BROAD STREET NEWS

this issue

INDIANA'S STATEWIDE PRESERVATION CONFERENCE

April 7-9, 2010 New Harmony, IN

Jeana Davis, a member of the New Castle Historic Preservation Committee and Brent Mather of Brenner Design will be attending Indiana's Statewide Preservation Conference.

The DHPA partnered with Indiana University's Cornelius O'Brien Lecture Historic Series and Landmarks Foundation of Indiana to host the annual Preserving Historic Places: Indiana's Statewide Preservation Conference. This statewide conference is official forum for preservation issues in Indiana.

Speakers regularly include preservationists from around the state, as well as national figures. The conference features an opening plenary reception, and sessions, concurrent keynote speaker, and tours of preservation highlights in the host community. Some sessions are free and open to the public, while others require a registration fee.



NEW CASTLE

NEW CASTLE, INDIANA -

In 2010 the City of New Castle was awarded an OCRA Community Focus Fund grant for revitalization of the downtown commercial core. The project scope will energize and redefine the infrastructure character for the heart of the New Castle Historic District along Broad Street from 11th to 16th Streets.

The engineering and design may include new sidewalks, street lighting, benches and streetscape amenities. Façade improvements are also a potential target. Brenner Design and Silver Creek Engineering of Indianapolis have teamed together to develop the engineering and design work for this project.

Key to the revitalization is the New Castle Historic Preservation Commission. The commission has been charged with determining the appropriate types and styles of infrastructure to be selected that are respectful of New Castle's rich heritage.

The committee members are:
David Nantz
Wayne Goodman
Jeana Davis
Richard McKnight
Scott Heavin
Christian Miller

The first target meeting was held on February 2nd. Brent Mather of Brenner Design opened the meeting providing an overview of the project as well as the purpose of the plan. The Outline Draft of Downtown Revitalization Plan for New Castle's Historic District was presented.

During this meeting, Brent discussed the project goals, the overall master plan, implementation plan, funding sources, and defined the stake holders.

Special attention will also be paid to the design of Race Street between Main & 15th which is the site for many community activities, festivals, arts and Indiana Avenue between Main & 14th which will serves as the gateway entrances to Historic Downtown New Castle.

A second meeting was held on March 22nd, where Brenner Design handed out examples of lighting that would fit the period of the town's greatest commercial era, the turn of the 20th century. Discussion focused on the architectural style of light poles as well as the wide array of amenities including banner posts, lighting strength, scale, detail and power sources to provide for future flexibility.

The committee decided on a historic, small Midwestern town lighting style popular during the turn of the 20th century.

Examples of decorative benches and receptacles were also provided to the committee for their review. The committee chose a family of amenities that will reflect New Castle's tasteful, simple character.

The next meeting will be held on April 12th at the City Council Chambers to review the Engineers Draft and Study of Traffic Patterns and Parking.



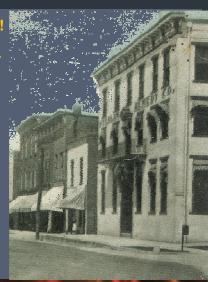
PRESERVATION CELEBRATION

NEW CASTLE, IN Enjoy an evening of events celebrating 50 years of preservation in eastern Indiana on Saturday, August 14, 2010. The celebration starts at 4 p.m. with self-guided tours of homes in New Castle, followed at 6 p.m. by a concert at the New Castle Arts Pavilion, featuring the Baggy Bottom Boys, Brian Wallen, Kevin Stonerock, IndyKlez, and Greg Ziesemer & Kriss Luckett. After the concert, a members-only reception offers an inside glimpse at owner David Nantz's stellar restoration of the Colonial Building, featured on HGTV's show "Rezoned." For more information contact Wayne Goodman, 765-478-3172 or east@historiclandmarks.org.

PRESERVATION FACTS and MYTHS

DON'T LET THE COLD IN! WINDOWS AND DOORS MAY NOT BE YOUR WORST ENEMY

A recent study by Ball State University of Muncie, Indiana, Architecture Program proved that windows and doors only account for 5% of the heat lost in a traditional building! A surprising 80% of the heat lost was traced to holes in the basement foundation matched by holes in the attic roofs. These often unseen gaps create a 'stack effect' much like a chimney, propelling heat straight out of the building!



ALL EYES ON BROAD STREET !!!

Broad Street Renovation Calendar

02 April 10* Blue Grass Music

New Castle Senior Center

06 April 10 Broad Street Design Charette

07-09 Apr 10 Statewide Preservation Conference

New Harmony, IN

10 Apr 10 Surveys Due

12 Apr 10 Traffic I Parking Draft

17 Apr 10 Broad Street Design Charette

26 Apr 10* Broad Street Final Draft Meeting

May 2010 National Historic Preservation Month

08 May 10 Cash Bonanza @ Westwood Golf Club

Presented By New Castle Chamber of

Commerce

10 May 10 Final Document to OCRA

21 May 10 HC Concert Series- Duke Tomatoe

Arts Park, New Castle, IN

31 May 10 New Castle Memorial Day Parade

04 June 10 HC Concert Series- Cook & Bell

Arts Park, New Castle, IN

09 Jul 10 HC Concert Series- Sycamore Rhythm

Kings, Arts Park, New Castle, IN

10 Aug 10 OCRA "Bricks and Mortar" Grant

Application Deadline

14 Aug 10 Preservation Celebration

New Castle, IN

20 Aug 10 HC Concert Series- Lonnie Lester

Arts Park, New Castle, IN

03-06 Sep 10 Farmer's Pike Antique, Arts & Crafts

Festival, New Castle, IN

11 Sep 10 HC Concert Series- International Festival

Arts Park, New Castle, IN

10 Oct 10 Potential Grant Award Date

(OCRA "Bricks and Mortar")

* Meetings Are Open to the Public

NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING

April 6, 2010, 5:30 PM New Castle City Council Chambers