

HARRISBURG HERITAGE



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2002 House And Garden Tour Summer Stroll In SOFO (SOuth of FOrster Street) COME JOIN US!

Please come and join the Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA) for its 12th Annual House and Garden Tour on Sunday, June 23, 2002, from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. The tour will include 13 homes and gardens in the Capitol Area Neighborhood and will highlight city gardening. Once again the Master Gardeners will join us to answer your questions. Tickets for the tour are \$12.00 in advance, \$15.00 on the day of the tour and are available at the following locations:

Historic Harrisburg Association,
1230 N. Third Street, Harrisburg

Crafty Generations,
Strawberry Square, Harrisburg

Harriett Too,
2120 Colonial Road, Harrisburg

Highland Gardens,
423 S. 18th Street, Camp Hill

Jeffrey's Flowers,
175 E. Louther Street, Carlisle

Picture This,
301 Bridge Street, New Cumberland

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120 S. Market Street, Mechanicsburg

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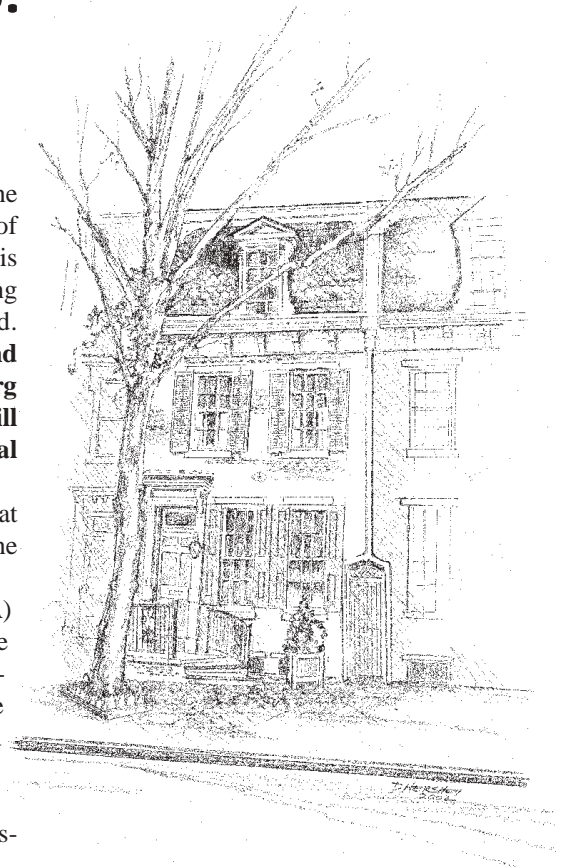
St. Stephen's Cathedral,
221 N. Front Street, Harrisburg
(DAY OF TOUR ONLY)

A post-tour reception will be held in the beautiful gardens of the Art Association of Harrisburg, from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. This is a great way to visit and relax after touring the lovely Capitol Area Neighborhood. **Tickets for the reception are \$15.00 and are available at the Historic Harrisburg Association. Tickets for the reception will also be sold at St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral on the day of the tour only.**

Parking for the tour will be available at St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral and on the street.

Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA) would like to thank the residents of the Capitol Area Neighborhood for their willingness to participate in our annual House and Garden Tour. We know this will be a lovely afternoon for a "**Summer Stroll in SOFO**". Please contact the HHA offices at (717) 233-4646, should you have questions or need more information.

A special thank you to Chairperson, Victoria Zellers, and her House and Garden Tour Committee for their hard work in planning this event!



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**WE HOPE ALL OF YOU WILL
COME OUT AND SUPPORT
THIS LOVELY EVENT!**



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Historic Harrisburg Association is a non-profit, volunteer community organization dedicated to the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of historic neighborhoods and landmarks. HHA is funded by voluntary contribution from members, friends and businesses. Additional support is provided by the Allied Arts Fund, Inc.



