

## **Peter Burr Farm Historic Site to Host Annual Harvest Faire**

*Reliving History to Provide 18<sup>th</sup> Century Life and Crafts to Jefferson County Visitors*

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Charles Town, WV – History will come alive at the historic Peter Burr Farm on Saturday, October 8, 2016.

Reliving History Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to preservation, interpretation and promotion of the Peter Burr Farm will host visitors to the site for a variety of programs, highlighting 18<sup>th</sup> Century life in what would become Jefferson County, West Virginia.

Activities for the day will include demonstrations of 18th Century crafts such as spinning, butter making, bread baking and antique apple tasting. Proceeds from the purchase of bread baking benefit Peter Burr Farm. The Harvest Faire will last from 9am to 5pm next Saturday and the event is free and open to the public, no registration is required. The unique programs will be accompanied by children's games and activities. “The Peter Burr House, built in 1751 and thus the oldest extant wood structure in West Virginia, provides a great opportunity to view a glimpse of 18th Century life” said Deborah Rochefort, Education Director for Reliving History.

The Peter Burr Farm was nearly lost in 1998 until private citizens and the Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission (JCHLC) stepped in to save the historic site. Since that time, JCHLC, Reliving History Inc., Friends of the Peter Burr House and volunteers have worked tirelessly to restore and interpret the site to return it to its 18<sup>th</sup> century appearance.

The Peter Burr Farm Historic Site is open daily, from dawn to dusk and for special events. The site is located at 176 East Burr Boulevard, Kearneysville, WV. For more information about the site, contact JCHLC at [landmarkscommission@jeffersoncountywv.org](mailto:landmarkscommission@jeffersoncountywv.org) or by phone at (304) 728-3228.

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