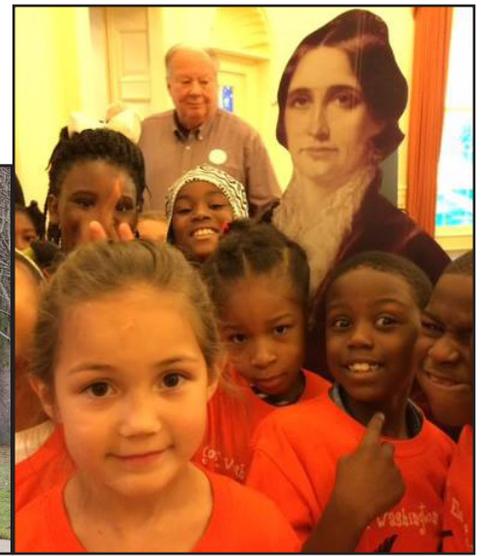




# The Billet

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Photos, from left: Spiegel Grove is known for its friendly squirrels, like this one; South Creek Clydesdales will offer sleigh rides through Spiegel Grove during Presidents' Day weekend; Lucy meets with kids at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum, in Atlanta, Georgia, which was one of her last stops on the Centennial Goodwill Tour that took place throughout 2016 for HPLM's centennial.

## Special Exhibit: "Presidential Pop Culture" opens Feb. 3

The special exhibit "Presidential Pop Culture: The Art of Influencing Perception" opens Feb. 3 and runs through Oct. 8. This light-hearted exhibit showcases the evolution of the American presidency in popular culture. Through movies, music, TV, cartoons, toys and memorabilia, visitors gain insight into how pop culture shaped and influenced the perception of presidential hopefuls – winners and losers. Admission free for members. For non-members, admission is included with the price of a museum ticket - \$7.50 for adults, \$6.50 for seniors and \$3 for children ages 6-12. Hours in February and March are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. In April, the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums will resume being open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays.

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## Welcome home party and Congressman Jim Jordan visit

Cutouts of President Rutherford and First Lady Lucy Hayes have returned from their year-long Centennial Goodwill Tour to other sites of presidents and first ladies. To welcome them home, the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums is having a weekend-long welcome home party for them during Presidents' Day weekend, Feb. 18-20. The party will be from noon to 5 p.m. each day. There will be snacks and activities for adults and children, and a display of photos and places Rutherford and Lucy visited. Kids' activities include a scavenger hunt and coloring pages. There will be presidential trivia for adults.

On Presidents' Day, which is Feb. 20, Congressman Jim Jordan will have a kids' event from about 1 to 2 p.m. at HPLM. He will pay for horse-drawn sleigh/trolley rides for kids who correctly answer a presidential history question. The list of questions will be published at [rbhayes.org](http://rbhayes.org) so that kids can prepare in advance of the event. The sleigh/trolley rides will be available until 4 p.m.

## Presidents' Day weekend sleigh rides offered

Ride through President Hayes' estate in a horse-drawn sleigh, just as the president did when he lived there. South Creek Clydesdales will offer rides during Presidents' Day weekend, Feb. 18-20. Rides are from 1 to 4 p.m. A horse-drawn trolley may be used in addition to or in place of the sleigh depending on demand and staffing levels. Cost is \$3 per rider ages 3 and older. Children age 2 and younger ride for free.

## Beginning Genealogy class offered Feb. 18

Learn the basics of starting your family history through this class led by Head Librarian Becky Hill, an experienced genealogist, on Feb. 18. The class is from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Hill will give an overview of beginning a genealogy project and will discuss using the resources available at the Hayes Presidential Library. Please register before class by calling Hill at 419-332-2081 or emailing her at [bhill@rbhayes.org](mailto:bhill@rbhayes.org). Cost is \$10 and can be paid the day of the class or online at [rbhayes.org](http://rbhayes.org). Sponsored by **RootsMagic**.



## Second Saturdays R 4 kids has February scavenger hunt

This month, participants in Second Saturdays R 4 Kids can complete a Valentine's Day themed scavenger hunt in the museum from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 11 in the museum. Kids can stop by at any time during those hours to do the hunt. They will receive a prize for completing it. The cost, which includes admission to tour the museum, is \$1 for kids, \$7.50 for adults and \$6.50 for seniors. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums members are admitted for free.

# Welcome, December new members!

Thomas & Rosanne Bodner of Castalia, OH; Susan J. Cayton of Perrysburg, OH; Donald Crites & Janet Welly of Fremont, OH; M/M Roger Dearsman Jr. of Clyde, OH; Paula Gamertsfelder of Fremont, OH; Gwen Gant of Fremont, OH; Michelle Martinek of Milan, OH; Richard T. Prasse of Cleveland, OH; Eugene Schmiel of Gainesville, VA; Donald Smith of Ormond Beach, FL; Maria Taylor of Pemberville, OH; Jack Wetzel & Sue Wetzel of Fremont, OH

## **Volunteer Notes** (Joan Eckermann, special events/volunteer coordinator, 419-332-2081, ext. 245; jeckermann@rbhayes.org)

### **Thank You, Volunteers!**

Your volunteer hours for October, November and December totaled 1,553. The grand total for 2016 is 6,720 hours from a roster of 134 active volunteers. Our sincere thanks go to each of our dedicated volunteers for all you did during our centennial year!

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Museum Store volunteers – We're looking for Museum Store volunteers for the 1 to 5 p.m. shift on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Duties include checking out purchases for visitors, stocking the store area and other tasks assigned by the visitor services manager. Tasks are performed while both sitting and standing.

Mailing volunteers – We need 25 to 30 volunteers to help with a large mailing from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, in our auditorium. Most of the work is done while seated, but we'll also need "muscle help" to move the filled mail trays. Beverages and snacks will be provided to keep you fortified! Please contact Joan if you can help.

### **History Day Judges and Room Monitors**

The National History Day in Ohio for District 2 schools will take place on Saturday, March 18, at Terra State Community College. Students in grades 6 through 12 submit projects that are evaluated by judging teams who select entries to compete at the state History Day event in Columbus. This is organized by the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, and we're looking for judges and room monitors. Please contact Dustin McLochlin at 419-332-2081, ext. 230, or dmclochlin@rbhayes.org if you would like to help with this exciting educational event. To learn more about History Day in Ohio, go to [www.ohiohistory.org/historyday](http://www.ohiohistory.org/historyday).

**February birthdays** - Warmest wishes for a happy birthday go to volunteers Michael Arnold, Leslie Brewer, Sue Hammer, John Hoffman, Sharon Mader, Michael Monday, Danica Shuck, Barbara Stout and Dorothy Wagner.