



# THE FRIENDS OF TWO RIVERS MANSION

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The Friends of Two Rivers Mansion, a 501(c)(3)organization 3130 - McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214

**“Phil the House”** - The May 22<sup>nd</sup> “Phil the House” event was a huge success with over \$4,000 raised during the afternoon. This has allowed the organization to move forward with the purchase of liability insurance as well as do some printing of stationary and additional membership materials. Beverly Oakley and the events committee did an outstanding job of organizing for the event and have set the bar high for subsequent events as we move forward.

**Promotions** - A publications committee is currently working on the design of a promotional piece that will be used primarily with the Events Membership categories that include one time usage of the Mansion during the membership year. This piece will have photos of different kinds of events the Mansion can accommodate along with requirements and guidelines for usage. Various event vendors will be able to purchase business card size ads in the back of the piece and the income from these ads will cover the cost of production for the piece.

**Website and Facebook** – A new website went on line in conjunction with the “Phil the House” event in May. The site is located at [www.thefriendsoftworiversmansion.org](http://www.thefriendsoftworiversmansion.org) or [www.thefriendsoftworiversmansion.com](http://www.thefriendsoftworiversmansion.com). The site was developed by a committee that worked with Letha Edwards who operates a web stie design and hosting business called BigMeanKitty.com. The site is reflective of the stately atmosphere that made Two Rivers Mansion a show place in its day and includes a wealth of information regarding the “Friends”, its purpose, membership and much more. Check it out when you have some time to browse at leisure. For those who do FACEBOOK, you can search for Friends of Two Rivers and “like” the group to get updates and interact with others who have the site in common.

**Prints and notecards** – Founder and current President of the Board, Phil Claiborne, has created a series of pencil drawing of the Mansion and the 1802 House that are available in a varitey of sizes, matted or framed and matted. A larger version of the Mansion with three detail views of some of the more decorative aspects of the exterior millwork is the subject of a signed and

numbered limited edition print that is also available. Currently these pieces are available at Picture This Framing and Gallery which is located at 4674 Lebanon Pike in the Oakwood Commons Shopping Center in Hermitage. They will also be available at any “Friends” function at the Mansion.

**Memberships** – Memberships for the “Friends” group are available in categories that range from \$20 a year to corporate membership up to \$2,000 a year. Encourage those you know who might share your interest in this historic treasure to consider becoming a member. **All membership fees are considered donations and are, therefore, tax deductible.** The **Basic Memberships** are listed below and those who might be interested in using the mansion for an event can choose from one of three **Event Membership** categories which can be determined at the time of consultation with the Two Rivers Mansion Events Coordinator, Laura Carrillo. She can be reached at 615-885-1112 or [laura.carrillo@nashville.gov](mailto:laura.carrillo@nashville.gov)

**BASIC Membership** for Friends of Two Rivers Mansion include:

- I. Senior citizen or Student - \$20 annual or \$55 for 3 years
- II. Individual - \$25 annual or \$65 for 3 years
- III. Family - \$50 or \$125 for 3 years

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ for my tax-deductible membership.

Make check payable to: ***The Friends of Two Rivers***

Mail check to: 3130 McGavock Pike, Nashville, TN 37214

**Restoration in process** – Recently a new wood shake roof has been installed on the 1802 House and assessment work is currently under way to determine the nature of restoration needs for exterior of the Mansion. Once this assessment is complete a bidding process will be conducted by the Metro Purchasing Department to secure a contractor who is certified to do historic restoration work. This work is made possible by capital improvement project dollars that were made available to the Metro Parks Department late last year. Once the current needs have been addressed and the condition of the exterior has been brought to current status it is the

**Spread the word** – Consider making copies of this newsletter to give to others you think might be interested in becoming a member and be on the lookout for businesses and organizations that could use the Mansion as a site for a meeting or event. If you know of a bride that is looking for a wonderful wedding venue, Two Rivers Mansion is the place and it’s the only place where the rental fee can be considered **a tax deductible membership donation.**

*Phil Claiborne, President*