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HISTORIC BUILDINGS, NEIGHBORHOODS,
LANDSCAPES AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES
THROUGH OUTREACH, FUNDING AND ADVOCACY.



“Preservation Maryland is now the state’s leading advocate for public policy that protects our heritage and strengthens our economy.”

ON THE COVER: (Left to right) Trustees Roslyn Fenwick, Marlene Hollis and Joyce Bowser are among the members of Mount Zion United Methodist Church in Burrisville, Queen Anne’s County, working to ensure its preservation. Preservation Maryland is assisting with the preparation of a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. The church and its adjacent Male and Female Beneficial Lodge date from the turn of the last century and are representative of many historic vernacular churches still in use throughout rural Maryland.

A Message FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

EIGHT DECADES IS A LONG TIME TO MAINTAIN THE MOMENTUM OF A CAUSE. As we observe the 80th anniversary of our founding, our focus on saving Maryland’s heritage is heightened. The challenges continue to grow. Additionally, the competition for attention to and investment in saving historic sites grows alongside the threats. The need for our organization has never been more apparent. These are difficult times for most non-profit organizations. We are proud to say that Preservation Maryland has weathered the economic storm well. Careful management of our resources has enabled us to maintain our programs and even to enhance certain ones. Credit is due our board of directors, especially immediate past president Matt Kimball, who so ably led the organization for four years.

In these pages you’ll read about our recent accomplishments. Our Heritage Fund, jointly administered with the Maryland Historical Trust, has made a positive impact on 36 sites this year. Preservation Maryland is now the state’s leading advocate for public policy that protects our heritage and strengthens our economy. Whether assuring the reenactment of the heritage tax credit, vigilantly monitoring progress on Baltimore City’s threatened West Side or ensuring the integrity of historic district zoning, Preservation Maryland’s voice is heard.

Interest in our Endangered Maryland list grows, along with positive results from creating public awareness of threats to these sites. Once again, our annual Historic Preservation and Revitalization Conference was highly rated by participants who attended this year’s meeting in Easton. The first full year of operating our Eastern Shore Field Office has made us the acknowledged preservation leader there and a welcome and effective partner to numerous local preservation efforts. And, we have begun to fine tune our communications and marketing efforts to better serve as a source of preservation information and to increase our base of support.

None of this could have happened without your commitment to Preservation Maryland. Whether you are a longtime member or new to our family, we value your support. Together, we look forward to another year of accomplishments that will help us keep pace with the changing face of historic preservation.

Sincerely,

Tyler Gearhart
Executive Director

Jeffrey A. Penza, AIA
President

Preservation Maryland Selects New Leadership

PRESERVATION MARYLAND WELCOMES TWO NEW DIRECTORS TO ITS BOARD, ELECTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER, AND SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS TO ITS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.



Kathryn C. Washburn of Princess Anne and Washington, D.C. has recently retired as director of international affairs for the U.S. Department of the Interior. She established this \$20 million program that enables park rangers and other DOI employees

to provide technical assistance to other countries. Ms. Washburn serves on the board of the Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History & Culture at Salisbury University and on the Salisbury University Foundation board. She is also a member of the board of the Capitol Hill Community Foundation in Washington, D.C. The owner of a National Register property in Somerset County, Ms. Washburn served on the Preservation Maryland board from 1998 to 2005.



Nicholas G. Penniman IV of Stevenson and Naples, Florida is the retired publisher of the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* and senior vice president of newspaper operations for Pulitzer Publishing Company. He currently serves as a trustee of the Everglades Foundation,

past chair of American Rivers and immediate past chair of The Conservancy of Southwest Florida. He now serves on

the board of the Valleys Planning Council, a conservation advocacy organization in northern Baltimore County. Mr. Penniman is a former chairman of Downtown St. Louis, Inc., and Forest Park Forever in St. Louis.

Officers elected by the board to serve for the year are: President Jeffrey A. Penza, AIA, Vice Presidents Henry R. Lord and Kathryn Washburn, Secretary Tom McCracken, Treasurer Ed Hord and Assistant Treasurer Tom Spencer. Ann Fligsten, Dixon Harvey, Phil Hoon and Matthew Kimball retired from the board.

Annual Awards Honor Maryland’s Finest Historic Preservationists



Preservation Maryland presented its annual Historic Preservation Awards on November 16 at the Maryland Club, Baltimore. This year’s honorees include *John L. Graham III, AIA* of Salisbury who received the President’s Award for his professional architectural work and volunteer historic preservation efforts on the Eastern Shore. Baltimoreans *Eddie and Sylvia Brown of Brown Capital Management and the Brownstone Project* received the Stewardship Award. *Karen Lewand* received the Volunteer Award for her work with Baltimore Heritage, Inc., and the city’s Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation. Preservation Maryland’s inaugural Phoenix Award was presented to *Humanim, Inc.*, a Columbia-based human services organization which has transformed Baltimore City’s former American Brewery into its workforce development center.

