“A Fugitive’s Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad”
Experience the Journey to Freedom
November 9th at Hale Farm & Village

BATH, Ohio—The story of the Underground Railroad unfolds at Hale Farm & Village during the 90 minute fall offering of “A Fugitive’s Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad”. The experience offers a vivid recreation of the trials of the Underground Railroad and the sectional issues that led to the American Civil War.

Guests take on the role of fugitive slaves struggling to reach freedom in the North. Immersed in a series of vignettes, participants will escape the grasp of an overseer and continue their journey of survival as they travel through the grounds of Hale Farm & Village. Encounters with abolitionists, runaways and bounty hunters create an unforgettable experience.

“The story of the Underground Railroad captures the attention of Americans everywhere because of its intensity and importance in the timeline of this country,” said Kelly Falcone-Hall, Interim President and CEO, WRHS. “Telling this story in Northeast Ohio allows us to inform the public in interactive ways that are not available elsewhere.”

Reservations are required for the tours, which begin at 6:00 pm on November 9. Reservations can be made by calling (330) 666-3711 ext. 1720. Tickets are $15 for WRHS members, $20 for adults, and $12 for children ages 3-12. “A Fugitive’s Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad” is an indoor/outdoor activity and participants should dress appropriately for the weather. This program is intended for children in grades 7 and up.

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. 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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