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ADDED BENEFITS

An added benefit of your Friends of the Museums membership is a monthly e-newsletter from the museums! These are exciting times in the museums and we are thrilled to have you along for the ride. Please take a moment to browse through all that is happening and know that it is happening because of you and your generous support. We couldn't do it without you and we thank you!

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HOPPIN' HOLIDAYS AT THE MUSEUMS!

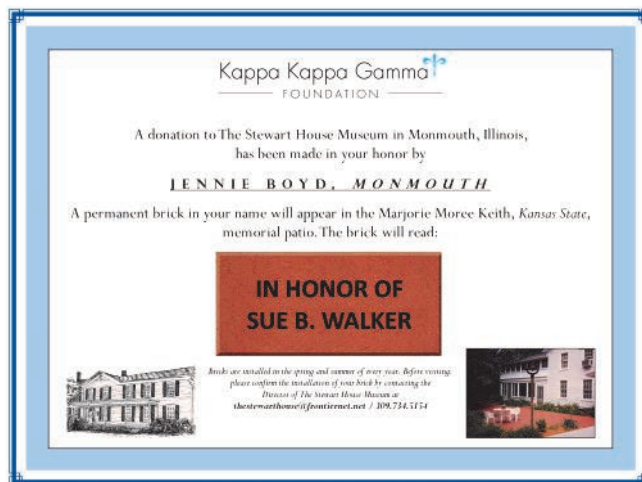
This year both museums decorated in grand style for the holidays and held several events throughout the season. Jane Warfield, Director of The Stewart House Museum, decorated from top to bottom and front to back, welcoming visitors and guests into the warmth of our beautiful prairie-style Victorian home in Monmouth, Illinois. Jane also reports that heating in the bitter cold of an Illinois winter is much easier thanks to our water-tight copper roof that was completed last spring – hooray!

For the 12th year running, Kylie Towers Smith, *Simpson*, Archivist/Curator at the Snowden-Gray House and Heritage Museum in Columbus, enlisted the help of her father, Bob Towers, to decorate the gorgeous Italianate mansion on East Town Street in Columbus, Ohio. The Snowden-Gray House was open for the three Saturdays leading up to Christmas, welcoming more than 100 visitors to enjoy refreshments, music and Victorian-style crafts. Visitors could make Victorian paper cones filled with candy or dried orange ornaments accessorized with cinnamon sticks and anise stars. The museum smelled incredible after all of the crafting! Stay tuned next year as we have already booked “A Night with Mr. Dickens,” a dramatic interpretation of *A Christmas Carol*, performed by Columbus local John Heisel as Charles Dickens!



SAME PATIO, SAME BRICKS...NEW SYSTEM

Do you have a brick?? The Marjorie Moree Keith, *Kansas State*, Memorial Patio at The Stewart House Museum in Monmouth, Illinois, has been an effective fundraiser and attractive landscaping solution since the 1990s. Aside from the engraving and installation of the bricks, the entire operation has been moved to Fraternity Headquarters. After more than twenty years, we also have raised the price of bricks to keep up with the rising costs of engraving and installation. If you order a brick today in your own name, you will receive a frame-ready certificate acknowledging your generous support of this project. If you order in the name of a friend or relative (and provide correct mailing information), they now will receive a frame-ready certificate letting them know of your generous gift. If you'd like to order a brick, the order form can be found on the [Kappa website](#), on the left hand side.



HAVE YOU HEARD?



The exhibit *Tradition of Leadership – Education to Enfranchisement* is being expanded! Phase one covered the history of Kappa Kappa Gamma in the context of women's history from 1870—1920. Phase two is in development and will be debuted at the 2014 General Convention in Houston, Texas. With another dynamic script written by Museums Committee member and Smithsonian Curator Emerita, Edith Petersilia Mayo, *George Washington*, we once again are working with designer Doug Distel to bring the exhibit to life. This new segment is titled *Tradition of Leadership – Enfranchisement to Employment* and will shed light on the years 1920—1970; the period of the flapper, the backlash to early feminism, dramatic expansion in Kappa and the continually changing roles of women. After the initial opening at Convention, both segments of the exhibit will be available for rental once again. These displays are perfect for chapter recruitment events, association events, community historical societies, libraries, and college or university gallery exhibitions. Help us share the incredible story of women's history and women in higher education with the community!

TUNE IN!

In January 2013, C-SPAN announced an ambitious programming schedule of specials devoted to the first ladies of the United States. It airs on Monday evenings at 9:00 p.m. Eastern time and our own Edith Petersilia Mayo, *George Washington*, consults on the show and has appeared several times to provide her expertise on the first ladies. Currently in its second season, there are only three episodes left, culminating with Michelle Obama on February 10th at 9:00 p.m. Eastern time. If you missed the regular airing, you still can catch episodes online at <http://firstladies.c-span.org/Default.aspx>. There also are a number of other great resources on the website including fascinating pictures from the White House Historical Association. Be on the lookout for Lucy Webb Hayes, the first of the first ladies to attend college and an honorary member of Kappa Kappa Gamma from Ohio Wesleyan, as well as Lou Henry Hoover, who joined Kappa Kappa Gamma as an undergraduate at Stanford University.

The screenshot shows the C-SPAN website for the 'First Ladies' series. The header features the title 'FIRST LADIES Influence & Image' in large blue and black text, accompanied by a small grid of four portraits. To the right, it states 'A C-SPAN Original Series' airing 'Mondays at 9 pm ET' from 'February 2013 - February 2014'. The C-SPAN logo is also present, along with the text 'CREATED BY CABLE' and 'THE WHITE HOUSE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION'. Social media icons for Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, and Pinterest are visible, along with the handle '@firstladies'.

The navigation menu includes links for Home, About, TV Schedule, First Ladies, In Their Own Words, Classroom, Store, Press Room, and C-SPAN Home.

The main content area features a large background image of the White House. On the right side, there are three promotional boxes:

- Featured Video:** A box for 'BARBARA BUSH' with a 'Watch Program' button.
- Welcome to the White House:** A box titled 'Two Centuries of History in Pictures' with a 'Click to WHHA' button.
- Coming Up...:** A box for 'HILLARY CLINTON' airing on '1/27-9 PM ET LIVE on C-SPAN'.

At the bottom left, there is a section titled 'America's First Ladies' with a horizontal carousel of five portraits and their names: Martha Washington, Abigail Adams, Martha Jefferson, Dolley Madison, and Elizabeth Monroe.