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Preservation KY News Inside

The 2011 Kentucky Main Street Awards

Heart of Danville was the big winner during presentation of the 2012 Kentucky Main Street Program Awards, which took place January 25th at the Grand Theatre in Frankfort. In addition to established categories, the Award for Excellence in the Main Street Four-Point Approach® for 2012 was created by the awards committee specifically for Danville, in recognition of its successful implementation and integration of each of these revitalization strategies promotion, organization, design, and economic restructurother winning projects and programs were:

Best of Promotion - Marketing Award: Heart of Scottsville, for a Facebook campaign to increase the program's fan base and raise public awareness of its work.

Best of Promotion – Retail/Event Award: Bellevue Renaissance, for creating two consecutive, fun events to attract shoppers to Main Street over the July Fourth weekend, a typically slow retail sales period.

Organization (subcategory), Best Creative Fundraising: Discover Downtown Middlesboro, for the Downtown Ducky Dash, a fundraiser for victims of last summer's downtown flood.

Design (subcategory), Best Downtown Public Improvement Project: Paris Main Street Program, for creating a two-mile Downtown Paris Walking Trail encouraging fitness while showcasing local busi-

Best of Design Award: Springfield Main Street/ Renaissance and owners Ed and Kris O'Daniel, for rehabilitation of the 1879 Louisville Store Building, located on a prominent downtown corner.

Best of Economic Restructuring Award: Main Street after 22 years as State Historic Preservation Officer.

Diane Comer, Kentucky Heritage Council



Becky Gorman presents KY Main Street Award to the Heart of Danville

Russellville, for creating alliances to facilitate opening of Kentucky Artisans at the Saddle Factory, a business showcasing the work of local and regional artists.

Former Kentucky Heritage Council Executive Director and PK Advisory Committee Member David Morgan was also on hand to present an award named in his honor, the David L. Morgan Outstanding Main Street Partner Award for 2012, which went to the Springfield Main Street/ Renaissance Program for its downtown marketing partnership with St. Catharine College. Morgan retired in 2006



Letter From a PK Advisor

Ann Early Sutherland, PK Advisory Committee



I ask you to please increase your annual support to Preservation Kentucky during the 2012 Endowment drive in April 2012, of which you will receive a detailed letter about shortly. This year's upgrade is ever so timely, both for you and PK. The PK board will establish a permanent restricted endowment fund at the Community Foundation of Louisville in order to sustain the on-going efforts of preserving Kentucky's historic and prehistoric places through education and advocacy.

100 percent of your pledge will go to begin this endowment at the Community Foundation of Louisville; thereby, allowing eligibility for up to 20% Endow Kentucky Tax Credit for your charitable gift. This opportunity is for a limited time, expiring June 30, 2012. This credit is taken off the tax bill dollar for dollar and can be deducted from your tax bill as

Preservation Kentucky has and is creatively and effectively adhering to the directives of its mission: "...to preserve Kentucky's historic and prehistoric places through education and advocacy," with initiatives such as the Preservation Pedal bike tour, the State Historic Preservation Conference, Rural Heritage Programs, and the Student Photo Essay Competition.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to sustain Kentucky's heritage through generous giving. Bob and I plan to do so. Thank you very much.

2012 Annual Meeting

PK is very excited about the 2012 Annual Meeting! This year's event will be held at the Whiskey Row Lofts Theatre in downtown Louisville on Friday, April 13 from 6 pm-8:30 pm. The meeting is open to members and non-members and will feature tours of the Whiskey Row loft spaces and a reception. There will also be art work for sale--featuring historic buildings--and music, beginning at 6:30 pm!

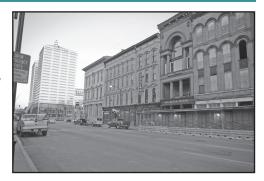
PK is very proud to present two new awards at our Annual Meeting: Preservation Education to Ms Edith S. Bingham and Rural Preservation to Ms Linda Bruckheimer-both of whom will be in attendance.

