

BGHS News—June 2014

Dear Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society members and friends,

Letourneau Lilacs Lavish a Bouquet for the Senses



The lilacs in the Letourneau Home/Museum Arboretum were gorgeous again this year.

Kudos to Our Volunteers



A big thank you to the master gardeners and BGHS members who planted heirloom annuals, weeded, and pruned in the Letourneau Home/Museum gardens on May 17 (left to right): Gary Seiner, Ellen Liehr, Bonnie Bergeron, Steve Liehr, Marcia Rabideau, Judy Smead, Shirley Pranger (front row), Scott Suryk, and John Hassett.

Issues Addressed at June 5 Membership Meeting

At the membership meeting this month, an arboretum work session was set for 8-10 am on Saturday June 14. The members and master gardeners will continue to groom the gardens, plant three replacement pink hydrangeas, as well as prune trees and shrubs so that the grounds look nice for the Bourbonnais Friendship Festival June 25-29. The home/museum will be open on Friday-Sunday during the festival. We are in need of a volunteer to sit for the home/museum on Saturday June 28 from 1-4 pm. If you are available, just reply to me, and I will give your name to our president Laurel Soper. Self-guided tour programs are available for visitors to the home/museum and arboretum. Plans continue for our fund raiser, the *Les Artisans* Arts & Craft Fair, on Friday October 31 from noon to 5 pm, and Saturday Nov. 1 from 8 am to 3 pm at the Civic Auditorium in Kankakee. In other news this week, another contractor has visited the home/museum and will present an estimate on repairing, restoring, and painting the exterior. The historical society hopes to have the work all completed by this fall.

Be sure to follow the historical society on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/bourbonnaisgrove> and our website at www.bourbonnaishistory.org, Best wishes,
Jim Paul