



The Preservation Magazine of Greensboro

**Dodson Headlines 52nd Annual Meeting**

**February 7, 5:30 Social Time, 6:45 Dinner**  
**Color Works Meeting Space at Revolution Mill**  
**1000 Revolution Mill Drive**  
**\$52 Per Person**

Jim Dodson will be the keynote speaker at Preservation Greensboro's Annual Meeting. Dodson is a Greensboro-based writer of 14 books (including a few NYT bestsellers), founding editor of *O.Henry* and *Seasons* magazines, and Distinguished Alumnus of East Carolina University. He is also an avid historian and honorary preservationist, currently writing a book on the history of the Great Wagon Road on which early settlers traveled to the central Piedmont of North Carolina. Jim will share his perspectives and perceptions of history, architecture, historic preservation, and the treasured places of Greensboro.



This meeting serves as Preservation Greensboro's annual General Membership Meeting that will include election of new officers and directors and presentation of Preservation Awards. In addition, a review of the past year will be provided by our executive director Benjamin Briggs. Join us to learn more about the state of historic preservation in Greensboro!

Come help us celebrate preservation in Greensboro in this,



**We Need You!**

Please consider joining [Preservation Greensboro](#) by making a contribution. As a non-profit, we depend on support from citizens like you to accomplish our mission of saving our community's historic and architectural treasures.

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**Save-the-Date**

**February 7** PGI's 52nd Annual Meeting

**Feb 21-26** Palm Springs CA Tour (Sold Out)

our 52nd year! Tickets to this event are \$52 per person and includes one drink ticket. Cash bar. Seating for this event is quite limited.

[Buy Tickets](#)

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## Meet the Hillside Designers Event

March 1, 6pm to 8:30pm

301 Fisher Park Circle

Ticket Cost is \$50

Once threatened with destruction, the distinguished historic Hillside Mansion is now enjoying a luxurious makeover as a designer showhouse! With



structural restoration nearing completion, the residence is hosting designers from New York to Dallas. As designers begin to prepare their spaces, you are invited to an exclusive event to see the project as the design process begins. On March 1st, join us as we toast to the final month of renovation and installations. You will have the opportunity to mingle with select designers and hear first-hand about their plans for their spaces. Each designer is looking forward to answering your questions! What was their inspiration? How did they coordinate with the history of the house? Where did they find their resources? We look forward to seeing you there!

This exciting celebration of creativity and culture is a ticketed event with limited availability. Thank you for your partnership in preserving this historic home.

[Buy Tickets](#)

## Lindley Park Tour Rescheduled to 2019

In order to make the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens in Lindley Park the very best we can, Preservation Greensboro is rescheduling the event to May 18-19, 2019. We are doing this because our limited volunteer and staff resources are being stretched in 2018. Please Save-the-Date for next year, and enjoy our full schedule of opportunities to learn and connect with historic preservation through other events already planned in 2018.

[Link](#)

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March 1 Meet the Designer

April 5 Designer Showhouse Gala

April 7-29 Hillside Designer Showhouse!

May 2019 Lindley Park Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens

Visit our [website](#) for events

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## Philly Architect had Greensboro Following

Although Greensboro was a small southern village in the mid-nineteenth century, it enjoyed strong associations with northern cities through its architecture.



Alongside the work of Alexander Jackson Davis, Greensboro features residences by unknown but creative designers within its architectural history. One such example is the home of Dr. David Weir, a native of Ireland who arrived in Greensboro around May 1838. His profile in the community grew as he served many roles, including that of a physician, a school principal, a druggist-merchant, an insurance company director, and a consignee for a railroad. Though his house stands among a small group of distinctive and important houses, its architect has remained unknown...until an intriguing connection emerged.

[Read More](#)

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## Architectural Salvage Ideas for Reuse

Architectural Salvage of Greensboro treasures pop up in all kinds of places with innovative new uses! Preservation Greensboro Board Member Leslie Millsaps reused this heating grate as an



earring stand. "The grate is perfect for arranging my earrings so that they are easy to find, and it sits on top of a table to function as a piece of art!" How have you reused our architectural treasures?"