To RSVP for the meeting, please email info@ preservationkentucky.org or phone 502.871.4570. Whiskey Row Lofts are located at 131 West Main Street. http://www. whiskeyrowlofts.com/

A donation of \$5 per person is suggested.

Parking is available in the KFC Yum Center parking structure and other lots in the immediate vicinity. http://www. arenaauthority.com/parkingandtrafficinfo.aspx

Whiskey Row Rehabs





Whiskey Row Lofts Gallery Space

Partner Profile: Historic Paris-Bourbon County/Hopewell Museum

Nancy Smith, Director

Historic Paris Bourbon County (HPBC) began as a preservation society to help save Bourbon County's historic buildings in the 1970s. Seeing a need for more education on historic preservation, in 1984, HPBC added a literary component with publication of the Historic Architecture of Bourbon County. Now in its second printing, this book has become the authority on the county's historic buildings---their location, history, and significance.

In 1994, HPBC purchased the City of Paris' post office, a 1908 Beaux Arts building listed on the National Register of Historic Places, for one dollar. With the help of a Save America's Treasures Grant and matching capital campaign, a \$750,000 renovation project was completed in 2003-2004. This transformed the Hopewell Museum into contemporary history and art museum. HPBC officially joined with Hopewell Museum in 2007 to continue the work of both organizations. Adding a genealogical component in 2009. another major book, God's Acres: Private Graveyards in Bourbon County, Kentucky, was published after decades of research by HPBC volunteers. In 2010, HPBC/Hopewell Museum was awarded the Kentucky Historical Society Director's Award of Excellence for Outstanding Museum & History Organization. In 2011, nearly two thousand students came through Hopewell's doors along with 3,800 adults.



Hopewell Museum

Congratulations to Pine Mountain School for Practical Historic Preservation on its 10th Anniversary

Patrick Kennedy, PK Board Member and Kentucky Heritage Council staff

Based at Pine Mountain Settlement School (PMSS) in Harlan County, the Practical Preservation program has offered hands-on training classes in historic preservation since 2002. The school brings together preservation experts with owners, contractors, architects, managers of historic properties, and maintenance workers to learn about efficient and cost-effective methods of historic preservation.

Past topics include restoration of wooden and steel windows, plastering, chinking and daubing of log structures, masonry restoration and re-pointing, restoration of both round and square log buildings, and maintenance of historic structures.

The concept of the 'hands-on' school was an idea that grew out of the 2000 State Historic Preservation Conference in Louisville. Our keynote speaker address by Bob Yapp, owner of Preservation Resources Inc., inspired us to begin workshops in Kentucky. Bob was solicited to help organize the program and planned the first two classes. Bob taught the first class on wood window restoration and he recruited John Seekircher, nationally recognized steel window restoration expert, to teach a class on steel window restoration.

We have held over 35 workshops since 2002. In the last 10 years, over 400 people have come to PMSS from all over Kentucky and more than 30 states to work on the campus

buildings and learn preservation skills.

To celebrate the 10th anniversary we will repeat the first years offering of a two classes, one for the restoration of steel windows and one for the restoration of



Jim Turner teaches metal window restoration at Pine Mountain Settlement School.

wood windows. Jim Turner from Detroit was our first student to enroll in 2002. He signed up for both window restoration classes. Returning ten years later, Jim of Turner Restoration, LLC, will teach the steel window class. I think it is very fitting that one of our most successful students returns to carry on the educational tradition at PMSS and give back to the preservation community

For those who want to join us this year please visit the PMSS website and enroll in one of our workshops. http://www.pinemountainsettlementschool.com/

Rural Heritage Program Update

On February 3-4, 2012, I was fortunate enough to travel to San Diego, CA to present on behalf of Preservation Kentucky at the 11th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference which focused on building safe, healthy, and livable communities. The presentation focused on the Rural Heritage Development Initiative's (RHDI) principles and strategies and also featured presentations by Beth Wiedower of the Arkansas RHDI pilot, Jim Lindberg, Rural Collaborative Coordinator for the National Trust, and Doug Loescher, National Main Street Center.

