

President's Notes:

Dear Readers: The holidays will soon be here. Don't stress. Breathe in, breathe out. Enjoy family and friends. Having celebrated fall with several events the Society has been very busy.

The Vendor Market was well attended with several hundred visitors to the Ward-Thomas House. The "Pumpkin Walk" at the McKinley Memorial was well attended with approximately 500 visitors. "Night at the Museum" was experienced by the elementary school children at the Ward-Thomas House.

"The Festival of Trees" at the McKinley Memorial will again have many Christmas trees on display. The Society's tree theme this year will feature Niles schools past and present. Trees will be on display from November 20-January 1.

The Ward-Thomas House, Westenfield Room and Greenhouse will be decorated to celebrate the season. McKinley Christmas will again be celebrated on Saturday, December 6, 2025 from 12:00-4:00 PM. Participating sites are The Ward-Thomas House, McKinley Memorial Museum, McKinley Memorial Library, site. Park once and ride the bus.

A box of cereal is the price of admission. A passport will be given to attendants. Passports will be stamped at each site. Completed passports will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Cereal will be given to Niles Community Services to distribute.

A tour of the Ward-Thomas Museum is not just a house tour, it's also a tour back in time. Each room, nook and cranny display common items from the past. Old typewriters, irons, bathroom necessities, a kitchen stove. What better way to show your kids and grandkids what everyday life was like 40-50-100 years ago. Visit and enjoy!



Kitchen display includes an actual stove with cooking equipment.



Type writer, movie projector, and assorted office equipment including an old rotary phone. The second floor bathroom or lavatory features a medicine cabinet with tooth brush powder, hair brushes, and more...

Instead of a boring sweater, give Dad or Mom Dad a gift of one of the Niles Historical Books offered for sale by the Niles Historical Society. They will enjoy the historical photos /stories of Niles for years to come.

To view the books available, visit our website.

Follow the link: <https://nileshistoricalsociety.org/bokpg.htm>



Offices of the Niles Medical Clinic located at 421-423 Robbins Avenue.

Niles Times August 8, 1952

"Rejuvenate Old Home, Combine Efforts to Establish "Clinic"

Re-creating an old home, combining effort, time, and money, together with lots of hard work, was the beginning of a novel establishment now going into its twelfth year.

Though Niles has always been without a hospital, the need for such an institution has long been recognized. With this thought in mind, a group of doctors set up the next best thing-what is known as the Robbins Avenue Medical Group, more commonly referred to as the "Niles Clinic."

In 1940, *Dr. Desmore Thomas* and *Dr. A. L. Williamson* combined their abilities to establish a medical partnership. Today, although Dr. Thomas is now specializing in obstetrics, the idea has been carried on. The "Clinic" is now owned and operated by four doctors: Dr. A. L. Williamson, *Dr. Raymond H. Ralston*, *Dr. Louis G. Ralston* and *Dr. Charles Mathias*.

Besides the four doctors, the staff is composed of four nurses, a laboratory technician, business manager, and two receptionists.

The general practitioners not only have well-equipped offices but also have made their living quarters above and around the office building. Housing no patients overnight, they do have facilities for minor surgery and a recovery ward for tonsil patients and the like. This minor surgery ward is valuable because it would take up much time unavailable in hospitals.

Another advantage is that the procurement of all their equipment offers the city a place where they can go in an emergency without involving too much distance. Since the doctors do not go by appointments except for new patients and those whose medical needs are not urgent, there are three large waiting rooms equipped with comfortable seating.

Niles Times November 1, 1955

Dr. Louis G. Ralston has lived in Niles the past 10 years, coming here after serving from 1942-1945 as a flight surgeon with a combat unit in Europe.

He was born and attended school in Slippery Rock PA., after which he did undergraduate work at Grove City College and attended Western Reserve University Medical School in Cleveland. He served his medical internship from 1940-42 at the North and South Side hospitals in Youngstown.

