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LancasterHistory's 'History Happy Hour' Series 'Levels Up' at Decades with History, Video Game Connections

Super Mario, March Madness, and the National Guard to be Discussed at March Event

LANCASTER, PA — LancasterHistory is excited to announce the next installment in the **History Happy Hour** series, which will take place on Monday, March 10 at **Decades Lancaster**.

March's History Happy Hour is diving deep into the history of the building now occupied by vintage arcade, bowling alley, and restaurant Decades. The building at 438 N. Queen Street opened in 1916 and was named the **Stahr Armory** in 1956 after Lancaster doctor and Brigadier General of the Medical Corp of the Pennsylvania National Guard **Dr. Charles P. Stahr**. For over 100 years, the armory has taken turns serving as home to the Pennsylvania National Guard, the Lancaster Red Roses of the Continental Basketball Association, and as a community space for food bazaars and performances. Today, the armory is a stunning application of adaptive reuse. Decades has transformed a previously closed, historic facility into a popular destination that entertains locals and visitors alike. The main presentation of March 10's History Happy Hour will feature three speakers discussing the building's role in Lancaster's military, sports, and media history.

“LancasterHistory is thrilled to be bringing History Happy Hour to Decades, a venue that has been witness to some remarkable moments in Lancaster’s history” said **Mabel Rosenheck**, Director of Education and Exhibition Planning. “From General Charles P. Stahr and NBA great Cazzie Russell to Mario, Luigi, and Princess Peach, this event will have stories for everyone, even those who think they don’t like history.”

History Happy Hour will take place on Monday, March 10 from 5:30 – 7:30pm at [Decades Lancaster](#), 438 N. Queen Street, Lancaster, PA. Doors open at 5:30pm and the main program will begin at 6pm.

Tickets are \$35/person and include admission to the event, a first drink ticket, light appetizers, and complimentary tokens for Decades' retro arcade games. (Please note that additional drink purchases are not included in the purchase of a ticket. Decades' bar will be open throughout the event for additional drink orders.) Event suggested for ages 18 or older, and individuals must be 21 years or older to consume adult beverages.

Ticket sales open on Monday, February 17 at 10am Eastern. Tickets may be purchased [online](#) or over the phone by calling (717) 392-4633. Advance registration strongly recommended as sell-out is likely and walk-in tickets are not guaranteed.

History Happy Hour at Decades is sponsored by **Henrietta Heisler Interiors, Inc.** **Tito's Handmade Vodka** is also supporting the event.

About LancasterHistory

LancasterHistory is a community-based, not-for-profit organization established to educate the public on the history of Lancaster County and its place in the history of Pennsylvania and the United States, to advance the missions of regional historical organizations, and to promote the acquisition, preservation, and interpretation of resources representing the history of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania within the broader context of state and national history, including the homes of 15th US President James Buchanan and Congressman Thaddeus Stevens and Lydia Hamilton Smith.

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