

Spokane City/County Historic Preservation Office Monthly Update - August 2011

New to the Spokane Register: No new properties were recommended for listing.

Other Landmarks Commission Business: The commission considered a window replacement project in Corbin Park and a design review application at the Flour Mill was cancelled.

Harrington CLG: Along with Gary Lauerman of Spokane Preservation Advocates and Jim Kolva of Kolva Associates, the HPO visited Harrington, Washington's newest Certified Local Government to present a program titled "Local Preservation 101." Following the program Jim Kolva presented an update on Harrington's historic property inventory and the Harrington commissioners led a tour of properties under rehabilitation.



National Trust representatives and local conference planners tour McKinstry's Great Northern project

National Trust Conference Planning: Staff from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Washington DC office visited Spokane in August to plan the 2012 National Preservation conference. In addition to touring event locations and meeting with local conference planning partners, a public meeting was held to engage the community in the conference. Over 100 people attended and many provided input on proposed event concepts. Spokane City Councilmember Jon Snyder extended an official welcome for the City of Spokane and City Administrator Ted Danek reinforced local support for the conference.

Spokane County Heritage Barn Workshop: Chris Moore, Field Officer of the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation held a Heritage Barn workshop at Spokane City Hall on August 31st. Approximately 15 barn owners attended the workshop to learn about listing barns on this special register and applying for a special grant program. For more information on the Heritage Barn program, visit the website: <http://www.dahp.wa.gov/heritage-barn-register>

New Tours Available: Two new architecture-themed virtual tour features have been added to the City/County HPO website: Craftsman architecture, and Mid Century Modern architecture. See them here: <http://www.historicspokane.org/HeritageTours/>

Upcoming for September:

Special "Sustainable September" events will be observed throughout Spokane this month. Speakers during the kick-off event on September 1st made references to the reuse of Spokane's historic buildings and the City's SMART program. For a calendar of events: <http://sustainableseptemberspokane.org/>

On the agenda for September Landmarks Commission hearing: A nomination to the Spokane Register for the Bauer House (420 W 22nd) and a Special Valuation application for 514 W Park in Corbin Park. The October's hearing will be held October 11th instead of the regular "third-Wednesday" date due to the National Preservation conference in Buffalo.