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**2008 Annual Report of the
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Executive Summary

The Department of Planning (MDP) is pleased to transmit the 2008 Annual Report of the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT), including information on the MHT Loan Program, the MHT Historic Preservation Grant Program, and the MHT Museum Assistance Program. This report is submitted in accordance with the requirements of State Finance Article §5A-318(c)(16), State Finance Article §5A-327(m), State Finance Article §5A-328(l), and State Finance Article §5A-353(c).

Maryland Historical Trust programs promote the preservation and interpretation of historic resources and cultural traditions throughout the State. Throughout the year, MHT staff continued emphasizing growth management, neighborhood revitalization, and economic development through heritage tourism as agency priorities. Noteworthy activities for 2008 include:

MHT Receives Transportation Enhancement Funds for Archeology Synthesis Project

In 2007, funded by a \$90,000 grant from the MHT Board of Trustees, MHT archeologists embarked on a program to synthesize archeological data documented in numerous cultural resources management (CRM) reports produced during various compliance projects undertaken over the past several decades. In 2008, the Maryland State Highway Administration's Transportation Enhancement Program supplemented this project with a \$135,000 grant that provides for the services of a contractual archeologist to synthesize the archeological data from past transportation-related projects. Products for the project include capsule summaries of the CRM reports, a database for managing the data, and, ultimately, two overview books, *Prehistory of Maryland* and *Archeology of Early Colonial Maryland*. Current funding is in place through July 2011, although it is anticipated that aspects of the project will continue beyond that date.

Heritage Areas Program Receives Preserve America Grant to Complete Strategic Plan

The Maryland Heritage Areas Program, recognized with a Preserve America Presidential Award in 2007, was created in 1996 to help communities use heritage tourism to strengthen their economies through the development, protection, and promotion of local cultural, historical, and natural resources. Over time, this system of heritage areas has enjoyed a period of steady growth, enthusiastic private and public support, and a record of achievement. In 2007, the National Park Service announced the award of a \$75,000 Preserve America grant to the Maryland Historical Trust for development of a strategic plan for the Heritage Areas Program designed to:

- Assess progress made in accomplishing the purposes of the Program's authorizing legislation and goals to date;
- Analyze the strengths and challenges of the Program's organizational framework and identify the critical ingredients for sustaining success;
- Develop Program performance measures (existing measures have proven difficult/infeasible to collect); and,
- Identify concrete strategies with short, mid, and long term implementation steps that will permit the program to advance its tourism and preservation agenda over the next 5 to 10 years.

In the spring of 2008, the contract for this project was awarded to the National Trust for Historic Preservation Heritage Tourism Program and Southern Field Office in partnership with The HTC Group, Inc., and Digital Research, Inc. Work continued on the Heritage Area Strategic Plan throughout the remainder of 2008. The final plan document is scheduled to be delivered to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority in the fall of 2009. The results of this planning project are expected to be a re-invigorated and more intensely focused Maryland Heritage Areas Program which is prepared to meet the challenge of managing and sustaining a mature system of state heritage areas.

Wicomico County Architectural History Book Published

The Maryland Historical Trust Press, in partnership with the Preservation Trust of Wicomico published *At the Crossroads: The Architectural History of Wicomico County, Maryland* by Paul Baker Touart. This project, funded through several Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grants, highlights over ten years of exhaustive research into the county's valuable historic resources. With beautiful color images and copious illustrations, this 632-page volume will serve as a guide to the county's architecture for years to come.

JPPM North American Grand Tactical Great Success

The international North American Grand Tactical was held at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum on September 20 and 21, 2008. About 550 re-enactors from the United States, Canada and Great Britain participated, along with several tall ships. Visitor attendance totaled approximately 4500 people at the events and tall ship tours. The event has received rave reviews from the re-enactor community, noting the quality of Maryland's hospitality, the event organization and the beautiful location. The great success of this event should make attracting 1812 re-enactors back to Maryland for the upcoming Bicentennial events much easier. The event was sponsored by Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, the Friends of Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, and the Calvert Marine Museum, with valuable support provided by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory Receives Gift of Archaeological Collection

Collections from the Horn Point archaeological site (18DO58) were accepted by the Maryland Archeological Conservation Laboratory in September. This late 17th-early 18th century collection is one of the few colonial assemblages that exists from the Eastern Shore and will be of great value to researchers interested in colonial Maryland. Ownership of this collection was officially transferred from University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Horn Point Laboratory to the Maryland Historical Trust.

Native American Human Remains Working Group Formed

The Working Group on Native American Human Remains held their first meeting on October 2, 2008, at the People's Resource Center in Crownsville. The Working Group arose out of a November 2, 2007, plan for consultations between designees of MHT and the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA) on options for an alternative to the current Interim Appropriate Place of Repose for Native American human remains currently in the care of MHT at the Maryland Archeological Conservation Laboratory at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum in Calvert County. The plan was confirmed under a Memorandum of Understanding adopted and agreed to June 2, 2008, by the MHT, the MCIA, and the Maryland Department of Planning. All ten designees were in attendance, as were several members of the public. The meeting was productive, defining the positions of all participants, and setting the ground work for future discussions. Meetings will occur monthly into 2009.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

The Maryland Historical Trust (MHT, Trust) is the official State Historic Preservation Office for Maryland. The Director of MHT, J. Rodney Little, also serves as the State Historic Preservation Officer (for purposes of the National Historic Preservation Act). MHT has been working to identify, evaluate, interpret, protect, and enhance heritage resources throughout Maryland since its creation in 1961. The mission of the Trust is to preserve and interpret the legacy of Maryland's past. Through research, conservation, and education, the Maryland Historical Trust assists the people of Maryland in understanding their historical and cultural heritage.

I. IDENTIFICATION AND EVALUATION

A. Architectural Research & Survey Program

Research and survey are the foundation of all preservation activity. These activities develop the data that comprises the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties, a broad-based catalog of historic resources throughout the state. The Inventory consists of written, photographic, cartographic and other graphic documentation of over 140,000 historic districts, buildings, structures and sites that serve as a physical record of Maryland history. The Inventory is constantly expanding through contributions from the Research and Survey Unit's Statewide Architectural Survey Program, which works with county and local governments and other institutions to identify and document historic resources.

In 2008 the MHT Research and Survey staff reviewed and administered ongoing Non-Capital and CLG grant projects including: county-wide comprehensive surveys in Dorchester, Howard and Queen Anne's counties; a study of African American experience in Mid-Maryland during the Civil War; a historic context of Rosenwald schools; a statewide assessment of National Register archaeological sites; a remote sensing archaeological survey of Western Maryland landscapes, documentation of significant and threatened tobacco barns in Southern Maryland; and preparation of manuscripts for a history of Annapolis, and architectural histories of Charles, St. Mary's, and Wicomico counties.

MHT added 595 standing structures and survey districts to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties in 2008. Information on 199 standing structures and survey districts was updated. Overall, 16,366 acres were surveyed to determine the presence of historical and cultural resources.

Other activities undertaken by the by the Research and Survey Unit include:

⇒ Providing assistance to state agencies, through the State-Owned Cultural Resource Assessment Program, including: documenting two log slave quarters associated with the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Elkridge Furnace Inn; providing analysis and guidance to DNR's Curatorship Program; advising the Maryland School of the Deaf on the maintenance and restoration of the Hessian Barracks; and documenting the Connemara spring house and barns for the State Highways Administration.

⇒ Continuing to provide assistance to the Department of General Services and the State House Trust on matters related to the Maryland State House. In 2008, MHT staff continued work on Phase II of the Historic Structures Report, focusing on documentary research and conducted Phase III which included an investigation of the historic fabric of the building. Staff focused on areas of the building that were made accessible by the HVAC/Piping project which closed down the State House for eight months. In 2009, focus will shift to synthesizing information gleaned from phases II and III.

⇒ Providing guidance and expertise on major restoration and documentation projects including the Goshen House, Maryland State House, National Sailing Hall of Fame (Anne Arundel County), Benjamin Banneker Cabin, Connemarra, (Baltimore County); Linchester Mill (Caroline County); Stitely Reed House (Frederick County); Blandair, Doughoregan Manor, Mt. Hebron (Howard County); Josias Henson House, Riley House (Montgomery County); Bostwick, Claggett Farm, His Lordship's Kindness, Melwood Park (Prince George's County); Bloomingdale, (Queen Anne's County); Dameron House (St. Mary's County) Londonderry, Wye House Orangery (Talbot County); and the Price-Miller House (Washington County).

B. Terrestrial Archeology Research and Survey Program

The staff of the Terrestrial Archeology Program provides the professional expertise in identification, documentation, and evaluation of archeological sites, which is legislatively mandated. The identification and evaluation of archeological sites plays a key role in fulfilling MHT's other mandates to undertake and direct fundamental research; to encourage the preservation of sites; to cooperate in the scientific excavation of sites when warranted; to cooperate with museums and educational institutions, and, to establish educational programs to train interested members of the public.

In 2008, the Terrestrial Program staff participated in fieldwork and research in the middle Potomac River valley (including excavations at the Late Woodland Claggett Retreat village site, in cooperation with the Archeological Society of Maryland and American University) and at Port Tobacco (an important Colonial center in Southern Maryland, in cooperation with the Archeological Society of Maryland and Gibb Archaeological Consulting). Staff continued the Archeological Survey and Registration program to identify and document important sites in Maryland with the testing of the Susquehanna Canal Locks site in Cecil County (early 19th century) and the Grieb Site in Kent County (a 17th century Eastern Shore dwelling and store site). They also began the new National Register Archeological Site Testing Program with work at the Shoemaker Site (a Late Woodland site in extreme northeastern Frederick County) and continued to offer classes and workshops in archeological skills and knowledge as part of the Certified Archeological Technician program. In addition, the staff managed Non-Capital grants for survey and field testing in Baltimore City, Anne Arundel and Kent counties.

Using \$90,000 provided by the Maryland Historical Trust's Board of Trustees, in 2007 Office of Research Survey and Registration (ORSR) archeologists embarked on a program to synthesize archeological data documented in numerous cultural resources management (CRM) reports produced over the past several decades. In 2008, the Maryland State Highway Administration's Transportation Enhancement Program (TEP) supplemented this project with a \$135,000 grant. MHT Board and SHA TEP funds will provide for services of contractual archeologists for four person-years. Products for the project include capsule summaries of the CRM reports, a database for managing the data, and, ultimately, two overview books, *Prehistory of Maryland* and *Archeology of Early Colonial Maryland*.

