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1st Quarter 2016

Catch Up With TPT

TPT Welcomes New Board Members and Executive Committee

At this year's annual membership meeting and first quarter board meeting held on Thursday, March 17th in conjunction with our annual preservation conference, TPT inducted new members to the board and elected new members to the Executive Committee. We welcome new members *Steve Cotham, Jamie Destafano, Joe Emert, Rachael Finch, Thomas Flagel, Amanda Hall, Lynn Maddox, and Michael Sicuro*. Dr. Michael Birdwell was elected Chair of the Executive committee with Carrington Montague as Vice Chair, Pam Lewis as Treasurer and Nancy Williams returning as Secretary.

[Full Board Slate](#)

2016 Three Part Harmony Conference Re-Cap

This year's annual statewide preservation conference was a successful collaborative effort with the Tennessee Association of Museums and the Society of Tennessee Archivists. We had a great turnout both in overall attendance and for the Certified Local Government training held each year in collaboration with the Tennessee Historical Commission (THC).



[Preserve Cumberland
Homestead Houses](#)

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Nominations April 6th](#)

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Upcoming Events

**Behind the Scenes
Tour of Falls
Elementary School -
Nashville**

April 9th, 2016

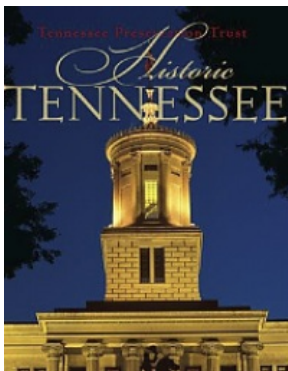
[More Info](#)

**Main Street Festival -
Franklin**

April 23-24, 2016

[More Info](#)

**Historic Tennessee
Book Sale**



**Now \$40!!
(regular price \$60)**

Events this year included exclusive tours such as a preservation walk of East Nashville led by Tim Walker of the Metro Nashville Historical Commission, educational sessions such as TPT board member Phil Thomason's look at Preservation50 and the last 50 years of the National Historic Preservation Act, and special events such as the George Jones Museum Closing Reception organized by new TPT Treasurer Pam Lewis and sponsored by her PR firm PLA Media. Additionally, there was a very successful auction event that raised a significant amount of funds for future TPT efforts.



Attendees discuss historic zoning in East Nashville with Tim Walker.

Please [visit our Facebook page](#) for more photos of the event. The annual conference is sponsored by the Tennessee Historical Commission.

Preservation50



The Tennessee Preservation Trust is joining the national *Preservation50* advocacy campaign to celebrate the National Historic Preservation Act's (NHPA) 50th Anniversary. With the generous support of the Tennessee Historical Commission, TPT will be actively

Historic Tennessee makes a great gift for Mother's Day or Father's Day! Take advantage of our post-conference sale for those of you who didn't pick up your copy in Nashville.

[Buy Historic Tennessee Book](#)

Preservation Easement Program

If you own a historic property you can preserve it in perpetuity and potentially receive tax benefits through the donation of a preservation easement to the Tennessee Preservation Trust. For more information on our Easements program email us at info@preservetn.org.



engaged over the next year in furthering [the goals of the nationwide effort](#).

Each month in 2016 TPT will sponsor a special event that exemplifies how the NHPA has helped further the economic vitality of Tennessee's diverse communities. We will be helping to promote local success stories, ribbon cuttings, and achievements in historic preservation.

In February, we helped promote the recent [donation of two preservation easements](#) that will preserve two Cumberland Homestead Houses for generations to come and in March we hosted an educational session on *Preservation50* at our annual statewide preservation conference.

If you are interested in getting involved with *Preservation50* or are interested in TPT sponsoring an event in your community please email jenn@preservetn.org.

[More information](#)

Preservation50 is actively seeking to match the grant donation from the Tennessee Historical Commission to achieve the goals of this important campaign that will ensure the vibrant future of historic preservation.

[Donate](#)

Ten in Tenn UPDATE-- Bonnie Kate Theater Up For Auction (listed in 2015)

Jim Woods Realty & Auction Company will

host an on-site auction for the 90-year-old Bonnie Kate building on April 8.



The Elizabethton/Carter County Community Foundation has been raising funds to buy and restore the Bonnie Kate building for a while now.

Jon Hartman, director of Planning and Economic Development for Elizabethton, estimated in October 2015 that it would take \$200,000 to restore the building, update the parking lot beside the building and make immediate repairs.

John Huber, a member of The Elizabethton/Carter County Community Foundation, has led the fundraising efforts for purchasing the building. The organization's plan are to buy the building and hand it over to the city for preservation.

[Full Article in Johnson City Press](#)

2016 Old House Fair

A big THANK YOU to everyone that joined us at the Old House Fair in Nashville on March 5th hosted by the Metro Nashville Historical Commission (MHC). We participate in this event annually to not only support the efforts of MHC, but also share our programs with you our members and devoted preservationists.



Left-Jenn Harrman, Marketing Coordinator; right-Phil Thomason, Board Member

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