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DEAR HCF MEMBERS,



Volunteer Awards

2018 was a great year for Historic Columbus and preservation in our community! We celebrated these great efforts at our 52nd Annual Meeting

and Preservation
Awards on Monday,
October 22nd at
Foley Hall in the
Springer Opera
House. It began with
electing Cal Evans as
the 2018-2019



Pace Halter, Steve Butler, and Betsy Ramsay

along with a new class of Trustees.

The evening continued with the presentation of 17 Preservation Awards and the announcement of the Sarah Turner Butler Heritage Award. The Butler Award is the Historic Columbus' highest honor, awarded annually since 1984 to an individual or organization for

Treasurer of the Foundation. In addition, Sally Hatcher became a Director Emeritus, and four new members were elected to the Board,

outstanding contributions to historic preservation.

A self-proclaimed army brat, who took an interest in

downtown Columbus in 1985, Buddy Nelms made the decision to move it in a better direction by purchasing and renovating one of the commercial buildings on Broadway. Seven years later and many trials and tribulations later - in 1992, he opened "The Loft." Whether he knew it then or not, that investment would be the start of what is now a nearly 34-year career in making our community a more



Columbus State University

engaging place.

Buddy has given us great food to eat, great music to listen to, and beautifully preserved architecture for all of Columbus to enjoy. He has a great passion for preservation, Uptown Columbus, and our community. Thank you and congratulations, Buddy!!

Thank you to all who invest their time, funds, and talents for preservation in Columbus. YOU make our town a better place!



Sincerely

Elizabeth K. Barker Executive Director



Butler Award Recipient Buddy Nelms



John Teeples and Reggie Luther

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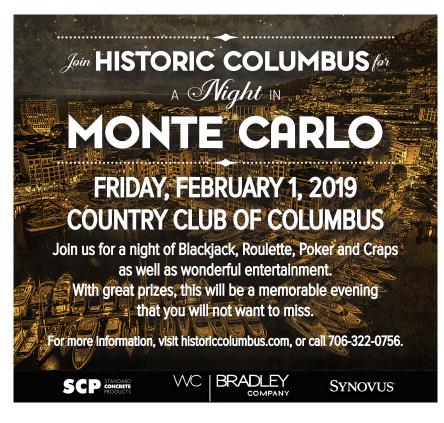
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On February 1, 2019, Historic Columbus will celebrate its 53rd year with a new and exciting event held inside the historic Country Club of Columbus – A Night in Monte Carlo. Event Chairman Elizabeth Cliatt and her great committee have put together an incredible party. We invite you to spend the evening at the tables with your friends, playing Black Jack, Roulette, Poker, and Craps.

The party will begin at 7:00PM and end at 10:00PM. There will be a jazz quartet from CSU playing throughout the evening to keep you in the spirit of Monte Carlo. We are also very excited about our raffle! Attendees can purchase additional chances into the raffle during the night and your "winnings" can be turned in at the end of play for additional chances. There are several incredible prizes that the guests will have a chance to win. They include artwork from Bo Bartlett, Erin Gregory, Garry Pound, and Bruno Zupan. There is also a chef's table at Epic and a wonder spa package donated by **Peridot** and **The Higes House**. We have been so fortunate to have such generous local artists and supporters. Historic Columbus is extremely grateful!

Please join us on Friday, February 1st and help continue preservation efforts in our community!



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The Mill District, Inc. is a new 501(c)(3) organization. It is made up of a coalition of people from various backgrounds and affiliations in the greater Columbus area that have organized for the purpose of substantially improving the overall condition and future outlook of four older and historic neighborhoods: City Village, North Highland, Bibb Village

(a National Register Historic District), and Anderson Village.

Columbus was founded on manufacturing and the commodity of cotton and textile production. This area served as the residential neighborhood for generations of families that worked in the nearby textile mills. However, these neighborhoods have fallen on hard times. With the closing of the mills which resulted from "globalization" of industries and the movement of textile production "off-shore," the area has become beset by pockets of urban blight characterized by abandoned and under utilized buildings, substandard housing, lack of affordable housing, high rates of crimes in certain sections, high rates of unemployment, and a significant portion of the population living below the national poverty threshold. In addition, schools in the area are severely challenged to educate children that experience these circumstances.

