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THE LAUREL HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS THE 1950s

FEBRUARY 11, 2009

# Who Were Ozzie and Harriett?

*The Roots of the  
1950s Childhood Ideal*

7:30

Laurel Pool Club Room  
9th & Main

FREE

Many Americans think the 1950s fostered an ideal American childhood.

True? Or did the origins of the 1950s childhood ideal spring from an earlier era?

Did growing up in the decades that included the Great Depression and World War II affect the baby boomers' parents' expectations for their children — the children of the 1950s? *Presented by Dr. Kriste Lindenmeyer, UMBC*

**Kriste Lindenmeyer**, is a Professor and Chair of the Department of History at UMBC. Professor Lindenmeyer's research and teaching focus on U.S. social history with an emphasis on, the history of childhood, and women and gender during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century. She is the author of *The Greatest Generation Grows Up: American Childhood and Youth in the 1930s*, and *A Right to Childhood: The U.S. Children's Bureau and Child Welfare, 1912-1946*. She is editor of *Ordinary Women, Extraordinary Lives: Women in American History*, and co-editor with Andrew Kersten for *Politics and Progress: American Society and the State since 1865*.



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