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## Oberlin Women's History Walk Offered by Heritage Center

Stroll through picturesque downtown Oberlin while learning about women's rights and the fight to secure them in a Women's History Month special offering of **One** Step More: Oberlin Women's History Walk. The Oberlin Heritage Center's guided tour takes place Saturday, March 24 at 1:00 p.m. and features women's stories and landmarks from both campus and community. The tour begins at the southeast corner of Tappan Square, at the intersection of Main (State Route 58) and College streets in Oberlin. Advance reservations are necessary and may be made at www.oberlinheritagecenter.org or by calling (440) 774-1700. The fee is \$6 for adults, while OHC members, children and college students are free.

In 1834, "founding father" John J. Shipherd pledged Oberlin's commitment to "the elevation of the female character" through education. Little did he know, there was dynamite in that promise, and women carried the matches. This 90-minute history walk explores how Oberlin confronted and defined issues of femininity in the 19th and 20th centuries. Hear powerful stories of Oberlin women including Lucy Stone, Marianne Parker Dascomb, Adelia Field Johnston, Mary Church Terrell, and Lucy Stanton Day, and learn how they pushed John J. Shipherd's promise to shape what it meant to be a woman in Oberlin and in the United States.

For more information about tours, history walks, and other special events at the Oberlin Heritage Center, visit www.oberlinheritagecenter.org, call (440) 774-1700, or stop by the Monroe House main office at 73½ South Professor Street during business hours, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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