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**Beechwood Hall, unincorporated Williamson County/Franklin**



**The Historic Franklin Masonic Hall, Franklin**



**The Civil War Earthworks, Triune**



**The Natchez Street Historic District, Franklin**



**The Historic 350-year-old Chinkapin Oak Tree known as Ruth, Arrington**



**The historic Daniel McMahon House & cemetery, Franklin (last remaining green gateway)**

# HERITAGE FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2023 SITES TO SAVE

The Sites to Save list highlights properties that are historically significant and endangered because of age, condition, or potential development. The list is designed to help the community join the Heritage Foundation in its efforts to raise awareness of Williamson County's significant historic, cultural, geographical, and archaeological resources, including buildings, structures, cemeteries, historic districts, archaeological sites, and natural and cultural landscapes.

"Franklin is nationally renowned for its historic preservation success, and it is because our community all pulls in the same direction toward a common goal of maintaining what makes our community so special," said Bari Beasley, President and CEO of

the Heritage Foundation. "We're thankful for the hundreds of community members who nominated sites toward which we should put our attention and resources. Our Foundation will continue to steward the best practices in preservation that deliver results and maintain our history."

"Preservation works best with coordination and productive and positive advocacy that articulate the value of preserving the places and stories that make Williamson County special," said Rachael Finch, senior director of preservation and education. "We're excited and thankful to the community for aiding us and guiding our priorities for this important and impactful program."

Sites to Save and Sites to Watch list, which are now available in detail on its website: [williamsonheritage.org/historic-preservation/sites-to-save/](http://williamsonheritage.org/historic-preservation/sites-to-save/)

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- **Beechwood Hall**, unincorporated Williamson County/Franklin
  - **The Historic Franklin Masonic Hall**, Franklin
  - **The Historic Jenkins-Wilson House**, Nolensville
    - **Nolensville Cemeteries**, Nolensville
- **The Historic 350-year-old Chinkapin Oak Tree known as Ruth**, Arrington
  - **The Civil War Earthworks**, Triune
  - **The Natchez Street Historic District**, Franklin
- **The Historic Daniel McMahon House & Cemetery**, Franklin
  - **The Mill Creek Headwaters**, Nolensville

## 2023 SITES TO WATCH

- **The Green Farm**, Franklin
- **The Historic Sherwood Green House**, Nolensville
  - **The Frierson-Voorhies Cemetery**, Brentwood
- **Dry Stacked Stone Walls** across Williamson County
- **Kellytown Archaeological Site**, Northwest Brentwood/Williamson County
  - **Green Grove Primitive Baptist Church**, Triune
- **1801 Historic Natchez Bridge and Road** on Currey Farm, Franklin
- **Pryor Lillie's Body of Work Architectural Design**, unincorporated Williamson County

*Staff at the Heritage Foundation of Williamson County plan to attend relevant public meetings regarding each of the sites on the list, consult with willing property owners and municipalities about the history of the properties and offer insight on preservation and restoration, and connect willing property owners with construction and preservation experts related to the needs of the sites.*



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This event is coordinated by The Franklin Lions Club in conjunction with the City of Franklin.

The patriotic pet parade begins at 10:30 am

The Oscar Mayer Wienermobile will be arriving at 10 am and will be giving out Free Weenie Whistles

The Children's parade begins at 5 pm. You can sign up for the children's parade all day long at the Lions Club Booth on the square. It's Free! Line up for the parade begins at 4:45 pm on 4th Avenue South.



## BLUEGRASS ALONG THE HARPETH

JULY 21 -22 DOWNTOWN  
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Always held the 4th weekend in July, Bluegrass Along the Harpeth was started in 1991 and has had several homes in Franklin over the years. Most recently it has made its home on the town square. The historic backdrop is the perfect place for our weekend of music in honor of Franklin's own Grand Ole Opry stars Sam and Kirk McGee. This festival is put on and operated by old time musicians and dancers. It's their love for the music and its preservation that make this festival special and a not-to-be-missed event every year.

