



# Ferguson Historical Society

## 2024 Year in Review

### (January 2025 edition)



## Thank You!

Happy New Year from the Ferguson Historical Society (FHS)! This newsletter is a new way we hope to keep our members and supporters abreast on what we've been up to. One thing is for sure, none of this would be happening without YOU! You have attended fundraisers, open houses, and events we sponsored. Without your continued support, the FHS would have ceased to exist, so we thank you for helping us continue our mission, "to preserve and promote the history of Ferguson."

## Full Year of Events

In 2024, we had many events that helped us be more visible in the Ferguson community and beyond.

As part of our collaboration with Historic St. Louis, the FHS hosted **TWO Open Houses at our History House, June 8<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>**. The event in June was particularly special, as **we honored Ruth Bindbeutel Brown** and her over 50 years of dedication to the FHS. We surprised Ruth by unveiling the new name for our archives room, the "Ruth Bindbeutel Brown Archiving Room."

As part of **Black History Month, between February 5<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>**, in collaboration with the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site, the FHS hosted an exhibit, **Slavery in St. Louis**. The event was well attended, especially the Roundtable Discussion which brought approximately 70 guests.

During the **month of March**, we celebrated **Women's History Month** on our Facebook Page by highlighting noteworthy women who have a connection to Ferguson.

On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, we hosted our first **fundraiser** in many years entitled, "**Help us Launch Our Website.**" Over 100 people attended and we raised enough money to get our website launched in the next several months! THANK YOU!

On **December 19<sup>th</sup>**, we hosted our **Second Annual Holiday Lights Tour** – hot cocoa, cookies, and a ride on the Jolly Trolley through town. Fun for all ages!

## Event Dates for 2025 (so far)

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** - Open House at the History House

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** - Open House at the History House

## Ferguson Neighborhood News

Each month, for over three years now, one of our board members writes fantastic articles in the **Ferguson Neighborhood News** highlighting an interesting or historic fact about Ferguson. Make sure you check it out. Well worth the read!

## How to Reach Us

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