Staff also continued a project to acquire the records and artifacts from, and prepare a report on, the 1970 University of Maryland excavations on Heaters Island. The island is now the property of the Department of Natural Resources, and the work is being done as part of the MHT State-Owned Cultural Resources Assessment Program. Completion of the report is expected in 2009.

In 2008, 206 historic and prehistoric terrestrial and underwater archeological sites were added to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties. Information on 97 historic and prehistoric terrestrial and underwater archeological sites was updated. Overall, 38,016 acres were surveyed to determine the presence of historical and cultural resources.

C. Underwater Archeology Research and Survey Program

The staff of the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program (MMAAP) actively document Maryland's maritime and submerged historic resources and offer extensive training and education programs and hands-on training experiences in the field and lab. In the safety arena, the Underwater Program assists in relocating areas hazardous to commercial and recreational mariners, and reporting those locations to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for their Automated Wreck and Obstruction Information System. Staff continued to work with the Coast Guard and Environmental Protection Agency to develop the Area Contingency Plan mandated by the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation and the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers to guide Maryland's emergency response in the event of spills of oil or other materials potentially hazardous to submerged and riparian archeological historic properties. The program also participates in and acts as coordinator/facilitator for projects that involve broad partnerships with federal agencies such as the National Park Service (NPS), the Navy, NOAA and state agencies such as Maryland's Department of Natural Resources and Department of the Environment.

In 2008, the program provided oversight for two Non-Capital grants to nonprofit organization searching for and documenting submerged archeological historic properties in the Potomac River and Bodkin Creek, as well as

provided field session training opportunities for other nonprofit volunteer organizations. MMAP is also overseeing a Non-Capital Grant to a nonprofit organization for the development of a restoration and business plan for the skipjack *Flora Price*, which is listed on the National Register. In addition, staff served on NOAA's Monitor Sanctuary Advisory Council, continued to serve on the Advisory Council for Underwater Archaeology and acted in various advisory capacities to museums and groups throughout the State.

MMAP worked with volunteer divers from the Institute for Maritime History (IMH) who continued to utilize data provided by NOAA to locate and record sites on a region-by-region basis. IMH volunteers also provided assistance in managing and monitoring the U-1105 Historic Shipwreck Preserve. IMH took over these responsibilities from the Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society (MAHS). MAHS continues to provide introductory underwater archeology training to volunteer divers in partnership with the Maryland Historical Trust.

In 2008, the Program completed 16,951 acres (>20 square miles; >600 linear miles) of electronic remote sensing survey off Maryland's eastern seaboard through a \$42,000 contract with the Department of Natural Resources' Coastal Zone Management Program. The area includes resources between the Ocean City Inlet and halfway to the Virginia State line and from one mile offshore to the State's three-mile limit. A comparable contract is being drafted to complete the survey in Maryland's Atlantic waters to the Virginia State line from the one-mile mark to the three-mile limit (approximately 20 square miles).

MMAP had several meetings with staff from the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) to discuss increased coordination, and ways to integrate cultural and historic resources into emergency-response activities. MMAP, MEMA, and FEMA are working on renewing a Programmatic Agreement that expired in 2008, that will assist in creating products that will assist in decreasing the impact of emergency-response activities on significant historical properties within Maryland.

Staff processed 618 maritime-related applications and spoke at numerous engagements on the State's work to preserve and protect its submerged cultural heritage.

D. National Register of Historic Places

The National Register of Historic Places is a federal program designed to recognize properties significant in American history and culture. The Office of Research, Survey, and Registration administers the program in Maryland. During 2008, eighteen proposals to nominate Maryland properties to the National Register were reviewed by the Governor's Consulting Committee. Twenty-three nominations comprising a total of 4,261 contributing resources were forwarded to the National Park Service.

Noteworthy properties listed in the National Register during 2008 include historic districts representing a variety of cultural landscapes: dense urban neighborhoods in Allegany County and in Baltimore City; suburban communities in the Washington and Baltimore metro areas; a rural town in Washington County; an archeological site representing a community of enslaved African-Americans in Frederick County; the site of a Civil War skirmish in Allegany County; a covered bridge in Cecil County; a historic skipjack in Harford County; an outstanding example of Modern design in Montgomery County; and a range of eighteenth-, nineteenth-, and early twentieth-century houses, farms, and churches throughout the state.

In 2008, the National Park Service added seventeen Maryland individual properties and six historic districts to the National Register of Historic Places. The listed properties and districts include:

2008 NATIONAL REGISTER LISTINGS	
JURISDICTION	NATIONAL REGISTER LISTING
Allegany County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rolling Mill Historic District • Folck's Mill (site)
Anne Arundel County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skipworth's Addition (site) • Universal Lodge No. 14
Baltimore City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bellona – Gittings Historic District (also partially located in Baltimore County) • Park Circle Historic District • Riverside Historic District
Baltimore County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bellona – Gittings Historic District (also partially located in Baltimore City)
Carroll County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cold Saturday • Roop's Mill
Cecil County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gilpin's Falls Covered Bridge
Dorchester County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handsell
Frederick County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L'Hermitage Slave Village (site)
Harford County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skipjack <i>Martha Lewis</i>
Howard County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richland Farm • Round About Hills
Kent County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodland Hall
Montgomery County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carderock Springs Historic District • Seymour Krieger House
Prince George's County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Langley Park
Washington County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharpsburg Historic District • Tolson's Chapel
Worcester County	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makemie Memorial Presbyterian Church • St. Paul's By-the-Sea Protestant Episcopal Church

In addition, the National Register accepted Multiple Property Submissions on the following:

- Subdivisions by Edmund Bennett and Keyes, Lethbridge and Condon in Montgomery County, MD, 1956-1973
- Quaker Sites in the West River Meeting, Anne Arundel County, MD, c. 1650-1785

Additional documentation on the Pigtown Historic District, Baltimore City, was approved by the National Register.

II. PROTECTION

A. Review and Compliance Program

The Trust's Review and Compliance Program is a regulatory program that reviews state and federal undertakings to ensure that Maryland's important historic and archeological properties will not be adversely affected or destroyed by the actions of federal and state agencies or by entities receiving assistance from those agencies. Through consultation with the involved agencies, project sponsors, local governments, consultants, and the interested public – the Trust assists program users in fulfilling their historic preservation responsibilities and ensures the appropriate stewardship of Maryland's heritage resources. In 2008, Trust staff reviewed over 4,100 public undertakings pursuant to federal and state historic preservation legislation to assess the effects of those projects on historic and archeological properties. The consultation resulted in the development of 19 Memoranda of Agreement and 4 Programmatic Agreements to resolve the adverse effects of projects or programs on significant cultural resources and afford pertinent mitigation measures. Staff also provided extensive technical assistance to program clients through numerous meetings, site visits, telephone and email contacts, document reviews, agreement negotiations, participation in interagency working groups, and agency trainings.

The following table provides the breakdown of Compliance staff reviews in 2008:

COMPLIANCE REVIEWS IN 2008	
Federal Program Responsibilities	Total
Findings of "No Properties"	1,274
Findings of "No Effect"	709
Findings of "No Adverse Effect"	529
Findings of "Adverse Effect"	25
Findings of "Potential Effect"	474
Federal Project Subtotal	3,011
Properties meeting National Register Criteria	34
Properties not meeting National Register Criteria	420
Memoranda of Agreement	11
Programmatic Agreements	3
State Program Responsibilities	
Findings of "No Properties"	587
Findings of "No Effect"	104
Findings of "No Adverse Effect"	298
Findings of "Adverse Effect"	10
Findings of "Potential Effect"	106
State Project Subtotal	1,105
Properties meeting MD Register Criteria	7
Properties not meeting MD Register Criteria	28
Memoranda of Agreement / Significantly Reduce Adverse Effects Letters	8
Programmatic Agreements	1
State and Federal Projects Total	4,116

Highlights of notable case reviews and interagency partnerships are listed below:

- *Agreement Documents:* Negotiated and executed 19 Memoranda of Agreement and 4 Programmatic Agreements with federal and state agencies to resolve the adverse effects of undertakings on historic properties. Continued administration of existing agreements to ensure satisfactory fulfillment of the mitigation measures and relevant stipulations.

- *Determinations of Eligibility (DOE)*: Through compliance consultation, staff evaluated 489 heritage resources for eligibility in the National Register of Historic Places and continued implementation and updates of the comprehensive DOE database to streamline the review, documentation, and tracking processes.
- *Intercounty Connector (ICC) Project*: Trust staff continued their active participation in review of the Maryland State Highway Administration's ICC as the project proceeded in its design and construction phase. Section 106 milestones for 2008 encompassed continuing implementation the mitigation measures stipulated in the project's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), including ongoing consultation to review project modifications and ancillary activities and treatment of archeological resources. Notable mitigation measures for 2008 include archeological data recovery investigations at the remains of the 19th century home of Melinda Jackson, a freed slave, and her five children. Although the house was destroyed by fire in 1917, the archeological site includes architectural remains and a rich assemblage of well preserved artifacts from the burn layer that reflects the family's daily lives and personal activities. Through SHA's archeological research and public outreach efforts that included tracing the Jackson family's genealogy and identifying living descendents, the project resurrected the forgotten story of an African American family and reunited Melinda Jackson with her great-great-grandchildren.



Copper alloy buckle with feather motif recovered during excavations of the Melinda Jackson Site for the ICC project.

- *State Highway Administration (SHA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)*: Maintained close cooperation with SHA and FHWA to fulfill compliance through reviews of numerous transportation improvement projects statewide and implementation of the Programmatic Agreement (PA) for Minor Highway Projects; executed amended Minor Projects PA; coordinated on updated Historic Bridge Inventory efforts; continued consultations on development of a management plan and Programmatic Agreement for the treatment of Maryland's historic bridges; attended FHWA/SHA/MHT coordination meetings to discuss project-specific and programmatic issues; attended monthly interagency review meetings. Continued sixth year of cooperative federal/state funding for the Preservation Officer/Transportation Reviewer position at the Trust. Continued active participation in SHA's interagency team in project planning and environmental review for the US 301 Waldorf Transportation Improvement study, including attendance at monthly interagency work group meetings and coordination on cultural resources issues. Notable project specific coordination included extensive discussions and site meetings with various consulting parties to assess the adverse effects of proposed US 15/I-270 improvements on multiple historic properties in Frederick and Montgomery counties and coordination for the US 50 crossing study in Worcester County.

