



NELLES MANOR Newsletter

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Music comes to Nelles Manor

On June 20th the New Vintage Winds held their rehearsal on the grounds of the Manor. They found the tree canopy a wonderful natural setting for their sound. A few walkers and neighbours were treated to a Father's Day concert.



We have tentatively planned a concert on the lawn for a future date with this group. Notification will be sent out in the near future.

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES

GOOD NEWS

After a review of the pandemic rules and timeline we have decided we will open on the August Civic holiday weekend. Open dates will be as previous from Wednesday to Sunday depending on staffing and volunteers available for tours. Refresher training for returning guides and training for new volunteers will be available.

Special Event – Fenian Raids Commemoration

If we had not been under a pandemic, we had planned to have a major event to recognize the Fenian Raids 155 years ago. While the Battle in Niagara occurred at Ridgeway near Fort Erie, two (2) companies from Grimsby of approximately 55 members each volunteered for this battle. One company was led by Captain William B. Nelles and five other members of the local Nelles families also served. They included Sgt. Samuel A. Nelles, Beverly Nelles, Cyrus S. Nelles, Walter H. Nelles and Ontario A. Nelles.

We thought it still important to recognize the event so a ceremonial flag raising was held on June 26. In the limited group of 10 people were Dean Allison MP, Pamela Haire from the office of Sam Oosterhoff MPP, Fort Erie Mayor Wayne Redekop and Grimsby Mayor Jeff Jordan. Linda Coutts, Chair of the Nelles Manor Board of Directors welcomed everybody and volunteers Tim Warnick and Travis Hill raised the Queens Colours.



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GARDENS

For most of this season Linda and Barry Coutts have been carrying out the many tasks involved in the property gardens. With the lifting of pandemic rules in Step 1, a group of volunteers have returned to lend a hand. In the past week much progress has been made in cleaning and arranging the many areas not included in the weekly lawn service. More gardeners are always welcome.

Volunteer – TOUR GUIDES NEEDED

Opening soon!!!

As mentioned above we are hoping at to open August Civic holiday weekend.

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 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.

New & Renewed Friends of the Manor:

Cheryl Allen
Grant & Charlene Bernhardt
Laura & Thomas Brock
Fran Chesney
Lyndsay Dobson
Robert Gibson
Lawrason Family
Tod MacKellar
Jim Nelles

Ken & Linda Bauman
Catharine Bingle-Gonssen U.E.
Jutta Busch
Barry & Linda Coutts
Joan Edwards
David & Linda Jarvis
Jessica Linzel
Carol Mazur
Kerry & Jerry Vandermolen

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.

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

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