



Museum Hours

March -December

Wednesday - Saturday:
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday:

12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday - Tuesday:
By Appointment

January -February
By Appointment

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St. Louis 250th Anniversary Celebrations

The Campbell House Museum is a proud participant in the celebrations surrounding the 250th Anniversary of the founding of the City of St. Louis.

The most obvious sign of celebration can be found on the museum's front lawn in the form of a giant fiberglass birthday cake, decorated to match the Museum's exterior.

Campbell House was chosen as one of 250 important cultural landmarks in the St. Louis region to receive this honor (the full list of cake recipients can be viewed online at www.stl250.org). Visitors can also participate in a "cake hunt" of cakes throughout the region using an app available in your smart phone's app store.

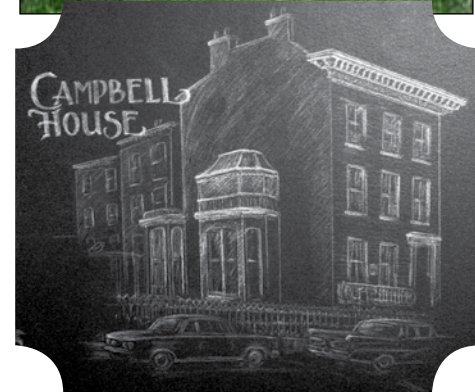
The celebrating began on the weekend of February 14, 2014 with the unveiling of the birthday cake and an open house. Over three days, the Museum's expert docents welcomed more than 225 people for tours at no charge. The weekend also marked Robert Campbell's 210th birthday.

Campbell House is proud to have been chosen as one of 50 iconic St. Louis places by the Missouri History Museum in their exhibit *250 in 250: A Yearlong Exhibit Commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Founding of St. Louis*.

Visit Campbell House today to get your picture with the cake and take in a big slice of St. Louis history. The cake and the exhibit are on display through February 2015.

Top right: The STL250 birthday cake welcoming visitors at the front door of the Campbell House.

Bottom right: The Campbell House as depicted in the STL250 exhibit now on view at the Missouri History Museum.



More Campbell Family Artifacts Donated to Museum

The Campbell House recently received the generous gift of a rare Capodimonte cup and saucer which originally belonged to the Campbell family.

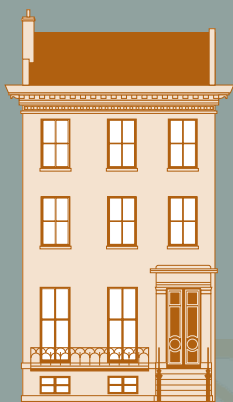
The Capodimonte Porcelain Factory was established in Naples, Italy, in 1743 and it directly competed with the Meissen Factory near Dresden, Germany. Capodimonte is famous for its moulded figurines and its decorative modelled flowers applied to cups, plates and vases.



The cup and saucer were probably made in the early 19th century. They were purchased by a St. Louis family in February 1941 at the Campbell family estate auction for \$5.

Over the past 70 years, many individuals and families have donated original Campbell family items to the Museum so the can be seen again in their historic setting for many generations to come.

See these newest additions (*pictured left*) to the Campbell collection on display in the parlor.



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City Living Since 1851

In Memoriam

Miss Betty-Mae R. Stienhans faithfully served as a docent and later a Museum Store volunteer for almost 20 years. Betty-Mae was the recipient of the 2005 Campbell House Foundation President's Award, which is granted annually in recognition of "outstanding dedication to the preservation of the Campbell House." She was a member of the Museum's Legacy Society in addition to being a very generous supporter of the Museum's restoration efforts.



Mrs. Theresa Leahy Johnson served as a loyal docent and volunteer at Campbell House for more than 25 years.



Both of these great ladies will be missed by many members of their Campbell House family.

New Members

(as of May 1, 2014)