The doctor married *Eleanor Whan* of North Lima in 1942. They have three children: *Louis*, 10; *Lynda*, 8; and *Patricia*, 3.

Dr. Louis G. Ralston, 53, one of the original members of the Robbins Avenue Medical Group, who owned and operated the "Clinic" in Niles died after suffering a coronary attack.

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Preserving and promoting Niles' History for future generations.

Monthly Calendar	Officers
Museum 'Open House'	Anna Maria Beagle.....President
The first Sunday of each month, 2-5	Dave Martin.....Vice-President
Last tour begins at 4 pm	Lynda Ralston.....Treasurer
	Coleen Tominey.....Secretary
Membership Meetings	
Westenfield Room	Audrey John.....Curator
10:00 am First Saturday of each month	Ralph Tolbert.....Newsletter and Website
Call for private tours to be scheduled	Trustees:
330.544.2143	Anne Townley, Nancy Malone, and Sandy Bilovesky

Dr. Hoodin experienced all the changes that have occurred in being a General Practitioner from the 40s, 50s, and 60s.

His office was on the 4th floor of the Niles Bank Building where he administered patients with various medical needs.

He was a surgeon at Trumbull Memorial Hospital and later St. Joseph Hospital.

Dr. Hoodin also made house calls and arrived with his black medical bag for treatments.

When young children had the usual childhood illnesses: measles, chicken pox, mumps... Dr. Hoodin explained to worried mothers what to look for, how to comfort their child, how long to quarantine the patient.

He treated his patients and their families not only with medicine but also with personal care and medical knowledge.



Dr. Abraham Hoodin on his horse at the Crow Indian Reservation.

To view the Dr. Hoodin webpage:
<https://nileshistoricalsociety.org/Stories2/Hoodin.htm>

Calendar of events:

Business meeting Westenfield Room:
Saturday, December 13, 2025 10:00 AM
Saturday January 3, 2026 10:00 AM
McKinley Christmas and Open House:
Saturday, December 6, 2025
12:00 – 4:00 PM
Open House: Sunday, January 3, 2025
2:00 – 5:00 PM
Last tour at 4:00 PM

Membership Drive starts January 2026

Check out the members of the Niles Historical Society below and on page 6. Perhaps you know a family or friend who would like to join.

Margaret Adgate	Jane E. Ward
Jason Altobelli	John Millik
John Baird	Richard Naples SR.
David Birkovich	Judith Vargo
Raymond Bishop	Renee Ruman
Tom Clingan	Christiane Ward Schmenk
Trudy Coker	Capt. & Mrs. James R. Townley
Bill Deibel	Diane Welton
Nicholas & Helen DeMaiolo	Carol Wick
Christopher Faiver	RachelAnn DePasqualeWilliams
David & Jordyn Grohl	Eleanor K. Woodford
Renie Yoshida Grohl	Dorothy Jones Yang
Elizabeth Ward Hale	T. Lynn (M ^{rs} Lean) Young
Matt & Sharon Jackson	Cafaro Company

Dr. Abraham Hoodin

Niles Daily Times November 26, 1957

A resident here since 1940, Dr. Hoodin, his wife Ann Howard and five children reside at 113 Washington Avenue. His children are 16-year-old David, Ronald, age 14; Marsha 10 years old, five-year-old William and Jeffrey, aged four.

The new health commissioner, who spent much of his youth in Cincinnati, Ohio is a graduate Cincinnati Woodward High School. He received his pre-medical and medical schooling at the University of Cincinnati earning his M.D. degree in 1933.

After two years of interning, Dr. Hoodin joined the Government Medical Service and served as a physician at the Crow Indian reservation near Billings, Montana for three years. In 1938 he served in the U.S. Public Health Service at Marine Hospital (later became Cleveland Clinic), where he met a nurse who would become his wife, for two years until he came to Niles to open an office here as a general practitioner. Later in 1940 he joined the U.S. Army and served in a medical regiment in the European Theatre for five years with the rank of Captain.

