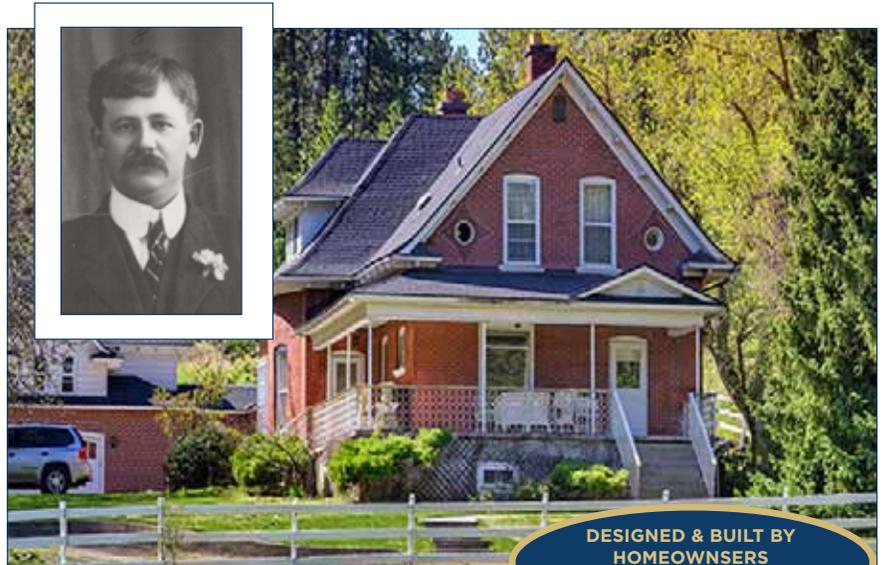


JOHN & ALICE COOK FARMHOUSE • 3609 WEST THORPE ROAD • LATAH VALLEY

Erected 117 years ago in 1905, the historic John & Alice Cook Farmhouse at 3609 West Thorpe Road is one of the oldest remaining brick homes built in the forested foothills of Latah Valley, southwest of Spokane. The property is owned by longtime SPA preservation advocate, Dinah Carlson, and was listed on the Spokane Register of Historic Places in 1999 as one of the finest historic landmarks in Spokane County.

In the late 1800s, a young Englishman named John Cook relocated to Spokane with his family, and began working as a millwright and carpenter. By age nineteen, John was employed as a brick mason and bricklayer for the Western Bridge Company in Spokane. He married Alice Bump, and together they bought nine acres of undeveloped rocky, hilly forest land along Thorpe Road for \$600. John and Alice designed and built a home on their acreage, and when construction was completed, John put "1905"



Handsome Latah Valley brick farmhouse and (Inset) portrait of John Cook.

DESIGNED & BUILT BY
HOMEOWNERS
JOHN & ALICE COOK

above the front porch to indicate the property's built date.

John Cook designed his house in the graceful Free Classic Queen Anne style, and constructed his home with bricks. This was no surprise as he was by 1905, an accomplished bricklayer ~ so accomplished and successful that he worked for two of the most prominent building contractors in Spokane, Frederick Phair and J.W. Forrest. In 1909, he was appointed Phair's foreman in charge of bricklayers, and in 1911, Cook was named Secretary of the Inland Empire Mining & Milling Company. Some of the buildings erected by building contractors Phair & Forrest at the time they employed John Cook, included the Masonic Temple, Paulsen Building, the Spokane Club, and San Marco Apartments.

John & Alice Cook lived in the Cook Farmhouse until Alice Cook's death in 1914. John then sold the property and moved to Spokane.

Subsequent property owners included various farmers, a teacher, a railroad timekeeper, and a machinist. The John & Alice Cook House has been well-maintained and is a tangible testament to the artistry, perseverance, skill, and craftsmanship of the home's first resident homeowner, professional Spokane carpenter and brick mason, John Cook.

Spokane Preservation Advocates extends a huge thank you to hostess, Dinah Carlson, for her extraordinary property stewardship and for inviting us all to enjoy the Cook Farmhouse and surrounding landscape!

● LINDA YEOMANS • Preservation Specialist

**SPA AUTUMN MEMBERSHIP
MEETING ● SEPTEMBER 13, 2022**

**PLEASE JOIN SPA
AT THE HISTORIC
COOK FARMHOUSE
3609 WEST THORP ROAD**

TUESDAY, SEPT. 13 ● 5:30-7:30 PM

Members and guests are encouraged to bring wine or an hors d'oeuvre to share.