- *Maryland Transit Administration (MTA)*: Continued consultation with the MTA on the appropriate consideration of historic properties during planning for the Purple Line, Red and Green Line Transit Study, multiple park and ride facilities, MARC station improvements, and other projects.
- *Maryland Transportation Authority (MTA)*: Consulted with MTA regarding historic preservation issues related to the proposed I-95 Section 200 improvements, US 301 over the Potomac/Harry Nice Bridge, and US 40 over the Susquehanna/Hatem Bridge projects.
- *Corps of Engineers (COE) & Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)*: Maintained close cooperation with COE, MDE and applicants for wetlands and waterways permits to ensure the successful fulfillment of Section 106 and respective treatment of historic properties for projects throughout Maryland. Continued COE/MHT coordination meetings to discuss project specific and program related issues and enhance the agencies' working relationships, attended monthly COE/MDE Joint Evaluation interagency meetings to represent cultural resources interests, and participated in the COE's program monitoring of MDE's permit process. Notable project-specific coordination included extensive consultation with involved parties on the Summerfield, Pleasant Prospect, Little Patuxent Parallel Sewer, Swan Point, and Vallario Mill projects.



Staff examine industrial remnants associated with Savage Mill avoided by the path of the Little Patuxent Parallel Sewer.

- *Proposed Maryland Energy Projects*: Staff participated in extensive coordination with COE/MDE, DNR's Power Plant Research Program, and project sponsors on the historic preservation review process and appropriate consideration of historic and archeological properties in the planning for multiple proposed energy projects including: PATH-Allegany, Mid-Atlantic Pathway, SMECO transmission line, Sparrows Point LNG, and expansion of the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant. Involvement included attendance at the monthly COE/MDE interagency energy Joint Evaluation meetings, coordination with the Certified Heritage Area directors, participation in interagency site visits, and review of project planning materials.
- *Baltimore City*: Continued extensive coordination with CHAP and other Baltimore City agencies to review a full range of City programs subject to Section 106. Specific efforts included identifying ways to coordinate Section 106 and CHAP responsibilities; worked to proactively identify historic preservation issues within Baltimore City Department of Planning-sponsored neighborhood plans; on-going review of the Mayor's Healthy Neighborhood Initiative projects; reviewed numerous "Main Street" projects; coordinated with both the Maryland and Baltimore City Departments of Housing and Community Development regarding numerous Community Legacy façade improvement and targeted demolition projects. Also reviewed and commented on plans for park renovations proposed by Baltimore City

Department of Recreation and Parks; reviewed State bond bill projects for City properties and met with nonprofit organizations such as Baltimore Heritage and Preservation Maryland to discuss their concerns related to many of the City's projects.

- *West Side Memorandum of Agreement*: Continued consultation with the Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) and other involved parties on the appropriate treatment of historic properties under the Baltimore City West Side MOA, including extensive meetings, site visits, and reviews of development proposals for the Superblock and other parcels within the West Side.
- *Baltimore Preservation Fund*: Successfully executed the Special Agreement to establish the Baltimore City Preservation Fund, a collaborative partnership with the Baltimore Community Fund, CHAP, Baltimore Heritage, and Preservation Maryland which will leverage preservation funding opportunities at the local level.
- *National Park Service (NPS)*: Continued implementation of Trust responsibilities for National Park Service facilities in Maryland under the nationwide Programmatic Agreement, through project specific reviews, annual review meetings, and ongoing consultation with staff (C&O Canal, Catocin Mountain Park, Antietam Battlefield, Monocacy Battlefield, Fort McHenry, Hampton Mansion, Assateague, Fort Washington, Piscataway Park, and Thomas Stone parks).
- *Veterans Administration (VA)*: Continued coordination with the VA, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the developer regarding historic preservation issues related to the private development of the VA Medical Center at Fort Howard and negotiation of a Programmatic Agreement for the project.
- *Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Actions in Maryland*: Trust staff maintained extensive coordination with Department of Defense installations in the review of various planning, environmental, and project related activities associated with proposed BRAC actions in Maryland at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Fort Meade, Andrews Air Force Base, and the Bethesda National Naval Medical Center (NNMC).
- *Army*: Administered Trust review and monitoring responsibilities under the Programmatic Agreement with the Army regarding standard preservation treatments for properties within the Fort Meade Historic District. Continued ongoing Section 106 consultation for undertakings at Fort Meade, Fort Detrick, and Aberdeen Proving Ground.
- *Aberdeen Proving Ground Residential Communities Initiative (RCI)*: Successfully negotiated and executed a Programmatic Agreement with the Army and APG-Picerne Partners that ensures the appropriate treatment of historic properties as part of the Army's RCI privatization of military family housing at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Under the PA, APG-Picerne Partners will retain, appropriately rehabilitate, and reuse all the remaining National Register eligible historic housing at Aberdeen and maintain ongoing consultation with the Army and the Trust on historic preservation issues. Resources covered include family housing, outbuildings and landscapes within the Plum Point Historic District, Fort Hoyle Officers' Quarters on Austin and Parish roads, the Edgewood Arsenal Officers' Quarters on Everett Road, and School Street housing.
- *Navy*: Maintained close coordination with the Navy on the appropriate treatment of historic properties and Section 106 review of undertakings at the U.S. Naval Academy, Patuxent River Naval Air Station, Solomons Naval Recreation Center, Webster Field, Indian Head Naval Surface Weapons Center (NSWC), Carderock NSWC and other facilities managed by Naval District Washington. Initiated quarterly meetings and site visits with individual facilities to improve cooperation and streamline the review process.
- *Housing and Urban Development (HUD)*: Continued close coordination with HUD, the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), Maryland counties and local jurisdictions regarding the review of various housing and community development projects for effects on historic properties. Provided extensive technical assistance to project sponsors to ensure the appropriate treatment

of historic properties through adherence to the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. Initiated consultation with HUD and DHCD concerning the Section 106 review of actions under HUD's new Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

- *Federal Communications Commission (FCC)*: Administered the Trust's review duties under the FCC's nationwide Programmatic Agreements for certain wireless facilities, provided assistance to FCC applicants, and the concerned public. Participated in national development demonstrations and trainings regarding the FCC's new E-106 electronic submittal process and began implementing the system in Maryland.
- *National Sailing Hall of Fame*: Held extensive consultation with DNR and the National Sailing Hall of Fame (NSHOF) and successfully executed a Programmatic Agreement to ensure the appropriate consideration of historic preservation issues during planning and construction of the NSHOF facility on state-owned property in Annapolis. The PA requires the retention and reuse of the historic Burtis House and establishes the framework to address the project's effects on the Burtis House, the Annapolis National Historic Landmark District, and archeological resources through ongoing consultation among the parties.



Staff continues consultation with DNR and the National Sailing Hall of Fame about the rehabilitation and adaptive use of the historic Burtis House at Annapolis City Dock.

- *Prince George's County Coordination*: Continued regular coordination meetings and site visits with Prince George's County historic preservation staff to improve cooperation between the County and the Trust in the review of proposed development projects subject to both County and Trust review.
- *Interoffice Cooperation*: Staff continued participation in multiple Trust initiatives devoted to fostering improved communication and coordination between staff within all levels of the Trust. Actions included active participation on the Continuing Education Team; attendance at Trust/JPPM archeology and all staff meetings; participation in quarterly Maryland Archeology Advisory Committee meetings; and involvement in the monthly continuing education opportunities.
- *Workshops and Presentations*: Staff gave presentations on the Section 106 process to government agencies and organizations including: the Department of General Services' (DGS) and the Comptroller's annual Capital Projects Seminar for Bond Bill recipients, HUD/DHCD applicants for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds, the Office of the Attorney General's Educational Assistance Division workshop for higher education facilities in Maryland, the Council for Maryland Archeology on compliance archeology, and a Washington College class on public archeology in Maryland. Staff organized and moderated a session on successful strategies for preserving archeological sites at the annual Maryland Preservation and Revitalization conference. In addition, staff gave a presentation on American Indians in Maryland to a local elementary school group.

- *Staff Training:* Staff attended several trainings and workshops in 2008 including: the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's online course *Working Effectively with Tribal Governments*, the Vernacular Architecture Forum's national conference, and sessions at the annual Maryland Preservation and Revitalization conference.
- *Technical Assistance:* Staff provided a wide range of technical assistance to private and government entities to facilitate prompt and effective compliance with relevant statutory historic preservation responsibilities. Assistance included attendance at meetings, site visits, telephone and email contacts, developing agreement documents, evaluations of eligibility for the National Register, and guidance on the appropriate treatment and stewardship of Maryland's historic and archeological properties.



Compliance staff reviewed over 100 state-assisted Bond Bill projects in 2008, nearly one-quarter of which involved a historic resource, such as the Knights of St. Johns Hall in Bowie.

B. Terrestrial Archeology Permits

The issuance of terrestrial archeology permits is the primary mechanism for ensuring considerate stewardship of archeological resources owned by the State. The Terrestrial Archeology Permit Program provides a process for partnership between State land managers, the Maryland Historical Trust and those individuals and institutions that seek to excavate State owned archeological sites. Through this regulatory partnership, State land management and archeological expertise are brought together in a way that safeguards our irreplaceable archeological heritage while allowing wise use for researchers, the public, and future generations of Marylanders. Four terrestrial archeology permits were issued this year for work undertaken on the campus of St. Mary's College, in Historic St. Mary's City, in Baltimore City on University of Maryland Pharmacy School property, in Cumberland on Canal Place Authority property, and for work associated with the restoration of the Treasury Building in Annapolis' State Circle. Permits may also be issued for archeological work conducted in caves and rock shelters, whether owned by the State or private entities, and one such permit was issued in 2008 for work on a county-owned site in Montgomery County.

C. Historic Preservation Easement Program

The Historic Preservation Easement Program is the highest form of protection available for any historic, archeological, or cultural resource. It protects the State's financial investments and offers private owners the ability to protect their property by ensuring that these resources continue to be cared for and made available to the public in perpetuity. In turn, these resources contribute greatly to the development of the State's heritage tourism initiatives and to heritage-related educational programs. The position established in 2006 to manage and conduct the required inspections of all easement properties, which proved to be essential for long-term management of the program, was

eradicated in October 2008. In 2008, MHT acquired 16 new easements. The MHT Easement Program now holds 623 easements on over 746 properties, encompassing approximately 8747 acres statewide. During the year, the Easement Committee reviewed approximately 275 requests from property owners/operators for changes to these easement properties, including full scale projects and minor alterations. Staff conducted 56 easement property inspections statewide.

