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# 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

## Historic Homes along the Mighty Mississippi.

This month we will be touring two homes along River Drive in Davenport. The Ambrose Copperwaith Fulton House better known as Fulton's Landing Bed and Breakfast as well as the Abner Davison House better known as Gilda's Club.

Gilda's Club, a national organization that provides emotional support for Quad-City area people with cancer and their families, will open their doors to SCHPS at our next meeting. This well restored building was sited by financier Abner Davison around 1858. Afterwards we'll make our way next door to Fulton's Landing, a prominent bed and breakfast along the Mississippi River. Constructed of native river bank stone in 1871, it has been beautifully maintained and decorated to the tee!

Join us for a lovely riverside evening of historic homes. Please park in the Gilda's club parking lot via the alley way.



LEFT: Fulton's Landing as drawn by Ward Olsen on SCHPS Cards

RIGHT: Gilda's Club as drawn by Ward Olsen on SCHPS Cards

## April 2007 Newsletter

Next SCHPS meeting  
**May 10, 2007 • 6:30pm**  
1234 E. River Dr, Dav

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# Bettendorf Mansion Tour.

About 20 members met at the Bettendorf mansion for the April meeting, now home to Rivermont Collegiate preparatory school. Headmaster Rick St. Laurent and Diane Moran, a staff member, did a slide presentation with both of them adding information along with the pictures. After the slides, we divided into 2 groups and toured the building from the basement to the 3rd floor former ballroom. The headmaster allowed those who desired to go through the tunnel to the carriage house for a tour of the building. The school's board and the headmaster seem to be doing what they can due to limited resources to maintain and preserve the fine mansion.

## SchuetzenParke Fun!

SCHPS member Kory Darnall sends us the following information about the summer concert series at SchuetzenParke. All concerts begin at 1:00 P.M. and are free. Refreshments and food available. Concerts underwritten by Quad City Arts. For more Info: Call (563) 322-5409 or email SchuetzenPark@aol.com.

May 27 - Olde Town Circus Band

June 17 - Windjammers Dixieland Band

July 1 - Gaudimax-Bavarian Band  
(direct from Germany)

August 12 - Ambassadors Orchestra

September 30 - Deutsche Polka Band

## Education Committee Update

Karen is all set to give 20 minute presentations at the Brunch and high tea sponsored by the Gold Coast and Hamburg Historic District Association May 6. Watch for her commentary about her presentations here next month.

## A Thoughtful Way to Honor Those Who have Passed.

SCHPS member Duane Timm had two friends who recently passed on. He is honoring their memory with a monetary memorial to SCHPS.

Elmer Tuck was a Gold Cost resident who, with his wife's assistance, was restoring the Henry Christian Struck home at 713 Ripley Street. He was an avid carpenter/furniture maker who practiced his craft well. In the home that SCHPS members Duane Timm and Jeff Gomez just restored, they saw banister spindles turned by Tuck. He did an excellent job. Dennis Burke was a classmate of Duane's who farmed near Lost Nation and who worked with Bob White Construction in the Quad-Cities.

!! WELCOME !!  
NEW MEMBERS

ROBERTA SHADENSACK  
AND CHERYL DRAEGER

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if you would like to get your  
SCHPS newsletter early!

## MAKE THAT ITEM HISTORY!

Members only may submit a 18 word ad in the SCHPS newsletter (including member's name & phone number), for spaces to rent or things to sell. Limited to historic items only. Cost is \$5 for one month, \$10 for three months. 2"x2" photos will cost an additional \$15 per month. Contact Judy Belfer at 324-7779.

## Save the Date Preserving Today for Tomorrow

June 14 & 15, 2007 ● Waterloo, Iowa

Sponsored by the State Historical Society of Iowa & Main Street Iowa

### Conference Highlights:

- Integrating preservation into your community
- Connecting heritage sites for tourists
- Structural glass preservation and restoration
- Historic barn preservation
- Surveying historic resources
- Developing the next generation of preservationists
- Financial incentives for preservation
- Assessing and enhancing your historic house museum
- Tours of Waterloo's recent preservation projects

More details about registration  
will be available later this spring.

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