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2014 Gourmet Gala to Be Held on May 18 at the Willow Valley Communities' Historic Mylin House

The 2014 Gourmet Gala, the annual fundraiser for the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County, will be held on Sunday, May 18, from 4 pm to 7 pm at the historic Mylin House (1787) and The Cultural Center at Willow Valley Communities in Willow Street.



Mylin House (1787)

"The venue is ideal for the gala which has become Lancaster's premier food and beverage social and our primary fundraiser," said Lisa Horst, president of the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County Board of Directors. "The Mylin House will be the gala's centerpiece while food and beverage will be in the adjacent and beautiful Cultural Center at Willow Valley Communities. The care that has been taken in preserving and restoring the Mylin House is a must see and the reason why this venue was chosen for the 2014 Gourmet Gala."

The recipient of a 2013 historic preservation award by the Preservation Trust, the Mylin House was built in 1787 by Martin Mylin III and his wife Barbara Baer (granddaughter of Christian and Anna Herr, the 1710 immigrants who built the 1719 Hans Herr House). Mylin III was the third generation to live on and work the farm. Mylin III's German grandfather, Martin Mylin I was one of the first Mennonites to settle in Lancaster County. Mylin I is credited with inventing the Pennsylvania Long Rifle in a gun shop on the original Mylin homestead.



More than 30 of the area's best restaurants, caterers, bakeries, personal chefs, wineries and coffee companies will be serving their specialties. Among those are Lombardo's, John Wright Restaurant, Penn Square Grille, Gracie's on West Main, Cajuns in Exile, Catering by Christina, Upohar, Food for Thought Catering, The Scarlet Runner (catering), Gypsy Kitchen Catering, Personal Chef Pierre DeRagon, Willow Valley Communities' food services, Seasons Olive & Vinegar Taproom, Miesse Candies, La Petite Patisserie, Couture Cupcakes, Byers Butterflake Bakery, Dutch Haven Shoo Fly Pie Bakery, Lancaster County Coffee

Roasters, Lonely Monk Coffees, Twin Brook Winery, Thorn Hill Vineyard, Tamanend Winery, Nissley Vineyards & Winery Estate, Lancaster County Brewing Company and Yards Brewery.

A Gourmet Gala ticket costs \$75 for members of the Historic Preservation Trust or the Central Pennsylvania Preservation Society or \$85 for non-members. A block of 10 tickets may be purchased for \$650.

Additional gala sponsors are being sought to join:

Willow Valley Communities (host site)



Lancaster County Magazine (media sponsor)



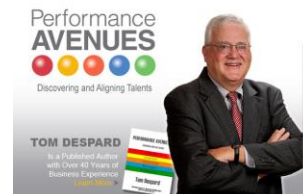
PPL Electric Utilities (\$1750)



Discovery Map (\$500)



Performance Avenues (Despard Associates LLC) (\$500)



RLPS Architects (\$500)



Wohlsen Construction (\$500)



CCS building Group (\$250)



Donegal Insurance (\$250)



Greenebaum Structures (\$250)



Kline's Services (\$250)



Rohrer's One Hour Heating and Air Conditioning (\$250)



Select Security (\$250)



Senator Lloyd Smucker (\$250)



Auction items are needed too because we have both live and silent auctions that are popular," she said, adding that current auction items include vacation, entertainment, food and beverage, antique and art items.

For additional information, call 717-823-7556 or email joepatterson@hptrust.org

Historic Preservation Award Nominations Opened for 2014

Nominations for the annual awards for excellence in historic preservation are being accepted by the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County through Friday, July 4, 2014.

"Lancaster has one of the largest inventories of historic homes, barns, bridges, mills and other structures of any place in the United States," said Lisa Horst, president of the board of directors for the Historic Preservation Trust. "The annual historic preservation awards recognize those in our community who are helping to keep historic Lancaster County historic through their exceptional work to save, preserve, restore and celebrate the beauty of structures built by our forefathers. Recipients will be honored at our annual awards program on Tuesday, November 11."