"A list of areas Dr. Hoodin was stationed: Tunis, Tunisia, Anzio, England, Belgium during the Battle of the Bulge, Nancy and Normandy, France (after the invasion not during), and Munich, Germany.

In Germany my Dad facilitated the restoration of the public services such as water and sewage treatments. He also cared for local residents and victims in the concentration camps. He then received orders to head to Japan. While in route, the war ended and the troop ship was ordered to Newport News, VA.

He was discharged and he, my mother and two older brothers moved to 317 Cedar Street. I was born about 1 1/2 years later and about 2 years after that we moved to 113 Washington Avenue." by Marsha Hoodin

Niles Daily Times May 1, 1967

Dr. Abraham Hoodin, who served as Niles City Health Commissioner for the past 20 years, was pronounced dead at Trumbull Memorial Hospital following a coronary occlusion at Squaw Creek Country Club.

Dr. Hoodin, who had called on patients in the hospital Saturday morning, was playing his first game of golf this season with three other doctors when he was stricken. He was appointed temporary Health Commissioner January 1, 1947, and received the permanent appointment Septer 16, 1957.

Born December 12, 1909, in Russia, he was the son of Nathan and Frieda Hoodin and came to the United States as an infant. He came to Niles to practice medicine for a short time before enlisting in the Medical Corps in August 1942. He was discharged in 1945 as a Captain, after serving in Europe.

A graduate of the University School of Medicine in 1932, he was a member of the General Practitioners Association, a member and past president of the medical staff of Trumbull Memorial Hospital and an associate staff member at St. Joseph Hospital. He was a member of the county, state and national medical association.

Lifetime Events of Dr. Abraham Hoodin

Niles Daily Times May 16, 1942

Dr. Stephen W. Boesel, Niles Health Commissioner states that Dr. Hoodin has offered his services for smallpox vaccinations. Dr. Hoodin bought the practice of Dr. Joe Kohn and moved to Niles this past December.



Niles Daily Times October 31, 1945

Postwar Europe is a study of contrasts in the opinion of Captain Abraham Hoodin, Niles physician who was recently released to inactive duty after serving a year overseas.

The horrors of the Dachau Concentration Camp and the beauty of the Riviera; displaced persons moving slowly along the highway, weary after six years of war, war sufferers living in rubble and a huge underground airplane and truck factory taken over intact.

Most unforgettable horror of the war to Dr. Hoodin was the sight of 39 freight cars on a siding at Dachau, filled with dead and dying prisoners who had been 10 days without food, water or means of sanitation. Typhus was rampant and after three hospital units had been assigned to care for the Dachau prisoners they were kept under quarantine for three months.

The Germans had been attempting to move hundreds of the prisoners, mostly Poles, from the concentration camp in the path of the advancing Allies, and a trip that should have meant only a few hours required ten days over tracks made almost impossible by plane raids.

The Germans were beginning to burn the bodies when the Americans arrived, Dr. Hoodin said but were forced to bury them instead. The entrance to Dachau was deceiving, with an attractive sign and impressive SS barracks.

Traveling the huge autobahns, which the Germans had made to be used as airstrips, Hoodin saw thousands of displaced people as they moved in a mass exodus, any direction to get away from the place where they had spent six years in starvation, as miserable slaves of the Germans. They trudged along with few belongings on their backs, picking up what little was available from the countryside as food, ragged, emaciated, with all hope lost a long time back.

The first group he saw was in March, after his outfit crossed the Rhine River into the Saar region. A group of Italians and Yugoslavs who had been deserted by their captors were living in forts on the Siegfried line. After six years on a meager diet of potato soup and black bread they almost wept at the sight of white bread and what little food the small American outfit was able to spare them.

"American soldiers still in Europe sometimes get the wrong impression," Hoodin said, "They see the Germans quickly recovering, setting up businesses in the rubble of cities, starting work on their farms. They forget that Germany, well-fed, well clothed and kept in good spirits, except for bombings and two months of war in their country, fared well. Other Europeans are in rags, have been wearing wooden shoes, going without sufficient food for six years, have suffered until peace only means 'so what'."

