

MAKING SUCCESSFUL LOCAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAMS

Saturday, April 6, 1991 8:30 am ~ 5:00 pm.
Varnum Memorial Armory, Main & Division Streets
East Greenwich, Rhode Island

AGENDA

- 8:30 - 9:15 am REGISTRATION AND COFFEE
Varnum Memorial Armory
- 9:15 - 9:45 am WELCOMING REMARKS
- Mary Packard Turkel, President, RI Alliance of Historic District Commissions
The Honorable Bruce G. Sundlun, Governor of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations (*invited*)
Barbara M. Tufts, President, East Greenwich Town Council
Edward F. Sanderson, Executive Director, RI Historical Preservation Commission
- 9:45 - 10:15 am NANTUCKET: A MODEL FOR LOCAL PRESERVATION
William Klein, Director of Planning, Nantucket, MA
- Nantucket is one of preservation's early success stories, but strict design regulations have aroused debate ever since. Mr. Klein will describe the island's approach to preservation and details of the innovative Land Bank which was recently instituted to promote preservation of the island's historic environment.
- 10:15 - 10:30 am BREAK
- 10:30 - 12 NOON WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL LOCAL PRESERVATION PROGRAM?
- Moderator: Dave Layman, TV 6 News Anchor
Panel: N. David Bouley, Town Planner, Cumberland
 William Klein, Director of Planning, Nantucket
 Wendy Nicholas, Executive Director, Providence Preservation Society
 N. Kim Wiegand, Chairman, East Greenwich Historic District Commission
 Mark Zelonis, Executive Director, Heritage Trust of Rhode Island
- What are the elements of a comprehensive local preservation program? Who is responsible for doing what, and is the job getting done? Tough questions from Dave Layman and the audience will make for a lively session.
- 12:00 - 12:15 pm Immediately following the morning session, the RI Alliance will hold its Annual Business Meeting/Election of Officers. All Alliance members are welcome to attend.
Take a short walk down Main Street to the 19th Century Church where lunch will be served.
- 12:15 - 1:45 pm LUNCHEON
United Methodist Church, 220 Main Street
Guest Speaker: Nellie Longworth, President, Preservation Action!
- The dynamic leader of the national lobby for historic preservation will bring us the latest news on preservation issues pending in Congress and offer tips for effective lobbying on the local level.
- 2:00 - 2:45 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS 1st Session (*see next page for descriptions*)
- 3:00 - 3:45 pm CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS 2nd Session (*see next page for descriptions*)
- 4:00 - 5:00 pm RECEPTION
Kent County Courthouse, 127 Main Street
Join conference speakers and fellow preservationists for conversation and refreshments in one of Rhode Island's five original statehouses. (Tours of the General James M. Varnum House will continue until 5:00pm. See next page for description.)

*Sketch of Kent County Courthouse (1804) on front by East Greenwich artist, Bonnie Zech
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AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:00 - 2:45 PM

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

3:00 - 3:45 PM

- **Paying for Preservation**

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N. David Bouley, Cumberland Planning Department

David King, Champlin Foundation

Laurie Nicholas Rabe, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Virginia Sarra, RI Historical Preservation Commission

Concern and commitment aren't enough - preservation takes cash! Familiarize yourself with sources for grants, loans, and tax credits and learn how to use those financial tools to save public and private historic buildings in your town.

- **Teaching Children About Their Heritage**

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Amy Jordan, Providence Preservation Society

Denise Panichas, Pawtucket Preservation Society

Heritage education programs provide creative ways to teach Rhode Island history and educate tomorrow's voters about preservation. Learn about programs in Providence and Pawtucket. Find out how to start a heritage education program in your community.

- **Revitalizing Main Street: A Walking**

Workshop -Leaves from the United Methodist Church

N. Kim Wiegand, East Greenwich Historic Dist. Comm.

Jennifer L. Clarke, East Greenwich Planning Dept.

View preservation projects. Hear local officials discuss preservation, infill design and economic development.

- **Tour of General James M. Varnum House**

57 Peirce Street

The 1773 Varnum House has been beautifully restored and furnished as a house museum. Open for tours 2:00 - 5:00 pm through the courtesy of the Varnum Continentals and Continental Ladies.

- **Judging Proposals: A Mock Historic District Commission Meeting**

Kent County Courthouse, 127 Main Street

Patrick Kirby II, RI Alliance of Historic District Commissions, Moderator

If you sit on an historic district commission, we urge you to attend this session, in which participants will review a typical restoration proposal. Match your judgement with theirs as they follow mandated HDC procedures to reach a conclusion.

- **Organizing to Save Historic Properties**

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Charlotte E. Johnson, Friends of Rose Island Light

Patricia A. Kenyon, Friends of Linden Place

Nellie Longworth, Preservation Action!

Address the challenge of preserving community landmarks. Benefit from the experiences of two volunteer-based organizations who have successfully organized and funded landmark restoration efforts.

