

Dear Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society members and friends,

First Fleur-de-Lis Award Ready for Presentation



Who will receive this *Fleur-de-lis* Award of Excellence to be presented at the first annual *Fleur-de-lis* Celebration Dinner on Friday November 3, 2017 at the Kankakee Country Club? The dinner will benefit the restoration of Bourbonnais Grove's first log school house (1837-48). Sixty individuals will attend the celebration dinner which will feature French-Canadian cuisine and French songs/music by Brad Benoit.

Save the Following Dates

There are several upcoming important dates to remember: next meeting Thursday **November 2** at 7 pm with presentation by Dr. JoJo Sayson about the Ian Fleming Foundation fund raiser for fall 2018; *Fleur-de-lis* Celebration Dinner on Friday **November 3**; Letourneau Home/Museum Open House on Sundays **November 5 and 19** from 1-4 pm; and *Les Artisans* Arts and Craft Fair at Kankakee County Fair Grounds on Saturday **December 2** from 9 am to 3 pm. ***We still need a volunteer to chaperon the Letourneau Home/Museum open house on Sunday December 3 from 1-4 pm. No experience is needed as all tours are self-guided.*** Our Christmas Open House will be on **Sunday December 17** from 1-4 pm.

Next Membership Meeting on November 2

Also at the November 2 meeting (please come early to enjoy hot drinks, cookies, and camaraderie) we will nominate officers for next year including three trustee positions up for re-election

Kudos to Our Volunteers

Kudos to Marcia Rabideau for all her organizing of the museum artifacts, Gary Seiner for single handedly taking care of three orphan gardens, Daron Kinzinger for his daily trips to the post office box to collect payments and donations for the celebration dinner; and Judy Smead for chaperoning the October 8 open house. Have a wonderful fall season!

Jim