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NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH OPEN HOUSE

At the Hexagon House
May 13
Noon—4 PM

Free and open to the public—bring a friend to see the unique office of PHW and ShenArts!

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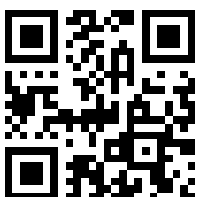
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SPRING EVENTS AT PHW!

Spring is the season of preservation! Between the warming weather, longer days, and of course National Preservation Month in May, it's the perfect time to celebrate our architectural heritage.

WOULD YOU PREFER DIGITAL INVOICES?

PHW recently upgraded our credit card processing system, and the app now allows for easier digital invoicing options. If you'd prefer to pay your PHW membership from an emailed invoice to help us save some costs on postage and physical printing, please drop us an email at phwinc.org@gmail.com with your preferred membership level. You will receive an emailed invoice that can be paid through several online options, or you can use that to mail a check as usual. A more in-depth look at the new online invoicing can be seen at our blog post <https://www.phwi.org/blog/?p=7128>.

SHERRY BOSLEY SCHOLARSHIP

PHW has authorized the first scholarship of \$2,000 to Handley High School this year in memory of Sherry Bosley, longtime PHW office volunteer. We entrusted the recipient selection to the school to find a suitable candidate based on interest in history and related fields, academic merit, and the student's volunteerism without expectation of accolades. We are holding the student's name until after May 17, and we will be sure to make a note during PHW's Annual Meeting in June.

LIDLAW MEMORIAL DEDICATION

In partnership with the MSV, PHW completed some exterior landscaping upgrades to the Hexagon House yard. PHW's portion of the project is a small amphitheater created by a small stone retaining wall and a newly levelled "grass patio" at our back porch. This also included extending the brick sidewalk around the amphitheater side of the porch, a feature sorely missing since the porch's construction in the 1980s. Be sure to thank Reading Landscape for the more involved aspects of the excavation, retaining wall, and resodding.

The front yard has also received a spruce up, mainly through the removal of the old fountain base, clearing of stumps and undesirable plants, and filling some of the uneven patches of ground near the fence and driveway.

We invite you and the general public to take a sneak peek at the space during our open house on May 13, noon-4 PM. We are planning to do the official dedication at our Annual Meeting in June, by which point we should have an example of the marker for the amphitheater in honor of Jim and Barbara Laidlaw.

PRESERVATION AWARDS

Do you know of a person or project worth noting for this year's Preservation Awards at

PHW? We hope to notify the awardees earlier this year, so the cutoff date to submit nominations is end of business day on **Friday, May 5**. Please use the enclosed nomination form and provide as many details as possible to nominate projects in Winchester or Frederick County. You can nominate yourself or someone else, but the work should be substantially complete by May for recognition at our June Annual Meeting.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF JENNINGS REVOLVING FUND

Do you have memories of Ray Jennings and his time in Winchester? What about reminiscences of PHW’s early years of the Revolving Fund or project houses? We anticipate a celebration in 2024 of this important milestone in PHW’s history and want your help in bringing it to life.

A NEW BOOK?

With the reprint of *Winchester: Limestone, Sycamores & Architecture* under our belts, PHW would like to print a future book on Winchester and Frederick County topics. We may be able to time the book publication to America’s 250th celebrations between 2024 and 2026. This will also coincide with the 50th anniversary of the original publication of *Limestone*. However, we realize that we do not necessarily have on hand the appropriate amount of unpublished material needed for a full volume, nor the time to produce such a volume from scratch.

If you have ideas for topics which you would like to see covered, please drop a note to the PHW office through any of our contact channels. We have looked through some of the suggested topics from the 250th celebration from the American Association for State and Local History, but we do not necessarily have to stick with any of their themes (Unfinished Revolutions, Power of Place, We the People, American Experiment, Doing History).

SPECIAL SECRET PROJECT

PHW is working on a special project behind the scenes for a reprint of something special that has been requested at our office and through other channels for quite some time. We’re not quite ready to share details yet, but we have obtained permission from the original artist and quotes are in-hand. We hope to share the news soon! ◆

TIME TO RENEW?

Fill out this form and return it to
 PHW, 530 Amherst St., Winchester, VA 22601.
All contributions above membership are tax deductible.

- ___ Individual \$30
- ___ Family/Business \$55
- ___ Corporate \$100
- ___ I have included an extra donation of: \$ ___

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AVAILABLE- ONE OF THE AREA'S MOST UNIQUE RESIDENCES!



First built in the late 1800's as a balloon frame, single-file house, it was re-built in 1975 in stone with major interior redesign with a gourmet kitchen addition. The current home is 3000 square feet, featuring three bedrooms and two baths. It was lovingly re-created by its owner, the area's premier stonemason, Howard Cook, Jr. His mastery of the stonemason's art is evident inside and out. In the large gourmet kitchen there is a raised hearth, floor to ceiling stone fireplace. There are two other stone fireplaces in the living areas. All systems were upgraded in '75. Antique mantels, old hand-hewn beams in the ceilings. On a 1.28 acre lot, there is a fenced 18' x 38' pool, a stone pool house and a very large garden spot. There is also a large terrace and a stone outdoor kitchen. Property is in Northern Frederick County. **\$899,000**

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