



# NELLES MANOR Newsletter

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## **New to our Collection-part 1**

As mentioned previously we have been given several artefacts and reproductions of the early 1800 period to augment the existing items at the Manor.

One of the early artefacts we have been given is a pistol. This is a percussion pistol circa 1830. There is a name plate on the side indicating it belonged to a soldier named Gooch. On a preliminary review the only person of that name from the period that arises is from the American forces.



## **Estate Planning -**

Nelles Manor is one of the few pieces of original Loyalist built heritage left in Ontario. One of the ways to support the Manor 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 made to our annual operations or to an endowment fund that would support our major capital needs, or where the income supports our annual preservation, maintenance and operations costs.

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

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## Volunteer - TOUR GUIDES NEEDED

**Don't forget us!!!**

Are you a local history buff? We are looking for some more help next season. If you have the time and want to contribute to an important cause while meeting some great people along the way, please consider becoming a **volunteer tour guide**. We coordinate our volunteers according to their individual schedules and preferences, whether for a few hours or a whole day. We will train you. We have a detailed training manual for you to be able to lead our visitors through the history of the home and the Family. Join our great group of dedicated volunteers.

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## The Past to the Future -

The last year has been a huge challenge for the world. As with everyone and everything Nelles Manor Museum has been changed. It's usually welcoming open doors have been closed. There was a short time in the summer and autumn where a few masked and socially distanced tours were given by our wonderful volunteers. Thanksgiving saw the first wedding at the museum.

And still COVID 19 carries on into 2021. We acknowledge the tragic loss of life, those who have survived the virus but will forever be changed, and family and friends we miss seeing in person dearly. We want to thank the front-line caregivers and essential workers who have allowed us to continue forward. Thank you.

We cannot write dates on our calendars just yet for our annual events, programs and tours. As soon as we know, you will know.

One thing we would like to do this year is celebrate. Celebrate the first five years of Nelles Manor Museum. Over 2021 we will highlight the very special events and happenings from the past five years and the people who helped to present them to the world.

For 2020 we celebrate the steadfastness of the Manor. Like the generations of the Nelles Family who survived illness, war, birth and death, the Manor survives as a symbol of hope and renewal.

As individuals we are here in this day and age as a result of our ancestors who also survived pandemics, wars, hunger, displacement and uncertainty. This is how understanding our past can give us strength for the future. Take Care.

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

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Thank you all for your encouragement and we look forward to a safe and successful 2021 year!