Annual Conference Draws Preservationists to the Eastern Shore



Board member Maryland Delegate Adelaide Eckardt addressed the Advocacy Luncheon at the conference.

The 2010 Preservation & Revitalization Conference was held in Easton on May 20 and 21. Over 350 participants converged on Easton for two days of educational sessions highlighting both national and local trends in the field of historic preservation. In addition to the 24 classroom sessions, 12 field sessions showed off the preservation and revitalization efforts in Easton and along the Eastern Shore. The conference also featured three special events including a reception to welcome attendees to Easton at the Mid-Shore Community Foundation’s offices in the historic Bullitt House. Rodney L. Swink, FASLA, was the keynote speaker for this year’s plenary session. Mr. Swink discussed the challenges of uniting rural and urban preservation efforts and the need for preservationists to rise to this challenge in the coming years and decades. The final event of the conference was the Maryland Historical Trust Awards and Reception which presented 11 awards to outstanding projects and preservation leaders in Maryland.

NEW ON STAFF

Preservation Maryland welcomes Amelia Rambissoon to the staff as administrative assistant. Previously employed by the Port Discovery Children’s Museum in Baltimore, Amelia is a graduate of Towson University with a degree in mass communications.



Advocacy for Preservation at Local, State and National Levels



Preservation Maryland staff visited the Maryland Congressional delegation last March as part of Preservation Action's national lobby day. Preservation Maryland also joined the Coalition for Full Funding and was active in its support of the **Historic Preservation Fund**. Though the 111th Congress never passed its appropriations bills and is relying on a continuing resolution at last year's funding levels, the House subcommittee included level funding for the Historic Preservation Fund and restoration of **Save America's Treasures**. Two key historic preservation tax incentives were extended for two years.

State lobbying efforts included work on the passage of a replacement for the historic preservation tax credit which was to expire in July 2010. The **Sustainable Communities Act** resulted which extended residential and commercial tax credit programs until 2014 with an aggregate limit for commercial projects. The residential program will remain as a true tax credit. Non-historic commercial rehabilitations in designated areas can now receive up to 10% of the total tax credit allocation. Commercial projects achieving LEED Gold certification or above are eligible for a 25% tax credit whereas others receive 20%. A \$1 million **African American Heritage Grant Program** was created to support preservation of African-American historic sites. The program is administered jointly by the Maryland Historical Trust and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture.

PICTURED: Read's Drug Store, circa 1940, is the focus of recent controversy. A ten-year-old agreement to save it and several other buildings in Baltimore's West Side district has been overturned. The Art Deco structure was the site of a 1955 Civil Rights demonstration leading to progressive policy changes by the store's management. (Photo courtesy of the Maryland Historical Society)

Budget items supported by Preservation Maryland include **Main Street Maryland's Community Legacy** program which received \$4.65 million, slightly less than the previous year's appropriation. **Main Street's Neighborhood BusinessWorks** was not as fortunate, receiving \$3.1 million, less than half of its previous year's allocation. **The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority** received level funding at \$3 million. **The Maryland Historical Trust Museum Grant** program was funded at the same level as the previous year, though the **Non-Capital Grant** program received no funding.

In addition to those 43 sites on the growing Endangered Maryland list and 36 others which received grants from the Heritage Fund, Preservation Maryland played a part in protecting more than 20 other sites and communities. The variety ranged from the **Anchors of Hope Cemetery**, eroding on Hoopers Island, Dorchester County, to the protection of **Belward Farm** in Seneca, Montgomery County. Other advocacy efforts centered on the future of Maryland's former **Rosewood Hospital Center** in Baltimore County and helping to **prevent the construction of a federal homeland security training center** in Ruthsburg, Queen Anne's County. Work continued on **the threat of a robotic parking garage** adjacent to Preservation Maryland headquarters and resumed after progress was stalled on the redevelopment of the Superblock parcel of Baltimore City's **historic West Side commercial district**.



ABERDEEN B&O TRAIN STATION



BUCKTOWN STORE

A review of the 42 Endangered Maryland sites, reveals that only one of them has been reported lost since being designated among the state's most at-risk historic resources. And, encouraging developments have been reported relating to 28 of them. To see the annual lists of Endangered Maryland sites, visit www.preservationmaryland.org.

PROMISING PROGRESS for THREATENED SITES

Endangered Maryland Update

2007 LIST

Lonaconing Silk Mill (Allegany County) Community efforts to find a buyer and ensure the long-term preservation of the Lonaconing Silk Mill continue. Last summer, brass was stolen from the mill in an unsolved theft. Preservation Maryland Heritage Funds helped pay for temporary roof repairs. New efforts by the Georges Creek Promotion Council have revived hope for the mill, abandoned in 1957.