There were over 1,400 participants at the conference that ranged from government officials to non-profit organizations to citizens interested in achieving sustainable community development. It was a wonderful opportunity to network and share the great work of Preservation Kentucky with a national audience.

The presentation was also chance to showcase the new National Trust publication, *Heritage-Based Rural Development: Principles, Strategies, and Steps.* This book showcases the work of the RHDI over the last five



Amy Potts presents at the Pecha Kucha event in Louisville

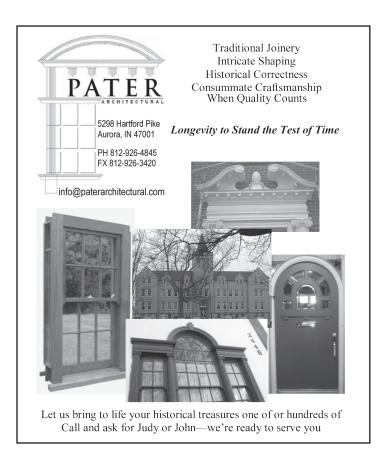
years and includes Kentucky case studies on barn preservation; rural architectural survey projects; heritage tourism efforts of the Lincoln Heritage National Scenic Byway team; and the Kentucky Crossroads oral history project. The book also outlines principles of Heritage Based Development which were successful in our Kentucky pilot including using a regional approach, protecting historic authenticity, forging strong partnerships, and nurturing grassroots involvement and leadership. Expanding on the principles for success, the guide then illustrates effective strategies proven by the work in Kentucky and Arkansas, such as education, conservation, local entrepreneurship, and cultural heritage tourism.

Limited copies of the book are available by contacting our office or online for purchase at Amazon.com.

2011 Financial Report

Noel Turner, PK Treasurer

Preservation Kentucky ended the 2011 fiscal year in great shape! Our membership now includes 568 families and individuals-up 184 percent since 2010. In addition, our budget has remained strong with the majority of funds going to programming and operating costs. PK also introduced several new events in 2011 that fulfilled our mission of education and advocacy and brought in needed funds, such as the Preservation Pedal and the Legislative Summit. The PK Board is excited about the growth we are experiencing, but we still need your help! With the loss of National Trust monies for programming, PK will need to increase memberships, among other strategies being developed by the Sustainability Committee. Please talk to your friends and family about becoming a member. Preservation Kentucky and preservation in Kentucky needs your support!



Amy Potts, PK Staff

PK's Western Kentucky Historic Farm Survey

Janie-Rice Brother, KY Archaeological Survey

PK sponsored the historic farms survey of Crittenden and Livingston Counties with a grant provided by the Kentucky Heritage Council beginning in 2010. The survey recorded 148 historic rural resources, ranging from crossroad communities, farms, dwellings and outbuildings. Prior to the survey, Crittenden County ranked 119th out of the Commonwealth's 120 counties in the number of recorded historic sites, while Livingston County fared only a little better, at 111th ranking.

One of the most intriguing aspects of the survey efforts in Crittenden County was the identification of barns constructed by a local builder named Henry Wigginton. Seven barns in Crittenden County were positively identified as his work. According to one of the owners of a Wigginton barn, most of his work was in the 1920s and 1930s. During the period that Wigginton worked, many farmers applied their carpentry skills to outside work for extra income. Unlike contracts signed with architects and engineers today, a "good carpenter during the heyday of constructing farm buildings of wood didn't have to advertise." It appears that Wigginton built two basic types of barns: the Midwest-three portal and a smaller transverse frame barn. These barns all have interior corn cribs, tack rooms, hay hoods, and lofts.

