# **Preservation Historic Winchester, Inc.**



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Holiday House Tour Edition

## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS TRADITIONS & TRANSFORMATIONS

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PHW is pleased to announce the 2012 Holiday House Tour. The Preview Party and Candlelight Tour will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8 from 6-9 p.m. The Daylight Tour will be held Sunday, Dec. 9 from 1-5 p.m. Be sure to stop by the Bough & Dough Shop at the Winchester Little Theatre on Saturday from 10a.m- 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. For some holiday gifts and greenery for decorating!

#### 230 West Boscawen Street, New Lifestyles

Known as the Seevers Residence and later as the Holly House, this circa 1854 building was designed in the Greek Revival style with Italianate influences.

#### 140 West Boscawen Street, Christ Episcopal Church

The Gothic Revival-style church has been in continuous use as a sacred site since its construction in 1828.

#### 103 South Washington Street, Chuck Alton and Judith Omslaer

This Italianate style home was constructed circa 1880 for the Willis family and features modest Italianate detailing typical of domestic architecture in Winchester.

#### 205 South Washington Street, Ardis Cullers

Constructed circa 1951 by Boyd Hamman, this one-and-one-half-story home was designed in the Colonial Revival style with a Cape Cod form.

#### 211 South Washington Street, Erich and Kristin Bruhn

Historically known as the Richard Byrd Residence, this Federal-style dwelling was constructed in 1832 for the prominent Winchester lawyer and member of the Virginia House of Delegates of the same name.

#### 201 South Braddock Street, John Chesson and Anne Schempp

Constructed circa 1810 with a Federal-style form, the building was altered in the 1840s to reflect the fashionable Greek Revival style.

The Preview Party, 15 South Washington Street, Richard and Pamela DeBergh Built circa 1899, the DeBergh house features an incredibly rich assembly of Colonial Revival-style details. This special home will only be open during the Candlelight Tour!

The Blue Ridge Blend Barbershop Quartet will serenade you during the Preview Party on Saturday evening. Costumed carolers for the Winchester Little Theatre led by Tim and Theresa Apple will be strolling the streets on Sunday afternoon.

Thanks to our sponsors at the time of press: Major sponsor the Adams Companies; minor sponsors Union First Market Bank, BB&T, and the Cake Boutique; and printing sponsor The Final Yard. Their support of the tour is invaluable!

Tickets will be on sale around November 15 at Kimberly's, The Winchester Book Gallery, The Final Yard, the PHW office at the Hexagon House, and online via PayPal at www.phwi.org. Look for the Holiday House Tour brochure in your mailbox soon! ♦

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# **MEMBERFEST SUCCESS!**

Thank you to everyone who stopped by Memberfest on November 2. We had a full house at Eugene B. Smith's Gallery. The "Vanished Winchester" slideshow was quite a hit; we are also so pleased at all the members who joined — or rejoined — PHW at the event. We could not be a working organization without all of our members, and this event was all about you. Thank you for your support!

Over 400 raffle tickets were sold that night, leading to some stiff competition. The lucky winners were:

- Welcome Pack Prizes (Beside a Valley Road, The Impossible Task, \$25 gift certificate to the Total Image and Workingman's Store, quilt block notecards, certificate for two Holiday House Tour tickets, and a pineapple welcome pin) – Angela Duncan
- Apple Pack Prizes (Three limited edition apple sculptures depicting the Frederick County Courthouse, Abram's Delight, and Glen Burnie, with matching stands, and also the "Follow the Apple Trail" driving tour and a golden apple pin) – Tina Scully
- Winchester Pack Prizes (Decorative plate of the Kurtz Building, three packs of assorted notecards, certificate for two Holiday House Tour Tickets, and one downtown Winchester pin) – Jessica Watson and Barbara Laidlaw
- **PHW Pack Prizes** (*Limestone, Sycamores, and Ar-chitecture*, lap afghan, three packs of PHW note-

cards, certificate for two Holiday House Tour tickets, and one downtown Winchester pin) – Robbie Marchant

- **Basket Items** (Gift certificate/wine tasting for 4 at Kindred Pointe Winery, red and white wine from Williamsburg Winery, four wine glasses, truffles, marble wine cork, dip mixes, napkins, and wine light) – Justin Hoppes
- Crate Items (Eugene Smith framed Apple Blossom poster, apple crate, apple wine, pie plate, apple pie filling, apple cranberry spread, apple cookbook, apple candles, dip mix, collectible Apple Blossom Coke bottles) – Sandy Pumphrey
- **Door Table** (Table made from reclaimed historic wood from three buildings in the Winchester Historic District) Donna Downing

If you didn't get lucky this time, look for more events like this in the future. You never know what we might raffle next!

### **MEMBERSHIP SIGNUP CONTEST**

If you are working on the membership signup contest, the competition is getting stiff! Our current leader has signed up 12 members so far with the help of the Memberfest party. You have until **December 7, 2012** to meet or beat that number to be in the running for the grand prize of a framed Beyer print or \$300 in store credit to the Eugene B. Smith Gallery. The winner will be announced and notified on **December 10**, following the Holiday House Tour. •