**THIS SPA AUTUMN EVENT IS
COMPLIMENTARY**

DIRECTIONS ● From Interstate 90, take the Colfax-Pullman exit and travel south 2 miles to Thorpe Road junction. Turn west, follow road through historic tunnels uphill to property on south side of road. Watch for SPA sign and balloons.

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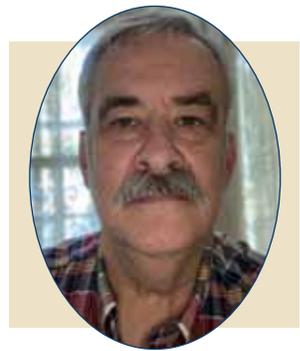
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SEPTEMBER MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER, PHIL OGDEN



SPA Treasurer, Phil Ogden

● OUR MOVE TO SPOKANE ~ My wife Jennifer, three young sons and I moved to Spokane in 2005 and became devoted custodians of the Wolfe-Trunkey house in the Historic Rockwood neighborhood ~ and members of SPA. I'm recently retired after nearly 31 years of anesthesiology practice, the last 17 at Providence hospitals in Spokane.

● MOVES ALL OVER THE U.S.A. ~ Though a native of the Evergreen State descended from pioneers of Thurston and Lewis Counties, I grew up all over the country courtesy of my dad's career with Weyerhaeuser. My interest in history was piqued as a second-grader in Plymouth, NC, by old letters my dad showed me that detailed our family's ancestry back to another Plymouth in 1621. He also explained how the first of our ancestors, my gr-gr-gr-grandfather came to Washington Territory after striking out in the California goldrush, and made a homestead claim at what is now Tenino, before sending for his wife, daughter, and brother-in-law after Governor Steven's War.

● FINDING HISTORY ~ I returned to the Pacific Northwest for college and medical school, then on to Boston for my anesthesiology residency. There I took advantage of a weekend off and looked for cemeteries in the towns mentioned in that old letter my dad had shown me 20 years before. The first one I came to in the town of Halifax, MA, proved to be the final resting spot of several generations of ancestors. The tallest monument there was one specifically mentioned in the letter, erected to the memory of my gr-gr-gr-grandparents' three oldest children who died in the 1840s, but there was no money for a headstone until my gr-gr-gr-granduncle, a bachelor and Chehalis pioneer, left money for a monument in memory of his nephews in the 1890s. Subsequent weekends off took me to the old Plymouth, MA, colony; Pomfret, CT; and Stockbridge, VT ~ all places associated with my ancestors ~ and was struck by how much history is to be found in place like cemeteries, old homes and churches, or archived as newspaper articles, vital records, or homestead boundary lines on maps in local libraries.

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AUTUMN SPA ADVOCACY UPDATE

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● **THE SECOND QUARTER** ~ The second quarter of 2022 has been a study in contrasts. While very little activity has taken place with respect to the ongoing Chancery Building saga, there has been a tremendous amount of activity at the city on housing policy, as well as growing momentum for the establishment of a Cannon Streetcar Suburb Historic District.

● **THE HISTORIC CHANCERY BUILDING** ~ No news is good news? In this case we certainly hope so. If you recall from our previous update, we are waiting for the city to determine whether the demolition of the Chancery Building, as proposed, would have a significant impact on the integrity of the National Register-listed Riverside Avenue Historic District. While no official determination has been made at this time, we are hearing that there is the potential that some in City Hall may be willing to acknowledge the significant detrimental impact of the proposed demolition. Doing so would trigger a long, costly process for the property owner and would significantly delay the project. In addition, we are also aware of ongoing conversations between the property owners and at least two potential buyers, so there is continued cautious optimism that this unfortunate situation may yet find a positive resolution.

● **HOUSING POLICY UPDATES** ~ In late June, the City Council unanimously approved a one-year pilot project aimed at spurring more, and more varied, housing production around the city in response to the ongoing housing crisis. Among other things, this project allows for the construction of rowhomes and fourplexes in all residential districts. What impacts these changes may have on historic neighborhoods is unclear given the current high costs involved, but it is clear some things will change. The city plans to do significant public outreach during this pilot project and there will be opportunities to make your voice heard as permanent changes to housing policies are considered. SPA will be heavily engaged and will make our members aware of all public comment opportunities.

● **CANNON STREETCAR SUBURB HISTORIC DISTRICT** ~ The COVID-stalled effort to establish a Cannon Streetcar Suburb Historic District has gained new momentum thanks to a group of engaged citizens who have volunteered to build support, collect ballots, and print yard signs. SPA is excited to be providing support to this group's excellent efforts! Official ballots will be mailed out September 15th, 2022, so we hope to have exciting news that this long-overdue district has finally been created in our next newsletter.

