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THE EUGENE FIELD HOUSE & ST. LOUIS TOY MUSEUM

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The St. Louis Holiday Historic House Tour



It's time once more for the extraordinary St. Louis Holiday Historic House Tour! The tour this year will include The Old Courthouse, The Eugene Field House & St. Louis Toy Museum, The Chatillon-DeMenil House, The Samuel Cupples House and The Campbell House.

The five historic sites tour will run from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm the night of December 11, with an inclement weather date of December 17, 2014.

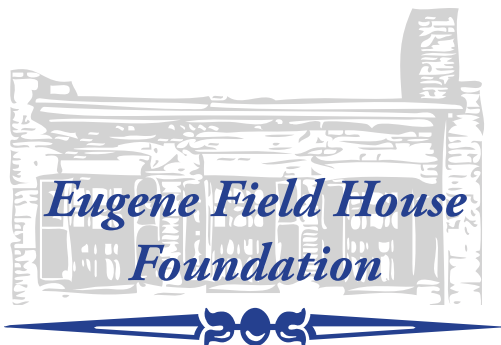
Get into the spirit of the season as you see all five historic sites decorated in their holiday splendor and offering light refreshments. Guests can tour the locations on continually running charter buses for \$30 a person in advance, \$40 the day of, or guests may opt to take a self-guided tour for \$20 in advance, \$30 the day of the event.

Don't miss out on this one night only, unique opportunity to experience five historic St. Louis sites. For tickets, or additional information, contact the Campbell House Museum at 314-421-0325, or visit www.campbellhousemuseum.org/events and click on the St. Louis Holiday Historic House Tour link.

The Eugene Field House Annual Members' Party



With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season fast approaching, it's time once again to mark your calendar for The Eugene Field House Annual Members' Party! Join fellow Eugene Field House Members on Monday, December 8 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm for an exciting evening of food, drink and conversation. It's sure to be an evening you won't want to miss!



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The Liberty of London Dolls are Back

London is calling again! After receiving numerous requests to place the popular Liberty of London dolls back on display, we have decided to do so, but have teamed up with the Maplewood Library to do it. This winter, the Maplewood Library will showcase the literary figures from our Liberty of London Collection. Everyone from Shakespeare to Mr. Pickwick, from the Pickwick Papers, will be on display with many of the royals being seen throughout the Eugene Field House.

This truly is a must-see as the dolls will be on display for a short period. Catch these one-of-a-kind handcrafted dolls before it's too late! Visit the exhibit at the Maplewood Library from November 26, 2014, thru January 5, 2015, at 7550 Lohmeyer Avenue, Maplewood, MO 63143. For hours and information call 314-781-READ or visit their website at www.maplewood.lib.mo.us.



St. Louis Skyline Cards

The Eugene Field House is now carrying Iconic St. Louis die-cut St. Louis Skyline Cards in The Sugar Plum Tree Gift Shop! These just released cards open up to more than 2 feet long and feature many distinctive St. Louis landmarks. The cards were created and designed by Mary Strauss and illustrated by Chris Kilcullen. Each card is \$13.00, and a portion of the proceeds benefits Landmarks Association of St. Louis. So stop by or give us a call at The Eugene Field House to get your card today!



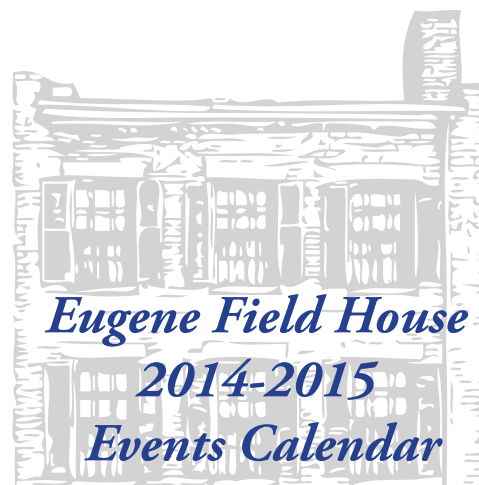
House Decorations for Holidays

'Tis the season when the Eugene Field House & St. Louis Toy Museum is taken over by holiday cheer and décor. We are pulling out all the stops this year as we ambitiously strive to take the holiday display to new levels with toys from across the generations everywhere in the museum. We cannot wait to see all the splendor of what the holiday season brings to the museum.

Let Us Eat Cake!



You might have noticed this year that throughout the St. Louis area there have been large cakes placed at several unique and iconic locations. These cakes are part of the Cakeway to the West public art exhibit created to celebrate St. Louis' 250th Anniversary! One of over 250 locations, The Eugene Field House's cake was decorated by local artist Corinne Didisheim and is four feet tall. Don't miss out, stop on by today to get your picture taken with our cake as this exhibit ends at the end of 2014! For more information on cake locations, visit www.stl250.org.



