

**2007 LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATIONS  
AWARDS CEREMONY**

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**



**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2007  
4:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
320 EAST MCCARTY STREET  
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65101**

# **2007 Landmark Awards**

**Presented by**

**John Landwehr, Mayor**

**and**

**Historic Preservation Commission  
City of Jefferson**

Chris Neff, Chairman  
Joan Kramer, Vice Chairman  
Laura Ward, Secretary  
Cathy Bordner  
Ralph Bray  
Dottie Dallmeyer  
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**Department of Community Development**

Pat Sullivan, Director  
Charles Lansford, Assistant Director  
Ron Davenport, Building Regulations Division Director  
Diane Cary, Administrative Technician

# 2007 LANDMARK DESIGNATION AWARDS

## *PROGRAM*

### *Introduction and Welcome*

Chris Neff, Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission  
John Landwehr, Mayor

### *Heritage Essay Contest Winners*

Dottie Dallmeyer, Historic Preservation Commission and Historic City of Jefferson

### *Heritage Art Contest Winners*

Dottie Dallmeyer, Historic Preservation Commission and Historic City of Jefferson

### *Greg Stockard Distinguished Service Award*

Chris Neff, Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission

### *Landmark Designation Award Winners*

John Landwehr, Mayor

### *Area Preservation Events during the months of May and June*

Sunday, June 3, 2007

Moreau Heights Neighborhood Home Tour  
Tour 7 lovely homes on the east end. Tour starts  
at 1110 Moreau Drive. Tickets are \$10.00.  
More details [www.historiccityofjefferson.org](http://www.historiccityofjefferson.org)

### *Videos on JCTV*

- Dr. Summers' talk on the History of Jefferson City
- Landmark Designations
- Mark Schreiber on the History of Cemeteries
- Prison History Video

### *Photos of Winners with Mayor Landwehr*

*Thank you for coming!*

# Heritage Essay Contest

1<sup>st</sup> Place

“Lohman’s Legacy or the History of an Opera House”  
by **Landon Brockmeyer**

Brent and Karen Brockmeyer, parents  
Simonsen 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Suzanne Richter, teacher

2<sup>nd</sup> Place

“The Miller Performing Arts Center” by **Hunter Schroer**

Mike and Holly Schroer, parents  
Simonsen 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Suzanne Richter, teacher

3<sup>rd</sup> Place

“The Missouri State Penitentiary” by **Rachel Newman**

Steve and Tammy Newman, parents  
Simonsen 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Suzanne Richter, teacher

Honorable Mention

“Missouri Supreme Court Building” by **Bryce Hylton**

Daryl and Angela Hylton, parents  
Simonsen 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Suzanne Richter, teacher



# Heritage Art Contest

## 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place      “Court House” mixed media by **Paul Hoefener**  
Son of Patricia Hoefener  
12<sup>th</sup> Grade, Jefferson City High School  
Charlotte Middleton, teacher
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place      “Moreau Tunnel” ink by **Allison Rieke**  
Daughter of Tim and Luanne Rieke  
11<sup>th</sup> Grade, Helias High School  
Mark Friggle, teacher
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place      “Tweedie House” pencil by **Emily Armstrong**  
Daughter of Danny and Sharon Armstrong  
10<sup>th</sup> Grade, Helias High School  
Mark Friggle, teacher
- Honorable Mention      “St. Peters Church” pencil by **Katherine Helms**  
Daughter of Kathleen Dake  
9<sup>th</sup> Grade, Simonsen 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Center  
Cameron McDaniel, teacher



## 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Winners

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place      “Kolkmeier/Bassman House” pencil by **Becca Harbison**  
Daughter of Gary and Catherine Harbison  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Thomas Jefferson Middle School  
Debbie Shellman and Brenda Doty, teachers
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place      “Hess House” watercolor by **Brittney Maue**  
Daughter of Robert and Bonnie Maue  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade, Thomas Jefferson Middle School  
Debbie Shellman and Brenda Doty, teachers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place      “Pope House” watercolor by **Michaela Kitchell**  
Daughter of Adam and Vera Brown  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Thomas Jefferson Middle School  
Debbie Shellman and Brenda Doty, teachers
- Honorable Mention      “Kolkmeier Rental House” at 215 W. McCarty, watercolor by **Michael Chadwell**  
Son of Susan Chadwell  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Thomas Jefferson Middle School  
Debbie Shellman and Brenda Doty, teachers

# **2007 LANDMARK AWARDS**

## **St. Peter School**

314 W. High Street  
Msgr. Donald W. Lammers

## **Henriette Rieger House**

801 Washington Street  
Mrs. Jan Dunning

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION**  
City of Jefferson, Missouri

**St. Peter Catholic School  
314 W. High Street**



Established 1854

Part of  
MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL HISTORIC DISTRICT  
Officially Listed in the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, JUNE 18, 1976

St. Peter is the "Mother Church" for Roman Catholics of Jefferson City, and from it sprang other parishes in later years. The original little church was built on High Street in 1846. A parishioner, Mr. F. Roer, taught parochial classes in his home free of charge.

