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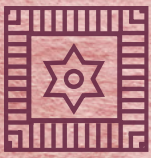
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2019 ANNUAL REPORT



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of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character.*



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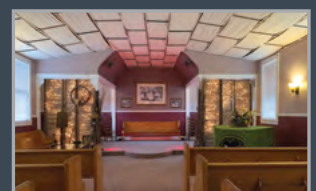
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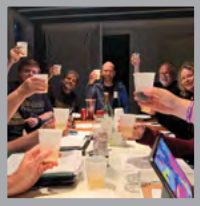


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Letter From The President



Dear Members and Stakeholders,

NPA celebrated another fantastic year of participation in the life of our beautiful historic city, and I was privileged to be a part of that. It was a busy year for all of us.

Participating in the life of the community

- We began the summer season by joining other groups in the annual bed race, and once again, NPA won the People’s Choice Award. We paid homage to Harrell Hospital with a young mother of twins on the gurney and doctors and nurses pushing her. Everyone had a great time.
- During the 4th of July Parade, a group of NPA members greeted our neighbors, talked about NPA, and handed out Save-the-Date cards for the Historic Home Tour.
- The weather during the Holiday Parade was cold and rainy, but that didn’t stop our enthusiasm as we sipped eggnog and waved to neighbors along the parade route in our Victorian dress.

Reaching out and giving back

- The Community Picnic was moved to Forest Park this year due to the renovations of Seminary Park. Everyone enjoyed the excellent food, fellowship, and fun.
- Once again, NPA enjoyed sponsoring Lights Over Seminary Park on the first Friday of December. The carolers, brass quintet, hot chocolate, decorated trees, and beautiful lights helped kick off the season.
- Noblestories continued as a popular community event as people gathered to learn more about life in Noblesville years ago.

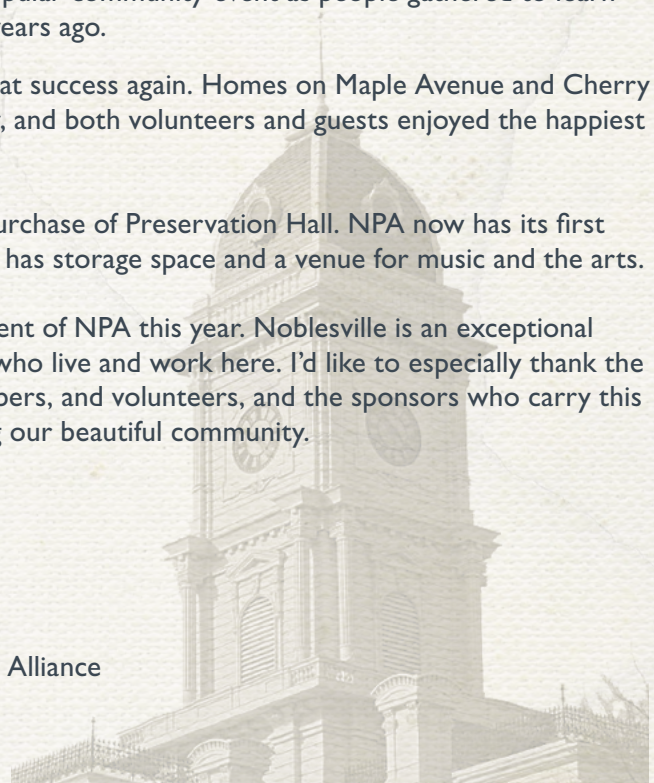
The Historic Home Tour was a great success again. Homes on Maple Avenue and Cherry Street were the highlight of the day, and both volunteers and guests enjoyed the happiest day of the year.

The highlight of the year was the purchase of Preservation Hall. NPA now has its first headquarters to hold meetings and has storage space and a venue for music and the arts.

I’ve been honored to be the president of NPA this year. Noblesville is an exceptional community because of the people who live and work here. I’d like to especially thank the Board of Directors, the NPA members, and volunteers, and the sponsors who carry this dream of preserving and protecting our beautiful community.

