PK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

An Appeal from Edith Bingham

This is short and important. It was exciting 15 years ago when several preservationists joined to start Preservation Kentucky. The mission embraced the renewal of Kentucky’s buildings, towns, and landscapes as well as teaching restoration skills. I am proud to have had the opportunity to learn about, promote, and support Kentucky’s rich heritage.

Think of the history and economic value of our beautiful Commonwealth. Preservation Kentucky’s statewide reach from Newport to Paducah builds an important base to provide information about restoration, tax credit options, as well as advice on builders and crafts people, and often partnering with the Kentucky Heritage Council and local preservation groups.

These efforts are carried out by one full and one half-time staff, requiring a lot of field work and travel, as well as research know-how to property owners, smaller towns, and projects in Louisville, Lexington, and Northern Kentucky. For over 10 years PK partnered with the National Trust’s Rural Heritage program, currently defunded, but this program gave inspiring jump starts to many small cities in Kentucky such as Harrodsburg and Buffalo. Increasing statewide membership and board members, plus a few larger donors support PK’s office in Frankfort, where legislators can be informed about preservation needs and economic benefits. Annual conferences in varied locations keep statewide preservationists up-to-date and several successful fund raisers have been held usually in the summer (Pedal and Learn Bike Tours in historic areas, for example). However, this is not enough to fill the operating gap effectively, to continue to assist many projects waiting for a “new life.”

Your contribution will further our much needed work which is “green, creates jobs and enriches Kentucky’s future” through tourism, educational programs and outdoor activities. I hope you will consider a 3-year tax deductible gift of $500-$1000 to Preservation Kentucky, starting with the current year. Donation at this level can be made monthly through PK’s online donation service. Think about giving $42 a month for a yearly total of $500 or $84 a month for a yearly contribution of $1,000. Special donors will be invited to a spring fling in Louisville to celebrate Preservation Kentucky!
A Message from Kentucky’s State Historic Preservation Officer

Historic preservation clearly does much more than preserve bricks and mortar. It recognizes that our built history connects us in tangible ways with our past and provides context for the places we occupy and the world we live in. It fuses art with craftsmanship, capacity for modern utility with embodied energy, and progressive ideas for economic revitalization with traditional authenticity. Historic preservation is at the same time wonderfully egalitarian; all socioeconomic classes in every corner of the nation have successfully utilized its principles to protect their heritage and revitalize their communities. Despite these proven benefits, we continue to find our fair share of detractors who threaten or take steps that slow or reverse our progress. Historic preservation is as relevant now as it ever has been, and we must look for new ways to push forward and challenge our detractors by retooling our message and improving our effectiveness at the local, state and national levels.

As a young man studying architectural history and historic preservation in graduate school, I knew that I wanted to work for a state historic preservation office, a statewide preservation nonprofit, or a national preservation nonprofit. While it is often said that all preservation is local, it seemed clear to me that statewide and national preservation organizations were best able to identify and address positive and negative trends in the field of historic preservation generally, acting as a support system for critical efforts at the local level. In short, I believed that state and national organizations made the preservation movement stronger by amplifying the collective voice of its proponents. I still believe this, and it’s why the Kentucky Heritage Council and Preservation Kentucky continue to partner in an effort to build stronger relationships with (and provide more effective tools to) local advocates statewide.

As the new Executive Director of the Kentucky Heritage Council and State Historic Preservation Officer, I’m excited about the work that Preservation Kentucky
and its members do for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Preservation Kentucky plays a critical role in advocacy and education, and it lobbies for a stronger statewide preservation program in the legislature. Their partnerships with this office and the National Trust for Historic Preservation have brought critical resources to bear at the local level, and I have witnessed first-hand the profound support that Preservation Kentucky gives to local nonprofits and preservation advocates struggling to save their irreplaceable heritage.

It’s important to understand just how important a strong Preservation Kentucky is to the future of preservation in this state, and the organization needs your support now more than ever. There is so much work to do in the face of old and new challenges that confront us statewide. I am proud of the partnership that we have with Preservation Kentucky and I look forward to working with all of you to meet our challenges and increase the effectiveness of our statewide preservation program.

