

BGHS News—June 2018

Dear Bourbonnais Grove Historical Society members and friends,

Riverside Senior Citizens Tour Our Historic Landmark



Marcia Rabideau (at left) gave a guided tour of the Letourneau Home/Museum for the Riverside Senior Citizens on May 16. We are grateful to Marcia for taking care of the seniors and again the offering tours the next day for three fourth grade classes from Shabonna School.

Kudos for Our Volunteers

In addition to Marsha, gratitude is extended also to: Sandi Sandeno and Jim Paul for showing the fourth graders our historic landmark; to Bonnie Bergeron, Gary Seiner, and Judy Smead for chaperoning the Letourneau Home/Museum Open Houses on May 6, May 20, and June 3 respectively; to Ken Ponton for hosting a visit from George and Elodie Letourneau's great granddaughter Michelle Bertrand on May 31; and to the members, friends, and Master Gardeners who worked in their adopted gardens in May—Pam Adams, Judy Beach, John Hassett, Mary Ann Lambert, Steve Liehr, Steve Monts, Holly O'Donnell, Jim Paul, Pam Perkins, Marcia Rabideau, Sandi Sandeno, Judy Smead, and Scott Suryk. Our historic landmark is a community gem.

Next Membership Meeting on June 7

Our next BGHS meeting will be on Thursday June 7 at 7 pm at the Letourneau Home/Museum. Please come early to enjoy beverages and cookies. The meeting agenda includes:

- Approval of May 3 meeting minutes (see attached);
- Acknowledgment of upcoming important dates—June 9 (Mومence Heritage Day), June 23-24 (Letourneau Home/Museum Open House during Friendship Festival—special artifact indicators for log school house history and restoration), July 4 (Les Artisans Arts and Crafts Fair), and September 28 (Fleur-de-lis Celebration Dinner);

- Planting of heirloom annuals in gardens—Saturday June 9 from 8-10 am;
- Artifact indicators for log school house history and restoration;
- Menu and price suggestions for Fleur-de-lis Celebration Dinner; and
- Chaperones for October 7 and December 2 open houses.



Come early to the meeting and read the new plant identification tags that have appeared in the Letourneau Home/Museum gardens.

Have a great June!
Jim