Niles Daily Times September 5, 1947

Pointing out that to date Trumbull County has been fortunate in escaping polio cases, Niles' acting Health Commissioner Dr. A. Hoodin today warned all residents of the city to exercise every caution against contracting the disease. Dr. Hoodin pointed out that there were 172 cases of infantile paralysis in Summit County and that 125 of the cases are still under treatment. Lake County has 12 cases of polio while there are two cases in Mahoning County.

Nine out of ten cases will recover without any ill effects, Dr. Hoodin said, and thus medicine has made great strides in combating the after-effects of the disease. The Health Commissioner explained that polio is an acute infection, which attacks children and young adults in epidemic forms. It is characterized early, by an ordinary cold, which is hard to differentiate, and later by muscle rigidity, then paralysis within four days. During the early stages of cold, vomiting and fever is prevalent.

The disease is rare in infancy and 75 per cent of the cases occur after five years of age. It also attacks persons between 25 and 39, usually parents of the youngsters, the health inspector explained. However, cases have been reported that occurred from newborn babies to adults of 70 years of age. Continued Page 2...

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Polio is caused by a virus, a small micro-organism, which enters via nose and throat or via the stomach. Common causes of the disease is raw milk, drinking or swimming in unsuitable water, unwashed fruits and vegetables, and mostly the fly—a definite carrier of polio. DR. Hoodin said that swimming in non-chlorinated water is extremely dangerous.

Dr. Hoodin urged citizens not to minimize colds, and if the case demands, the patient should be treated by a physician. He advised avoiding crowds. There is no need to close schools or movies, Dr. Hoodin stated, and if precaution is used there will not be an epidemic of polio here, he added.

Niles Daily Times March 29, 1947

Statewide figures for 1946, Dr. Hoodin pointed out, show that of the 931 cases of diphtheria reported, 53 patients died; of the 718 poliomyelitis victims, 56 succumbed; out of 17 cases of smallpox, only one patient died; of the 135 cases of typhoid fever, 13 patients died; the total reported cases of whooping cough were 4,207. Of which 57 died; in cases of men with rabies, mortality was 100%—of the five cases reported, five died.

Niles Daily Times November 26, 1957

Dr. Abraham Hoodin, acting Health Commissioner since last August, is the city's new health chief. The 47-year-old physician and surgeon was the only applicant of three who passed the civil service test for the permanent post. Dr. Hoodin officially succeeds the late Dr. Stephen Boesel who died last summer. *Dr. Leonard Blum* had been acting health commissioner until he resigned in August.

Niles Daily Times November 29, 1960

Children in the first, third and seventh grades of the city's public and parochial schools will soon be receiving an improved and painless test for tuberculosis. School children, with permission of their parents, receive the tuberculosis tests each year in these grades. Children new to Niles schools receive the tests sometimes during their schooling here.

The Heaf test is best for mass testing Dr. Hoodin said. The test consists of a trigger-type shot which penetrates the skin, quick and painless, it leaves only six small dots on the skin. The test can be read in a few days and if the tests draw a positive reaction, the child is asked to undergo x-rays to determine if any form of tuberculosis is present.

Niles Daily Times September 25, 1962

Dr. Abraham Hoodin, City Health Commissioner, today reassured Niles residents that Type I of the Sabin Oral Sunday Polio immunization program which will start in Niles Sunday, has been proved to be both safe and effective. He added that despite any troubles all the diseases, such as smallpox, diphtheria, and scarlet fever to name a few, have virtually become unknown in America because of the vaccination program.

Pointing to the immediate Trumbull County area, Dr. Hoodin stated that there haven't been any polio patients in three years. The iron lung is going out of business he said. From a purely financial outlook, the doctor explained that the artificial breathers were costly, and it was much better for people to take the preventative vaccines than to wait for polio to strike.

