

Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.



July 12, 2012 6:30 p.m.
SCHPS Meeting
The Home of Jean Froehlich
821 W. Locust Street, Davenport



Please join us for our next meeting on Thursday, July 12th at the home of Jean Froehlich located at 821 W. Locust Street. The first owner was in the decorative metal business and you will see a different tin ceiling in each of the downstairs rooms.

The house was built for Peter Reimers in 1914/15. Mr. Reimers was born in Germany in 1852 and came to America in 1867 to learn how to manufacture metal cornices and skylights. Later he had his metal manufacturing business and a hardware store at 312 W. 3rd Street.

Mr. Reimers died in 1937 and in 1941 Philip Hedin bought the house from the estate for \$1.00. Philip's wife Hilda, was Peter Reimers' daughter.

In 2004 Sidney and Jean Froehlich bought the home and updated the kitchen and redecorated much of the house while keeping the original character of the house.

Jean would like to remind everyone, that parking is not allowed on Locust Street or in the alley behind her house. The house is the second house east from the corner of Warren and Locust Streets on the south side. Recommended parking is on Warren street

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DUES ARE DUE!

July marks the start of our 2012-2013 fiscal year. **Thank you** for renewing your membership. If you are reading this as an e-newsletter, you can still upgrade your membership to include a hard copy sent by USPS for an additional \$5 per year over the \$15 dues already paid. Perhaps you know someone who is not currently a member who values historic preservation as you do? Please encourage them to join SCHPS.

New or upgraded memberships should be sent to Scott County Historic Preservation Society (SCHPS), P.O. Box 5017, Bettendorf, IA 52722
Or dues can be paid at the July meeting.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

The LeClaire House will be open to the public for tours during the East West Riverfest on Sept. 8th and 15th. We need volunteers to help conduct tours. Please consider volunteering for one or both of these days. Call Judy at 324-7779. We had a signup sheet at our last meeting and thanks to all who have volunteered. We have more than enough for Sep. 15th and if anyone can cover Sept 8th instead, please let us know

RIA CELEBRATES

The Rock Island Arsenal is celebrating its 150th Anniversary, and to commemorate it, the RIA Historical Society will sponsor monthly "history breaks." These are Lunch and Learn sessions held on the second Thursday of each month in the Caisson Room, Building 60, Rock Island Arsenal, from noon to 1:00 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, July 12th, and the topic will be "The History of Rock Island Arsenal."

These sessions are open to the public as well as RIA Historical Society Members and Arsenal Employees. There is no cost. You can bring a brown bag lunch with you or buy a lunch at the BLD. 60 Cafeteria. Since the Caisson Room holds only 50 people, reservations are required. Please call 563-355-6155 (Linda Miller) or e-mail her at chiicaliinda@yahoo.com.

The bench that was given as a gift to the LeClaire House by the Rock Island Arsenal Women's Group has been installed. Go and check it out and enjoy a lovely view of the Mississippi and the Arsenal from the LeClaire House



A VERY SPECIAL HOUSE TOUR IS SCHEDULED AS A THANK YOU FOR OUR PAID MEMBERS



Come join us at 6:30 p.m. on July 19th, 2012 to view the "Theodore Eldridge House" at 1404 E. 10th St. Davenport. IA

Owners Mike & Linda Melroy will host a guided tour of the Eldridge House. This house built in 1878 is a distinguished example of Victorian Italianate style.

One of the most unusual exterior features is the bowed front of the house. Only one other house in Davenport has this feature.

The house is thought to have been designed by local architect Willett Carroll who also designed the Price-Vollimer house on south Brady Street in Davenport.

Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend this special THANK YOU TOUR.

