

BGHS News—May 2014

Dear Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society members and friends,

### **This Collage Opens Our First Monthly E-Newsletter**



The daffodils, tulips, rhododendron (upper left), blue bells (middle left), rhubarb, trillium (middle right), and shadblow serviceberry (lower right) are now thriving at the Letourneau Home/Museum. Marcia Rabideau brought the trillium and blue bells to plant last year.

### **Thank You Vic Johnson**

Vic Johnson has retired from writing the *Le Journal du Village* newsletter after all these years, so that he can catch up on several writing projects. We all thank him for the decades of writing for the BGHS. In order to continue communication with our members and friends, I have volunteered to write to you (who I have e-mail addresses for) and give information about upcoming events. My communication with you will be this monthly e-newsletter.

### **Save the Dates and Other Tidbits**

There are five tidbits of information that you should be aware of: 1) the *Les Artisans Arts & Craft Show* will be held on Friday October 31 from 12 - 5 pm and Saturday November 1 from 8 am to 3 pm (Ken Ponton has volunteered to organize the show); 2) a Letourneau Home/Museum gardening work session has been set for Saturday May 17 from 8 - 10 am (winter clean up, weeding, planting heirloom annuals, and pruning--I will supervise BGHS members and master gardeners); 3) we need a volunteer to chair the BGHS Programing Committee; 4) annual

membership fees are now due; and 5) the Letourneau Home/Museum is now open the first and third Sundays of the month from 1 - 4 pm (we need volunteers for the first Sunday of the month). Gary Seiner has graciously volunteered to take all the third Sundays. The volunteer simply "sits" for the house as visitors take their own self-guided tours by reading the prepared narrative for all the rooms and displays. Be sure to check out our website [www.bourbonnaishistory.org](http://www.bourbonnaishistory.org) and find us on Facebook. Best wishes,  
Jim Paul, BGHS Board of Trustees member