



NEHHPA HOLIDAY FLYER - 2013



Get ready to decorate!

The North End Huntington Heights Preservation Association Board announces the re-establishment of the Christmas/Winter Holiday Decorating contest open to members of the association. The prizes will be gift certificates for \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place, and \$50 for third place. Judging will be for the front façade of the house and foundation plants. Entries will be judged on December 21 according to the following criteria:

- Implementing the Christmas/Winter Holiday theme
- Innovative ideas and creative uses of materials
- Use of real and/or artificial greenery and floral elements
- Use of lighting and spotlighting

Not a member? Fill out the form on the back and mail \$20.00 per household to NEHHPA, P.O. Box 75, Newport News, VA 23607 Dues paid now count also include 2014

Revamping the Website

The Board has discussed throughout this year how to communicate better with the NEHHPA membership. To that end, it was decided to remake the website. The new website will have a comprehensive history of NEHHPA outlining its purpose, mission and vision. There will also be a history blog that members could contribute their own personal house histories.

Also, because it is a good complement, there will be a home renovation blog where members can share their experiences and advice on their own home renovations. An online museum or gallery will provide space to put historic photos and or objects related to the North End Huntington Heights area.

The newsletter will become a monthly feature online and allow for local business advertisements as well as allowing members to post news that would be relevant to others living in the neighborhood. The various social media will also be integrated so that members can ask questions or provide other relevant information that would be useful to others.

This is a big project and the results are not going to be immediate, but this truly will be a good way for our members to get and share information and do so in a cost efficient way. The foundations for this are being prepared. If you would like to be part of this project, let us know by responding through the present website. There is much to be done and the more help that is given the faster this dream will happen.

Website Address: www.nehpa.org

Calendar

January 15, 2014
NEHHPA Board Meeting
February 11, 2014
NEHHPA Board Meeting

February 20, 2014
NEHHPA
General Membership Meeting
Annual Business Meeting

The Year in Review

This has been a year for reviewing and gathering information for projects that may interest our members. The extension of the boundaries of the State Historic District to include those areas, which in 1986 were not included, would make homes located in that area eligible for State and Local Tax credits. This area is north of 68th Street. It is not a simple process and the Board needs to know if there is an interest in making the extension happen.

The Board has discussed forming a 501 (c)(3) Foundation as a complement to NEHHPA. With this foundation, NEHHPA would be able to accept charitable contributions of either money or property and pursue other projects that would be beneficial to our neighborhood that would be too cumbersome or impossible for NEHHPA itself to do.

The Board is working with other organizations to develop new ways of conducting neighborhood home tours. These tours are a great way of promoting our neighborhood and showcasing the historic value of our neighborhood.

The Board is working to develop a new welcome to the neighborhood packet for those moving into the neighborhood who might not be aware of all that this neighborhood has to offer.

Losing a Good Friend

Howard Hodnett, a long time NEHHPA Member, passed away recently. Howard worked on preparing the application in 1986 for the State Historic District designation for our neighborhood which in the days before the internet was no easy task. The application was a lengthy one requiring an inventory of practically every house in the neighborhood. He made many other contributions to this neighborhood as well as to other individuals. He will be sorely missed.

Preservation Association

NEHHPA, P.O. Box 75, Newport News, VA 23607

Application for membership

Please complete this form and mail with your check (payable to NEHHPA) to the address listed above.

Please circle the category of membership below for which you are applying.

Resident Member: To be eligible, you must reside in the area from 50th Street to 70th, bounded by Huntington and Warwick, and 70th to 73rd, from Warwick to the James River.

Associate Member: This category applies to all who live outside the area described above. Associates have all rights of membership excluding the right to vote and hold office.

The cost is **\$20 per year** per household and is good February of the current year until February of the following year. Lifetime membership is also available for \$150 per household.

Number of years _____ X \$20 = Total \$_____ or purchase a Lifetime Membership for \$150

Member #1: _____ Date: _____

Member #2: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ Apt. # _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

E-mail address _____

Emergency contact _____ (in case something happens while you're out of town)

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