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The Freedom Trail Scholars Visits Orchard Gardens Elementary School

As the school day is in full swing at the Orchard Gardens Elementary School chants will be heard from down the hall, "Lobsterbacks, go home! Lobsterbacks, go home!"

This will be the sound of fifth grade students taking part in the Freedom Trail Scholars program, an interactive history program touring to schools in and around the Boston area. The Scholars Program will visit the Orchard Gardens Elementary School at 906 Albany Street in Roxbury on Monday, January 31st at 9:00 a.m.

Since February of 2007, the Scholars program has been touring to Boston schools and has served over 7,000 budding students. The program covers the major events of the American Revolution in Boston, including several subjects required for the fifth grade history curriculum frameworks as outlined by the Massachusetts Department of Education.

This one-hour traveling program consists of two actors taking on multiple roles to bring the stories of the Boston Massacre, the Tea Party, and Paul Revere's Midnight Ride to life. By engaging the students in a dramatic way, the program aims to help students learn and remember the events and leaders of the American Revolution.

"This is one of the first of many visits The Freedom Trail Foundation is making to area schools to help children learn events of the American Revolution," said Mimi La Camera, President. "The Scholars Program is an exciting, fun, and interactive way to assist teachers to educate their students."

The Orchard Gardens Elementary School is one of many Boston schools that are able to secure the program for their school thanks to the support of John Hancock Financial Services.

For additional information regarding the Scholars Program, including sponsorship opportunities or potential school visits, please call The Freedom Trail Foundation's Angie Jepson, Scholars Program Manager, at (617) 357-8300 extension 203 or visit www.thefreedomtrail.org

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