MARY JO JOSEPH, KENTUCKY REAL ESTATE AGENT

Selling Historic Properties Successfully

This is a new series written by realtors for realtors. If you are a realtor interested in contributing an article, please contact our office at 502.871.4570.

Selling historic homes is a unique and exciting opportunity for the real estate professional. Statistics show that the leafy, historic neighborhoods surrounding a vibrant and functioning downtown create the best first impression of a town and offer a sense of place that draw folks to a certain community. That is why the Main Street Program is so important.

It is essential for the realtor to have the knowledge of not only the property but the neighborhood and the community, as well as the rules and regulations governing them. To market a historic property properly, the agent should assist buyers and sellers in determining the following information: architectural style, age, history, condition, National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) designation or eligibility, zoning, restrictions, Architectural Review Board (ARB) District guidelines, and eligibility for historic preservation tax credits. A number of locations within the community are available to help decipher this information.

Many of these helpful places includes local offices of Planning and Zoning, the ARB officer, the Property Valuation office, and the County Clerk’s office for wills, deeds, maps, the historical society, library, Main Street Programs, newspapers and other publications. In addition, the Kentucky Heritage Council (State Historic Preservation Office) and the National Parks Service provide vital information in all areas of historic preservation including NRHP information and eligibility,
knowledge in historic preservation tax credit information, and so much more and are extremely helpful resources for the public. Remember, the realtor is only giving the sellers and buyers the tools to verify and utilize this information before they enter into some form of a contract. Also, Sellers Disclosures now have question about historic districts.

Having been both a buyer and a seller of property in downtown historic neighborhoods and involved in grass roots preservation for many years, many more realtors are becoming advocates and ambassadors for preserving our town, small and large, and the unique rural landscape across Kentucky.

Ms. Joseph has listed the following properties in Boyle County, Kentucky:

**McClure-Barbee House**
304 South Fourth Street
Danville
$179,900
MLS 890160

**Elmwood**
205 East Fourth Street
Perryville
$449,000
MLS 8899751

**Centenary United Methodist Church (former)**
119 South Third Street
$395,000
MLS 8900027
RACHEL ALEXANDER, PK MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

Preservation 101 Training for Realtors

PK proudly presented its real estate training program on October 15 in Bardstown/Nelson County, in partnership with the Kentucky Heritage Council and the Bardstown Historic Review Board. This was PK’s fourth real estate training this year. Space for the program was graciously provided at Wickland, a beautiful Georgian mansion circa 1815. We couldn’t have asked for a better setting for a discussion about historic property. The training was well-attended. Thirty-one local realtors received six continuing education credit hours, and several appraisers and attorneys also joined in on the discussion.

PATRICK KENNEDY, PK BOARD MEMBER

The Gladie Cabin Board Shingle Roof

In Fall 2012 Wayna Adams, Heritage Program Manager for the Daniel Boone National Forest (DBNF) put out a request for assistance to install an authentic board shingle roof for the 1880s Gladie Cabin, a contributing building in the Forest’s National Register historic district. Board shingle roofs were the predominant style in Appalachia up until the early 1900s, but are rarely seen today.

The first goal for the Gladie Cabin was to train volunteers in a series of workshops, to make enough shingles for the main roof and both porches. Wayna also needed to borrow shingle making tools, shaving horses, shingle brakes, froes and mallets. Some volunteers brought froes and other equipment and together we came up with the tools for our first workshop. That first volunteer day in October we had about 25 eager volunteers who made 300 to 400 usable white oak shingles. Several more volunteer days with good attendance followed. We had a great time at each one with pot luck lunches and a strong spirit of camaraderie. By the end of the fall we split, rived, shaved and stacked in the barn over 2500 shingles, awaiting installation the following spring.

