

MEDIA ADVISORY

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A Chat with Two Families that Shaped This Nation's Destiny

St. Louis, Mo. – The descendants of two families who contributed immensely to the fabric of this nation will hold an afternoon chat about their unique historical relationship on Sat., Feb 15, 2014, at the Carondelet Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo. Dred Scott family descendants, Lynne Jackson and Sherrie Jackson of the Dred Scott Heritage Foundation and Peter Blow family descendants, John Le Bourgeois and Ashton Le Bourgeois, co-authors of “The Blows of Yesterday: An American Saga,” will join in a display of mutual respect and public affirmation. The program will be in the museum, once the school building, where Susan Blow started the first federally funded kindergarten.

**WHAT:** Two St. Louis families whose lives and actions impacted the nation

**WHO:** Blow Family descendants, John LeBourgeois and Ashton LeBourgeois

Scott Family descendants, Lynne Jackson and Sherrie Jackson

**WHEN:** Sat., Feb. 15, 2014, 1 p.m. CST, free and open to the public

WHERE: Carondelet Historical Society

6303 Michigan Avenue

St. Louis, Mo 63111

The afternoon will include a dramatization by the Dred Scott Theater Troupe, directed by Peggy Neely-Harris, and narrated by Donna Kimbrough. This will be followed by a Q and A and book signings:

The Blows of Yesteryear: An American Saga, Le Bourgeois, John Y., Le Bourgeois, Ashton H. (2013)

Dred and Harriet Scott: The Family Story, Hager, Ruth Ann Abels (2010)

Am I Not A Man? The Dred Scott Story, Shurtleff, Mark (2011)

Dred Scott's Virginia, Hines, Jeffrey A. (2012)

Light refreshments will be served at 3 p.m. CST.

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