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Heritage Center Spotlights History of Oberlin Industry

Oberlin Heritage Center Museum Education and Tour Coordinator Amanda Manahan offers an illustrated program on Oberlin's industries from the early 20th century up through the present day. This is a continuation of a program on early Oberlin industry that Manahan presented in the community last year, and it picks up where the last one left off. ***From Milling to Manufacturing: The Modernization of Oberlin Industry*** explores the aftermath of the small sawmills of early Oberlin leading to the development of several manufacturing companies which have located in the Industrial Park in northeast Oberlin. Learn more about how this industrial complex was created and hear stories from local business and city leaders selected from Oberlin's Oral History project. The presentation takes place on **Tuesday, November 19 at 7:15 p.m.** in Kendal at Oberlin's Heiser Auditorium (600 Kendal Drive), and it is free and open to the public.

Manahan joined the Oberlin Heritage Center staff in 2015, coming from the Hanford Mills Museum in East Meredith, NY, where she had served as the Collections and Interpretation Coordinator. A native of Indiana, she has a BA in Anthropology from Heidelberg University (Tiffin, OH) and a MA in History Museum Studies from The Cooperstown Graduate Program at SUNY Oneonta. Amanda's experience in developing tours and programming for all ages has been an asset to the Heritage Center in reaching out to new audiences and expanding its interpretive focus to include more 20th century stories.

The Heritage Center invites anyone who worked for or who was associated in any way with Oberlin's industrial park growth to share their memories, stories, photos or other memorabilia from those businesses or other local businesses. Contact Collections Manager Maren McKee (history@oberlinheritage.org) or Manahan (tourinfo@oberlinheritage.org) or call the Heritage Center's main office at (440) 774-1700.

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