

NEWSLETTER

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Educating the Next Generation

Did you know that in 2015 alone, The State Museum touched the lives of more than 44,000 children? Nearly 38,000 schoolchildren visited the museum and another 6,500 participated in programs led by museum staff.

Spring is coming and so are 30,000 children from 400 school groups that will be visiting The State Museum from late March to early June.

Imagine the impact your giving can have on the tens of thousands of children who visit every year. Please consider making a financial contribution to Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation in support of educational programs for The State Museum and other Pennsylvania Trails of History sites (listed on pages 46-47). For more information, contact PHF at 717-787-2407 or RA-paheritage@pa.gov.



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The Giving Circle

Become a member of our Giving Circle

Members are those who support PHF at the highest level by donating \$1,000 or more on an annual basis. PHF helps PHMC protect and provide access to PHMC's 24 historic sites and museums, 5 million objects and 237 million archival items. This key contribution is integral in helping us educate and enrich the lives of Pennsylvanians in the present and future.

Giving Circle members get first priority for PHF updates and events and receive special recognition annually in our printed materials and at various events. Members provide leadership and inspiration to all of those who consider supporting the work at PHF. Please join today.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Trails of History Sites and Museums*

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PHF-Sponsored Noon Year's Eve a Success!

On December 30, 2015, The State Museum of Pennsylvania hosted its annual Noon Year's Eve family event with the largest attendance ever. Nearly 900 people participated in educational activities and a kid-friendly New Year's celebration. The event included animals from Hersheypark's ZooAmerica, interactive presentations by museum staff, crafts and refreshments. Crowds then gathered in Memorial Hall to watch the traditional Countdown to Noon and Firefly Drop, followed by lots of balloons.

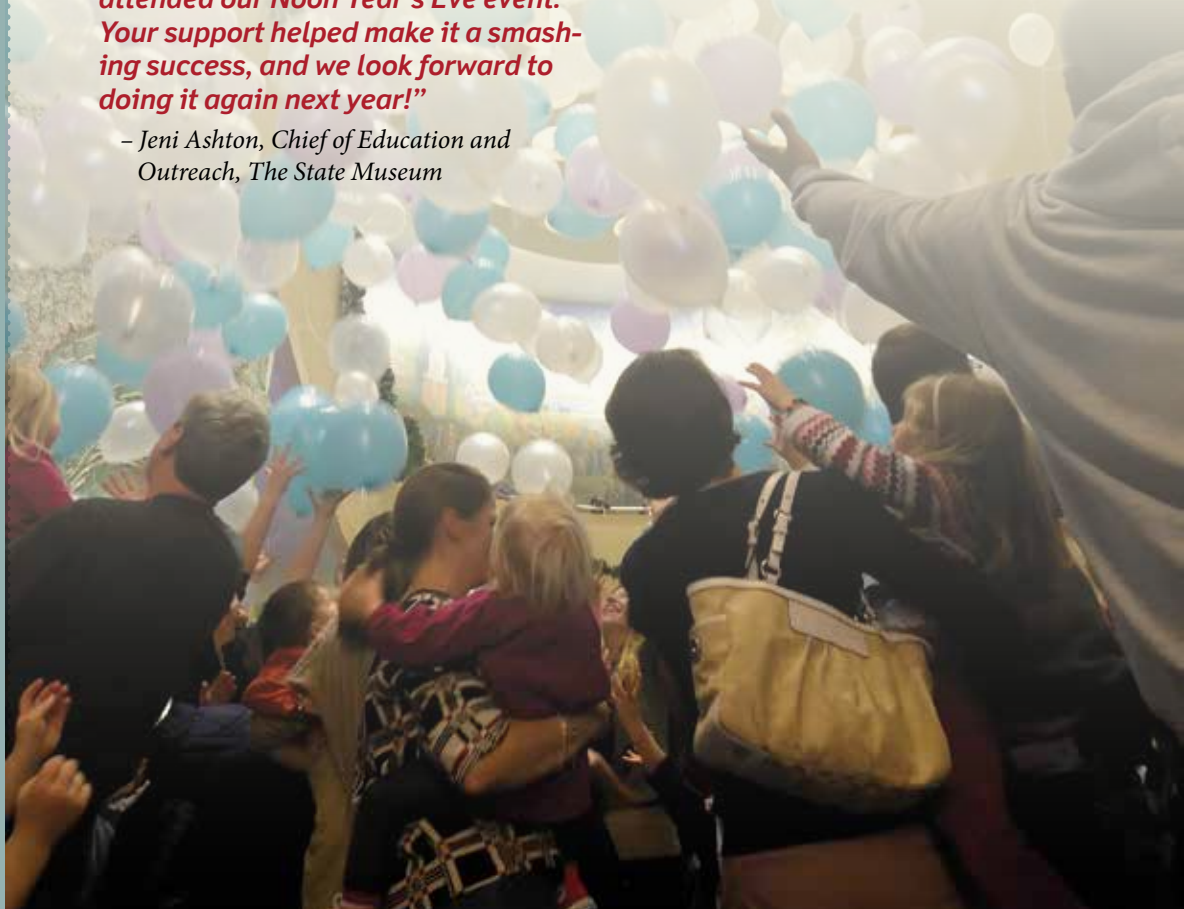
This event would not have been possible without the financial support of the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation and donor contributions.

"We want to thank everyone who attended our Noon Year's Eve event. Your support helped make it a smashing success, and we look forward to doing it again next year!"

– Jeni Ashton, Chief of Education and Outreach, The State Museum



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Janet and Lew Klein Gift to PHF

In December 2015, Janet and Lew Klein presented a generous gift of \$25,000 to the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation.

Janet Klein previously served as a chair and longtime commissioner of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Lew Klein is a pioneer in the television industry who was programming director for the Triangle Group stations, executive producer of *American Bandstand* at WFIL-TV, and cofounder and president of Gateway Communications.

The Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission thank the Kleins for their leadership and many years of support and service. Their generosity will help to preserve the vast and wonderful historical treasures of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for generations to come.



Janet and Lew Klein

Partnership in the Community

On December 17, 2015, the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation partnered with The State Museum to host the Harrisburg Regional Chamber of Commerce Afterhours reception. The chamber is integral to community relations and development for The State Museum. Seventy-five chamber members attended the event and toured the museum.

Save the Date

The 2nd Annual Giving Circle Dinner will take place on Thursday, April 9, 2016. The Giving Circle recognizes donors who give a minimum of \$1,000 or above on an annual basis (see page 45). If you are a 2015 Giving Circle member, we hope you can join us.

Trails of History Sites and Museums*

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