



Historic Preservation Commission Newsletter

SHPO News

- **State Historic Preservation Board to meet April 24**

The North Dakota State Historic Preservation Review Board will meet Friday, April 24 at 10 a.m. at the North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck. The meeting is open to the public. Board members will consider Trinity Lutheran Church in Grant County and the residence at 1019 Reeves Drive in Grand Forks for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The board will also consider an update to the nomination information for Double Ditch State Historic Site in Burleigh County based on recent years' archaeological findings at the site. Double Ditch was originally listed in the National Register in 1979.

Regional News

- **State by state information on the stimulus package funding**

Preservation Nation's Perfect Storm page includes a state-by-state list of the projects from the American recovery and Reinvestment Act.

<http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/public-policy/perfect-storm/>

- **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) was signed into law on February 17, 2009 and www.recovery.gov will provide information on the progress of recovery projects and programs. The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) has created a web section with information about the Recovery Act and how it relates to historic preservation. www.achp.gov/recovery

- **NTHP Mountain Plains Office Newsletter**

<http://www.preservationnation.org/about-us/regional-offices/mountains-plains/>

The National Trust's regional and field offices bring the programs and tools of the National Trust to communities across the country. They offer technical services and financial assistance to support local, state and regional preservation efforts. Regional offices provide educational programming, organize member volunteer opportunities, and advocate for preservation-friendly public policies at the local, state and national level. Regional offices also provide key leadership to address issues that affect historic places at the regional or national level, such as saving historic schools, fighting sprawl, or slowing the teardown trend.

Grant Opportunities

- **Save America's Treasures**

Applications for National Park Service Save America's Treasures grants are now available. The program is one of the largest and most successful grant programs for the protection of our nation's irreplaceable and endangered cultural heritage. Grants are available for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant intellectual and cultural artifacts and historic structures and sites. Eligible applicants include federal, state, local, and tribal government entities, and nonprofit organizations. The competitive matching-grant

program is administered by the National Park Service in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities. Guidelines and more information are online. Application deadline: May 22. <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/treasures/index.htm>

- **NEH Preservation Assistance Grants**

Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions help small and mid-sized institutions, such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, town and county records offices, and colleges, improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections. Awards of up to \$6,000 support preservation related collection assessments, consultations, training and workshops, and institutional and collaborative disaster and emergency planning. Grants cover consultant fees, workshop registration fees, related travel and per diem expenses, and the costs of purchasing and shipping preservation supplies and equipment. More information is online. Application deadline: May 14. <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/pag.html>

Preservation Web Links

- **Preservation North Dakota** - www.prairieplaces.org
- **Advisory Council on Historic Preservation** - www.achp.gov
- **NPS Preservation Briefs** – www.nps.gov/history/hps/tps/briefs/presbhom.htm

Upcoming Events

- **April 27 – June 8** Amy Munson will be on maternity leave.
- **May 2009** Historic Preservation Month
 - **Sunday May 3** Gary Petri presents “Myths of Energy Efficiency and Older Buildings”, Heritage Center, Bismarck ND
 - **Sunday May 9** Historic Preservation Workshop, Heritage Center, Bismarck, ND Workshop will feature 7 sessions: tool information, paint removal, rot stop & wood, winterizing and weather-stripping, tiling, refinishing varnished wood, and when not to repair or replace (how imperfections tell the story of the house)
- **May 1-3** Preservation North Dakota Conference & Workshop, Bismarck, ND <http://www.prairieplaces.org/>
- **May 16** State Historic Sites open for the season
- **May 18** Free Admission to the State Historic Sites to celebrate National Museum Day