Aberdeen B&O Train Station (Harford County) In late 2007, owner CSX donated a relocation site to the Historical Society of Harford County which has led the effort to save the station from demolition. The society's preservation efforts have been joined by the Aberdeen Room Archives and Museum. Grants from the Maryland Historical Trust have been extended, and refuse and railroad artifacts are being removed. An easement application is under review however, the building's future is threatened by its future site in a floodplain. Additional funding is needed. The society and the Aberdeen museum hope that the floodplain issue is resolved soon and that a foundation can be built which will enable the station to be relocated.

Ridgeley Rosenwald School (Prince George's County) Built in 1929, the school is the closest to original condition

of any of the remaining nine Prince George's County Rosenwald schools. This property has been saved and restored by volunteer efforts.

Bucktown Store (Dorchester County) Located on the site of a significant event in the life of Harriet Tubman, the Bucktown Store is an example of 19th century rural, mercantile architecture, largely unchanged. The current owner purchased it after it had been vacant since 1970, collapsed and in ruin. The Bucktown Foundation obtained funding assistance to purchase the property adjacent to the store and the historic main house on the site. The building has been stabilized and re-roofed. The store is open for business, and the owners offer Underground Railroad paddling and/or biking tours, which are certified by the National Park Service Network to Freedom program.

COMSAT Laboratories (Montgomery County) Though there are not legally bound, the current owners have promised to keep the main COMSAT building intact and develop around it. The property is being offered for sale. The economic climate has slowed earlier interest in a "new town" development, though it is likely this is a temporary condition.

Barnes Road Bridge (Washington County) The county had budgeted funds to replace the bridge with a two-lane bridge and to widen the road in both directions, risking the rural landscape. After it was named to the Endangered Maryland list, the county approved funding and began work to rehabilitate the Barnes Road Bridge in its existing form. The project is due to be completed in May 2011.

Sellers Mansion (Baltimore City) Last year, Baltimore Heritage, Inc., engaged an architect to assess the conditions of the historic mansion. The St. James Community Development Corporation, the mansion's owner, is trying to determine the best course for preserving the building.

Doughoregan Manor (Howard County) In July, the Howard County Council approved plans for development of the estate. The plans allows up to 325 homes to be built on 221 acres in the northeast corner of the 892-acre site.

Wallace Office Building (Dorchester County) The non-profit West End Citizen's Association, which leases the building from the Dorchester County Free Library, has plans to begin interior and exterior renovations on this structure, built in 1852.



HIGH WINDS GUN CLUB



HANSELL



LINWOOD



THE ALMSHOUSE



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH INTERIOR



PROVIDENCE FARM

2008 LIST

Bel Air Academy and Graded School (Harford County)

The Bel Air Academy was transferred to Harford County from the school board and is expected to be renovated in the future for an undetermined community use. Meanwhile, the building has been stabilized in anticipation of a new use.

Camp Ritchie Historic District (Washington County)

Site owner Corporate Office Properties Trust has revised the master plan for the district to restrict construction on the historic parade ground and limit its use to recreation. The revision comes after public opposition and enforcement of a protective agreement with the Maryland Historical Trust.

Double Mills (Wicomico County)

Restoration work is still needed to restore the buildings and equipment. Double Mills, Inc., continues to work for the site's preservation and to create awareness of the site in the community. The organization is currently raising money for a new foundation and hopes to offer tours soon.

Skipjack Flora A. Price (Dorchester County)

The necessary funds to commission the restoration plan for the Flora A. Price have been raised. This plan provides the tools needed to proceed with the major fundraising for restoration. Once completed and launched, another 100-year-old vessel will sail the waters of the Choptank River.

Trimper's Rides and Amusement Park (Worcester County)

is the oldest continuously owned amusement park in the United States. The park features historic attractions, including a 1902 carousel, that have delighted generations. The property's reassessment has resulted in a reduction of property taxes which has made the continued operation of the park financially viable for the owner.

2009 LIST

Brumbaugh-Kendle-Grove Farmstead (Washington County)

The FAA and Maryland Historical Trust are working on an agreement which would provide for the adaptive reuse or relocation of the farmhouse, barn and outbuildings.

Friendship Hall (Dorchester County)

The Eastern Shore Land Conservancy (ESLC) obtained a now-expired option to raise the funds needed or to find a buyer for the eventual protection of the property. The organization is in discussions with the owner about purchase price and continues to seek suggestions for buyers or major donors. In an effort to protect the streetscape, as well as preserve the integrity of the mansion, the Town of East New Market may seek funding to purchase the subdivided portion of the property to ensure the house's visual approach is protected from development.

