

## VKPF Projects

### Hack & Simon Brewery Restoration

VKPF led the way in restoring the Hack and Simon Brewery Office (ca. 1885) located on the campus of Vincennes University. The public's desire to "save" this outstanding edifice is today a preservation success story.

### Hilt House c. 1847

VKPF saved this house, located on Seminary Street around the corner from the Old French House, from demolition. With support from Indiana Landmarks, VKPF stabilized the house and rehabilitated the exterior. VKPF now uses the house for events and to store architectural salvage.



*Hilt House, after (above) and before (below).*

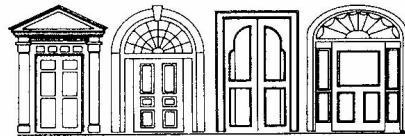


## Our History

Thank you for your interest in our organization. Started as a committee of the Chamber of Commerce, we have been evolving for over twenty years with the goal of preserving the city and county for the economic and cultural benefit of all.

We have partnered with many other like minded groups in Vincennes and been an advisory tool for many home and business owners. We have provided educational assistance for property owners as well as school groups. Our Victorian Teas showcased notable homes and our "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" assisted those who were truly in need of help with their homes' exteriors. We assisted in the preservation of the St. Xavier Old School, the Hack & Simon Brewery Office, and the Hilt House. Our ice cream socials and Civil War Days provided funds for the restoration for the Civil War Monument. With the assistance of Indiana Landmarks, VKPF has helped open doors for our community through education, grants and loans. There remains much to accomplish. We invite you to join in our progress as a VKPF member.

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## VINCENNES KNOX PRESERVATION FOUNDATION



*Hack & Simon Brewery Office, ca. 1885*

### Our Mission:

To promote and encourage interest in homes, buildings, properties, history and heritage of the Vincennes and Knox County areas.

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## VKPF Programs & Services

### Historical & Architectural Research

VKPF researches historic properties. The collection includes information on architectural styles, appropriate restoration techniques and an inventory of Knox County's historic properties.

### Indiana Landmarks

VKPF is an affiliate member of Indiana Landmarks, which provides advice from preservation professionals, including listing property on the National Register of Historic Places.

### Salvage Warehouse

Created in 1990 to retain historic materials from properties selected for demolition or otherwise dramatically altered, warehouse materials are available for reuse. Items include hardwood doors, windows, sinks, light fixtures, doorknobs and hardware.

### Community Education

VKPF coordinates and leads educational seminars and workshops on preservation topics such as researching historic properties, financing restoration projects and hands-on restoration techniques. VKPF also leads architectural tours.

### Within the Vincennes Historic District

An educational booklet on the benefits, privileges and responsibilities of living in the district is available for residents and owners of property in the historic district. The publication includes a summary of the Historic Review Board guidelines and the benefits (tax and otherwise) of owning property within the district.

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### Knox County Civil War Monument

Originally dedicated in 1914, the Civil War Monument on the county square memorializes war and peace. This restoration effort, led by Judge Tim Crowley and VKPF, partnered with Knox County to bring the monument back to its original glory. A re-dedication ceremony celebrated the completed restoration on July 4, 2008.



### Neighbors Helping Neighbors

In 1990, volunteers began donating their time and talent to restore and renovate exterior features of historic homes and buildings. Five homes and an educational facility have benefited from this program. They include: 301 S 3rd St (ca. 1925), 324 N 4th St (ca. 1895), 407 N 1st St (ca. 1880), 427 N 5th St (ca. 1888), 313 Church Street (ca. 1886) and St. Francis Xavier Parochial School (ca. 1874).

### Dale House c. 1909

VKPF led the restoration of the Dale House, an American Foursquare at the corner of Hart Street and Second Street. With support from Indiana Landmarks and many preservation-minded organizations and individuals, the house was completed in 2011 and sold. The house retains original woodwork, hardwood floors, and staircase.

## VKPF Membership

*Join us in preserving our heritage.*

- Household**      \$40
- Business**      \$30
- Individual**      \$25

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