

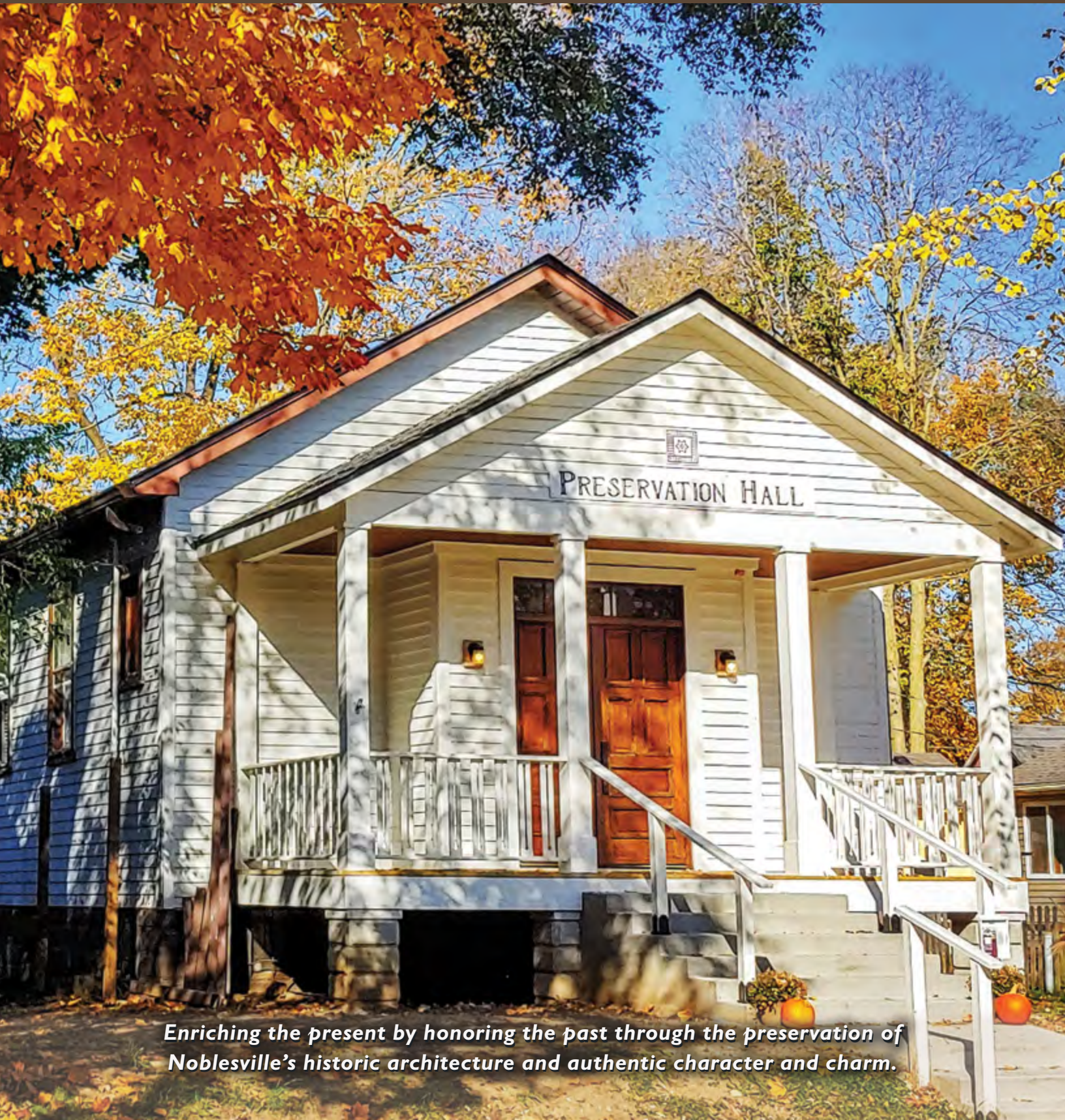


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2021 ANNUAL REPORT



Enriching the present by honoring the past through the preservation of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character and charm.