Sincerely,

Nancy Hebel
President, Noblesville Preservation Alliance





Annual Bed Race

NPA’s mission is: *Enriching the present by honoring the past through the preservation of Noblesville’s historic architecture and authentic character and charm.*

NPA supports our community by enthusiastically participating in events like the Holiday and 4th of July parades, street dances, free concerts, plays, and the uniquely charming Bed Race. These events raise funds for Main Street and the Boys and Girls Club.

NPA’s Core Value and Opportunity is: *We believe that Noblesville should continue to grow and evolve without losing the hometown qualities that make it so unique and appealing.*

We have entered the Bed Race for the past three years—not to win, but to entertain and dazzle! We’re not the youngest, or the fastest but have won the People’s Choice award for all three entries!

For this year’s bed race event, we highlighted Noblesville’s first hospital, Harrell Hospital & Sanitorium. This hospital, founded by Dr. Samuel Harrell, served Noblesville’s medical needs from 1909 until 1951.

NPA’s team of “Harrell Hospital Hotties” included three nurses (men in drag) courageously played by Kevin Dillon, Tim Parker, and Mike Corbett. Jason Compton was our doctor and a playing our new mother was Lauren Parker, who had just given birth to twins!



Team Harrell Hospital Hotties



Mother & Twins, Lauren Parker



Baby born at Harrell Hospital, Mike Stewart



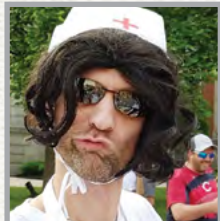
Nurse Mike Corbett



Nurse Kevin Dillon



Doctor Jason Compton



Sexy Nurse Tim Parker



The Year in Review

Preservation Hall

Remarkably, after 34 years of service, our ALL VOLUNTEER Alliance is still thriving. We have accomplished great things. We met in member homes, City Hall, and other borrowed spaces. We stored records, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), equipment, signage, etc.—often in member homes, garages, and basements.

Records have been lost and damaged. SOPs are kept on member computers and in collective memories—always subject to the continuity of volunteers and occasionally lost to history. Despite these challenges, NPA has maintained a respected voice in the community. We have significantly enhanced the beauty, authenticity, and desirability of Noblesville by saving and restoring many of our community’s architectural treasures. We have raised funds to award façade grants to assist historic homeowners with exterior renovations.

NPA’s advocacy and action will always be needed, so we took the exciting leap to ownership to help ensure NPA’s long-term viability. We now have organizational headquarters for events, meeting space, storage, and a heightened presence in the community. PRESERVATION HALL will help us better serve our community by providing access to educational programs, concerts, and other community events.

We chose Preservation Hall because it, too, has a long history of community service—a history that NPA believes deserves to endure. The building stands circa 1915. It was an army barracks, then became a portable school building and later a church in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1938, the structure was moved to Noblesville and erected on the lot at 1274 Logan Street. It was purchased by the Christ Lutheran Church to house their new Sanctuary.



Preservation Hall 1938

Christ Lutheran moved to a larger site in 1976; this plucky little Sanctuary welcomed the Trinity House of Worship that had been meeting in a local school—borrowed space, like NPA. Other churches followed until the building was purchased in 2013 by local musician, John Gilmore, to serve as a performance venue for singer/songwriters. John christened the building The Logan Street Sanctuary. The site soon earned a national reputation as a “listening place,” revered by musicians accustomed to playing in noisy bars and clubs. This charming little building was born to serve and will continue its mission!

Noblesville Preservation Alliance received an interest-free Indiana Landmarks Endangered Properties Loan

and purchased the building in October 2019.

It will serve as the organization’s official headquarters, and continue to be a performing arts venue and community center. It is also available as a rental venue for community celebrations, entertainment, and programs. NPA intends to fully honor the building’s past by continuing its original commission of community service and returning the exterior to historical authenticity, as approved by Indiana Landmarks. We will renovate the building’s exterior to reflect its age and purpose and enhance its appearance to better integrate into this historic neighborhood. It will be challenging and a labor of love!



