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Preservation Kentucky is the Commonwealth's statewide nonprofit historic preservation organization dedicated to preservation education and advocacy.

We are a membership-based organization devoted to preserving buildings, structures, and sites in every region and every town in the state.

Preservation Kentucky is committed to preserving vestiges of all Kentuckians' past - from shotgun houses in Louisville to African American rural communities across the state to roadside architecture, such as the Parkette Drive-In in Lexington, to important prehistoric archeological sites.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

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NOTES FROM...

Noel Turner, CPA & PK Treasurer



There's still time to give to PK's Annual Appeal. **I hope you will join me by doubling your contribution to PK this December.** PK is in the process of building a strong statewide organization, but we need your help to succeed. Programs such as the new cemetery preservation workshop series, the new real estate professional's training, and the new Preserve Our Kentucky Heritage Student Competition cannot thrive without your financial support. Consider what PK has already done over the past two years—developing a historic bike tour, conducting lobbying and advocacy training, supporting National Register work across our Commonwealth, as well as increasing our membership 380 percent since 2010. PK is on the move and I hope you will join with us through an increased financial commitment. We appreciate all you do for preservation in Kentucky and for Preservation Kentucky.

Preserve Our Kentucky Heritage License Plate

Now's the time! Preservation Kentucky is trying to get our stylish Preserve Our Heritage license plate produced by January 2013. **We need your help to do this.**

If you would like access to a grant fund for historic preservation projects, buy your *Preserve Our Heritage* license plate now. \$10 from the sale of each plate will go to this fund, but we have to collect 900 applications first. If you would like a well-designed, beautiful black plate, SIGN UP NOW. If you want to promote preservation from the back of your car, the Preserve Our Heritage plate is just the thing!

Now, until January 5, PK is running a special deal: if you refer five new license plate applications (you can be counted as one), you will be entered into our special winter raffle drawing to win one of two overnight stays at Shaker Village at Pleasant Hill or the historic Beaumont Inn. Breakfast

and dinner are included in the packages. For more details, visit www.kypreservationlicenseplate.org or phone our office at 502.871.4570. The drawing will be held at our January 5 event at West 6th Street Brewery in Lexington (*details below*).



Partner Profile: Bowling Green Warren County Historic Preservation Board

Miranda Clements, Historic Preservation Planner/PK Board Secretary

The BGWC-HPB is a seven member, all volunteer board dedicated to the identification, protection, and preservation of the architectural and historical resources of the City of Bowling Green and Warren County. Established in 1990, the board reviews alterations, new construction, and demolition permits for property listed in four local historic districts. The board is assisted by one-part time Historic Preservation Planner and administrative support staff who are employed by the City-County Planning Commission.

Although the board performs a regulatory function, its true value is in the advice and guidance provided to owners of historic properties on a variety of historic preservation issues, such as how and why one should repair old wood windows. The HPB staff maintains a list of historic preservation craftspeople and coordinates meetings with property owners and appropriate craftsmen. Often the main reason houses are not preserved appropriately is a lack of knowledge on historic preservation techniques and products and the difficulty of finding qualified craftsmen. The board strives to work with property owners in providing information that shows a property owner that it will save them money in the long run, while maintaining the

character of their home investment, to choose restoration, rather than replacement with an inferior product.

Most of the Board's cases that are submitted result in staff approval. In the past five years, the board and staff have reviewed 138 cases with none of the cases being denied. If a potential project does not meet the design guidelines, staff meets with the property owner and/or contractor at the building and works with them to meet the guidelines. For example, a property owner in the College Hill Historic District recently applied to replace all of the windows in the house with replacement windows. After the staff inspected the windows and provided information on how to repair the and the value of keeping them, the owners gladly decided to choose repair and were happy to save a substantial amount of money in the process. They were also happy to know that their windows, after repair, may last another 100 years whereas with replacement windows, the warranty would only have been 20 or so years.

The HPB works closely with the Landmark Association of Bowling Green and Warren County and looks forward to collaborating on education and advocacy, with the help of Preservation Kentucky, in the future.



After consulting with the HPB staff, the owners of this house in Bowling Green's College Hill Historic District decided to restore the original wood windows.

