the raids. We are looking for a donation of such a medal as it would reflect the actions of the family during that time.

Contact us at info@nellesmanor.ca

Become a Friend of Nelles Manor

Some of the benefits of becoming a Friend of Nelles Manor includes receiving first notification and early registration for ticket sales on all events and programs. As a Friend you also tour the Museum for free during our regular season.

Also, the Board of Directors have approved a reciprocal agreement that will provide for each Friend of the Manor to have free access to many of the Museums in Niagara. Cards and a list of eligible Museums is being prepared and will be sent to all current Friends of Nelles Manor.

If you would like to become a Friend of Nelles Manor, please contact us at info@nellesmanor.ca.

Nelles Family Reunion

In 2023, the Museum will be hosting its first Nelles Family Reunion. Previously the Nelles Family Association of Canada organized these events, but the organization came to an end in recent years.

We are looking for Nelles family members to help organize the reunion. If you are interested, please email info@nellesmanor.ca.

In the Community

Grimsby Secondary School Reunion

Saturday May 21 Nelles Manor Museum volunteers will be connecting with Grimsby Secondary School alum at the GSS Reunion. The museum will have a table in the cafeteria so drop on by. GSS is located at 5 Boulton Avenue, just around the corner. The land that the secondary school is located on once belonged to the Nelles Manor.

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Grimsby Farmers Market

Once again Nelles Manor Museum will have a table at the Grimsby Farmers Market. On May 26 drop by to learn about the Manor and museum. The market is located at the Peach King Centre 162 Livingston Avenue.

Estate Planning -

Nelles Manor is one of the few pieces of original Loyalist built heritage left in Ontario. One of the ways to help preserve this important heritage property is to include **Nelles Manor Heritage House** in your estate plans.

A donation from your estate or life insurance policy to the Manor could be supportive in a number of ways:

- To our annual operations
- or to an endowment fund where the income supports our annual preservation, maintenance and operations costs, or
- To a capital fund for major capital needs such as roof, equipment or other major purchases.

Consult your lawyer or accountant as to how to provide this type of support.

Museums Around the Region -

Grimsby Museum – new exhibits coming May 28 to Nov 1, 2022 – Grimsby Beach Exhibit; Grimsby Secondary School Exhibit and Grimsby Then and Now.

Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum – May to Aug - Urban History Walking Tours; June 1- September - Arabella's Tea Room Open daily; July 30 & 31 Annual Canal Days Marine Heritage Festival 11 – 5pm

We are grateful for the support of Niagara Community Foundation, Ontario Trillium Foundation and the Federal Government for their support over the past year

Thank you all for your encouragement and support and we look forward to a safe, healthy and successful 2022 year!

All donations over \$20 to Nelles Manor are tax deductible and a donation receipt for tax purposes will be issued