Logan Street Sanctuary, 2018





PRESERVATION HALL NOBLESVILLE PRESERVATION ALLIANCE



Inside Logan Street Sanctuary, now Preservation Hall



Meeting space

Noblestories

Noblestories continued in February 2019 with Hamilton County historian David Heighway presenting and narrating a film about Noblesville made in 1930 by the Kiwanis Club. Heighway worked with the Library of Congress to restore the film, and Noblestories presented it at what was then called Logan Street Sanctuary on February 24. As usual, Jim Wafford, of Hamilton County Television, donated his time and equipment to record the session.

Noblestories took a hiatus for the rest of the year as we concentrated on purchasing Logan Street Sanctuary and turning it into Preservation Hall. We have already presented one session this year (Kurt Meyer and photos from the 1890s) and plan to give five more in 2020, on the last Sunday of every other month.





Christmas Parade



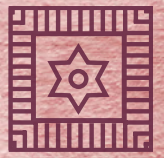
The Preservation Board decided it would be good advertising to have a float in the Christmas Parade. Dottie Young borrowed a trailer from a friend who happens to be a farmer, David Zeller, in Wayne Township. Aaron Head was able to bring it from David's farm to the Preservation Hall backlot.

The Saturday before the parade, Sandy Stewart and Dottie decorated the trailer. The plan was to have a table with Christmas decorations and punch on it and riders who would dress in Victorian costumes. We decorated the trailer with greenery and placed a table and a few chairs in the middle. We attached a banner about the Preservation Alliance on the float and decorated the chairs.

Sunday Dottie, Sandy, and Nancy Hebel arrived at the Hall and finished decorating the trailer. In the center of the table, we had the punch bowl with eggnog and cups. With Aaron at the wheel of his truck, we proceeded to the Ivy Tech campus to find our place in line. The weather was pretty miserable, but Sandy had purchased clear umbrellas, and that saved the day. People seemed to love our float and our costumes and continued to inquire about our punch. It was a great time. (Next year, the punch should be warm!)



Lights Over Seminary Park



Lights Over Seminary enjoyed a successful unveiling in its second year on December 6th. A crowd of nearly 200 gathered for a ceremonial ribbon-cutting for the newly updated park and turned the lights on for the first time. The Noblesville Preservation Alliance once again hosted the lighting ceremony and had the opportunity to speak with residents about the organization's projects—specifically the acquisition of Preservation Hall.



During December, people continued to stop at Seminary Park and enjoy the lights and wonderfully decorated Christmas trees. The newly constructed sidewalks and gazebo paired with an activated and walkable light display made Lights Over Seminary a must-see in Historic Downtown Noblesville. NPA hopes that Lights Over Seminary will continue to bring a renewed focus, interest, and energy to this wonderful community asset and looks forward to additional opportunities to activate the space.





Historic Home Tour

The 33rd Annual Home Tour was a huge success this year, with 11 homes participating along with the Sheriff's Residence, Masonic Temple, and the First Presbyterian Church. Most of the homes are on Maple and Cherry streets, which made the tour very walkable on that beautiful sunny day in September. We increased our number of volunteers to accommodate showing more homes. The committee members put in long hours to make our most prominent event enjoyable and more profitable.

We added a trolley that made stops at the Sheriff's Residence, the First Presbyterian Church, the White River Monster Display, and the Worth Brehm art display at City Hall. Ticket purchases offered coupons and discounts for downtown businesses. Adding wristbands eased check-ins and alleviated congestion at the entrances of each home. Also, the youth group at the church prepared lunches to sell for their mission trips and offered live music for passersby on Cherry Street.

We want to thank all the homeowners, volunteers, committee chairs, sponsors, and our patrons for making this year's home tour one of the best events in Noblesville!



Historic Home Tour II Homes



**STEVE & SHANNON
PLUMER
1055 CHERRY ST.**



**CHARLIE & ANITA
SNYDER
1094 CHERRY ST.**



**DEAN & SARA
VAN DYKE
1095 CHERRY ST.**



**PETE & BARB
LAPITSKY
1139 CHERRY ST.**



**NANCY & KEN
HEBEL
1194 CHERRY ST.**



**MICHAEL & MARIE
CHRISTEN
1206 CHERRY ST.**



**TIM & HEATHER
INGLE
1373 CHERRY ST.**



**DANNY & GINGER
JIMENEZ
1179 CONNER ST.**



**JASON BREIT
WIESER
1195 CONNER ST.**

**JEFF & ANNE
DECOCQ
1207 MAPLE AVE.**



**BRAD & CORINA
REDMON
1688 MAPLE AVE.**





Josiah Durfee Awards

About the Award

NPA's Board of Directors on behalf of the NPA membership awards a Josiah Durfee Award to local citizens or organizations that have made the most significant, positive contribution to NPA's mission: "enriching the present by honoring the past through the preservation of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character." Outstanding achievement in historic preservation may be a single event or a cumulative contribution over several years.