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– JUNE/JULY 2002 –

Editor: Penny M. Poerksen

Harrisburg Heritage, the newsletter for the Historic Harrisburg Association, Inc., is published as a membership benefit.

14th Annual Harrisburg Gallery Walk

The Annual Gallery Walk, hosted by the Art Association of Harrisburg is scheduled for Sunday, September 8, 2002 from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. This is a free, self-guided walking tour of the city's galleries and exhibition sites. Brochures with maps will be available at all participating galleries. Please call the Art Association of Harrisburg at 236-1432 for more information.

The Historic Harrisburg Association's (HHA) featured artist for Gallery Walk is Rose Boegli. Rose is the owner of One Wish Designs, a commercial arts studio. She has exhibited her lithographic prints, watercolors and paintings in community exhibits at HHA, Gallery Walk and Millersville University.

Bethel Ame Church Lot to be Used For Surface Parking

HHA volunteers recently attended City-wide meetings in regards to the Bethel AME Church. The church, which once stood at the corner of 6th and Herr Streets burned down several years ago and the congregation moved to another location outside of the city. The land has set vacant and now the congregation wants to utilize the space for a surface parking lot, possibly for state workers. HHA was hopeful the space could be used for something other than a surface parking lot, as this is part of an historic district. Representatives from HHA and the Old Fox Ridge Neighborhood Association shared their concerns at the recent city meetings. The Harrisburg Planning Commission decision resulted in a deadlock. The Zoning

Hearing Board determined that the space could be used for a surface parking lot, but with a four-year restriction. At the end of four years, it will be determined what the space could be used for permanently. This is set to go before HARB in early June. Although this is not the decision we would have preferred, I think it is important for the HHA membership to know that our voice was heard. We will continue to keep you apprised on this and any other issues that come our way. If you have questions, please call the HHA offices at 233-4646.

HHA Offers Historic Walking Tours

In the past, HHA has offered historic walking tours in various areas of the downtown. We have decided to try and offer these again as yet another way to enhance and showcase our historic neighborhoods and landmarks. The first tour is scheduled for Friday, June 28, 2002 at 10:00 am. Since this will be the first tour, we are offering it free of charge to HHA members. All tours will meet and begin at the HHA Resource Center, located at 1230 North Third Street. If you are interested in the tour, please call the HHA offices at 233-4646 to sign up today.

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By Penny M. Poerksen, Executive Director

It is so hard to believe that Spring is here and Summer is just around the corner, but as always there is much going on at HHA. We just completed our 2002 Spring Lecture Series and had a group of outstanding speakers, who presented information on a wide variety of topics. We were pleased with the attendance at our events and look forward

to offering a successful Fall Lecture Series. (Please see related article).

We just concluded a very successful Preservation Week, during May 13-17. Mary Bradley from the Patriot News delivered an excellent presentation on "Harrisburg in its Heyday, Then and Now". We presented our annual Preservation Awards, Grants and gave special recognition to Mayor Stephen R. Reed, Jeb Stuart and the City of Harrisburg on the "Harrisburg History Project". **Thank you to all the many volunteers who**

worked tirelessly to make this event a success – we could not do it without you! (Please see related article).

During Preservation Week, we hosted a new event, "**Dine Downtown**", which drew record crowds of people to 13 downtown Harrisburg restaurants. It was a way that we could showcase our downtown restaurants and boost the economy. It was a very successful evening and loads of fun. In case you missed it, we plan to make this an annual event, so gear up for next year! (Please see related article).

The next big event for HHA is our annual House and Garden Tour. The tour will be held on **Sunday, June 23, 2002** in the **Capitol Area Neighborhood**, or better known as **SOFO (SOuth of FORster Street)**. There will be several lovely homes and gardens for you to tour, so we hope all of you can come out and support our 12th Annual Tour. Tickets are available and on sale now! (Please see related article).

