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Director's Letter

By David Preziosi, Executive Director

The month of October was a struggle for preservation in Dallas with a demolition permit issued for 1314 Wood Street and the potential demolition of the Braniff Operations and Maintenance Center at Love Field. We lost one battle and are still fighting the other; see the preservation issues section below for more information on each. Thankfully, after Big Tex caught fire last month, it was announced that he will be repaired and get some new fire retardant clothes and a fire suppression system.

This month I will be embarking on my own preservation project as I just closed on a house in the Stevens Park Village neighborhood in Oak Cliff. It's a 1941 Austin stone cottage which needs a lot of work, with everything from floor refinishing, new electrical, installation of HVAC, and the redesign and rebuilding of a non-working bathroom added to the rear wing of the house. I have hired a contractor to work on the house and complete the above so that I can move in a couple of months. After that I will get to work on restoring all of the original steel windows and restoring the original bathroom in the house. It will be a project; however, one that I am excited about as I love to take something that is in rough shape and use a little sweat equity to make it shine again. The house also has a lot of its original character and features intact which was a big selling point for me. This is actually my third project of this type after rehabilitating a vacant 1904 commercial building in Natchez, Mississippi, converting the second floor into a loft style apartment, and just finishing a four year long rehabilitation of a 1953 Ranch house in Jackson, Mississippi, where I did most of the work myself.

Preservation Updates

1314 Wood Street - Thomas Building

By David Preziosi, Executive Director

Unfortunately we lost a wonderful

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historic building in downtown Dallas this week. The owners of the Thomas building at 1314 Wood Street applied for and received a demolition permit from the city last month with the intention of using the lot for parking. The significant 1924 Thomas building was built by Michael H. Thomas to support the nearby cotton exchange with office space. The building was designed by Anton Korn in the Renaissance Revival style. It was the last remaining commercial

building of that style and the last remaining commercial building designed by Korn in Dallas. The building was listed as a Contributing structure in the Downtown Dallas National Register of Historic Places historic district. Since there is no local historic district overlay for the National Register district and the building was not a Dallas Landmark, there was no legal protection to stop the demolition of the building.



Remains of the Thomas building after demolition.

Braniff Operations and Maintenance Center - Love Field

By David Preziosi, Executive Director



The City of Dallas, the owner of the old Braniff Operations and Maintenance Facility at Love Field, is

considering the demolition of this unique Mid-Century Modern building for new hangers and retail space. With the unprecedented growth of Braniff International Airways in the early 1950s Braniff decided to build a new facility for maintenance of its fleet and to be the home of its new computerized reservations center. The new center, completed in 1958, was designed by famed Los Angeles futurist architects William Pereira and Charles Luckman, who also designed the theme building at the Los Angeles international airport. The building was occupied by Braniff

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Airways until its bankruptcy in 1983. It was then operated by a division of Braniff called DalFort Aerospace. The company was eventually sold and the building has been empty since 1993. The historic significance of the building and eligibility for listing it on the National Register of Historic Places is currently under review at the Texas Historical Commission. An online petition has been started to save the building which can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

2012 Fall Architectural Tour

Featuring the Styles of Greenway Parks

By Donovan Westover, Event Coordinator

For Fall Architectural Tour attendees, November 10th began with continental breakfast and an architectural symposium. Keynote speakers, renowned Dallas architect Frank Welch, FAIA, and Willis Winters, FAIA, award winning author, historian and architect, discussed the development and significant architecture of Greenway Parks. On this perfect fall day, six exquisite homes were opened up for the tour, with an additional seventh home for Patron ticket holders.

Tour Chairman, Maribeth Messineo Peters, led the event to great success pulling in Sponsors, acquiring tour homes and orchestrating a well received lecture. It was surreal observing attendees walking around the Greenway Parks neighborhood enjoying the parks, greenways and architecture. This is how David R. Williams envisioned the garden suburb being utilized when it was platted in 1925.

This program was made possible in part with a grant from Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Please visit www.PreservationDallas.org to see photographs from the Patron Party and Tour.



Tour Title Sponsor Allie Beth Allman and Pierce Allman (left) with

Tour Chairman Maribeth Messineo Peters (right)

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Attendees discussing the Patron Tour home

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**Preservation Dallas Holiday Party
Friday, December 7, 6 to 8 p.m.
The Wilson House - 2922 Swiss Avenue**



Mark your calendars and make sure you join us for our annual Holiday Party, exclusive to members. The Wilson House will once again be festooned with holiday decorations to kick off the season. As well, we will provide plenty of refreshments. Please R.S.V.P. to [Donovan Westover](#) or call 214-821-3290.