



KENTUCKY MAIN STREET PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

May 2008

1. 2008 DOWNTOWN LIVING FOCUS TOURS ARE UNDERWAY

The upper floor housing tours are taking place all across the state and the dates/locations are:

TODAY, May 29 - Wilmore, 9 - 11 a.m. then on to Stanford, 1 - 3 p.m.

Contact Mary Middleton for a complete schedule or to register at stanfordmainst@adelphia.net, 606-365-4518, or Margaret Morgan at maggie_mrgn@yahoo.com, 859-858-4411

Friday, May 30 - Hopkinsville, 10 a.m.

Meet in Founder's Square for a tour of four downtown apartments. Lunch on your own and then on to Elkton, Guthrie and Trent, ending at 3 p.m. Contact Deana Wright to register at murraymainstreet@murray-ky.net or 270-759-9474

Friday, May 30 - Augusta, 10 a.m.; Maysville, Noon; and Flemingsburg, 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Contact Duff Giffen to register at duffgiffen@maysvilleky.net or 606-564-9419

Friday, June 13 - Danville, 10 a.m.

This tour during the Brass Band Festival will include six sites.

Contact Dana Beth Lyddan to register dlyddan@ehcheritagecouncil.org or 270-737-4126

Tuesday, June 17 - Owingsville

Contact Vearl Pennington at 606 674 9576 or vearlskeets@yahoo.com

Thursday, June 19 - London, 6 - 8 p.m.

Housing tour and summer concert. Contact Sherri Mosley to register at llmainstreet@alltel.net or 606-862-8841

Friday, June 20th - Princeton, Noon - 4 p.m.

Tour three potential upper floor areas with one already completed apartment and discuss the Let's Paint the Town! efforts. Contact Sam Koltinsky to register at snkpro@webtv.net or 270-365-9575

Carrollton Main Street Program has scheduled its Downtown Living Spaces Tour for Friday, June 29 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. The tour will start from the Old Stone Jail on the Courthouse Square in Downtown Carrollton. More info as it develops. Contact Sam Burgess at 502-732-5713 or cmainst@bellsouth.net to register.

Saturday, June 21 - Ashland, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Tour upper floor housing and housing adjacent to downtown. Contact Danny Craig to register at danny.craig@ashlandmainst.org or 606-325-7692

Saturday, June 21 - Henderson, Noon - 4 p.m.

Contact Julie Turnipseed to register at julie@downtownhenderson.org or 270-827-0016

Sunday, June 22 - Ludlow, Covington, Newport, Bellevue, Dayton, Fort Thomas and Falmouth, 2 - 6 p.m. Contact Kathy Hickey to register at khickey@covingtonky.gov or 859-292-2166

Tuesday, June 24 - Shelbyville, 5:30 - 7 p.m. Meet at the Pink Lady, 721 Main Street. Contact Eilene Collins to register at Eilene.Collins@shelbydevcorp.com or 502-633-5029. Participants are invited back to the Pink Lady for appetizers following the tour.

Scottsville region and Winchester region - plans being finalized

All tours are subject to last minute change and updates will be distributed as soon as received.

2. ONE OF OUR OWN LEAVING THE SHPO

OPEN HOUSE ABOARD THE USS KENTUCKY HERITAGE COUNCIL to BID BON VOYAGE TO BECKY SHIPP

When: Friday, May 30, 2008, 2-4 PM

Where: Kentucky Heritage Council
300 Washington Street, Frankfort, KY 40601
R.S.V.P. (502) 564-7005 x113



3. PRESERVE AMERICA

Preserve America Grants in 25 States Announced; Deadline for 2008 Round Two Applications in June

WASHINGTON— Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett, along with Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John L. Nau III, recently announced 43 Preserve America grants in 25 states totaling \$2.9 million. The application period for round two of 2008 is now open with a deadline of June 30 to apply for grants of \$4.3 million to be awarded in September.

The Deputy Secretary made the announcement on behalf of Mrs. Laura Bush, Honorary Chair of Preserve America. Preserve America is a White House initiative that encourages and supports community efforts to preserve and enjoy our nation's heritage. Scarlett and Nau co-chair the Preserve America initiative.

"Preserve America ensures that historic properties, artifacts, and communities throughout the nation are preserved to be enjoyed by future generations," Mrs. Bush said. "These grants promote cultural and natural preservation, and encourage greater appreciation of our national heritage."

The Preserve America co-chairs also announced today that the maximum size of each grant has been increased from \$150,000 to \$250,000. In 2006 and 2007, \$9.8 million was awarded to 140 projects. In FY 2008, a total of \$7.2 million was available. The most recent grants totaling \$2.9 million leave a balance of \$4.3 million for a second round of grants to be awarded in September.

The Preserve America grant program, which began in 2006, is administered by the Department of the Interior's National Park Service in partnership with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. The competitive matching grants fund Preserve America Communities, State Historic Preservation Offices, and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices to support their preservation efforts through heritage tourism, education and historic preservation planning.

"These Preserve America grants help weave cultural and natural heritage into the economic, educational, and social fabric of communities by promoting heritage tourism," said Scarlett.

"Preserve America grants help communities learn about their history and share it with visitors. These grants make the story of America come alive and create a better understanding of our diverse and rich cultures," said Nau.

