

2011 Annual Report



Westerwood, bringing new friends to the organization and spreading word about our role and service in **Saving Greensboro's Treasured Places**.



In accomplishing all these activities, we opened doors to new partnerships and new ways of making the case for the relevancy of preservation. In all sections of our county, you'll find people working together to preserve and restore our most treasured sites.

Preservation Greensboro Incorporated extends its gratitude to those who have helped make 2011 a memorable and successful year for the organization. 🍷

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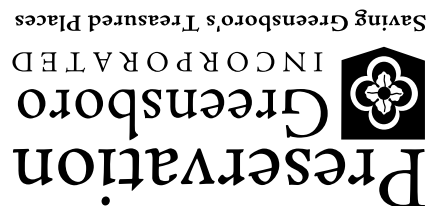
At the end of the year, the Fund received the donation of the historic **Model Farm** from **Ruth and Bruce Whitten** of California. The south High Point landmark is one of our state's most important Reconstruction-Era sites, and it will be sold to ambitious new owners. In spite of her life taking an exciting new direction, she did not let go of the desire to preserve the Model Farm, so she protected it for the future by donating it to the Development Fund with protective easements that will assure the house is always taken care of. Thanks, Ruth, for your generous gift of history!



Marsh Prause, Ruth Whitten and Julie Davenport

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2011 was a year of exciting growth at **Preservation Greensboro Incorporated**.

We initiated our first annual **Tour of Historic Homes** in the beautiful Aycock and Fisher Park neighborhoods. The Tour included 713 ticket holders, involved 150 volunteers, and brought us publicity on television, newsprint and weblinks. Participants came from Raleigh, Durham, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greenville, Forest City, York SC, Richmond and Martinsville VA, Tallahassee FL, and Columbus OH. In addition to being a successful fundraiser, the event raised awareness of Greensboro's historic places, and introduced citizens to the charms of our historic neighborhoods.



Ownership of **Blandwood Mansion** was reconfigured for the first time since the 1960s as PGI expanded its role with Blandwood from one of management and stewardship to ownership. Blandwood is Greensboro's only National Historic Landmark structure, and is the grandest southern residence designed by notable New York architect Alexander Jackson Davis.



ASG has been busy salvaging old house parts in the Glenwood area in coordination with UNCG's expansion project. They have worked in over 25

houses keeping 9 tons of vintage material such as claw-foot tubs, flooring, doors, and lights out of the landfill. They also picked up 900 Ludowici roofing tiles that came from an old train station. Volunteers make ASG tick. Twenty nine people have logged over 1,000 hours of volunteer time in 2011 and we thank each of them.

The Development Fund

recorded three major accomplishments this year. Ownership of a classic Craftsman bungalow at 910 Magnolia Street in Fisher Park with a demolition order was transferred to new owners with plans for an exciting restoration. The Fund also moved three structures in Glenwood that will be restored and preserved as single-occupancy homes along the edge of UNCG's campus expansion. At the end of the year, the Fund took ownership of the Model Farm in High Point.



Love A Landmark parties were held in neighborhoods such as Sedgefield and Irving Park, Sunset Hills and Westridge, College Park and

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This year, the Ball will be held on the evening of Saturday, April 28th atop the Lincoln Financial Tower in the former City Club space, and will have a *Roaring Twenties* theme. A Patrons Party will precede the Ball where participants will sip bathtub gin in the fashion of a Prohibition style *Speakeasy!*

Patrons Level sponsorships may be purchased at Corporate and Individual levels and we hope you will consider participating at a level in which you are able. To-date, we have corporate sponsorships from Wells Fargo Bank, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch, and U.S. Trust, Signature Properties, and Piedmont Natural Gas. We hope you will join us for the Blandwood Ball in April. Practice your *Charleston*, pull out your top hat, and be prepared for *bathtub gin!* It will be the *Bee's Knees!*

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