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In Memory of Frank Elmer, Past President by Al Berthold



Frank Elmer, FAIA, FAICP, age 69, of Columbus, Ohio died at his home on Tuesday, December 11, 2012. Frank was a nationally recognized architect, planner, and educator and founding partner of Lincoln Street Studio, an architecture and planning firm. Frank believed that we should preserve what is worth preserving and create new that was of the time when it was created. Among a number of organizations, Frank served on the Columbus Landmarks Foundation Board and was President from September 1991 to May 1993. His efforts on the Board are very much a part of our history. Frank

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will be remembered for his extraordinarily creative approach to solving problems, whether they were planning, building, or organizational problems. He was the architect's architect and the planner's planner. Many architects have had their names inscribed on cornerstones set in their works. Frank's latest building, the Russell and Kerr project located on the edge of Italian Village, simply says "Frank Elmer thought this up." That was Frank Elmer, always thinking, creating, and doing. He will be greatly missed.

Thank You Annual Fund Campaign Donors

Our heartfelt thank you for all of the donations received during our Annual Fund Campaign last month. If our pledge card is still sitting in that stack of holiday mail on your desk, please know that it is never too late to make Preservation a Priority! We welcome your support throughout the year. You may also make donations online at www.columbuslandmarks.org or call us at 614-221-0227.

Join or Renew Your Membership TODAY

By renewing your membership in Columbus Landmarks each year, you join an interesting and dynamic chorus of individuals that take seriously our collective responsibility to preserve the best of our historic architecture and to promote new design of the highest standards. Member benefits include advance notice of programs, updates on local preservation and development issues, and discounted ticket prices, among others. Join or renew online at www.columbuslandmarks.org or call us at 614-221-0227.

COMING UP

Historic Tavern Tours Gentlemen's Clubs SOLD OUT Thursday, Jan. 24 6-9 p.m.

Tales of Love Thursday, Feb. 7 Thursday, Feb. 21

6-9 p.m. 6-9 p.m.

Irish & German Immigrant Experience Thursday, Mar. 7 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21 6-9 p.m.

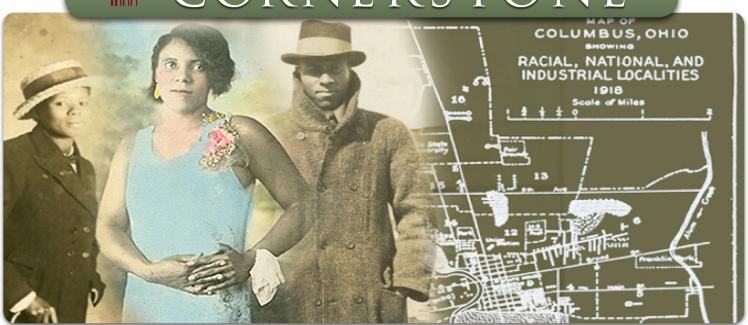
So You Think You Know **Columbus? Bus Tour Part IV** Sunday, Feb. 24 1-4 p.m.

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African American Landmark Preservation Initiative

Columbus Landmarks Foundation, in collaboration with The African American Interest Group and The African American Subcommittee of the Franklin County Genealogical Society, has started the process of forming an African American Landmarks Preservation Initiative.

The purpose of this initiative is to collect the relevant histories of people, buildings, and communities in order to better understand how local African American historic

protected.

The history of the African American community in Columbus is really the story of many geographically-divided neighborhoods, many with their own unique beginnings. Local historians, teachers, and others who are passionate about helping to gather information about these communities are needed to begin research teams.

Welcome Ed Lentz, Interim Executive Director

Columbus Landmarks Foundation is pleased to announce it has hired Ed Lentz as Interim Executive Director. Lentz will replace Kathy Mast Kane, who has resigned from the organization effective February 1 to pursue other opportunities.

Ed has agreed to serve as Interim Executive Director for six months while a search for a permanent director is conducted.

"We are so pleased that Ed is willing to help us through this transition. His experience and expertise will be a great asset to our organization as we continue to work toward many goals," said Bill Mattes, Board President.

Ed has been teaching, writing and exploring the history of Central Ohio for more than 40 years. He teaches at various local colleges and universities. He also writes for local newspapers and consults in history and historic preservation.

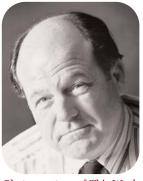
Ed was Executive Director of **Columbus Landmarks Foundation** from 1983 to 1988. He holds degrees in history from Princeton University and The Ohio State University. He is the author of several books, including Columbus -The Story of a City (2003), A Home of their Own (2010) and Historic Columbus (2012).

"I am happy to be back at Columbus Landmarks. This is an

treasures might be recognized and

Columbus native Toni Smith is the Project Director and can be reached at tmshorter@msn.com. Please contact Toni or the Columbus Landmarks office at info@columbuslandmarks.org or call 614-221-0227 to express interest in joining the research team. This program is made possible, in part, by the Ohio Humanities Council, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and by the Richard and Julia Moe Fund of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

organization of exceptional people doing great work for a good cause. I look forward to helping Landmarks work toward its goals," he said.



Ed will be Photo courtesy of This Week working parttime, joining Associate Director, Becky West, and Field Representative, Nathalie Wright. He can be reached in the office at elentz@columbuslandmarks.org or 614-221-0227.

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Winter 2013

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NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION



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we search for a new director.

Columbus Landmarks is a dynamic organization with an active Board of Trustees and over 800 supportive members. In December, we created a Council of Advisors made up

of Past Board Presidents, Founding Trustees and Honorary Trustees, and look forward to their counsel and continued involvement.

