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March 2019 Story Ideas & Events

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Domestic Help Wanted

Living History at Wheatland

Saturday, March 2

Tours at 1pm, 2pm, & 3pm

It's March 1859. President Buchanan, First Lady Harriet Lane, and Housekeeper Hetty Parker are making important hiring decisions for the President's home, Wheatland. How does a mid 19th century farm and estate function? What makes a good domestic employee? Learn more about what it takes to work at a Presidential home at March's Living History at Wheatland!

Advance reservations strongly recommended.

LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue, Lancaster

Embattled Freedom

Thursday, March 7, 2019

4pm Reception & Book Signing

4:30 - 5:30pm Main Presentation

Before the Civil War, a group of fugitive slaves settled in the town of Waverly, Pennsylvania, north of Scranton. During the Civil War, despite widespread racism, thirteen of these individuals went south again to fight for the Union. Waverly native and former *Philadelphia Enquirer* religion editor

Jim Remsen uncovered the story of these thirteen individuals, and shows how their bravery reached into the lives of so many others, both white and black.

A light reception and book signing by the author will begin at 4pm on Thursday, March 7 at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Ave., Lancaster. The main presentation will begin at 4:30pm in Ryder Hall.

The program is free and open to the public but **requires advance registration to guarantee a seat at the presentation**. Register online at www.lancasterhistory.org/lectures or by calling (717) 392-4633. Questions and accessibility requests may be directed to info@lancasterhistory.org or (717) 392-4633.

LancasterHistory, 230 North President Avenue, Lancaster

Portrait of a Woman in Silk

Material Culture Forum

Thursday, March 28, 2019

4 - 5:30pm

At 4:00, using artifacts from the collection, LancasterHistory Assistant Curator Tori Pyle presents a close look at the ways in which portraiture and textiles interact.

Then at 4:30, Dr. Zara Anishanslin, Art History Professor at the University of Delaware, highlights the lives of four people: a London weaver, one of England's few female silk designers, a Philadelphia merchant's wife and a New England painter, and how each of them interacted with a single silk dress.

Tickets are \$15 for LancasterHistory members; \$25 for non-members.

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Once

Thirsty for History Thursday at the Fulton

Thursday, March 28, 2019

6:30pm at the Fulton Theatre

What does *Once* have to do with Lancaster history? Find out by joining LancasterHistory for Thirsty for History Thursday at the Fulton Theatre on Thursday, March 28! Before curtain on the second Thursday of each major Fulton production, LancasterHistory will make the connection between each play and local history.

To enjoy a fantastic performance and an entertaining historical social hour, purchase your tickets by calling the Fulton Theatre at 717-397-7425. If you are member of LancasterHistory, mention your membership to receive a 10% discount. (Members must call to receive the discount.) A

wine and cheese reception begins at 6:30pm on Thursday, March 28, followed by a presentation by Dr. Tom Ryan at 6:45pm. The main performance will begin at 7:30pm.

Fulton Theatre, 12. N. Prince Street, Lancaster

Storytime

Saturday, March 30, 2019

11am

Experience history through stories and hands-on activities! Join LancasterHistory as we introduce children to historic themes and read a book aloud. Then, stay for an activity or craft inspired by the day's theme. This hands-on learning opportunity broadens historical knowledge while establishing basic museum literacy and critical thinking skills.

On March 30, children will read about the surprising history of April Fools' Day and make a traditional April Fools' Day craft to play a good-natured historic prank on friends and family.

This program is designed for children between the ages of 4 and 9, but all children are welcome. Storytime is free for kids and accompanying adults, but reservations are required.

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"Go At Your Own Pace" Saturday at Wheatland

Saturday, March 30, 2019

Tour Entries Every 30 Minutes from 1-3pm

Fast or slow, the pace of your tour of Wheatland is up to you! Great for families, showcasing local treasures to your out-of-town guests, or for a leisurely stroll of your own, visit LancasterHistory for a "Go At Your Own Pace" Saturday tour of Wheatland! Tour guides in every room of the house will tell you the story of each area, leaving you time to examine thoroughly or speed through the presidential home. Tours depart for the mansion every 15 minutes from 1-3pm.

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