Shaker Village is Kentucky’s largest National Historic Landmark. With 34 historic structures and three-thousand acres, the village is a crown jewel of Kentucky. As a nonprofit organization, Shaker Village depends on charitable support, guest revenue and an endowment to sustain this powerful place by sharing the legacy of the Pleasant Hill Shakers for future generations. In late 2014, the Board of Trustees of Shaker Village launched an ambitious $25 million campaign to raise much needed funds for preservation, education and conservation for our unique cultural treasure. To date, the Village has raised over $13.1 million and completed 52 preservation projects. This year preservation projects have included the 1853 Water House, the 1860 Bath House, the 1821 Ministry’s Workshop and 1811 Old Stone Store. It is exciting to see preservation at work with new rooftops but there is still much work to do. Please join us by making a tax-deductible gift at shakervillageky.org or contact the Development Office at 859.735.1545.

The Campaign for Shaker Village is led by the Board of Trustees’ Development Committee:• Ellen G. Chapman, Chair• Ann B. Bakhaun • Harriet Dupree Bradley • Rose Cooper • Stephen L. Grossman • Donna S. Hall • G. Watts Humphrey, Jr. • Marianne Kesh Rose • Jane Winograd

We are very grateful for the tremendous support of our donors, friends, guests and Trustees and we encourage everyone to join the Campaign for Shaker Village. Ellen Chapman, Chair of the Development Committee, Trustee

Simple Gifts

The Campaign for Shaker Village
This Place Matters!
Shaker Village Craft Fair
Vendors included potters, jewelry makers, woodworkers and more.

According to Lorri Ingruen, Retail Sales Manager at Shaker Village, “We had a beautiful fair. Our vendors had a very successful weekend and our guests left with armfuls of artistic treasures. We were particularly pleased with the presentations of our emerging artists and a major goal for next year is to reach out to new artists throughout Kentucky.”

Mark your calendars for August 1 + 2, 2020 and plan to attend this festive event! The Craft Fair was presented by Hardscuffle, Inc., the holding company of American Life and Accident in Louisville.

The Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill Board of Trustees recently issued a challenge to all Annual Fund donors that will match your increase over last year’s gift dollar-for-dollar. For example, if you gave $250 in 2018 and increased your gift to $300 before December 31, the board will match the $250 increase and the total impact to the Annual Fund will be $750. For all new Annual Fund donors your gift will be matched dollar for dollar which will Double Your Impact to Shaker Village!

The Annual Fund is vital to our continuous growth and long-term sustainability. This fund supports the historic restoration, preservation, educational and programming needs for Kentucky's largest National Historic Landmark.

G. Watts Humphrey Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees said, “The board enthusiastically and unanimously agreed to provide this matching opportunity in order to build the level of financial support that sustains the great work happening at Shaker Village. Our goal is to inspire future generations through discovery by sharing the legacies of the Pleasant Hill Shakers. Please consider making a gift today!”

To make a gift online go to shakervillageky.org or call the Development Office at 859.734.1545.

Make Plans for HarvestFest 2019!
HarvestFest tickets are $14 for adults, $7 for children ages 6-12 and free for children 5 and under. Access to daily programming at Shaker Village is included in admission. The event is free for all annual passholders. For a complete schedule of events, visit shakervillageky.org.

Double the Impact of Your Gift
Meet the Shaker Village Board of Trustees Challenge
The William Pennebaker Planned Giving Society Share the Joy of Giving and Creating a Legacy at Shaker Village

William Pennebaker arrived at Pleasant Hill as an orphan and lived at the Village the remaining 73 years of his life. He was described as an upright, truthful man, quiet and peaceable in his demeanor. Through his wise advice and a strong work ethic, he set an example for many.

With a strong sense of duty, as one of the last remaining Shakers, William arranged in his will for the West Family buildings to be used for a school that would professionally educate and train underprivileged girls. The Pennebaker Home for Girls was created to preserve Shaker property and principles and “to benefit mankind.” To honor his spirit and legacy the William Pennebaker Planned Giving Society was established. When you consider an estate gift, you are expressing a long-term commitment to continue our mission of inspiring generations through discovery and keeping the legacy of the Pleasant Hill Shakers alive for generations to come.

Jane Wisegardner, Shaker Village Board of Trustees member and supporter said, “I have included Shaker Village in my estate planing as I want this Kentucky treasure to continue enriching future generations.”

For more information call the Development Office at 859.734.1545.

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OUR MISSION: To inspire generations of guests through discovery by sharing the legacies of the Kentucky Shakers.

A Life Dedicated to Shaker Village and Historic Preservation by Barbara Hulette

“We make you kindly welcome” is an understatement. Upon entering the grounds of the beautifully manicured and peaceful atmosphere at Shaker Village, I am profoundly grateful for the enrichment and education afforded through its programs and events. Over the past four decades I have developed a deep love and appreciation for the history surrounding the Shakers, the excellence of the architecture and construction of the buildings and the constant work it takes to sustain the Village. I am in awe of the most recent restoration efforts involving the Centre Family Dwelling, the Meeting House and the Water House. The same excellence and high standards of the Shakers have been followed in restoring these buildings and are now preserved for generations to come.

The forward thinking of the Board of Trustees and the administration of these iconic buildings offer proof of Shaker Village’s utility and security for the future. With so many activities and events for families and enjoyable experiences in dining how could anyone not feel kindly welcomed?

Thank you Shaker Village for your devotion and dedication to the presentation of such history which have enriched not only my life but the lives of thousands who visit and experience the village that is so well preserved and shared with the world. I’m proud to generously support the restoration, preservation and educational efforts of Shaker Village and encourage everyone to do the same. It’s the best gift I could ever receive.

Barry Stamba
Chief Development Officer

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Development Coordinator

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Development Assistant

Margaret Grace
Campaign Director

We rely on the generous gifts of our friends, guests and donors to help make this such a powerful place! Thank you for believing in and supporting Shaker Village!

Meet the Shaker Village Board of Trustees

Mr. Hulette’s a member of the William Pennebaker Home for Girls Trust for Historic Preservation, a member of the Bi-Lo-Hi-Woo Memorial Foundation, part of the American Legion, Shaker Village and is a member of the Bi-Lo-Hi-Woo Memorial Trust. The Barbara Helen Hulette is a Young Professional and is a friend and supporter of the Shaker Village.