In 1854, St. Peter School was established with the construction of a small brick school near the church. Because of rapid growth of the city and the congregation, a larger church was built in 1857, and in 1992, an even larger one which is the present church. The old frame church was converted into a school to provide more classroom space. The parish would soon outgrow these buildings as well.

A three-story Convent School was completed in 1868 at the corner of Broadway and High Streets taught by four School Sisters of Notre Dame. In 1872, a boy's school was constructed where the current school stands, but as enrollment grew rapidly, a larger facility was planned.

The original portion of the present school was erected in 1888/1890. The basement held six meeting rooms and a bowling alley. The first floor contained six classrooms. The entire second floor was known as St. Peter's Hall, an auditorium with a large stage. Because it was the largest assembly hall in the area for many years, St. Peter's Hall was the site of many historic events in Jefferson City and Missouri. One of these events caused St. Peter School to serve as the Ninth Missouri State Capitol.

For many years, Jefferson City struggled to remain the State Capital as other Central Missouri towns vied to have the Seat of Government moved to their communities. In February 1911, this controversy came to a head when the State Capitol Building was struck by lightning and burned.

The pastor of St. Peter Parish, Fr. Joseph Selinger, and the Parish Committee quickly offered use of the school to the Legislature at no charge. The offer was accepted, and for the remainder of the 46<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, the House of Representatives met in session in St. Peter's Hall on the second floor of the school building and used classrooms for committee meetings. During this time, school classes were held in private homes. The Senate met in session in the Supreme Court Building. And so it happened that in 1911, William Jennings Bryan, noted American orator and political leader, addressed the Joint Legislative Assembly in St. Peter's Hall.

A short time later, the Missouri State Legislature voted to keep the Seat of Government in Jefferson City, probably in large part because of the community's rapid response to the crisis and their generosity and concern. A temporary State Capitol was hastily built on the Capitol grounds for use by the next Legislative Session. Thus ended the long controversy over whether Jefferson City would remain the Capital of Missouri. The temporary structure was razed after the new Capitol Building was completed and occupied in 1924.

St. Peter's began a two-year Commercial High School in 1917, and in 1931, St. Peter High School opened with a four-year program in a new addition to the school. Accreditation was through the University of Missouri.

After Selinger Centre was constructed in 1937, the assembly hall on the second floor of the school that had been called St. Peter's Hall was converted into a large library and two classrooms, and in more recent years a computer lab was added.

The post WWII population explosion caused extreme crowding in the school, and Catholic parishes in the area combined their efforts and resources into the construction of a new high school. When Helias Interparish High School was completed in 1956, St. Peter High School closed. This relieved the overcrowding of the elementary classes, and a kindergarten was added in the 1950's. In the 1960's, a special education program was begun known as the Vogelweid Learning Center.

In 2005, a large addition to the school was begun including several classrooms, a cafeteria, multipurpose facility/gymnasium, elevator, band room, and restrooms. This new addition was completed and occupied in the fall of 2006.

This venerable old school was begun, maintained, and prospered because of generous believers with deep faith and commitment to parochial education for children of the Jefferson City area.



## Henriette Rieger House 801 Washington Street



This house has historical significance both by its close connection to Central United Church of Christ across the street, which was the center of German-immigrant Munichburg, and by its careful restoration of the 1920s Arts & Crafts architectural style, which itself was the renovation and therefore preservation of an original German cottage of the 1860s.

The house lies in the heart of Munichburg, the community that began forming in the 1840s by German immigrants from Muenchberg, Bavaria. The neighborhood was deteriorating from the 1970s to the 1990s when efforts began to protect and renovate properties, especially those that preserve its German heritage. Twenty Munichburg properties have since been placed on the Register of National Historic Places. This house has not.

