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**BELLE GROVE TO HOST VALENTINE'S DESSERT PARTY
FOR PROSPECTIVE VOLUNTEERS
Tuesday, February 14, 1 – 3 p.m.**

Have you been looking for an occasion to meet new people, learn Shenandoah Valley history and be part of meaningful community service? Belle Grove Plantation offers an excellent opportunity to do all that and more. Elaine Davis, a docent at Belle Grove since 1994, has this to say about her volunteer experiences, "Docents at Belle Grove attempt to 'step back in time' as visitors are escorted through the historic Manor House. Volunteers also enjoy potluck socials, attend lectures, and participate in occasional bus trips to other historic sites."

Join us for a special **Valentine's Day Dessert Party** to learn about exciting volunteer opportunities at historic Belle Grove Plantation. Sample delectable homemade desserts in the historic 1797 Manor House, meet current Belle Grove volunteers and hear their stories. Belle Grove is seeking volunteer tour guides, special event assistants and front desk, office and museum shop aides for the 2012 season. No experience is necessary and all jobs are fun to do!

The Valentine's Day Dessert Party will be held at **1 p.m. on Valentine's Day, Tuesday, February 14**, at Belle Grove Plantation, Middletown, Virginia. Contact Chelsea Kashani, Administrative Assistant for more information or to RSVP, by phone: (540) 869-2028 or email: info@bellegrove.org. Be sure to visit our web site: www.bellegrove.org. We invite you to come and widen your horizons!

Located in Middletown, Virginia near the intersection of I-81 and I-66, Belle Grove Plantation is both a National and Virginia Historic Landmark and a Property of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Constructed between 1794 and 1797, the Manor House boasts authentic Jeffersonian architecture, an impressive decorative arts collection and sweeping views of the Blue Ridge, Alleghenies and Massanutten Mountain. The plantation holds several popular annual events and is open for touring, daily from April 1 until November 3 and weekends in November. For more information please contact Belle Grove by phone at (540) 869-2028, or by e-mail at info@bellegrove.org. Be sure to visit our web-site at www.bellegrove.org.