New easements accepted for 2008 include the following:

NEW MHT EASEMENTS IN 2008					
COUNTY	EASEMENT NAME	DATE OF EXECUTION	RECORDATION DATE	ACRES	SOURCE
Anne Arundel	Hammond-Harwood House	5/20/2008	06/11/2008		MHT Grant
Anne Arundel	Zimmerman-Wilson House	10/1/2008	10/16/2008	0.1	MHT Grant
Baltimore City	Captain's Hotel	8/21/2008	10/17/2008		MHT Grant
Baltimore City	Chase Brexton Health Services	6/3/2008	07/23/2008		Bond Bill
Baltimore City	Leeke Academy	8/21/2008	10/17/2008	0.2	MHT Grant
Carroll	Bateman Property	12/30/2008	12/30/2008		Gift
Carroll	Cockey's Tavern		08/27/2008		Bond Bill
Carroll	Hoff Barn	10/6/2008	10/22/2008	0.141	MHT Grant
Dorchester	Nathan Furniture Building, Dorchester Arts Center	5/20/2008	06/12/2008	0.205	Bond Bill
Harford	211 Patterson Mill Road	1/29/2008	04/10/2008	6.3811	Gift
Montgomery	Frieda's Cottage	3/13/2008	03/26/2008	1	Loan
Montgomery	Gagarin Property	8/15/2007	01/17/2008	0.41	Gift
Prince George's	Mother and Child Statue	6/30/2008	10/17/2008	0.0019	MHT Grant
Prince George's	Laurel Armory	5/7/2008	06/18/2008	1	Bond Bill
Prince George's	Laurel Boys and Girls Club		05/16/2008		Bond Bill
Somerset	Quindocqua Methodist Church	9/22/2008	09/29/2008	0.0167	MHT Grant

D. Preservation Planning

The new Office of Preservation Planning and Museum Programs (PPMP) continues to provide a variety of preservation planning services to assist local governments and nonprofit organizations and meet certain requirements established under State and federal law. Under the federal Historic Preservation Act, MHT, acting as the State Historic Preservation Office, has certain preservation planning responsibilities, including the preparation of a State Historic Preservation Plan. The current plan, the *Maryland Historic Preservation Plan, 2005*, which the National Park Service approved in June, 2005, will guide the State's historic resource planning and protection efforts through 2010. In addition, MHT provides historic preservation planning assistance to its local government partners, particularly Maryland's eighteen Certified Local Governments. Lastly, MHT provides preservation planning assistance for State planning initiatives, such as the review of local jurisdictions' comprehensive planning documents submitted through the State Clearinghouse, and contributes to State planning documents.

As part of its preservation planning responsibilities, PPMP staff:

⇒ Reviewed 25 planning documents, routed through the State Clearinghouse, for local governments to ensure consistency with growth management legislation as it affects heritage resource protection. Plans reviewed include those for Cecil County, Denton, Dorchester County, Emmitsburg, Fairlee-Georgetown Village, Fruitland, Galena, Hagerstown, Hancock, Hillsboro, Manchester, North Caroline County, Oxford, Princess Anne, Queenstown, Sharptown, St. Mary's County, St. Michael's, Union Bridge, Walkersville, Washington County, Washington Grove, Willards, and Williamsport.

- ⇒ Assisted Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Dorchester, Howard, Montgomery, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Talbot, Washington and Wicomico counties and the City of Annapolis in developing historic preservation policies and planning elements through the administration of Non-Capital Historic Preservation and Certified Local Government grants used to survey and evaluate local architectural and archeological resources.
- ⇒ Assisted in the implementation of local historic preservation programs in the jurisdictions of Allegany County, Annapolis, Baltimore County, Bel Air, Berlin, Cambridge, Calvert County, Cecil County, Chestertown, City of Cumberland, City of Frederick, Frederick County, Friendsville, East New Market, Easton, Elkton, Frostburg, Hagerstown, Harford County, Havre de Grace, Howard County, Kent County, Laurel, Laytonsville, Middletown, Montgomery County, New Market, Port Deposit, Princess Anne, Rockville, St. Michaels, Salisbury, Snow Hill, Sykesville, Talbot County, Washington County and Westminster through training and technical assistance.
- ⇒ Provided \$18,665 for training activities for Preservation Commission members and staff from Certified Local Governments, including attendance at the Maryland Preservation & Revitalization Conference in Hagerstown (May 2008), National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum in New Orleans (July 2008), Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions workshops in Brookeville, Chestertown, and Solomons (September-October 2008), and various locally sponsored events and lectures.

E. Monuments Conservation

MHT staff provide support to the Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments, which was created in 1989 to inventory the approximately 400 military memorials honoring Maryland's veterans, to raise funds and manage their restoration and preservation, and to develop educational and tourism materials relating to their history. Through 2008 the Commission was chaired by the Secretary of State and administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, whose budget includes an annual allocation for monuments preservation approved by the Maryland General Assembly. Repairs and conservation treatment are administered by conservation and historic preservation professionals under the direction of the Maryland Historical Trust. From 1989 through 2008, the Commission has sponsored, in whole or in part, the conservation treatment of ninety-eight Maryland memorials. Treated bronze monuments have been placed on a maintenance program to ensure their continued preservation.

In 2008, MHT staff coordinated maintenance and treatment for twenty-two bronze monuments: the Baron de Kalb Monument at the State House, the St. John's College World War I and the French Soldiers and Sailors monuments in Annapolis; the Mount Washington All Wars Veterans Monument, the Mount Vernon Place Key Tablet, and the Baltimore City College High School World War I Tablet in Baltimore City; the Westowne World War II Tablet, the Towson Wayside Cross World War I Monument, and the Relay World War I Tablet and World War II Monument in Baltimore County; the Civil War and World War II monuments and the War of 1812 cannon at the Howard County courthouse in Ellicott City; the College Park World War II Tablet in Prince George's County; the World War I, World War II and Korea/Vietnam monuments at the Calvert County courthouse in Prince Frederick; and the Civil War Monument, Braddock Tablet and Brown Memorial Plaque in Rockville. In addition, the bust of Admiral Schley and World War I Navy Volunteer Tablet at the State House were provided bronze patina restoration.

III. ENHANCEMENT

A. Heritage Areas

The Maryland Heritage Areas Program was created in 1996 to leverage compatible State and non-State investment to protect and enhance Maryland's historical, cultural, and natural resources. To participate in the program, partnerships of local government and private sector interests must complete and adopt a prescriptive management plan and create and sustain a local management entity to implement the plan, with 50-50 cost-sharing with the State. Unlike other state and federal heritage area designations, Maryland's heritage areas can best be described as "heritage enterprise zones" where investment is targeted into tightly defined geographic areas in order to produce measurable preservation and economic development benefits through heritage tourism within a short timeframe.

The Maryland Historical Trust provides staff support to the Maryland Heritage Areas Program, which entered its twelfth year of operation in the year 2008. At the close of 2008, the Maryland system of Heritage Areas consisted of two Recognized Heritage Areas and eleven Certified Heritage Areas. Maryland's Certified Heritage Areas now include Canal Place in Cumberland, the Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway in Harford and Cecil counties, the Four Rivers Heritage Area encompassing Annapolis, London Town, and south Anne Arundel County, the Baltimore City Heritage Area, the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area in Prince George's County, the Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Area in Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, the Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area in Dorchester County, the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area in Carroll, Frederick, and Washington counties, the Montgomery County Heritage Area, the Southern Maryland Heritage Area in Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties, and the Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area in Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's, and Talbot counties.

Utilizing a grant from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, the Garrett County Recognized Heritage Area selected the consulting firm of Peter Johnston and Associates, Inc. to develop a management plan, which is a prerequisite to obtaining full Certified Heritage Area status. It is projected that development of the management plan will take from 18 to 24 months to complete. When completed, the management plan will be submitted to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority for review and, if approved, the Garrett County Heritage Area would become Maryland's 12th certified heritage area.

In 2008, the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority awarded \$3,257,170 in grants to 58 programs and projects within the eleven Certified Heritage Areas located throughout Maryland. These matching grants provided funding for capital and non-capital projects, marketing, and operating support to Certified Heritage Areas. These Heritage Area grants leveraged \$8,979,914 in non-State matching cash and in-kind investment in heritage tourism across the state. Total available Maryland Heritage Areas Authority funds available for grants in 2008 were approximately \$3,300,000, for which \$4,394,132 in grant requests were received.

During 2008, the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority initiated a strategic plan development process. A consultant team, headed by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, were selected to lead the year-long process. After a ten year "construction" phase, the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority believes it is time to shift its emphasis away from building a system of heritage areas towards sustaining, refining, and increasing the effectiveness of the existing system. By supporting development of a strategic plan that engages all of the program's many partners in a re-examination of the Program's goals, its organizational framework, and future performance measurement, this project will assist in re-shaping the Maryland heritage areas program to ensure fulfillment of its statutory mandate to enhance heritage tourism activities, stimulate historical, natural, and cultural resource protection, and promote economic development through heritage tourism.

The primary objectives of the Maryland Heritage Areas Program Strategic Plan include:

- Assessment of the progress made in accomplishing the purposes of the Program's authorizing legislation and goals to date;
- Analysis of the strengths and challenges of the Program's organizational framework and identification of the critical ingredients for sustaining success;
- Identification of concrete strategies with short, mid, and long term implementation steps that will permit the program to advance its tourism and preservation agenda over the next five to ten years; and,

- Development of Program performance measures.

The strategic planning process is partially funded through a \$75,000 Preserve America grant to the Maryland Historical Trust. Work continued on the Heritage Area Strategic Plan throughout the remainder of 2008. The final plan document is scheduled to be delivered to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority in the fall of 2009.

In 2008, Maryland Heritage Areas Authority staff continued to serve on a number of committees and working groups of other partner heritage tourism programs. These include the National Park Service Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Water Trails Program Working Group, the Maryland Scenic Byways Advisory Committee, the Rural Development Action Team, the Harriet Tubman State Park Planning Committee, and the Transportation Enhancement Grants Advisory Committee.

B. Rehabilitation Tax Credits

The Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program is one of the State's most powerful economic development and community revitalization tools. The State Tax Credit Program, complemented by the Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, assists in the preservation of historical resources by providing financial incentives to property owners. These programs are some of the very few financial incentive tools that the Trust is able to provide to encourage historic preservation capital activity by for-profit businesses and private individuals.

