

TIPTON-HAYNES

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Sorghum and Scutching Festival 2013

As the leaves begin to change and the evening air grows a little crisper, Tipton-Haynes is gearing up for the first event of our annual fall calendar: the Sorghum and Scutching Festival. The festival takes place this year on Saturday, September 21 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. and there is no cost to attend.

The highlight of the day is watching sorghum cane being processed into molasses using a mule-powered mill. New this year will be Bear Anderson, woodworker demonstrating outside the Workshop. If you are interested in early tools and want to learn more, spend some time with Bear. Guests will also be able to observe flax

scutching demonstrations in which flax straw is broken at the outer husk is removed. Other autumn activities include open hearth cooking, basketry, carding and spinning wool, and other historic-based crafts.

For a small fee, delicious homemade soup beans, hoe cakes, dessert and drinks will be served. We will also be selling the Tipton Haynes sorghum pie, a special recipe developed specifically for the site.

The 2013 Sorghum and Scutching Festival is FREE to all participants and we encourage folks to come and learn more about the heritage of our area.



The mules are always popular guests at the Sorghum and Scutching Festival



Volunteer Nathan Kapoor demonstrates the use of the flax brake to break the outer bark off the flax.

Special Member Opportunity

On Saturday, October 12 from 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. we will be offering free family photo sessions with professional photographer Woody Woodruff for active members who register in advance. The photo session includes a free digital copy of your photo. There are eight time slots available on a first-come, first-serve basis and you can register by emailing tiptonhayens@embarqmail.com. Registration begins immediately and ends when all time slots are full.

Master Gardeners Complete Slave Garden Renovations

Tipton-Haynes would like to extend a special thanks to the Northeast Tennessee Master Gardener Association and the volunteer gardeners who began early this spring making improvements to the garden plot behind the cabin which is interpreted as the slave garden. A fence and gate were added around the perimeter and the stone walkway was straightened which allows visitors to stroll through

the garden. Vegetables raised in this garden are the same sustenance crops that slaves would have grown during the Antebellum and Civil War eras. The team of Master Gardeners volunteer every Thursday are lead by Claudia Hazel and include Amy Holmes, Bobbi Kahan, Betts Leach, Vern Maddux, Megan Shaffer, and Pat Westington.



2013 Membership Appreciation

We would like to thank the following individuals and families for their generous support of the Tipton-Haynes Historical Association. Donor contributions sustain the historical and cultural programming at the site. Your membership is greatly appreciated.

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We would like to extend a special note of gratitude to our anonymous Tipton Philanthropist donor for ongoing generous support. This donation helps to fund special programs and outreach.

ETSU Student Experiences the Process of Historical Interpretation at Tipton-Haynes

This summer Tipton-Haynes hosted student Sam Beale, a Master's candidate at ETSU in the History department, for a two week field placement on site. Sam is currently in his second year in the History program and visited several historic sites this summer as part of an independent study course supervised by Dr. Steve Nash. During his two weeks at Tipton-Haynes Sam studied the guided tours provided to visitors and the interpretation of the site's history used by staff and

volunteers. He also had the opportunity to lead tours himself and help educate visitors on the site's history. Originally from Richmond, Virginia, Sam completed his B.A. in History from Milligan College in 2012 and now lives in Elizabethton. He plans to continue volunteering at Tipton-Haynes this fall.



Sam studies some of the supplemental illustrations used on guided tours.



Sam provides a guided tour to the Phillipe and Powers families from Pennsylvania.

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2013 FALL PROGRAMS



Open hearth cooking with Cheryl Smith includes samples of hoe cakes at Sorghum Festival

Stories from the Pumpkin Patch **Saturday, October 12** **4:00- 8:00 p.m.**

Visitors can listen to stories from well-known storytellers, take a hayride around the grounds, listen to special stories in the cave, play games and make crafts during daylight hours (4-6 pm), and enjoy a hot dog roast with all the trimmings. Admission is \$5/adult, \$2.50/children 12 & under. Members FREE.

Sorghum and Scutching Festival **Saturday, September 21** **10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Visitors can participate in old-fashioned sorghum making, watch demonstrations of flax scutching, woodworking, and other old-time crafts. Just to see the mules is worth the trip! Admission FREE! Donations are encouraged.

Visions of Christmas: 1863 **Saturday, December 14** **2:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

Join the Haynes family as they celebrate the holidays during the Civil War. Enjoy holiday music, refreshments, and activities in the museum for children. Part II of our celebration of the Civil War Sesquicentennial features events from July 1 – December 31, 1863. Admission is \$5 for adults & \$2.50 for 12 and under.

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