

NEW BERN PRESERVATION FOUNDATION



NEWSLETTER

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PRESERVING NEW BERN ONE BRICK AT A TIME

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Foundation continues its mission to protect and preserve the architectural heritage of New Bern and the surrounding area. In this newsletter, we highlight current projects, upcoming events, and ways to stay connected.

6 SISTERS

Did you know the New Bern Preservation Foundation has successfully rescued over 70 historic buildings in New Bern over the last 53 years? The "6 Sisters" project is a current example of the Foundation's effort to protect and preserve the architectural heritage of New Bern. In May 2024 we purchased six homes on N. Pasteur Street, dubbed the "6 Sisters," for the purpose of adding protective covenants to the exteriors of the historic homes and subdividing them into single-family owner-occupied dwellings. The houses were built in 1923 following the Great Fire of 1922. We are happy to share the news that the houses have now been successfully subdivided, protective covenants are in place, and they will be offered for sale as owner-occupied properties. If you are interested in more information regarding the 6 Sisters, please email info@NewBernPF.org.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Thank you,
King & Lasso!

Your generous donation of \$10,000 will help us greatly with our mission to preserve our shared historical architecture for future generations.

STAY CONNECTED

Follow the Foundation on social media for the latest news and event updates:
Instagram: [@preservernewbern](https://www.instagram.com/preservernewbern)
Facebook: New Bern Preservation Foundation
Website: NewBernPF.org
For questions or to share your preservation story, contact info@NewBernPF.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL MEETING

Vote for our 2026 Board Members at our Annual Meeting on December 9, 2025. Details regarding the event and ballot will be released soon.

ANTIQUE SHOW & SALE

Mark your calendars! Our **39th Annual Antique Show & Sale**, the Foundation's signature fundraiser, is scheduled for **February 5-8, 2026**. The 2026 show will feature 25 dealers with curated antiques, vintage items including lighting and handbags, jewelry, and garden items. All proceeds support the preservation of our town's unique architectural heritage. This year, in addition to our wonderful dealers, we have multiple restoration experts, an appraisal session where guests can bring in timeless treasures to learn more about their value, and a Preservation Speaker Session featuring Robert Leath and Beth Yarbrough. See the back page for details regarding the events with Robert and Beth during our antique show. Stay connected on our social media to see how you can be a part of our signature fundraiser.

PRESERVATION TIPS

- Inspect historic woodwork for signs of rot or insect damage each season.
- Document changes to your historic property with photos and notes.

Robert Leath

*Executive Director of the Edenton Historical Commission
and the Elizabeth Vann Moore Foundation*

Back by popular demand, our featured Preservation Speaker is Robert Leath. Robert's work has guided restorations of some of the South's most significant historical sites including Colonial Williamsburg, Old Salem, and Hayes.

Robert will be sharing the preservation miracle of the 1758 **Cupola House** in Edenton, NC. In 2024, over a century after it was removed, the original 18th-century carved woodwork from the Cupola House, one of the South's finest colonial-era homes, returned to its home. Don't miss a captivating lecture titled "Restoring a North Carolina Masterpiece: Edenton's Cupola House" with incredible restoration pictures on Saturday, Feb. 7th, at 10 am.



Beth Yarbrough

*Author, Artist, and Founder of
Southern Voice*

We're thrilled to welcome Beth Yarbrough, founder of ***Southern Voice***, artist, and author of "*The Grassroots Guide to Saving What Matters: Historic Preservation for Everyday People*" as a guest speaker at our Preservation Session. Beth has become one of the South's most beloved "armchair enthusiasts" for the cause of historic preservation capturing the beauty and spirit of the South's historic homes through her writing and art. Come be inspired, meet Beth in person, and get an autographed copy of her newest book about saving the places that make our communities unique on Saturday, Feb. 7th, at 1 pm.



We hope to see you at our 39th Annual Antique Show & Sale!
Tickets available now at <https://NewBernPF.org>

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