Niles Daily Times January 20, 1966

Kindergarten classes at Mt. Carmel School will resume Monday following a 10-day recess, according to Dr. Hoodin, Niles Health Commissioner. The mid-month dismissal of classes was recommended by him on January 13 following the discovery of a dangerously high incidence of scarlet fever and strep throat among the pupils there.

On January 11, the first case of scarlet fever among the school's kindergarten pupils was reported to the Health Commissioner's office. Within two days "potentially epidemic proportions" had been reached with six scarlet fever cases and many strep throat cases on record and the kindergarten's classes were dismissed.

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He is a member of the First United Presbyterian Church, the Sincerity Lodge, F&AM Daniel McMullen Post of the American Legion, Niles Board of Education, national and state medical societies, and the American Academy of General Practice.

In 1959, Dr. Ralston was appointed to a seven-man subcommittee for the mentally retarded by former Ohio Governor Michael DiSalle.

Niles Times December 22, 1951

Dr. A.L. Williamson was born in Kansas and took his under-graduate work in St. Joseph Missouri Junior College and Kansas University in Lawrence Kansas. He graduated from the medical school of the University of Kansas in 1938 after which he came to Youngstown to serve two years with the Youngstown Hospital Association. In August of 1940, Dr. Williamson started practice in Niles and since that time has been associated with a group practice in that town.

Niles Times April 27, 1944

Dr. Charles W. Mathias, Niles physician who received a first lieutenant's commission in the Medical Corps, is scheduled to report for basic training which will cover a six-week period, after which he will be transferred to Charleston, South Carolina. Mathias attended St. Stephen School and was graduated from McKinley High School. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Mathias, 129 Hartzell Avenue. A partner of Dr. A.L. Williamson since 1940, they maintained a medical office at 421-423 Robbins Avenue.

Niles Times July 21, 1953

Dr. Richard W. Juvancic has started the general practice of medicine and will be associated with Drs. Williamson, L. Ralston, R. Ralston, and C. Mathias at their Robbins Avenue Clinic.

Niles Times August 25, 1970 By: *Joan Cochran*

Dr. Richard Juvancic can't remember a time when he didn't want to become a writer. During his senior year at Girard High School, he was a member of a journalism class which worked in collaboration with the Girard News. Richard submitted three articles which were accepted and experienced the heady pleasure of seeing his work in print.

Upon graduation, he took a job with the Girard News and developed a weekly column earning \$5 a week. Feeling that his writing career was interesting but unlikely to make him rich, he left and became a truck driver. He later returned to Girard News as City Editor for \$10 a week.

Realizing that a writer needed skills he went to college but soon received the 'Welcome to the Army' greeting in 1944. The Army put this budding writer in The Medical Corps and to his surprise he enjoyed the training where he mastered Anatomy in 18 days and got top grades.

He served in the China-Burma-India theatre in India working in a thousand bed hospital providing care for American and Chinese soldiers brought there.

After the war he returned to the Daily Times but by this time the idea of studying medicine had begun to take root. He started the long training at the age of 26, graduating from the University of Pennsylvania. He interned with Dr. Williamson, the two Ralston's and Mathias.

He joined their practice spending part of his time in industrial medicine as plant physician to several businesses including Niles Glass Plant starting in 1953. After 10 years of private practice, he became the Director of Medical Education at Trumbull Memorial Hospital October 28, 1963. He and his wife, *Rosemary*, reside in Girard with their four children: *Judith Ann, Richard, Janet Kay* and *Joyce*.

Niles Times May 18, 1967

Niles will have two new physicians joining the Niles Clinic, *Dr. Ulises Isalgue* and his wife *Dr. Catalina Isalgue* in the general practice of medicine. Since August 1964, they have been resident doctors at Trumbull Memorial Hospital where Dr. Ulises Isalgue is chief resident in surgery and Dr. Catalina Isalgue is resident in pathology. Trumbull was also the scene of initial residency over ten years ago, following their graduation from medical school in their native Cuba.



