Our Mission:

For 88 years, the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks (PhilaLandmarks) has played a significant role in both the historic preservation movement and heritage tourism in Philadelphia by restoring, furnishing, and presenting to the public its distinguished house museums – Powel House, Grumblethorpe, Hill-Physick House, and Historic Waynesborough. The mission of PhilaLandmarks is to inspire people to engage with history by preserving these four unique sites and by providing related historical, educational, and cultural programming. Each property presents a distinctive perspective and plays a significant role in their respective communities.

PhilaLandmarks believes that it is only through understanding and engaging in our histories (architectural, social, political, etc.) that we can make decisions about what is important to us today and what we choose to support in the future. While we enjoy providing quality house tours, we will also continue to discover new audiences and innovative ways to engage with the stories we tell.

Our Core Values:

- PhilaLandmarks believes that historic preservation illustrates the value of what endures in our society, and that this inspires people to learn about history and engage with their community.
- PhilaLandmarks is committed to maintaining our properties and their collections for the long-term, so that they will remain public resources in the future.
- PhilaLandmarks wants our properties to be open and well-used by many different audiences in many different ways.
- PhilaLandmarks respects the uniqueness of each of our properties, and believe that their different programs, priorities, and places in their communities create great value for PhilaLandmarks and its visitors.
- PhilaLandmarks is thoughtful and foresighted stewards of the organization’s resources and always encourage others to join us.
In celebrating another highly impactful year, I want to thank our Board, House Committees, donors, and professional staff led by Jonathan Burton and Kayla Anthony for their contributions. I am thrilled that we have experienced our third consecutive year of financial growth.

An objective this past year was to activate our houses with quality programming that engaged our communities to build constituencies of donors and increased membership. We introduced new programs such as the PhilaLandmarks Early Music Series, various theatrical, art, and garden programs and strengthened partnerships through programmatic efforts with other likeminded organizations such as the Museum of the American Revolution, Historic Philadelphia, Inc., Hidden City Philadelphia, and Visit Philly, to name a few. In addition to cultivating relationships with new audiences, we also saw tremendous successes for our annual house fundraisers and organized two new fundraising events. The objective of these fundraisers was as much to raise needed revenue, as it was to produce new friends and members for PhilaLandmarks and our historic houses.

After the completion of the highly successful Hill-Physick House roof replacement project, we began to re-commit to our roots in advocacy of historic preservation, beyond the confines of our four houses. In particular, we have partnered to restore the Isaiah Lukens clock in Headhouse Square at 2nd and Pine Streets. But ever mindful of our own restoration needs, we have moved on to our own major capital improvement: the Powel House Restoration Project. This project, including a new roof for Powel, will secure the house for 100 years! We will then shift our focus to Grumblethorpe and Historic Waynesborough to begin the necessary capital improvements on the remainder of our houses.

I look forward to your support in sharing gratitude for what we have inherited, stewarding the houses while under our watch, and activating them with meaningful programs and activities so they are alive and part of our families and traditions.

Gregory Montanaro
Chairman
Leading up to the anniversary of our 88th year as a non-profit historic preservation institution in Philadelphia, I decided to look back at our early board minutes to gain inspiration from our founder, Ms. Frances Anne Wister. Through reading these minutes, I learned more about her as a person and how incredibly dynamic, creative, and passionate she was about preserving Philadelphia’s built environment. Her hard work, tenacity and dedication to historic preservation established the Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks, providing a solid foundation for future success for the benefit of Philadelphia and beyond. We as staff, committee members, volunteers, members and donors all contribute to her legacy as one of the leading preservationists in our city’s great history.

Our collective hard work and commitment in fiscal year 2018 helped PhilaLandmarks finish our third straight year of positive earnings. We have sustained financial growth, expanded from three to five full-time employees, completed milestone preservation projects, and launched new projects to protect and preserve our historic assets. These accomplishments are all measurable, but the value of the community we have built together cannot be quantified, and it is what makes me the most proud.

Thank you to everyone who helped make our fiscal year 2018 such a success. I know I had a lot of fun and judging by all of the pictures in this year’s annual report, you did too!