Handsell (Dorchester County) The Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance (NHPA) continues to research Handsell and seek funding to move ahead with a restoration of the house. A preservation plan for the house, which includes a structural engineer's report, was completed last year. Volunteers and new members are sought to help the NHPA protect this site.

High Winds Gun Club (Worcester County) The University of Maryland has undertaken a study of the heritage of Assateague Island, site of the club, for its owners, the National Park Service. There is hope that the completed study will encourage the park service's interest in the preservation of the site.

Linwood (Carroll County) The village of Linwood was nominated along with adjoining McKinstry's Mill and Priestland Valley. Together they make up a carefully preserved look at rural life in the 19th century. There is a proposal to build an elevated stone conveyor system that will run for 4.5 miles and would require the amendment of several Rural Legacy easements. The Carroll County government has dropped its plans to build an industrial-style Emergency Services Training Center for firefighters nearby, which would have increased traffic and damaged the historic landscape.

Mechanic Theatre (Baltimore City) The theater was originally built as part of an effort to revitalize and reenergize downtown Baltimore. Plans are underway to create a mixed-use complex utilizing the building's existing shell, but the Baltimore Planning Commission has not granted the theatre landmark status, leaving its long-term integrity in question.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church (Cecil County) The St. Patrick's Chapel Historical Society has restored and rededicated the chapel last year. The society will begin cleaning up the cemetery and complete other landscaping this spring.

Upton Mansion (Baltimore City) After serious vandalism on the interior, Upton Mansion has been secured. Baltimore City, the building's owner, has not developed a plan for the mansion. However, the city's historic preservation commission is in the process of evaluating each city-owned historic landmark building, including the mansion, to help prioritize municipal budgets and resources.

2010 LIST

The Almshouse (Washington County) The City of Hagerstown has mothballed the building to help protect against further deterioration and has designated it as a landmark. Earlier this year, a marker was installed outside the building relating the history of the site.

The Arabber Community (Baltimore City) Baltimore's Arabbers continue to ply their trade. After the return of the Retreat Street horses, two stables and the Arabber Center remain, with four to six Arabbers working with ponies and more working with trucks.

Ellicott City Historic District (Howard County) Granite Manor is for sale. Waiver petitions have been submitted to the Department of Planning & Zoning but nothing has been granted. There have been several meetings with the county housing commission and the developer for Hilltop and Ellicott Terrace with encouraging and candid discussion. Preservationists are also monitoring other pending development projects that may impact the historic district.

Fells Point Recreation Pier (Baltimore City) Last year, Baltimore City sold the site to new owners who plan to build a hotel with a restaurant in the building.

Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Cultural Landscape (Caroline and Dorchester Counties) A proposal is currently moving through the U.S. Congress to create a Harriet Tubman National Historical Park. The roadway through the cultural landscape has been designated an All American Road by America's Byways. The 125-mile route through Dorchester and Caroline counties connects

four sites along the route that are significant in the life of Harriet Tubman. The prestigious, high-profile designation opens the door to federal grant money for preservation projects and improvements to visitor services along the corridor. In the face of citizen opposition, the proposed route of the Mid-Atlantic Power Pathway transmission line across Dorchester County has been altered.

Providence Farm (Queen Anne's County) The Queen Anne's County Historical Society has stabilized the building and transferred ownership to preservation-minded buyers who plan to give an easement on the property to protect it in perpetuity.

...AND ONE LOST

Carver Heights USO/Community Center (St. Mary's County) The Carver Heights Community Center suffered a partial collapse and was torn down by its owner, St. Mary's County. Last June, a playground was dedicated on the site and advocates for the preservation of the building are now working to erect a monument to the center at the site.

PreserveMaryland: Defining a New Future for Maryland's Past

The Maryland Department of Planning projects that the state's population will grow by one million over the next 25 years. Smart Growth policies will aim to direct this growth toward existing communities. However, the houses, schools, businesses and roads that will service these new residents have the potential to dramatically alter the character of these places. These trends and projections present Maryland's leaders and citizens with many questions about the future of Maryland's cities and towns, one of which must be: what aspects of our past will we leave for future generations?

In September 2010 the Maryland Historical Trust began an 18-month process to develop a new state historic preservation plan to answer this and many other questions about the future of historic resources and preservation programs in Maryland. PreserveMaryland is a broad-based initiative to identify the issues, trends, pressures, opportunities and priorities that affect historic resources of all types across the state and formulate new strategies for addressing them. The end product of this process will be a plan that will guide the development of historic preservation policies and programs over the next 10 years and provide strategic guidance to public agencies, local governments, nonprofit organizations and the private sector on how to best protect and enhance the places and traditions that form our legacy.

