

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2008

A Letter From The President

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We are now into the busiest season of our calendar year. Here at HPF, we have many projects underway including the sales of our 2009 calendar (have you purchased yours?), the Christmas Homes Tour and planning for the Sixth Annual Ball in the 'Burg to be held February 28, 2009. These projects are our primary fundraisers and we need your support to allow us to continue the work of Historic Petersburg Foundation.



There are also opportunities for our members to volunteer in many of the different projects we undertake during the year. Your Board does almost all of the heavy lifting and can use assistance from time to time. If you are interested in helping out, give Pam a call at 732-2096 and let her know you want to be an active part of HPF.

May each one of you have a wonderful holiday season with family and friends and new year filled with good health, happiness and prosperity.

Larry

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Christmas Homes Tour—December 14

The 31st Annual Historic Homes Tour will be on Sunday, December 14, 2008 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. This tour features seven homes on Westover Avenue in the Walnut Hill neighborhood of Petersburg. The homes will be decorated for the Christmas season.

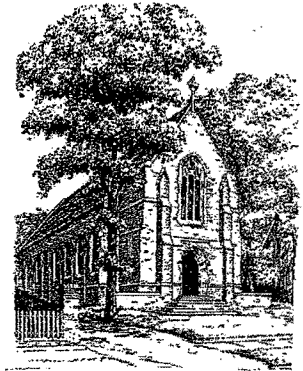
Be sure to visit Christ & Grace Episcopal Church for refreshments and music performed by students from the Appomattox Regional Governor's School. Tickets are \$25 and sold at eight locations.

In Petersburg, tickets may be purchased from: Historic Petersburg Foundation, Java Mio, Joyner Paint & Frame Co., Palmore Decorating Center, Petersburg Visitors' Center and River's Edge. In Colonial Heights, tickets may be purchased at: Laine's Paint & Frame Co. and Windows & Walls.

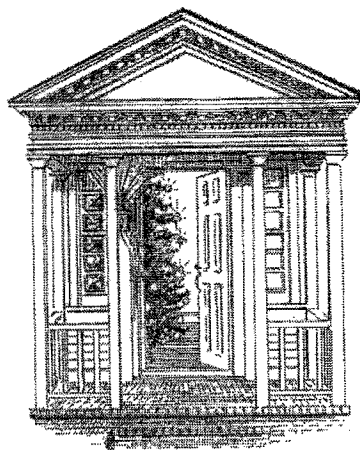
2008 Tour Co-Chairs: Kitty Gwaltney and Boolie Syme

Homeowners:

Bud & Boolie Syme - 1554 Westover Avenue
 Mark & Beth Hall - 1555 Westover Avenue
 Cleve & Suzanne Wright-1578 Westover Avenue
 Eddie Montgomery & Walter Harris - 1638 Westover Avenue
 Michael & Carolyn Biggs, Sr. -1666 Westover Avenue
 Lou & Sherrie Smith - 1845 Westover Avenue
 Gordon & Barbara Finney - 1929 Westover Avenue



*Christ & Grace Episcopal Church
 Refreshments & Music from 2-4*



2008 TOUR SPONSORS:

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New Design For The Website

We have a new look online at www.historicpetersburg.org designed by local firm, Hall & Partners!

Updating the website has been on HPF's wish list for several years. The project made significant strides this summer when a team of Virginia college students with The Phoenix Project worked with Pam and audited and redesigned the webpage to improve our communications and marketing through the World Wide Web.

In August, a website committee was formed consisting of Ken Roy-Chairman, Guy Becker, David Primeaux and Beverly Rivers. The group got to work right away on the request for proposals. Hall & Partners was selected to design and implement the new website by mid November.

Visit HPF online and if you are associated with a nonprofit organization in the area and have not yet worked with the Phoenix Project, we encourage you to consider submitting a project request. The program is a great help to organizations with limited financial resources.

Petersburg Picture Puzzler

This picture from last quarter's newsletter was correctly identified by Brandon Martin as Second Presbyterian Church. Second Presbyterian, at 419 West Washington Street, was built in 1851 and is in the Folly Castle Historic District. Good eye Brandon!



Gift Ideas

While shopping for gifts this season, keep in mind these items at HPF for those history buffs on your list.

2009 Calendars \$10

Canvas Totebags \$5

The Falls of the Appomattox Atlas \$10

Baird House Ornament \$5

Appomattox River Seay Stories \$5

HPF Logo Ornament \$5

White T-shirts \$10

Duty & Honor, War of 1812 \$10

The Crystal Ball

The Sixth Annual Ball in the 'Burg fundraiser will be held Saturday, February 28, 2009 at the Petersburg Regional Art Center. The theme for the 2009 event is "Sparkle, Shimmer, Twinkle, Shine...Gaze Into Another Time at the Crystal Ball" Whether you come in classic black tie or in costume, we hope you will join in the fun.



