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## **Calendar:**

### **November**

27 Deadline to apply for PLT-A  
28-29 SWO closed: Thanksgiving

### **December**

9 Daniel in Little Rock , AR  
18 Daniel in Ponca City, AR  
25-26 SWO closed: Christmas

### **January**

1 SWO closed: New Years Day  
20 *11 Most Endangered*  
nominations due to NTHP

### **March**

8-11 NTHP Advisors meeting in  
Washington, DC  
16-18 Statewide Partners meeting  
in Galveston, TX

### **May**

\*\* **Preservation Week: May 5-11\*\***  
*Cities, Suburbs, & Countryside*

## **REVOLVING FUND WORKSHOP FOR HISTORIC FORT WORTH**

On Thursday, November 7, Historic Fort Worth (HFW) took a big step toward establishing a revolving fund to save historic properties in the city. Funded by a PSF grant from the Fondren Endowed Fund for Texas, HFW invited four nationally recognized consultants to evaluate the city's historic resources, educate the HFW Board, and make recommendations for what a future fund should be.

Consultants included Marsh Davis, Executive Director of the Galveston Historic Foundation (GHF). Marsh has past experience with Historic Landmarks of Indiana's famed revolving funds, as well as working to recently re-institute GHF's fund. Michael Fleenor, Preservation Project Director of the

Cleveland Restoration Society, brought with him vast experience in working with redeveloping neighborhoods and using a receivership program. John Leith-Tetrault, Director of Community Partners for the National Trust, and Rhoda Stauffer, his Assistant Director, both shared a wide variety of interaction with revolving funds all over the county. Southwest staff facilitated the meeting which included a tour of Fort Worth and an evening presentation to the entire HFW board. The consultants, using slide and power point presentations, presented successful methods they have used with revolving funds and gave the board an opportunity to ask questions and dispel the fears they have about beginning such a program.

## **SOUTHWEST INTERVENTION FUND STILL HARD AT WORK**

The **Southwest Intervention Fund** continues to stay busy helping save historic properties throughout the region. One of our recent assists helped the **Women's Club of El Paso** repair storm damage to their 1916 Texas Landmark and National Register listed clubhouse. Our emergency funds, provided by the Summerlee Foundation, helped repair and modify the roof drainage system.

Summerlee Funding also enabled the SWO to help a community effort in Rockwall, Texas to convince a local church that the **Rockwall Mansion** was indeed structurally sound and should not be demolished. Our engineer, Steve Lucy of Dallas, found the structure to be in good condition and the SWO office will continue to support the

Rockwall group in their efforts.

Although most of the Southwest Intervention Fund is for use in Texas, we do get a small allotment from the Thorne Intervention Fund to use in our other states. This funding was used to assist the **Prairie House Foundation** in its efforts to save the W.T. Foreman House (c.1907) in Duncan, OK. Workmen feared a collapse of the building and



Women's Club of El Paso

the local press called for demolition. Our engineer, Wallace Wilson of Norman, found the structure to be sound and identified areas of needed repair. His report will be used to dispel the bad press that the Foundation has been dealing with and help them plan for the future restoration of the house.

***Two ways to keep up with  
the Southwest Office!***

**1) Join our email e-letter list by  
sending an email to  
wendy\_ossoinig@nthp.org**

**2) Visit the National Trust's Web  
site at:**

**[www.nationaltrust.org/  
about\\_the\\_trust/  
southwest.html](http://www.nationaltrust.org/about_the_trust/southwest.html)**

## OCTOBER PRESERVATION SERVICES FUND GRANTS ANNOUNCED

### TEXAS : Fondren Endowed Fund

- \$3000 to Project Row Houses to provide an adaptive use plans to place an Oral History Center and Young Mothers Program in three 1880 shot gun houses. (Houston)



- \$5000 to Friends of Austin Middle School to develop a master plan for Stephen F. Austin High School to ensure its continued viability as a functioning school. (Galveston)
- \$2500 to The Heritage Society to provide architectural services for the restoration of the 1866 Gulf Coast Cottage. (Houston)
- \$3000 to the Rufus F. Hardin Museum to provide architectural plans for the renovation of the Rufus F. Hardin School. (Brownwood)
- \$2000 to the Texas Historical Commission to produce a Dallas Preservation Network Web Site. (Dallas)

- \$8000 (\$4000 from the Meadows Foundation) to Red River County to investigate rare hand paintings discovered in the interior of the 1884 Courthouse. (Clarksville)

### NEW MEXICO: Hughes Endowed Fund

- \$750 to the New Mexico Heritage Preservation Alliance to provide scholarships to the NMHPA 2003 Annual Conference.

