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Preservation Notes

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From the President by Matt Pohlman

Although we have a new name and a new Executive Director (neither of which are really that new at this point), we are as focused as ever on our overarching goal to maintain the look and feel of Chapel Hill by helping to preserve the historic structures and landscapes.

With that in mind, we will reinvigorate our efforts to interact with all of the stakeholders in town in order to promote what maintains the character of Chapel Hill. Whether through our work in the Historic Districts, our tireless efforts in our neighborhoods, our newly initiated involvement with the Northside District, or our ongoing dialogue with the Town, we will continue to use the touchstone of our mission statement to guide our actions. As an advocacy group, we are tasked with being a voice for preservation and advo-

cating for the principals of historic preservation even when those positions are not popular. Please know that we have no agenda apart from our mission.

In addition, we believe strongly that true historic preservation embraces development and growth – after all, all of the historic structures we are saving were once new development projects. To this end, we anticipate a busy year working with – and as a resource for – a variety of constituents related to how our town grows. Being proactive with regard to growth is a hallmark of a successful historic preservation organization and we want to continue to have success in our endeavors.

Last, what non-profit newsletter would be complete without an appeal? In order for Preservation



Chapel Hill to continue to be active in the community we must have funding. And, although our budget is comparatively small, all of our funding comes from folks like you. We get no money from the town, no money from the university and no money from the state. Donations, memberships and events fund all of our initiatives. We sincerely thank those who have given in the past and hope that those reading this newsletter – past, present or future members – will support our organization with contributions of time and money.

Director's Notes by Cheri Szcodronski



For many, historic preservation is an unfamiliar field often perceived as an obstacle to community growth. In reality, historic preservation is a proven tool for successful economic development.

Rehabilitation of historic structures results in job creation, tax revenue, increased property values, small business development, and heritage tourism. And since many more structures deserve saving than can be reasonably used as museums, we must be willing to consider creative alternatives.

As Chapel Hill prepares to embark on a number of redevelopment projects, it is important for preservationists to take a leadership role in the decision-making process to ensure that our community balances the need for this growth with the retention of our historic resources.

Contact me today to learn how you can participate in this process and be a strong voice for preservation and thoughtful growth in our community.



Learn more about
the National Trust
for Historic
Preservation at
[www.preservation
nation.org](http://www.preservationnation.org)

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TOM HEFFNER
2012
PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE
CHAIR

Katherine
and Vincent
Kopp won a
Preservation
Award for a
sustainable
rehabilitation
of this 1913
Aladdin Kit
House



Celebrate Preservation Month!

The National Trust for Historic Preservation designates May as National Preservation Month each year. It is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people.

Celebrate National Preservation Month with Preservation Chapel Hill:

May 1: Preservation Awards

May 7: Preservation Take-out, Chapel Hill's national and local historic districts

May 12: Walk This Way! Fact and Folklore of Franklin Street

May 14: Preservation Take-out, the National Register of Historic Places

May 19: Walk This Way! Women's History

May 21: Preservation Take-out, weatherizing windows

May 28: Preservation Take-out, researching property deeds

Schedule subject to change.

2013 Preservation Awards

It's time again to honor the preservation leaders in our community! Preservation Chapel Hill's Preservation Awards will be announced at Preservation Happy Hour on May 1st. Kick off Preservation Month this May by honoring those who are protecting the special places in our community.

The Preservation Awards celebrate outstanding dedication and commitment to excellence in historic preservation in the Chapel Hill community. Award winners have made significant contributions to protecting America's heritage through their efforts to protect, promote, and preserve Chapel Hill's historic places - the places that make Chapel Hill special.

Individuals and organizations may be nominated in the following categories:

Founders Award

In honor of the efforts of PCH co-founders Georgia Kyser and Ida Friday, this award recognizes an individual or organization who has undertaken a significant restoration or rehabilitation project with exemplary sensitivity to historic character.

Young Preservationist Award

This award recognizes the efforts of up-and-coming professionals who have made significant contributions to a local project, research, archival documentation, or University. Recipient must be 30 years old or younger.

Preservation Achievement Award

This award recognizes that one person really can change the world by honor-

ing professionals who have made significant contributions to the field of Historic Preservation throughout their careers.

Sustainability Award

This award honors individuals or organizations who have implemented new technologies for sustainability and energy efficiency in a rehabilitation project.

Advocacy Award

This award recognizes individuals or organizations who have been leaders in advocacy for preservation issues in the community, leading efforts to promote local architecture and history, effective public policy, and the retention of historic resources.

To nominate someone you know for one of these awards, contact Executive Director Cheri Szcodronski today!

cheri@preservationchapelhill.org

Don't forget to renew!

All 2012 memberships expire on March 31st, so renew today!