Jonathan Burton
Executive Director
TOP Achievements

- Preservation Pennsylvania Award for Initiative in Stewardship for the Hill-Physick House.
- Added two additional strategic fundraising campaigns raising almost an extra net $20,000 profit. *(Chairman’s Dinner, Oyster Craze fundraiser)*
- 3rd straight fiscal year in a row with surpluses.
- Building cash reserves before we focus on the organization endowment campaign.
- Record number of private rentals.

Internal Capacity Growth:
- Staff expansion from 3 to 5 full time employees.
- Hired private rentals coordinator to focus on private rentals for Powel House and Hill-Physick House.
- Mission driven programming: building external partnerships with other historical institutions, PhilaLandmarks Early Music Series, theatre performances and readings, art exhibits, book talks, unique history tours, youth activities, reenactments, garden and photography workshops.

Preservation in Action and Capital Improvements Plan:
- Secured Milner Architects and building plans for the Powel House Restoration Project.
- Hill-Physick House plumbing stack and water lines replaced.
- Grumblethorpe kitchen door replaced thanks to PA Society of Sons of the Revolution.
- Historic Germantown Save our Sites grant received to replace Grumblethorpe windows in museum house.
- Repaired the Jefferson window sash at Hill-Physick House.
- Hill-Physick garden and trash gate replaced thanks to Christine Rother.
- Powel House bulkhead door repaired.
## Events Highlights

**Fall**

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Winter

- Annual Powel Holiday Party
- Papertini Holiday Pop-Up Shop
- Hill-Physick House receives new wine mixing table
- Theatre Ariel Reading – Jewish Playwriting Contest
- PhilaLandmarks Early Music Series: Woods and Brooks by Kleine Kammermusik
- Association of Philadelphia Tour Guides training course at Hill-Physick House
- GYV MLK Day clean up
- Eating Antiquities Supper Club
- Home Brewed Events Vintage Holiday Party
- 2 Hear Again Radio Performances
- Tempesta di Mare concerts at Powel House
- “I, Eliza” book talk and signing with author Susan Holloway Scott
- Tempesta di Mare concerts at Hill-Physick House
**Events Highlights**

**Spring**

**April**
- PhilaLandmarks Early Music Series: By George! by the Franklin Quartet
- PA 2nd Regiment Reenactment at Historic Waynesborough
- Pin-hole Camera Workshop with Hidden City
- Night Music’s “A Night at the Opera” concert at Powel House
- Wedding Open House at Powel and Hill-Physick Houses
- Elephant Room Productions Staged Reading

**May**
- Annual Hill-Physick Plant Sale and Pop-Up Shop
- Chairman’s Dinner honoring Charles P. Keates, Esq.
- Grumblethorpe’s expanded 2nd Saturdays begin
- Philadelphia Science Festival Star Party at Grumblethorpe
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- Annual Powel House Garden Party

**June**
- 87th Annual Meeting at the Library Company of Philadelphia
- Annual Powel House Garden Party
- Grumblethorpe Garden Club begins for the season
- Philly Beer History with Home Brewed Events and Philly Beer Week
- GYV Farm Stand opens for the season

**Historic Philadelphia, Inc.**

**Storytelling Bench at Powel opens for the season**

**GYV Farm Stand opens for the season**
Independence Weekend Open Houses

Grumblethorpe 2nd Saturdays continue

GYV Camp

“The Great Oyster Craze: a Celebration in the Raw” fundraiser

Mayor Samuel Powel Day with Christ Church Burial Ground

Received PA Preservation Award for Initiative in Stewardship for Hill-Physick House

Joint Cliveden Conversation about Reenactments and Gun Violence

JULY

PhilaLandmarks featured at M*AR History After Hours

Received portrait of Catherine Wister Miles/Wister descendants tour of Grumblethorpe

GYV Farm Stand continues

AUGUST

Art Story Camp at Grumblethorpe

Grumblethorpe 2nd Saturdays continue

William Faden map of Battle of Truduffrin given to Historic Waynesborough

SEPTEMBER

Powel Descendants Reception

Garden lighting installed at Hill-Physick and Powel House
Event Highlights Year Round

Once Upon a Nation Storytelling Bench at Powel (Memorial-Labor Day Weekend)

5,400 visitors

Grumblethorpe Elementary Education Program

1,200 students served

Road Scholar at PhilaLandmarks

1,201 attendees

Ghosts of the Mansion Tour (with Ghost Tours of Philadelphia)