News from the 2012 State Historic Preservation Conference

Diane Comer, KHC Public Information Officer

Good memories linger from the 2012 Kentucky Historic Preservation Conference. As the year comes to a close and we begin to look toward 2013, the Kentucky Heritage Council and our partner Preservation Kentucky will start thinking about the process of staging a biennial statewide meeting all over again. Budgets and times being what they are, we will no doubt want to consider other options for how we approach education and training for our constituents going forward. For now, the takeaway is that different is good.



Becky Gorman

Meeting in the host community of Princeton and highlighting other small towns of Dawson Springs, Eddyville, and Kuttawa may have been a tough sell for those who prefer a more metropolitan approach, but KHC and PK worked hard to plan and present a diverse array of workshops, tours, and educational sessions to appeal to preservationists and preservation supporters with a wide range of experience and expertise. And by all indications from the nearly 200 people from across the state who participated – we succeeded.

Things got off to a rousing start in the opening plenary with historian, author and Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Bill Cunningham (*above*) in the keynote presentation. He spoke from the circuit courtroom in the Caldwell County Courthouse, which he helped rehabilitate and return to its original glory after some unsympathetic “energy saving” adaptations in the 1970s.

Justice Cunningham spoke passionately about how vision is the most important quality that local leaders can bring to their roles, because it takes vision to be able to imagine the possibilities of what preserving unique historic buildings in downtowns and neighborhoods can really contribute to the economy and livability of communities. “A community uninterested in preservation is a community that is not proud of its past,” he said, emphatically.

An interesting bookend was closing speaker Donovan Rypkema, economist with PlaceEconomics in Washington, DC, who has done a great deal of work in Kentucky. Rypkema left participants with some thought-provoking findings from his most current research, “Historic Preservation and Rightsizing,” prepared for the federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. He challenged those present to consider new approaches to how cities reshape their historic fabric and reuse building resources to meet the needs of current and future populations. “For preservationists to be at the table, we can’t bring our usual game plan,” he said. “Flexibility, compromises and hard choices are necessary.”

That is a message that will no doubt resonate with many of us in the new year, and we at the Heritage Council will continue to work hard to help you by offering interesting, timely educational opportunities in partnership with PK and others.

UPDATE ON PK'S MOST ENDANGERED OF 2011-2012

Hogan's Fountain Pavilion

Tammy Madigan, Save Hogan's Fountain Pavilion

Save Hogan's Fountain Pavilion (SHFP) is so excited to share the news that the Hogan's Fountain "TeePee" Pavilion was officially designated as a Louisville "Local Landmark" on September 24, thanks to support from Preservation Kentucky and other groups. The Louisville Landmarks Commission voted overwhelming (5-0) to preserve this iconic piece of Louisville architecture. The outpouring of community support certainly played a part, but the sizable number of preservationists, historians, and architects who implored the Commission to recognize the value of this mid-century modern gem in the community was also a contributing factor. Recent changes to the Landmarks Ordinance have given the Louisville Metro Council final approval of all individual landmarks within Jefferson County. The Metro Council, however, fully supported this designation and have declined to hear the case.



Dave Matthews
Dave Matthews

In addition to landmarking, SHFP is also working to restore the badly neglected structure. The unfortunate discovery of asbestos in the existing roofing material raised the price of the roof replacement. However, through the generosity of a local abatement contractor and a grant from the Honorable Order of the Kentucky Colonels, the grassroots group is very close to reaching their goal, having raised \$62,000 of the \$65,000 needed to re-roof the structure (the most costly repair needed for this restoration). During the season of giving, SHFP, along with their 501c3 non-profit partner, the Greater Community Council, is asking for donations to help reach their goal and get the work started without further delay, before another winter can do additional damage! All donations go 100% towards the restoration work and are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Donations should be sent to Save Hogan's Fountain Pavilion, 2048 Douglass Blvd. #1, Louisville, KY 40205. For more information on this preservation/restoration project, follow SHFP's progress on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SaveTheTeepee.

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

Jonna Shaffor Wallace



I am so excited to join the team at Preservation Kentucky! As part-time membership coordinator, my goals are to keep our current memberships up to date, but also to increase our membership count by leaps and bounds. However, I need your help! We are attempting to reach out to potential new members who share our organization's special commitment to historic and prehistoric places across our Commonwealth. Your efforts in sending new member referrals would be greatly appreciated. Please send any recommendations including names and addresses to me at membership@preservationkentucky.org. Thanks in advance for your support!

