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Annual Meeting

Thursday, January 24, 2013
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cocktail Reception

Exhibit: *St. Catherine Street Trails*

Natchez Institute
108 South Commerce Street

The public is invited. Bring a friend.

Upcoming Events

Historic Natchez Conference
From Civil War to Civil Rights
April 17-20, 2013

Historic Natchez Foundation Tour
Hudson River Valley
October 22-27, 2013



Historic Natchez Foundation 2012 Awards

George and Ethel Kelly Restoration Award

The Viener House
508 North Union Street
Ronnie and Lisa Bertucci

109 South Rankin Street
Dan and Rowan Bland

808 Franklin Street
Gareth and Tara Bahlmann

Mary Postlethwaite History Award

Aaron Anderson

Special Merit Award

Cotton Alley
David Browning and Guy Bass

St. Mary Family Life Center
St. Mary Basilica



Natchez hosts Cemetery Workshop

The Historic Natchez Foundation hosted a cemetery preservation workshop on Saturday, December 1, in cooperation with Copiah-Lincoln Community College, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, and Natchez National Historical Park.

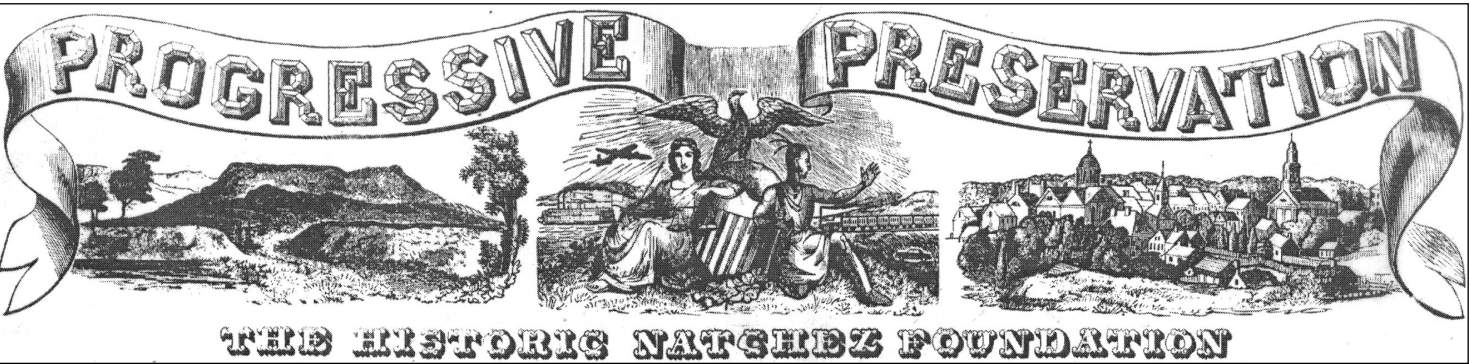
The workshop was conducted by Jason Church (above left) of the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, which also sponsored the event. The workshop included classroom instruction at the Natchez Institute and laboratory work at the Natchez City Cemetery.

The workshop emphasized the damage that can be inflicted by using harsh

cleaning methods like chlorine bleach. An experienced stonemason attending the workshop likened a single cleaning with chlorine bleach to a century or more of age and weathering.

Above are four gravestones, before and after, cleaned properly with soft bristle brushes, low pressure water from a garden hose, and a biodegradable non-ionic cleaner [D/2 Biological Solution].

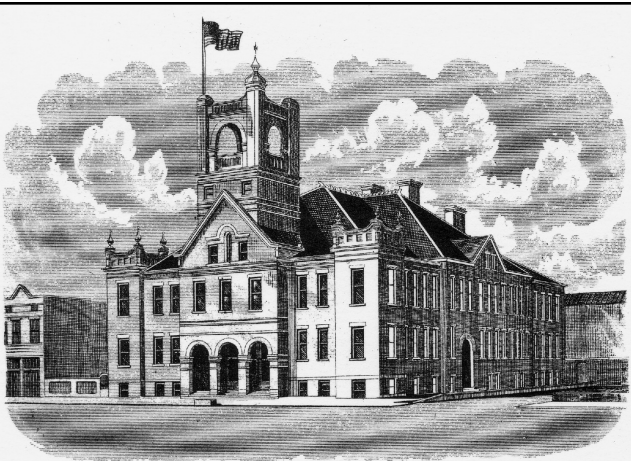
The cemetery preservation workshop was the first of several workshops designed to gauge interest in a historic preservation program at Copiah-Lincoln Community College's Natchez campus. The workshop was limited to forty participants and filled immediately.