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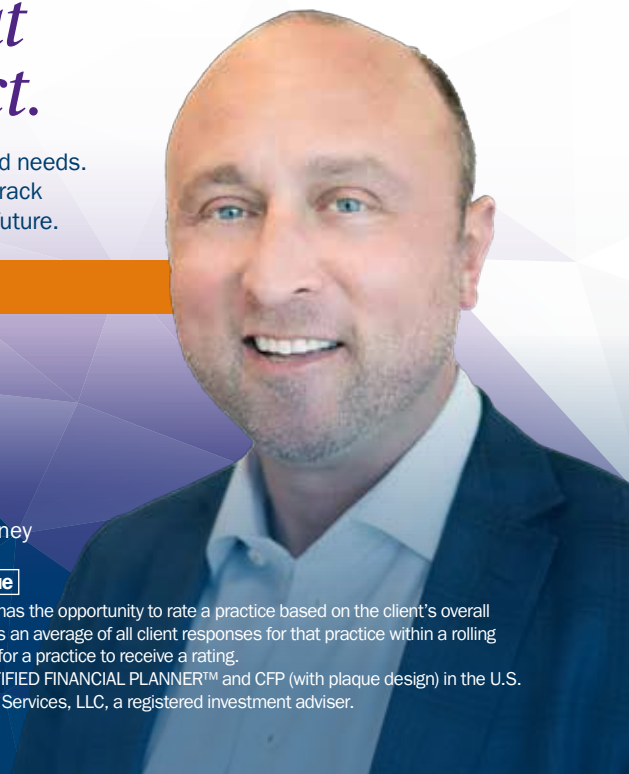
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The Fair Board has partnered with numerous volunteers, community organizations, businesses and sponsors to ensure each year built upon the success of the prior year. Excited to celebrate year 18, continuing to celebrate the county's agricultural heritage, community, and the memories of the families as they began generational traditions of their own.



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## RAISE THE ROOFS A TWILIGHT POLO EVENT

AUGUST 18 – 19 HARLINSDALE  
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A twilight polo event at the Tractor Supply Co. Arena at Harlinsdale will kick off the celebration on Friday, August 18th, and the main event will be held on Saturday, August 19th from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm under the big tent on the lawn of the Hayes House. Patrons can expect plenty of great food, drink and cheer, live music and an after-party beginning at 8:30 pm.

For over 10 years, Friends of Franklin Parks has partnered with The City of Franklin to cultivate stewardship in the Franklin Community. Each year Raise the Roofs seeks to raise awareness of its mission to preserve the cultural and natural resources in the Franklin Community with the vision to enhance the parks and trails experience for generations to come.





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# ESSENTIAL SUN PROTECTION TIPS FOR SUMMER



*As summer arrives, it's crucial to prioritize sun protection and shield your skin from harmful UV rays. In this concise guide, we'll explore key strategies to keep your skin safe and healthy during the sunny season.*

## **Apply Broad-Spectrum Sunscreen:**

Choose a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 30 or higher. Broad-spectrum sunscreens protect against both UVA and UVB rays. Apply sunscreen generously to all exposed areas, including the face, neck, arms, and legs. Reapply every two hours or after swimming or excessive sweating.

## **Seek Shade:**

When the sun is at its peak, usually between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., seek shade whenever possible. Shade provides a natural barrier from direct sunlight and reduces the intensity of UV exposure.

## **Wear Protective Clothing:**

Covering up is an effective way to shield your skin from the sun. Opt for lightweight, loose-fitting clothing made from tightly woven fabrics. Wear long-sleeved shirts, wide-brimmed hats, and sunglasses with UV protection to safeguard your face, eyes, and neck.