[About Architectural Salvage](#)

## Be a Hillside Designer Showhouse Sponsor April 2018

Hillside, the historic mansion in Fisher Park is enjoying a great deal of attention from contractors in the form of fresh plaster, restored plank floors, and new mechanical systems. After years of disrepair, interior designers from near and far have been selected to re-imagine the house for its intrepid

new owners!. Designs adhere to historic preservation standards, yet each designer brings their signature creativity to provide an innovative and dynamic showhouse. Already, public interest in this project is quite high with features in local press and a string of sneak peek preview parties.

With more than 20,000 Facebook followers, the Hillside Designer Showhouse promises to play to a fantastic demographic when doors open in April 2018. We invite you to partner with us as an event sponsor!

We would value your partnership to bring to your products and clients exclusive access to a remarkable home's transformation worthy to withstand another century.

[Learn More](#)

## **PGI Seeks Staff Position**

If you are looking for a new job that makes a difference, we are looking for you! The Community Outreach Director is a new position at Preservation Greensboro responsible for strengthening the organization's relationship to the community through membership development, event planning, and fundraising development. This is a full-time staff position. The Community Outreach Director will work with the Executive Director and other staff to plan, implement, direct, and track membership, outreach, and fundraising activities related to Preservation Greensboro as a financially stable and community-engaged institution. The Community Outreach Director is responsible for individual, corporate, foundation, and government fundraising. This staff person will dedicate specific focus to implementation of a capital fund drive for major preservation projects (including capital campaign) as well as annual and planned giving programs. The position is expected to utilize the full range of collaboration available to meet prescribed benchmarks, including the Board members, Committee chairs, Executive Director, and volunteers for fundraising initiatives and events.

[Contact Us for Information](#)

**Explore!**

## **Lee House Exemplifies Modernism**

The modern and elegant home of Mr. J. Kenneth Lee on Broad Avenue in Greensboro. Mr. Lee has served as a key civil rights attorney, a community investor, activist, and preservationist. He graduated in 1952 as one of the first two Black students



from the UNC School of Law. In 1958, he hired architect Willie Edward "Blue" Jenkins to design this home on Broad Avenue.

The house is an excellent example of mid-twentieth century Contemporary architecture, featuring a flat roof with clerestory windows, deep overhanging eaves, broad expanses of windows, and an engagement of interior with exterior spaces. The house stands today on Broad Avenue in East Greensboro.

**Restore!**

## Elm Street House Available for Restoration

Constructed in 1913, the Leak House is located at 909 N. Elm Street in the heart of Fisher Park. It was acquired in February 2017 by the Preservation Greensboro Development Fund (PGDF). The PGDF is



seeking a buyer for the 4,000 square foot property who will complete an historic rehabilitation. The asking price is \$295,000. The property will be sold subject to a rehabilitation agreement and a preservation easement to ensure that the structure and its distinctive features are returned to good condition and remain for future generations to enjoy.

Interested parties may request an information packet that contains an application form to be completed and submitted by interested parties who wish to be considered by PGDF as potential purchasers of the property.

[Email for Information](#)

**Be A Volunteer**

## Hillside Designer Showhouse Volunteers

You have likely heard the news that Preservation Greensboro is helping to orchestrate a Designer Showhouse at the Hillside estate in April 2018. We are eager to share ways that you can help us!

If you love old homes, or have special talents in organizing volunteers, getting tasks completed, or in event production, we would love to hear from you. Many opportunities exist for volunteers in ways that benefits preservation and gets you connected with other preservationists in Greensboro.

So, why not make some new friends and throw your hat in the ring? We would love to hear from you! Contact Judi by

email, and she will help you from there. [Email Judi](#)

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## It's As Easy As ABC...

Preservation Greensboro offers many ways to build preservation efforts in our community!

**A**rchitectural Salvage: Recycling vintage building materials from old homes for new uses,

**B**landwood: The 200 year old Morehead homeplace is operated as a museum of history and design,

**C**arriage House: Two story garden pavillion available for special events and weddings,

**D**evelopment Fund: A preservation think-tank that holds, moves, and restores key properties,

**E**vents: Special events include the Tour of Historic Homes & Gardens, walking tours, and seminars,

**F**orum: The Morehead Forum for Economic Development convenes leading thinkers from across the state.

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