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Mill Neck's Fall Harvest Festival
A Time-Honored Tradition Arrives October 6 and 7

Now in its 51st year, Mill Neck Family's Fall Harvest Festival continues to draw tens of thousands of returning visitors and new friends too. Join us this year on October 6 and 7 and enjoy an exciting weekend filled with fall activities amid Mill Neck's beautiful 86-acre campus. Located on the grounds of a historic Gold Coast estate between Oyster Bay and Bayville, the Festival, also known as the Apple Fest, has something for everyone.

Visitors will find a wide variety of foods, like specialty cheeses, assorted baked goods, jellies, fudge and strudels. Roasted corn, a perennial favorite, will be available along with other seasonal produce. The "Country Store" will stock a full line of meats, and of course, there will be plenty of apples. Several New York State varieties will be on hand, including Honey Crisp, the Festival's featured apple.

Aside from food, the Festival hosts numerous children's activities and games, storytelling and hand-crafted merchandise from a number of vendors. And don't leave without taking a chance on our 50/50 raffle. Tickets are only \$10 each, and the winner, picked on Sunday at 3 pm, receives half the net profit of money collected. Over the years, winners have taken home over \$10,000!

The Festival also showcases the latest in Deaf technology, sign language novelty items and books. Each year, Mill Neck Manor alumni attend the Fall Harvest Festival as a homecoming, with the event bringing the heart of the Long Island Deaf community together.

New to the Festival this year, scheduled, docent-led tours of the historic Manor House will be held both Saturday and Sunday. The spectacular, Tudor-Revival mansion is available for 45-minute tours at 10 am, 1 pm and 3 pm each day. Pre-registration is required and may be done online at www.millneckmanorhouse.org.

The Festival owes its continual success to the support of volunteers, and the help of civic groups, students, alumni and parents. In addition, local businesses contribute to the Festival by providing donations, services or products. For sponsorship opportunities, please call 516-628-4243. For volunteer opportunities and/or more information about the Festival, please call 516-628-4231 or visit our website at www.millneck.org.

Proceeds from the Festival benefit the Mill Neck Family of Organizations, which includes Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf, the Mill Neck Manor Early Childhood Center and Mill Neck Services for Deaf Adults. Please join the Mill Neck Family for this time-honored autumn tradition and treat yourself to a delightful weekend of food and fun.

Photo Caption:

Yes, we have apples... and plenty of other treats at the Mill Neck Family's annual Fall Harvest Festival, happening this year on October 6 and 7.



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