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DEAR HCF MEMBERS,

We are nine months into celebrating Historic Columbus' 50th Anniversary! This year has been incredible thanks to the tireless efforts of numerous Board members, Trustees, past HCF Presidents, fellow cultural arts partners, members, and the Historic Columbus staff.

By the time this issue is in your hands, there will be three big events left in our year.

- September will bring the **9th Annual River Raffle** on the Mott House Terrace.
- **The 50th Annual Meeting and Preservation Awards** will be in early October with featured speaker Todd Groce, President of the Georgia Historical Society.
- **The 50th Anniversary Golden Jubilee** will blow everyone's mind in November! It is going to be not only a visually stunning evening, but Tom Brokaw is sure to have some memorable moments on stage.



The Capital Campaign is still going strong raising funds and we will continue until the \$10 million goal is reached. This campaign is vital for the future of Columbus' built environment. Historic Columbus' mission is like no other in our town and the positive impact of HCF's projects can be seen today in a more vibrant Uptown and Midtown.

We will also be kicking off two preservation loan programs this fall thanks to your support of the Save Me A Place Capital Campaign. Every time you see a Historic Columbus sign in front of house with a new paint job or a new roof, just remember – YOU DID THAT!!

I'm excited for the future. Historic Columbus' next chapter is about growing existing tools for neighborhood revitalization; stabilizing the last endangered National Historic Landmark; and providing large grants for bricks and mortar projects for buildings like churches and schools in desperate need of help.

The future of preservation is bright and challenging. You are making a difference in this community and we are grateful for your membership, your attendance at events, and your continued advocacy for preservation.

Sincerely,

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50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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UPDATE: CITY MILLS AND CITY VILLAGE

Historic Columbus' largest single project investment, City Mills, is continuing to move forward in a positive direction. Both buildings are now weather tight and stabilized. One of the last pieces to complete will be the activation of the fire sprinkler system, which will take place once the City has started its work to complete the Riverwalk connection between the two City Mills buildings. Coordinating the work with the City will ensure the Riverwalk will not have to be disturbed during the final build out phase of the City Mills site in the future.

In addition to the work wrapping up at City Mills, the City Village Master Plan is now complete and in final form. The plan, put together by Zyscovich Architects, is

based on input from community and neighborhood stakeholders. It details the potential buildout of the 200 acre project area from TSYS north to the Johnston Mill site along 2nd Avenue. This document will help guide future development and investment along this corridor as well as making recommendations for implementation over the next 20-25 years.

A link to the City Village Master Plan can be found on the Historic Columbus Facebook page, as well as our website www.historiccolumbus.com.



MOTT HOUSE MEMORIAL & 14TH STREET PLAZA DEDICATED

In July, TSYS dedicated the Mott House Terrace, a memorial to the site of the last antebellum home facing the Chattahoochee River that burned in September, 2014. At the same time, the 14th Street Plaza, a City project, was being celebrated for its completion.

The new terrace area features the historic portico of the Mott House, in addition to six granite obelisks highlighting the history of the home, Muscogee Mills, and TSYS. The memorial also includes an interpretation of the original floor plan of the home constructed of

concrete, brick, and stone on the interior of the site.

Design work for both the 14th Street improvements and the Mott House Terrace was performed by local firm Hecht Burdeshaw. Historic Columbus is thankful to TSYS for allowing the Mott House Terrace to be used as the site of the 9th Annual River Raffle on September 15th.





The completion of these two projects go a long way towards redefining this area along the river, as well as providing an attractive means of re-connecting the historic street grid with Front Avenue that will be re-opened all the way north to 14th Street (behind Country's BBQ). The W.C. Bradley Company is also in the preliminary stages of planning a redevelopment of the currently vacant seven-acre site on both sides of Front Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets. This is good news for the northern end and another great anchor for Uptown!



BOX CITY SUMMER ART CAMP



Historic Columbus has had an incredible summer thanks to 85 creative and energetic children that attended camp this year. The campers had a wonderful time and learned a lot about city planning in the process. Mayor Teresa Tomlinson, Dorothy McDaniel with Trees Columbus, city planners, and architects Jack Jenkins and Bob Kidd were our special guests this year. They shared their knowledge of architectural design, building, what makes a community great, and so much more.

Clockwise from top: Colin Hathaway; Mayor Teresa Tomlinson with Session 2 campers; Annie Kelley; Campers from Box Vegas, Boxvada.



Box City I campers named their cities and elected Mayors, while Box City II campers named their states and elected Governors. Campers in Box City I named their new cities Box York and Box Vegas, and elected Mary Frances Young and Murphy Bickerstaff as Mayors. Box City II campers named their states Boxico and Boxvada, and voted in Sara Frances Adams and Eliza Raines as Governors. Thanks to all the parents and kids for another great summer!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE IT HAPPEN!