● JESSE BANK • ADVOCACY CHAIR



The Historic Chancery Building - East of Our Lady of Lourdes Cathedral on Riverside Avenue among other prestigious buildings.



The Spokane City Council approved a pilot project in June for the construction of rowhomes and other more varied housing.

SPA'S HERITAGE GRANTS UPCOMING DEADLINE • OCTOBER 1, 2022

For information about our grant applications, please visit our website at www.spokanepreservation.org. Go to the "Preserve" page and down to "Heritage Grants." At the bottom of that section you will find links to the two types of available grant applications. For more information about the Heritage Grant Program, call Dave Shockley at 509.344.1065.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE AUTUMN UPDATE



The William J. and Ina Ballard House with its unusual "peanut brittle" masonry application.



Walking tour group pausing in front of the Looff Carousel structure at Riverfront Park.



Another walking tour group in downtown Spokane taking advantage of the opportunity to learn more about the city.

HPO HAS BEEN BUSY ● The Historic Preservation Office has continued to list properties on the Spokane Register of Historic Places and conduct design review on buildings already listed on the Register.

Since the last newsletter, we have listed:

- Otto and Catherine Hansen House • 1220 West 11th Avenue
- The Breslin Apartments • 729 South Bernard Street

TWO NOMINATIONS ● We will be reviewing two more nominations to the Register at our August 17 meeting:

- The Dwinell House and Fallout Shelter • 504 West 19th Avenue ~ a 1941 house that includes an intact 1961 Cold War fallout shelter
- The William J. and Ina Ballard House • 2624 North Wall Street ~ the architect and founder of the Ballard Plannery's own home with a unique "peanut brittle" masonry application

CANNON STREETCAR SUBURB HISTORIC DISTRICT

● The HPO held three meetings with property owners in the proposed Cannon Streetcar Suburb Historic District over the summer.

We are excited that several of the owners have banded together to form a neighborhood committee to help get the word out on the district. At this point, they are aiming for ballots to be mailed September 15 with a final decision 60 days later. More information can be found on our website: www.historicspokane.org/cannon.

EAST CENTRAL CULTURAL AND HISTORIC SURVEY PROJECT

● We continue to work on the East Central Cultural and Historic Survey Project. For more information, see <https://www.historicspokane.org/projects/east-central-neighborhood>.

MAY WAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

● Historic Preservation Month (May 2022) was a great success! The Historic Preservation Office offered several downtown walking tours to the public, as well as some specifically for City and County staff.

By the end of May, we estimated that we toured nearly 300 people around downtown and the Corbin Park/Emerson-Garfield neighborhood. The success of these tours has provided the inspiration we needed as staff to periodically make these tours available to the public.

STAY TUNED FOR FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES TO JOIN US ON ONE OF OUR WALKING TOURS!

● MEGAN DUVALL • SPOKANE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER

SPA's 7TH ANNUAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

On November 6th, 2022, Spokane Preservation Advocates will honor eleven members of our community who have made exceptional contributions to our collective heritage at our 7th Annual Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony. This year is special because the awards ceremony has been postponed for the last two COVID years. Be sure to attend to hear more about each award and the contributions of these people and organizations.

SPA invites you to join us for the Historic Preservation Awards on Sunday, November 6th at the Montvale Event Center at 1017 West 1st Avenue. The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a social hour of hors d'oeuvres and no-host beverages before the ceremony. This is a complimentary event. This year's award recipients are as follows:

- **PRESERVATION AND EDUCATION AWARD ~ Warren Seyler, Spokane Tribe • Tribal History Curriculum Developer**

This award is given to an individual or group who have dedicated efforts to educate and inform while upholding the mission of historic preservation.

- **PRESERVATION MEDIA AWARD ~ Don Hamilton and Lorna St. John**

This award is given for completed efforts to educate the public about preservation through websites, interpretive signage, books, smartphone apps, and exhibits or articles.

- **URBAN RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION AWARD ~ Jim Kolva and Pat Sullivan**

This award acknowledges those who have dedicated considerable time, energy, research and resources to restoring a building structure and/or site.

- **URBAN COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION AWARD ~ Genesee Building • Craven Company, LLC, Michael Craven**

This award is for outstanding rehabilitation and for exemplary, long-term preservation of one or more of Spokane's historic buildings, structures or sites.