236 attendees

General House Tour

2,655 visitors

26 private rentals

83 wedding rentals

1,201 attendees
# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

## YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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## 2018 Net Revenue Sources

- **Contributed Sources (blue)**
  - Contributions
    - Institutional: 25%
    - Individuals: 9%
  - Fundraising
    - Events: 9%
    - Admission/Program/Giftshop: 2%
  - Commissions: 8%
  - Investment: 5%
  - Rentals: 39%

- **Earned Sources (black)**
  - Road Scholar: 3%
PhilaLandmarks Donors October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018

**Total Support – FY2018**
The names listed here reflect total gifts, grants, contributions, memberships, restricted gifts, and fundraising events during our Fiscal Year 2018: October 1, 2017 – September 30, 2018.

**General Operating Grants**
Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission $19,638

**Education Programs Grants**
Connelly Foundation $30,000
Patricia Kind Family Foundation $5,000

**Project and Program Grants**
Philadelphia Cultural Fund
- $5,174 to Grumblethorpe Youth Farm Stand
- $5,500 to Grumblethorpe
Weavers Way
- $200 to Solar Dehydrator project at Grumblethorpe

**Gifts to Restricted Accounts**
**Bequests:**
Dorrance Hamilton to Powel House $25,000
Dorothy A. Stevens to Powel House $25,000
Dorothy A. Stevens to Hill-Physick House $25,000

**Powel Endowment Fund**
Lee and Geoffrey Dennis

**Powel Collections Fund**
Anne Cook
Lee and Geoffrey Dennis
Christine Rother

**Powel Committee Fund**
Pam Alles
Marica Angelides
Amanda Aslansan

**Sherrin Baky-Nessler**
Kathleen Burns-Alderfer
Mimi Hanks-Bell
Robert P. Breading
Alexander Conner
Anne Cook
Lee Dennis
Katherine S. Dunn
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William Higgins
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Nancy J. Lanham
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Julianne Morris
Ann Moyer
Judith Nagy-Eichelberger
Susie Pattison
Rita Powell
Susan Schwartz
Jan Stephano
Barbara Turner
Linda Witt

**Powel Garden Fund**
Pam Alles
Marica Angelides
Amanda Aslansan
Sherrin Baky-Nessler
Mimi Hanks-Bell
Robert P. Breading
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Jan Stephano
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**Powel House**
Cooper and Parker Band
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Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Howley
Charles P. Keates, Esq.
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Society Hill Civic Assoc.
Veritable LP
Linda Witt and James Marsh
Sherley Young

**Grumblethorpe Committee Fund**
Peter Edman
Paul Jablonski
Jennifer Schultz
Christopher Waxman

**Grumblethorpe Horticulturist**
The Thomas Rosato Foundation
Mrs. Malcolm L. Wister

**Grumblethorpe Youth Volunteer**
Lorrin Thomas

**Grumblethorpe**
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Nancy Heinzen
Pozi Jensen
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Martha Levine
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Linda Seyda
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Becky Sitarchuk
Allison Taub
Donna Thomas
Ellen Ward
Jacqueline Weitzner
Ellen Wurster

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Christine Rother

Hill-Physick House
Frank Giordano
Ted Robb
Christine Rother
Howard Sedran and Martha Levine
Sandra Sudofsky
Donna Thomas

Government
Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
Philadelphia Cultural Fund

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Barnes Foundation
Connelly Foundation
Howard J. Sedran Family Foundation
Patricia Kind Family Foundation
Sam and Kate Sidewater Foundation
The Thomas Rosato Foundation

Corporations/Organizations
Amazon Smile
American Philosophical Society
The Bartlett Tree Expert Company
Birchtree Catering
Blue Sole Shoes
Colonial Dames (NSCDA)
Conestoga Questers #63
Davio’s
Drexel University
Eastern State Penitentiary
Estia
Franklin Fountain
Grand Hotel of Cape May
Henry A. Davidsen
Historic Germantown
HOK Group, Inc.
John Milner Architects
Lantern Theater Company
Mariner Investment Group, LLC.
Ocean Tents & Party Rentals
PNC Bank
Papertini
Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution
The Philadelphia Orchestra
The Prime Rib
Quaker City Mercantile, Inc.
Ritz-Carlton
Samuel Freeman & Co.
Society Hill Civic Assoc.
Talbots
Vector Security
Veritable LP
Verizon PA LLC.
Walnut Street Theater

