# Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.



Sept. 2011 Newsletter

Next SCHPS meeting September 8, 2011 Firehouse, East Village Davenport

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SCHPS Meeting
Firehouse in the Village of East Davenport
6:30 p.m.

Come join SCHPS for an interesting tour of the old firehouse in the Village of East Davenport.

View artifacts of historic importance used for firefighting.

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# SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SCHPS MEETINGS

Oct. 13. 6:30p.m. Schuetzen Park
Host Corey Darnell will speak about
the trolley line which ended/began at
Schuetzen Park

Nov. 10 Taylor School. Tour and program about the adaptive re-use of the old school

Dec. 8 Christmas Party. Details to be announced

Jan NO MEETING

#### MEMBERSHIP DUES

Have you paid your membership dues? If not, dues are over due. Please send your check today for \$15.00 (newsletter via e-mail) or \$20.00 (newsletter sent via mail) Mail checks to:

Scott County Historic Preservation Society 1820 Grant ST, PMB 5017 Bettendorf, IA 52722

#### BESS WELLNER

SCHPS would like to extend its sincere sympathies to the family of Bess Wellner, who died July 10, 2011. Bess was one of the Antoine LeClaire House's most committed and devoted volunteers. During her 37 year tenure as a teacher in the Davenport School system, she helped create the "Gifted and Talented Program." Her inspired class not only wrote, but published the wonderful "Antoine's Town" history and coloring book for children, which has been one of the LeClaire's best fundraisers. Her imaginative class project will be educating yet new generations of Davenport students for many years to come. Thank you, Bess Wellner, teacher extrardinaire!

#### NORA DEJOHN MEMORIAL FUND

SCHPS is getting closer to its fund raising goal of purchasing a large gilt Victorian overmantle mirror for the Antoine LeClaire House. Nora was one of the LeClaire House's founders and most active supporter for over three decades. SCHPS has already purchased a beautiful pair of French gilt altar candelabras with opaline glass lilies, as well as a tall milk glass center vase. If you would like to help SCHPS reach its goal, please send your memorial to SCHPS, P.O. Box 5017, Bettendorf, IA 52722. Please put DeJohn LeClaire House memorial in memo line of your check. Many thanks to all initial donors, who helped buy our beautiful mantel candelabra set, which made its formal debut at the SCHPS Valentine Party!

### GOLD COAST & HAMBURG HISTORIC DISTRICT HOME TOUR

Five great homes, four of which have never been on tour. Along with the tour, the German American Heritage Museum and Café d'Marie will be open. Volunteers are needed to assist for two hour shifts and will receive a free ticket to the tour.

Dates for the House Tour are September 24th and 25th.

If you can help with this Tour, please contact Marion Meginnis at 326-3290 or <a href="marion\_meginnis@msn.com">marion\_meginnis@msn.com</a> [marion\_meginnis@msn.com]Please note there is an underscore between the word marion and meginnis.

# THANK YOU AUNT RHODIES

Thanks to Alex from Aunt Rhodies for an enlightening talk on Victorian plantings. Alex was the August program for SCHPS

# **UPCOMING EVENT**

The Moline Preservation Society cordially invites you to "A Celebration of 25 Years" to be held on Friday, October 14, 2011. Cocktails/Displays 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Program at 7:30 p.m. To be held at the University Club of Moline, 1518 Fifth Ave. Second Floor, Moline, Il. Dinner and program is \$25.00 per person with a cash bar. The evening's program will begin with a pictorial history of the Society's past 25 years with guest speaker Jim Peters, CEO Landmark's Illinois.

To make a reservation, send a check to Moline Preservation Society by October, 7<sup>th</sup>. Send to: MPS, 310 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Moline, IL 61265 or call Chris Van Lancker at (309) 764-2221 or e-mail modelp@netexpress.net