Rev. Joseph Rieger was the first resident German Protestant pastor in Jefferson City. He became pastor of Central Evangelical Church (now Central United Church of Christ) in 1860. He was also one of the "founding fathers" of Lincoln University, served on its first board of directors, and is being honored by a memorial in the current construction of the Veterans Plaza at Lincoln University. He was chaplain at the state penitentiary during the Civil War. He and his wife, Henriette, cared for war wounded in their home. When he died in 1869, Governor Fletcher and most state officials attended his funeral. Pastor Rieger and his family lived in the church parsonage on the north side of the church.

Upon his death, his widow, Henriette Rieger and her seven children moved from the parsonage into the house at 801 Washington, just across Ashley Street from the church. The actual date of

construction of the house is not known, but Central church records definitely prove her move into that house in 1869. It was probably already there by 1869, as were several other houses near the church, such as the Hess House (730 Washington) and the Buehrle House (707 Washington), both Landmark properties and on the Register of National Historic Places. Unlike those two, however, the Rieger house lost its original German cottage character by renovation into Arts & Crafts style in the 1920s.

Henriette (nee Wilkens) Rieger, born 1817, was a well-educated German immigrant, described as “aristocratic” by her contemporaries. She worked closely in church affairs with Fred Binder, member of Central and prominent local builder (of St. Peters Catholic and Central churches and numerous institutional buildings). As a woman and widow, however, her accomplishments generally went unacknowledged. Two of her sons became Evangelical ministers. One daughter was one of the first graduates of the new Jefferson City public school in 1869 and the next year began a long tenure as a public school teacher. Another daughter was the church organist and local music teacher. Another daughter, not a Jefferson City resident, was a well-published author.

The widow Rieger lived in the house from 1869 to the early 1880s when she moved to Washington, Missouri. She died in 1885 and was buried with her husband in Central's Evangelical Cemetery, now a separate section of Riverview Cemetery. The original tombstones of Pastor and Mrs. Rieger are prominently displayed inside Central church.

From 1903 to 1911 the house was the home of the Nicolas A. Bassman family, members of Central Church. Son Fred Bassman, a local advertiser and printer who grew up in the house, described it during those years in an account written in the 1970s now at the Cole County Historical Society.

In the 1920s and 1930s the Louis Stuiber family lived in the house. Stuiber was partner with Fred Jens in the Cole County Monument and Tile Company (tombstones), one block north at 129 West Dunklin, a building that is the JC Dance Academy today. It is likely that Stuiber was responsible for the extensive renovation and modernization of the then half-century old German cottage into the Arts & Crafts style it bears today.

The present owner, Mrs. Jan Dunning, purchased the property in 1984. Mrs. Dunning has done extensive, authentic restoration to the exterior of the building, carefully preserving the integrity of its 1920s Arts & Crafts style and is currently doing renovations to restore the interior also to Arts & Crafts style.

#### Architectural Significance

The house was built as a simple, sturdy, brick German cottage by 1869, when Mrs. Rieger and children moved in. Several other German cottages remain in the neighborhood.

Fred Bassman, raised in the house 1903-1911 apparently with few changes since 1869, described it as red brick with native limestone foundation. The main floor had a parlor, a living room, and two bedrooms. Three attic-type bedrooms were above. The kitchen was on the back side of the lower floor (now basement), reached by three or four steps under the back porch. The dining room was under the front part of the house. An unfinished cellar occupied the south half of the basement, because the house was built into the side of a hill. By 1914 – 1915 Washington and Ashley streets had been graded down several feet, which further heightened the terraced elevation of the house above street level.

In the 1920s the house plan was changed during modernization and conversion to Arts & Crafts style. The exterior was stuccoed, both the brick and the limestone foundation. The small front and back porches were replaced with larger, full-width, porches. A basement garage was dug under the enclosed back porch. A flue for central heating was added on the north gable end. A wide roof overhang with supporting wood brackets extends over the gable ends, distinctive of Arts

& Crafts style. A small Arts & Crafts balcony, accessed by a French door, was added on the north gable end. The attic was converted into full-size bedrooms, with dormers in both front and back.

Mrs. Dunning has recently repainted the exterior woodwork in forest green and dark brown and the exterior stucco in contrasting light tan, typical Arts & Crafts colors. She is currently faithfully restoring the interior to the Arts & Crafts style.