Preservation Maryland is participating in this important planning effort as a member of the steering committee appointed by the Maryland Historical Trust board of trustees. The committee is comprised of statewide organizations whose mission and programs are focused

on historic preservation, heritage tourism and cultural resources. In addition to Preservation Maryland, the committee includes the Archeological Society of Maryland, Maryland Association of History Museums, Coalition of Maryland Heritage Areas, as well as representatives from the University of Maryland Historic Preservation Program and the Goucher College programs in Historic Preservation and Cultural Sustainability.

An advisory committee is made up of state agencies and statewide nonprofit and trade organizations that affect or are affected by historic resources and preservation programs. This includes a broad spectrum of representatives from the Maryland Departments of Disabilities, Environment, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Housing and Community Development and the Maryland Energy Administration. Non-profits include 1,000 Friends of Maryland, Maryland Humanities Council, Associated General Contractors, Maryland Municipal League, Maryland Association of Counties and numerous others. Nearly 50 organizations are represented on this committee.

The planning process will continue through 2011. Focus groups will be conducted with Main Street managers, preservation planners from local governments, advocacy organizations, realtors and other interest groups. More focus groups are planned over the coming months with historic preservation commissions, local elected officials, consultants, contractors, developers and educators. At the conclusion of this effort in early 2012, the trust, in its capacity as Maryland's State Historic Preservation Office, will submit the document to the National Park Service as the official State Historic Preservation Plan.

The Heritage Fund provides direct assistance for the protection of endangered cultural resources and promotes innovative demonstration projects to meet Maryland's historic preservation needs. Heritage Funds are awarded to non-profit organizations for a variety of purposes—from emergency repairs to case studies—and range from \$500 to \$5,000. Historic sites, buildings, districts and objects and projects benefiting archaeological resources are eligible for funding. This initiative is jointly sponsored by Preservation Maryland and the Maryland Historical Trust.

In 1996, the two organizations established the program to assist local governments and preservation organizations. Since then, more than \$535,000 in grants has been awarded to historic preservation projects throughout the state. The grants have often been used as matching funds and seed money to initiate or support projects in their infancy or preliminary stages. Projects supported by the fund include bricks and mortar preservation and restoration, heritage tourism, organizational development, and educational, research and planning efforts related to resource preservation.

The most recent Heritage Fund grants total \$94,500 to assist projects of 36 non-profit organizations. Total project costs will exceed \$3 million. The grants are:

Adkins Historical and Museum Complex, Inc., Wicomico County, awarded \$2,500 to assist with *restoring the ca. 1891 Rockawalkin Train Depot building*, one of the few remaining examples of rural, agricultural railroad architecture on the Eastern Shore.

Anacostia Watershed Society, Inc., Prince George's County, awarded \$1,500 to assist with *chimney stabilization of the ca. 1755 George Washington House*. The Georgian vernacular-style house in Bladensburg is believed to have been visited by George Washington.

B&O Railroad Museum, Baltimore City, awarded \$1,000 to assist with the cost to *repair the slate roofs and gutters of Mount Clare Station and the B&O Roundhouse*. Both buildings are National Historic Landmarks.

Calvert Marine Museum Society, Inc., Calvert County, awarded \$3,000 to assist with the cost of *the Cove Point Lighthouse Keeper's House restoration project*. Built in 1828, the lighthouse is the oldest continuously operating lighthouse in Maryland.

Carroll Museums, Inc., Baltimore City, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the cost of *securing the Phoenix Shot Tower's inner stairwell* leading to the roof and *rebuilding the roof's hatch*. Currently one of the nation's few remaining shot towers, when it was built in 1828, the tower was the tallest structure in the U.S.

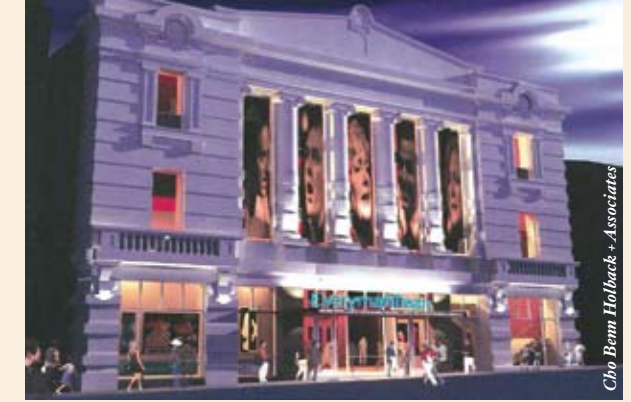
The Chesapeake Bay Field Lab, Inc., Dee of St. Mary's Skipjack Restoration awarded \$2,500 to assist with removing the vessel from the water and stabilizing it in *preparation for a major keel restoration*. The vessel, a member of North America's last commercial sailing fleet, is currently used for education purposes.

