



The Billet

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Photos, from left: President Hayes visits his old governor's office at the Ohio Statehouse during a Statehood Day celebration. Tariq Tarey, (center), and Doug Rutledge, (left), talk with visitors to the museum about the special exhibit "Bhutanese-Nepali Neighbors" that they created and is on display in the museum. Region 2 History Day, organized by the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, took place March 3 at Terra State Community College.

Special exhibit "Jacob A. Riis" examines poverty

The special exhibit "Jacob A. Riis: How the Other Half Lives" features the photography of Jacob Riis, who used his talent with a camera to peer behind the gilded veneer of high society to expose the harsh realities of living in New York City at the turn of the 20th century. Riis went into tenements, factories and sweatshops to document the day-to-day lives of the city's many poor immigrants and laborers. This is a traveling exhibit created by the National Endowment for the Humanities' touring program, NEH on the Road.

In the spirit of Riis' work, the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums is collecting items for the Liberty Center, a local homeless shelter, and the Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services throughout 2018. Those who donate receive \$1 off admission. Items needed are: Full-size shampoo, body wash and lotion; paper towels and napkins; toilet paper; disposable diapers; and baby wipes.

"Jacob A. Riis: How the Other Half Lives" is open through May 25. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Members are admitted for free. Admission for non-members is included with the price of a regular museum ticket. **Sponsored by Decker Roofing and Gutter Solutions.**

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Learn to use paid genealogy websites at class

Learn how to make the most of paid subscription genealogy websites available at the Hayes Presidential Library during a genealogy class on April 7 in the museum auditorium. Head Librarian Becky Hill, an experienced genealogist, will explain how to use Ancestry.com, HeritageQuest, Fold3, MyHeritage.com, NewspaperArchives.com and AmericanAncestors.org. The class is from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$10 and can be paid the day of class or in advance at rbhayes.org. Please register by contacting Hill at 419-332-2081 or bhill@rbhayes.org. **Sponsored by RootsMagic, Inc.**



Share your artifacts, photos at Retro Roundtable

Bring a photograph, letter, family heirloom, clothing, game/toy or other artifact that has a story to tell and share it at Retro Roundtable from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. April 21 in the museum auditorium. Or, just come and see what artifacts participants bring, and hear their stories. Admission and participation are free.

Participants will have a 10-minute time limit to discuss their item. Preregistration is required for those bringing artifacts. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums staff members will start the event by presenting their favorite items from HPLM's collections. To register, contact Julie Mayle, associate curator of manuscripts, at 419-332-2081, ext. 239, or jmayle@rbhayes.org. **Sponsored by Rebecca White.**

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HPLM closed Easter, resumes Monday hours April 2

The Hayes Presidential Library & Museums will be closed on April 1 in observance of Easter. HPLM resumes being open on Mondays starting April 2. The Hayes Home and museum will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The library will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Saturday and closed on Sundays. On holidays, hours are shortened, or all facilities could be closed. For details, visit rbhayes.org.

Welcome, February new members!

Abby Abel of Bellevue, OH; Steve & Deborah Billow of Fremont, OH; Leo R. Bundschuh of Fremont, OH; Lawrence & Karen Cronin of Fremont, OH; Peggy Dorr of Fremont, OH; Steve & Evvy Flahiff of Fremont, OH; Earlene G. Frederick of Bellevue, OH; Don & Anita Gribble of Lakeside, OH; M/M James Harding of New York, NY; Larry & Marcia Hattan of Port Clinton, OH; Susan Holland of Fremont, OH; Rick Jennings of Oregon, OH; Stardust Johnson of Tucson, AZ; Deborah Lalonde of Brooksville, FL; Diann Lento of Fremont, OH; Michael Longanbach of Tiffin, OH; Charlotte McCachren of Oak Harbor, OH; Karen A. Murray of Rochester, OH; Ann Recktenwald of San Jose, CA; David & Jacqueline Rowles of Toledo, OH; M/M Jack Schell of Bowling Green, OH; John F. Shelly & Karen P. Fleming of Shaker Heights, OH; Barbara Smola of Fremont, OH; Craig & Cheryl Wendt of Elmore, OH; Becky Whitcomb of Fremont, OH; Jerry Willer of Rochester, NY; Elizabeth Williams of Oregon, OH

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

Volunteer opportunities:

Mailing Volunteers - We need 25 to 30 volunteers to help with a large mailing in our auditorium 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 18. Most of the work is done while seated, but we'll also need help moving the filled mail trays. Beverages and snacks will be provided to keep everyone fortified! Please contact Joan if you can help.

Volunteer hours

Please remember to record your volunteer hours for January, February and March by April 2. You can either enter them in the binders placed throughout the museum or email them to Joan. Thank you!

Volunteers with April Birthdays

Our best wishes for a happy birthday go to Ron Claypool, Laurie Foos, Tom Hoffert, Susan Hoffman, Janice Johnston, Patti Metcalf and Sharon Zilles.