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With Lantern in Hand, Experience the Sights, Sounds and Flavors of Holidays Past at Hale Farm & Village

BATH, Ohio—Holiday Lantern Tours at Hale Farm & Village transport guests to the Christmas season during the year 1863. This holiday favorite is a 90-minute lantern-lit evening tour held December 7, 13-15 and 18-23.

With lantern in hand, stroll through Hale Farm’s historic village and discover the seasonal traditions and lore from local residents. The historic houses, delightfully decorated, are the backdrop for these tales of holidays long ago. Meet the little women of the Goldsmith house preparing for the arrival of friends and join Reverend Carr to sing carols by candlelight in the Meetinghouse. Afterward, guests are invited to join a Victorian-era holiday party.

“Hale Farm’s Holiday Lantern Tours are a seasonal tradition; they evoke the sights, sounds, and flavors of days gone by,” commented Kelly Falcone-Hall Interim CEO of Western Reserve Historical Society.

Tours depart every twenty minutes, beginning at 6:00 pm. Dress appropriately for this indoor/outdoor activity. Attendance at Holiday Lantern Tours requires reservations in advance. Reservations can be made by calling (330) 666-3711 ext. 1720 or by email at halereservations@wrhs.org. Tickets are $20 for adults, $15 for members and $12 for children ages 3-12.

During all tour dates, the museum store at Hale Farm will be open and featuring Hale handmade gifts as well as favorite local artisan and “Made in Ohio” selections. While shopping, guests can enjoy a treat from the Hale Holiday Sweets Shop, or a glass of Ohio-crafted wine or beer.

Hale Farm & Village, a living history museum of the Western Reserve Historical Society, is located on 90 acres with 32 historic structures, farm animals, heritage gardens, farming, and early American craft and trade demonstrations. The location is open for special programming and events through the month of March. Visit www.halefarm.org or call (330) 666-3711 ext. 1720 for seasonal hours, program listings, rental information, and turn-by-turn directions.

Founded in 1867, Western Reserve Historical Society (WRHS) is Northeast Ohio’s premier storyteller based on its vast collection of the tangible history of Northeast Ohio—such as: automobiles, airplanes, archives, books, carousel horses, ceramics, decorative arts, diaries, furniture, gardens, garments,
genealogical resources, historic buildings, letters, maps, paintings, photographs, shoes, toys, uniforms, and weapons. It is one of the oldest and largest nonprofit regional historical societies in the nation. It presents the lives and activities of 19th-Century settlers through historic Hale Farm & Village in Bath, Ohio, and it presents the glitter and industry of the Gilded Age through the history of Cleveland’s millionaires and entrepreneurs. WRHS offers a wealth of resources to research your family heritage at the History Center in University Circle, Cleveland. For more information on the Western Reserve Historical Society, 10825 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44106 visit: http://www.wrhs.org/ or contact Jane M. Mason, Vice President of Communications and Marketing jmason@wrhs.org, 216-721-5722, x 1501.

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