*City of Jefferson, Missouri*  
*Historic Preservation Commission*  
*Previous Local Landmarks*

1993 Landmarks

Temple Beth El	-	318 Monroe Street
The Jefferson City Community Center	-	608 East Dunklin Street
Parson=s House	-	105 Jackson Street
The Col. Darwin W. Marmaduke House	-	700 East Capitol Avenue
Housing Unit #4, AA@Hall/ Jefferson City Correctional Center	-	631 E. State Street

1994 Landmarks

Dulle Home	-	800 St. Mary=s Boulevard
Richmond Hill Grocery	-	628 West Main Street
St. Peters Roman Catholic Church	-	216 Broadway Street
Union Pacific Depot	-	301 State Street
National Cemetery and City Cemetery	-	900 and 1000 block E. McCarty Street

1995 Landmarks

Central United Church of Christ	-	118 W. Ashley
International Shoe Building	-	1101 East Capitol Avenue
Cole County Courthouse	-	High & Monroe Street
McClung Park	-	1114 Chestnut Street
The Villa Panarama Mansion	-	1310 Swifts Highway

1996 Landmarks

Monaco House	-	1122 Moreau Drive
Grace Episcopal Church	-	217 Adams Street
B. Gratz Brown House	-	109 Madison Street
Bodtenschats Buehrle House	-	707 Washington Street
Winan=s Gallery/Caplinger=s Clothing	-	207 East High Street

1997 Landmarks

The Byrd-Haar House	-	110 Bolivar Street
Warwick Village	-	1507 East McCarty Street
First United Methodist Church	-	201 Monroe Street
Lincoln University	-	820 Chestnut Street
Lohman=s Landing	-	100 Jefferson Street

1998 Landmarks

Governor=s Mansion and Garden	-	100 Madison Street
Burch-Berendzen Grocery Building	-	304 East High Street
Cherry Street Grocery	-	423 Cherry Street
Carnegie Library	-	212 Adams Street

Jefferson City Correctional Center - 631 East State Street

1999 Landmarks

Ephriam B. Ewing House - 512 East Capitol  
Whaley=s East End Drug - 630 East High  
The Bassman House  
(materials from the Price Mansion) - 207 West McCarty  
Cliff Street Mansion - 722 Cliff Street  
Houchin House - 611 East Capitol

2000 Landmarks

United States Post Office - 131 West High Street  
Lester Shepard Parker House - 624 East Capitol Avenue  
Pat=s Place - 700 West Main Street  
Democrat Building - 300 East High Street  
Residence - 210 Lafayette Street

2001 Landmarks

Residence - 1427 Green Berry Road  
Governor=s Office Building - 200 Madison Street  
Immaculate Conception Church - 1206 East McCarty Street  
Old Moreau Heights School Building - 900 Moreau Drive  
Residence - 714 Washington Street

2002 Landmarks

Architects Alliance Building - 631 W. Main Street  
Bob=s Market - 101 Boonville Road  
Bolton - Kelly Home - 1916 Green Berry Road  
Oscar Burch Home - 924 Jefferson Street  
Lincoln University President=s Home - 601 Jackson Street

2003 Landmarks

Elizabeth Rozier Home - 1216 Elmerine  
Dix Apartments - 623 East Capitol Avenue  
Jefferson Female Seminary - 416 - 420 East State Street  
Albert and Wilhelmina Thomas House - 224 West Elm  
Old West End School - 1107 West Main

2004 Landmarks

Tweedie=s Shoes - 122 East High Street  
The Schmidt Apartments - 318 Jefferson Street  
Louis Ott House - 1201 Moreau Drive  
Sommerer House - 2023 West Main Street  
Towles-Buckner House - 612 East Capitol Avenue

2005 Landmarks

- George and Judith Goff Home - 1025 Adams Street
- Frank and Carol Burkhead - 600 East Capitol Avenue
- Kas A Designs - 308 West Dunklin Street
- Exchange Bank Clock - 132 East High Street
- O'Donoghue's Steak and Seafood - 900 East High Street

2006 Landmarks

- Rotary Centennial Park - Bolivar Street
- St. Mary's Hospital (original building) - 610 W. Elm Street
- The Prison Wall - Lafayette & Capitol Avenue
- Etta and Joseph Miller Performing Arts Center - 501 Madison Street
- The Tergin Apartments - 201 W. McCarty Street

2007 Landmarks

- St. Peter School - 314 W. High Street
- Henriette Rieger House - 801 Washington Street

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**CRITERIA FOR LOCAL LANDMARK DESIGNATION**

1. Significance
2. Property type – individual districts
3. Location
4. Integrity – Preservation
5. Endangered
6. Willing to accept it and display plaque