Three dark fire-cured tobacco barns were also surveyed in Crittenden County. This particular method of curing resulted in a unique structure that appears little changed from its nineteenth century roots. Tall, gable-oriented structures, either rectangular or square, fire-cured tobacco barns are usually as twice as tall as they are wide. Unlike air-cured burley tobacco barns, these barns are tightly sheathed, with horizontal siding over vertical board boxing.

Common domestic outbuildings found on farms in the survey area include smokehouses, root cellars, well and cisterns, and chicken houses. A particular – and unique – religious property type- documented in Crittenden County is the camp meeting ground. These open air revivals sprang out of the Second Awakening Movement, which began in 1800 in Kentucky. Two such sites were surveyed: the Hurricane Camp Meeting Grounds (CN-25) and Aunt Jane Underdown Tabernacle (CN-68).

In addition to barns and outbuildings, there were 44 houses were surveyed in Livingston County, and 30 in Crittenden County. Abundant timber in both counties, which fueled industry in the nineteenth century, also meant that log construction for dwellings was common from the 1830s through the 1920s. There were 11 log dwellings conclusively identified in the survey. Thanks to PK for sponsoring this important survey and helping to add to our knowledge about western Kentucky's rural past.



Livingston Co. barn LV54



Morton house LV50



Fire cured tobacco barn - Crittenden Co.

University of Kentucky Historic Preservation Summit

Eric Whisman, PK staff and UK Student

The students of the Historic Preservation Graduate Organization at the University of Kentucky have been hard at work planning what proved to be a very successful conference. "New Voices, Current Needs," the 6th annual symposium for the group was held March 1 & 2 at the old Fayette County courthouse and attended by more than 200 persons. Sponsored by the University College of Design, the Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation, Cultural Resource Analysts Inc., Morgan Worldwide, Clyde R. Carpenter, Dan Rowland, Ann Early Sutherland, and the UK Student Activities Board, this year's theme explored historic preservation as a form of social justice.

Students researched the topic, looking to highlight the expanding field of historic preservation to recognize underserved groups and themes. The event brought four prominent members of the national historic preservation community to address the topic and share their work and experience. Dr. Ned Kaufman, founder of Place Matters and the Pratt Institute's program of Historic Preservation, kicked off the event discussing the future direction of historic preservation. Dr. Thomas F. King an authority on archaeological policy and cultural resource management; Stanley Lowe of the Manchester Citizens Corporation and formerly Vice

President of the Neighborhood Revitalization Department of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and Dr. Alicestyne Turley of the University of Louisville Pan African Studies Department and Director of the Underground Railroad Research Institute, rounded out the lectures. Lectures were followed by discussion panels comprised of members of the Kentucky preservation community, who fielded audience questions and applied each respective lecture to the current goings-on in Kentucky.

Through the resounding success of this year's conference, the students hope to energize the dialogue within the field of historic preservation both nationally and within Kentucky. By providing a range of perspectives on how we as preservationists can bring attention to diverse perspectives on preservation, we may better serve groups who have historically been neglected within historic preservation projects and correct those injustices.

Congratulations to the students who helped to plan this event including Tim Condo, Katie DeBaise, Angelene Hoffert, Elisa Ludwig, Kathy Martinolich, Melissa Mortimer, Araba Prah, Whitney Schieltz, Emily Skinner, Eric Whisman, and UK Historic Preservation Professor and symposium advisor Douglas Appler.

Come to the 2012 State Historic Preservation Conference!

Caroline Garcia, Princeton Main Street

It brings us great pleasure to invite you to the 2012 Kentucky Historic Preservation Conference, September 20-22.

Thanks to the inspiring vision of our former Director, Ann Kimmel and the enthusiasm of our Main Street Board of Directors, our proposal to host the conference in this region was accepted and we are all delighted to welcome you to our hometown.

We appreciate this opportunity offered to us by the Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office and the statewide nonprofit Preservation Kentucky Inc. As Princeton Mayor, Gale Cherry has expressed, "We are honored to be chosen as the site of the 2012 conference" and "we look forward to sharing our history and showcasing our wealth of historic places." Our rural community has long been a proponent of preservation. Downtown Princeton is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and is a Designated Main Street Community.