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Adaire
 Ms. Mary F. Balmer
 Ms. Catherine Barlow
 Mr. Sean Barnett
 Mr. Thomas J. Beman
 Mr. Bruce Chulka
 Mr. and Mrs. Calvin E. Coates
 Mr. Cameron Collins
 Mr. Michael Cracchiolo
 Ms. Carol Crader
 Christina Dames
 Mr. Scott R. Dolan
 Ms. Cinda L. Fabicheski
 W. Thomas Frogge & Janine M. Ludwinski
 Ms. Jackie Gallino
 Ms. Morgan Gambill
 Ms. Deidre Griffith
 Ms. Mary Hammond
 Tom Herm and Mary Susman
 Mr. J. Robert Bullock & Mr. Dan S. Hoadley
 Mr. Stephen Holzwarth
 Mr. Timothy Huskey
 Austin & Mary Indritz
 Ms. Lynn Josse
 Mr. Randy Kane
 Mrs. Ruth Keenoy
 Ms. Mary Kimball
 Mr. Ned Klein
 Ms. Katherine Lorino
 Mr. Kyle Lucks
 Mrs. Pam Masching
 Judy and Roger McNeilly
 Ms. Dawn McSweyn
 Mrs. Diane Modray
 Mr. Brad Mueller
 Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy
 Laurie Drone O'Connor
 Mr. Edward J. O'Hearn
 Gina and Jeffrey Parker
 Ms. Mary Ellen Pearson
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Raiser
 Mrs. Sally Ravensberg
 Ms. Cheryl Schaefer

The Schoenecker Family
 Michael and Deborah Sladek
 Mark and Jennifer Smith
 Mr. Kevin Steincross
 Ms. Kelly Stites
 Ms. Irene Thalden
 Ms. Sharon Theurer
 Ms. Megan Tucker
 Ms. Elodee Tuley
 Mr. J.R. & Mrs. Mia Walters
 Ms. Elizabeth West
 Mr. Robert Wickland
 Ms. Dixie Wright

Memorials & Tributes

(as of May 1, 2014)

In Memory of Dr. William Coxe
 Mr. Sam B. Clark

In memory Frederick Z. Clifford, Sr.
 Mr. and Mrs. William Piper

In memory of Mrs. Theresa L. Johnson
 Mrs. Joseph F. Gleason
 Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Connell
 Mr. Daniel McGuire

In Memory of Mr. David Hannemann
 Ms. Cheryl Schaefer

In Honor of Mr. Sam B. Clark
 Mr. and Mrs. Noel Moss
 Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sargent
 Mr. Ken Nickless
 Ms. Mary Ottoson
 Mr. John Sullivan and Mr. Ken Miesner
 Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dill
 Ms. Suzanne Sicher
 Mrs. Gerry Kessler
 Mr. Donald Thebeau

In Honor of Mrs. Lynell Mueller
 Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mueller

In Honor of Andy Hahn
 Dr. and Mrs. Matthew Newman

In Honor of Mary A. Hahn
 Ms. Susan L. Hahn

Fifty-Cent Mystery

Campbell House has its fair share of mysteries, ranging from odd architectural quirks of the building to questions about the intricacies of the Campbell family's history. But there are also a couple recurring *modern* mysteries

Every few of months when opening the front doors a silver surprise sits gleaming at the top of the stone steps of the building. Sometimes there's just one, sometimes as many as three or four, but the gift is always the same—a Kennedy 50 cent piece.

Since the first coin appeared in 2011, more than 40 have been left on the stairs and there has been no set pattern to their arrival. An early coin was painted gold, though the job had been done some time back, with the paint all but flecked away. Two then arrived with black marks through them. One Sunday three coins appeared at different times of the same day.

Earlier this Spring, two of the coins mysteriously appeared in the middle of a Sunday afternoon, between 2 and 3 p.m. Thanks to our security system, we could look back at video of our front

steps during the time period and we found...absolutely nothing. So the mystery continues.

Right: The 50-cent collection displayed on the stone front stairs.



the CAMPBELL HOUSE MUSEUM

Since opening on February 6, 1943, the Campbell House Museum has served the greater St. Louis area as one of the region's premier historic property museums. The Museum not only preserves the Campbell's house, but also their collection of original furniture, fixtures, paintings, objects and thousands of pages of family documents. In 2005 the Museum completed a meticulous five-year restoration that returned the building to its opulent 1880s appearance, when the house was one of the centers of St. Louis society.



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From the Director

By Andy Hahn

Hot on the heels of the Museum's parlor drapery restoration, work has begun to reupholster the Campbell's numerous suites of Rococo-revival furniture (*Tufted upholstery picture below*). Thank you to **Sam Clark** and **Tim Rohan** for spearheading this project which is expected to take about three years to complete.

The 2013 President's Award was awarded to **Tom Gronski** and **Dennis Rathert** (*pictured at right*) at the annual 1851 Society Dinner. Over the past 5 years Dennis and Tom have become indispensable volunteers, "demonstrating outstanding dedication to the preservation

of the Campbell House Museum and its mission." The 1851 Society is open to individuals or corporations who become annual Museum members at the \$750 level or greater. For the past eight years the Annual 1851 Society dinner has been held at the Deer Creek Club.