## **Be Mindful of Sun Reflection:**

Water, sand, and snow can reflect sunlight and increase UV exposure. Take extra precautions in such environments by applying sunscreen more frequently, wearing protective clothing, and using sunglasses to shield your eyes.

Prioritizing sun protection is essential during the summer. By following these key tips, you can enjoy outdoor activities while safeguarding your skin from harmful UV rays. Remember, consistent sun protection habits contribute to long-term skin health. Stay safe and enjoy the sunny season responsibly!

## **Stay Hydrated:**

Proper hydration is essential for maintaining healthy skin. Drink plenty of water throughout the day, especially when spending time outdoors. Hydrated skin is more resilient and less prone to sun damage.

## **Use Additional Sun Protection Measures:**

In addition to sunscreen, consider using other sun protection measures such as umbrellas, sun hats, and sun-protective clothing. These provide extra layers of defense against harmful UV rays.

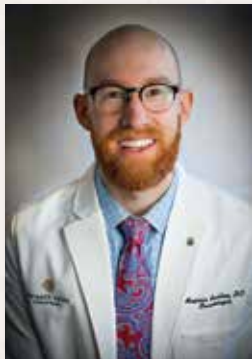
## **Check Medications:**

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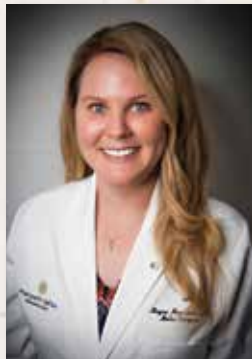
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*Lay ribs, bone side down, on foil-lined baking sheet. Wrap foil around ribs and seal. Place on baking sheet.*

*Fill large baking dish or roasting pan with 2 inches of boiling water. Place on lower oven rack to keep ribs moist as they bake. Place ribs on middle oven rack.*

*Bake 2 1/2-3 hours, or until meat is tender and just starting to fall off bone.*

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The majestic home known as Rattle and Snap sits on a hilltop seven miles west of Columbia. Completed in 1845, it's considered one of the best examples of Greek Revival residential architecture in the country. This designated National Historic Landmark is home to retired Dr. Michael Kaslow and his wife, Bobbi.

The two lived in California when they bought the property 20 years ago, but Michael had deep ties to Maury County.

"I was born here, just outside Columbia," he explains. "My mother and grandmother lived here, and my great-grandfather fought in the Civil War. He was in the Bigby Greys."

A statue and marker in Mt. Pleasant tell the story of the Bigby Greys, a hundred local men sworn into Confederate service on

April 20th, 1861.

While Michael had roots here, it was Bobbi who had the idea to buy Rattle and Snap after first seeing the outside of the house during a visit with her mother-in-law. Then, a couple of years later, she returned and was able to go inside.

"We came on a tour," Bobbi recalls, "and once you see this place, it gets into your very soul. You never forget it. So, I went back to California, and told my husband we really ought to buy Rattle and Snap."

At the time, it wasn't for sale, but when it went on the market in 2003, they bought it.

"When we first came here, the house was basically falling apart," Bobbi explains. "There were 35 leaks in the roof, the col-

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umns were rotting, the upstairs ceilings were cracked and coming down, and the inside walls were bubbling. We thought, what have we gotten ourselves into? But we just focused on one problem at a time, fixed it, and went on to the next.”

Rebuilding, then furnishing the home, has been a labor of love, especially for Bobbi, who has extensive knowledge of antiques.

“I grew up in Greenwich, Connecticut, so I was used to big houses and fine furniture. And I’ve always been partial to the Victorian era, which is, of course, the period during which Rattle and Snap was built. So, we just did research, read books, and we started going to auctions.”

Despite its size and many antiques, Rattle and Snap has a welcoming feel to it.

“It’s 16,000 square feet, but in spite of that, it has a homey feel,” says Bobbi. “We do tours, and when people come here to visit, they always comment on how warm and comfortable it is.”