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HNF Hosts Annual Meeting on January 24



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Cocktail Reception

Natchez Institute
108 South Commerce Street

Preview of St. Catherine Street Trail Panels

Reception
5:30 p.m.

Awards & Election
6:45 p.m.

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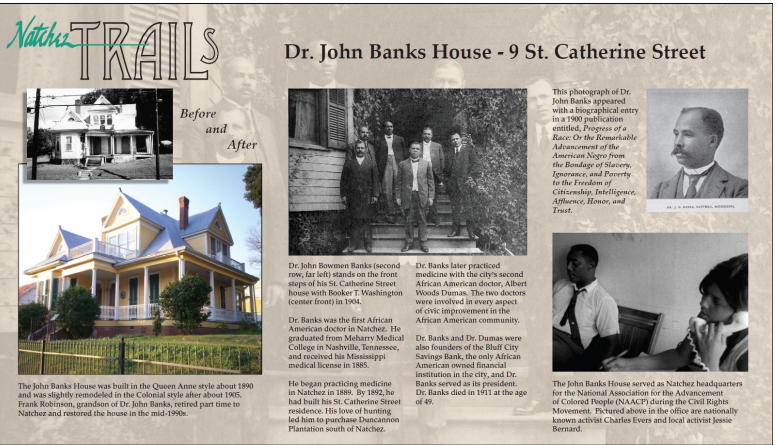
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The Historic Natchez Foundation and the City of Natchez will offer a preview of the St. Catherine Street trails panels at the foundation's annual meeting on Thursday, January 24, 2013.

On exhibit will be about thirty new trails panels to be installed after completion of a city enhancement project that includes new sidewalks, lighting, and landscape along St. Catherine Street, a major corridor into the city.

Members of the community will be able to take a short stroll down the hallway of the Natchez Institute and see all the panels before they extend four-fifths of a mile along St. Catherine Street.

The Foundation invites members and non-members to attend its annual meeting. A cocktail reception at 5:30 p.m. precedes a short business meeting at 6:45 for awards and election of new board members.



The St. Catherine Street panels above and below are two of about thirty trails panels designed for the city by the Historic Natchez Foundation.



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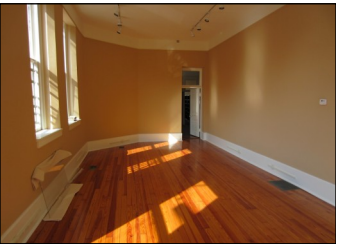
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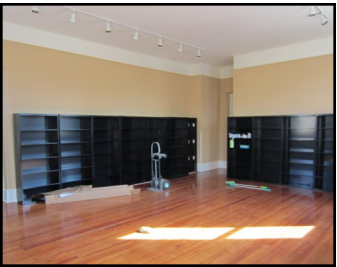
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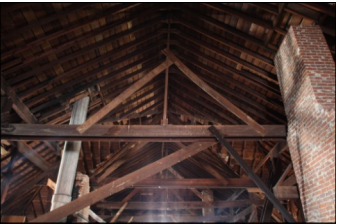
Your Dollars at Work at the Natchez Institute



Gone from five classrooms are the plywood wall paneling and suspended ceilings of the 1960s and 70s. Floors are now also refinished.



Also gone are most of the Celatex tiles with asbestos glue that pre-dated the suspended ceilings. Track lighting has been installed in all five rooms.



Gone are the myriad of partitions that divided large classrooms into office cubicles for school administrators. Nearing completion is a library and research room.



Mostly gone is a century of evidence in the attic of the love that pigeons have for old buildings.

Work continues on the development of archival and museum storage in the basement, including plans for fire suppression and climate control systems.

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Wyolah Hosts Pillar Donors

In September, donors who are HNF Pillars of Support enjoyed cocktails, supper, and a tour at Wyolah in Church Hill through the generosity of owner Tate Taylor who directed the movie *The Help*.



Taylor is undertaking a major restoration of the property, which was substantially deteriorated but one of the most significant plantation complexes in the State of Mississippi. In addition to the two-story mansion house, other buildings include a doctor’s office, commissary, kitchen, carriage house, barn, and slave quarters.

Restoration contractor Tony DeAngeles (center) discusses the Wyolah restoration with (left to right) Helen Smith, Liz Dantone, and Mike and Sharon Blattner. On the far right is the restored doctor’s office.

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