Eugene Field House 2014-2015 Events Calendar

~ November 26, 2014 - January 5, 2015 ~

"Liberty of London Exhibit"

Maplewood Library

~ December 8, 2014 ~

Members' Party

~ December 11, 2014 ~

The St. Louis Holiday
Historic House Tour

~ January 4, 2015 ~

Holiday Season Concludes
Museum is closed in January

~ February ~

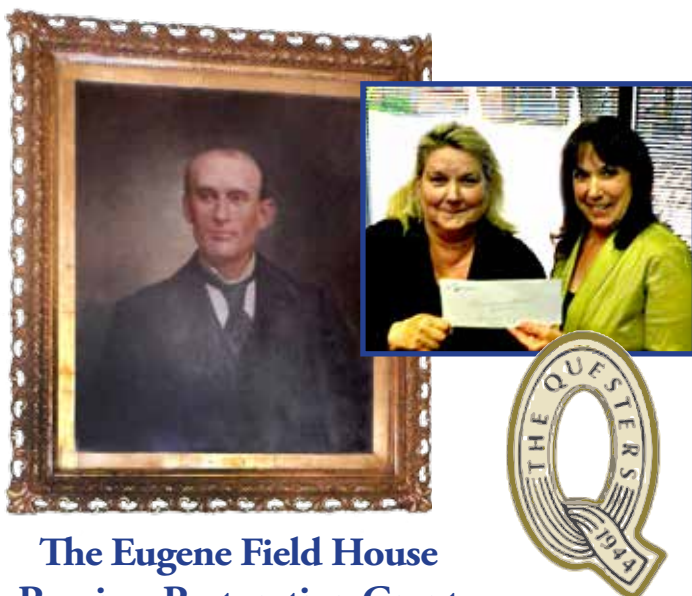
Black History Month

~ February 4, 2015 ~

Museum reopens

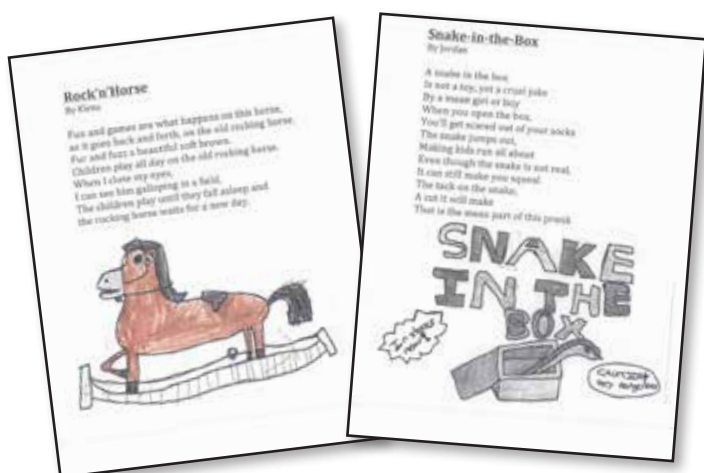


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The Eugene Field House Receives Restoration Grant

The Eugene Field House is proud to announce that it has received a restoration grant from The Eugene Field Questers Chapter #151 for the restoration of an original Eugene Field oil painting. The grant was presented to executive director Kimberly Larson from Past Missouri State Questers President Susan Favazza. The Eugene Field House would like to extend its gratitude to the Questers #151 for their continuous dedication to Eugene Field and the museum.



Forsyth Poetry

The Eugene Field House is showcasing poetry created by the 3rd graders of the Forsyth School on the third floor landing of the museum. In this edition of the newsletter, you can see Jordan's "Snake in the Box," based on the oldest toy in our collection, as well as Elena's "Rock 'n' Horse" which is based on a rocking horse located in the Library. This year's 3rd graders will be traveling to the museum in November so hurry down to see the 2014 poems before they are gone!

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January - September 2014

~ Honorariums ~

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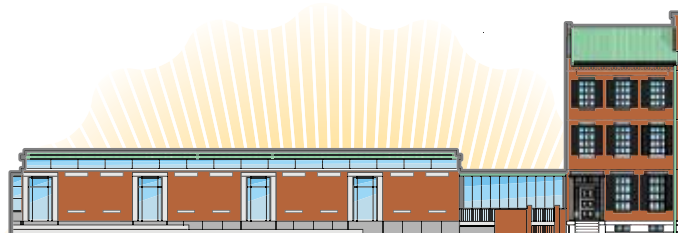
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The Dred Scott Footprints Tour

The Eugene Field House has once again partnered with The Dred Scott Heritage Foundation, this time for its 5th Annual Dred Scott Footprints Tour. The tour, which took place on Saturday, November 1, 2014, visited almost 40 locations and memorials connected to Dred Scott and his case for freedom. The first stop on the tour brought the group to the museum where they learned about Roswell Field and how he changed the case in order for it to be heard by the US Supreme Court.

To see information about their future events, visit www.thedredscottfoundation.org.



Preservation Board Approves The Eugene Field House Addition

The Eugene Field House is excited to announce that the St. Louis Preservation Board has granted preliminary approval for the museum’s plans for expansion at its meeting on Monday, October 27, 2014. The foundation’s board is working to raise funds to create a \$2.7 million expansion that will feature a library and conference space. The much-needed 4,000-square-foot addition will also include exhibit space for both Roswell’s work on the Dred Scott Case and Eugene’s poetry and writings.



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The Sugar Plum Tree Gift Shoppe is excited to announce it is now carrying FarmHouse Fresh, its new line of body care. Each product is made with up to 99.6% natural and naturally-derived ingredients and is "Whimsical. Nostalgic. Giftable for even your finickiest friends!" We love it and we think you will too, so stop on by the gift shop and try it out for yourself! Don't forget, members receive 15% off their purchase.



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