



## JOLLY OLD ST. NICHOLAS CONCERT

**Friday, December 1, 2017**

*Time:* 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

*Cost:* **FREE!**

*Location:* Yorkfield Presbyterian Church, 1099 S. York St., Elmhurst

Ring in the holiday season with this annual celebration of Elmhurst's German roots! Listen and sing along with Elmhurst's authentic German choirs, *Damenchor* and *Männerchor*, as they perform traditional German carols. Jolly Old St. Nick will join the festivities to explain his legend and take photos with guests. Hot cocoa and sweet treats will be provided. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas! Dollar donations for the giving tree to support Yorkfield Food Pantry will be gratefully accepted. No registration required, all ages welcome.

### The Legend of St. Nicholas

Before there was Santa Claus, there was St. Nicholas, known as the "bearer of gifts." On December 6th, many Europeans still celebrate St. Nicholas Day and many Christmas traditions were originally a part of this holiday. St. Nicholas was a 4th Century Greek Saint who was admired for being kind and helping those in need. He was renowned for secretly giving gifts and placing coins and food in the shoes of the needy, which led to the modern-day holiday tradition of the Christmas stocking.



## WE INVITE YOU TO BECOME A MEMBER

### ELMHURST HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Elmhurst Heritage Foundation is proud to celebrate its tenth anniversary this year. We support local history, the Elmhurst History Museum, and Churchville Schoolhouse through advocacy, education, and fundraising. From providing free programs and transportation for local schoolchildren at the Churchville Schoolhouse to supporting Museum exhibits, events and more—the Foundation has grown in many ways to bring history to life for the community.

One of the important efforts of our first decade was to develop a Membership Program. We encourage you to become a member and enjoy many valuable benefits:

- ➔ **Invitations to exclusive events and exhibit sneak previews**
- ➔ **Discounts on program admission and in the Museum gift shop**
- ➔ **Subscription to the Member newsletter published three times annually**
- ➔ **Enrollment in the national Time Traveler museum discount program**

**Please sign join us! Sign up today at: [elmhurstheritagefoundation.org](http://elmhurstheritagefoundation.org) or call 630-833-1457.**

*P.S.: EHF Memberships make great holiday and hostess presents! Visit the Museum's gift shop to find a variety of Elmhurst-themed items to add to your gift of membership.*

### #GIVINGTUESDAY

November 28 is #GIVING TUESDAY!

Please consider the Elmhurst Heritage Foundation's annual fund for your year-end giving.

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### Elmhurst History Museum

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SATURDAY  
MORNING!**

Phone: **630-833-1457**  
Email: [ehm@elmhurst.org](mailto:ehm@elmhurst.org)

New Museum Hours:

