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Turnhalle

Stay Tuned

The Lawrence Preservation Alliance has signed a contract with Flint Hills Holding Group LLC. (Tony Krsnich principal), for the sale of Turnhalle at 900 Rhode Island. The contract allows a period of time for Tony to perform due diligence before he decides whether or not to close on the sale. A Preservation Easement document, to be held by LPA, is ready to be signed at closing as well.

Tony has rehabilitated the Poehler Building and the Cider Gallery in Lawrence and owns additional property in the Warehouse Arts District at 9th and Delaware. He has completed larger rehab projects outside of Lawrence and is very familiar with incorporating both federal and state tax credits into his projects.

While a general direction of commercial or office use in the lower level appears likely, the use program in the main hall is the focus of his study. Would it be one tenant and one use, or would it be possible for a more flexible use of the space, which would allow use by more members of the community but would necessitate a programming director/marketer? To date, he has held two well-attended public meetings, met separately with many individuals, and continues to gather input. Follow this at www.facebook.com/turnhalleks.

2014 Annual Meeting

Reserve Your Space!

Have you reserved your space for the LPA community dinner in the basement of Clearfield Church on Sunday, September 28? Dinner will be served at 6:15pm. At 4:30,

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we will tour historic Clearfield School, a traditional country one-room schoolhouse. A brief meeting for members will be held at 5:30, followed by our guest speaker, Sarah Martin of the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office at 5:45.

A \$10 per person charge will be collected at the door. Please send no money now, but you must reserve your space by September 23 so church members will know how much food to prepare. E-mail us at lawrencepreservation@gmail.com with the name(s) of those in your party planning to attend. For those without internet (only), you may call 842-5030 and leave a message. This promises to be a very fun evening and we hope to see you there!

PIP Awards

The LPA Board has awarded four Preservation in Progress (PIP) Awards for this fall! Award winners are:

Tom Harper & Terri Erickson-Harper

1146 Connecticut

The Free Methodist Church building, constructed in the 1860's, was vacant and heading towards possible demolition when Tom and Terri rescued it. After a complete renovation, this corner property is a beautiful living/studio space.



Yesteryear at 1146 Connecticut.

Brian and Marilyn Horsch

444 Louisiana

Continuing work started by a previous owner, Brian and Marilyn refinished the red pine flooring, installed new heat, A/C and electrical systems, tuckpointed the foundation and installed a limestone sidewalk, painted the exterior and improved the landscaping.

Jeff Jackson

401 Mississippi

Jeff spent the summer doing a thorough rehab of this corner property, including new paint inside and out, new ceilings, floor refinish and general maintenance. The old barn out back stays!

Barbara Beach

501 Tennessee

The front porch was completely rebuilt to match the original and the entire exterior repainted.

Those good folks in Pinckney sure were busy this summer!

Old Housewarming (Members only)

702 Louisiana

Sunday, Nov. 2

1:30-3pm

Our next Old Housewarming promises to be a special event as we tour the home built for Alexander Marks, a Massachusetts street jeweler. Owned by LPA members Doug and Pam McKean, the house was the family home of Stan and Jan Shumway for over 50 years.

Marks came to Lawrence in 1858 at age fifteen and apprenticed in the jewelry business of David Prager. He bought the business in 1865 and by 1873 he bought the building at 735 Massachusetts for his shop. By 1880 his step-brother Solomon had his jewelry shop at 817 Massachusetts, which is still in existence today.

Alexander and his wife Eunice Faxon hired Ira Brown to build this substantial residence on three city lots in 1884. In the 1920's, an original front porch was taken down and replaced with a wraparound porch, and the existing north porch added off the kitchen, but the house retains many of its original features and spaces. Save the date!

Handel T. Martin House

1709 Louisiana

The Kansas Historic Sites Review Board has approved the nomination of 1709 Louisiana to the Register of Historic Kansas Places, and has forwarded the nomination for possible inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The house was nominated for its architectural significance as a well-preserved example of the American Foursquare housing type.

The house also has significance relating to its initial occupant. Handel Martin was an early contributor in the developing field of vertebrate paleontology, and after arriving at the University of Kansas in 1899, served as an instructor and assistant curator of the Natural History Collections at KU. Martin and his wife Jennie had moved from 745 Arkansas to the new house on Louisiana by 1917. This house was part of the University Place subdivision which was being developed directly south of university property on Mt. Oread. By 1930, as Lawrence grew out from its core neighborhoods, 17% of its population was distributed south of 12th street and west of Massachusetts Street.

Current owners Dr. Warren Frick and Dr. Carol Casteel purchased the property in 1989. The nomination was prepared by local historic preservation consultant and LPA board member Dale Nimz.