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SPEAKERS: Jack Jenkins, Bob Kidd, Dorothy McDaniel, and Mayor Teresa Tomlinson.

LUNCH DONATIONS: Philip Adams, Cordy Arnold, George Flowers, Dexter Jordan, Bob Kidd, Virginia Peebles, and Sally Walden.





CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Historic Columbus Expands Loan Funds Through Program Related Investment!

The Revolving-Redevelopment Fund has been one of the most important and impactful funds Historic Columbus has put to work in our community. Starting with a \$25,000 gift from the Junior League of Columbus, the Revolving-Redevelopment Fund allows the organization to save, stabilize, and rehabilitate structures of historic significance.

Since 1997, the Fund has also been home to HCF's Façade Loan Program. This program has loaned out nearly \$1,000,000 to individual property owners to date. This has traditionally been an interest-free loan up to \$5,000 to be used for exterior improvements to a residential property within any of the 11 historic districts.

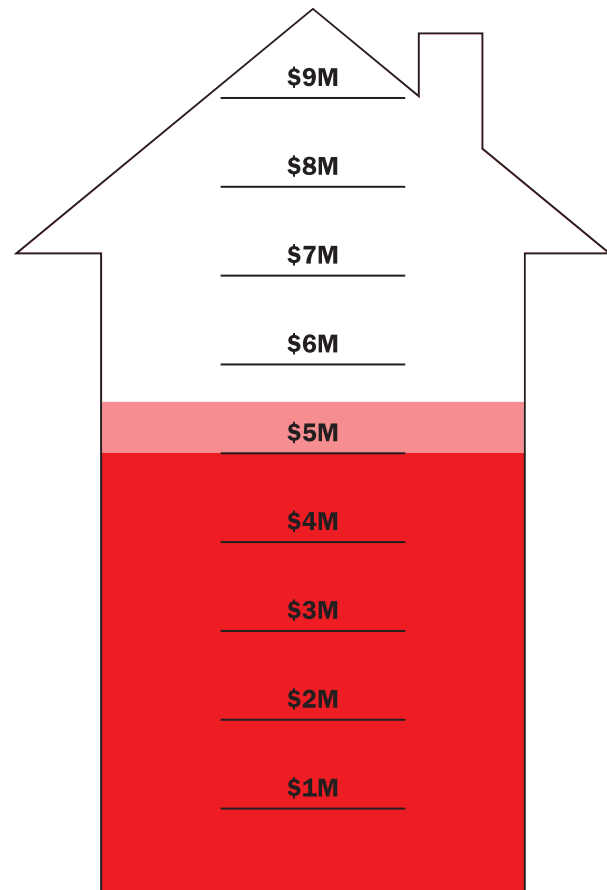
With increasing costs of construction, Historic

Columbus saw the need to increase the maximum amount of the facade loans, but needed to find additional funding to support the effort. Through research across similar agencies, Historic Columbus discovered the use of Program Related Investments (PRI) for façade loans and rehabilitation loans. These PRI's are a tool used by charitable foundations to "invest" in a program providing a social benefit in line with the mission of a qualifying agency. A PRI is not a grant, it is an investment or loan (at below market rates) a foundation makes to an organization and the organization then pays the foundation back with interest (usually 1%) after the funds have been used.

To date, a PRI has not been used in Columbus.



\$10 MILLION GOAL



\$5 MILLION CASH RAISED
INITIAL \$500,000 PRI

AS OF AUGUST 15, 2016





Historic Columbus is excited to be the first, as well as the example for how other organizations can partner with charitable foundations to do this type of work.

Using the PRI for expanding our **Façade Loan Program** will allow Historic Columbus to make loans up to **\$15,000 at 2% interest** payable over a 5 year period. In addition, Historic Columbus will also have the ability to create a **Rehabilitation Loan Program**. Qualifying projects and individuals, performing a historic rehabilitation, can apply for loan funds up to **\$100,000 at 3% interest**, amortized, and payable over a three year period with a balloon payment at the end.

The HCF Preservation Committee, along with a

local community development financial institution, will evaluate and provide the underwriting for the loans. In most cases, these short term rehabilitation loans are designed to provide low interest capital for construction until traditional financing can be secured for the project.

The total capital available to Historic Columbus with this initial PRI will total \$500,000. It is our hope these two financial tools will be an incentive for those working to maintain their existing historic property and those looking to invest in rehabilitating a historic property.

The PRI and these two great programs will be put into action this fall!

50TH ANNIVERSARY FOUNDERS DAY

Historic Columbus' Founders Day was a huge success thanks to Founders Day chairman Bobsie Swift and her committee. There were approximately 300 in attendance at the Springer Opera House on Thursday, May 26th.