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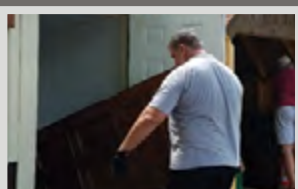
NPA MISSION:

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Letter From The President

2021 Was Truly an Extraordinary Year!

Though it was a year fraught with unprecedented challenges, all were met, embraced and overcome by a talented team of dedicated community volunteers and generous professionals whose work was made possible by financial support from the City of Noblesville, Indiana Landmarks, members, patrons and sponsors who share NPA's mission of "Enriching the present by honoring the past through the preservation of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character and charm."

The year 2020 began with such remarkable promise! Since its founding in 1987, NPA has been devoted to saving, displaying, and restoring Noblesville's historic homes—all without a home of its own. That ended October 15th, 2019, when NPA purchased Preservation Hall (formerly known as The Logan Street Sanctuary) with assistance from an Indiana Landmarks Endangered Properties Loan. The interest free Landmarks loan came with the mandate for an historically appropriate exterior renovation—NPA's specialty! Of course, we were delighted to comply, though challenged by construction costs. NPA volunteers completed the interior renovations, which included painting, wall decor of framed historic Noblesville photos, and removal of interior walls on the lower level to create a large community celebration/gathering space furnished with vintage tables and chairs donated by members. November 17, 2020, NPA celebrated with a Grand Opening and Capital Campaign kick-off to retire the \$75,000 loan and fund the additional \$75,000 in renovations.

The campaign was going well and we were generating additional revenue from facility rentals and NPA events—until a global pandemic began to adversely impact Noblesville (along with the rest of the world), making most fundraising events and private gatherings unsafe for more than a year. However, the 2021 Spring season brought renewal when an amazing group of volunteers from Serve Noblesville donated their expertise to remove the exterior vinyl siding! Supported by grants from the City of Noblesville, The Efroymsen Family Fund, and other fundraising proceeds, we were finally able to begin exterior construction in August of 2021.

September 19th, 2021, marked the triumphant return of NPA's celebrated Historic Home Tour: "Home Again!" rentals resumed, we had another successful Flea Market, music came back to Preservation Hall, and the Holiday Home Tour rounded out a practically perfect year. Brace yourselves, 2022 is going to be even better!

Sincerely,

Sandy Stewart
President, Noblesville Preservation Alliance





In Praise of Volunteers!

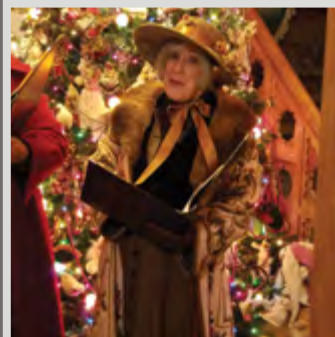
The Independent Sector, in partnership with the Do Good Institute at the University of Maryland has determined the value of one hour of volunteer service in 2020 to be \$28.54—an increase of \$1.34 from 2019 because of the increased value of paid labor due to the pandemic, which also caused a decrease of 65% in volunteer service hours. Perhaps that is true everywhere but Noblesville, but NPA experienced phenomenal dedication from existing and new volunteers fiercely determined to make the acquisition and renovation of Preservation Hall a success.

NPA is unique in that ALL staff are volunteers!

The organization is managed by a working volunteer board of directors—devoted preservationists who plan, implement and promote all programming with the assistance of a cadre of talented volunteers (many of whom are previous board members who continue working diligently on their favorite initiatives, sharing years of experience and well-earned expertise.) All NPA volunteers are passionate about preserving and promoting our heritage. Consider that committee work and planning for the September Historic Home Tour begins in January, and you will better understand the extraordinary commitment of NPA volunteers! This past year, they contributed countless hours of physical activity, creativity, and building materials, and even devised a very successful new outdoor fundraising event to help compensate for loss of revenue from rentals and home tours in 2020. Because of our passionate, dedicated and uniquely talented volunteers, 2021 was a triumph!

The first volunteer created and implemented Neighborhood Flea Market was such an outstanding success that it has become a yearly event!

This year, we will join another wildly successful outdoor event, The Peony Festival. Volunteers have already planted our peonies at Preservation Hall, and the Neighborhood Flea Market will be a featured stop on the Peony Trail May 21st.