We are in the process of planning for our Annual Pillar Party and Volunteer Picnic. Additionally, plans are underway for Elegant Progressions and the Candlelight House Tour. I will continue to keep you posted as the plans for all these festivities unfold.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Historic Harrisburg Association. Please feel free to call me at 233-4646, if you have any questions or need assistance. I can also be reached by email at ppoerksenhha@onemain.com

Thanks to all!!!!!!

Penny M. Poerksen
Executive Director

Allied Arts Fund News

The 2002 Allied Arts Fund Campaign kicked off in March and is well on its way to completion. I hope you will consider making a contribution to Allied Arts. **The campaign deadline is June 30, 2002.** You may call the Allied Arts Fund offices directly at 233-1694 for more information. Thank you for supporting the Arts!

Preservation Week 2002

During the week of May 13-17, HHA was the local sponsor for National Preservation Week. On Monday, May 13, 2002, HHA hosted a public event featuring a presentation by **Mary Bradley, Staff Writer for the Patriot News**. Ms. Bradley, who has been a journalist for over 30 years gave us wonderful insight into the comparison of Harrisburg's downtown resurgence from the 1920's, 30's and 40's to present day. It was a very informative presentation.

The evening continued with our Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony. HHA honored those individuals and businesses whose exterior renovations during the year were an outstanding example of historic preservation. The award recipients were:

Melissa Carlin and Nicholas Mengerink – 1631 Green Street
Robert Jackson – 1735 State Street
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stone – 124 Walnut Street
Rabbi Peter Kessler – Ohev Sholom Education Building

The Community Historic Preservation Fund (CHPF), an affiliate of the Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA), was created in 1996 to provide financial and other resources for worthy historic preservation projects in the greater Harrisburg community. For the second year, the Council of Trustees had the arduous task of determining which of the worthy applicants to award grants. The following received grants:

Old Fox Ridge Neighborhood Association - \$2,000
Nick's 1014 Café - \$1,500
Rabbi Peter Kessler - \$1,000
Salem United Church of Christ - \$500

Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA) presented a special award to **Mayor Stephen R. Reed, Jeb Stuart, and the City of Harrisburg for their initiative of the "Harrisburg History Project"**. This project was created to recognize the City of Harrisburg's remarkable collection of local, state and nationally significant historic landmarks and treasures through a system of outdoor exhibits featuring text, historic photography and artwork that documents buildings and sites citywide. The outdoor exhibits are mounted on sidewalk pedestals, which are strategically positioned on the same or approximate locations from which the original historic photographs or renderings were made, creating a unique visually interactive experience in comparing the "then and now" appearance of Harrisburg.

A special thank you to Chris Bryce and the Education Committee for planning spectacular Preservation Week activities!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR
AWARD WINNERS AND GRANT RECIPIENTS!**

First Dine Downtown Event for HHA a Great Success!

On Wednesday, May 15, 2002 the Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA) hosted a new event, "Dine Downtown". We raised over \$3,000! We are thrilled with the results! Thank you to all the participating restaurants:

Appalachian Brewing Company
Cragin's Brick Haus
Crowne Plaza
Firehouse
Fisaga
Garrason's Tavern
Mangia Qui

Nick's 1014 Cafe
Passage to India
Raspberries
Scott's Grille
St. Moritz
Stock's on 2nd

Thank you to all our restaurant captains for helping to make this event such a great success! We appreciate the hard work, dedication and support of these outstanding individuals:

Evelyn Andrews
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A very special thank you to the Education Committee who spent many hours coordinating this first ever Dine Downtown event for HHA. The committee members are: **Chris Bryce, Vice-President of Education, Shirley Blough, Kathy Lemke, Lindabeth Parker, John Scott and Victoria Zellers.**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
WE COULD NOT HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!

