

CARTHAGE HISTORIC PRESERVATION, Inc.



A non-profit, community-based membership organization focusing on historic preservation.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I was elected as the new President of Carthage Historic Preservation Board at the regular meeting January 28th. The board members and I thank Ron Petersen, Jr., for his effective leadership of CHP during the past four years. Many improvements have been completed on the Phelps House over those four years. We also purchased the Sweet House on East 13th Street, possibly the oldest home in Carthage, to be saved and restored.

Two fundraising activities for the coming year are being planned: a Membership/Derby Day event on May 4th and our 5th Annual Lobster Boil is slated for October 5th.

I want to thank the Board of Directors for all of the hard work that is put forth during the year. The board must continue to seek ways to keep the Phelps House rented in a timely manner. Reasons to rent the Phelps House are weddings, retirements, anniversaries, meetings, and other possible events. We need more CHP memberships and volunteers from the community. Please contact any of the board members for more information about historic preservation in Carthage.

Let's have a good year.

~Jim Honey

CHP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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DERBY DAY AT PHELPS HOUSE



You are cordially invited!
Saturday, May 4, 2019
1146 Grand Avenue

10am to 12 noon	Brunch
1pm to 3pm	Tea & Sweet Treats Fancy Derby Hat Making for all ages
5:30 to 7:30pm	Juleps, Cheeses, Chocolate Strawberries for the Big Race We will have Julep Punch and a cash bar for those who want a real julep!



See the repaired Bride's Room and Cook's Room, new (old) furniture in Colonel Phelps' bedroom, and learn about preservation in Carthage!

(More info on page 3)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



MAY	NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH
May 4	Derby Day at Phelps House
May 7	Give Carthage Day, 7am—5pm
Oct 5	5th Annual Lobster Boil

Give Carthage Day
TUESDAY, MAY 7
7 A.M. TO 5 P.M.

Tuesday, May 7, is a day of giving for the Carthage community. Support preservation efforts in Carthage by making a donation to CHP! Donate online or stop by Cherry's on the Square, 7am to 5 pm, to make your gift to CHP.

Hosted by Carthage Community Foundation

Thank you!

PHELPS HOUSE PROJECTS

Be sure to stop by Phelps House during Derby Day on May 4 and check out the restoration work that has been completed in the Bride's Room and the Cook's Room.

Torrential rains in 2017 and a leaky roof resulted in damage to these two rooms which required substantial repair work. Thanks to generous grants from the **Kent and Mary Steadley Trust**, the **Ruth I. Kolpin Foundation**, the **Helen Boylan Foundation**, and **Carthage Community Foundation**, we have been able to repair the damage. In the past year, stones around seven chimneys and several dormers were repointed and water damaged plaster and paint was repaired on ceilings in seven rooms. Once that work was completed we were able to address the damaged rooms.

In the Cook's Room (so-called because the cook's apron and ample sized nightie hangs in the room!), the damaged drywall and two layers of wallpaper were removed and the plaster walls repaired. The original paint color was uncovered which we matched and used to repaint the room. We were also excited to uncover original curved wood corners which were then stripped and stained.

The Bride's room has seen its walls restored and repapered with a romantic English Wisteria printed wallpaper drawn from an 1890 pure silk woven jacquard.

The photos below don't do the rooms justice! Stop by on Saturday, May 4, and see the rooms for yourself!

Bride's Room **BEFORE**



Bride's Room **AFTER**



Cook's Room **BEFORE**



Cook's Room **AFTER**



PLEASE SUPPORT CHP!



JOIN US FOR DERBY DAY!

We have many old and new (and some very old but new to us) things to show you!!!

We will be sharing Phelps House history, old photographs of the Phelps Family and some history of Carthage Historic Preservation, too.

Please come, enjoy the house, enjoy the food, enjoy the activities, learn some history.

We hope you will renew your membership or become a new member because you agree that preservation of Carthage history is very important! (You don't have to join but we hope you do!)



We hope you can come for part of the day or come for all of it!

RSVPs not necessary but helpful!

Please email us at

info@carthagehistoricpreservation.org

or leave a message at 417-358-1776

__BRUNCH__TEA & HATS __THE RACE



If you cannot come to Derby Day but preservation of the wonderful history of Carthage is important to you, please join Carthage Historic Preservation!

To join, go to <https://www.carthagehistoricpreservation.org/membership>

Membership Levels

Individual	\$35
Family	\$60
Associate	\$125
Contributing	\$200

Member Benefits

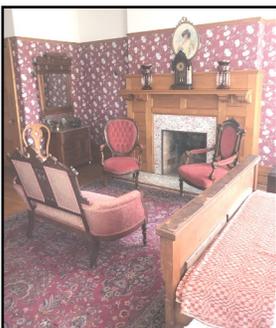
Free Tours of Phelps House for Members and Guests

Discount on Phelps House Porcelain Ornament

Quarterly Newsletter

Annual Members Event

That good feeling that comes from supporting CHP preservation efforts!



NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

May is National Historic Preservation Month, a time when people across America celebrate their history, culture, and special places. Sponsored annually by the [National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) since 1973, it is designed to raise awareness about the power historic preservation has to protect and enhance our historic communities.

Don't you agree that Carthage has much to CELEBRATE!



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