

Greenfield Village hosts Taste of History

There's plenty of fun on the menu, along with red flannel hash, catfish po'boy, and sweet potato nuts at Greenfield Village's "Taste of History," July 23-24.

Visitors can sample foods from colonial times through the present at this taste fest that highlights the significance of food at community gatherings.

"People have been gathering together to enjoy food throughout history," said Cathy Cwik, a member of the program planning team. She will spend the weekend cooking venison hash on an open hearth at the 1760s Daguer Farm. "In the 18th century, work was frequently combined with entertainment, so I'll be fixing foods for a community activity called a 'spinning frolic.' The colonial women would gather to spin yarn and thread but would also enjoy each other's company plus gossip and a good meal."

"At the 1880s Firestone Farm, the community will be getting ready for a Civil War reunion and cooking Army soup, hominy bread, plum porridge, hot tuck and brewing coffee."

At Mattox House, an African-American household of the 1930s is getting ready for a family homecoming with catfish po'boy and sweet potato pie, while at Henry Ford's birthplace, jars of pickled cauliflower and peach jam are being prepared for a church donation party.

Visitors can also visit a tasting tent on the Village Green to see samples of the foods they'll see prepared at historic sites. Food samples at the tasting tent are priced from 25 cents to \$2.

Kids can try their hands at corn grinding, play with their food to make bean pictures and macaroni jewelry, or play in a kitchen band using cooking utensils for musical instruments.

Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village is in Dearborn, Michigan, 12 miles west of downtown Detroit. Directional signs are posted along I-75 and I-94, the Southfield Freeway (M-39), and Michigan Avenue (U.S. 12). Parking is free. Call (313) 271-1978 for information. Admission is \$11.50 adults; people 62 and older \$10.50; children ages 5-12, \$5.75; children younger than 5, free.

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Wine tasting, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, July 26 at 247 S. Eton in Birmingham. Sunday brunch 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call (810) 647-7774 for information, reservations.

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CAFE CORTINA

"A late summer holiday dinner," will be offered 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, at the restaurant, 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington

Hills. Dinner will be 6 courses of Veneto cooking, allowing guests to select their main entrée. Milanese musician Pino Marelli will entertain with his contemporary sounds. The cost is \$52 per person. Call (810) 474-3033 for reservations.

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