Christ Church I.U., Kent County, awarded \$2,435 to assist with *restoration of plaster ornamentation in the church's sanctuary*. Built in the mid-1800s, the Gothic Revival church is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Coppin Heights Community Development Corporation, Baltimore City, awarded \$5,000 in support of a *redevelopment/feasibility plan for the Hebrew Orphan Asylum*. The building served as the first Jewish orphanage in Baltimore and has been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

Costen House Museum, Inc., Worcester County, awarded \$2,500 to assist with the cost of *stabilizing the foundation of the Victorian home of Dr. T. Isaac Costen*, first mayor of Pocomoke City. The museum interprets the history of Pocomoke City from the late 1800s through the 1920s.

Echo Hill Outdoor School, Inc., Kent County, awarded \$1,000 to *repair the bow of the Skipjack Elsworth*, including the long head, false stem, and knights head. Built in 1901, the *Elsworth* is used in educational programs offered by the Echo Hill Outdoor School.



Everyman Theatre, Inc., Baltimore City, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the cost of *restoring the Town Theatre facade*, part of its adaptive use as the new home of the Everyman Theatre.

Fells Point Main Street, Baltimore City, awarded \$4,000 to *assist with the Fells Point History Program* to document 18th century residential and commercial properties in the Fells Point Historic District.

Friends of Stanley Institute, Inc., Dorchester County, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the *costs of window restoration of the ca. 1875 Christ Rock U.M. Church*. In conjunction with the restored Stanley Institute School, the building will be used to interpret the history of African Americans in the county.

Frostburg Museum Association, Inc., Allegany County, awarded \$2,500 to assist *the purchase and installation of a new furnace*. Located in the former Hill Street School, the Frostburg Museum houses artifacts chronicling the town's history.

George's Creek Promotion Council, Inc., Allegany County, awarded \$1,000 toward *roof repairs at the Lonaconing Silk Mill*, the nation's only intact silk mill. The building retains its machinery, company records and worker's personal effects from the time of its closing in 1957. The site was placed on the Endangered Maryland list in 2007.

Georges Creek Promotion Council-Lonaconing Heritage House Committee, Allegany County, awarded \$4,000 to assist with the *cost of purchase and installation of a furnace* in the Lonaconing Heritage House. Located adjacent to the Lonaconing Iron Furnace, the building serves as a visitors' center and interactive museum focusing on the coal and iron mining heritage of the Georges Creek Valley.



Cove Point Lighthouse, Dee of St. Mary's Skipjack, Hebrew Orphan's Asylum, Friends of Stanley Institute—Christ Rock U.M. Church, St. Paul's Church, and the Town of Williamsport.

Historical Society of Harford County, Inc., Bel Air, awarded \$3,000 to assist with the cost of *restoration of the exterior of the Hays House*. One of the oldest surviving residences in Bel Air, the 1798 house is a museum.

Historical Society of Kent County, Inc., Kent County, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the cost of *exterior restoration to the Geddes-Piper House*. The 1783 house museum serves as the headquarters for the society.

Historical Society of Talbot County, Inc., Talbot County, awarded \$2,500 to assist with the cost of *exterior masonry repair and restoration of the James Neall House* in Easton.

Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition, Inc., Baltimore City, awarded \$2,500 to assist with the cost of *architectural plans for the Dayspring Square*, the historic Patrick Henry School #37, one of the few examples of an elaborately detailed Georgian Revival public school.

Historic Sotterley, Inc., St. Mary's County, awarded \$2,500 to assist with the cost of *restoration of four outbuildings at Sotterley Plantation*, the only Tidewater plantation in Maryland that is fully open to the public.

James B. Richardson Foundation, Inc., Cambridge, awarded \$4,000 to assist with the *educational sessions* for middle school students at the *5th Annual Cambridge Schooner Rendezvous*.

Kennard Alumni Association, Inc., Queen Anne's County, awarded \$1,500 to assist with *window restoration on the Kennard High School*. Constructed in 1936, the building was the only secondary school for African Americans in the county. Once restored, the building will serve as a museum and site of community programming.

Mid-Shore Community Foundation, Inc., Talbot County, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the costs of *exterior restoration and repair of the 1801 Federal Easton home of Thomas James Bullitt*, now headquarters for the Mid-Shore Community Foundation.

Mt. Gilboa A.M.E. Church, Baltimore County, awarded \$3,000 to support the cost of *masonry and window repairs to Mt. Gilboa A.M.E. Church*, the oldest active African American church in Baltimore County, built in 1859.

The Oxford Museum, Inc., Talbot County, awarded \$2,340 to assist with the cost of *design and installation of a Civil War trail marker* to document Oxford's role as a port of departure for slaves from the Eastern Shore who were conscripted to serve in the Union army.

Rural Life Museum of Trappe, Md., Inc., Talbot County, awarded \$5,000 to assist with the cost of *restoration of the carriage house* for additional exhibit space. The museum is dedicated to the collection and preservation of items of historical significance to the community of Trappe.

