

The Happenings

St. Joseph Museums July-August-September 2009

We Love Our Volunteers!



On April 28 the staff of the St. Joseph Museums hosted a lunch for a group of very special people - our generous volunteers! The annual event was attended by twenty-six of the museums regular volunteers. This year, they were: Gift Shop and Cleaning - *Sandra Hamilton*; Collections - *Mike Fisher, Carole Johnson, Cole Klawhun, Virginia Woodbury, Kay Temps*; Tour Guides -

Carole Johnson, Kerry Bunker and Sue Wagner; Education - *Karen Planalp, Barbara LaBass, Carol Matt, Mary Helen Stuber, Karen Ferrell, Mary Keck, Dee Brock, and Michelle Janorschke*; Special Events - *Cathey Bossert*; Library and Archives - *Dorothy Smith, Jacque McNeiley, Marilyn*

Bryan, Nancy Hampton, Karen Foley, Carol Almanza, Corinda Stahlbaumer, Betsy Bartlett, Suzanne Lehr, Anita Hendrickson, David Hendrickson, Jennifer Rhoad, and Janice Paulman. We thank each and every one of them for their time and talents. They make it possible for us to accomplish so much more than we would be able to without their generosity!

Visitors Enjoy Spending "An Evening with George"

The Glore Psychiatric Museum Conference Room was filled to capacity as 75 guests came to enjoy "An Evening with George." The guest speaker was, of course, Glore Psychiatric Museum Founder George Glore, who shared the history of "State Lunatic Asylum No. 2" as well as his observations on how the treatment and perception of mental illness has changed. He was joined by former Glore Psychiatric Museum Director Scott Clark. Together they answered questions from the audience and told stories from their long careers

with the Missouri Department of Mental Health and the Glore Psychiatric Museum.



Left to Right: St. Joseph Museums Public Relations Officer Kathy Reno presents thank you gifts to guest speakers George Glore and Scott Clark.

Don't Forget to Sign Up for these Upcoming Trips!



Step Back in Time on a Guided Tour of Jamesport & the Amish Community

Voted the #1 Day Trip in Northwest Missouri in 2008, Jamesport, Missouri, is home to the largest Old Order Amish Settlement west of the Mississippi. On Tuesday, October 6, a guide will give us a tour of an Amish farm and show us their farming methods as well as what a typical school room looks

like in their community. We will visit the Amish stores and enjoy a traditional Dutch lunch served family style at the Gingerich Dutch Pantry. The trip begins at the St. Joseph Museum, 3406 Frederick Ave., at 9 a.m. and we will return by 5 p.m. The cost is \$55 for Museum Members and \$70 for Non-Members. Included is motorcoach transportation, step-on guide service, lunch, and gratuity. Reservations are required by September 15.



"SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS PAST" ENJOY THE PLAZA LIGHTS & VICTORIAN HOMES TOURS

Join us on Tuesday, December 15, for a holiday trip you will remember for years to come. The trip begins with guided tours of the mansions in Independence. We'll step back in time for "A Christmas Victorian Wedding" at the Vaile Mansion, which is a 31-room Second Empire Victorian home. Next will be the 1859 Federalist-style Marshal's Home, which will feature a for-sale boutique of homemade wreaths,

ribbons, and ornaments in the style of the 1850s. After a tour of the National Frontier Trails Museum, we will enjoy "A Dickens of a Christmas" at the 1890 Bingham-Waggoner Estate complete with dinner in the 26-room mansion. After dinner, we will head to Kansas City and go for a driving tour of the Country Club Plaza where 80 miles of holiday lights illuminate the night sky. The narrated driving tour will also include the holiday lights of the Power and Light District. The trip begins at the St. Joseph Museum, 3406 Frederick Ave., at 11:30 a.m., and we will return by approximately 8:30 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$75 for Museum Members and \$90 for Non-Members. Included is motorcoach transportation, admission fees, dinner, snacks, the driving tour, and gratuity. Reservations are required by November 20.

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Four Black Archives Museums Honorees are Featured in Juneteenth Parade



Above: Everett and Vivian Madison join the parade with their driver Hamilton Henderson.



Right: With Jason Callaway at the wheel, Pastor Louis and Rev. Connie Monroe get ready for the start of the Juneteenth Parade.

The Black Archives Museum was represented in the Juneteenth Parade, held on June 13, by two couples. One couple was this year's Hall of Fame Inductees, Pastor Louis & Rev. Connie Monroe. The second couple was this year's honorees at the "Recalling, Remembering, & Revisiting" program at the Black Archives Museum, Everett and Vivian Madison.

Special thanks to Cecil Myers for his loan of two cars to the Black Archives Museum for use in the parade.

Museum Provides an Animal Art Summer Camp for Youngsters

Students ages 6 to 11 painted, drew, folded, and dyed during the Animal Art Camp at the Wyeth-Tootle Mansion. Twenty youngsters attended the camp, which was held on June 22 through June 25. The camp finale included a Lion King skit performed by the campers for their families using the props and costumes they made during the camp.



