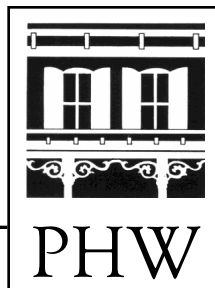


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THE ANNUAL MEETING AWARDS, BY-LAWS, AND FUN

Although it feels like drought conditions outside, this year's roster of preservation awards were not lacking. Several long-term projects were recognized on June 26th. Awards of merit were given to Jimmy Stewart for 518 South Kent Street, Scott Weaver for the Weaver Building at 1 South Loudoun Street, and North Cameron Properties LLC for the Snapp Foundry building at 329 North Cameron Street. All three projects had



*Jimmy Stewart thanks PHW for the recognition of
518 South Kent Street with an Award of Merit.*

been underway for several years, and the transition from vacant and dilapidated to occupied and contributing buildings has made a substantial impact on their respective neighborhoods.

Similarly, the Revolving Fund property at 804 Amherst Street was recognized with a Katie G. Rockwood Award following the building's conversion from a residence to office space for Spring Arbor. The rehabilitation was successful due to the retention of the original building's character as a

single family home and the minimal impact on the streetscape despite extensive shoring and drainage correction issues with the property.

The final building-centered award was the Lucille Lozier Award presented to the Oakcrest Companies for the tax credit project at the Lovett Building, 165 North Loudoun Street. While the ground floor of the building had been occupied, the upper residential units had been vacant since the 1970s following a fire. The building has now been completely restored and returned to active service.

Not to be forgotten, two additional awards were presented this year as well. The Elsie M. Rosenberger Award was given to Patricia Zontine for her volunteerism and expertise and leadership in PHW's advocacy efforts. Dual Ben Belchic awards were also presented to Warren Hofstra and Karl Raitz, co-editors of the recently-published book The Great Valley Road of Virginia. (Continued on page 3.)

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MEET THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS

BILL BUETTIN is the Senior Vice President of United Bank in Winchester. Bill's professional experience includes 10 years as a commercial lender for regional banks in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Virginia. In his professional capacity, Bill has experience with adaptive reuse projects involving the historic tax credits, facade and conservation easements, tax increment financing, bridge loans and other creative financing techniques that are useful in historic preservation projects.

Bill and his family moved to Winchester from Pittsburgh in August 2009 where they lived in an 1864 row house located in a local and national historic district called the Mexican War Streets. Bill served as Board Chair of the local community development corporation that was responsible for, among other things, gaining control of and redeveloping a large, blighted and historic commercial corridor in the community. Bill has also served on the Board of the Urban Land Institute Pittsburgh and the Economic Development committees of the Gateway New Economic Council and the Pittsburgh Urban Magnet Project. He is currently serving on the City of Winchester Economic Development Authority and American Red Cross Top of Virginia Chapter.

Bill is particularly passionate about the symbiotic relationship between historic preservation and economic development and looks forward to bringing his passion to bear as a

board member of PHW. He lives on W. Cecil with his wife Erin, 3 year old son Will and their dog Bella.

JOHN BARKER'S career with Oakcrest started in 2002, after many years in industrial construction. As the Director of Purchasing and Estimating, he was responsible for costs, both the subcontractors performing the work, and the building materials used. At the time the focus was on new construction, mainly townhouses and retirement communities. In the peak years of 2003 to 2005, Oakcrest was building over 150 houses a year. Times were certainly good then.

Oakcrest has always been a strong proponent of downtown Winchester, and its revitalization. As new construction slowed, our focus on rehabilitation and preservation work increased, along with our work with tax incentive programs. The transformation of the Knitting Mill in Winchester, Oakcrest's corporate offices, really led the way to show us what can be done with old buildings, while preserving them. John's involvement started out slowly in the beginning, and picked up quickly, most recently with the completion of the Lovett Building project on the walking mall, the preservation of a mixed use (retail & apartments) building constructed in 1890. The success of these projects reaffirms our commitment to downtown Winchester and these historic structures. ♦

EVOLUTION OF 804 AMHERST STREET



804 Amherst during the initial site work ...



... during the framing...



and the completed structure. ♦

Check each item that you are willing to volunteer your time and return to PHW, 530 Amherst St. Winchester, VA 22601		
PHW Activities	Holiday House Tour	
<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> Docents	Name:
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> House Chairmen	Phone:
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<input type="checkbox"/> Revolving Fund		

ANNUAL MEETING (CONT.)

Before adjourning the meeting, Richard Bell passed along a final bit of preservation news. Sandra Bosley, PHW's Office Administrator, graduated from her Master of Arts program at Savannah College of Art and Design on May 27. Congratulations, Sandra!

