Two Iowa Groups Receive National Trust Grants

Two Iowa properties received grants from the National Trust’s Johanna Favrot Fund.

The Hardin County Historic Preservation Commission of Iowa Falls was awarded $10,000 to complete a county-wide Archaeology and Paleontology Resources Management Plan and Education Program. The project will help to ensure preservation of the Native American cultural resources in the Iowa River Greenbelt.

Residents for Responsible Renovation (3R’s) of Decorah was awarded $3,250 to produce a video and brochure that will present the story and advocate the continued use of the historic Decorah East Side and Middle School complex as a school facility.
President’s Message

New Resolution Creates Local IHPA Chapters

Preservation, like politics, is mostly local. Now your IHPA Board of Directors is creating a structure to help local communities tap the grassroots power of preservation as part of the IHPA structure. At its October 22 meeting, the IHPA Board passed a resolution creating local chapters that have missions and bylaws in accordance with those of the IHPA. In addition, local chapter members must be IHPA members and must elect a representative to the IHPA Board. In return, local chapters would be able to utilize the IHPA non-profit status for grant applications and enjoy closer partnership with the statewide organization.

There are other details involved, but the idea is that IHPA can increase its influence through local chapters and vice versa. The first chapter will in all likelihood be the Council Bluffs Preservation Alliance. CBPA president, Debra Danielson, already is an active member of the IHPA board was a driving force behind the new expanded structure. With a few hurdles to be crossed, the CBPA could be an official local chapter by the time you read this.

If your community has an ambitious group of preservation-minded people and would like to look into forming a chapter, please let me or Executive Director Mike Kramme know. You can reach me at 515-280-7234 or tsmull@inanews.com. Mike can be reached at 319-863-7141 or ihpa@iowatelecom.net. The Board believes the creation of the local chapter structure will add a needed dimension to the IHPA.

Congratulations to Jacky Adams, this year's recipient of The Iowan magazine's David E. Archie award presented to people showing a strong and lasting commitment to preservation. Jacky is an IHPA board member and most of you probably know her and understand why she is such a deserving recipient. As part of the award, IHPA receives a generous $500 contribution from the people at The Iowan, who are good friends and supporters of IHPA. Jacky received the award at a November 1 dinner at the Temple for Performing Arts in Des Moines, last year's commercial property recipient of IHPA's Preservation at Its Best Awards. Congratulations, Jacky, and thanks to Danielle Stamps and the several IHPA committee members who made the event a success!

Tom Smull

The Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance Newsletter is published quarterly as a benefit to its members. Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance P.O. Box 814 Mt. Pleasant, IA 52614 The Alliance is a 501c (3) organization.
Country School Conference

More than thirty people participated in the fourth annual country school conference sponsored by IHPA. Additional sponsors included The Parker Historical Society, Iowa Lakes Community College and the Western Iowa Tourism Region.

The conference, which featured program ideas for country school museums and rural tourism, was held in Spencer October 3-5. Presenters included: Dr. Mark DeWalt, Martha Kaufman, Margaret Wieting, Leigh Ann Jero, Robert Himes, Robert Artley, Cynthia Nieb, Michelle Walker, Marilyn Meyer, Joy Lillie and Cindy McGranahan, and members of the Spencer Community Children’s Theater.

Plans are underway for next year’s conference. It will be held in Pella on October 1-2.

Country School Grants

Thanks to lobbying efforts by the Iowa Cultural Coalition and the IHPA, funding has been restored for several historic preservation programs, including the Country School Grant program.

The state may provide grants up to $5,000 in matching funds for the preservation of buildings at least fifty years old that were used as one-or two-room schools. The restored country schools must be used for educational purposes.

The grant application is available online at www.iowahistory.org. The application deadline is January 15 for June 2004-June 2006.

For more information contact Cynthia Nieb at 515-281-8754 or at cynthia.nieb@dca.state.ia.us.
Recent National Register Additions

LINN COUNTY
PUCKER STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT, BOUNDED BY 13TH STREET, 9TH AVENUE, 20TH STREET, AND SOUTH SIDE OF 8TH AVENUE, MARION

This historic district is significant for its association with, and representation of, the historical development of an important residential neighborhood in the City of Marion. This neighborhood was the home for the city’s wealthy and influential.

GLEN O. AND LUCY O. PYLE HOUSE, 1540 8TH AVENUE, MARION

The Pyle House is a good representation of the stylish homes that were added along 8th Avenue to the Pucker Street Historic District in the early 20th century. This home and its history reflect the later years of the social and architectural evolution of this neighborhood, which was populated by Marion’s wealthy and influential citizens in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

LUCAS COUNTY
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 923 ROLAND, CHARITON

The First United Methodist Church, built in 1900, is locally significant under Criterion C as a fine, unaltered example of turn of the century Gothic Revival. It was designed by well known Illinois architect, Samuel A. Bullard.