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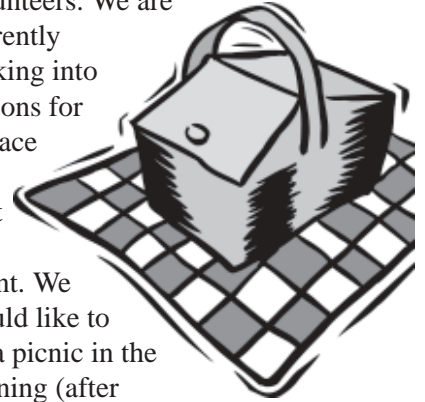


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HHA Annual Volunteer Picnic

Please mark your calendars for the annual HHA volunteer picnic scheduled for Monday, August 26, 2002. This is our annual event where we will honor our wonderful and dedicated volunteers. We are currently looking into options for a place to host this event. We would like to do a picnic in the evening (after work). More details will be available in our August/September newsletter.



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU
TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS
WHO HELPED AT THE
HHA CLEAN-UP DAY ON
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2002:**

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We truly appreciate all of the hard work and time each of you gave for this project, as we could not have done it without you. The building and grounds look beautiful! It was perfect for our Preservation Week activities. We did ourselves proud!

2002 Spring Lecture Series Concludes

We have just completed our Spring 2002 Lecture Series. In April we had, **Linda Shopes, Historian for the Pennsylvania Historic Museum Commission** who discussed "Oral histories and Their Importance". It was a very well attended evening and Ms. Shopes delivered a very informative presentation.

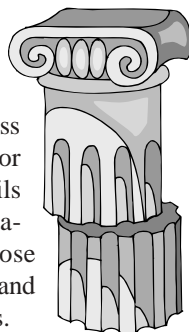
In May, during our Preservation Week activities, we had **Mary Bradley, Staff Writer for The Patriot News**, who delivered a wonderful presentation on "Harrisburg in its Heyday, Then and Now". Ms. Bradley showed a comparison between nightlife in the 1920's, 1930's and 1940's to present day. It was a very well-attended event. Thank you to both speakers for their wonderful presentations and to all the speakers who participated.

A special thank you to the HHA Education Committee for developing a fantastic Spring Lecture Series. We will be taking a break on our lecture series through the

summer months, but will resume in September 2002. Details about our Fall Lecture Series will appear in the next newsletter.

Pillar Party – 2002

Plans are under way for the Annual HHA Pillar Cocktail Party, which is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2002. This event allows us to honor those individuals whose membership contribution level is \$100.00 and above. We are in the process of finalizing a location for this event. Once all details are finalized, then invitations will be sent to those people with current Pillar and above membership status.



DID YOU KNOW HHA TURNS 30 IN 2003?

The Historic Harrisburg Association (HHA) will be turning 30 in 2003. Can you believe it? It was in 1973 that HHA was created in the aftermath of Hurricane Agnes flood and the demolition of Harrisburg's spectacular State Theater. HHA has seen so many changes over these 30 years from a complete resurgence and revitalization of the downtown to our being instrumental in saving many of the beautiful buildings from demolition. Initial plans are in the works to honor this milestone. If you have any interest and would like to be involved in planning for this occasion, please contact the HHA offices at (717) 233-4646.

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For more information, call 717-921-GREEN for our Volunteer Center. Copy Registration Form as Needed. Registration form is also available on website: www.caga.org.



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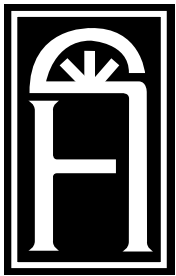
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Questions may be directed to 233-4646.

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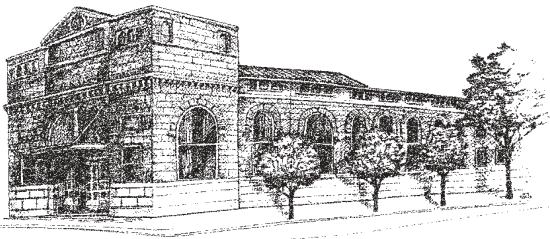
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