



March 2016 Newsletter

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Welcome to Michigan Architectural Foundation's e-newsletter! If you experience problems viewing this email, please [click here](#) to view it on our website. This monthly publication connects architectural enthusiasts and supporters, educators, and the media with Michigan's architecture through feature stories about architectural treasures, and opportunities for you to participate in programs, lectures, events and tours.

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Michigan Architectural Foundation is dedicated to the promotion, perpetuation and preservation of architecture as a fine art. By serving as a visible resource for funding, information and educational programs, we increase the public's appreciation for architecture, which encourages cohesive, sustainable communities, increasing economic value, enriching experiences and adding beauty.

The Foundation relies on the support of corporate and individual sponsors, patrons and donors to fund its educational, scholarship and grant programs.

Please consider supporting our programs – [click here](#) for more information!

Mystery Photo Challenge: *Do you know what is shown in this photo?*



Hint: This cottage is located on Walloon Lake. Photo submitted by Fred Butters.

[Click here](#) to send your guess – if you are correct, you will have the opportunity to submit next month’s mystery photo challenge!

P.S. Last month’s mystery photo stumped our readers!!! It is the Floral Barn at the Wexford County Fairgrounds in Cadillac - one of possibly only 4 octagonal barns in the state. Currently the barn is suffering; last summer was the first time since it was built that it was not open for the fair. But thankfully the county and the city are joining together, along with the National Barn Alliance and the State Historic Preservation Office, to raise awareness about the barn, and have it restored.

Photo submitted by Chuck Bultman



Applications are being accepted for the 2016 Chapter Public Awareness Grants

If your organization has an architecture related public awareness program or event that you have not been able to implement because of lack of funds, this is your chance to apply for a grant to assist in launching your program. The key element for these grants is public awareness. Your program focused on raising the public's understanding of the importance of architecture and the role architects play in creating well-designed communities may qualify.

The Public Awareness Grants Committee considers several issues when awarding grants, including the number of people who will be impacted by the event or publication, the type of influence the program will have on the public, and whether or not the applicant or applicant organization will match MAF funds through its own organization or sponsorship support.

[Click here to learn more and to apply!](#)

Applications for the 2016 Evans Grant are due April 4

The Evans – Graham Memorial Preservation Award acknowledges the contribution of historic preservation architect, David Evans, FAIA. The grant of \$7,500 will be awarded for fees or hard costs of a preservation project located in Michigan and is intended to promote the practice of historic preservation and to encourage not-for-profit (501c3) community groups seeking to restore important resources.

Projects that may be eligible include those that preserve an historic property or artifact that may otherwise be lost, demonstrate a creative solution to a preservation problem, benefit the community aesthetically and/or through increased visibility, and leverage other funds and will contribute to the continued viability of the historic property.

[Click here for more information, including the application.](#) [Click here to view past grant recipients.](#)

State Historic Preservation Review Board approved new historic sites for listing

(Taken from Mlive article)

The National Register of Historic Places is a program of the National Park Service within the U.S. Department of the Interior. In Michigan, the State Historic Preservation Office administers the program. "The National Register is more than a list of resources that have been researched and identified as locally and nationally significant," State Historic Preservation Officer Brian Conway said in a statement. "The register is a tool for honoring and preserving historic properties."

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Register for the 2016 Dumke Open by May 1



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