



Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 16-18 – Ste. Genevieve History Conference
- Oct 8–Nov 5 Smithsonian’s “The Way We Worked” Ste. Genevieve
- Nov 15 - Board Meeting 7pm Keil-Schwent House



Other Area Events

- Sep 10-11 Artillery Safety School Fort DeChartes
- Sep 24-25 ~ Traditional Music Festival Fort Kaskaskia, IL
- Oct 2 ~ La Fête de l’Automne Old Mines
- Oct 7-9 Center for French Colonial Studies Conf Columbia, IL
- Oct 22 – Rural Heritage Days Ste. Genevieve



SAVE THE DATE

- Ste. Genevieve History Conference Sat, Sep 17th, 8 am-5pm Ste. Genevieve County Community Center
- Déjà vu Spirit Reunion Sat, Oct 22nd, 5-8pm Memorial Cemetery

Foundation part of Smithsonian Exhibit

The Foundation for Restoration will participate in the Smithsonian exhibit, “The Way we Worked”, sponsored by the Missouri Humanities Council, the Bolduc House Museum, and the Welcome Center. This month long exhibit and complementing events will be in Ste. Genevieve from October 8th through November 5th. The Foundation will host the following:

- Oct 11– Colonial Lead Mining Lecture (7PM at the Guibourd)
- Oct 18 - Textiles – Knitting, spinning, and tatting demonstrations (5-8 PM at the Guibourd)
- Oct 15 – Fur Tanning (12-4 PM at the Guibourd)
- Oct 22 – Undertaking (TBA) and the Spirit Reunion in Memorial Cemetery (5-8 PM)
- Oct 23 – Colonial Gardening and Agriculture Lecture (2 PM at the Guibourd)
- Oct 30 – Historical Preservation and History (1-4 PM at Keil Schwent)



2011 Ste. Genevieve History Conference

The Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve invites you to join us for a weekend of Ste. Genevieve history beginning Friday, September 16, 2011 with a complementary reception at the Felix Vallé Historic Site from 5 to 7 PM.

The conference will be held from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Saturday, September 17, 2011 in the Ste. Genevieve County Community Center located on Highway 32. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided on site.

Presentations will begin at 9:00 a.m. and include the following:

- Carl Ekberg – “François Jasmin: From Black Slave to Free Entrepreneur”
- Tom Greminger - “The Civil War in Ste. Genevieve County”
- Booker Rucker - “The History of Ste. Genevieve’s Memorial Cemetery”
- Peter Leach - “Gone by Sundown – A Story about the Ste. Genevieve Race Riot”
- Jim Baker - “Prodigal Son – The Brief Life of Louis Felix Valle”
- Bob Mueller - “Lawyers and Politicians in the Post-Colonial Period”

On Sunday, September 18th, the Foundation will host a complementary walking tour of Memorial Cemetery and Catholic Church beginning at 11:00 AM at the Cemetery located at Merchant and 5th Street.

The cost for the event is \$45 per person. To register for the 2011 Ste. Genevieve History Conference, please fill out the following form and send it to the Foundation such that it arrives no later than Monday, September 12th. (Please see page 2 for sign-up form)

More info @
HistoricSteGen.org

Annual Meeting

Approximately 35 people attended the annual meeting at the Ste. Genevieve County Community Center. A short business meeting was held and accomplishments during the past year were reviewed by Bob Mueller and Bob Kist. Jim Baker gave an informative presentation on the origin of our unique vertical log architecture. The title of his talk was "Ste. Genevieve's Architectural Roots, Highlights from Pays d' Auge and Quebec". Thanks to Linda Mueller, Ellie Douglass, and Ann Casada for arranging for the conference and the meal.

New Board Meeting

Jan Brans, Sandra Cabot, John Karel, Mickey Koetting, and Bonnie Samuelson were re-elected for a 3 year term as a Board of Directors member at the annual meeting. Also elected for a two year term was Jack Donze. Thanks to all of these members for their time in supporting the Foundation. Chuck Houchin, who had moved back to California, has resigned from the Board due to the long distance but has volunteered to keep helping the Foundation with its website and marketing efforts. Thanks Chuck for all your help.

Officers of Foundation 2010-2011

At the August meeting of the Board of Directors, the following officers were elected and will hold office until the August 2012 Board of Directors meeting. Our newly elected officers include Mickey Koetting, President, Sandra Cabot, 1st Vice President, Jan Brans, 2nd Vice President, Bob Mueller, Treasurer, and Juanita Wyman, Secretary.

Call to Arms!

During the colonial period, Ste. Genevieve had its own citizen soldiers who made up the Ste. Genevieve Milice (Militia). The SG Milice participated in the western most battle of the American Revolution. This event was known as the Battle of Fort San Carlos and it occurred on May 26, 1780 in St. Louis. Anyone interested in learning how to do the French Arms drill and participate in re-enacting with the Ste. Genevieve Milice is encouraged to contact Gary Scheel at 573-883-9397 or email him at somewhere1@sbcglobal.net.

