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Lecture - March 14, 2018 at 6pm - Bellaire Public Library

Title "How the Other Half Lived"

During the country's "Gilded Age" many of the very wealthy built summer homes along the Hudson River in upstate New York or "cottages" in Newport, Rhode Island. A few had houses in both places. The lecture will visit both areas and will share some of the interesting stories that surrounded these homes and their owners, including Samuel F.B. Morse, inventor of the code that bears his name and his magnificent 1851 Italianate villa in Poughkeepsie, NY, "Locust Grove".

Judi Hendrickson and Jeanne Finstein are local historians who enjoy discovering and sharing interesting pieces of the past, particularly Wheeling history. They are the authors of a book on local history, "Walking Pleasant Valley" and are long time, active members of the historic preservation organization, Friends of Wheeling.