

HistWick Herald

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HistWick Awarded Preserve Rhode Island Grant

by Mike Dacey

Preserve Rhode Island, a non-profit statewide organization located in Providence, has awarded Historic Wickford, Inc. a Preserve Rhode Island/Citizens Bank Foundation Mini-Grant to conduct a current condition assessment study of Beechwood House. HistWick was successful in raising the necessary matching funds from members of the North Kingstown community.

HistWick has engaged Heritage Restoration Inc., specialists in the evaluation and repair of historic buildings, to conduct the study. Rob Cagnetta, principal consultant for the study and preservation contractor, teaches and lectures on historic preservation issues and acts as an advisor to various organizations.

The resulting report will be a valuable tool for the preservation of this building, for anyone considering its reuse. The report will be available to all interested parties.

Beechwood House, built in 1873, was the former summer residence of RI Governor Elisha Dyer, Jr., later a beachside inn, and perhaps better known as the former home of the North Kingstown Senior Center.

Don't Forget!!!

Wickford In Bloom

A Walking Tour of 14 Gardens in Historic Wickford sponsored by HistWick, Inc.

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Histwick is a not for profit corporation dedicated to historic preservation and community information for those interested in the village of Wickford. All dues and contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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Tickets in advance are available at fine stores throughout the village and in Updike Park on the day of the tour.

Tickets \$ 20 in advance, \$ 25 on the day of the tour.

Proceeds to benefit the North Kingstown Food Pantry.

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Mike Donohue Honored as HistWick's "Volunteer of the Year"

On April 28th the North Kingstown Chamber of Commerce held its Fifth Annual Volunteer Recognition Celebration at the Quidnessett Country Club to honor volunteers and the organizations that they serve. Each participating organization was required to submit a summary of the individual's personal history and accomplishments with the organization. HistWick chose Mike Donohue as our "Volunteer of the Year."

Nora Hall relates "When Mike joined HistWick, our membership list and process was somewhat disjointed. He took it upon himself to organize both and, through his efforts HistWick membership and members' loyalty to the organization has grown tremendously. Mike's commitment to formatting and processing the development of HistWick's quarterly newsletter, despite his almost constant travel for business, has enabled HistWick to establish a better presence in the community and to help members be more aware of what is happening both in the community and in HistWick."