



1816 Joseph Sappington Log House
at Sappington Park ~ 2024
drawing by Elizabeth Moreland



April 30, 2022 Saturday 1-3 pm

**Open House at 1816 Joseph
Sappington LOG House
10734 Clearwater Drive 63123**

Everyone interested in the origins of cities such as Affton, Concord, Crestwood, Fenton, Sappington and Sunset Hills will have a final opportunity to visit the 1816 Joseph Sappington Log House at its original location at 10734 Clearwater Drive 63123. The open house will be sponsored by the Sappington House Foundation, the new owner of the log house. Soon Sappington Park at 1015 S. Sappington Road 63126 will be home to the two Sappington cousins' houses built in the early 1800's – Thomas' brick house, now a museum, and Joseph's log house, to be disassembled in May and reassembled in late 2023.

Less than one year ago, the log house was in danger of being destroyed. However with staunch support of historians and preservationists, one of the earliest log structures in St. Louis County will be saved. This effort spurred the "Save JOE" movement, enlisting popular backing of the community, businesses, family descendants and City of Crestwood civic leaders.

Contracted by the Foundation, owner of Antique Logs Unlimited Mark Pratt reports that the modern additions have been removed and the logs are tagged, ready for transport and reassembly. Utilizing architectural plans produced by Jeff Day





and Associates, Pratt will rebuild the log house on a new foundation and repurpose the five rooms for expanded educational activities and meetings to be held at Sappington Park.

Foundation board members, Pratt and Day will be on hand to answer questions about the major preservation project and how people can become involved in the important community revitalization endeavor.



Cross-section laser scan produced by Clayco