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**Preview Party and Candlelight Tours**

Saturday, December 7  
6 - 9 p.m.

**Daylight Tours**

Sunday, December 8  
Noon - 4 p.m.

## **BOUGH & DOUGH SHOP**

**The Hexagon House, 530 Amherst Street**

*Open to the public - no admission fee*

November 22-December 15

Tuesdays-Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1, 8, 15 noon-5 p.m.

Open until 6 p.m. Grand Opening weekend, November 22 & 23 and  
Holiday House Tour weekend, December 6-8

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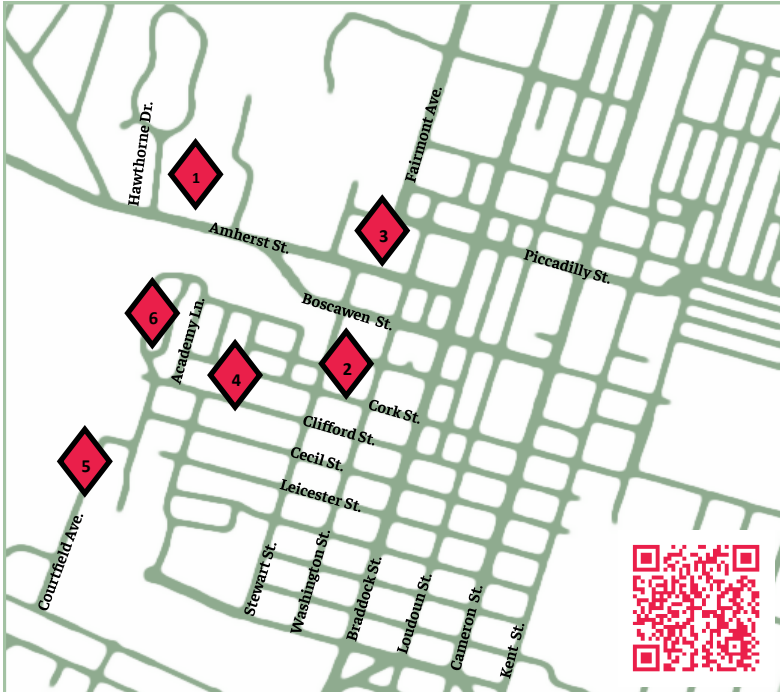


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# EVENT MAP



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## 1. Bough & Dough Shop

**The Hexagon House, 530 Amherst Street**

*Open to the public, no admission fee*

## 2. Preview Party

**The Obed Waite House, 214 West Cork Street**

*Home of John and Rose Eberhardt*

*Saturday only, advance ticket required*

## 3. The 18th Century:

**The Daniel Morgan House, 226 Amherst Street**

*Home of George and Jeanne Schember*

## 4. The 19th Century:

**421 West Clifford Street**

*Home of Scott and Margie Cullers*

## 5. The 20th Century:

**512 Courtfield Avenue**

*Home of Pat and Ellen Mason*

## 6. The 21st Century:

**163 Academy Lane**

*Home of Bryan and Mary Rhodes*

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# THE BOUGH & DOUGH SHOP

The Hexagon House

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*Closed for Thanksgiving*

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Sunday, Dec. 1, 8, 15, noon-5 p.m.

The Shop is a boutique-style holiday gift shop on the first floor of the Hexagon House, featuring talented local artisans. You will find unique handmade items, freshly-baked goods, as well as a selection of loose greenery, wreaths, and premade bows for your holiday decorating. This year, ShenArts will also open the upstairs for the Deck the Walls holiday market, Tuesdays-Saturdays.

The Hexagon House will have themed zones—the kitchen with baked treats, condiments, canned goods, and taste-testing samples of select products; the dining room with fine woodworking, glassware, and handwoven baskets; and the parlor with unique handcrafted gifts, ornaments, and artwork. Be sure to look in every nook for delightful surprises!

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# THE PREVIEW PARTY

**The Obed Waite House, 214 West Cork Street  
Saturday, December 7      6-9 P.M.**

*Advance tickets required; sales limited to 100 PHW members*



The Obed Waite House contains a secret—behind the 19th century facade is one of the oldest inhabited residential homes in Winchester. The original part of the log and stone house was built in 1795 by Obed Waite, a lawyer who came to Winchester, married James Wood's granddaughter, and eventually became Mayor, State Attorney and President of the Bank of the Valley. As his prosperity grew, he added onto the house in 1806 and the 1820s, eventually building 119 South Washington when he outgrew his first home.

The house passed in the 1830s to his son-in-law, Washington George Singleton, another attorney who was appointed Clerk of the U.S. Circuit Court by President Andrew Jackson. He was a unionist Democrat throughout the Civil War, which resulted in federal court being held in the living room in 1864 and a series of salacious disputes with the Confederate-supporting Byrd family across the street.

