



PRESERVATION MONTH – MAY 2010

KALAMAZOO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

May 5, 2010 - Wednesday 7:00 PM - "CRAFTSMAN STYLE" Vine Neighborhood Association – 511 West Vine - 7:00 – David Muylle saved his old house in Lansing and made a film to document the process. Come and watch the film, share the challenges of fixing a neglected old house and have a little popcorn. FREE

May 8, 2010 - Saturday 1:00 – 4:00 PM **DRAKE HOUSE - OPEN HOUSE** – A true “work in progress” the red brick home of Benjamin Drake one of Oshtemo’s first pioneers is being rehabilitated by the Oshtemo Township Historical Society. Located just past Maple Hill Mall on the west side of the 900 block of North Drake Road. FREE



May 17, 2010 – Monday – 7:00 pm – Kalamazoo Public Library - **YOUR HOUSE’S HISTORY:** Have you always wanted to know more about your house or that great old building down the street? Learn research techniques and resources that will help you answer questions about the origin, style, past owners, and events associated with a building. Registration required; call 269-553-7808. FREE

May 20, 2010 Thursday - **GAZELLE SPORTS DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR** - 6:00 pm - Lynn Houghton has been leading walking tours all over Kalamazoo since 2002. Her tour of downtown Kalamazoo begins at Gazelle Sports. FREE



May 22, 2010 Saturday - "GREAT UNVEILING" **AT 305 BURR OAK** – 9:00am to when the job is done. Join the Old House Network in stripping the replacement siding off a two story classic Craftsman Foursquare to reveal the original siding and trim underneath. Doughnuts and coffee, lunch and safety gear are provided. Bring your own work gloves and old work clothes. Call the Old House Network at 269-349-2022 to sign up and ask questions. Take a look at previous Great Unveilings at the Old House Network website at www.oldhousenetwork.org and on the OHN Facebook page. FREE

May 23, 2010 Sunday – **TWILIGHT TOUR OF HENDERSON CASTLE*** at 100 Monroe -5:00 – 6:30 pm. Henderson Castle represents Kalamazoo in the Gilded Age. Completed in 1896, the Castle transports you back to the days of ladies in hobble skirts and men in suits, when servants turned down the bed and took care of the house. Contact Henderson Castle to pre-register at 269-343-9242. Price \$10 per/person with pre-registration or \$15 per/person at the door.



May 25, 2010 Tuesday 5:30-7:30 PM **HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD OF MERIT CEREMONY** - Henderson Castle* 100 Monroe Street. For over two decades the Historic Preservation Commission has recognized rehabilitation projects, new infill construction and people or organizations that have promoted historic preservation in the City of Kalamazoo. The general public is welcome to attend the ceremony and celebrate our shared history.

*Please note: Women's shoes must be at least 1 inch wide at the base of the heel (wedges and flat heels are preferred). Shoes with narrower heels may not be worn on Castle property for safety reasons as well as the historical preservation of the home.

May 27, 2010 Thursday 5:30-8 PM "SUSTAINABLE HOUSING AS A PART OF COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION" Commission Chambers – City Hall 241 W. South - Thom Phillips of Michigan Habitat for Humanity with Colin Pahl & Casey Ray - Habitat for Humanity/Americorps members. FREE

Please call SHARON FERRARO, City of Kalamazoo Historic Preservation Coordinator at 269-337-8804 for more information on any of these events.

