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Annual SCHPS Picnic

June 9, 2022 6:00 pm

Schuetzen Park

700 Waverly Road, Davenport, Iowa

SCHPS will provide pulled pork sandwiches.
Bring a dish to share & your own table service &
drink and \$5 to cover the cost of the sandwiches.
Please RSVP so we'll order enough food.
Reservations – call Jean at 563-324-7643.
Rain or shine – the porch area is closed in.
Looking forward to seeing you!

Dues for 2022-2023 are \$15 for online and \$20 for U.S. mail.
Memberships run from July 1 – June 30. Send your renewal to

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The Clock Tower on the Arsenal

We recently enjoyed the Arsenal Tour of Homes which also included a tour of the Clock Tower.

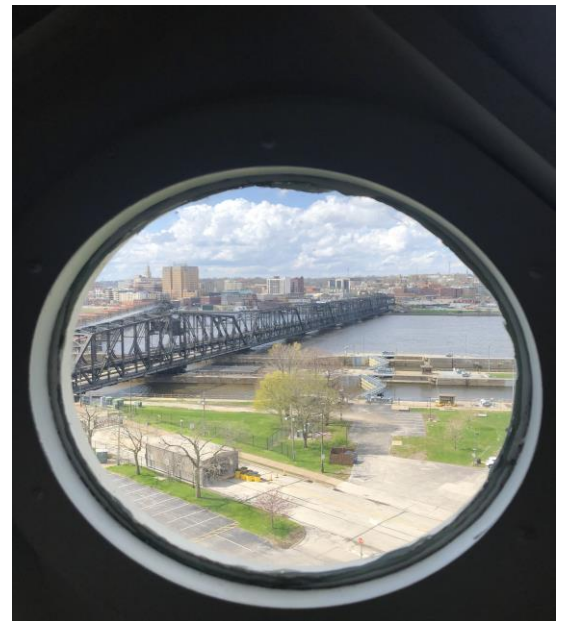
The building with the clock tower is the first one erected for the Rock Island Arsenal. In 1862, Congress established an arsenal at Rock Island. Construction was begun in 1863, during the presidency of Abraham Lincoln, and completed in 1867.

Originally built as “Storehouse A” for the storage of arms and supplies, the purpose of the tower was to support the main hoist that lifted supplies to the upper floors. (One of the hoisting wheels still turns in the tower.) The limestone used is from a quarry near LeClaire IA.

The clock has four 12-foot faces & around the center of the faces are 12 glass port holes at the hour points. Great views!

John Hiller, the mason whose stone house in the 300 block of Gaines you may have toured last weekend, is said to have worked on the construction of the clock tower.

SCHPS could set up a tour but it would have to be during the day. Let us know if you are interested. Call any of our Board Members – numbers on the front-page sidebar.



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