Individual awards will be presented to long-time supporters of the Preservation Trust and volunteers. A new award, named in honor of Lancaster educator and *Lancaster Intelligencer-Journal* reporter Frederick H. "Chip" Smedley III (1956-2013), will be presented to an educator or journalist who has made special contributions to broadening the public's understanding of historic preservation in Lancaster County.

The historic preservation award categories are:

- *Leadership* -- presented to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated the vision, wisdom and perseverance necessary to incorporate historic preservation into their long-range planning.
- *Sustainability* - presented to the owner of any historically significant structure that has demonstrated over a significant period time a commitment to historic preservation through exemplary maintenance practices.
- *Preservation* - presented to projects that comply fully with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties (<http://www.nps.gov/hps/tps/standguide/>) A copy of the approved U. S. Department of the Interior Part III application must be submitted with the nomination form.
- *Restoration/ Adaptive Re-use* -- presented to projects where the historical character of a structure is maintained through thoughtful and sensitive additions and/or restorations.
- *Community Revitalization* -- presented to projects that enhance a historic area and contribute to overall neighborhood improvement.
- *Master Craftsman* -- presented for the meritorious efforts to save a historic structure through master level building skills and knowledge

Historic preservation awards are presented in honor of C. Emlen Urban (1863 -1939), Lancaster's preeminent architect who influenced Lancaster's early architectural character. He designed the Southern Market on Queen Street in 1888, the Watt & Shand Department Store (now the Lancaster County Convention Center) in 1898 and St. James Episcopal Church parish House on Duke Street in 1903. "His work forms a bridge between the Victorian Era and the Modern Age," Mrs. Horst added.

Nomination forms are available at the Historic Preservation Trust, 123 North Prince Street in downtown Lancaster, 717-291-5861 or joepatterson@hptrust.org. Office hours are 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Thursday. Forms also are available at www.hptrust.org.

Historic preservation award recipients in 2013 were:

- Historic Poole Forge - Leadership
- Willow Valley Communities and the Mylin House - Leadership
- The Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home - Preservation
- The Farm at Eagles Ridge - Preservation
- The Geten/Lepore/Mast Building - Preservation
- Woodward Hill Cemetery - Philanthropy
- Cityscape Lofts - Community Revitalization
- Marietta Senior Apartments - Community Revitalization
- The Siegrist Covered Bridge - Master Craftsman
- The Allegra Building - New Construction
- Col. Alexander Lowrey House - New Construction
- Saint James Episcopal Church - New Construction



OUTREACH EFFORTS RECOGNIZED AT ENVISION AWARDS

At the recent Lancaster County Planning Commission's ENVISION Awards Program, the Historic Preservation Trust's outreach initiative to municipalities was recognized as an award nominee. All but 10 of the county's 60 townships and boroughs have been given presentations by Preservation Trust representatives. Several of the key topics that are discussed during the presentations are:

- **Surveys that are being conducted to update information on historic structures countywide.** The survey pilot project in West Hempfield Township has been completed, and arrangements are being made to conduct surveys in other municipalities. Volunteers are needed to assist with this huge initiative. *If you would like to get involved, attend Preservation Action Committee meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm at 123 North Prince Street in downtown Lancaster.*
- **The importance of documenting historic properties.** In addition to the surveys that are being conducted, township and borough officials are being asked to notify the Preservation Trust well before a historic home, barn, bridge, mill or other structure becomes endangered by neglect or by demolition. Even if a structure cannot be saved, the Preservation Trust asks that it be given enough notice so pictures that can be made and information gathered for its archives. Another part of the Preservation Trust's documentation efforts is its historic site marker plaques. Applicants for historic plaques provide background on their properties, and this goes into the Preservation Trust archives. *Information about plaques may be obtained by calling 717-823-7556 or e-mailing joepatterson@hprust.org*
- **Maintaining the Preservation Trust's archives containing important information, photos and maps about more than 10,000 historic Lancaster County properties.** These files are being maintained and enhanced. That is the good news. The bad news is all of these records exist only on paper. Good news, again, the Preservation Trust has received funding from the John Frederick Steinman Foundation, the James Hale Steinman Foundation and the Lancaster County Community Foundation to digitize the archives. *Scanning documents before they can be digitized will require major volunteer support. Contact the Preservation Trust office at 717-291-5861 if you would like to help.*



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