Historic Home & Holiday Lights Tours & Lights Over Seminary



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Lights Over Seminary

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Join us for the Lighting Ceremony on Friday, Dec. 3, 2021 at 6 p.m.
Seminary Park 350 S. 10th Street, Noblesville



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2021 Historic Home Tour and Holiday Lights Tour

In 2021, NPA presented two opportunities for the community to enjoy exclusive access to some of historic Noblesville's most outstanding private residences. Hundreds of guests, from neighbors in Noblesville to tourists from around the state and beyond, enjoyed both the Historic Home Tour and the Holiday Lights Tour. It was an added benefit that Preservation Hall became the gathering place for these celebrations. Special thanks go to the homeowners who worked hard to prepare their homes for guests and graciously opened their homes to the many visitors. Additional thanks go to our many willing volunteers who always come through and serve with a smile, and to our generous sponsors. Both of these events allow the community to appreciate the value of historic homes and historic neighborhoods, enjoy learning about the history of our old town and other neighborhoods, and witness and be inspired by the preservation efforts of many families in Noblesville.



Saturday, September 17, 2022
35th Annual Historic Home Tour



BOATRRIGHT/DILLON
21585 ST. RD. 19



EDWARDS/BAKER
1084 LOGAN ST.



NEHER/LAWSON
812 N. 10TH ST.



PAULSEL/MORRISON
1105 N. 10TH ST.



NPA'S PRESERVATION HALL
1274 LOGAN ST.



MITCHELL/JOURDAN
1464 HARRISON ST.



KINSEY/PATRICK
1408 WAYNE ST.



Alley Restoration



Noblesville Reconstructs Alley Using Bricks from City's First Paved Streets

In November 2021, the City of Noblesville unveiled the renovated alley between 9th and 10th streets north of Maple Avenue. It is one of the last brick alleys and has bricks from the first paved streets in Noblesville around 1892. The Noblesville Preservation Alliance, along with Councilor Aaron Smith and the Noblesville Common Council were integral in recognizing the value of preserving this last important vestige of the city's past. Noblesville city engineer Andrew Rodewald, who was key in getting this project completed, noted that the workers who salvaged and hand cleaned each brick were happy to do so, and loved being given the opportunity to rescue and preserve. They were justifiably proud of their work!

The alley is now safe and functional after being lovingly restored to maintain the authentic downtown.

gathered to witness the construction of the first brick street in the town of Noblesville — then an exciting modern innovation. Although this photo of the square being paved is dated 1892, there is no evidence that any work was done before 1894 when the city council passed a resolution to pave 8th Street and streets around the square with brick. In March of 1898, another report recommended that all the alleys around the public square be bricked. Today, only a few of those original brick byways remain. Most have been paved, but those that remain are treasured reminders of our rich heritage. They, like all the lovingly restored historic homes, commercial venues, and public buildings are cherished because they are essential to the unique and enduring charm of our beautiful city. Remarkably, Noblesville has managed to evolve into a thriving city without losing its historic appeal. Understanding that progress and preservation need not be mutually exclusive, its citizens, civic organizations, and members of local government have worked together to preserve as much as possible of our past treasures. Though much has already been lost, much continues to be preserved — including, in 2021, a portion of the last brick alley. Recognizing that the last brick alley was of historic merit, members of the administration of Mayor Chris Janson requested input from the Noblesville Preservation Alliance (NPA) rather than following the established practice of paving over brick roadways in disrepair. All recognized the value of preserving this last important vestige of our City's past. Members of the city council, engineering department, and NPA devised a plan to preserve as much as possible of the original brick while allowing for essential repairs and correction of drainage issues. This alley is now safe and functional, but still a beautiful remnant of Noblesville's bygone horse and buggy days, preserved for present and future lovers of history.





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2021 JOSIAH DURFEE AWARDS RECIPIENTS

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 and charm." 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 are made in honor of his lasting contributions to our community.



