



Hoover Historical Center "Preserving the Hoover Legacy" North Canton, Ohio



Above, tours begin in the primitive 1840s building, originally the Hoover family home and now known as the Tannery. A second room (shown with brick floor) in the Tannery provides a showing of the evolution of cleaning devices beginning with primitive-style brooms and includes manual cleaners from the late 1800s and early 1900s. The first interactives on the tour are available here. Visitors have the opportunity to use bellows and, as shown below, operate a replica 1910 manual cleaner.



The family's farmhouse constructed in 1853 was completed in 1870 with a Victorian Italianate addition, and the family guest parlor shown below, left. Elegant Victorian décor complements the story of the Hoover legacy throughout. The first Hoover vacuum and other early Hoover models are shown in the guest parlor along with family photos and furnishings (below). 100 Years of Hoover News is celebrated with history boards featuring photos and headlines from *Hoover News* issues in each display room in 2018.





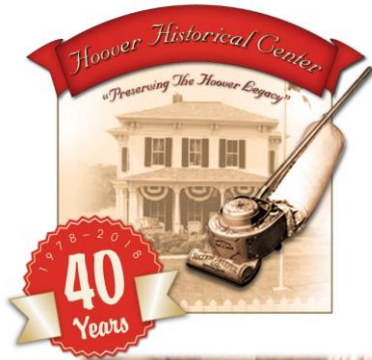
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The family parlor, shown below, illustrates Hoover history from the 1920s and 1930s. Ladies fashions complement the Hoover story and are changed annually. Visitors enjoy singing the Hoover song with a recording of Hoover salesmen singing the melody.



The family dining room is filled with World War II artifacts which include items Hoover produced for the War effort and awards received from the government. View photos and history of the British War Evacuees, children from England brought to Stark County through The Hoover Company to escape the ravages of the War. Vintage Hoover products and advertisements enhance exhibits throughout. Ellsworth Smith cartoons previously featured in **HOOVER NEWS** issues are displayed.





Beginning on the second floor, Hoover advances in vacuum technology and history from the 1950s through 2008 is presented. In the first room, guests turn on a round canister vacuum that floats on air! In the next room they can demonstrate the power of a hand-held vacuum by floating ping pong ball and attaching the vacuum to a portable wall.



A display of photographs of Hoover floats along with awards The Company received from the Pro Football Hall of Fame's annual parade are displayed. *A 2018 exclusive is a showing of Smith watercolors and artworks.*



A Gift Shoppe offers souvenirs including post cards and Hoover logo items. June – October, enjoy 12 award-winning gardens cared for by volunteer members of The Herb Society at the Hoover Historical Center.

Experience the Legacy!

Tours conducted hourly, 1-4pm, Thurs.-Sat., March-Oct. Reservations exclusively for groups weekday mornings. Phone 330-490-7435 or email ahaines@walsh.edu. Closed major holidays. *Donations accepted in lieu of admission.*



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