Updates from PK Education and Outreach Program

Eric Whisman, PK Education & Outreach Coordinator

Preservation Kentucky continues to promote education and awareness across the Commonwealth. In addition to working with home owners and developers, and consulting with cities and towns across the state, we're working to train and educate citizens to promote preservation of our shared heritage.

In the works for 2013 are two Preservation 101 training courses, the first workshop, *Selling Historic Properties Successfully*, is intended to arm real estate professionals with historic preservation tools that will assist them in marketing historic properties. Four of these will be held in diverse locations across Kentucky, in partnership with preservation consultant Joanne Weeter. Second, regional cemetery preservation training courses will help citizens from across the state to better understand how to document, preserve, and plan for perpetual care of our historic burial places.

Also in the New Year, we will launch an innovative contest, *My Kentucky Heritage*, asking students from across Kentucky to create multi-media projects highlighting historic places significant to them. This new approach will help involve young people in experiencing historic preservation through use of new digital technologies.

Building on a successful social media campaign that began in May, *Kentucky's Historic Hidden Gems* weekly Facebook posts promote preservation through highlighting unique historic places and events in our great Commonwealth. This effort is to raise awareness of the wonderful historic places Kentucky has to offer and educate our FB audience of the importance of preservation. Check out this week's post at www.facebook.com/pages/Preservation-Kentucky/94715027425.

The Justice Joseph Holt House in Breckenridge County was among the most popular Hidden Gems featured to date.



PK NEWS

- PK is so excited to partner with **Shaker Village at Pleasant Hill for our first annual Christmas reception**. Join Preservation Kentucky for an evening of music and merriment to ring in the holiday season and promote preservation of our shared Kentucky heritage at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill in rural Mercer County on **Saturday, December 8, 2012, 5-7 pm**. The PK reception will be held at the lovely Winter Kitchen in the West Family Dwelling. Enjoy holiday cocktails and hors d'oeuvres by a roaring fireplace or making delicious s'mores by an outdoor bonfire. There will be horse-drawn jingle bell shuttle and special candlelight tours of the grounds. Admission to all of Shaker Village's Christmas festivities is included with your reception ticket. Details and ticket prices are available at www.preservationkentucky.org/newsEvents.php. *(note: we apologize that our newsletter may reach you after this event, due to unanticipated production delays)*
- The **Kentucky Century Challenge** is a new cycling challenge being offered through the Kentucky Department of Adventure Tourism. PK's **Preservation Pedal** is one of four rides selected to participate. The challenge requires a cyclist to complete three of four rides at the century level for a total of 300 miles! Each cyclist completing the challenge will receive a Kentucky Century Challenge Jersey, courtesy of organizers of the Horsey Hundred, the Redbud Ride, My Old Kentucky Home Tour, and the Preservation Pedal. Details are available at www.kentuckytourism.com/outdoor-adventure/centurychallenge.aspx.



- Did you miss having beer with us at Danville's Beer Engine this past July? Then come join PK at **West 6th Street Brewery in Lexington on Saturday, January 5 from 4 pm-7 pm** for West 6th's 6 for a Cause event. We like to think of it as second New Year's! The brewery will donate 6% of their profits that afternoon to PK. If you are among the first 100 people there, you will be able to purchase our ultra-cool PK/West 6th Pint glass at only \$2.00 a glass! Other activities will include a short bike tour of the neighborhood and craft training demonstrations. West 6th Brewery is located in The Bread Box, a recent re-development of the century-old Rainbo Bread Factory located in the historic Northside Neighborhood. Hope to see you there.

- PK partnered with the **Bardstown Art Gallery in Bardstown for *The Barn Revisited Art Show***, which opened on Saturday October 27. A portion of the sales from the show will go to Preservation Kentucky to help provide rural heritage services. The show runs through December 15th, so there's still time to purchase one of the beautiful barn paintings by local artist Jim Cantrell. They'd make a fantastic Christmas gift and you'd be supporting PK.



