

Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.

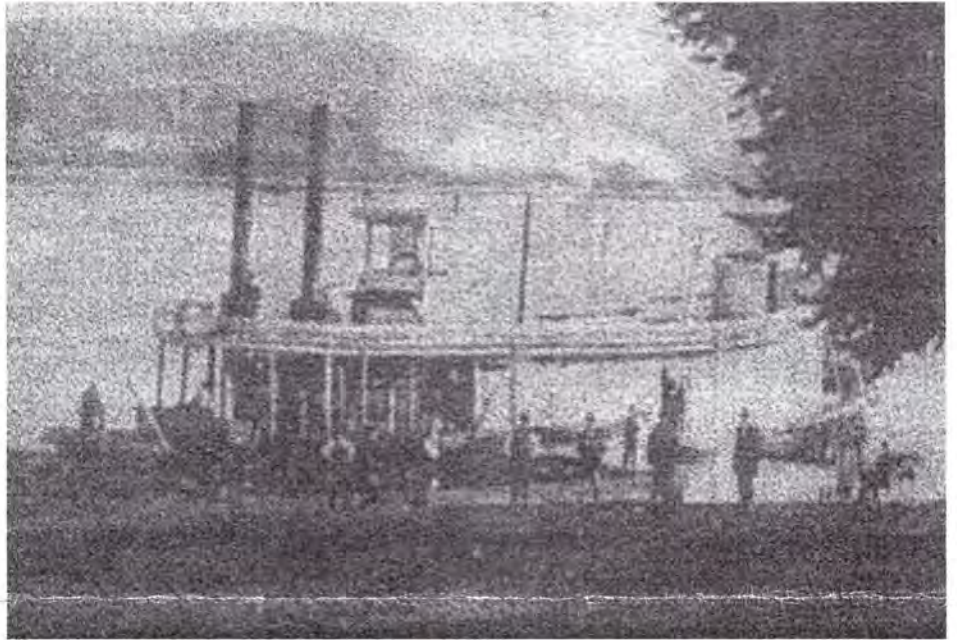


Next SCHPS Meeting Thursday March, 10thth 6:30pm St. Marks Lutheran Church
2363 W 3rd Street, Davenport, Iowa
6:30 pm 52802 2011

St. Marks Lutheran Church~

Sue Rekkas will offer a presentation about the Jennie Gilchrist. On October, 28th 1881 a little after 10 pm, the steamer Jennie Gilchrist left shore with 13 passengers and a crew of 16 men on board. She had in tow one barge and one flat-boat. The latter was being pushed at the bow of the steamer, while the barge was fastened to the port side. She passed through the bridge and had proceeded about a half-mile. At 10:30 pm the engineer discovered the rod used to reverse the wheel was broken, the boat began drifting rapidly down the stream which was swollen by the floods. 16 people died.

Pastor Travis Fisher of St. Marks Lutheran Church will also be giving a presentation about the church itself as well as the original stained glass windows. As a real treat we will also have some music provided by organist Ellen Bowin of St Marks Lutheran Church.



Jennie Gilchrist

Special Thanks~

Thank you--all 53 attendees-- for the Valentine party last month. I especially want to thank David Pai for the excellent meal for us and the members for all the delicious desserts. A big thank you to the German American Society for allowing us to use their facility. It was such a success for the second year that the board and I have decided to make this an annual event to be enjoyed by all the members and families for years to come. It is so nice to have friends...

Judy Belfer

From the Editor~

I recently purchased a home at 1210 Spring Street in the Village of East Davenport. The original 196 acre property was purchased from the United States Government in 1840 by Andrew J. Hyde and was soon after divided with



Colonel George Davenport and Antoine LeClaire. In 1848, Antoine LeClaire built the small cabin house that now sits at 1210 Spring Street. In 1850, Antoine LeClaire sold the home to Ambrose Fulton and wife who later that year sold it to William H. Hildreth. I will be renovating this property over the next 3 months and plan to live there with my wife and 4 children. We hope to see you all there as soon as we can arrange a tour. I'll keep you posted.

~David Pai

1210 Spring Street, Davenport, Iowa



Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc. has established a Nora DeJohn Memorial Fund, to purchase a permanent display item for use at the Antoine LeClaire House Historical Interpretive Center, which Nora helped found in 1976. Members are invited to attend an Irish Wake held in Nora's honor on Saturday, May 21st at St. Ambose Chapel. More information to follow.

Donations can be sent to-
 Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.
 Nora DeJohn Memorial Fund,
 P.O. Box 5017, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722.

Rock Island Arsenal Historical Society~

Meetings first Thursday of each month call Linda (email: chiicaliinda@aol.com) for dinner reservations (6 pm \$12.50) 355-6165 or just come to the discussion at 7 pm.
 Listing of meetings is as follows: March 3, April 7, May 5 and June 2

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Calendar Of Events~

March:

- 3rd RIA Historical Society meeting at RIA. To be Announced
 Reservations: Delores Bates 309.796.0616 or Linda Miller 563.355.6165
- 6th, 2p.m. "Country School: One Room – One Nation" with pre-show music by the Just 4 Fun Old Time Band.
 Nighswander Theatre, Annie Wittenmayer Complex, 2822 Eastern Ave., Davenport.
- 11th 6:30p.m. Radisson Quad City Plaza, Henry Farnam Dinner, celebrating railroads and railroading. \$40.00, 563.322.2969.
- 12th, 19th, 26th & April 2nd 2p.m. "Mr. U. S. Grant: A Man and a Patriot", Harrison Hilltop Theatre, 1601 Harrison St., Davenport.

April:

- 2nd 2p.m. "Mr. U. S. Grant: A Man and a Patriot", Harrison Hilltop Theatre, 1601 Harrison St., Davenport.
- 7th RIA Historical Society at RIA. Joe Nobiling "Confederate Prison at RIA"
 Reservations: Delores Bates 309.796.0616 or Linda Miller 563.355.6165
- 10th Quad City Heritage League Spring Social.
- 21st "Fun at Bowling," The history of our first Davenport bowling alley by Pat Lorfeld and her son Travis. Come to Bowlmor, 2952 Brady for a fun evening and a behind the scenes look.
- 23rd 9a.m.-12noon, Annual "Earth Day" Event, Blackhawk State Park, Rock Island. Call River Action at 563-322-2969, or visit www.riveraction.org.
- 26th 10:30a.m. -1:00p.m. The Outing Club, "Davenport's Historic Riverfront", \$19.00. S.C.C., registration (563) 441-4053.

May:

- 22nd-25th National Main Street Conference, Des Moines, IA.

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