MARSHALL COUNTY
MARSHALLTOWN DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT, 200 BLOCK E. MAIN TO 100 BLOCK W. MAIN, SIDE STREETS, MARSHALLTOWN

Under Criterion A, the Marshalltown Downtown Historic District derives significance under the categories "Commerce," "Politics / Government," and "Transportation."

Under Criterion C, the District is significant under the theme "Architecture" as a representative collection of the commercial architectural styles and vernacular building forms that appeared in Marshalltown from the 1860s through the 1940s.

MITCHELL COUNTY
OSAGE COMMERCIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT, MAIN STREET BLOCKS 700, 600 AND PARTS OF 500 BLOCKS, OSAGE

The historical significance of this district lies in its representation of the central business district from the late 1860s to the present and its reflection of the varied commercial enterprises that evolved in the late 19th to early 20th centuries within this community.

The Walnut Grove School, built in 1873, is significant as the only remaining structurally sound, unaltered, one-room rural school on its original site, in Mitchell County.

WALNUT GROVE SCHOOL, 3272 FOOTHILL AVENUE, OSAGE

GRANT COMMERCIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT, PARTS OF SECOND STREET AND U AVENUE, GRANT

The historical significance of this district lies in its representation of a small town business district from the 1870s to the 1950s and its reflection of the slow but persistent growth of this southwestern Iowa town. The architectural significance of the district lies in the retention of an unusual collection of early frame commercial buildings and the addition of a series of small brick, primarily automobile-related, buildings in the early 20th century.

STATE CENTER COMMERCIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT, MAIN STREET BLOCKS 200-100 WEST AND 100 EAST, STATE CENTER

The historical significance of the district lies in its representation of the central business district from the late 1860s to the present and its reflection of the varied enterprises that evolved in the late 19th to early 20th centuries within this community.
IOWA HISTORIC PRESERVATION ALLIANCE
PRESERVATION AT ITS BEST 2004 - NOMINATION FORM

For Historic Properties REHABILITATED or RESTORED and completed in 2003.

CATEGORIES: (CHECK ONE)

1. Residential  a. four or fewer units_____ b. more that four units_____
2. Public_____
3. Rural_____  
4. Archeological _____ 5. Commercial  a. under 5,000 sq. ft._____ b. over 5,000 sq. ft._____ 
5. Special projects_____( any project not covered under “bricks and mortar” relating to historic preservation, i.e. activities, events, publications)

Property Name___________________________________________________________________

Property Address_________________________________________________________________

Property Owner __________________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Name and Phone Number___________________________________________________

Is the Property listed on the National Register? Yes_____ No _____ Eligible _____

Architect’s Name and Address________________________________________________________

Please answer the following four descriptions on one 8” x 10” sheet of paper:

1. Describe the **Before Condition** of the Property.

2. Describe the **Work** done to the Property.

3. Describe the Property’s **Historical Significance**.

4. Describe how the project was **funded**.

Please attach at least **two photographs**: Before and After

Mail Nominations to: Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance
205 East Washington
Washington, IA 52353

Please include contribution of $10 to help us defray costs of processing the nomination.
Questions may be directed to: Dr. Michael Kramme, (319) 863-7141 ihpa@iowatelecom.net

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Church Architecture Conference

Dr. Patricia Eckhardt points out a feature of a church interior during the tour

The Project Restore Foundation of Stuart sponsored a conference and tour highlighting religious Architectural Diversity at the turn of the century in Iowa on September 26 & 27.

Dr. Patricia Eckhardt presented a narrated slide show in the award winning Chapel of All Saints in Stuart.

The participants also toured the following Des Moines churches: St. Paul Episcopal Cathedral, St. Ambrose Catholic Cathedral, St. John’s Lutheran Church, First United Methodist Church, First Christian Church and the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George.

The event was co-sponsored by the IHPA, Humanities Iowa, and The National Endowment for the Humanities.
National Trust Liaison, Lisa Weissman, joins recent board meeting

Lisa Weissman, from the Chicago Office of the National Trust joined a recent IHPA board meeting. Weissman is the liaison for Iowa and Missouri. During the meeting, she discussed ways that the Trust could be of assistance to IHPA. While in Iowa, she also visited with members of other preservation organizations.

Jim Boyt Receives Honor

Kristen Anderzhon, representing the Iowa Architect Foundation, presented IHPA board member Jim Boyt with a certificate of special recognition during the Diversity in Religious Architecture conference in Stuart.

The award was for the preservation of his office building in East Des Moines.

IHPA members Debra Danielson, George Wake- man, President Tom Smull and Executive Director Mike Kramme congratulate Jim Boyt (holding certificate)