One of the many Presidential Ladies gown that will be on display at the Ward-Thomas Museum.

Marie Gouverneur daughter of President Monroe wore a sky-blue silk taffeta made in Paris.

THE DRESS WAS worn by *Catherine Hunyady Campbell* and generously sponsored by *William and Carol Kauffman*.

The First Ladies Gowns and Display Schedules

In honor of the 250th celebration of the United States, which will be observed in 2026, the Niles Historical Society will be displaying the replicated gowns of the First Ladies. These gowns were copied fifty years ago from the collection at the Smithsonian Museum in Washington DC during the Bicentennial and worn by various ladies of Niles. After a year or two of programs locally and an exciting trip to Washington to visit the White House, most of the gowns were generously donated by the women who wore them, or their families.

The dresses will be displayed four at a time in chronological order every month during our regular Open House Tours. These are on the first Sunday of every month from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Private tours may also be arranged by calling (330) 544-2143.

We would like to thank our members for their generous donations which supported the cleaning, boxing and storage of all the First Ladies gowns. Your gifts made it possible for future generations to enjoy these beautiful dresses for many years come. Unfortunately (or fortunately) we received more donations than we had gowns. The donations of those who did not sponsor a specific dress, will still be gratefully employed to continue to store the dresses in ideal climate controlled storage.

January begins with Martha Washington, worn by *Carmen Rinaldi* and generously sponsored by *Dave and Thelma Snyder*.

Abigail Adams, worn by *Eloise Berline* and generously sponsored by *The Spence Family*.

Martha Jefferson Randolph, worn by *Anne Townley* and generously sponsored by *Christine Macnamara*.

Dolley Madison, worn by *Jo Reese* and generously sponsored by *Nicholas and Brenda Chieffo*.

The next four will be in **February** and will be Elizabeth Kortright Monroe, worn by *Gail Doult* and generously sponsored by *Stephen J. Agostino*.

Marie Gouverneur, worn by *Catherine Hunyady Campbell* and generously sponsored by *William and Carol Kauffman*.

Louisa Johnson Adams worn by *Edy Angelo* and generously sponsored by *Thelma Livi*.

Emily Donelson worn by *Ruth K. Williams* and generously sponsored by *Patricia Williamson*.

In **March**, we will be displaying the Sarah Jackson gown worn by *Rose DeChristefero* and generously sponsored by *Diane Jamieson*.

Angelica Singleton Van Buren worn by *Ruth Corea* and generously sponsored by *Joan Matheny*.

Jane Findlay worn by *Clare O'Brien* and generously sponsored by *Paul and Janet Hill*.

Julia Gardiner Tyler worn by *Mary Ann Young* and generously sponsored by *Anna Marie Beagle*.

April will showcase the dresses of Betty Bliss, worn by *Anne McComick* and generously sponsored by *Jan and Fred Schweitzer*.

Abigail Powers Fillmore, worn by *Fanny E. Altiero* and generously sponsored by *Joyce Mahan*.

Jane Appleton Pierce, worn by *Esther Troutman* and generously sponsored by *Mrs. Troutman*.

Harriet Lane, worn by *Anita Buchanan Tobin* and generously sponsored by *Pat Wolfe*.

In **May**, we will be displaying the dresses of Mary Todd Lincoln, worn by *Marcella Burgess* and generously sponsored by *Patricia Burgess Fisher* in memory of Marcella Burgess.

Julia Dent Grant, worn by *Celia F. Matteo* and generously sponsored by *John Davis*.

Lucy Webb Hayes, worn by *Rae Skiffey* and generously sponsored by *Michael and Justine Neopolitan*.

Lucretia Rudolph Garfield, worn by *Lucille Bassett* and generously sponsored by *Robert and Eva Doyle*.

June will see the dresses of the next four ladies on display. Mary McElroy, worn by *Jane Boag* and generously sponsored by *Robert and Susan Reid Sharp*.