The Eberhardts, who appear to be the first non-attorneys to own the home, are fortunate that the prior owners cared lovingly for the house. Renovated in the late 19th century and after the Second World War, the original woodworking, floors, and architectural details have largely been preserved. The Eberhardts have focused on additional restoration of features, such as the fireplaces, and accenting the Federalist architecture by using period colors and removing some of the modern changes, like closets, to the house.



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# THE 18TH CENTURY

## The Daniel Morgan House, 226 Amherst Street



The Daniel Morgan House, home of the Revolutionary War General, was built in 1786 by London merchant George Flowerdew Norton on a slight knoll of Amherst Street known as Ambler Hill. It is one of the few surviving homes of the period to be built of timber frame construction and is among the dozen oldest non-log buildings in Winchester's Historic District. With nearly 7,500 square feet of living space, it also ranks among the Historic District's most spacious historic homes, including an unusually large lot for a city property.

General Morgan, famed rifleman, moved here as his retirement home in 1800 and reputedly built the western portion of the house in brick. He died in the upstairs master bedroom on July 6, 1802. Found throughout the home are the original Dutch elbow locks, doors, and red pine flooring. Most of the eight mantels date to the 1830s when the house was upgraded by Alexander Tidball. Other major architectural features, including the staircase, room layout, paneling and wainscoting, would have been familiar to Morgan himself. The home was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2013.

Mr. and Mrs. Schember's eclectic collections of artwork, furnishings, and Christmas tree decorations were acquired during their extensive foreign and domestic travels.



*Best Wishes  
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# THE 19TH CENTURY

## 421 West Clifford Street



Textbook-style Victorian dwellings were late arriving in Winchester, but when constructed rank among the best in style and execution of those found anywhere in America. This home, built at the end of the 19th century, follows the traditional pattern of a Folk Victorian. Based on the richly ornate and polychromatic houses of the elites of society, the Folk Victorian was simplified and designed for the everyday family.

Colloquially known as “painted ladies,” these homes often sport color schemes ranging from bold and bright to whimsical pastels. The colors draw the eye to the interplay of decorative materials and key architectural features common in Victorian construction. The exterior of this home retains its deeply shaded porch with delicate spindles, a pseudo-tower feature, and complex intersecting gable and hip rooflines of the Folk Victorian style. The Craftsman-inspired bay window and otherwise restrained exterior decorative elements hint at the return of architectural simplicity in the early 20th century.

Over the years this home was used as a boarding house and a private nursing home, hosting people known and forgotten in Winchester’s history. It was returned to a single-family dwelling in the 1970s. Current owners Scott and Margie Cullers are in the never-ending process of updating and maintaining while taking great care to preserve the original architectural features of their home.



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# THE 20TH CENTURY

512 Courtfield Avenue



Pat and Ellen Mason's 20th-century home features materials and styles from earlier eras, befitting this period of reinterpretation of historic American construction. In 1938, Raymond Saxe, a local antique dealer, took his builders to Williamsburg to learn about Colonial craftsmanship. They constructed this Georgian-style home with old bricks, using a Flemish bond pattern.

The interior features mantels, woodwork and hardware salvaged from local buildings which were being demolished. Rich dark pine doors and woodworking create a warm and receptive atmosphere. Stairs rise from a center hallway, flanked by pine-trimmed front rooms used now as the dining room and study. Distinctive chair-rail molding lines the walls. Of the six fireplaces, three are in corners, and all feature salvaged woodwork.

The Masons purchased the house from the Saxe estate in 1979. The rear of the home opens into a bright and sunny upper-story addition designed by local architects Reader & Swartz in 2005. The family tradition is to have a Christmas tree in the corner of the sun room. Other Mason family holiday traditions include a large collection of nutcrackers, Moravian Star ornaments, and decorations of silver and of needlepoint. Visitors will enjoy seeing abundant greens and floral arrangements by friends from the Hawthorne Garden Club.



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# THE 21ST CENTURY

163 Academy Lane



Built in 2006, this contemporary home was constructed for Richard Nanna by Joseph Mohr. It is now home to Bryan and Mary Rhodes. The brick façade, perhaps a tip of the hat to the brick and stone Winchester Academy that once stood nearby, shows Neoclassical and Palladian influences, as well as a Craftsman-inspired bay window. The complex and multilevel gable roof lines, however, are a hallmark of early 21st century residential design.

The interior presents an excellent example of the open floor plan concept, with the kitchen, dining and living areas combined into a single space. In a true post-modern style, the interior features a combination of elements from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries. The hand-hewn wood mantel calls back to a 19th century joist, but sits in juxtaposition to the large open space that could only be achieved through its modern steel replacement. Throughout, Neoclassical elements like curved pediments, columns, and crown moldings provide a backdrop for mostly modern amenities and interior design, creating what Robert Venturi might call a “calculated ambiguity of meaning.” The house truly brings you Through the Centuries of Winchester’s history up to the modern day.

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