**Sunday, Tuesday – Friday: 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

**Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Closed Mondays & Holidays**

Admission: **FREE**

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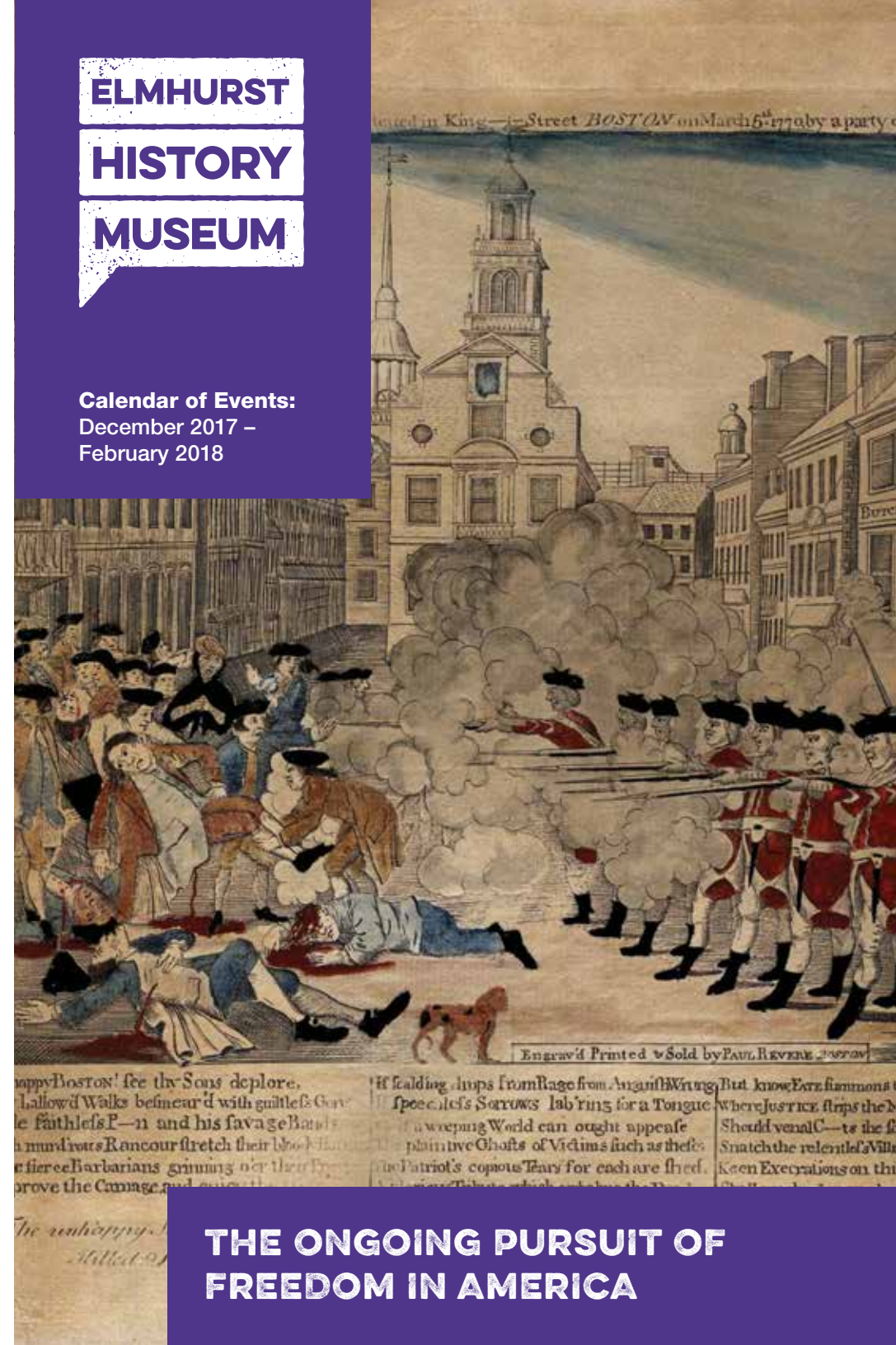
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or to request an accommodation,  
please call 630-833-1457.

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## ELMHURST HISTORY MUSEUM

**Calendar of Events:**  
December 2017 –  
February 2018



## THE ONGOING PURSUIT OF FREEDOM IN AMERICA





## EXHIBITS

THE GILDER LEHRMAN  
INSTITUTE of AMERICAN HISTORY

**Freedom: A History of US**  
January 12 – March 11, 2018

The struggle for freedom in America has shaped every aspect of our country since its inception, and it forges on today in many ways unforeseen by our nation's founders. The evolving concept of freedom and its pursuit is explored in this touring exhibition from the *Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History*, illuminating critical figures and events from our nation's birth until 1968. Highlights include: reproductions of a rare 1776 printing of the Declaration of Independence, a secretly printed draft and official copy of the U.S. Constitution, Lincoln's handwritten speech notes, and letters by Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony, and Martin Luther King Jr. EHM will supplement the exhibit with materials related to Elmhurst including a 1924 KKK rally flyer on loan from the National Park Service, manuscripts related to the Elmhurst Fair Housing Ordinance, and correspondence from Elmhurst veterans from the Civil War and WWI eras.