The Award's Namesake

Josiah K. Durfee, more than any other architect, impacted our rich architectural heritage before and during Noblesville's gas boom growth. His architectural and engineering talents spanned a diverse collection of properties, many of which remain today. Mr. Durfee's notable accomplishments include Potter's Covered Bridge, the Model Mill, and the Sheriff's Residence and are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. His work has weathered more than a century and become a symbol of excellence and local pride. These awards honor of his lasting contribution to our community.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2019 JOSIAH DURFEE AWARDS RECIPIENTS

INTERIOR RENOVATION
JASON AND EMILY COMPTON

EXTERIOR RENOVATION
MATT AND AMANDA ROUSH

STEWARDSHIP
EVELYN LEES

COMMUNITY SPIRIT
MARTIN AND MARTIN INSURANCE

ADVOCACY
SADIE HUNTER

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT
BESTY REASON



Facade Grant Winners



The Homeowner Façade Grant Program supports Noblesville homeowners in the thoughtful restoration of historic residential properties. This program provides both financial and professional support, which ultimately contributes to Noblesville's character and community.

In 2019, there were 3 Façade grants awarded totaling \$2,500. Each project was unique and provided an exterior facelift.



LANCE STOCKTON
165 SOUTH 10TH ST.

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT:
A \$500 grant award provided masonry repair of chimneys and brick foundation.



ADAM AND NIKKI CLOUD
1263 CLINTON ST.

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT:
A \$1,000 grant award provided the repair and replacement of deteriorating rotten wood on the home's exterior.



BLAKE AND CASSIE ANDERSON
1195 CLINTON ST.

SCOPE OF THE PROJECT:
A \$1,000 grant award will rebuild a front porch, including the floor, ceiling, siding, rails, columns, spindles, and handrails.





Membership List

You don't have to own or live in an old house to be interested in preserving Noblesville's historic fabric. We all benefit when we shop downtown, visit a park, or walk or drive along the streets. Not to mention the visitors and businesses that are attracted to Noblesville for its unique character. NPA works hard to help preserve Noblesville, and the more members we have, the better work we can do. So contact your neighbors and friends and urge them to join!

Below is a list of people you don't have to worry about calling; you and they are already committed to being members of NPA.

Blake Anderson
Daniel Antle
Joe & Jo Ellen Arrowood
Kate Baker
Melissa Bruhn
Ken Bulp
Michael Burks
Doug Church
Jeanne Clark
Dave & Beth Clements
Cynthia Clinkenbeard
Jason & Emily Compton
Mike & Joni Corbett
Jason & Jeanette Crow
Kevin & Mary Catherine Dillon
Pamela Dodane
Sandra Dupree
Jae & Sherry Ebert
John & Karen Elliott
Sandra Farr
Sandra & Don Frick

Bryan Glover
Jacob Gretencord
Ken & Nancy Hebel
Becky Hepker
Megan Holmes
Bill & Karen Huff
Nancy & Mel Jolliff
Peggy Keaton
Tom Kenley
Anne & Steve Kenley Younce
Tara Kingsley
Julia Kozicki
Brian & Anita Landress
Sharon & Jerry Larrison
Rob Lawson
Janet Leonard
Ruth Lusher
Patrice Lyttle
Dan & Patty Mac Innis
Heather MacInnis
Christine Mariano

Sadie McClain
Candace & Scott Nall
Tim & Lauren Parker
Bryant Pedigo
Bret Richardson
Larry & Sue Rider
Ted & Mary Sue Rowland
Caryl Schlicher
Doug Stevenson
Cheryl & Larry Stitt
Lance & Amanda Stockton
Kathy & Randy Tomes
Jim Washburn
Dan & Deb Webster
Wayne & Sue Weise
Diane Whelchel
John & Sarah Williams
Dan & Alicia Wolke
Dottie & Vernon Young

OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS



Brian Landress is retiring from the Board of Directors this year after being a member of NPA since 2015. Brian is originally from South Florida and moved to Indiana from North Carolina. He is an IT Director for Cummins, Inc. in Columbus, Indiana, and makes that long commute every day. Brian is married to Anita, who has also been on the Board and shares his love for preservation and beautiful Old Town Noblesville.

