

# The Billet

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Photos, from left: World War II veteran Harold Brown signs copies of his book "Keep Your Airspeed Up: The Story of a Tuskegee Airman" with co-author Marsha Bordner after Brown spoke to a packed auditorium in November; visitors enjoy the "Hayes Train Special" model train display that is open through Jan. 7; the dinner table is set for the Christmas Dinners at Spiegel Grove that took place Dec. 7-9 in the Hayes Home.

## Model Train Clinic is Jan. 6

Model train enthusiasts will help you fix your model trains and keep them in good shape for next holiday season at the annual Model Train Clinic on Jan. 6. The clinic is from 1 to 4 p.m. in the "Hayes Train Special" display area. Admission is \$2 per person or free with purchase of a regular museum admission ticket.

The model train enthusiasts will help with questions about the value of model trains, advice for repairs and more. Participants can see the "Hayes Train Special" interactive holiday train display and even try running their trains on the tracks. The display tracks fit trains with o-gauge, standard gauge or g-gauge.

In the event of inclement weather, the clinic will be canceled. For updates, visit [rbhayes.org](http://rbhayes.org) and the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums' social media pages.

## 'Hayes Train Special' open through Jan. 7

The "Hayes Train Special" is open and running through a holiday winter wonderland reminiscent of President Hayes' day. This model train exhibit, a Christmas tradition at the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, is on display through Jan. 7.

This year, the display features six model trains and two trolleys. A new Christmas tree with a Victorian theme decorates the top of the display. Members are admitted for free. Admission for non-members is included in the price of a regular museum ticket. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday with the exception of holiday hours and closings. **Sponsored by the Gordon W. Knight Family and Croghan Colonial Bank.**



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## Make ice cream at Second Saturdays R 4 Kids

Kids can learn to make ice cream during Second Saturdays R 4 Kids from noon to 1 p.m. Jan. 13. This program will coincide with the special exhibit "'Ice for Everybody: Lake Erie and America's Ice Harvesting Industry.'" Kids will learn about the exhibit and ice harvesting and then make ice cream. Cost is \$1 for kids. There is no charge for adults to bring kids to this program. Kids and grandkids of Hayes Presidential Library & Museums members at the family level and higher are admitted for free. Reservations are required and can be made online at [rbhayes.org](http://rbhayes.org) or by contacting Education Coordinator Maggie Wilson at 419-332-2081, ext. 246, or [mwilson@rbhayes.org](mailto:mwilson@rbhayes.org). The reservation deadline is Jan. 11. **Title sponsor is Impact Credit Union.**

**Event sponsor is Century Die.**



## 'Ice for Everybody' open through Feb. 25

The special exhibit "'Ice for Everybody: Lake Erie and America's Ice Harvesting Industry'" uses historic photos, artifacts and documents to highlight how Lake Erie and Sandusky Bay were at the center of the major ice-harvesting industry in the late 1800s and early 1900s. This exhibit is open through Feb. 25.

"Ice for Everybody" is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday with the exception of holiday hours and closings. Reminder: The Hayes Presidential Library & Museums is closed on Mondays in January, February and March. Members are admitted for free. Admission for non-members is included with the price of a regular museum ticket.

# Welcome, November new members!

Devin & Erin Connolly of Sylvania, OH; Sharon M. Crawford of Sandusky, OH; Charlene, Matthew, Claire & Alyssa Doyle of Port Clinton, OH; Dorothy Easterday of Poulsbo, WA; Sharon Esker of Fremont, OH; Sandra Eyring of Sandusky, OH; Dave & Mary Gill of Port Clinton, OH; Steven & Anna Havens of Burgoon, OH; Thomas L. & Dorothy L. Kern of Fremont, OH; Dianne M. Level of Fremont, OH; Mrs. James R. Metzler of Perrysburg, OH; Roger Rounds of Fremont, OH; Todd VanHorn of Temperance, MI; Dr. Regina Vincent-Williams of Fremont, OH; Mrs. Jan Wadsworth of Fremont, OH.

## Reminder: Closed Mondays in January, February and March

The Hayes Presidential Library & Museums will be closed on Mondays in January, February and March. Monday hours resume in April.

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

### Volunteer Opportunities:

**Mailing Volunteers** - We need 25 to 30 volunteers to help with a large mailing in our auditorium from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31. 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 the workers 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 3, 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 Maggie Wilson at 419-332-2081, ext. 246 or [mwilson@rbhayes.org](mailto:mwilson@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).

### Volunteer Birthdays in January

Congratulations to our volunteers that are celebrating the first birthdays of the New Year! Best wishes go to John Heminger, Jan Jordan, Lynn Wright and LuAnne Yeager.