During her tours, Bobbi shares the home’s history, such as where it got its name. The house was built for George Polk, whose father, William Polk, was a land surveyor and won the tract of land during a game of chance called “rattle and snap.”

She also delves into fascinating aspects of the home itself.

“I share what’s original to the home, when it was built, what Greek Revival architecture is, and I talk about the columns. They’re 28 feet tall, and they’re Corinthian columns which are the most ornate. They were made in Cincinnati, Ohio, shipped down the Cumberland River to Nashville, and brought here by oxcart. When you think about that being done in the 1840s, it’s amazing.”

It’s also interesting to note that Rattle and Snap has ten columns, while the White House in Washington, DC, only has eight.

“See how special that is,” she says with a laugh.

Michael dedicates a lot of his time to overseeing the landscaping. Even though they’ve called this place home for nearly two decades, they’re still in awe of it.

“When Michael drives up the driveway, he says he still can’t believe we actually own this house,” Bobbi says. “We feel more like caretakers than owners because it’s so magnificent.”

Tours of the home are available for \$25 per person with a four-person minimum, and reservations are required a week in advance. For more information, visit:

[rattleandsnapplantation.com/](http://rattleandsnapplantation.com/)



## RATTLE & SNAP WHISKEY

*There’s also a Rattle & Snap Whiskey, although it’s not associated with the Maury County plantation.*

*The whiskey, which hit shelves last September, is produced by the Log Still Distillery in Gethsemane, Kentucky. Wally Dant, president, and distiller, explains how he decided on the name.*

*“I wanted to have a Kentucky brand, but I also wanted to pay tribute to Tennessee, which had been my home for the past 22 years,” he says. “Kentucky and Tennessee both make great bourbons and whiskeys, so I thought we could have a great Tennessee brand and call it Rattle & Snap after the game of chance.”*

*He says the name was also a way to have a little fun with it. The whiskey’s side label refers to “making your own luck,” which works well since getting into the bourbon and whiskey business can often be a bit of a gamble.*

*Dant describes the whiskey as having “a little sweeter profile with a bit of back-end spice you get from the rye grain that’s in there.”*

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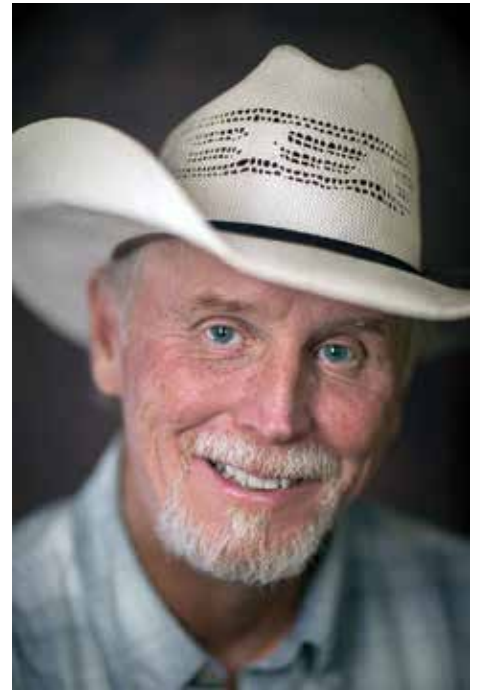
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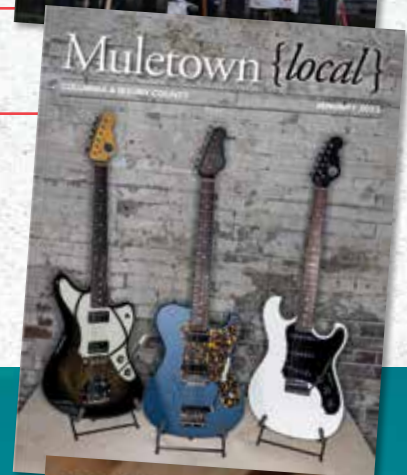
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