Two staff people work full time to administer the program. For 11 of the 12 months in 2008 one of these positions was vacant. Tax Credit Staff received over 363 new projects, both residential and commercial, federal and state, while continuing to finalize certifications on projects from past years.

For 2008, the completed Part III certified State tax credit projects may be categorized as follows:

2008 COMPLETED STATE REHABILITATION TAX CREDIT PROJECTS							
	No. of Projects	Total Proposed Expenditure	Average Proposed Expenditure	No. of Housing Units Before Rehab	No. of Housing Units After Rehab	Total Final Expenditure	Average Final Expenditure
Residential	165	\$15,607,213	\$94,589.16	169	166	\$13,818,418.56	\$83,747.99
Commercial	31	\$96,373,435.75	\$3,108,820.50	113	181	\$92,034,865.87	\$2,968,866.64

For the federal tax incentives, staff certified 65 certifications of significance, 40 proposed projects and 41 completed projects.

C. Grants and Loans

The Maryland Historical Trust awards financial assistance through four programs. The Historic Preservation Grant Program and Museum Assistance Program are funded through the Maryland Historical Trust Grant Fund. In FY 2008, the Trust gave greater consideration to projects that emphasized: application of the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation*; National Register eligibility of the project property; increasing public awareness and appreciation of Maryland's architectural, archeological, or cultural heritage; encouraging heritage resource protection throughout the state; and providing the necessary tools to preserve Maryland's heritage resources; excellence in museum practices; K-12 programming; and contributions to community economic well being. These program priorities were emphasized in press releases and public announcements describing annual programming and funding goals. The Historic Preservation Loan Program is funded through an annual appropriation by the State legislature. The Certified Local Government Program is funded through federal appropriations.

1. Historic Preservation Grant Program

The Historic Preservation Grant Program is a state-appropriated source of funding to assist capital and non-capital heritage preservation-related projects. Every year a grant round is held for approximately ninety days to allow sufficient time for the submission of applications. The grant fund’s primary purpose is to provide financial assistance to local jurisdictions and nonprofit organizations for capital (i.e. bricks and mortar projects) and non-capital activities (e.g. architectural and archeological research, survey and documentation, public education, and planning projects). In FY 2008, Capital grants received a \$700,000 appropriation, and Non-Capital received \$500,000.

a. Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program

The Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program provides grants to nonprofit organizations and local governments for research, survey, planning and educational activities involving architectural, archeological or cultural resources. Eligible activities may include architectural, archeological, or cultural resource surveys, the development of preservation plans, educational outreach programs and National Register nominations.

In Fiscal Year 2008, which ended on June 30, 2008, the Trust awarded funding to 21 projects totaling **\$516,825**. So far in Fiscal Year 2009, which began on July 1, 2008, the Trust has awarded \$449,357 for 15 projects (13 grants, 2 expenditures). In addition, Non-Capital grants staff continued to monitor projects from previous fiscal years.

FY 2008: Non-Capital Grants

MHT received 28 applications requesting \$690,097 in funding from the FY 2008 Historic Preservation Grant Fund for Non-Capital projects. Initial awards included 17 projects for a total of \$375,000. In addition, grant increases, two emergency grants and two internal expenditures were awarded totaling \$141,836. The successful projects were:

COUNTY	APPLICANT	PROJECT	AMOUNT AWARDED
Anne Arundel County	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc.	The History of Annapolis	\$25,000
Anne Arundel County	Anne Arundel County Trust for Preservation, Inc.	Survey and Assessment of Middle Woodland Period Sites in Anne Arundel County, MD	\$48,425
Baltimore City	University of Maryland Foundation, Inc.	Hampden Community Archaeology: Creating Public Awareness for Heritage Resources	\$20,000
Howard County	Howard County	Howard County Historic Sites Inventory	\$33,800
Howard County (Expenditure)		Doughoregan Manor Outbuilding Dendrochronology	\$15,000
Prince George's County	City of Laurel	Laurel Historic District Architectural Survey & Analysis	\$18,000
Regional	The Rodgers Forge Community Inc.	20th Century Rowhouses in Baltimore--A Multiple Property National Register Nomination	\$17,000
Regional	University of Delaware	Maryland Threatened Buildings Survey: Tobacco Barns in Southern Maryland	\$43,500
Regional	Washington College	Evaluation of Archaeological Testing and Predictive Modeling on Maryland's Upper Eastern Shore	\$30,000
Statewide	Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions	MAHDC Education Outreach Coordinator	\$20,000

Statewide (Emergency)	Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions	HPC Training Workshops	\$5,000
Statewide	Maryland State Arts Council	Maryland Traditions	\$50,000
Statewide	Prince George's County Historical Society, Inc.	Rosenwald Schools of the State of Maryland	\$6,600
Statewide	The Archaeological Conservancy	Assessing the Preservation Needs of Maryland's National Register Listed Archeological Sites Located on Private Property	\$20,000
Statewide	The Archeological Society of Maryland, Inc.	Stewardship of Maryland's Archeological Resources: Identifying and Investigating Maryland's Endangered Sites	\$50,000
Statewide	Middle Atlantic Archeological Conference, Inc.	Middle Atlantic Archeological Conference	\$1,500
Statewide	The Society for the Preservation of Maryland Antiquities, Inc.	Buildings of Maryland	\$50,000
Statewide	The Society for the Preservation of Maryland Antiquities, Inc.	2008 Annual Preservation and Revitalization Conference	\$18,000
Talbot County	Bay Hundred Foundation, Inc.	Talbot County Archeological Survey	\$10,000
Washington County	Sharpsburg Historical Society, Inc.	Sharpsburg National Register Historic District Nomination	\$20,000
Worcester County	Town of Snow Hill	Snow Hill Historic District Guidelines	\$15,000
		TOTAL:	\$516,825.00

b. Capital Grants

The Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program offers assistance to nonprofit organizations, local jurisdictions, and business entities in their sponsorship of successful acquisition, rehabilitation, and restoration of historic properties eligible for the Maryland Register of Historic Properties. Nonprofit organizations and local jurisdictions also may receive funding for pre-development costs such as historic structure reports and studies, the preparation of plans and specifications, necessary archaeological investigations, and reasonable fees for architectural, design, engineering and other special services. Structures used for religious purposes may be eligible for MHT assistance for exterior work only.

In Fiscal Year 2008, which ended on June 30, 2008, the Trust awarded grants to 20 projects totaling \$819,117. So far for Fiscal Year 2009, which began on July 1, 2008, the Trust has awarded \$571,115 for 14 projects. In addition, Capital grants staff continued to monitor projects from previous fiscal years.

FY 2008: Capital Grants

MHT received 52 applications requesting \$2,083,654 in funding from the FY 2008 Historic Preservation Grant Fund for Capital projects. Sixteen projects were funded from the grant round process, for a total of \$669,117. In addition, four emergency grants were awarded totaling \$150,000. The successful projects were:

COUNTY	APPLICANT	PROJECT	AWARD
Allegany (EMERGENCY)	Cumberland First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ	Town Clock Church	\$50,000.00
Anne Arundel	Anne Arundel Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution	Rising Sun Inn	\$50,000.00
Anne Arundel	Hammond Harwood House Association, Inc.	Hammond Harwood House	\$50,000.00
Anne Arundel	Odenton Heritage Society	Old Masonic Hall, Odenton	\$26,617.00
Anne Arundel	Thomas Point Lighthouse Society, Inc.	Thomas Point Lighthouse	\$50,000.00
Baltimore City	Humanim, Inc.	American Brewery Brew House	\$50,000.00
Baltimore City	Society for Preservation of Federal Hill and Fells Point, Inc	Leeke Academy and Captain's Hotel	\$50,000.00
Baltimore City (EMERGENCY)	Society for the Preservation of Federal Hill and Fell's Point, Inc.	Two Sisters Houses	\$50,000.00
Baltimore City	Progressive Horizons, Inc.	The Mount	\$50,000.00
Baltimore City	Old Otterbein Methodist Church	Old Otterbein Church	\$14,500.00
Baltimore City	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	\$50,000.00
Baltimore County	Friends of Cowdensville Methodist Church	Cowdensville Methodist Church	\$5,000.00
Baltimore County	Chesapeake Bay Memories Charities, Inc.	Skipjack Nellie Byrd	\$50,000.00
Carroll	Carroll County Agricultural Center, Inc.	Hoff Log Barn	\$50,000.00
Dorchester (EMERGENCY)	Dorchester County Historical Society, Incorporated	Meredith House and Goldsborough Stable	\$10,000.00
Dorchester	Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance, Inc.	Handsell Project	\$48,000.00
Frederick	Brunswick Potomac Foundation, Inc.	Brunswick Railroad Museum	\$50,000.00
Frederick (EMERGENCY)	St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Creagerstown, Maryland	St. John's Union Church	\$40,000.00
Talbot	Historic Easton, Inc,	Easton Railroad Station	\$50,000.00
Somerset	Quindocqua Methodist Church	Quindocqua Methodist Church	\$25,000.00
		TOTAL:	\$819,117.00

2. Historical and Cultural Museum Advancement Program

Maryland is home to more than 200 private nonprofit and local jurisdiction historical and cultural museums. In an effort to encourage continued important contributions to education, research, conservation, and heritage tourism, the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program provides technical assistance, services, and financial aid in the form of grants. Prior to October 1, 1996, this program was funded by an annual appropriation through the General Fund. Since October 1, 1996, the program has been funded through the Maryland Historical Trust Grant Fund, which is a combination of General Funds and GO bond funds. In FY 2008, the program provided three types of Museum Advancement Grants to nonprofit museums and those museums operated by local governments that have

been in operation for at least three years and are open to the public on a regular basis. The grants include: Education and Planning grants that support long range planning activities; Museum Project Challenge grants that support museum projects; and, Museum Enhancement Challenge grants that support program enhancements based on a percentage of operating budgets.

For FY 2008, which began July 1, 2007, the Museum Assistance Program Review Panel (12 museum professionals from across the state) recommended funding for 29 projects totaling \$1,177,371. So far for Fiscal Year 2009, which began on July 1, 2008, the Trust has awarded \$832,771 for 20 projects. In addition, Museum Assistance Program staff continued to monitor projects from previous fiscal years.

FY 2008: Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program Grants

In FY2008, the Historical and Cultural Museum Assistance Program hosted one grant round. The Program received 43 applications requesting \$2,232,609 in support. Twenty-nine grant applications were recommended for funding at a total of \$1,177,371.