Shady Side Rural Heritage Society, Inc., Anne Arundel County, awarded \$1,500 to support the cost of repairing the *fire suppression system at the Captain Salem Avery House*—the society's headquarters. The circa 1859 frame structure serves as a maritime-themed museum and center for community activities and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Society for the Preservation of Federal Hill and Fells Point, Inc., Baltimore City, awarded \$3,000 to support the costs of *façade improvements to 1627 and 1629-31 Aliceanna Street*.

St. Paul's Church, Queen Anne's County, awarded \$2,500 to assist with the cost of *restoration of seven ca. 1893 Tiffany stained-glass windows* in the sanctuary. The church dates to 1834.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church, Prince George's County, awarded \$3,000 to assist with the *cost of replacing the church's roof*. The original trusses in the 1887 building are in jeopardy of damage from leaks in the 97-year-old roof.

Town of Charlestown, Cecil County, awarded \$3,000 to pay for an *engineering report on the foundation of the Cecil House*, a ca. 1810 two-story, frame, Federal-style former tavern.

Town of Williamsport, Washington County, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the costs of *roof repairs to the barn of Williams Springfield Farm*, the former property of General Otho Holland, the founder of Williamsport. The barn is currently used for community events and is the town's museum.

Waverly Main Street, Baltimore City, awarded \$3,225 to assist with the costs of *preparing a nomination for Historic Waverly to the National Register of Historic Places*.

The Woman's Industrial Exchange, Baltimore City, awarded \$2,000 to assist with the cost of a structural assessment of the building's exterior façade.

United States Lighthouse Society, Dorchester County, awarded \$5,000 to assist with the cost of *ladder replacement and batch to the Hooper Island Lighthouse*. The lighthouse is the only pneumatic caisson lighthouse in Maryland with a cast iron tower, a watch room and lantern surmounted on the tower and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



A Report from the Field: **THE EASTERN SHORE**

Preservation Maryland's Eastern Shore Field Director Elizabeth Beckley had a busy second year. Her work involved historic sites in each of the nine counties of the Eastern Shore. Here are some highlights:

- **Providence Farm**, long at risk for demolition, was transferred from the Queen Anne's County Historical Society to private ownership. The house is currently being restored and a perpetual easement is being developed for its protection. Graduate students from the University of Maryland used the structure in their historic preservation curriculum.
- Beckley organized local efforts to stabilize and save the **Miller's House in Wye Mills**. The work included developing a local advocacy group, negotiating the sale and obtaining approval for a grant from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority and required matching funds for acquisition of the property by the Friends of Wye Mill. The house was listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
- The Washington College Archeology Field School was held at **Mount Harmon Plantation** in Cecil County. Hundreds of artifacts were recovered. The Education and Discovery Center was created from the former stables complex, and an exhibit about the site was developed with the assistance of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network. Education staff was hired to develop elementary school curriculum.
- Beckley worked with the **Asbury United Methodist Church** to assess its preservation issues and help the trustees plan for restoring and stabilizing the Kent County site and seeking grant funds to undertake restoration of the building and its designation as a local historic site.

- To benefit the **Mount Zion United Methodist Church** of East New Market, Dorchester County, Preservation Maryland and the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy organized an Earth Day clean up of the church's historic cemetery.
- Preservation Maryland advocated against the planned US State Department facility in **Ruthsburg, Queen Anne's County**.
- Beckley participated in local efforts to stabilize the pre-Civil War **granary at Turners Creek** in Kent County.
- Repointing and reroofing of the orangery and technical assistance on the stabilization of the smoke house were conducted at **Wye House**.
- Beckley served as a consultant to the Talbot County Historical Society on the repointing and replastering of the **Neall House** in Easton.

- Named a member of the **Kent County Alternative Energy Task Force**, Beckley recommended zoning amendments to county commissioners.
- At Preservation Maryland's request, the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Partners for Sacred Places was asked to provide educational programming and survey and documentation of Eastern Shore **African American Methodist churches**. Beckley worked with several of these to explore options for National Register listings, possible grant funding and local designation.
- Beckley provided training to the **Berlin Historic District Commission** and provided technical assistance in saving the Elizabeth White House from demolition and inappropriate window replacement on the Atlantic Hotel.
- Preservation Maryland co-sponsored a historic windows workshop with the Maryland Historical Trust and the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions for the **Easton Historic District Commission**.