A work crew was organized and included three experienced local roofers and six Daniel Boone Forest summer interns. Wayna also took time off her regular duties to help. The roofers quickly grasped the details of installing the board shingles in the historic style and began to put them down. They soon began laying down multiple rows at once which speeded the process. The DBNF interns were a bright, eager and motivated group of young men and women. They had been cutting and improving trails in the forest so they were used to hard work. We had them sort the shingles by grades A to D. Many of the shingles needed a little more work to make them “A” grade. The interns took B (cont’d on page 8)
MEMBER PROFILE
WEST SIXTH STREET BREWING COMPANY

Established 2011
Located in former Rainbo Bread Factory
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Why do you support PK?

PK’s work helps to preserve and create culture that has lasting effects to make a vibrant community in Central Kentucky.

What is your favorite PK offering?

The Sixth For a Cause with PK as our partner organization was definitely our favorite PK event. That being said all biking events are also seem like really fun programs.

What is special to you about Kentucky’s historic built landscape?

The physical connection to our history and culture that the historic landscape provides is very cool. Along those lines when you see new life come into these historic structures it really creates a link between past and present.

Why does West Sixth love old buildings?

The 100 year old Rainbo Bread Factory where we are housed has provided character, linked us to the community and has become part of our brand, although not without challenges. Without sounding too cliché they don’t build them like they used to.

Why should we preserve our heritage?

Preserving our heritage is vital to maintaining the unique culture in Kentucky and pays dividends to community and future generations.
to D grade shingles and trimmed edges parallel and/or shaved surfaces to make them flat. They also pre-drilled nail holes to help speed installation and kept a continuous supply moving to the roofers.

We made good progress on the first day and began to think we might get this project completed.

As the week progressed it looked like we could make it if the rain held off. However, a growing concern for all of us was of the rapidly dwindling supply of shingles. Wayna and some of the interns began to make more. We also examined a cache of left over shingles that was on the second floor of the cabin. Friday, our last day, came. Weather was predicted at 60% chance of thunderstorms. With an eye on the sky we all hit it hard. Some of the interns began helping put down shingles on the small porch roof. The rain threatened but kept holding off. We ate lunch in 15 minutes and jumped back on the job. At 2:20 that afternoon the last nail was driven in the last shingle. We did it. Everybody was elated. None of us will ever forget this job and all will remember with pride the work we accomplished at Gladie Cabin.
Endangered List Update

Preservation Kentucky has altered our approach to Endangered Listing in 2011. PK began highlighting themes that impact historic preservation, such as the issues facing small town Kentucky, as well as property types, such as rock shelters, that require public education to understand their plight. New themes to be added in 2013-2014 include historic and prehistoric cemeteries, looting at prehistoric and historic sites, and African American historic places. An update on work on 2011-2013 endangered resources and properties is listed below.

PK announced **Historic Wood Windows** as endangered historic resources on July 25, 2011 at Pine Mountain Settlement School in Harlan County, in conjunction with the National Windows Preservation Summit. In Summer 2013, the National Windows Standards Collaborative released the Window Preservation Standards, in collaboration with Preservation Kentucky and partners. This booklet establishes best practices for the preservation, repair, restoration and weatherization of old and historic wooden windows. Well over 150 preservation and energy efficiency professionals collaborated over two years to produce the book. The Standards are a must have for anyone in the preservation field attempting to restore older wood windows, including architects, State Historic Preservation Offices, window specialists, trades people, contractors, building owners, businesses, educators, preservation commissions and homeowners. To get your copy, please visit [www.windowstandards.org](http://www.windowstandards.org) or phone the PK office for details on how to purchase offline.