More information on Preserve America, including a complete list of grant recipients, criteria and application forms for various initiative programs, can be found at www.PreserveAmerica.gov.

—www.PreserveAmerica.gov—

4. SAMPLE PROJECT RECEIVING FUNDING

Louisiana Main to Main: A Cultural Roadshow

Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office \$150,000

The Louisiana State Preservation Office will work in partnership with the Louisiana Main Street program to identify, showcase, and promote cultural assets unique to Main Street communities, and expand promotion of the annual Cultural Road Show initiative. The project will include involvement from Louisiana's Main Street and Preserve America communities.

As an aside do you all think maybe several key Managers would like to get together and help us develop an application for KY Main Street in 2009 - to mark the 30th anniversary???? What do you think? Please let Roger know what you would like to see done for the next year?

5. CHANGES

Fred Reeves is the new manager in Owensboro replacing Sue Fowler. Please give him a call or email him and welcome him aboard. He can be reached at 270.926.4339 or email at freeves@owensboro.com

Also in Midway, Marcie Christensen takes over the duties of Midway Renaissance director while also working with Francisco Farms Art Festival coordinator. She can be emailed at mchristensen@hughes.net or call 859 312-9891.

Also, we were made just aware today there is a new Rachel Kennedy in state government and she

6. SAVE OUR HISTORY GRANTS

The application form, guidelines, important dates and criteria for the next round of *Save Our History* grants are all available online at www.saveourhistory.com now. *Save Our History* is The History Channel national initiative that provides funding for schools that collaborate with historic organizations to save their local history. Since launching the *Save Our History* Grant Program in 2004, The History Channel has awarded \$1 million in grants to organizations and schools large and small, urban, suburban and rural, in the northern, southern, eastern, western and central United States. For five years The History Channel has provided funds for historic preservation and want to ensure that as many groups as possible are aware of this opportunity. During the 2008-2009 school year, The History Channel will again award grants of up to \$10,000 to historical organizations to fund hands-on, experiential educational projects that teach students about their local history and actively engage them in its preservation. **Applications are due Friday, June 6, 2008.**

7. PAINT THE TOWN FUNDS ANNOUNCED

TOUR Southern and Eastern Kentucky (TOUR SEKY) is excited to announce the C.I.T.Y. and Let's Paint the Town Fund recipients! Awards were presented May 15, 2008 at TOUR SEKY's Annual National Tourism Week Event; "Unmasking Your Tourism Potential"

Listed below are the communities receiving C.I.T.Y. (Community Initiatives in Tourism for You!) and Let's Paint the Town funds.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR FUND RECIPIENTS!

This program has become a tremendous success for our region. If you would like to know more about this program, please contact Jeff Crowe at jcrowe@tourseky.com or 606-677-6095

C.I.T.Y. Fund Recipients

City of Somerset \$70,000
City of Corbin \$50,000
City of Middlesboro \$30,000
City of Stanton \$10,000
City of Mt. Vernon \$10,000
City of Williamsburg \$10,000

Let's Paint the Town Fund Recipients

City of Campton
City of Stanford
City of Booneville
City of Barbourville
City of London
City of Owingsville
City of Middlesboro
City of Manchester
City of Monticello

City of Frenchburg
City of Mt. Vernon
City of Stanton
City of Catlettsburg
City of Hustonville
City of Columbia
City of Campbellsville
City of Beattyville
Tri-Cities (Cumberland, Benham and Lynch)

8. MAIN STREET MEETING CALENDAR FOR 2008

Following is the 2008 calendar to assist with travel plans for local programs.

SUMMER 2008

May/June

Regional Case Study Site Visits (see article above)
(1/2 credit each - potential to participate up to 1 ½ credits)

August 4 - 6

Governor's Local Issues Conference
Lexington

<http://www.gold.ky.gov/localissues/>

(1/2 credit)

FALL 2008

September 4 - 6

2008 Kentucky Historic Preservation Conference

Bardstown

(2 credits)

October 22-23

Kentucky Housing Corporation - ANNUAL MEETING

Lexington

<http://www.kyhousing.org/>

(1 credit)

QUARTERLY MAIN STREET 101 TRAINING – A new service that began in 2008 is the On-Demand Main Street 101 training to be coordinated in Frankfort as needed for new managers and/or board members. The goal of this program is to offer it once each quarter so new managers don't have to wait a year for basic 101 Main Street training. Interested managers should coordinate with your regional captain to let us know of your needs. This one-day session will have a training value of 1 hour credit. www.heritage.ky.gov/mainstreet/msrencoms
We will once again be offering training in June. Please let us know if you are interested. We had 14 attendees at the May training.

To comply with certification requirements, each Kentucky Main Street Program must be represented at training programs and earn a minimum of 3 training credits during the year. During the year the KY Heritage Council will alert you through the newsletter of any new or additional opportunities to meet these requirements.

Thank you for your interest in preserving and revitalizing Kentucky's historic downtowns through the Four-Point Main Street approach. The *Kentucky Main Street Program Newsletter* is produced monthly. To submit ideas or comments, please call Roger Stapleton, 502-564-7005, ext. 130, or email roger.stapleton@ky.gov

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