IMPACT

CITY OF NOBLESVILLE

EXTERIOR RENOVATION

FEDERAL HILL SCHOOL

RESTORATION

CAVALIER PROPERTIES

HERITAGE

JOHN GILMORE

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

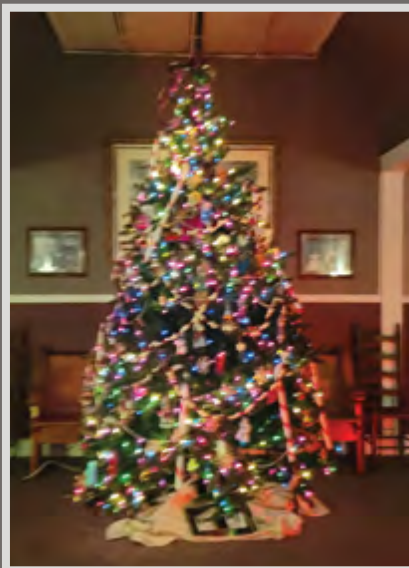
SERVE NOBLESVILLE

INDIVIDUAL MERIT

STEVE VANDEWATER



2021 Memories





Our finances took a turn for the better in 2021. We received significant grants and donations, and our home tours returned.

In addition to a \$15,000 community grant from the city, we received a \$25,000 façade grant to build a porch on the front of Preservation Hall. Those two revenue sources paid the lions share of the \$52,000 cost of building the porch. We supplemented them with our own funds.

Although the pandemic continued to affect our ability to program Preservation Hall, we did manage to hold socially distanced Historic Home and Christmas tours after a one year hiatus. The Historic Home tour netted more than \$10,000. That's \$5000 less than we made in 2019 and the shortfall is attributed mostly to sponsorships. The pandemic cut into business sponsorships in many sectors, and we were not immune. Ticket sales were off about \$1000 from 2019 and \$2000 from 2018. The Christmas tour netted \$1400.

We received a significant donation of \$10,000 from Sandra and Don Frick, easily the largest individual donation we have received in many years. They sponsored two pews in Preservation Hall. Mary Sue Rowland also donated \$1500 to sponsor a table in memory of her husband Ted Rowland, who died in 2021.

Our flea market, in its second year, netted more than \$2000, membership income was about \$2000 and we sold sets of ceramic coasters of star bricks, netting about \$600.

We did manage to hold one concert in Preservation Hall. The Rough and Tumble grossed \$230 in admissions and \$10 in concessions. We paid the performers \$175 and made \$65 for the cause. We hope to do many more of those in the future. One (perhaps the only) advantage to not being able to hold programs is that utility expenses were very low, just \$1512 for the year, \$800 less than 2020. We started paying interest on our loan from Indiana Landmarks to buy Preservation Hall, which amounted to \$1500 for the year. That loan needs to be paid back in 2022.

We ended up with a surplus of about \$7500 at the end of the year, which will carry over to 2022 and help continue renovations on Preservation Hall.

Submitted by Mike Corbett, Treasurer

JANUARY-DECEMBER 2021 BALANCE SHEET



	<u>Dec 31, 21</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Bank Checking	22,065.29
Capital Fund-Preservation Hall	860.20
CD income account	3.53
Certificate of Deposit	2,254.54
Total Checking/Savings	<u>25,183.56</u>
Total Current Assets	25,183.56
Fixed Assets	
Buildings and Land	131,196.50
Total Fixed Assets	<u>131,196.50</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>156,380.06</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	29,074.67
Net Income	9,463.08
Total Equity	<u>81,380.06</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>156,380.06</u></u>



2021 Board of Directors

Sandy Stewart, *President*
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MISSION: Enriching the present by honoring the past through the preservation of Noblesville's historic architecture and authentic character and charm.

VISION: Noblesville Preservation Alliance will be valued as a unifying and inspiring force in historic preservation that results in empowered, gracious living for all members of our community.

CORE VALUES

STEWARDSHIP: We believe we have been entrusted by our ancestors with the preservation of valued historic structures for future generations.

ADVOCACY: We believe it is our charge to serve our community by advocacy for preservation and protection of the resources provided to us by those who created the community.

INNOVATION: We believe in continuously striving to develop creative ways to meet evolving needs and harmoniously resolve conflicting priorities.

RESPECT: We believe we honor the intrinsic value of every individual and each historic structure by advocating for a balanced environment that recognizes the needs of all.

OPPORTUNITY: We believe that Noblesville should continue to grow and evolve without losing the hometown qualities that make it so unique and appealing.

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