In total, the project area is nearly 750 acres in size. The Chattahoochee River serves as the western boundary, River Road and Veterans Parkway the eastern boundary, Manchester Expressway to the



north, and 18th Street to the south. Second Avenue serves as a primary transportation corridor and bisects the area into a western and eastern half. Bibb City and City Village are on the west and North Highland and Anderson Village are on the east. Second Avenue carries nearly 25,000 vehicles a day and

also serves as a main entry into town (especially the downtown area) for those who are traveling from towns and sections of the country north, and possibly points east or west.

The Mill District Inc. is partnering with Purpose Built Communities, a national non-profit organization with a proven record of success in helping organizations like us develop approaches to revitalize communities. Purpose Built utilizes a holistic approach in regards to developing plans for community revitalization.

It focuses on three main areas that have been found to be most impactful in neighborhood transformations:

- 1) Education developing a cradle to college pipeline with the local schools and school district;
- 2) Housing increasing the supply of adequate and affordable housing; and
- 3) Community Wellness providing a mix of programs, facilities, and services that reflect the priorities of residents, promote healthy lifestyles,

encourages job creation, and reduces

The Mill District, Inc. has added a fourth area of focus: the "beautification" of Second Avenue. Historic Columbus is excited to provide contract staffing for the effort for this first year of operation and to partner with the Mill District effort to deploy existing Historic Columbus programs and incentives to qualifying properties and projects in the four defined neighborhoods.

For more information on The Mill District, please contact Justin Krieg at Historic Columbus (706)322-0756.

Holistic approach, proven model

Focus on defined neighborhoods where transformative programs and infrastructure can be established; if we can change the place, we can change outcomes for the people who live there.

Usually a newly-created nonprofit, it leads the revitalization by engaging community members, building partnerships, securing funding, and ensuring implementation of the housing, education, and wellness components of the nodel as part of the community's vision

MIXED-INCOME HOUSING

Offer an environment with high-quality construction and practical amenitie surrounded by safe walkways and streets, transforming the way residents view themselves and their neiehborhood.

Establish an arena for student growth, learning, and achievement at every

rovide a community-specific mix of facilities, programs, and services that honor local history, reflect the priorities of residents, promote healthy lifestyles, create jobs

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August 1, 2018 - November 30, 2018

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(August 1, 2018 - December 7, 2018)

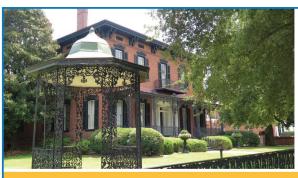
Patricia Gentry Wynn August 28, 2018

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YOU CAN LEAVE A LEGACY OF SUPPORT FOR HISTORIC COLUMBUS BY MAKING A PLANNED GIFT AND BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE RANKIN SOCIETY.

WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN US! SAVING HISTORY, SAVING LEGACIES, SAVING STORIES.

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\$200,000

Preservation Grants: \$200,000 was granted to 5 organizations for restoration work - St. Mary's Road UMC (Forsyth Street house), The William H. Spencer House, The Springer Opera House, The Wynn House, and The Liberty Theatre.



2331 Forsyth Street

\$87,000

\$87,000 was invested in the maintenance of the Rankin House, the Walker-Peters-Langdon House, and the Log Cabin.



\$86,000

Façade and Rehab Loans: 8 historic properties received \$86,000 in low-interest loans to make needed repairs.



\$12,000

The Virginia T. Peebles Preservation **Grant** provided assistance for 2 projects. The grants aided the Historic District Preservation Society for new benches on Broadway and the Stewart Community Home for the preservation of the historic Edwina Wood School.



Benches on Broadway

\$4.000

The amount of scholarships given this year to graduating seniors in memory of Patricia Jackson Howard.



Historic Columbus was thankful for the over **400 volunteers** that made this year happen!



136

Historic Columbus continues to grow its membership. Over the past year, 136 individuals and families have joined the organization!



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50 historic houses and sites in Uptown and Midtown graciously opened their doors for the 2017 Holiday Tour of Homes and the 2018 Georgia Trust Ramble!





For more information, please contact Historic Columbus



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