COUNTY	APPLICANT	PROJECT TYPE	AWARDED
Allegany	Frostburg Museum Association	Education & Planning	\$5,000.00
Allegany	Westernport Heritage Society, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$5,130.00
Anne Arundel	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$22,500.00
Anne Arundel	Historic Annapolis, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$88,863.00
Anne Arundel	Historical Electronics Museum, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$20,000.00
Anne Arundel	London Town Foundation, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$50,000.00
Anne Arundel	Shady Side Rural Heritage Society, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$14,000.00
Baltimore City	B&O Railroad Museum, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$107,000.00
Baltimore City	Babe Ruth Birthplace Foundation, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$94,000.00
Baltimore City	Baltimore Museum of Industry, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$84,000.00
Baltimore City	Jewish Museum of Maryland, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$83,000.00
Baltimore City	Maryland Historical Society	Enhancement Challenge	\$70,000.00
Baltimore City	Railroad Historical District Corporation	Project Challenge	\$10,000.00
Baltimore City	Star-Spangled Banner Flag House Association, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$10,000.00
Baltimore City	USS Constellation Museum, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$50,345.00
Calvert	Calvert Marine Museum Society, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$97,000.00
Carroll	County Commissioners of Carroll County	Enhancement Challenge	\$8,765.00
Carroll	Union Mills Homestead Foundation, Inc.	Education & Planning	\$5,000.00
Frederick	Historical Society of Frederick County, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$30,723.00
Frederick	National Museum of Civil War Medicine, Incorporated	Enhancement Challenge	\$10,221.00
Harford	Havre de Grace Maritime Museum, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$20,000.00
Howard	Howard County Center of African American Culture, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$10,000.00

Montgomery	Montgomery County Historical Society, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$20,000.00
Montgomery	National Capital Historical Museum of Transportation, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$10,000.00
Prince George's	Accokeek Foundation, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$74,000.00
Queen Anne's	Queen Anne's Museum of Eastern Shore Life, Inc.	Project Challenge	\$6,000.00
Talbot	Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Inc.	Enhancement Challenge	\$161,000.00
Worcester	Furnace Town Foundation Incorporated	Project Challenge	\$2,000.00
Worcester	Town of Snow Hill, Julia A. Purnell Museum	Project Challenge	\$8,824.00
		TOTAL:	\$1,177,371.00

3. Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund

The Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund offers low-interest loans to nonprofit organizations, local jurisdictions, businesses and individuals to acquire, rehabilitate, or restore historic structures listed or eligible for listing in the Maryland Register of Historic Properties. Loans are made available on a first-come, first-served basis and carry a maximum repayment term of 20 years. The loan fund is replenished by repayments and by appropriations from the Maryland General Assembly. Loans approved by the MHT Board of Trustees in 2008 include the following:

FY2008 HISTORIC PRESERVATION LOANS		
BORROWER/BY COUNTY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	AWARD
Frederick County		
Brunswick Railroad Museum	Additional loan for the installation of an elevator in the three story museum located in Brunswick. Total MHT loan funds for the project are \$160,000.	\$100,000
	TOTAL	\$100,000

The Trust is currently reviewing three loan applications that may be awarded in 2009:

- The Society for the Preservation of Federal Hill and Fells Point – \$150,000 for the rehabilitation of the Leeke Academy, one of the few remaining 18th Century wood frame buildings in Baltimore City;
- The Town of Charlestown – \$165,000 for the acquisition and preservation of the Cecil Hotel, a circa 1800 frame building that sits on one of the original 18th Century lots in Charlestown in Cecil County; and
- Progressive Horizons – \$250,000 towards the rehabilitation of The Mount, a mid 19th Century stone mansion located in the Walbrook section of Baltimore City

4. Certified Local Government (CLG) Subgrants

The Certified Local Government (CLG) Program is a federal-state-local preservation partnership. The CLG Program allows local governments to participate directly in preservation decisions otherwise exercised by state government and to receive special federal matching moneys for various local preservation activities. Eighteen of Maryland's 47 historic preservation commissions currently participate in the CLG program. Each year, the State of Maryland makes at least 10% of its annual apportionment of the federal Historic Preservation Fund available to Certified Local Governments (CLGs) through the CLG Subgrant Program. Any of Maryland's eighteen CLGs that continue to meet minimum standards under its certification agreement with MHT are eligible to apply for funding for local preservation projects.

In 2008, CLG grants staff monitored six projects that received FFY 2007 grant funding. Six of the state's certified local governments requested \$99,950 for local projects. MHT awarded \$52,510 in available funds to four CLGs for local projects. In addition, \$11,150 was awarded to the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions, acting as a designated third party, to pay for CLG commissioners' attendance at educational training programs

around the state. Non-federal funds leveraged by these projects totaled \$57,758. The projects were funded in July 2007 and closed in September 2008. Those projects included:

FFY 2007 CLG SUBGRANTS		
SUBGRANTEE/BY COUNTY	SUBGRANT PROJECT	AWARD
Allegany County		
City of Cumberland	Historic Preservation Trades Training	\$10,000
Montgomery County		
Montgomery County	Design Guidelines for Historic Sites and Districts	\$24,000
St. Mary's County		
St. Mary's County	Scenic and Historic Roads Survey, Phase II	\$10,800
Washington County		
Washington County	Rural Community Survey IV	\$7,710
Statewide		
Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions	CLG Educational Set-Aside Program	\$11,150
	TOTAL	\$63,660

In addition, CLG staff administered the FFY 2008 funding round, resulting in the award of four additional projects in summer 2008.

D. Geographic Information System

The MHT Geographic Information System (GIS) consists of computerized maps and databases containing information on Maryland's historical and archeological resources, and information on other mapped management areas, including Heritage Areas. The GIS converts historic sites inventory, maps and management information into an integrated computerized format that is widely accessible to staff, other professionals, federal, state, regional and local programs, private consultants, and the general public for preservation, evaluation, and interpretation. Paper maps and documents, once accessible only in the MHT library, are now reaching an ever-growing number of citizens through internet access and other digital delivery systems.

In 2008, GIS development continued under a T-21 grant administered by the State Highway Administration. Work has been completed on enhancement of three GIS layers – National Register, archeological sites, and Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP) layers. The final grant product, a website on the Maryland Roadside Historic Markers, will be launched in the spring of 2009.

In 2008, all of the Trust's financial assistance projects, including historic preservation tax credits and grants, were geocoded, and can now be combined with priority funding layers to analyze the effectiveness of these programs in promoting Smart Growth.

The GIS requires continual updating to add newly inventoried and listed historic and archeological sites, as hundreds of new properties are added annually. During 2008, a schedule of quarterly updates was maintained, and all layers were updated during the calendar year.

E. Cultural Conservation

Living traditions add a dynamic dimension to the tangible places that are the fabric of MHT. The MHT Cultural Conservation Program identifies, documents, preserves and presents Maryland's cultural heritage as a complement to the human dimension of the brick and mortar concerns of preservationists. Staff dedicated to this aspect of MHT's mission serves as a clearinghouse and catalyst to connect local communities and individuals with opportunities to sustain traditional knowledge, enabling them to sustain their own efforts to network and benefit from professional expertise and funding. Staff also administers grants to nonprofit organizations and local governments for cultural resource documentation and presentation. Staff continues offer technical assistance

statewide, contribute to planning efforts for cultural organizations and communities and build and provide public access to the Trust's Oral History Archive located in the Maryland Historical Trust Library.

In 2008, the Cultural Conservation Program provided technical assistance to organizations and individuals working with traditional culture towards programming and products including publications, special events and exhibitions throughout the state. A highlight was the naming of Smith Island Cake as the official State Dessert, a collaboration with the Lower Shore Heritage Area, Somerset County and State Tourism officials as well as Planning Secretary Richard E. Hall.

Maryland Traditions, in the eighth year of building statewide folklife infrastructure, is a partnership of the Trust and the State Arts Council, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts. Staff and contract folklorists continue to document and present the state's living heritage in a wide range of venues. A highlight this year was the first Chesapeake Folk Festival organized by partner Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum with one of the highest quality presentations of living traditions from the entire Bay watershed. A new initiative and partnership with the Prince George's African American Museum Cultural Center investigated the relationship of ecclesiastical architecture and music in a variety of congregational settings. Frostburg's Appalachian Festival in its third year brings an increased awareness to the value of regional traditions. A new program merges Main Street with student research in Mountain City Traditional Arts, a Main Street venue for artisans and their wares.

Maryland Traditions' Project Grant program, designed to catalyze community engagement with traditional culture through small grants of \$1,000-\$5,000, presented seven awards to recipients in four counties and Baltimore City. Among this year's recipients, the American Visionary Art Museum organized Rowhouse Rembrandts, a series of events to celebrate the rowhouse and painted screens. Workshops, public lectures and conversations, demonstrations and films brought several hundred people to multiple events around the city of Baltimore. Nine Maryland Traditions Apprenticeship Awards were awarded to teams of master and apprentice traditional artists from eight counties and Baltimore city. These apprenticeships support tradition bearers like third generation miller John Childers who taught the skill of mill wheel grinding to his apprentice at Grantsville's Stanton Mill. This year's culminating gathering and showcase again targeted cultural professionals, grassroots organizations and artisans. The second ALTA (Achievement in Living Traditions and the Arts), named for Western Maryland Folklorist Dr. Alta Schrock, was presented to three worthy recipients: The Sheep and Wood Festival of Howard County, Joseph Byrne of J. Patrick's in Baltimore City, the epicenter of Irish Music in Maryland and the United Methodist Women of Smith Island, responsible for maintaining local traditions.

F. Outreach

A primary objective of the Trust is to reach out to preservation professionals, local governments, nonprofit organizations and the general public to help them understand and appreciate the tangible remains of Maryland's past. The Trust accomplishes this in many ways, including the hosting of public programming and events, collaborating with interested partners, releasing publications, maintaining a website and the MHT library and archive, and providing technical assistance.

Specifically, the Trust:

⇒ Sponsored and assisted in the execution of the 2008 Annual Preservation and Revitalization Conference, held in Hagerstown on May 29—30, 2008. Staff also assisted with planning the 2009 conference which will be held in Baltimore, including attending planning meetings with conference co-sponsors to develop educational programs, identifying budgetary needs and fundraising opportunities, and coordinating facilities reservations.