PK proclaimed **Small Town Kentucky** as endangered with the nomination of historic Sadieville to our list in May 2011. Since that time, PK has been working closely with the city of Sadieville to develop plans to encourage development of their important vacant and abandoned properties. PK assisted with nomination of Sadieville to the National Register of Historic Places, in collaboration with the University of Louisville Public History program, thanks to PK Board member Professor Daniel Vivian. As a result, the majority of Sadieville’s historic properties are eligible for state and federal tax credits for historic preservation. In addition, PK wrote a successful Peter H Brink Leadership fund grant for mentor training conducted by Kimberly Nyberg of Tennessee’s Small Towns program in Spring 2013. Work continues as we help Sadieville realize their dream of revitalization.
PK listed **Hogan’s Fountain Pavilion** on the Endangered List in October 2011, as an example of endangered resources in our state and local park systems. PK worked with the local advocacy group, Save Hogan’s Fountain Pavilion (SHFP), to get local historic designation in September 2012. PK also helped with the National Register nomination form through Board member Anna Maas. National Register listing is currently pending for this site and will hopefully be accomplished in early 2014, opening the project up to state and federal historic preservation tax credit. SHFP has been fundraising for repairs to the building, and we are happy to report that as of November 2013, Metro Parks has accepted their private donation to repair the roof on this beloved piece of modern park-itecture. Phase II will include masonry repairs to the stone bases, new grills, and lighting. With a considerably smaller price-tag, they hope to have funds raised for this work in 2014. For more information visit [www.SaveTheTeePee.com](http://www.SaveTheTeePee.com).
My First National Trust Conference

This year thanks to Preservation Kentucky, I was able to attend my first National Trust Conference. I can’t begin to explain what a wonderful and positive experience it was. I met many talented, smart and motivated preservationists and was able to talk to them about their projects, organizations and work as well as share with them all the incredible things Preservation Kentucky has been working on. I was able to see a new side of Indianapolis – what an amazing city. (No really, forget everything you know about Indiana’s capital and visit!) It was an intense week, but it was immeasurably re-energizing and inspirational. We can’t wait to apply all that we learned to advancing PK’s mission and expanding its reach.

SUGGESTED READING

Looking for a great book for your avid historic preservationist?

PK has several suggestions for your holiday gift-giving needs. All are available at your local bookstore, except Windows Preservation Standards.

Beautiful Gardens of Kentucky by Jon Carloftis.

Creekside: An Archaeological Novel by PK Board Member Kelli Carmean.

The Battle of Mill Springs by Stuart Sanders.

Belgravia Court: Old Louisville’s Premier Walking Court by Shawn Williams with photographs by by Dan Colon.


Historic Houses of Louisville by Steve A. Wiser and Dan Madryga.

Origins of Louisville’s Olmsted Parks and Parkways by Sam Thomas.
PK NEWS

PK was thrilled with the 2013 Preservation Pedal: An Historic Bike Tour of Frankfort and Franklin County on June 15. Approximately 600 cycled the countryside surrounding Frankfort and into Shelby, Woodford, and Henry Counties. Of this number, approximately 345 cyclists rode our new 100-mile Century ride! Historic sites highlighted on the 2013 tour include the Kentucky State Capitol Building, Switzer Covered Bridge, the town of New Castle, Blackburn Farm, and historic Pleasureville—to name a few. The up-tick in longer distance riders occurred due to our founding partnership with the newly created Kentucky Century Challenge.

The 2013 Battlefields and Beyond—Civil War Sites in the 21st Century was held August 15-17 in historic Danville, thanks to our sponsors. Approximately 75 attendees from across the Southeast and Midwest, including Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee, West Virginia, Indiana, and Ohio, learned how to interpret the African American experience in the Antebellum era; the role of archaeology in interpreting Civil War sites; and best practices from sites across the country including Museum of the Confederacy in Virginia, the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area, and Kentucky’s own Mill Springs Battlefield in southern Kentucky.

Thanks to support from Brown-Forman Corporation and the Kentucky Humanities Council, Preservation Kentucky held Preserving Kentucky’s Historic Cemeteries on October 26 at the Kentucky Center for African American Heritage in Louisville, in partnership with the Kentucky Heritage Council, Preservation Louisville, the Louisville Historical League, and Neighborhood Planning and Preservation. Symposium attendees were educated on Kentucky cemetery law as it relates to enforcement, abandonment, relocation, funding, and other issues impacting historic cemeteries in our Commonwealth. Cemetery history and heritage tourism and educational initiatives for historic cemeteries were also covered.
Preservation expert Jonathan Appell of Connecticut led a two-day hands-on Cemetery Stone Preservation Workshop at Eastern Cemetery on Baxter Ave in Louisville, October 27-28. Over fifteen cemetery stones were righted, repaired, cleaned and/or reset at the cemetery. Attendees from all across Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, and Chicago learned about proper grave stone conservation techniques and participated in restoration efforts at Eastern Cemetery, thanks to our sponsors Preservation Louisville, Friends of Eastern Cemetery, Cave Hill Cemetery, and Willow Landscaping.