The Landresses purchased a 122- year-old Queen Anne Style Victorian home on the corner of 9th and Hannibal. They've made considerable changes, including tearing down walls, removing dropped ceilings, completely rewiring and replumbing, and correcting structural and safety issues. During this long process, they uncovered original tin ceilings and stained glass windows. Now their home is a main showpiece of Noblesville.

Brian has been an essential member of NPA during his tenure. He served as secretary, spearheaded the community picnic, participated in the bed race, and volunteered in the home tour, among others. He has also been an advocate for preservation to the City Council and the broader community. We will miss him.



2019 Financial Report



The purchase of Preservation Hall was the highlight of our financial year in 2019. Several years ago, we invested \$30,000 in Certificates of Deposit for the express purpose of saving and growing our capital in anticipation of this kind of opportunity. We cashed in those funds and combined them with cash in the bank to pay \$54,000 down and \$1,196.50 in fees and closing costs. That combined with a \$75,000 interest-free loan from Indiana Landmarks met the \$130,000 selling price (minus \$1000 credit to cover the cost of radon abatement). We have started a capital campaign to retire the debt, and that fund contained \$5,209.40 as of the end of the year.

Other significant items: Membership revenue was \$2,590, just about on budget.

The Historic Home Tour set another record: \$19,429 in revenue with just \$3,711 in expenses for a gain of \$15,718. Strong performances from our home tours over the past several years is what permitted us to save the money to buy Preservation Hall. We also kept our programs going. We paid out \$3,500 in façade grants last year, nearly \$500 for a neighborhood party, and about \$2,300 for Lights Over Seminary, which will be reimbursed by the city.

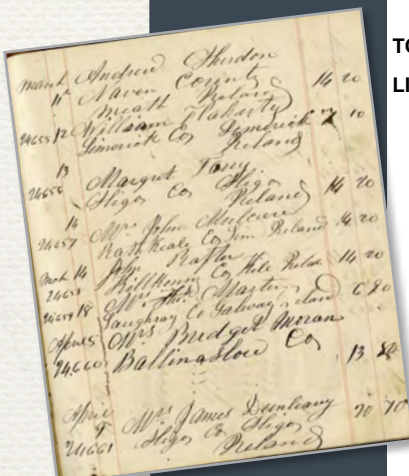
We are taking a close look at expenses for 2020 as we will need to allocate funds to maintain Preservation Hall. Indiana Landmarks also requires us to do particular renovations as a condition of receiving the interest-free loan. We do plan on having the hall generate enough revenue to pay for maintenance.

Despite this significant outlay, we ended the year with \$11,222 in liquid funds, including \$3,700 in cash, \$5,200 in the capital fund, and \$2,246 in a CD that consists of the proceeds from the six CD's we cashed to pay for Preservation Hall. We have the resources to maintain and improve the new building.

Submitted by Mike Corbett, Treasurer

JANUARY - DECEMBER 2019 FINANCES

Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Bank Checking	3,762.29
Capital Fund-Preservation Hall	5,209.40
CD income account	3.53
Certificate of Deposit	2,246.80
Total Checking/Savings	<u>11,222.02</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>11,222.02</u>
Fixed Assets	
Buildings and Land	131,196.50
Total Fixed Assets	<u>131,196.50</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>142,418.52</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Long Term Liabilities	
Note Payable-Indiana Landmarks	75,000.00
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>75,000.00</u>
Total Liabilities	75,000.00
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	42,842.31
Retained Earnings	16,174.33
Net Income	8,401.88
Total Equity	<u>67,418.52</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>142,418.52</u></u>





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