BY-LAW REVISIONS

The by-laws were also amended at the Annual Meeting. Several minor changes were made throughout the document:

- Change the title "Vice-President-President-Elect" to "Vice President / President-Elect."
- Change the title from "Executive Board" to "Executive Committee" for consistency.
- Use a consistent title for the "Immediate Past President" position.
- Clarify the Vice President / President-Elect is to chair the Nominating Committee in Article VI, Section 1.
- Remove section heading under Article VII, "Employees."
- Correct misprint in Article XI, Section 2.c., referring to the procedure to notify the membership from Article VII to Article IX.

The larger changes came with the Executive Board and the Vice President descriptions. The text now reads:

Article III, Section 2:

Section 2. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President / President-Elect, Immediate Past President, a member of the honorary council (as appointed annually by the board from the members of the honorary council) and the Treasurer. The function of the Executive Committee shall be to advise alternative courses of action to the Board of Directors as instructed, and to act on behalf of the Board at the direction of the Board. The Executive Committee shall report to the Board of Directors any and all action taken by the Executive Committee and apprise the Board of any direction or action being considered by the Executive Committee. Any action taken by the Executive Committee shall be submitted for ratification by the board at its next meeting.

Article III, Section 6

Section 6. Vice Presidents

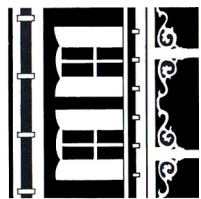
There may be up to three (3) additional Vice Presidents, elected by the membership. They shall head the appropriate committees and be responsible through those committees for conducting the business pertinent to that committee. The three Vice Presidents may be:

Vice President for Preservation Advocacy and Issues, who shall be responsible for monitoring local issues, having to do with preservation, endangered properties, heritage tourism, surveys, and legislative concerns. In addition, this officer may serve as a representative of PHW as needed for related community organizations. This officer shall serve on the annual awards committee. The Vice President for Advocacy and Issues shall also be responsible for the monitoring and enforcement of covenants and easements held by PHW, as well as making recommendations of new properties to be acquired through the fund. This officer shall also chair the Steering Committee of the W. Raymond Jennings Revolving Fund, consisting of four other members recommended by the chairman and with approval by the Executive Committee. The Steering Committee shall be empowered to buy and sell property as approved by the Board of Directors under the guidelines of a preservation revolving fund.

Vice President for Membership and Development, who shall be responsible for fundraising events and developing sources of grants, endowments, and donations, as well as interacting with the business community. This officer shall work with the President and the Treasurer in determining the need for and scope of fundraising events.

Vice President for Education who shall be responsible for programs and educational activities. ♦

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UPCOMING EVENTS

New Arrivals

Thanks to a donation by Dr. and Mrs. Hill, the PHW library now contains a collection of Historic Preservation and Colonial Homes magazines, among other titles, from the 1980s to the present. These magazines will be available to researchers. Have you seen what's in the PHW library?

John Kirby Day—August 7

This year's Coalition for Racial Unity's Annual John Kirby Day JazzFest will be held in the War Memorial Building's Active Living Center in Jim Barnett Park on August 7th from 2-6 pm. This year's programs will feature great music performed by three accomplished jazz ensembles. Box lunches will be offered by John Kirby's niece, Robin Williams. A John Kirby CD and pictures will be available for purchase.

The event will promote community health services with the proceeds going to support the work of the Free Medical Clinic and the upcoming blood drive on August 13th from 2-7 pm. For additional information contact Peter Mowitt at deerwood@winchesterwireless.net or 540-877-1918.

Winchester INSIGHT Academy—August 12

The INSIGHT Citizens Academy begins on August 12. This free twelve week program to familiarize yourself with the inner workings of the local government. To register for the academy or to see more program information, visit www.winchesterva.gov/insight. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Simmons at 662-4946, ext. 30.

First Kernstown Battlefield Walking Tours—August 21

Both Rose Hill and the Pritchard-Grim Farm will be conducting walking tours of the properties. Tours at **Rose Hill** are self-guided. Rose Hill is located a few miles from the main MSV campus at 1850 Jones Road, Winchester. This tour is free to MSV Members; all others: free with purchase of MSV gallery admission on August 21, or \$5 for Rose Hill only (\$5 admission payable at Rose Hill).

The **Pritchard-Grim Farm** in Winchester will be open for walking tour with Dr. Bob Hileman, Jr. of the First Battle of Kernstown on the Kernstown Battlefield. The free tour will be offered twice, at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. The 1854 Pritchard House will also be open for tours. House tours will be \$3 per person (over 12 years old). ♦

ARE YOU A PHW MEMBER?

Preservation of Historic Winchester, Inc., is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting Winchester's architectural heritage. PHW depends on income from membership and contributions to achieve its goals. *All contributions above membership are tax deductible.*

Join today by completing this form and returning it to PHW, 530 Amherst St., Winchester, VA 22601.



____ Individual \$25
____ Corporate \$100

____ Family/Business \$45
____ Other

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