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Oberlin Heritage Center Introduces Amazing Oberlin Smartphone Race!

Like history, hiking and a healthy dose of friendly competition? Friends, family, business colleagues, youth groups, students, or anyone who can put together a small team of participants can join in the fun by challenging each other in this fun new learning adventure offered by the Oberlin Heritage Center. *How does it work?* Two teams, ideally with two-to-four people per team, begin at the Heritage Center and are texted the first clue leading them to a landmark in Oberlin. When a team figures out an answer, they send a text or a photo back and receive the next clue. There are fourteen clues in all, and the race is two miles (assuming you make no false moves) and takes about 90 minutes (if you're quite clever, light on your feet, and don't stop for ice cream). It's a great way to learn about the nationally significant history of this small college town, enjoy spending time out-of-doors, and build camaraderie among participants.

The Amazing Oberlin Smartphone Race is fun for all ages: teens, adults, retirees. Anyone can play, although each team will need at least one player with a smart phone to send and receive texts and photos. The fee is \$25 per race; \$20 for Oberlin Heritage Center members (the fee covers all participants in the race). Reservations are taken April through October, Tuesday through Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Racing on other days may be possible for an added fee. For more information, or to see if your reservation date is available, contact the Oberlin Heritage Center's Museum Education and Tour Coordinator, Liz Schultz, at (440) 774-1700 or tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org.

The community of Oberlin is 35 miles southwest of Cleveland, and the Heritage Center is located adjacent to the Downtown Historic District and the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music. (For parking, set your GPS device to 20 West Vine Street in Oberlin.) The Oberlin Heritage Center is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is widely recognized as a model small museum, historical society and historic preservation organization. For more information about the Heritage Center and its wide array of community programs, tours and history resources, please visit www.oberlinheritagecenter.org.

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