- **Recognizing Historic Landscapes**

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Lucinda Brockway, Landscape Historian

Wm McKenzie Woodward, RI Historical Preservation Commission, Moderator

Parks, farms, country roads, and cemeteries make an important contribution to our local sense of place. Acquaint yourself with Rhode Island's historic landscapes and look at approaches for protecting those landscapes.

- **Tour of General James M. Varnum House**

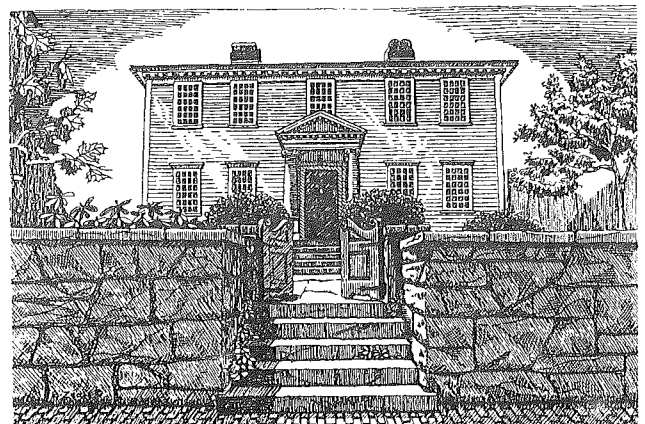
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GEN. JAMES M. VARNUM HOUSE
1773

Bonnie Zech

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Lucinda Brockway, Kennebunk, Maine specializes in research, preservation and management of historic landscapes. She is principal of Past Designs, a landscape design firm, and a faculty member at Boston University. As a consultant to the RIHPC, she has studied historic landscapes in Rhode Island for the last two years.

William Klein, Nantucket and Cambridge, Massachusetts is Director of Planning for Nantucket Island and a Visiting Fellow at Harvard University, 1990-91. He is the local official responsible for the day-to-day preservation of Nantucket's historic resources.

Dave Layman, Providence, Rhode Island is well-known throughout Rhode Island as TV6 News Anchorman. His keen interest in Rhode Island history and well-honed interviewing skills make him the ideal moderator for a panel discussion of local historic preservation programs.

Nellie Longworth, Washington, DC is President of Preservation Action!, the national lobbying organization for historic preservation. She has advocated preservation interests in Congress and around the United States for over a decade.

REGISTRATION

Spaces for the conference are limited. Please register by March 29, 1991. No luncheon cancellations after March 29.

Cost: \$ 10.00 *

Please use a separate registration form for each person. Return the registration form(s) together with a check made payable to RI Alliance of Historic District Commissions, Mail to:

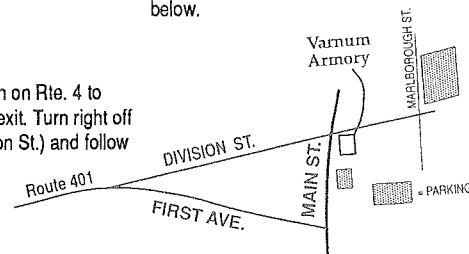
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 RI Historical Preservation Commission
 The Old State House
 150 Benefit Street
 Providence, RI 02903

From Points East: Go North on Rte. 4 to East Greenwich, Rte. 401 exit. Turn right off ramp onto Rte. 401 (Division St.) and follow map on right.

Directions to Varnum Armory, East Greenwich, RI

From Points North: Take 95 South to Exit #9 onto Rte. 4. Immediately take the East Greenwich exit. Turn right at light onto Division St. and follow map below.

From Points South: Take 95 North to Exit 8A (Rte. 2 So.). At first traffic light, take left onto Division St. and follow map below.



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Afternoon Workshop Selection: (Check one for each time period)

2:00 - 2:45 pm

- Paying for Preservation
- Teaching Children About Their Heritage
- Revitalizing Main Street
- Tour of James M. Varnum House

3:00 - 3:45 pm

- Mock Historic District Commission Meeting
- Organizing to Save Historic Properties
- Recognizing Historic Landscapes
- Tour of James M. Varnum House

If you have a physical handicap, please check the appropriate box below so that we can be ready to accommodate you.

- Wheelchair
- Visually Impaired
- Deaf / Hearing Impaired
- Other (please specify) _____

* Fee covers lunch/reception costs. If you do not plan to eat lunch, you may attend the conference free of charge. Please note that a registration form must still be sent in by March 29th.

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A STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

*incorporating the Annual Meeting of the
Rhode Island Alliance of Historic District Commissions*

Saturday, April 6, 1991

Who Should Attend ?

- *Historic District Commissioners*
- *Preservation/Historical Society Staff and Trustees*
 - *Land Trust Members*
- *City and Town Officials/Planners*

What Will You Gain ?

- *Fresh insights about your role in historic preservation*
 - *New approaches to be used in your city or town*
- *An inside view of East Greenwich's historic buildings*

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