

EVE Notes



A Letter From The Artistic Director

It's that time of year when giving thanks is uppermost on our minds, so I'm sending out this letter to say 'thanks' for supporting us again this year as we continued to tell the stories that others forget. Whether you joined us in the audience, as a donor or a presenter — you helped make the year a success!

This year we've told the stories of Victoria Woodhull, Margaret Bourke-White and other remarkable Ohioans. I joined Kelly Boyer Sagert and Debra Rose in a special Civil War program that included music AND ghosts! Foster Brown joined me in celebrating the 70th anniversary of Grandma Gatewood's historic hike and the 200th anniversary of the opening of the Ohio-Erie canal.

We began a special fundraising campaign to create a new DVD with both TRAIL MAGIC: THE GRANDMA GATEWOOD STORY and VICTORIA WOODHULL: SHATTERING GLASS CEILINGS on it. The campaign is being managed by new staff member, Dava Warner, and has given us a head start on getting this exciting new project done as part of our celebration of the 250th anniversary of our country. (You can find more information on page 3 and on our website.)

We have quite a few programs already lined up for 2026 so I'll be looking forward to seeing you all then! In the meantime, have a wonderful Holiday Season.

Always,

Artistic Director

Fall, 2025

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This year we've entertained and informed about 1,000 people at 24 programs — and we still have two more to go this year!

A special "Thank You" to all our donors! We appreciate your help.

You can find information about how to donate on page 4.

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Thanks A Bunch!



Mark Your Calendars For These Upcoming EVents!

- 📅 ***Monday, December 1, 2025; 6:00 p.m.:** Find out **WHOSE IDEA WAS THAT?** when the East Cuyahoga County Genealogical Society hosts a potluck dinner/meeting/program at the South Euclid Library; 1876 South Green Road, South Euclid, Ohio. Hear the stories behind some of Ohio's inventors like Dr. Edwin Beeman, Garrett Morgan and Merry Hull. The program starts after dinner and is **FREE** and open to the public. For complete information about the event, contact the Genealogical Society at 216-379-0749.
- 📅 ***Saturday, December 20, 2025; 12:00 p.m.:** Get in the holiday spirit with **STORIES FROM A CHRISTMAS PAST** at the Baseball Heritage Museum, 6601 Lexington Avenue in Cleveland. Hear the story of Cleveland's first Christmas Tree; meet the Ohioan who gave us "Up On The Housetop" and find out why the school teachers in the 1800s dreaded Christmas day. The presentation is open to the public. Tickets are \$10/person and includes museum admission and the show. For more information, call the museum at 216-789-1083.
- 📅 Join us on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. when **GRANDMA GATEWOOD: OHIO'S LEGENDARY HIKER** will be presented by the Mayfield Township Historical Society at 6621 Wilson Mills Rd. in Mayfield Village, Ohio. Travel back to 1955 and take a journey with the first woman to solo thru-hike the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail with this storytelling program that is free and open to the public. For more information contact the society at (440) 461-0055.
- 📅 See the new documentary, **VICTORIA WOODHULL: SHATTERING GLASS CEILINGS** about our first female Presidential Candidate on Thursday, March 26, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. The South Newbury Union Chapel will host this screening at the Kent State University Geauga Campus at 14111 Claridon-Troy Road in Burton, Ohio at the Clark Commons. Ohioan Victoria Woodhull ran in 1872 at a time when women didn't even have the right to vote. As if that isn't bad enough -- she wasn't even old enough to **BE** president if she had won! The presentation is **FREE** and open to the public.
- 📅 On Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. you can take **A TOUR OF CLEVELAND RESTAURANTS IN 30 MINUTES -- MORE OR LESS!** at the Avon Lake Public Library; 32649 Electric Blvd. in Avon Lake, Ohio. Enjoy a trip through time at some of Cleveland's historic eateries. Based on the book **LOST RESTAURANTS OF DOWNTOWN CLEVELAND** you'll enjoy time travel to favorite place of the past like the Silver Grille, New York Spaghetti House and other favorite dining places. The program is **FREE** and open to the public. For more information, call the library at 440-933-8127.
- 📅 Take a **LIGHTNING FAST LOOK AT LORAIN COUNTY!** on Thursday, May 7, 2025 at 7:30 p.m. at the meeting of the Avon Historical Society at the Avon Olde Town Hall at the corner of Detroit and Stoney Ridge Rd. in Avon, Ohio. This storytelling program will take you on a trip through time with fun facts, trivial tidbits and surprising stories. The presentation is **FREE** and open to the public. For more information, contact Ralph at 440-695-8238.

For complete information about all of these presentations and others as they are added, visit <https://www.edenvalleyenterprises.org/calendar.htm>





She Ran. She Walked. They Changed Everything.

Victoria Woodhull was the first woman to run for President — *before women could even vote!*

Grandma Emma Gatewood was the first woman to solo thru-hike the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail — *at the age of 67.*

Two documentaries tell the stories of these incredible trailblazers — the Emmy-nominated **TRAIL MAGIC: THE GRANDMA GATEWOOD STORY** and **VICTORIA WOODHULL: SHATTERING GLASS CEILINGS**.

Our special America 250 project is to create this new DVD to celebrate these two women who display the American spirit in unique ways. They blazed trails unheard of during their times. Victoria Woodhull challenged an entire political system when she ran for President in 1872. Grandma Gatewood walked thousands of miles on the Appalachian Trail, proving that determination knows no age.

We want to make sure these stories inspire generations to come by putting their stories together on one DVD. We need to raise about \$4,000 for this project. You can help by [donating online](#) or you can send a check made payable to Eden Valley Enterprises by using the form on page 4.

We appreciate ALL your support!

For more information about both of these trail-blazing women, visit our website.

Celebrate America 250 With An Eden Valley Program

2026 will be our country's 250th birthday! What better way to celebrate than with stories from our country's past? Eden Valley Enterprises brings you the big names in history. Our stars include Moses Cleaveland, Dr. John Lang Cassels, Margaret Bourke-White, Grandma Emma Gatewood, Harriet Keeler, Dayton Miller, Rev. John Rankin, The Van Sweringen Brothers, Alta Weiss and Victoria Woodhull. Don't recognize these names? That's why we're here! Let us help make your next event special with their remarkable stories! Find a complete list of our programs on our website.





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