Our partnership with the Princeton Tourism Commission, Lyon County Tourism, and the Dawson Springs Main Street and Preservation Program along with several other organizations in the area will ensure an enjoyable and valuable experience for all participant

We sincerely hope that you will join us in making the



Downtown Princeton

2012 Kentucky Historic Preservation Conference a success. We look forward to welcoming you to our corner of Western Kentucky.

Conference news and updates can be found at: www.kypreservationconference.org

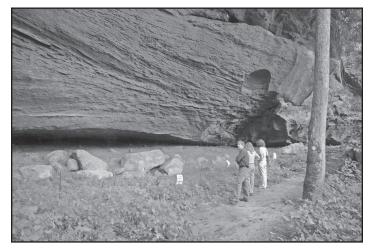
2011-2012 Endangered List Updates and Activities

Get Outdoors and Learn about Archaeology and Preservation!!

Wayna Adams, PK Board Member and US Forest Service Archaeologist

Join PK for a spring hike in the beautiful Red River Gorge to highlight the area's important rockshelters on Saturday, May 19th! The two mile hike will begin at 9 am and will conclude by 11:30. Along the way you will see multiple rockshelters, created millennia ago and occupied for thousands of years by the native people of the region. The hike will feature efforts of the US Forest Service to protect the shelters from damage and theft. As you may know, PK honored the Forest Service for their approach to rockshelter preservation, when rockshelters were listed as Endangered Resources in our 2011 list.

The hike is being organized by PK Director Rachel Kennedy and will be led by Wayna Adams, Forest Archaeologist. Following the hike, we will travel to the Gladie Center on KY 715 where lunch will be provided. For those who enjoy a challenging bike ride, ride the loop from the Gladie Center west to KY 15, then back to KY 77, up through the Nada Tunnel and back around to the Gladie Center. This loop is very hilly and on a narrow road, but the views are breathtaking; the entire loop is 28 miles.



Rockshelter at Red River Gorge

More details will be available in late March at: http://www.preservationkentucky.org/newsEvents.php

National Register Project begins in Endangered Sadieville

Dan Vivian, PK Board and University of Louisville

As a result of the listing of Sadieville and Small Town Kentucky to our 2011 Endangered List, PK Board member Dan Vivian committed to conducting a public history class in the town. This spring 2012 class is focused on providing preservation tools to the community.

For the past two weekends, students in History 621, "Historic Preservation Fieldwork," have traveled to Sadieville, Kentucky. Sadieville is a small town in northern Scott County that developed as a railroad stop after the Civil War. By the early twentieth century it had more than 600 residents. Today, Sadieville is a quiet spot off the beaten track. Left behind by a globalizing economy, it is has only a few stores, a bank, and a handful of residents. Fortunately, some of its citizens care deeply about its future. They hope to use the town's rich history and historic charm to bring it new vitality and attract heritage tourism.

History 621 students have taken on the task of nominating the heart of the community to the National Register of Historic Places. As an initial step, they've collected information about extant buildings and sites. Sadieville was last surveyed in the late 1980s by Ann Bevins, an extraordinary local historian. Plenty of changes have taken place in the years since. Perhaps as much as a third of the buildings that Bevins surveyed have been demolished. Others have been modernized in ways that make it difficult to understand their original character. Replacement windows and vinyl siding are common, and new additions are almost as ubiquitous. Changes of this sort make it difficult to understand the



Public History Students in Sadieville

building's histories. Most changes are, however, reversible.