LAST CALL!



**Disco Demolition:  
The Night Disco Died**  
Closing December 31, 2017



Catch the final weeks of this popular exhibit that tells the controversial story of the 1979 promotion at Comiskey Park when Steve Dahl and his fans took over the field, and disco hit the dirt.



ONGOING EXHIBIT

*By All Accounts*  
The Story of Elmhurst

2nd Floor Gallery

Check out the latest enhancements to this journey through Elmhurst history! Take a trip back in time via the tabletop map, featured in the *Chicago Tribune's* "50 Museum Marvels" guide (July 2017). A new History Spotlight showcases a changing array of special objects and photos from the museum's collection, and currently features photos and objects from the Elmhurst-Chicago Stone Company.



## PROGRAMS

→ **DECEMBER 10, 2017**

**Book Signing with DJ Mitch Michaels**  
Sunday, December 10, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: **FREE!**

Location: Elmhurst History Museum, 1st floor gallery

DJ Mitch Michaels has been rocking Chicago airwaves for decades, and has written a new book on his experiences, *Doin' the Cruise: Memories from a Lifetime in Radio and Rock & Roll*. Join us for a meet-and-greet book signing with this popular radio personality and Disco Demolition participant. Books available in the Museum gift shop for \$20 each, while supplies last.



→ **JANUARY 18, 2018**

**Book Discussion: Lincoln in the Bardo**  
Thursday, January 18, 2018

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Cost: **FREE!**

Location: Elmhurst History Museum, 1st floor gallery  
Reservations required: Call 630-530-6879 to register

Read the engrossing 2017 novel *Lincoln in the Bardo* by best-selling author George Saunders, join in a book discussion at the Elmhurst History Museum, and enjoy after-hours access to exhibits. It's February 1862, the Civil War is on, and President Lincoln's son has died. This critically acclaimed and often strangely-told novel blends fact and fiction into a moving and original exploration of the father-son relationship, grief, death, and the power of good vs. evil. Co-presented by Elmhurst Public Library and Elmhurst History Museum in connection with the exhibit, "Freedom: A History of US." Appropriate for adults. A limited number of books will be available at the Elmhurst Public Library or any major bookseller.



Cover: "The Bloody Massacre perpetrated in King-Street, Boston on March 5, 1770." Engraving, Paul Revere. The Gilder Lehrman Collection.

→ **FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

**The Lincolns Present:  
The Genesis of the Gettysburg Address**  
Sunday, February 11, 2018

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Cost: Members **FREE!**, Non-members **\$5**

Location: Elmhurst History Museum Education Center  
Reservations required: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)  
(Adult Programs section) or call 630-530-6879

Join President Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd Lincoln on the eve of his birthday to hear about the genesis of his most famous speech, "The Gettysburg Address." Brought to life by first-person history presenters Max and Donna Daniels, learn the context of the address and their time in the White House, participate in a Q&A session, and take a photo with the President and First Lady. Participating children can test their 19th-century penmanship skills using a steel-tipped pen and ink. All ages welcome!



EARLY NOTICE: RESERVE NOW!

→ **MARCH 8, 2018**

**Bus Tour: DuSable Museum of African American History**  
Thursday, March 8, 2018

Time: 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Cost: **\$20 Members, \$25 Non-members**

Location: Meet at Elmhurst History Museum  
Reservations required: [elmhursthistory.org](http://elmhursthistory.org)  
(Adult Programs section) or call 630-530-6879

Travel by coach bus to Hyde Park to explore the DuSable Museum's exhibits and collections, including "Freedom & Resistance," a journey through the African American experience from the Transatlantic Slave Trade and Great Migration to the Jim Crow Era, Civil Rights Movement, and more. Price includes coach bus transport, museum admission, and tour.

