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New “History Detectives” episode filmed in Canton to air on June 19 at 9 p.m. on PBS 45 & 49

KENT, Ohio — June 5, 2006 — America’s favorite supersleuths are back for a fourth season on “History Detectives,” with the first episode featuring a segment about Canton, Ohio landmarks. The show will air on Monday, June 19 at 9 p.m. and will repeat on June 20 at 4 a.m. on PBS 45 & 49.

One of the “History Detectives” co-hosts, Wes Cowan, visits Canton’s Church of the Savior United Methodist Church, which was the site of President William McKinley’s funeral; the McKinley Presidential Library and Museum; the Stark County Library; and the grounds of the McKinley National Memorial. His task is to help Shawn Kennedy, of Battle Ground, Wash., find out if his great-grandfather was a bodyguard for President McKinley. Cowan also tries to determine if a flag that Kennedy possesses draped McKinley’s casket after the president’s assassination in 1901.

Following Cowan’s research, Kennedy is flown to Canton to hear the bad news and good news about the research outcomes.

The McKinley flag segment of “History Detectives” is the third of three stories covered in the season premiere. “History Detectives” features investigations that delve into family legends, local folklore and stories behind potentially extraordinary objects in everyday American homes, cities and small towns.

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