In the coming weeks, the students will compile the data they've collected, wrap up their archival research, and begin preparing the nomination. They'll also draft a report to the city of Sadieville with guidance on how property owners can take advantage of financial incentives for historic preservation and how the town can fulfill its potential. For updates on this project, please visit: http://uoflpublichistory.wordpress.com/2012/02/28/sadieville-project-underway/

NEWS AND UPDATES



HELP SUPPORT HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN KENTUCKY. PK is now collecting applications for the state's first historic preservation license plate! PK is sponsoring this special plate to raise awareness of historic preservation and historic and prehistoric places in Kentucky as well as to create a grant fund dedicated to helping communities preserve important historic and prehistoric places. PK has to collect 900 applications before the plate can be produced by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. For more information, please visit: www.pkpreservationlicenseplate.org

The **2012 Preservation Pedal** will be held on Saturday, July 7, 2012 in historic Danville and Boyle County, Kentucky, in memory of Louisville cyclist William Hash. This year's tour will feature a 24, 42, and 60 mile tour, along with an under-10 mile tour of historic Danville. Portions of the longer tours will traverse southern Mercer County, stopping at Old Fort Harrod State Park and Old Mud Meeting house. More details are available at: www.preservationpedal.org



PK Board member Darlene Gooch at Legislative Reception.

PK hosted the 2012 Historic Preservation Lobby Days in Frankfort on January 25th and 26th, in coordination with the Kentucky Main Street program. Over 75 people, including several state

Cyclists tour Boyle County

legislators, attended PK's Legislative Reception on January 25 at the Bistro 241 in downtown Frankfort. Afterwards, PK attended the Kentucky Main Street Awards and presented Outstanding Main Street Partner Award for 2012, which went to the Springfield Main Street/Renaissance Program for its downtown marketing partnership with St. Catharine College. Updates on important state legislation will be posted on PK's legislative website: www.pkpreservationsummit.org

Special thanks to State Representative Tanya Pullin (98) of South Shore for sponsoring a House Resolution to honor the work of Preservation Kentucky. The resolution proclaimed Thursday, January 26th as Historic Preservation and Archaeology Day in the Commonwealth. To read this resolution, please visit: http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/12RS/HR92.htm

Mark your calendars for the 2012 State Historic Preservation Conference! This year's conference will be held in historic Princeton on September 20-22. The theme for 2012 is Our Towns: Partnering Regionally, Preserving Locally. More details will be available at: www.kypreservationconference.org

Congratulations to Frank Harris of Lexington who won the Stephen Powell art glass raffle!!! The drawing was held on Wednesday December 7 at 21c Museum Hotel in Louisville in partnership with Pecha Kucha night. In addition to 21c Museum, Pecha Kucha partners include: the Louisville Urban Design Studio, AIA Central Kentucky Chapter, and Bernheim Arboreteum and Research Forest.

PK had two lecturers participate in the lively exchange. PK staff Amy Potts challenged participants to travel rural Kentucky and develop a "bucket list" of important rural places. Archaeologist Jay Stottman expanded the audience's thinking on the importance of archaeology to a thorough understanding of our past.



Sassy Swooper with new owner Frank Harris.

Louisville Metro Council is proposing changes to the Historic Landmark Ordinance that will effectively blunt comprehensive public participation in local preservation efforts and overly politicize the landmarking process. Landmarks derive their significance through their value to the Metro Louisville, the state, or the nation-not limited to a small geographic area nor to a specific group of people. To suggest that only a limited number of people should legitimately participate, by geographic proximity, as suggested in the amendments to 32.260(C) or limited by ownership of property (32.260(B)) is at odds with the intent of the Local Landmarks ordinance. Additionally, Louisville Metro Council would have to approve all designations, under the amendments, appropriating the duties given by Council to the Landmarks Commission. Ultimately, the designation process would no longer be based on an objective, nationally recognized criteria for designation, but by local politics. For more information on this issue, please visit ttp://preservationlouisville.org/advocacy.html

PK launched a **new membership structure** and a set of incentives for members pledging \$250 and above in January 2012. Special thanks to our initial group of Preservation Friendly Businesses who will offer incentives. A full list of these businesses can be found at: http://www.preservationkentucky.org/pages.php?id=23

Interested in supporting PK year round? PK can now take monthly donations via our website at: http://www.preservationkentucky.org/donation/donationRegForm.php