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Local History Educator Muses about Rotary Exchange Travels

Liz Schultz, the Oberlin Heritage Center's Museum Education and Tour Coordinator, presents Italy: Museums and Musings as a free, public program taking place at Kendal at Oberlin's Heiser Auditorium on Wednesday, September 26 at 7:15 p.m. Liz offers highlights of her travels through central Italy in May and June of this year as one of a six-member delegation of young professionals participating in a four-week group study exchange sponsored by Rotary International. The illustrated program includes an enlightening discussion of museums in Italy and differing methods of interpretation and exhibition.

The purposes of Group Study Exchange (GSE), a program of The Rotary Foundation, are to promote international understanding and goodwill through person-to-person contact, and to provide international professional development opportunities for the participants. While abroad, Liz and her colleagues toured several Rotary districts in the Italian regions of Abruzzo, Marche, Molise, and Umbria and had the opportunity to experience a broad spectrum of Italian cultural activities. They spoke before more than a dozen Rotary groups and were hosted in a number of Italian homes during their stay. All of the American delegates lived or worked in Rotary District 6600, which covers Northwest Ohio.

Liz Schultz is a native of Wisconsin and has been the Museum Education and Tour Coordinator at the Oberlin Heritage Center since 2007. She graduated with degrees in archaeology and anthropology from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Binghamton University (NY), and earned a M.A. in museum studies with a focus in museum education from the Cooperstown Graduate Program (New York).

Kendal at Oberlin's Heiser Auditorium is located at 600 Kendal Drive, one block east of State Route 58. For more information about the Oberlin Heritage Center and its fall calendar of guided tours and community programs, visit www.oberlinheritage.org or call (440) 774-1700.