



## **Dedication of Rainwater Remediation System Funded by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution**

**June 12, 2021 Saturday 11:30 am**

Historic Sappington House is pleased to announce the culmination of an historical restoration made possible by the sponsorship of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR). A reception in appreciation will be attended by invited guests as the water mitigation will be dedicated by the Sappington House Foundation and the Missouri State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (MSSDAR).



The grant application was submitted in 2019 by Anne Blackburn of the Webster Groves DAR chapter and was subsequently funded by the NSDAR. Only 20% of more than 200 annual submissions are approved. The historical suitable gutter/downspout installation and improved drainage system is crucial to the preservation of the soft brick exterior of the 213-year-old home of Thomas and Mary Ann Sappington. The bricks were fabricated on the frontier property in what was then the Louisiana territory during Thomas Jefferson's presidency. Sappington House is judged to be the oldest brick home in St. Louis County.



In addition to the DAR, some who may dress in historical clothing, elected national, state and City of Crestwood officials and honored guests, like former St. Louis County historian Mr. Esley Hamilton and current preservationist Mr. Peter Wollenberg, have been invited.

Tours of the historic home and flower, herb and butterfly gardens will be offered after brief remarks. Refreshments will follow. This occurs on the same day as Historic Saint Louis presents A Summertime Past Home and Garden open house from 10 am to 4 pm, of which Sappington House is a participating site.

Passenger drop-offs are welcomed in the main parking lot, but cars must be parked at Crestwood Elementary School across the street or in the overflow lot off Reco Avenue, south of the pond.