### OKLAHOMA: Oklahoma Endowed Fund

- \$1000 to the Lindsay Community Historical Society to develop a rehabilitation plan for the Murray Lindsay Mansion. (Lindsay)
- \$1000 to the Wagoner County Historical Society to produce a feasibility study of Old Wagoner High School. (Wagoner)



## UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES:

- Apply now for **Preservation Leadership Training/Advanced**: Real Estate, Design & Advocacy, deadline 11/27/02. To be held January 18-23, 2003 in Jekyll Island, GA. Go to [www.nationaltrust.org/plt](http://www.nationaltrust.org/plt) for an application and information. Regular **PLT 2003**, will be in York, Pennsylvania, June 14-21, 2003, application deadline 4/11/03.
- **National Preservation Conference Session Proposals** are available for the 2003 Conference in Denver. Deadline is 1/17/03, find forms at [www.nthpconference.org](http://www.nthpconference.org) Questions: Renee Harrison at 202-588-6095 or [renee\\_harrison@nthp.org](mailto:renee_harrison@nthp.org).
- **2003 11 Most Endangered** nominations are due 1/20/03, download the form at [www.nthp.org/11Most](http://www.nthp.org/11Most).
- Third Annual **Preservation Week Poster Contest** deadline is 1/20/03. Winner will be used as the National Trust's official poster and will be sent to thousands of Preservation Week enthusiasts nationwide and awarded a cash prize. Information: [www.nthp.org/preservationweek](http://www.nthp.org/preservationweek), call 202.588.6037, or email [preservation-week@nthp.org](mailto:preservation-week@nthp.org).
- **Oklahoma Historical Society** Annual Meeting, April 24-26, 2003, in Guthrie, Oklahoma. "Tips to Temples: The Built Environment and Oklahomans' Sense of Place." For more information on submitting a session proposal by 12/2/02: 405/522-5239 or [foxc@ok-history.mus.ok.us](mailto:foxc@ok-history.mus.ok.us)
- The **Texas Historical Commission** (THC) offers a variety of awards for accomplishments and leadership in the preservation of Texas' heritage. Deadline 12/13/02, visit [www.thc.state.tx.us/awards/awdefault.html](http://www.thc.state.tx.us/awards/awdefault.html) for more information.

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### Statewides

Arkansas Historic Preservation Alliance

[www.arkansaspreservation.com/alliance.asp](http://www.arkansaspreservation.com/alliance.asp)

New Mexico Heritage Preservation Alliance

[www.nmheritage.org](http://www.nmheritage.org)

Preservation Oklahoma

[www.preservationoklahoma.org](http://www.preservationoklahoma.org)

Preservation Texas

[www.preservationtexas.org](http://www.preservationtexas.org)

### State Historic Preservation Offices

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

[www.arkansaspreservation.org](http://www.arkansaspreservation.org)

Office of Cultural Affairs, Historic Preservation Division

<http://museums.state.nm.us/hpd>

Oklahoma Historical Society

[www.ok-history.mus.ok.us/shpo](http://www.ok-history.mus.ok.us/shpo)

Texas Historical Commission

[www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us)

### Funding Opportunities:

**National Trust PSF Grants:** 2/01/02 Deadline for PSF, Favrot, & Mitchell Grant Applications. For more information, contact SWO at 817-332-4398 or [swro@nthp.org](mailto:swro@nthp.org).

**National Center for Preservation Technology and Training (NCPTT):** Late December deadline for FY 2003 Grants program. [www.ncptt.nps.gov](http://www.ncptt.nps.gov) or 318-356-7444.

The **Advisory Council on Historic Preservation** has created a new online guide: "Sources of Financial Assistance for Historic Preservation Projects." Available at [www.achp.gov/funding.html](http://www.achp.gov/funding.html).