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Living History at Oberlin Heritage Center's Cemetery Event

The Oberlin Heritage Center presents a fun, fascinating look at local history this Halloween season in “**Every Good Story Has a Plot**,” which takes place in Westwood Cemetery on Friday, October 11 at 4 p.m., Saturday, October 12 at 2 p.m. and Sunday, October 13 at 2 p.m. This non-scary, one-hour guided stroll features early Oberlin business owners and tradespeople of days-gone-by as portrayed by costumed interpreters.

Participants will be introduced to innkeeper and dry goods store owner Marx Straus (aka volunteer Dennis Cook), tea shop proprietor Rachel Brightman Rawdon (Judy Cook), milliner Marie de France (Camille Hamlin Allen), insurance company owner Helen Gorske Sperry (portrayed by her niece Pat Gorske Price) and formerly enslaved 19th century civil rights advocate and entrepreneur Henry Lee (Joseph Peek). Reservations are required in advance; tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (\$8 adults/\$4 children for OHC members). This is a family-friendly event and most likely to be enjoyed by ages 7 and up.

Dedicated in 1864, Westwood Cemetery contains a rich variety of symbolism, individuality, and scenery reflected through its many unique features and monuments. The cemetery is a final resting place for many historic Oberlin figures, and the afternoon tour includes Oberlin stories from noteworthy business leaders not found in history books. Guests will meet at the entrance to Westwood Cemetery (429 Morgan Street) to begin their journey; parking will be available on designated paved pathways within the cemetery.

To learn more about this event or to make a reservation, visit www.oberlinheritagecenter.org or call (440) 774-1700. The tour fee will be refunded if it is raining at start time.

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