PM's Elizabeth Beckley (front row center) and Marilyn Benaderet (on Beckley's left) join the staff of the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy in cleaning up the historic African American cemetery at Mount Zion Church in East New Market, Dorchester County.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ended September 30, 2010

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 23,633
Investments at Fair Value	7,447,266
Grants Receivable	128,382
Accrued Investment Income	40,056
Prepaid Expenses	13,306
Equipment and Historic Collections, Net	189,974
Total Assets	\$ 7,842,617

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 26,578
Grants Payable	98,757
Due to Maryland Historical Trust	998,940
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,124,275

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	
Undesignated	\$ 5,594,314
Board Designated	357,340
Temporarily Restricted	386,217
Permanently Restricted	380,471
Total Net Assets	\$ 6,718,342
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 7,842,617

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUES

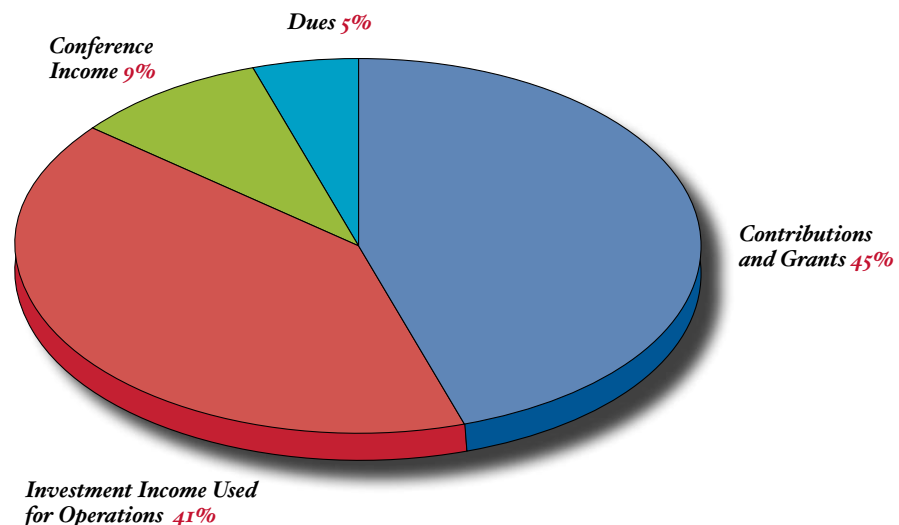
Contributions and Grants	\$ 306,278
Dues	32,200
Conference Income	64,210
Other Income	240
Investment Income Used for Operations	282,089
Total for Operations	\$ 685,017
Other Investment Income	\$ 415,670
Total Revenues	\$ 1,100,687

EXPENSES

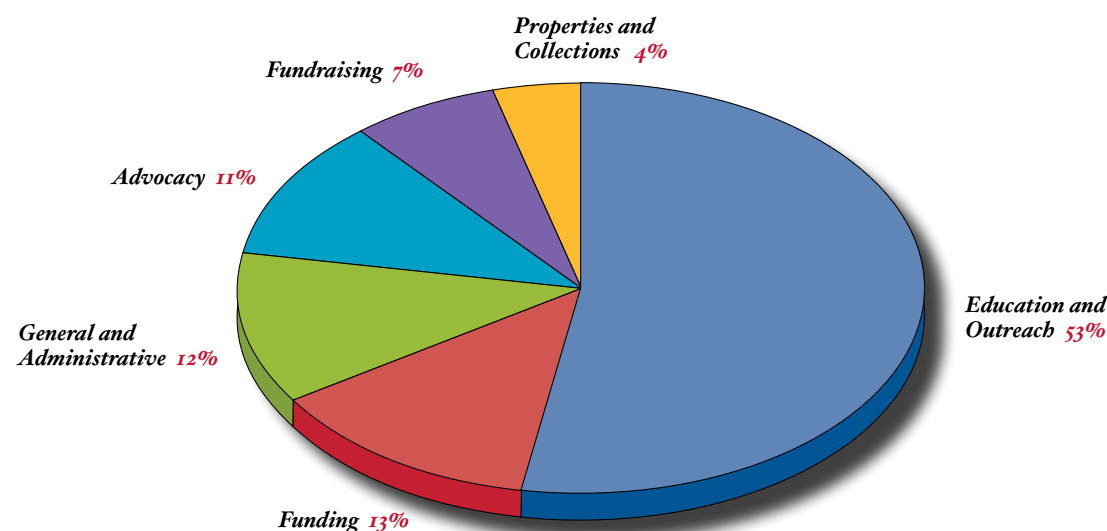
Program Services	
Funding	\$ 90,324
Education and Outreach	360,621
Advocacy	76,579
Properties and Collections	27,244
Total Program Support	\$ 554,768
Support Services	
Fundraising	\$ 45,926
General and Administrative	84,323
Total Support Services	\$ 130,249
Total Expenses	\$ 685,017

NET ASSETS - Beginning of Year	\$ 6,302,672
NET ASSETS - End of Year	\$ 6,718,342
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$ 415,670

REVENUES



EXPENSES



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