PK is pleased to have completed a Multiple Property Nomination Form for John Hunt-Morgan’s Raid in Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio, July 2-26, 1863, thanks to support from the American Battlefield Protection Program. We have identified 151 sites associated with the Raid that may be eligible under the approved MPDF. The MPDF will be considered at each state’s review Board before being shipped to Washington, DC for final approval. Preservation Kentucky (PK) intends to promote the listing of these sites in our state, and strongly encourage the Indiana and Ohio SHPOs to do the same. The draft report is available at http://www.preservationkentucky.org/newsEvents.php.

PK will be offering a new Realtor Training series as of January 2014, pending approval of credits from the Kentucky Real Estate Commission. The series will include Understanding the Energy Efficient Historic Building and Historic Preservation 101 for realtors, in partnership with the Kentucky Heritage Council. Please contact the PK office if you are interested in helping sponsor one of these workshops in your area.

PK is currently designing and preparing to build a small scale Kentucky log barn, as part of the National Barn Alliance’s Teamwork and Timber program. This program features a 1/3 scale model barn that travels to middle and high schools and teaches math, science, history, social studies—as well as the teamwork necessary to construct this 3D puzzle. Please check with our office if you are interested in helping sponsor this important program.
The 2014 Preservation Pedal will be held on Saturday, June 21 in Winchester/Clark County. The ride will feature a downtown tour, an approx 20 mile tour, an approx 60 mile tour, and a 100 mile tour. PK is working with the Bluegrass Cycling Club and a local planning group on this year’s details. Keep an eye out for more information at www.preservationpedal.org.

PK is partnering with the Kentucky Heritage Council on a rework of the state historic preservation conference. Rather than hold one conference in the Fall every two years, PK and the KHC will conduct a series of trainings every other year—open to the public and available in all regions of the state. More details will be shared about this new approach in January 2014. In the meantime...

PK is partnering with the Kentucky Heritage Council/Kentucky Main Street program for the first educational offering in the new state preservation conference series on January 15-17 in Frankfort. As part of this program, which will feature Jeff Speck, author of Walkable City, PK will hold its second biennial Legislative Action Reception at the historic Grand Theatre on Thursday, January 16 from 5:30-6:45 pm. Please come and bring your state legislator as our guest. Mr Speck will be on-hand after his 7 pm talk to sign books. More details will be available via email soon.

PK will be taking nominations for our 2014 Preservation Leaders Awards beginning Tuesday, December 3 on our website at http://www.preservationkentucky.org/newsEvents.php. Nominations will be due back to our office by Friday, January 10. Awards to be given include The Linda Bruckheimer Award for Excellence in Rural Preservation, The Helen Dedman Award for Excellence in Preservation Advocacy, and Sutherland Award for Excellence in Environmental Preservation.

PK will hold its Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony in Lexington in early April at historic Keeneland. Details will be available in January 2014.

PK is currently accepting case studies for our Kentucky’s Most Endangered List. New themes that will be highlighted include African American historic places, historic and prehistoric burial grounds, and looting at important archaeological sites. If you have a property or site that would fit into one of those categories, please contact us at our office 502.871.4570.
PK is still working on getting 900 applications to produce the Preserve Our Heritage License Plate. We will be requesting a new two-year period in the hopes of getting this achieved. If you haven’t yet, please sign up for the plate at www.kypreservationlicenseplate.org.

Consider supporting PK year-round so we can continue our excellent programming. Our easy to use online donation system will allow you to input any amount to be withdrawn monthly from your bank account. Visit http://www.preservationkentucky.org/donation/donationRegForm.php.
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