

Explore America250: A Journey Through Time at the RLA



A Journey Through Time returns to the RLA with an **entirely new exhibit**, showcasing the complete 2024 publication by the *Butler Eagle* newspaper. In 2024, the exhibit featured the 2023 publication.

From **February 25, 2025, through July 3, 2025**, visitors are invited to explore a year of historical research displayed in the mezzanine gallery at the RLA. This 90-foot-long exhibit features rare archival photos, stories, maps, and more from the *Butler Eagle's America250: A Journey Through Time* series, covering U.S., Pennsylvania, and Butler County history.

A Must-See Exhibit for History Enthusiasts

"There's something new to learn every time you visit," said Amy Pack, president of the Butler County Tourism & Convention Bureau and a member of the America250 county committee. "This exhibit is an opportunity to celebrate Butler County and reflect on the important and notable history that sometimes gets forgotten."

America250 is a nonpartisan initiative commemorating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Declaration of Independence in 1776. The *Butler Eagle* launched its newspaper series in January 2023, and this exhibit brings its first full year to life in a visually compelling display.

A Community-Centered Historical Experience

"The idea was to create a unique publication that brings this history together," said Tammy Schuey, *Butler Eagle* publisher and America250 committee member. "The display at the RLA represents the first year of this effort."

With approximately 1,000 people visiting the RLA weekly for conferences, classes, and events, the exhibit has become a point of interest and conversation. "The last exhibit saw thousands of visitors of all ages and we hope those same visitors and more will come see this new exhibit," said Dr. Justin Griffith, RLA's Chief Executive Officer.

Plan Your Visit

The RLA, located at 850 Cranberry Woods Drive in Cranberry Township, welcomes the public to view the exhibit in the second-floor gallery.

Exhibit Hours: Monday - Thursday: 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM and Friday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

"Everyone – schools, civic groups, senior organizations, Scouts, and history buffs – is encouraged to visit," said Denise Etter, an America250 committee member. "Our history inspires our future, and this exhibit connects us to the people, places, industries, and events that define our heritage."

After its removal on July 3, 2025, this exhibit will be stored for future displays. The next installment of *America250: A Journey Through Time*, featuring articles, artwork, and additional materials from 2024, will be showcased from February through July 2025 at the RLA.

Don't miss this **extraordinary opportunity to walk through history!**