We are currently pursuing offering the Heritage Home Program in Columbus. Created by The Cleveland Restoration Society, the program offers a range of services to help owners repair, maintain, and rehab their older homes, while retaining architectural features and increasing value. The program includes technical advice and workshops, including site visits, color consults, construction advice and

From Our President

Happy New

2013 with a

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Columbus

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service, Kathy

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Year! We begin

change in lead-

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new opportunities.

Dear Members and Supporters:

resigned as Executive Director. We

thank Kathy for her leadership and

wish her all the best as she pursues

Please join the Board in welcoming

Ed Lentz, who is returning to

best practices; and loans, providing low fixed-rate financing and project guidance.

After initial assessment, we believe the Heritage Home Program is a natural extension of our Partner in the Field Progam, which has been funded for the past three years through private donations and grants from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and United Way of Central Ohio. As we prepare 2013 grant applications, we are excited to pursue this new opportunity. Thanks to Jason Wells and the Preservation Services Committee for leading the effort.

I want to thank our Advocacy Committee for its continued efforts evaluating and assessing threats to historic buildings. Led by Carol Merry, this committee is keeping a watchful eye and taking action wherever possible. Many of the issues are longstanding and complex. Currently on the radar is Poindexter Village, the Trautman Building, Indianola Middle School, Clintonville 1904 School, and the Franklinton Building at 373-375 Rich Street, among others.

Our active Education Committee never rests! Chaired by Tom Betti, the committee has year-round opportunities to tour Columbus' interesting architectural sites, full of stories and history. Members of the committee are busy researching and writing books, as well. I hope you will join us for a tour soon.

If your New Year's resolution was to become more involved, we hope you will consider giving your time to Columbus Landmarks. We have many volunteer roles to fill and welcome your participation.

Congratulations Tax Credit Recipients

Four Columbus projects were recently awarded over \$2.4 million in Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credits, leveraging over \$35.3 million in private investments: The Broadwin Apartments, 1312 E. Broad St.; Lazarus House Apartments, 380 E. Town St.; Medical Science Building, 717-721 N. High St., and Welsh Presbyterian Church, 315 E. Long St. The Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit program provides tax credits equal to 25 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures. The application deadline for Round 10 is March 30, 2013. For more information, contact Nathaniel Kaelin at nathaniel.kaelin@development.ohio.org or visit http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs ohptc.htm.

WINTER TOURS

New Themes for Historic Tavern Tours

Our popular Historic Tavern Tours return in January and will be offered monthly throughout the year. Tour themes vary but each features three different taverns. There is time at each tavern for enjoying the atmosphere, drinks & a bite before you board a shuttle and head to the next stop. A shuttle will transport you from stop to stop, returning to the starting point at the end of the tour. Drinks and food are not included in the price of the tour, but sparkling narration, historic gossip, and architectural knowledge of the taverns and their environs is cheerfully included. Tours are led by Doreen Uhas Sauer and/or Tom Betti, co-authors of Historic Columbus Taverns. All tours begin at 6 p.m. and end at approx. 9 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for Columbus Landmarks members and \$30 for nonmembers.

Our January "Original" Tour of the Gentlemen's Clubs of Columbus is sold out. In February we will launch an allnew Historic Tavern Tour just in time for Valentine's Day – She Done Him Wrong: Tales of Love in Columbus **Taverns.** The liquor flowed. The tavern was dark but architecturally interesting. They didn't notice. Their eyes locked-the room was hot (or cold)-passion was in the air-her nostrils flared ever so slightly-he took that as a sign. He reached across the table. She moved in slightly and reached under the table–but wait, was that a gift she was giving him-or was it a gun? On



From the historic postcard collection of Doreen Uhas Sauer



February 7 and 21, we will explore taverns always with architecture in mind but through the lens of love, and especially love gone wrong. How perfect for vour Valentine's dav pleasure! Come with your significant other so they know how lucky they are to have you or come with a friend because you have wisely sworn off love for awhile. Tour begins at Columbus Landmarks Foundation, 61 Jefferson Ave. where you will board a shuttle to head to the first stop.

In March we will revisit the **Immigrant Experience in Columbus: What the Germans** Dreamed and the Irish Created. This tour will take us into three drink-

Part IV Sunday, Feb. 24 1-4 p.m.

We had so much fun celebrating Columbus' Bicentennial last year that we're continuing our So You Think You Know Columbus? Bus Tours! Join us for a rolling overview of the city we love Sunday, Feb. 24. This is part four of a series, where we will continue to reveal the architectural seldom-seen Columbus of both the downtown and the neighborhoods and to explain the history of the city through some of its memorable advocacy issues and historic preservation challenges. In the past tours, we have looked at forgotten stables that still exist downtown, buildings that aren't "really there," neighborhood architectural treasures, little-known buildings by famous architects, as well as, unusual places to catch a nibble or relax with a cup of coffee. Sometimes the things we pass each day take on new meaning when we know the story behind the façade. This is part of a tour series, but you are welcome to join us for any part. You'll never look at Columbus the same way again! TICKETS \$25 members/\$30 non-members; tour begins at our office, 61 Jefferson Ave.

Info/Tickets ColumbusLandmarks.org or call 614-221-4508

Mendel Trope operated the saloon at 347 East Mound, pictured in 1909. Photo courtesy of Columbus Metropolitan Library.

ing establishments influenced by Columbus' two largest 19th century immigrant populations—the Irish and the Germans. These two groups created their own spheres but also cooperated with others. Tour dates are Thursday, March 7 and 21. Tour begins at Dempsey's Restaurant, 346 S. High Street.

Unable to join us for a tour? Read the book! Signed copies of *Historic Columbus Taverns* are available online at www.columbuslandmarks.org and in our office (call 614-221-0227). The books are \$15 each (\$20 with shipping) and make a great gift!

So You Think You Know Columbus? Bus Tour