Déjà vu Spirit Reunion

Saturday, October 22nd, 5-8pm at the Memorial Cemetery, 5th & Merchant Sts. If you are interested in portraying a character during the Spirit Reunion, please contact Mickey Koetting at 573-883-5850 or Ellie Douglass at 573-883-2099.

2011 Ste. Genevieve History Conference (continued from page 1)

Name(s) of Person(s) Attending _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

In addition to the conference, I/we plan to attend: The Friday Reception
 The Sunday walking tour

Send this form and \$45 per person attending to:

The Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve
 PO Box 88
 Ste. Genevieve, MO 63670

Forms and remittance may also be dropped off at the Foundation Office located at 198 S. 2nd St.

(Please make checks payable to the Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve, Inc.)

For more information, call 573-883-9622, visit www.historicstegen.org, or email 2011historyconference@historicstegen.org

State Historical Society of Missouri Brownlee Grant

The Foundation on behalf of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War applied for and received a \$500 Brownlee grant from the State Historical Society of Missouri. The grant will be used to help pay for the sign commemorating the removal of funds from the Ste. Genevieve Bank during the Civil War. For more information on the State Historical Society of Missouri, visit <http://shs.umsystem.edu/index.shtml>

Antique French Colonial Silver Lecture

Les Amis is sponsoring a lecture on French Colonial Silver on Thursday, November 17th at 5:30 PM at Clark Graves Antiques in St. Louis. The cost for the event is \$10 for Les Amis members. Reservations and fee must be submitted to Robert Morrissey, 132 Meramec Ave., Clayton, MO 63105 no later than November 14, 2011. Please provide a telephone number and email address.

Cemetery Update

The Ste. Genevieve County Master Gardeners have given a \$500 grant to the Cemetery Committee for installation of landscaping on the southwest corner of the cemetery. The committee plans to install a sign there to inform people of the Memorial Cemetery. The grant will help pay for plantings around the sign. Rules for the cemetery were developed and presented to the City Administrator for approval. A metal sign detailing these rules has been ordered and will be mounted near the front gate. One of the changes is that the cemetery will be locked from dusk to dawn. Tree removal work is planned for August. Recently, a limb fell on a section of the fence which required work to repair the damaged section.

Guibourd Update

The pad and porch modifications necessary for the wheel chair lift have been completed. The lift needs to be wired and adjusted. Bricking in the rose garden is underway. Thanks to Ron Armbruster for his efforts on this project and to Bob Kist, Carl Okenfuss, Teddy Ross, Phil Rogers, and Bob Mueller for their help on this project. The Guibourd House has also received the donation of a weaving loom from the Armbrusters. Efforts are underway to make it operational. Bert and Bob Kist have been working on the garden all summer. Ollie Naeger has been doing lawn mowing for the House.

New Collections

The Foundation received a digital collection of old photographs from the Ste. Genevieve Herald. We also received a copy of a 1931 General Utilities Survey, a collection of Ste. Genevieve Women's Club annual booklets from 1949 to 1969 and other old Ste. Genevieve photographs from Anne Hemmer and Louise Wade.

Speaker's Bureau

Do you belong to a not for profit organization that would like to have a speaker on a Ste. Genevieve historical topic. The Foundation lists over 25 presentation topics and they are offered free within 30 miles of Ste. Genevieve. For a full list of topics, visit http://www.historicstegen.org/files/2011_SG_Speakers_Bureau_catalog.pdf, call the Foundation at 573-883-9622 or email speakers@historicstegen.org

Foundation Educational Research Award

If you know someone who is working on a thesis, dissertation, special graduate level project, or book about Ste. Genevieve, ask them to apply for our 2011 Educational Research Award. This annual award which includes a \$1000 stipend is given by the Foundation to promote education on Ste. Genevieve and the surrounding area. For an application, visit HistoricSteGen.com/grants or call the Foundation at 573-883-9622. Applications typically must be received by September 1st, 2011 to be eligible for this year's award, however, we are extending the submittal date to October 1st for 2011.





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Are We Going Where You Came From?

Did your great-grandparents come from the Baden area of Germany? If you are interested in visiting your homeland or touring Europe, a two week trip is being planned for **April 9th through the 22nd, 2012**. This European Adventure will wind through the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, and France with a special twist. In addition to touring historical cities and castles plus cruising several rivers, we will be visiting rural villages in the Baden area where travelers' ancestors came from. These villages are all located near Offenburg, Germany, across the Rhine from Strasburg, France. If your ancestors came from the Baden area, you will be visiting several of these villages and perhaps even meeting some of your long lost relatives!

This 14 day European Adventure includes 21 meals. You will spend two nights in Amsterdam, two nights in Heidelberg, two nights in Munich, two nights in Lucerne, two nights in Offenburg, and two nights in Paris.

Cost: \$3650 per person double (or willing to share) \$4330 per person single

Airfare: \$1210 Deposit: \$250

For more information contact Mary Elise Okenfuss at 573-883-7101 or Presley Tours at 800-621-6100.

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