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The History Museum Presents Christmas at Copshaholm

South Bend, IN— The community can enjoy the wonder of the Yuletide season during The History Museum’s Christmas at Copshaholm, taking place from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 4 and 11. Over 15 beautiful Christmas trees are on view throughout the 38-room historic house. Festooned fireplace mantels, garlands of greenery on the stairways, and tabletops with holiday décor add to the beauty of the home. Please note that there are steps leading to the mansion and stairways inside of the house. Tickets are \$15/general; \$10/members; \$5/youth 6-17; and free/5 & under and can be purchased online at historymuseumSB.org or by calling (574) 235-9664.

Tours during Christmas at Copshaholm are self-guided, providing visitors the rare opportunity to walk through the mansion at their own pace, staying as long as they wish in each room. Docents on each of the three floors are available to answer questions about the home. Gary Kowalski will play holiday music will be played on the Steinway piano in the mansion’s Music Room, and families can have fun with an “Elf-on-the-Copsha-Shelf” scavenger hunt. On December 4, the River Bend Chorus will perform from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Leighton Gallery.

It was 125 years ago, in 1897, when J.D. and Anna Oliver and their four children moved into their new home at 808 West Washington Street in downtown South Bend—Copshaholm, as they would later name it in honor of the Scottish birthplace of J.D.’s father, James. The mansion would be home to the family for the next 75 years. The Oliver family donated the house completely intact to The History Museum in 1988. Copshaholm’s furnishings are original, showing the house as it appeared when the family lived there. The historic house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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