Caroline Scott Harrison, worn by *Mary Raschilla* and generously sponsored by *Louise Vett*.

Mary McKee, worn by *Catherine B. Murray* and generously sponsored by *Anonymous*.

Edith Carow Roosevelt, worn by *Mary K. Shaker* and generously sponsored by *Mr. and Mrs. Ed Young*.

July will feature the gown of Helen Herron Taft, worn by *Jean Muccio* and generously sponsored by *Sherry Rose*.

Ellen Axon Wilson, worn by *Joyce Hartzell* and generously sponsored by *Carol and Curtis Miller*.

Edith Bolling Wilson, worn by *Carolyn C. Marra* and generously sponsored by *Lynda Ralston*.

Florence Kling Harding, worn by *Ruth Exline* and generously sponsored by *The Rook Family*.

In **August** we will display the dresses of Grace Goodhue Coolidge, worn by *Mary Jane Dell* and generously sponsored by *Kristen Mather*.

Lou Henry Hoover, worn by *Margaret M. Shaker* and generously sponsored by *Colleen O'Brien Smith*.

Anna Eleanor Roosevelt, worn by *Angie Tricomi* and generously sponsored by *Peggy and Bill Miller* in memory of *Lyda and Willard Cox*.

Bess Truman, worn by *Helen Crofford* and generously sponsored by *William and Meredith Elliott*.

September will showcase the dresses of Mamie Dodd Eisenhower, worn by *Jean Corey* and generously sponsored by *Vicki Pirigyi*.

Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy, worn by *Grace Hreno* and generously sponsored by *Kathy Corrado Whitlatch*.

Claudia Taylor Johnson, worn by *Mary Bird Greene* and generously sponsored by *Elizabeth B. Wildman*.

Patricia Ryan Nixon, worn by *Lillian Jennings* and generously sponsored by *Angela Delucia*.

In **October** we will display the gowns of Betty Bloomer Ford worn by *Toni Landolfi* and generously sponsored by *Tom and Lynn Gombos*.

Roslyn Carter generously sponsored by *William and Elizabeth Muir*.

Nancy Davis Reagan generously supported by *Deborah Exler Katz*.

Please consider coming to tour the Ward-Thomas museum and see the dresses on display. We look forward to your visit,