⇒ Continued participation in an *ad hoc* tobacco barn coalition, which includes representatives from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Preservation Maryland, as well as preservation planners and local organizations from Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's, and St. Mary's counties. The coalition was formed in response to the listing of the Tobacco Barns of Southern Maryland on the National Trust for Historic Preservation's 2004 list of *America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places*. The coalition's goal is to raise awareness and develop strategies to preserve these disappearing resources. The coalition created the Tobacco Barn Restoration Fund, which in 2005 received a \$200,000 Save America's Treasures grant as well as private

contributions. In 2008, the third round of grant recipients was awarded funding. MHT staff administered a Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant to develop a historic context on the development of tobacco barns in Southern Maryland.

⇒ Participated in the Historic Preservation Summit for Maryland's Eastern Shore, sponsored by MHT, Preservation Maryland, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation to address the development pressures and inadequate land use policies that are threatening the historic character and quality of life on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

⇒ Continued MHT's educational partnership with the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC). Staff managed the section of the MHT web site that provides technical assistance to historic preservation commission staff and commissioners and interested members of the public. The page includes useful information, sample documents, links to resources, and other published materials. Staff also managed a listserv to facilitate communication and to encourage the sharing of information among historic preservation commission members and staff.

⇒ Continued to serve on the board of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers through the representation of Deputy Director Elizabeth Hughes. NCSHPO is the professional association of the State government officials who carry out the national historic preservation program as delegates of the Secretary of the Interior pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Ms. Hughes serves as the NCSHPO Treasurer.

⇒ Served on the board of the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions (NAPC) through the representation of Nicole Diehlmann, Chief of the Office of Preservation Planning and Museum Programs. NAPC is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to building strong local preservation programs through education, training, and advocacy. Ms. Diehlmann serves as the NAPC Secretary.

⇒ Continued to serve on the Board of the Vernacular Architectural Forum (VAF). National Register Administrator Peter Kurtze completed his three-year term as an elected Director while Administrator of Research and Survey Marcia Miller began her term as the organization's 2nd Vice President. VAF is the primary professional organization for architectural historians involved in field research, survey and documentation, and the evaluation of historic buildings and landscapes.

⇒ Presented seven awards in four categories during the 33rd Annual Preservation Awards ceremony at the Annual Preservation and Revitalization Conference in Hagerstown. The Calvert Prize is presented to an individual, organization, agency or institution for paramount leadership in or contributions to the preservation of Maryland's architectural and cultural heritage at the statewide level. Preservation Project Awards recognize exemplary restoration, rehabilitation or adaptive reuse projects. Preservation Service Awards recognize individuals, organizations, agencies, and institutions for laudable activities or accomplishments that advance the public's appreciation, understanding, and involvement in historic preservation. Educational Excellence Awards recognize projects that educate the public about any aspect of Maryland's heritage.

The 2008 awards are as follows:

2007 Maryland Preservation Awards		
Award Category	Title	Recipient
Calvert Prize		Charles Wagandt <i>Howard County</i>
Educational Excellence	Montgomery Rural Heritage Byway Tour	Heritage Montgomery, Inc.
Educational Excellence	COMSAT Laboratories Charette	Montgomery Preservation, Inc.
Preservation Project	Jeptha Hayman House <i>Somerset County</i>	Sharon Upton
Preservation Project	Davidge Hall <i>Baltimore City</i>	University of Maryland Medical System
Preservation Project	The Lustine Center <i>Hyattsville, Prince George's County</i>	EYA Development
Preservation Service		Catherine Ebert <i>Baltimore County</i>

⇒ Continued to manage the MHT Press publications program, distributing and producing publications related to Maryland's historic, architectural, archeological and cultural resources and maintained the MHT Press webpage. Staff continued to maintain the MHT Press database to better track publication sales and participated as a publisher at the Annual Preservation and Revitalization Conference and the Annual Workshop in Archeology. Staff also continued development of several new MHT Press publications, including: archeological investigations at the Hughes Site; a popular report on the archeology at the Benjamin Banneker homestead; architectural histories in Charles, St. Mary's and Wicomico counties; the history of Annapolis and Druid Hill Park; and an oral history of the Patapsco River Valley.

⇒ Continued development of a publicly-oriented version of a publication on the discovery and archeological investigation of the Benjamin Banneker Homestead in Baltimore County. Benjamin Banneker (1731 – 1806) is considered America's first African-American man of science. The survey that discovered the site and the subsequent archeological investigations that revealed the remains of the Banneker farmstead were conducted by the Maryland Historical Trust's archeology staff.

⇒ Provided technical assistance for museums on projects that ranged from strategic planning, regional consortium building, and board development. In addition, museum assistance program staff participated in a working group planning for the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Discovery Center in Dorchester County. This effort has resulted in a National Park Service Cultural Resource Study to develop a National Historical Park to honor Tubman in two venues, her home in Auburn, New York, where she retired and the area on the Eastern Shore where she was born into slavery and where she returned to lead other slaves to freedom.

⇒ Co-sponsored three fall workshops around the state in partnership with the Maryland Humanities Council, Preservation Maryland, and the Maryland State Highway Administration on funding opportunities for heritage preservation activities. Workshops were held in Cambridge, Hyattsville and Solomon's Island, and offered an overview of state and private funding programs, eligibility requirements and application guidelines.

⇒ Provided administrative support to IMPART (Institute of Museum, Preservation, Archaeology Research and Training) to support learning opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students in the areas of archaeology, historic preservation and museum studies. IMPART represents eleven founding institutions: University of Maryland College Park, Morgan State University, Salisbury University, St. Mary's College, Goucher College, Washington College, Maryland Department of Planning (Maryland Historical Trust), Banneker-Douglass Museum, Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum, Historic St. Mary's City, and the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture.

- ⇒ Completed the following outreach activities led by Office of Research, Survey and Registration staff:
- conducted a workshop on documentation and a session on cemetery preservation at the Annual Preservation and Revitalization Conference;
 - completed draft chapter on Agricultural Buildings in 18th c. Maryland;
 - participated in meeting on HABS drawing standards;
 - presented lectures at the Clemson University Preservation Program and for the Lee Society;
 - participated in the Montpelier review panel and strategic planning charrette for Fort Ticonderoga, NY;
 - taught graduate class on architectural field methods for George Washington University;
 - presented lectures at the Council for Maryland Archeology, the Archeological Society of Maryland, the St. Mary's City Archeology Field Session and a Symposium in Honor of William M. Gardner;
 - provided editorial services to the Archeological Society of Maryland (*Maryland Archeology*) and the Middle Atlantic Archeological Conference (*Journal of Middle Atlantic Archaeology* book reviews);
 - Attended the GIS conference at Towson University;
 - assisted with ASM excavations at the Port Tobacco (Charles County), Claggett Retreat and Shoemaker (Frederick County), and Grieb (Kent County) sites;
 - organized a program of films, lectures, conversations, exhibitions and workshops related to rowhouse arts in Baltimore at the American Visionary Art Museum and Creative Alliance and sites throughout the City of Baltimore;
 - presented at the first Chesapeake Bay Folk Festival and helped plan Day at the Dock in West Ocean City highlighting commercial fisheries;
 - organized opening session of traditional occupations in first Eastern Shore Summit with National Trust for Historic Preservation;
 - organized and hosted annual Maryland Traditions Gathering and Maryland Masters Showcase of Apprenticeship Awardees and winners of the ALTA (Achievement in Living Traditions and Arts);
 - administered a session at Dorchester Historical Society based on grant funded exhibition of Ron Rue decoy shop;
 - conducted sessions at the Working Waterfront Festival in New Bedford, MA;
 - participated in a panel discussion at the Mid-Atlantic Folklore Association meeting in Cooperstown, NY;
 - participated in planning for Goucher College's Master of Arts in Cultural Sustainability;
 - provided technical assistance in developing oral history projects with Stories of the Chesapeake Heritage Area, Ellicott City Colored School and Gibson Island Museum;
 - attended the annual conference of the Vernacular Architecture Forum (VAF) in Fresno, California and board meetings in Washington, DC, and participated on planning committee for the 2010 VAF meeting to be held in Washington, DC;
 - attended Maryland Military Monuments and Maryland Public Art Commission meetings;
 - submitted written testimony and participated in the public hearing of the Advisory Council on Cemetery Operations of the Office of Cemetery Oversight (DLLR) on their proposal for abandoned cemetery legislation;
 - met with the Sharp Street Church/Mount Auburn Cemetery Board, Maryland Heritage Areas Authority and Baltimore Heritage Area representatives to discuss the preservation goals of the cemetery and potential financial and technical assistance;
 - met with Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs secretary and staff at Charlotte Hall to discuss historic preservation projects;
 - provided review to the Patuxent River Naval Air Station for the St. Nicholas Cemetery work plan; and
 - provided technical assistance for marble repairs at the State House.

⇒ Maintained and updated the MHT website (www.MarylandHistoricalTrust.net). In October 2008, the Office of Preservation Planning and Museum Programs initiated a complete redesign of the website to conform to the new templates provided by the Governor's Office for all State agencies. The newly designed website will be launched in May 2009.

- ⇒ Continued development on a searchable database of Maryland's Historic Roadside Markers. Similar in scope to the National Register website, the marker's database will feature the more than 800 roadside markers found throughout Maryland. The website is expected to be completed in early 2009.

- ⇒ Provided assistance through on-site visits, telephone, and e-mail to approximately 700 researchers in 2008 with the majority of research being done at the MHT library and archive. In 2008, the Web-based library software, *EOS.Web 2008*, was installed and fully implemented making the Trust's library holdings available on the Internet. Researchers have asked for this benefit for many years, and feedback about this major service has been overwhelmingly positive. Reference services were improved throughout the year due to on-going updating of databases and maps which are part of the Division's geographic information system (GIS) and Medusa, a searchable interface comprising all information related to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (architectural and archeological sites, National Register properties, easements and determinations of eligibility). Four computers and two printers in the library provide access to GIS, Medusa, and *EOS.Web*, the Division's on-line catalog of books, site-specific reports, historic structure reports, plans, heritage area reports, architectural drawings, preservation plans, and audio- and videocassettes. Throughout 2008 user feedback was extremely positive about all databases, and researchers appreciated staff's ability to e-mail scanned inventory forms as this often eliminated a visit to the Library.

- ⇒ Maintained the Trust's consultants list for various historic preservation services. On an annual basis, all listed consultants are required to confirm their contact information and the services they provide. Requests for new listings will be evaluated by objective standards before being added to the list. The sixth annual update since the institution of the system was completed and posted to the Trust's website in October 2008.