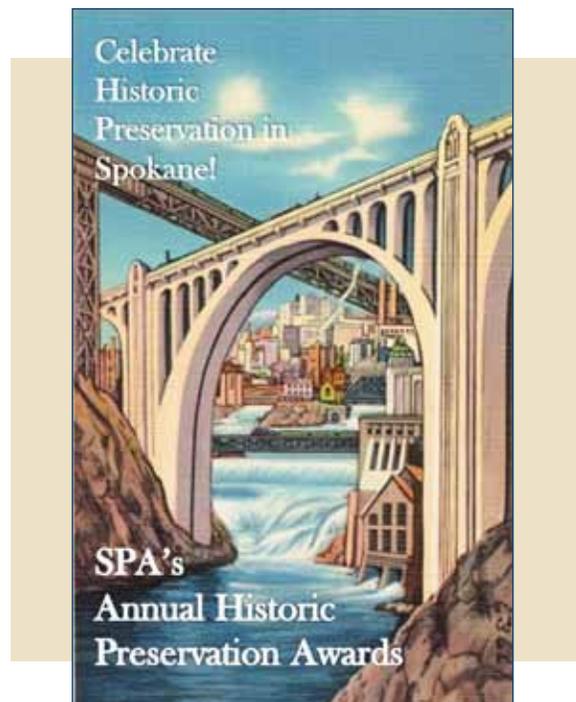
- **CORPORATE REHABILITATION AWARD ~ Otis Hotel • Curtis and Mariajose Rystadt**

This award is given for exemplary long-term preservation of one or more of Spokane's or Spokane County's historic buildings.

- **ANN PRICE ADVOCACY AWARD ~ Karen Dorn Steele**

This award honors individuals who have demonstrated leadership and dedication advocating for our local and state historic preservation communities.

- **NEIGHBORHOOD ADVOCACY AWARD ~ Katherine Fritchie**



This award honors those who have demonstrated dedication and perseverance in advocating for the historic preservation of buildings and sites that define a neighborhood's character.

- **CULTURAL AWARD ~ German American Society of Spokane**

This award is given for buildings or sites displaying cultural significance, diversity and accomplishments in our community.

- **SPA Founders' Volunteer of the Year Award ~ Gary Lauerman**

This award recognizes an individual who goes above and beyond carrying out our mission to advocate, educate and preserve.

- **LEGACY AWARD ~ Ron Tan, FAIA**

This award recognizes an individual whose influence, ideals and activities throughout a lifetime has left a lasting, positive impression on the community and raises the standard of excellence for future generations.

- **JOANNE MOYER AWARD ~ Betsy Godlewski**

This award honors individuals or organizations that have demonstrated dedication, perseverance and outstanding educational goals for preserving our community's historic character.

The awards ceremony will be emceed by SPA Board Advisor and Past President Bridget Piper. SPA looks forward to your attendance at the event.

If you have questions, please contact Dave Shockley at 509.344.1065, or by email to preservationsspokane@gmail.com

● DAVE SHOCKLEY • EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR
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“Art from the Attic” Sale

Proceeds go towards upkeep and maintenance of the Moore-Turner Heritage Gardens

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Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022
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507 West 7th Avenue
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PLUS THESE OTHER BUSINESSES



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● **WHAT PRESERVATION MEANS TO ME** ~ I get it. Without the preservation efforts of others, I would not have much to discover. Without intentional upkeep, buildings and monuments of decades and centuries past would have crumbled. Without archiving and indexing, events of previous generations would fade with memory. Thus my family and I live in and care for a 1912 prairie-style creation of architect Earl Morrison, built two years after he finished high school. We learn about Conrad Wolfe, a self-made millionaire and over-zealous mine promoter whose wife Paulina Koch died at 36, and Harvey and Mary Trunkey, wholesale grocers who fed timber and mining camps and stocked shelves of Spokane’s corner groceries of a hundred years ago ~ the first two families to live in this place we call home.

Since becoming SPA’s treasurer in 2021 I’ve become aware of the importance of its social underpinnings as our usual fundraisers ~ gala auction in the spring, home tours in fall ~ were severely curtailed by the pandemic. Thanks to emergency federal support for non-profits and loyal membership, we’ve continued our mission, including on-line lectures, calling attention to threatened properties, and awarding grants through recent lean years. It was wonderful to be there, in-person, for the return of our gala at Barrister Winery in April.

I look forward to more live events in the months to come.

PLEASE JOIN US!

● PHIL OGDEN • SPA Treasurer

MAY 10 THROUGH AUGUST 19, 2022

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