

Dear Friends of Mesier,

We are very excited about this year's *Spirit of Mesier* gala and hope you can join us on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Mesier Homestead. Simply Gourmet is providing us with their wonderful hors d'oeuvres, and the Ben Basile Trio will be there to keep us tapping our feet as we indulge on an excellent selection of wine, prosecco or beer. Tickets are available at [thespiritofmesier2019.brownpapertickets.com](http://thespiritofmesier2019.brownpapertickets.com) or by calling me at (845) 297-5032.

At last year's *Spirit of Mesier* gala, we held a silent auction and everyone loved the opportunity to bid on some great items. Many of you so graciously donated to our silent auction, and I am reaching out again in the hopes that you are able to donate an item for this year's auction. People were thrilled with their great "buys" by placing winning bids on beautiful art, silver pieces, crystal, weekend getaways and other experiences. The gift basket raffles were a great success, too.

This year we are raising funds to restore the original 1741 windows at Mesier Homestead. The windows will need to be removed, the wavy glass panes removed from the frame, the frames restored and the glass put back. A tedious task at best. While restoring the entire 1741 section of the Homestead is a daunting task, it is time to begin, one small step at a time. Our mission is to preserve Mesier Homestead for future generations. Won't you please help us on our journey?

If you have a donation for the auction, please see the attached donation form that includes times we will be at the Mesier Homestead to accept your item(s). If possible, please fill out the form ahead of time and bring it with you along with your item(s). Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will help to make this year's *Spirit of Mesier* gala a success. We are a 501c(3) organization and your donation is tax deductible. Thank you for your continued support!

Best,

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