Board Updates

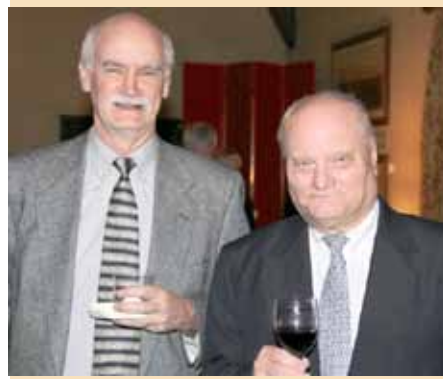
At its December 2013 meeting the Campbell House board of directors elected new officers for 2014. **Scott Johnson** replaces **Frederick Z. Clifford, Jr.** as president. Outgoing president Clifford expertly guided the museum board for five years. **Tim Rohan**, **Sam Clark**, **Terry Baer** and **Jeanne Lindburg** were also elected as officers. In 2014 the Board of Directors welcomed two new members to its ranks, **Scott Dolan** and **Kathleen Horgan**. The members of the Board of the Campbell House Foundation serve three year terms and are eligible for reappointment. They donate countless hours, hard work and substantial resources in support of the Museum (*see full board member list at left*).

New Lucas Place Exhibit Now On Display

The new exhibit *Lucas Place: The Lost Neighborhood of the Gilded Age* explores the origins, development, and decline of the exclusive upper-class suburb of St. Louis where Robert Campbell and his contemporaries made their homes.

The exhibit, on display at the Campbell House Museum through September 30, provides visitors with information and artifacts from some of the other residents of this upscale locale. Since its founding in 1850, Lucas Place reflected James Lucas' vision of "a world apart," situated at the great distance of one mile from the hectic and smoke-filled atmosphere of the riverfront. Here were wide streets, lush green trees, front lawns, and, over time, one of the greatest concentration of private residences in St. Louis history.

However, as the city continued to grow in population and economic dominance, the old owners moved further west, many to the stately residences still standing at Westmoreland and Portland Place. The Lucas Place exhibit recounts this progression in St. Louis history with photo displays of several of the original residences, plus an overview of some of the cultural institutions that used to line the street—including churches, the Saint Louis Art Museum, Missouri Historical Society and an exhibition hall that covered the entire two blocks. Come and see what life was like in St. Louis' original Central West End.



Upcoming Events

Smithsonian Museum Day

Saturday, September 27, 2014, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Readers of Smithsonian Magazine tour participating museums throughout America, including CHM, for free. Join us the night before for the second annual #drinkuptweetupSTL presented by Campbell House and Distilled History featuring live music and a celebration of St. Louis history through the lens of beer, wine and spirits.

Halloween Open House

October 31, 2014, 6 to 9 p.m.

Tour Campbell House on Halloween night and learn about death and mourning in 19th century St. Louis. Cost is \$10 per person and members are free.

Holiday Historic House Tour

Thursday, December 11, 2014, 3:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Campbell House is proud to announce the return of this exclusive holiday tour of downtown sites including the Old Courthouse, Eugene Field House, Chatillon-DeMenil Mansion, and Cupples House. Tour features light refreshments, space is limited and reservations are required. \$35 for tours and charter bus transportation between the four sites and \$25 for a self-guided evening. *Above: Campbell House parlor Christmas tree.*



Above: Bird's-eye-view of part of Lucas Place in 1875, showing St. Louis' first public high school—as the only one in town for 30 years it was simply called High School.

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From the Archives

Most any visitor to Campbell House will hear the story of the friendship between the Campbell family and the Ulysses Grant family.

How the families became acquainted is unknown. Robert almost certainly knew Julia Grant's father from St. Louis business circles and Julia Dent Grant and Virginia Campbell had very similar backgrounds and upbringings.

In 1869 Grant appointed Robert Campbell to the newly-formed Indian Commission. The Grant and Campbell families regularly socialized after this time. The Grants hosted the Campbells at the White House in 1871 and the Campbells hosted dinners and receptions for the Grants at Campbell House in 1871 (see image at right), 1873, 1874 and 1875.

Today the family friendship continues — Campbell House weekend manager David Newmann is also a guide at Grant's house Whitehaven, a National Historic Site in St. Louis County.

Left: Small bisque bust of U.S. Grant circa 1868 from the Campbell family Collection.

