



Tuesday, November 25, 2003

Faculty and staff offered Holiday Walk discounts

OU faculty and staff can experience the holidays “around the world” at a discount price for **Meadow Brook Hall**’s annual Holiday Walk. This year’s OU Day is Saturday, Dec. 13, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last admittance at 4 p.m.) All faculty and staff will be able to bring up to 20 guests for the special price of \$12 per ticket (regularly \$20). Faculty and staff must show their OU identification card to receive the discount.

Meadow Brook Hall’s 2003 Holiday Walk Grand Tour offers a variety of events designed to capture anyone’s imagination. This year’s event transports guests back to 1935 – the year Frances Dodge, daughter of Oakland University founder Matilda Dodge Wilson, took her family on a grand tour of the world. You can experience the grand tour during the Holiday Walk by retracing the journey of the Dodge-Wilson family. From India to Greece, Meadow Brook Hall will transform each room into a festive location visited by the family. Guests will receive their boarding passes upon arrival into the Great Hall where they will be part of a festive “bon voyage” before embarking on their grand tour adventure.

Meadow Brook Hall is the fourth largest historic house museum in the United States and is especially renowned for its superb craftsmanship, architectural detailing and grand scale. Built in the 1920s as the residence of Oakland University founders, Matilda Dodge Wilson (widow of auto pioneer John Dodge) and her second husband, lumber broker Alfred G. Wilson, the 110-room, 88,000-square-foot, Tudor-revival style mansion is complete with vast collections of original art and furnishings. Listed on both the national and state registers of historic places, Meadow Brook Hall strives to preserve and interpret its architecture, landscape, and fine and decorative art so visitors may be entertained, educated and inspired by history.

All Holiday Walk proceeds are used for the preservation and interpretation of this significant historic property. OU Day is sponsored by the **Oakland University Branch of the Michigan State University Federal Credit Union**.

For more information on the Holiday Walk, visit the **Meadow Brook Hall** Web site or call (248) 370-3140.

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