

# Scott County Historic Preservation Society, Inc.

**Nov. 13 at 6:30**

Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center  
at the Davenport Public Library  
321 Main St.

**November 2014  
Newsletter**

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SCHPS will meet at the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center at the Davenport Public Library, 321 Main Street, lower level. Amy Groskopt, Assistant Director of the Davenport Public Library, and Jessica Mirasol, Special Collections Supervisor, will share resources available and "how-to" information for researching a "house history" in Davenport - a historic home, commercial building, or your own home. Information about the original owner or the architect may also be researched. You may also track a particular property through annual city directories...city directories from 1856 to 2014...or discover a picture in the photograph collection.

The Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center was dedicated in 1999, thanks to a generous gift from Ted and Alice Richardson Sloane. The Center preserves and provides access to historical records of Davenport and Scott County for local history and genealogy research. Mrs. Sloane was a Certified Genealogist and both Ted and Alice actively engaged in genealogical and historical pursuits for many years. Looking forward to seeing you on the 13th at the Special Collections Center!



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Bettendorf, IA**

## SCHPS Upcoming Events:

**Nov. 13** tour of historical research area at Davenport Public Library downtown by Coky Powers

**Dec. 11** our December 11<sup>th</sup> holiday meeting will be at the Col Ball room as a catered/pot-luck. We will be helping celebrate the 100 year anniversary of the Col with a program by Leight Reitz, Events Coordinator. *We will need a head count for the catered main course, but more details will be in the December news letter.*

## Other Upcoming Events:

There are so many activities scheduled for this time of year, so I have decided to just list phone numbers. You may be interested in other historical groups and we are always welcomed.

German American Heritage [563-322-8844](tel:563-322-8844)

Moline Preservation Society [309-762-3058](tel:309-762-3058)

RI County Historical Society [309-764-8590](tel:309-764-8590)

SCHPS is still looking for one more person to join the board and also someone to take over gathering information for the news letter. Alex Connor organizes all the news and puts it together for Mike Hustedde to mail out to the membership. *Remember if you have any places you would like to visit, tell a board member so we can try to set it up for all of us.*

Welcome to our new members who joined this fiscal year: Theresa Kym & Jeffery Vendygriff of Rock Island, Rita Rawson of Davenport, Patricia Cresap of Bettendorf, Linda Kresser of Davenport, Curtis Roseman of Moline, and Susan Massic of Davenport. Also, welcome the new members joined us in June 2014, at the end of our last fiscal year: Michelle Montgomery of Davenport, Marabeth Robertson of Moline, and Debra Willenbring Singly of Coal Valley.

## About an SCHPS member

*Coky Powers, Researcher for SCHPS*

Born and raised in Davenport. My Kehoe ancestors arrived in Davenport in 1849 from Ireland, the Trelecks in 1853 from Bohemia and Ignatz Hild in 1866 from Germany. We've been here a long time. Can you tell I like to do genealogy? I graduated from Assumption High School and Marycrest College in Davenport and have a Masters Degree in Library Science from the University of Iowa. My husband Mike and I have 4 children and 5 grandchildren. I retired in 2011 after a career as teacher and librarian at St. Paul the Apostle School in Davenport and Cody Elementary School in LeClaire.

I have been researching family history for 25 years, and still looking for some of the family roots. Currently, I love to research local history also. I volunteer at the Richardson-Sloane Special Collections Center at the Davenport Public Library. That's where you will often find me! I enjoy researching and responding to questions that come through the SCHPS website. Always interesting stories to pursue!

## THANK YOU TO...

Alex Wolking for the BONUS house tour of Fulton's Landing B&B. He has offered another BONUS tour for us at the Overview Mansion on November 20. We will be mailing a separate notice just for that tour next week.