

# WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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## WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OFFERS FREE ADMISSION IN HONOR OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

*Collaborative Community Service Project Featured on January 16, 2012*

**History Center - 10825 East Boulevard - Cleveland, OH 44106**

CLEVELAND, OH -- On Monday, January 16, 2012, Western Reserve Historical Society will offer free admission to all guests visiting the History Center in University Circle to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Museum hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Children and their families will explore the museum exhibits, *Do You Know Your Lincoln*, *Rally 'Round the Flag*, *Through the Lens of Allen E. Cole*, and *Meet Clio the WRHS Digital Curator*. Then, they can spend time in the *Kidzibits* Family Education Center. The Hay-McKinney House will be open for all guests to enjoy tours of the main floor. The Research Center will be open for families to discover their history. The WRHS Reference staff and genealogy volunteers will be on hand to answer questions about how to get started on researching family history. Finally, a few vehicles from the Crawford Collection will come out of storage and be on display for this day only.

As part of the national community service initiative on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, guests to the WRHS History Center can make a card or flower with an inspirational greeting. These will be distributed to families who have meals delivered to them by the Golden Age Centers of Cleveland. The Centers deliver meals to 850 seniors who have limited mobility and who are in our underserved community.

At 2:00pm, Susan Hall, WRHS Director of Community Relations, will discuss the landscape of Allen Cole's neighborhood during his lifetime, ca. 1920s to 1960s. Her discussion will take place among the new exhibition of the Allen E. Cole photographic collection, which opens that day in the Norton Gallery.

The Western Reserve Historical Society History Center is located at 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44106. For more information visit [www.wrhs.org](http://www.wrhs.org).

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*Founded in 1867, Western Reserve Historical Society is one of the oldest and largest nonprofit regional historical societies in the nation. WRHS inspires people to discover the American experience by exploring the tangible history of Northeast Ohio. WRHS receives public support with local tax dollars from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, to preserve and enrich our region's artistic and cultural heritage.*

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