Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.



"Let your heritage not be lost, but bequeath it as a memory, treasure, and blessing, and preserve it for your children."

— Christian Metz, 1846

Tour Kirkwood Boulevard with an Expert!

Polly Taylor and Joe Kint have been faithful supporters of SCHPS for many years. During that time, they have accurately restored their historic home. At our 2000 awards ceremony, Joe and Polly received an award for another ambitious and well done project, their rebuilding of the carriage house that once graced their property! You have an opportunity to see both home and carriage house, attend our annual meeting and to learn more about historic properties on Kirkwood under the expert guidance of Alice Neilsen. Kirkwood Boulevard, once a very fashionable street, today retains much of the charm of yesteryear. In addition to Polly and Joe's property, we'll see the Thomas Murray house, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, the First Presbyterian Church, and other exuberant examples of historic architecture. Plan on attending!

Our annual meeting will also be held at the home of polly taylor, 628 Kirkwood Boulevard—plan on attending, officers for 2004-2005 will be elected, the budget will be adopted and we'll have a grand tour of Kirkwood blvd.





LEFT: 628 Kirkwood blvd RIGHT: 316 Kirkwood blvd—Two of several historic buildings we will visit on June 10th.

June 2004 Newsletter

Next SCHPS meeting June 10, 2004 • 7pm 628 Kirkwood Blvd, Davenport

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Education Committee Report

Karen has been working very, very hard. Her efforts working on Grand Excursion are really paying off in permanent exhibits for the LeClaire House. Read her report below and marvel! She'll be on WVIK on June 10.

April 20: Met with Jeff Guthrie about permanent photo exhibit for LeClaire House. (\$4,000. bid).

April 20: Met with Lynn Spaight from Humanities Iowa for grant interview. (\$1,000. grant was approved. (\$500. for speaker's fee & duplication of Bob Stumm's eniter collection of Upper Mississippi River lithography post cards. \$500. for promotion and brochures).

April 21: Took Cornell College students on a LeClaire House tour.

April 24: Bucktown Bash display and program.

April 27: Karen is reviewing the new Village of East Davenport Historic District Register.

April 28: LeClaire House program for Antique Study Club. \$150. donation for House.

April 29: and May 3. Karen attended Davenport City Council meetings to protest proposed sale of Indian Springs Park in Village of East Davenport.

May 4: Karen met with Director of East Davenport Development Corporation to develop architectural guidelines for rehabilitation grants. Applications are now being accepted for 10-%-25% rehabilitation rebates.

May 6: "Hell at Midnight" slide program for Rock Island Historical Society.

May 17: Karen and Joy Thompson wrote and mailed 31 mini-grant applications to local foundations. Volunteers are needed to call grant sources.

May 18: Sarah Graham created new SCHPS stationery.

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to graham_graphics@msn.com to get on Sarah's list for receiving your newsletter early. You'll get your letter one or two days before the snail mail. Let us know if you want to receive both email and snail mail. a Your wish is our command. (And also, if you elect to receive email only, a big savings for SCHPS. Newsletter production and mailing is one of our largest budget items).

Leclaire House to be Prominent Part of Grand Excursion.

Yes, it will be here before we know it. Trollies will be bringing the public to see the LeClaire House. We need members to be there to show them around (and yes, you can brag about the restored fireplaces and porches, etc.) and show off the new permanent exhibits!

We need help on Friday, June 25 and Saturday, June 26 from 10 am - 6 pm, and on Sunday, June 27 from 1 - 3 pm. If you have a period costume, great. Wear it. If not, that's OK. This will be FUN, FUN, FUN.

Call Ella at 441-0698, or email to gramhart@qconline.com for more information or to volunteer. Thank you!

Last Call...

...for the annual spring breakfast in Schuetzen Park, 700 Waverly Rd, Davenport, Saturday, June 12, 8:30-10am. As one who has "been there and done that" Ella can attest to the excellence of the breakfast and the community spirit at this event. It's a full breakfast served in the heart of nature with a "German" flair. Reserve your seats by calling Kory Darnall at 322-5489 or email schuetzenpark@aol.com.

Lots of Awards this Past May

The May 13 awards ceremony was held at the former St. Katharine's School; it was the perfect place! The former chapel of the preparatory school is now a community room for the residents of the senior housing complex located on the property. The awards committee, Rex Grove, Heather Holding, Becky McCarley, Bev Buerkens, Karen Anderson and Ella Hartmann, spent many hours researching, writing, interviewing, and preparing.

The list of recipients was quite varied, ranging from blockbuster projects like the Redstone Building to sympathetic additions to homes, establishing historic markers and preserving local history, to craftsmanship, as well as museum establishment and centennial and sesquicentennial events.

Special thanks are extended to Vonnie Flynn, Maurice and Jean Bennett, Phyllis James and all members who helped with the reception. Also to Chris Ales of Signature Holding Company for opening the Renwick House for tours before the awards presentations. The press coverage in the Quad City Times, the Leader and the Argus was quite gratifying! Cheers!

Welcome New Members

Mark and Sandra Davis & Randal and Debra Huebner joined our ranks at our April meeting at Gay Foster-Pray's home.

Betsy Wallace attended our awards ceremony, was impressed, so she joined our ranks.

Welcome to all of you!!!