

Cottonwood Mansion Peach Social Concert: *Brass Old and New, with Dr. Henry Meredith*

The **Cottonwood Brass** will present the 10th annual Peach Social Concert at Cottonwood Mansion Museum, 740 Haldimand Road 53 in Selkirk on Sunday, August 9, 2015 at 2 pm. The group specializes in performing historic and period music on antique brass instruments.

Back by popular demand for his third appearance with the Cottonwood Brass will be special guest performer, **Dr. Henry Meredith**. "Dr. Hank" as he is known to his students, colleagues and friends is on the Music faculty at Western University in London and has an extensive personal collection of antique instruments numbering over 6000. He will be bringing some interesting and rare instruments from his collection on which he will perform as soloist with the group. Included on the programme will be the **"Post Horn Galop"**, composed in 1844 by cornet virtuoso Herman Koenig. Dr. Meredith will also perform the classic cornet solo **"Stars in a Velvety Sky"** by Herbert L. Clarke. Several pieces of music from the American Civil War will be played using original antique instruments from the period.

Dr. Hank is also an accomplished performer on the keyed bugle, an instrument that was popular in bands of the early 19th century, but was replaced by the valved cornet by 1860 and is rarely heard today. Several pieces on the programme will feature this instrument.

A portion of the programme will feature modern popular and show-tune numbers played on modern instruments. Admission to the concert is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 years and under, and the price includes a peach dessert. Please bring a lawn chair.

