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HISTORY ALIVE! PROGRAM PRESENTS 19TH CENTURY FIRST LADIES OCTOBER 27TH AT THE DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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DETROIT- The Detroit Historical Society Guild is hosting History Alive!, an afternoon out with the “Petticoat Ladies”, a group of local actresses. The “Petticoat Ladies” will be presenting their performance of “First Ladies of the Victorian Era” on Saturday October 27 from 1-3 p.m. at the Detroit Historical Museum.

Tickets are \$5, in addition to regular museum admission, and refreshments will be served. To purchase tickets, please call in advance to (586) 774-5194 by Friday Oct. 19.

This performance gives a voice to the First Wives of the Victorian Era featuring Mary Todd Lincoln, Julia Grant and others. While wearing replicas of dresses worn to inaugural festivities, the Petticoat Ladies become these women and tell the stories of their contributions to American history.

The Petticoat Ladies are a group of women from the Garden City Presbyterian Church who came together 11 years ago to host an evening out for their church congregation. Once one of the tea party guests requested the Petticoat Ladies performance at their church, word of this wonderful group and their performances began to spread quickly. Since then they have performed all around Michigan.

The Detroit Historical Museum, located at 5401 Woodward Ave. (NW corner of Kirby) in Detroit’s Cultural Center area, is open to the public Wednesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from Noon to 5 p.m. On Mondays and Tuesdays, the Museum is not open to the public but available for group tours by calling (313) 833-7979. Adult admission is \$6. Seniors (60+), college students with valid college ID, and youth ages 5-18 pay \$4. Admission for children ages four and under is free. Parking in the Museum’s lot is \$3 at all times. Permanent exhibits include the famous Streets of Old Detroit, Frontiers to Factories, The Motor City, and The Glancy Trains. For more information, call the Museum at (313) 833-1805 or check out our website at www.detroithistorical.org.

