



Preservation Texas Newsletter November 2013

Preservation Texas Honor Awards: Thirty-two submissions in seven different categories!

It has been an outstanding year for preservation efforts in Texas and our organization is ready to announce and then celebrate the work, effort and energy of some substantial contributions to our Texas legacy, on Thursday evening, December 5, at Mission San Jose in San Antonio.

A press release is forthcoming on or around November 17 announcing the winners. The celebration itself features Day Tripper, Chet Garner, emceeding and members of the Preservation Texas board hosting. Under the leadership of Charlene Orr, Mesquite, Board President, the Organization Visibility chair David Bucek, Houston, has spearheaded the effort with local support from some incredible people gathered in a host committee by Ann Benson McGlone, San Antonio.

You are invited to the event at Mission San Jose y San Miguel de Aguayo, located at 6701 San José Drive, San Antonio, Texas, 78214. Tickets are \$45 and you can make reservations and pay at this link:

<http://www.preservationtexas.org/news/honors-award-event-ticket-information/>

Preservation Texas Jury

The 2013 Honor Awards Jury spent hours and hours reviewing the submissions and then several hours more in meeting going over the candidate projects and people in a recent meeting in San Antonio. Members of the jury included:

Bob Warden is the Director of the Texas A&M preservation program at College Station. He has strong ties with the Association for Preservation Technology, International.

Catherine Gavin is the new editor of Texas Architect Magazine. Catherine has a preservation degree from Columbia, and has been very receptive to showcasing preservation projects and involving PT. Texas Architect is the publication of the Texas Society of Architects (TXA), which is the statewide component of the American Institute of Architects.

Cherise Bell is the Director of the King William Association in San Antonio. Cherise has a Master's Degree in Preservation. She was previously the Historic Preservation Officer for the City of New Braunfels and she is a member of the 2013 Preservation Texas Honor Awards Host Committee.

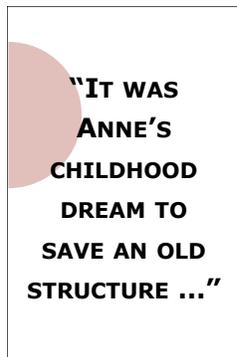
David Bucek moderated the meeting but not the judging and he was assisted by volunteer Brittany Domer and Interim Executive Director Mike Renquist.

Feature: PT member Anne Hunt

If ever you are in Rockport, look up the Greek Revival Fulton Bruhl-House. Preservation Texas member Anne Hunt and husband, Jeff, of Austin, purchased the 1868 historic landmark in 2009, saving it from a possible wrecking ball and starting the trend that has saved an entire city block.

As one of Rockport's earliest homes, one that survived the Hurricane of 1919, the Fulton-Bruhl House deserved restoration. Anne Hunt came to the rescue. It was Anne's childhood dream to save an old structure and with advice and

counsel she did much of the work herself. Taking photos and blogging about the process, Anne developed an online fol-



lowing as she tackled each phase of the three-year project. The end result is inspirational, a timeless treasure for the Rockport community, and one that sparked the Chamber of Commerce to rehab the commercial property next door

into a visitor center and inspired the subsequent purchase of an abandoned grocery store for future restoration completing a block that also includes the National Registry 1890 Hoopes-Smith House.

Kudos to PT member Anne Hunt!

Learn more about the Fulton-Bruhl House in this link to Heritage Magazine.

http://issuu.com/belsom/docs/a_preservation_catalyst_article_volume_1_2013?e=3894060/2317878

Texas Historical Commission Sweepstakes!?



The Texas Time Travel Sweepstakes is a promotion the Texas Historical Commission is running through November 17, which is the 60th anniversary date of the

THC. They will be giving away a free trip for two with the THC in the Texas Heritage Trail Region of the winner's choice. The winners will get to travel with a couple of THC representatives for four days next April on a "behind-the-

scenes" historical tour showcasing such things as Main Street communities, our state historic sites, battlefields, historic hotels, etc. Exact details not known until the winner chooses a region and THC develops the itinerary. You can find more info about it in this press release:

<http://www.thc.state.tx.us/news-events/press-releases/win-heritage-tourism-trip-through-time>

or at the Sweepstakes entry page:

<http://woobox.com/qajkpx>

Newsletter Article?

Know of something interesting going on in the Texas historic preservation world?

Possible submissions for our next PT newsletter can be sent to info@preservationtexas.org