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October/November Newsletter

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Bi Monthly Update

Cottonwood's Fall 2021



President's Message

Clayton Spears | Cottonwood Mansion Preservation Foundation

"With another season drawing to a close at Cottonwood, it's time to reflect back on the good

things that took place during the past few months, but at the same time, we need to take a

hard look at the future of our beloved Mansion.

Thanks to Brittany Van Dalen, her family, a dedicated group of volunteers, plus donations, the

Mansion and its grounds received several upgrades and the overall appearance of our site

received many warm accolades from our visitors and those driving past. Also, in keeping with

the mandates imposed by our Federal and Provincial

Governments, we were able to still host a

few selected events. Unfortunately, even though these drew rave reviews; they fell short of

providing the much needed revenue to offset our operating costs.

Between the date of this newsletter and Christmas, Cottonwood will be hosting several events which will hopefully bolster our financial situation; however, with the current Covid pandemic on the uptick, there is a major concern regarding its ability to sustain itself far into the future. In light of the above, I am respectively reaching out

to each of you for financial help. A tax receipt will be issued for all donations and your support will leave you with the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping to keep Haldimand's jewel alive.

Clayt Spears,

President



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A Cottonwood Christmas

Gala Fundraiser

Saturday, December 4th, 2021, 6pm-11pm

\$80 per person

Semi-formal Gala Fundraiser

For ages 19+

The social event of the season will be held at Cottonwood Mansion on December 4th! Be greeted with a glass of sparkling wine when you first walk through into the mansion, enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres, hear the beautiful harp music in our gorgeous Music Room and musical performance by internationally-renowned artists Tia McGraff and Tommy Parham. Outside you can take a stroll to explore the elegant décor on our gazebo while hearing holiday music, purchase a specialty coffee from Truck 44, and finish off the night making gourmet smores over an open fire. This one of a kind special event is sure to give you all the magic and wonderment of the holiday season! This gala is a special fundraiser to support the continual operation of Cottonwood Mansion. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated during the event.

Government regulations regarding COVID-19 will be followed. Proof of vaccination required.



Musical Performance by Tia McGraff & Tommy Parham





Cottonwood's

Home for the Holidays

it's the most wonderful time of the year! admission

\$5 per person,

Kids 2 & under Free

Come enjoy a fun filled day of family fun on Saturday, December 11th, 2021 from 11am - 4pm at Cottonwood Mansion!

Holiday House Tours by donation - Every 40 minutes from 11:30am - 4:00pm

Visit with Santa - 12pm - 2pm, bring your phone or camera to catch the moment!

Furry friends - visit with donkeys and goats from Hobbitstee Wildlife Refuge

Christmas Market - local handmade vendors from 11am - $4 \, \mathrm{pm}$

Live Holiday Music - located at our gazebo from 12pm - 2pm

Food Available



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Upcoming Events

Christmas Afternoon Tea

Sunday, November 28th, 2021

\$60.00

\$30.00 Ages 12 & Under

Time Slots: 11:30, 2pm, 4pm

Enjoy an opulent and grand experience in the beautifully decorated Cottonwood Mansion with our holiday afternoon teas! Each purchase includes a set menu of sandwiches, scones, and treats with a selection of tea options! Holiday tours are available an hour after seating time and are included in the price.

Proof of Covid-19 vaccination is required.

Masks must be worn in the mansion when not seated.

Pre-registration required
Visit cottonwoodmansionmuseum.com



Cottonwood's Silent Night; Candlelight Evening Tours

November 25th, 30th, December 2nd, 9th \$15 per person \$10 Ages 11 & Under 5pm

Enjoy an intimate evening tour in the beautifully decorated Cottonwood Mansion! Step back in time to a Victorian Christmas while walking through the candlelit rooms of this 19th century mansion. Tours run for 45 minutes - 1 hour and includes apple cider and assorted Christmas cookies. Accessibility to the second level is through the main staircase only. Government Regulations to Covid-19 must be followed.

Please present your proof of Covid-19 vaccination and ticket purchase at the gate. Confirmation of purchase can be printed or shown on mobile device.

Tickets are Non-Refundable.

Notice of Inventory Project

Second Notice

Cottonwood Mansion Museum is currently undertaking an inventory project. At this time we are not taking any object donations while we sort through our collection to maintain the integrity of the museum and to focus its purpose and representation.

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Thank you to the Following Sponsors

Memory Motors Wyatt's Produce Stand

Thank you to all our Supporters and Volunteers

We want to thank all of our Donors and
Volunteers especially for their generosity over
this upcoming holiday season. Our events
would not be possible without you! We hope
that we can count on your continued support
throughout the rest of the year so that
Cottonwood Mansion Museum may continue
in our hopes of hosting events for the future!

If you wish to volunteer or become a monetary donor of Cottonwood Mansion Museum, please contact us at cottonwoodmansion@gmail.com

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