- ⇒ Organized and staffed a public archeological lab for volunteers every Tuesday.

- ⇒ Provided more than thirteen archeology-related presentations and/or demonstrations to museums, service organizations, colleges and schools, as well as to peers and colleagues at conferences and professional meetings.

- ⇒ Served as lead in planning and organizing two 11-day intensive field investigations open to the public held in May and June. Volunteers at these events contributed more than 400 person-days of excavation effort during the investigation of a 14th century pre-Columbian Indian village in Frederick County and an 18th century Colonial port in Charles County).

- ⇒ Co-sponsored, with the Archeological Society of Maryland, the 43rd Annual Spring Symposium on Archeology entitled "*Town Founding in the Chesapeake.*" The public was invited to learn about the Lost Towns of Anne Arundel County, the search for the first Charles County courthouse, Maryland's First City (St. Mary's City), Annapolis, and Port Tobacco. More than 70 members of the public attended.

- ⇒ Co-sponsored, with the Archeological Society of Maryland, the 17th Annual Workshop in Archeology in March. Approximately 80 attendees were offered a combination of lectures and hands-on sessions including such wide-ranging topics as the search for Jamestown, Potomac River fish weirs, the mending of broken ceramics, and an overview of historic archeology in Maryland.

- ⇒ Co-sponsored Maryland Archeology Month celebrating the important archeological heritage created by Maryland's diverse inhabitants over the last 12,000 years. MHT solicited participation by event sponsors, compiled and distributed 2,500 posters, and worked with its partner organization the Archeological Society of Maryland to create a web-based calendar of events that featured both map views by region and listings by date. Through the 2008 Archeology Month theme – "Stories of Liberty – Archeology in Annapolis" – Marylanders were invited to consider Maryland's capital city through the eyes of the archeologist, and the story of human diversity and struggle that is emerging there. The Archeology Month booklet was designed to take the public on a walking tour of eight sites of archeological discovery in Annapolis, with essays and graphics explaining what was found at each. The website (www.marylandarcheology.org) also featured a gallery of unusual artifacts that expanded on the Archeology Month theme.

⇒ Distributed information in response to 32 archeological inquiries from the interested public received through the Trust's website, as well as many telephone and written requests, on the Trust's Archeology programs. Archeology staff continued to use a variety of media to disseminate information on Maryland archeology, including a statewide historical journal (*Maryland Archeology*), an Internet website, on-line *Preservation Bulletins*, and by presenting over 30 lectures statewide to a variety of audiences including school groups, colleges and civic organizations.

⇒ Participated in a program designed to train the interested public in archeological methods and theory. Through the Certified Archeological Technician, or CAT, program, the professional archeological community in Maryland provides the serious avocational archeologist with in-depth content on the modern practice of archeology, and the many successes of the discipline. Lectures, hands-on field and laboratory exercises, and guided reading are all part of this program.

⇒ Presented two papers to archeological audiences in 2008: "*Prehistoric Village Life During the Montgomery Complex: A View From the Rosenstock Site*" (Archeological Society of Maryland Annual Meeting, Frederick, MD) and "*Ossuary Burial in the Middle Atlantic: An Overview*" (A Symposium to Honor the Work of William M. Gardner, Shepherdstown, WV).

G. Historic Marker Program

MHT staff continued to administer the Maryland Roadside Historic Marker Program, which seeks to commemorate people, events, and places of special significance to the state through the erection of roadside markers. The program, originating in 1933 with the State Roads Commission and later administered by the Maryland Historical Society, was transferred to MHT in 1985. Staff reviews Maryland Roadside Historic Marker proposals to ensure the accuracy of the information and the statewide significance of the resources to be commemorated. MHT funds new markers and works in partnership with the State Highway Administration to locate, repair, and replace markers that have fallen victim to weathering, accidents, and vandalism.

In 2008 seven new markers were installed. A marker was installed to commemorate the African American community and Rosenwald School in FREETOWN and a marker was installed to commemorate the early railroad suburb of LINTHICUM HEIGHTS, both in Anne Arundel County. A marker was installed to commemorate the early 20th century railway suburb of LINCOLN, established by African Americans in Prince George's County. Markers were ordered to commemorate the SAN DOMINGO SCHOOL, a Rosenwald School in Wicomico County near Mardela Springs; the W.S. BROOKS HIGH SCHOOL, the first public high school for African Americans in Calvert County; FORT LOOK-OUT, a War of 1812 defense for Fort McHenry located in Riverside Park in Baltimore City; and HALL STATION, an early crossroads community in Prince George's County.

IV. HISTORICAL MUSEUMS

A. Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM)

As the State Museum of Archeology, Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) preserves, researches, and interprets the diverse cultures of the Chesapeake Bay region. Located on 560-acres along the Patuxent River in Calvert County, JPPM contains over 70 documented archeological sites spanning 9,000 years. The rich archeological, agricultural, and historical resources of the property are interpreted to the public through a wide range of exhibits, educational programs, and services.

JPPM had an on-site attendance of 36,455 in calendar 2008, which is a 31% increase over on-site attendance last year. This figure includes close to 3,000 students participating in various school programs. An additional 9,500 people were served through off-site outreach programs and special events. In September of 2008, JPPM hosted the War of 1812 North American Grand Tactical. The Grand Tactical is an international reenactment that annually alternates between historic sites in Canada and the U.S. JPPM is the farthest south it has ever been held and was chosen for its archaeological and historical significance as the site of the 1814 Battle of St. Leonard Creek. JPPM cosponsored this event with the Calvert Marine Museum (CMM), who hosted a simultaneous "Tall Ships on the Chesapeake" program. Total attendance for the weekend was 4,500 and over 550 living historians participated. JPPM and CMM also co-hosted a five-month speaker series on the War of 1812 in the Chesapeake.

The new permanent exhibit was completed in the Visitor Center. The exhibit provides new introductory material for visitor orientation to JPPM, as well as new exhibits on the Pattersons and Louis L. Goldstein. *FAQ Archaeology*, a general introductory exhibit to archaeology, was installed in the main gallery. This year nineteen of the historic buildings were painted and received exterior repairs to siding, doors and gutters. Kimberly Popetz joined the staff as the Administrator of Education.

JPPM also:

- ⇒ Hosted over 100 events for 2008, including workshops, special events, lectures, open houses, house tours, special volunteer opportunities and other public programs.
- ⇒ Installed new directional and pedestrian circulation signs.
- ⇒ Continued a cataloging project for architectural drawings of Gertrude Sawyer, Rose Greeley, and Cary Milholland Parker and archival materials relevant to JPPM.
- ⇒ Continued work with volunteers on the Patterson Garden Restoration Project. Assistance was also provided by JPPM maintenance staff, Community Service Workers, and special volunteers from the Calvert Detention Center. The flower beds, shrubs, and trees are gradually being brought back from neglect.
- ⇒ Worked with volunteers to maintain, improve, and interpret the Indian Village.
- ⇒ Expanded how the public interacts with the Indian Village by including Scout groups and summer camps in addition to the school groups.
- ⇒ Continued the close relationship with Calvert County schools by working with Calvert County teachers to create new lesson plans for the Chespax program, while working with all the 6th grade students in the county.
- ⇒ Continued to develop a new environmental section for the JPPM website, complete with inventory listings of the flora and fauna found on the property, images, links to other research institutions, and information on past environmental projects. This was accomplished with a \$40,000 award from an anonymous donor.

- ⇒ Received a \$50,000 Maryland Heritage Areas grant, which will be matched with \$50,000 non-state funds, for an exhibit that emphasizes the archaeology of the War of 1812.
- ⇒ Saw a 31% increase in Museum Shop annual sales over the 2007 season.
- ⇒ Received a grant from the Chesapeake Bay Gateways program to develop curriculum on using archaeological evidence to recreate past environments. This project also includes the development of a diagnostic webpage on wood and charcoal analysis.
- ⇒ Worked with the Eagle Scouts to complete several projects at JPPM during 2008.

The Maryland Archaeological Conservation (MAC) Lab, administered by JPPM, houses the state's archeology collection, which includes over seven million objects collected over the past 100 years. The MAC Lab serves as the statewide support facility for artifact conservation. In 2008, the MAC Lab added two sections—Small Finds and Post-Colonial Ceramics—to the *Diagnostic Artifacts in Maryland* webpage and began two additional web-based projects: a searchable database of paleobotanical data from 85 Maryland archaeological sites and a wood and charcoal identification guide. Staff continued inventorying collections stored at the Lab; this project will be completed in 2009. Lab staff conserved artifacts from the state collection, Jamestown Island, Monticello, the Naval Historical Center, the University of Maryland and the Alexandria Archaeology Museum and participated in a conservation assessment project for the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. A collaborative project with St. Mary's College located the site of the first Charles County courthouse. The professional staff continued to present papers at national conferences. MAC Lab staff also provided practicing professionals and college students with training opportunities in conservation and collection management topics through cooperative agreements with St. Mary's College and the Maryland Higher Education Commission IMPART program. Nichole Doub joined the staff in August as Head Conservator, filling the position formerly held by Howard Wellman. Erin Wingfield joined the staff as Curatorial Assistant in May.

MAC Lab staff also:

- ⇒ Provided lab tours to 872 individuals, conducting outreach activities in local schools, and developing marketing materials for the Lab.
- ⇒ Ran the JPPM Public Archaeology Program. One hundred twenty-nine volunteers contributed 683 hours in this year's excavations of an 18th-century slave quarter.
- ⇒ Secured funding to expand JPPM's website on Diagnostic Artifacts of Maryland. The additions to the website will include machine made bottles, with one of the nation's leading experts on the subject joining the project to assist the efforts.
- ⇒ Added new Federal curation contracts with the U.S. Postal Service and the National Naval Medical Center, and renewing contracts with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Army Research Laboratories, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Ft. George G. Meade, Ft. Detrick, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The client roster now includes 27 Federal installations and facilities. Total revenue for the Federal curation program in Federal FY 2008 was \$66,093.68.
- ⇒ Accepted 33 archaeological collections, totaling approximately 150 boxes of artifacts in 2008. Those collections subject to the curation box fee generated \$21,034 in revenue.

B. Banneker-Douglass Museum

During the 2008 legislative session, HB782 was passed which required the transfer of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, including the Banneker-Douglass Museum, from the Maryland Department of Planning (MDP) to the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives (GOCI) effective July 1, 2008.