This was a special evening to mark not only Historic Columbus' founding, but also the first visit to Columbus for a President of

the National Trust for Historic Preservation. We were also extremely fortunate to have Paul Pierce bring stories of the saving of the Springer and Mark McDonald, President of the Georgia Trust, talk about the future of preservation in the State of Georgia.



National Trust President Stephanie Meeks



Georgia Trust President Mark McDonald and HCF Past President Garry Pound

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Young Preservationists: Ellie Flowers, Ansley Alexander, Jack Schley, Rebecca Holman, Elizabeth Sudduth, and Wade Cliatt





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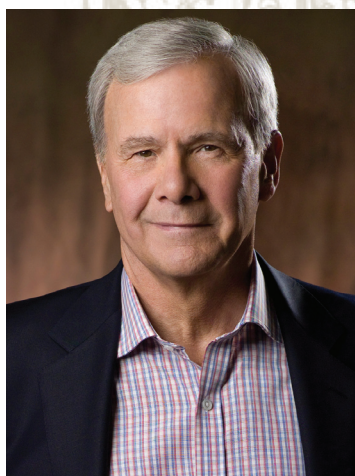
50TH ANNIVERSARY GOLDEN JUBILEE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2016

COLUMBUS IRON WORKS
CONVENTION AND TRADE CENTER

5:45 – 7:00 PM PATRONS PARTY
DINING GALLERY

6:30 PM RECEPTION AND 7:30 PM DINNER
SOUTH HALL



Featuring

TOM BROKAW

Distinguished
Journalist and Author

Pull out your formal attire and get ready to meet one of the top journalists of our time, Tom Brokaw. Golden Jubilee Co-Chairmen Dexter Jordan and Mint Flowers, along with their committee, have put together an incredible night to celebrate the culmination of the 50th Anniversary of Historic Columbus. An evening you do not want to miss!

The Golden Jubilee will not only be a fundraiser for Historic Columbus, but also an important night to showcase the importance of preservation in our community. Imagine what our city would look like without Historic Columbus pushing, many times behind the scenes, to save what makes us special.

From a beautiful Patrons Party where guests can meet the featured speaker to a breathtaking dinner event, this will be a night to remember. Invitations will be mailed in mid-September.



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\$500,000+

Invitation for 2 to Patrons Party
18 to the Golden Jubilee

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\$250,000

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\$100,000

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\$50,000

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\$15,000

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\$10,000

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\$5,000

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\$2,500

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2 to the Golden Jubilee

Individual Ticket

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Invitation for 1
to the Golden Jubilee

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For more information, please contact Lauren Averett at 706-315-4253 or Jaime Livingston at 706-681-8854.





UPCOMING EVENTS

September 8th

September 10th
September 12-13th

September 15th

September 20th
September 22nd - October 9th
September 22nd
September 24th

October 1st

October 6th
October 7-16th
October 8th

October 11th

October 15th
October 16th
October 18th
October 20th
October 21-22nd
October 22nd
October 23rd
October 26th-November 2nd
October 28th
October 29th

November 1st
November 6th
November 5th
November 10th
November 10-20th

November 15th

November 17th
November 26th

December 2-23rd
December 4th
December 8-23rd
December 19th

HCF's Lunch and Lecture with Rabbi Beth Schwartz

Character Breakfast, Junior League
Jimmy Blanchard Leadership Forum

HCF's River Raffle

Unelectable you, RiverCenter
Sister Act, Springer Opera House
Turning of the Seasons' Opening Reception, Columbus Museum
Uptown Beer and Wine Festival, Uptown Columbus

Uptown Pie Baking Contest, Uptown Columbus

In the Garden Concert Series, Columbus Museum

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Springer Opera House

Synovus Fall Festival, Columbus Museum

HCF's Annual Meeting with Todd Groce

Arts on the River
Midtown Mingle, Midtown, Inc.
Garden Gala, Columbus Botanical Gardens
Fall Ramble, Historic Linwood Foundation
Way Down Film Festival, Springer Opera House
"Out on a Limb for Trees" Tree Climb, Trees Columbus
USMC: The President's Own, RiverCenter
Greater Columbus Fair
Pilobolus: Shadowland, RiverCenter
Fall Festival and Plant Sale, Columbus Botanical Gardens

Reflections and Gordon Parks Reception, Columbus Museum

June B. Jones: Essential Survival Guide to School, RiverCenter

Steeplechase

Wine Women and Shoes, Muscogee County Library Foundation

Route 66, Springer Opera House

HCF's Golden Jubilee with Tom Brokaw

Georgia Gives Day
American Big Band: Home for the Holidays, RiverCenter

The Little Mermaid, Springer Opera House

Christmas Open House, Columbus Botanical Gardens

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