Animal Art Camp participants paint fabric using melted wax to make Batik fabric designs.

Museum Presents 1920s Fashion Show



Left to Right: Emory Corso, Kat Johnson, Alex Wyeth, Mickie Mahoney, and Gillian Baldwin show off a variety of 1920s looks.

The Roaring Twenties was the focus during the "Inside Zelda's Wardrobe," Styles of the 1920s Fashion Show on May 20. The event, which was held at the Wyeth-Tootle Mansion, was inspired by the book *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald whose wife Zelda was the fashion icon of the mid-1920s. The event drew 51 guests who enjoyed such 1920s favorites as Shirley Temple drinks and pineapple upside-down cake. There were 67 models who showed the audience the typical 1920s outfit for everything from a family day at the beach to a romantic evening out.

**Watch for information about
Treasures, Trash, and Tunes
September 26 (Saturday)
We will be asking for your help and
support!**

New Collections Cabinets are Installed



In the process of moving and updating artifact storage, we have installed high-density mobile storage cabinets. The cabinets not only double storage capacity in a limited space but also provide greater security. Financial assistance for this project came from the Westward Ho Questers and the Leah Spratt Charitable Trust. It is anticipated that the historical collection of artifacts will be moved to the new cabinets in July. Hillyard, Inc., has graciously donated the use of a truck to help with the moving. Volunteers will also help with the recataloging of the artifact records to show the new locations. Thank you to all in the community who have helped make it possible for us to update our artifact storage to 21st century facilities.

New and Renewed Members, Donations, & Memorials

March 27 through June 23, 2009

Renewals

Leonard Anderson
Mr. David Bradley
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Donation of Items & In-Kind Skills

Donation of Equipment:

Hillyard, Inc. - 6 laptop computers
and the use of a truck

Virginia Woodbury - a mink stole
& a fox cape for programming

Donation of Items for Mah Jongg Party Door Prizes by:

Merry Burtner
Clara's Fashions
Christy Cordero
Keeping Good Company
The Frame Station

Computer Assistance: Jerry Lewin

Items for the Grounds:

Jim & Suzanne Lehr - Picnic Table
Sanger Family - Tree in Memory of
Andy Sanger

Labor on the Ice Machine: Webb Refrigeration

**Thank you to all of you
for your donations and support!**

Calendar of Events

July 15 - July 17 - American Girl® Doll Club Summer Workshop, Wyeth-Tootle Mansion, 1100 Charles St.,
- The St. Joseph Museum American Girl® Doll Club presents a three day workshop. The focus for the sessions will be the story of American Girl® dolls, Kit and Ruthie, as well as life in the 1930s. The first session will be held Wednesday, July 15, from 1 to 4 p.m. The second session will be held Thursday, July 16, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Friday, July 17, at 1 p.m., participants will take a field trip to the Amelia Earhart Festival in Atchison, Kansas. The fee is \$25 (\$15 for museum members.) Registration is required to attend. The registration fee includes all craft materials, Wednesday's snack, lunch on Thursday, and a tail-gate supper on Friday. **Please call 816-232-8471 to register or for more information.** Membership in the St. Joseph Museums American Girl® Doll Club is open to anyone interested in dolls and history. Owning an American Girl® doll is not required. The St. Joseph Museum American Girl dolls are available for use during meetings.

August 10 – 13 - Butterfly Science Camp – St. Joseph Museum, 3406 Frederick Ave., - The St. Joseph Museum presents a Butterfly Science Camp from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Students will learn skills in scientific observation, classification, testing and "field study." The cost of the workshop is \$10. Reservations are required. **Please call 816-232-8471 to make a reservation or for more information.**

September 17 & 18 - Historical Document Preservation Morning, Afternoon, & Evening Workshops Offered - Presented by the St. Joseph Museum, 3406 Frederick Ave., and the University of Missouri Extension - Bring the document of your choice and learn to preserve and restore precious family memories or other historical documents. The workshop will be conducted by Claudia Powell, the document preservation specialist for the Western Historical Manuscript Collection of the University of Missouri. This is a great opportunity to develop a skill that will pay for itself many times over. The fee is \$30 for Museum Members and \$40 for Non-Members, which includes all materials. **Space is limited to 10 participants per session and pre-paid reservations are required. Please call 816-232-8471 to reserve a space in either the 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. or the 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. session on September 17 or the 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. session on September 18.**

September 26 - Smithsonian Museum Day - The whole family can enjoy a St. Joseph "day-cation" as the member museums of the Museum Association of St. Joseph join the fifth annual Museum Day in cooperation with *Smithsonian Magazine*. Admission is free to all participating museums.

September 26 - "Treasures, Trash, & Tunes" Flea Market - St. Joseph Museum, 3406 Frederick Ave., 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Come and enjoy your time shopping for bargains and edible treats while being entertained by all types of music. Admission is Free.

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