—Meredith Elliott

Anrdea Hoson Allen	David N. Fredericka MD	Thomas Lucas	Nick Roberts
James Amick	Judge James A. Fredericka	Cathy Lukasko	David H. & Aire Roche
Jan Arnaut	Ruth Ann Fritz	Joe & Joyce Lukz	Richard & Jeannie Rook
John & Maria Baldwin	Mary Fuller	Veronica Lump	Sherry Rose
Joe & Debbie Barber	Edward & Sharon Fusco	Amanda Macik	Elizabeth Rowan
Gail Walton Barbarini	James & Jane Gallucci	Scott & Dori MacMillan	Pete Ruberto
Annette Batovsky Family	Loren Gargano	Kenneth MacMillan	Linda Salvaterra
Anna Marie Beagle	Connie Gatta	Patrick & Karen MacQueen	Don & Barbara Madden Sanning
Linda Beca	Alex & Irene Georgalas	Tom Madden	Trish Scarmuzzi
Nichoas & Linda Belcastro	Denise Georgalas	Robert Markwell	Linda Schuring
Sandy Bilovesky	Judith George	Gregory & Karen Marsteller	Fred & Janet Schweitzer
Sally Bogdan	Mary Helen Giangardella	David A. & Mae Martin	Ellen Sheldon
David Boich	Tom & Lynn Gombos	John A. Martin	Stephen Simunich
Suzanne Billig Boslau	Tim Goodhart	Lillian Masciangelo	Alice F. Slavokovsky
Theresa Popp Braun	Peggy Grubbs	David & Kris Mather	Carol Smaltz
Gary L. Brown	Al & Julie Guarnieri	Joan Matheny	Colleen Smith
Marcia Buchanan	Mary Lou Guerrero	James McAllister	Jean McKibben Smith
Cheryl Buila	Lawrence Guerra	James F. McConnell	Mary Ann Smith
Richard & Helen Bullock	Phillip Guerra	Patricia McElravy	Robert J. & Carol Smith
Thomas Caldrone	George Gulgas	Brian F. McGuirk	Sara E. Smith
John & Georgia A. Cassidy	Dolores Gumino	Kelly McKinney	David & Thelma Snyder
Dean M. Cavacos	JoAnne Hanysh	Mary Ann McMahon	Carol Souders
Maria Cecil	Richard Harris	Anita Danyluk Means	Marilyn Spence
Nicholas & Brenda Chieffo	Shirley L. Harris	Vince Melillo	Jerry Spalvieri
Carla Cicero	Geraldine Hart	DeEtta M. Miller	Pete & Judy Spetsios
Anthony & Karen Ciminero	Bill & Linda Haydu	Jill Miller	Russ Steib
Ronald Ciminero	Jennie Helmick	Mary Margaret Cox Miller	Janet Stein
Mary E. Mahan Conrad	John Herlinger	Marilyn Ross Miller	Sally & Jeff Stommen
Dr. Richard Corea	John Humbert	Kathleen M. Mocker	Michele Strong
Gus C. Cost	Shirley A. Hunter	Susan Dyess Moore	Theresa Strong
Gary & Jo Coupland	John & Esther Infante	Gary Mowen	Tim Stuhldreher
Pearl R Cox	Jim & Sue Jackson	William & Elizabeth Muir	Kenneth Sullivan
Mark Crawford	Mark & Sharon Jackson	Donna Nellis	Anne Siddall Swegan
Carolyn Croft	Diane Jamieson	Treva L. Neiss	James & Dawn Tallman
Jeff Crowley	Brittany Jarrett	Billie Neuman	Lisa Bullock Theis
Anna Mae Cuchna	Carol Jones	James Nicaastro	Barbara J. Thomas
Michael Dando	Dorothy Jones	Sally Nolder	George Thompson
John E Davis	Thomas C Jones	David Pappada	Marian F. Tock
Nancy Davis	Anne Kaczmarek	Beatrice & Paul Parker	Ralph & Cathy Tolbert
David DeChristofaro	June McLean Karovic	Debra Parsons	Coleen Tominey
James DeChristofaro	Deborah Exler Katz	David Paulik	Larry & Mary Toriello
Frank DeJute	Mary Kelley	Philip & Tonya Penrose	Sue Trimbur
Angela DeLucia	Carrie Kibby	Richard & Renee Pitts	Tony & Jane Vigorito
Salvatore DeLucia	James A. Kiracofe	Patricia Pfeifer	Carol Vilhosky
Robert & Eva J. Doyle	Graceann Morgan Kojima	Bruce Piper	Sandra Lee Vine
Audra Dull	Ery Kurowski	Vicky Pirigyi	Ken & Virginia Voorhies
Terry Dull	Sam Labruno	Robert L. Powell	Paul A Wieda
Chris & Denise Eddy	Michael & Carolyn Lastic	Eileen Pressell	Ed & Lori Wheeler
Anna Mancini Eggleston	Ethel & Al Latil	Nancy Hewitt Prosenjak	Kathy Corrado Whitlatch
Bill & Meredith Elliott	Patti Law	Dena Puccetti	Judy S. Wiand
Ed Ellks	William Lehto	James Quilty Jr	William & Janet Wiencek
Mary K. Mahoney Erjavec	Brian K. Lewis	Rose Benedict Quinn	Jeanne Fogarty Wieckowski
Edward J. Exler	Jack Liberatore	Louis Ralston	Elizabeth Wildman
Robert Faith Sr	Susette Liddle	Lynda Ralston	Diann E. Williams
James Fedor	Kimberly Little	James L. Reppy	Tricia Williamson
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