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Pottsgrove Manor to Host Historic Brewing and Cooking Demonstrations

Pottstown, PA (February 6, 2014) – On Saturday, February 8, 2014 from 10:00am to 3:00pm, historic Pottsgrove Manor will host an open-hearth cooking demonstration featuring “Beer, Bread, and Bologna.”

In the 18th century beer was viewed as a “healthful family drink” and was popular among people of all social classes and ages. Even the small town on John Potts’ plantation included a brewery, which shows how important the beverage was in colonial America. For this program, brewer Frank McMahon will demonstrate historic beer-making techniques over a fire in the courtyard outside of the manor house. Meanwhile, inside the warm kitchen, foodways historian Deborah Peterson will cook at the open hearth, preparing 18th-century-style bologna sausage and making bread in a bake kettle. She will also talk to visitors about common foods for the winter season during this time period.

As the brewing demo will take place outside, please dress for the weather! There is a suggested donation of \$2.00 per person for this program. The site’s museum shop will also be open throughout the event and will offer special discounts on featured products related to food and drink!

Pottsgrove Manor is located at 100 West King Street near the intersection of King Street and Route 100, just off Route 422, in Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Pottsgrove Manor is operated by Montgomery County under the direction of the Parks, Trails, and Historic Sites Division of the Assets and Infrastructure Department. Regular museum hours are Tuesday to Saturday from 10:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Tours are given on the hour. The last tour of the day begins at 3:00pm. The site is closed Mondays and holidays. Groups of ten or more should pre-register by calling 610-326-4014. For more information, please call 610-326-4014, or visit the website at www.montcopa.org/pottsgrovermanor. Like Pottsgrove Manor on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/pottsgrovermanor>.