Members receive discounts on Preservation Chapel Hill merchandise, tickets to special events, and Horace Williams House rentals, as well as invitations to members-only tours, lectures, and recognition events.

There's a membership level for every budget, so join today and make sure your voice is heard in preservation discussions in our community!

Refer a new member and both of you will be entered into a drawing for a prize!

Memberships Levels:

Supporter	\$35
Contributor	\$60
Donor	\$150
Patron	\$250
Benefactor	\$500
Sustainer	\$1000
Business Affiliate	\$2000

To join PCH today, visit www.preservationchapelhill.org, call 919-942-7818, or stop by our office at 610 East Rosemary Street!

Members enjoy Happy Hour at R&R Grill and a special behind-the-scenes tour of UNC.



Announcements

Preservation Chapel Hill welcomes two new staff members this year!

Brenda Heindl is our new Program Coordinator and will be managing the volunteer and internship programs, planning special events, and managing our education programs.

Allison Essen is our new Office Manager and will be managing our rental program.

A new look for a new year!

If you haven't visited our website in a while, check it out at www.preservationchapelhill.org. With our name change to Preservation Chapel Hill, we'll be unveiling our updated logo and website soon, so visit often! You'll also find information about preservation projects, education programs, and special events.

Preservation Plaques Program

Live in a historic house? We're expanding our Preservation Plaque program. If your home is at least 50 years old and has significant architecture, occupants, or a connection to significant events in our community, you may apply for a Preservation Plaque to recognize its historic significance. Contact us for more information!

There's always something new at

Preservation

Chapel Hill!

Visit our website to

stay up-to-date!

www.preservation

chapelhill.org

Wanted: Volunteers!

Looking to make a difference in the community? Have some free time on your hands? We can help!

Preservation Chapel Hill needs volunteers to help with many of our activities, from day-to-day operations to school field trips to special programs and events. We'll provide all the training you need - so sign up today!

Volunteers are needed for the following positions:

Administrative Assistant - basic office support

Archival Assistant - maintenance of our Preservation Archives

Special Event and Programming Volunteer - publicize and staff special events

Education Volunteer - lead education field trip programs

Committee Volunteer - serve on one of our many board committees

Contact Brenda today for full descriptions and volunteer applications at brenda@preservationchapelhill.org.



Volunteer Susan Green
staffs a game at the
annual Easter Egg Hunt

Upcoming Events at Preservation Chapel Hill

March 27 - April 30

"Housed Within" Maya exhibit. Free.

April 3 at 4:30

Preservation Happy Hour at The Crunkleton. Free.

April 7 at 2:00

Art Reception, Chinese Watercolor by Vivien Wushuan Burns. Free.

April 9 at 2:30

Intern Capstone Presentations at the Horace Williams House. Free.

April 14 at 2:00

Walk This Way! The Fact and Folklore of Franklin Street. \$5

April 17 at 5:00

Preservation Connections: Landscape preservation. At HWH. Free.

April 20 at 10:30

Practical Preservation Earth Day Event at the Horace Williams House. \$10

April 21 at 2:00

Walk This Way! Women's History. \$5

April 28 at 2:00

Walk This Way: Old Chapel Hill Cemetery (starts at gazebo). \$5

May 5 - June 4

"A Strong Resemblance: Mary deBerniere Graves, North Carolina Artist"

May 1 at 4:30

Preservation Awards at Preservation Happy Hour. Location TBD. Free.

May 7 at Noon

Preservation Takeout: Chapel Hill's historic districts. Free.

May 12 at 2:00

Walk This Way! Franklin Street. \$5

May 14 at Noon

Preservation Takeout: National Register of Historic Places. Free.

May 19 at 2:00

Walk This Way! Women's History

May 21 at Noon

Preservation Takeout: weatherizing historic windows. Free.

May 26 at Noon

Walk This Way! Old Chapel Hill Cemetery (starts at gazebo). \$5

May 28 at Noon

Preservation Takeout: researching property deeds. Free.

June 5 at 4:30

Preservation Happy Hour. Location TBD. Free.

June 9 (tentative)

Preservation Pursuit 5k Run/Walk

June 9 at 2:00

Walk This Way! The Fact and Folklore of Franklin Street. \$5

June 11 at Noon

Preservation Takeout
"Staff Stories: Material Culture and Civil War Landscapes." Free.

June 16 at 2:00

Walk This Way! Women's History

June 22 (time TBD)

Practical Preservation: geothermal and sustainability in historic rehabilitation

June 23 at 2:00

Walk This Way! Old Chapel Hill Cemetery (starts at gazebo). \$5

June 23 at 2:00

Art Reception, fiber by Alice Levinson (Show dates: June 9-June 23)

The event calendar is subject to change.

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