Jim Cantrell

- PK is the principal sponsor of the ***Battlefields and Beyond: Civil War Conference in Danville, KY on August 15-17, 2013***. This two-and-a-half day forum will look at best practices for preserving and interpreting Civil War sites with special lectures and workshops for all interest levels. More details and registration will be available in the Spring.
- PK is finishing up our **John Hunt Morgan Trail Multiple Property National Register** nomination and will offer a special tour of a portion of the sites in Kentucky and Corydon, Indiana in late March 2013. Stay tuned for more details...
- PK is sponsoring our second **Real Estate Professional's Training, *Selling Historic Properties Successfully***, on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 in partnership with Louisville's Select Properties. Registration will be available at www.preservationkentucky.org after January 1. The course offers 6 credits (3 in law) of continuing education credits for real estate professionals.
- PK has teamed with the town of **Sadieville** (Most Endangered List 2011-2012) in northern Scott County to develop a model program to preserve Sadieville's important historic buildings. For the past several months, PK Board member and UL Professor Dan Vivian has been working to list the town in the National Register of Historic Places, opening the way for state and federal tax incentives for historic preservation. This listing is nearing completion. As a second step, PK has developed a work plan in association with the town to create best practices for marketing historic properties and business recruitment for historic downtown buildings in very small town Kentucky. The lessons learned from this program will be publicized at a

future educational workshop and hopefully be reproduced in small towns and urban neighborhoods in years to come.

- PK is taking nominations for the **2013-2014 Kentucky's Most Endangered List** in the following themes: Historic Churches, Historic Cemeteries, Historic Schools, Historic Wood & Steel Windows (cont from 2011), Historic Preservation Funding (cont 2011), Historic Small Towns (cont 2011), and Prehistoric/Historic Rockshelters (cont 2011). Brief nomination applications will be forwarded to our membership via email in December 2012 for listing in April/May 2013. If you have good examples of endangered properties that fall into any of the categories above and are eager to get started now, please email us at info@preservationkentucky.org or phone our office.
- PK is interested in highlighting and marketing endangered buildings on our website and in our 2013 newsletters. **Do you know any endangered historic properties that should be include in our Preservation Opportunities listings?** Call or email us at director@preservationkentucky.org. A photo and brief description of the building should be included.

- **PK will begin taking Annual Preservation Kentucky Leaders Award nominations in January 2013** for the following awards:

The Linda Bruckheimer Excellence in Rural Preservation Award

The Edith S. Bingham Excellence in Preservation Education Award

The Christy and Owsley Brown Public Service to Preservation Award

*The David L. Morgan State Historic Preservation Tax Credit Award
(commercial & residential categories)*

Award nomination forms will be available by January 4, 2013 on our website and will be emailed to members by that date.

- Save the Date: **PK's Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 20 at 2 pm in Covington's Carnegie Center.** Details will be available soon. PK's Preservation Leader Awards will be given out at this event.
- Would you like a beautiful Preservation Kentucky 2013 Calendar? **For only \$5 plus \$5 shipping and handling, you can have a PK calendar with all the significant preservation-related dates noted.** Email membership@preservationkentucky.org or phone our office to order yours today. Supplies are limited. The calendar is also available at Carmichael's Bookstore in Louisville and Poor Richard's Books in Frankfort.
- Prepare for 2014 now! Are you an inspiring photographer or visual artist? Do you have interest in providing great seasonal shots/paintings

of Kentucky's important historic and prehistoric places? **PK will begin accepting work for our 2014 Preserve Our Heritage Calendar in July 2013.** More details will become available as the date approaches.

PRESERVATION PARTNERS

News from the Blue Grass Trust for Historic Preservation

Founded in 1955, the Blue Grass Trust for Historic Preservation (BGT) is among the oldest non-profit historic preservation organization in the United States. Based in Lexington and serving the Bluegrass Region of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, its mission "strives to protect, revitalize, and promote the special historic places in our community to enhance the quality of life for future generations. The properties owned by the Blue Grass Trust are guided by the three tenets of the Trust mission – Education, Service and Advocacy".

The Blue Grass Trust's monthly program "deTours" embodies all three tenets beautifully. It has served to open many doors and provide behind the scenes tours to a unique array of historic places in Lexington that people might not normally get to visit. Free and open to the public, BGT's deTours are the first Wednesday each month (except on holidays). They begin at 5:30 pm and end with a social Afterhour at a historic, nearby restaurant or pub. Since its inception in January, 2011, thousands of guests have enjoyed BGT deTours of special historic sites such as Botherum (owned by Jon Carloftis and Dale Fisher), Maxwell Place (home to UK's president), private homes in the Constitution and Mulberry Hill local historic districts, and Gray Construction, an outstanding example of adaptive re-use of the Wolf Wile department store. If you are interested in joining a BGT deTour, visit www.bluegrasstrust.org or the BGT Facebook page, sign up to receive their E-blasts or Preservation Matters magazine, or give them a call at 859.253.0362.



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