

**NEWSLETTER Number 7** 

June - July 2012

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

**Restoration Work continues on schedule at the Mansion**. Restoration of the front façade continues on schedule. Below is a listing of the work completed, in progress or that remains to be done. Items completed to date

Lead abatement

Plaster Repair at vestibule

Repair of column frames 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> story porches

Installation of trim at recessed panels on 1<sup>st</sup> story porch columns

Column base trim at 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch

Carved corbels 1<sup>st</sup> story porch

Pilasters repaired for 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch handrail

2<sup>nd</sup> story windows- Foliated wood carvings replicated

2<sup>nd</sup> story window restored

2<sup>nd</sup> story window shutters fabricated

All replacement trim has been fabricated and is onsite

## Items currently in progress

Installation of trim at recessed panels on 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch columns Installation of large crown molding at upper cornice Restoration of 2<sup>nd</sup> story window pediment trim Paint stripping of the upper cornice corbels Replication of carved wooden corbels at 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch

## Items next on the agenda

Delivery of Alaskan Yellow cedar material for front porch balusters Replication of 2<sup>nd</sup> east elevation handrail balusters Installation of column capital trim 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> story porches Installation of column base trim 1<sup>st</sup> story Installation of lower rails at 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch hand rails Installation of shutters at 2<sup>nd</sup> story porch windows

**Music at the Mansion** – The first of three Music at the Mansion events will take place on Saturday evening, June 30<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm to 10 pm . The first musical performance of the 2012 season will be performed by The Groove Dawgs which is a group under the direction of Gary Grau. Gary is the owner of Grau General Contracting LLC of Williamsport, TN that has the contract for the restoration work on the Mansion. It's very fitting that Gary and the group will christen the veranda he was responsible for returning to its original condition with some of your favorite Classic Rock, R&B and Oldies tunes.



This promises to be a great family night of music, food, and community on the lawn of the Mansion! RoseMary Lane Catering will be on site with gourmet sandwiches, sides & beverages to purchase. Bring your blanket, lawn chairs, playpens, and enjoy the evening! Admission is \$5 per person or a maximum of \$20 per car. As an incentive to increase our membership base the Board voted to make all three 2012 Music at the Mansion events free to members who show their membership card as an admission ticket. We're fortunate to have the corporate sponsorship of Thornton's for this event and welcome them as a partner in our efforts to make Two Rivers Mansion a truly remarkable location for Nashvillians to visit.



Music at the Mansion will feature local bluegrass music legend, Roland White and his band on Saturday, July 28<sup>st</sup> and on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> the Nashville Blues Society will be back to rock the Mansion again. All performances are from 7-10 pm and are under the stars.

**Volunteer opportunities** – As a volunteer organization that has the aggressive goal to provide events like Music at the Mansion, there are many opportunities for 'Friends' members to serve in a volunteer capacity at one or more of these events. Volunteers are needed for set up, staffing membership/merchandise tables, help with parking and admission, etc. Anyone interested in serving as a volunteer should contact President Phil Claiborne by calling 889-2907 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:phil.claiborne@nashville.gov">phil.claiborne@nashville.gov</a>.

**Friends Fund Raising Merchandise** - In addition to the selection of prints and notecards of the Mansion and the 1802 House, sets of vintage square nails c.1850, decorative corbels from the upper cornice and a number of the balusters from the rear veranda are also available. These items were salvaged from the restoration work and provide a great opportunity for you to help your organization and to own a piece of history.

**Picture This Third Thursday** - Each month on the third Thursday a guest artist or organization is featured at a wine and cheese reception at the Picture This location in the Oakwood Commons (next to Publix) in Hermitage. On June 21<sup>st</sup> from 5 pm to 8 pm the Picture This Third Thursday

will host the Friends of Two Rivers Mansion and will introduce a series of Christmas ornaments featuring images of the Mansion. This is always a fun event and we're privileged to be the featured organization for June.

Memberships – Membership renewal letters have been mailed out to those members who took a one year membership at the 2011 Phil the House event. In order to get your new card and be elibible for free admission at the June 30<sup>th</sup> Music at the Mansion it important to send the renewal back as soon as possible. Memberships for the "Friends" group are avaiable in categories that range from \$20 a year to corporate membership up to \$2,000 a year. 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 Event Membership categories which can be determined at the time of a consultation with the Two Rivers Mansion Events Coordinator, Laura Carrillo. She can be reached at 615-885-1112 or laura.carrillo@nashville.gov

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

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

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**Website** – Our website is <a href="www.friendsoftworiversmansion.org">www.friendsoftworiversmansion.com</a> and has a PayPal link for the purchase of Friends merchandise as well as paying for memberships. I hope you'll consider making copies of this newsletter for your friends or forwarding it to others you think might be interested in becoming a member of the Friends.

Thil Claiborne, Founder and Tresident