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Dorrance H. Hamilton Charitable Lead Trusts
Charles P. Keates, Esq.
Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
Estate of Dorothy A. Stevens
Veritable LP

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Michael Campo
Lori Cohen
Gregory Cranford
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Papertini
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Margo Burnette
Sandra L. Cadwalader
Michael Callaghan
Al Cavalari
Mark and Allison Chiacchiere
Rosina Coltellaro
Conestoga Questers #63
Timothy Cragg
Mary Frances Davis
Kathleen Davis
Anna Marie DiNardo
Michael DiPilla
Edward R. Duenskie
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Laurence Gavin
Rosemary Gifford
Elizbeth Gilpin
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The Powel House is one of the finest examples of a Georgian townhouse in the United States. Built in 1765, it has stood witness to the most pivotal moments of our nation’s history and is the only one of the great eighteenth-century mansions still standing in Old City proper. It was the home of Samuel Powel, the last mayor of Philadelphia under the Crown and the first mayor under the new Republic, and his wife Elizabeth – the ever-influential salonniere who captured the ear of General Washington.

In the 1930’s our matriarch, Frances Anne Wister, was alerted to the proposed plan to demolish the house and sprang into action raising $30,000 at the height of the Great Depression to purchase the Powel House and the property next door. In her words: “the plight of the mansion, far from deterring us, aroused a determination to save it… rooms of noble proportions, and the last house in the ‘Old City’ where Washington was a frequent guest. It would have been a crime to destroy this historic mansion where the feet of so many patriots trod; a place which was the center for all the important people of the time in national and local history.”

Today in 2019, we are looking to continue Frances’s legacy by completing our first major restoration project in decades. Slated to begin on November 1, 2019 to avoid our busy season, we have reassembled the award winning architectural and carpentry team that recently completed the Hill-Physick House roof project (which earned us an Initiative Award in Stewardship from Preservation Pennsylvania) to undertake the project of restoring the Powel House. The scope of the project will include replacing the roof and restoring rafters, dormers, chimney, eaves, sill plates, windows and shutters; re-pointing of the building; and repainting of the façade.

Stay tuned for more information on this upcoming project!

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Two of our long time employees, Margaret “Pixie” Biddle, our Road Scholar Director and Jorja Fullerton, our Admininstrator, are retiring in fiscal year 2019. We thank them for their years of dedicated service to PhilaLandmarks. Without these two key players, our organization would not be what it is today. We will miss them! We asked them a few questions about what working for PhilaLandmarks was like and what they have ahead for the future.

How long have you worked for PhilaLandmarks?
PB: 23 years.
JF: 18 years.

Where did you work before PhilaLandmarks?
PB: Davidyan & Nichols Real Estate.
JF: I worked for an import/export shipping agency.

What is one of your funniest memories of working here?
PB: The electricity failure... every time. I would have the electric heater on and I would forget and run the microwave and I would trip the breaker. On numerous occasions Jorja would have to go to the basement to flip the switch.
JF: No memory in particular but the years that Matt Schultz worked there were a blast!

What was one of your proudest moments?
PB: When I cooked a lavish dinner of soup, roasted lamb and vegetables in the Hill-Physick catering kitchen. I served this dinner including cocktails to 18 Elderhostelers on our historic house program. We promised a dinner in an historic house but couldn’t afford a caterer at the time.
JF: I’m not sure about my proudest moment but I always enjoyed doing anything that was creative like making those gala program booklets, nametags and all of the “arty” stuff.

In your tenure at PhilaLandmarks, what has changed the most?
PB: We are now getting large grants and are able to do house restoration work thanks to Jonathan. The house committees seem to be more cohesive and unified.
JF: Just about everything!

What will you miss the most about working for PhilaLandmarks?
PB: The stairs!
JF: The awesome people!

What are you looking forward to in retirement?
PB: No longer having to be responsible for programs and groups.
JF: Not having to get up and go to work. Especially on those cold or rainy days!

In Memoriam:
Edna L. Shaw, former Hill-Physick House Committee member.

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