The Crystal Ball

Tickets are \$95 per person and go on sale to HPF members two weeks before they are offered to the public. Members can purchase tickets beginning Friday, December 19, 2008. Tickets will go on sale to the general public Monday, January 5, 2009.

Watch your mailbox for the invitation to the 2009 Ball in the 'Burg. Please complete the response card, with your seating requests and don't delay in mailing it back to HPF as tickets to this event have sold out each year.

We're having a ball in Petersburg!

Mission Statement:

To lead the preservation and restoration of Petersburg's historic architecture and neighborhoods and to tell their story.

HISTORIC PROPERTY FOR SALE

849 West High Street

Battersea-West High Street Historic District



\$45,000 1,410 square feet

Lot size: 50 x 153

House sits on corner lot, restoration started, but needs to be completed.

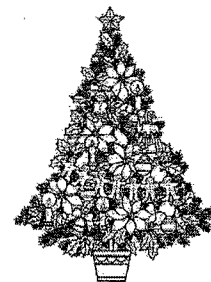
Call Jeff Clark for an appointment to see this property.

Jeff's direct# 804-521-1360 Coldwell Banker Advantage

Welcome New Members.

Palmore Decorating Center, Inc.
Sarah Gayle Randolph
Richard B. Taylor
Steven & Anne Wilson

Thank You!



Charles J. DuBois Sustaining Preservationist Award

On Tuesday, November 18, HPF honored one of its leaders, Charles DuBois, for his service and commitment to HPF and preservation in Petersburg, by naming a preservation award after him. The Board of Trustees, members of the Real Estate Committee and family and friends gathered at the recently restored home of his daughter Suzanne to present him with a plaque and announce the Charles J. DuBois Sustaining Preservationist of the Year Award.

Charles has been an active part of HPF for twenty years, serving in many roles, from a trustee, Chairman of the Real Estate Committee, member of the Ball in the 'Burg Committee to President. His love of old houses and Petersburg provided a natural fit for his involvement and dedication to HPF.

Charles reflected on his experiences and the progress made by HPF over the years. "HPF has been the engine behind preservation in Petersburg. I can count at least fifty properties in the last twenty years that have been saved and restored because of HPF".

Recipients of the Charles J. DuBois Sustaining Preservationist of the Year Award have his contributions for inspiration and can take pride in following in his footsteps.



In this picture, Charles is surrounded by his daughter Lauren, wife JoAnn and daughter Suzanne.

Newsletter Sponsors

In July, the Board of Trustees approved having a sponsor of each quarterly newsletter. The cost of the sponsorship is \$300 and will help with printing and postage expenses.

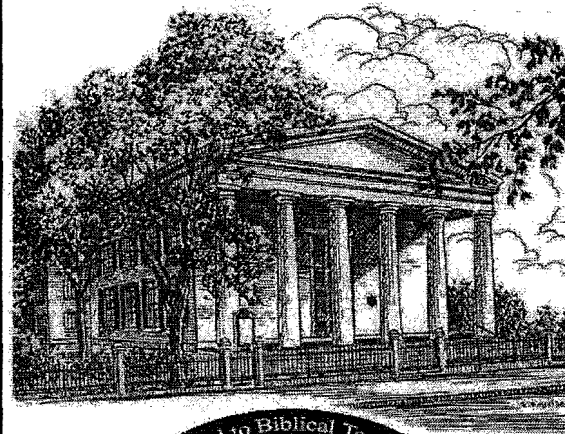
The newsletter sponsor can be a business or individual and will have an ad in the newsletter.

HPF newsletters are mailed in March, June, September and December. If you would like to sponsor a newsletter, please let us know.

Tabb Street Presbyterian Church is our first newsletter sponsor. Thank You!

Tabb Street Presbyterian Church

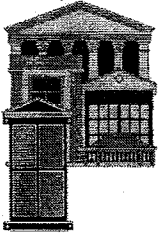
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Come Worship
With Us!*

Tabb Street Presbyterian Church was designed by Thomas U. Walter, architect for the United States Capitol. Constructed in 1843, the Church is one of Petersburg's finest historic landmarks, and it is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Rev. James B. Blankenship 11 AM Worship Service 10 AM Sunday School
29 West Tabb Street Petersburg, Virginia 733-3312



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