



# SAVE THE FRANKLIN BATTLEFIELD, INC

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Dedicated to the Preservation, Protection, and Promotion of Civil War Sites in Williamson County, Tennessee

## President's Message

Dear Preservation Supporter

We need your help. The fight to save Fort Negley in Nashville continues to gain traction. All five of the At-Large Council Members on The Metropolitan Council of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County have come out AGAINST the proposed development on Fort Negley Property!

Several local news outlets have begun actively complaining about the proposed commercial development of City Owned Park Space surrounding Fort Negley as evidenced by the following article in the Nashville Scene: [Click Here for Nashville Scene Article](#). The push back has caused T Bone Burnett, Celebrity spokesman for the Developers to lash out by referring to Civil War Preservationists and other dissenters as D\*mned Liars! To me this only shows that the Developers are becoming concerned with their narrowing support in City Hall, although that support still includes Mayor Megan Barry.

The petition to "Save an Urban Park, Greenspace & History in Nashville, TN" is approaching 2000 signatures. We urge all members of Save The Franklin Battlefield to sign the petition by clicking the following link: [Petition](#). Share with your friends and anyone else who appreciates the history of our great country!

Chip Huffman

## New & Renewing Members July 2017

David Berry	Jacksonville, FL
Bev Burger	Franklin, TN
Tommy & Lynn Burnett,	Brentwood TN
Denis & Nancy Buttacavoli	Hasbrouck Hts, NJ
Jim Campi	Burke, VA
Cameron & Kristine Close	Newark, OH
Andy & Mike Cullison	Celina, TN
Clarksville CWRT	Clarksville, TN
George W Lee CWRT	Brighton, MI
South Bay CWRT	Mountain View, CA
United Kingdom CWRT	Margate, Kent UK
Dan Duggan Jr	Brandon, MS
Daniel Fell	Burlington, IA
Bob Gentry	Franklin, TN
Michael Green	Tulare, CA
Janice Heyd	Franklin, TN
Del Horton	Michie, TN
Robert Humphrey	Franklin, TN
Tom & Jackie Jensen	Nelson, NE
James & Kelly Joslin	Atlanta, TX
Jonathan Land	Dunlap, TN
Melvin Maurer	Westlake, OH
R Martin McGirt	Franklin, TN
Kevin & Kelle McLemore	Clarksville, TN
Patric Parker	Lincolnton, GA
Mark & Karen Perreault	Norfolk, VA
Robert & Kathleen Pugh	Franklin, TN
Ed Pulia	Bartlett, IL
Amanda Sinclair	Brentwood, TN
Dr Samuel Smith	Brentwood, TN
Jody & Pat Thompson	Franklin, TN

## The Tennessee Preservation Trust Annual Conference Set for Franklin

The Tennessee Preservation Trust (the state arm of the National Trust for Historic Preservation) recently announced that their statewide annual

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conference (September 20th-22nd) will be held in Franklin after over a decade.

TPT Board member, Pam Lewis went on to explain: We are looking forward to a wonderful, well-attended conference and hope you and your staff and friends can attend (it is only \$150 for the full conference and \$50 for students). We will be covering a wide range of topics (African American history, Civil War history, tax credits, opportunities for Tennessee historic rehab tax credits, historic cemetery preservation, preservation easements, living and lodging in downtown communities, marketing and programming resources for historic communities and other historic and community revitalization topics) and offering educational credits for certified local governments, planners and architects. The programs and speakers are being finalized now.

I know you are proud of the progress we have made in preservation and heritage tourism here in Franklin and Williamson County. We will be showcasing best practices and successes to a statewide audience. This is a great opportunity to learn, network and celebrate. In addition, I hope you will consider joining me, the city and county governments, Cameron Properties, Aspen Investments, Ajax Turner, The Tennessee Historic Commission and a host of other partners and sponsors to make this conference a success. Thank you for your consideration.

For additional information and to register see <http://www.tennesseepreservationtrust.org/conference/>

### **Julian Bibb Recognized At Franklin Tomorrow Event**

*From the Williamson Herald July 18, 2017*

Julian Bibb was the recipient of the Business Legacy Award to be presented Wednesday, July 26, as part of the 11th annual Franklin Tomorrow Exemplary Community Volunteer Awards and Volunteer Spirit Awards at the Franklin Theatre.

The award recognizes an individual who has made significant impact in the areas of business, quality of life and leadership, according to Tim Murphy, Franklin Tomorrow Board president.

Bibb, who listed among his biggest passions the pursuit of the law and the Franklin community, most recently

finished a term as president of the Heritage Foundation, but has been a leader in the founding of numerous community organizations and activities.

Among the organizations he helped to found is Leadership Franklin.

"Above all, Julian is the epitome of volunteer servant leadership," Debbie Henry, associate executive director of Leadership Franklin, said. "Each day, he unselfishly rolls up his sleeves and brings his expertise, his talents, his passion and his toolbox filled with love for Franklin, Williamson County and Tennessee, with the goal of continually helping others and bettering the community."

Mary Pearce, the recipient of last year's Business Legacy Award and recent retiree as the long-time executive director of the Heritage Foundation, also submitted a nomination for Bibb.

She noted he has served more terms as Heritage Foundation president than anyone else in the organization's 50-year history.

"Julian has served as the leader who can build consensus for projects that profoundly impact our community such as battlefield reclamation, conservation easements, tourism, historic zoning, community visioning, leadership building for youth and adults, purchase of special places like Harlinsdale Farm and support of education," Pearce said. "He does the needed homework for each project, takes the best notes, creates the best teamwork, never gives up and always finds the time to also be an amazingly productive attorney, wonderful family man and great friend."

Bibb is a member of Stites & Harbison PLLC with a practice specializing in banking and real estate law. Earlier this summer, Bibb and the firm were recognized by The Land Trust for Tennessee for providing \$500,000 in pro-bono services to the organization, and they were also recognized by The Civil War Trust for providing pro bono legal services to battlefield preservation in Franklin, valued at \$1.5 million.

To list the organizations which Bibb has helped to start would be lengthy, but they include Franklin Tomorrow, Franklin's Charge, the Education Foundation of Williamson County and several more. He is active with the Land Trust of Tennessee,

Cumberland Region Tomorrow, The Transportation Management Association and Leadership Middle Tennessee, as well as many professional organizations.

He is married to Jayne Bibb, and together they have six children: Julian, Debra, Polly, Chris, Joseph and John. He has six grandchildren.

In 2007, Franklin Tomorrow established the Exemplary Community Volunteer Awards to honor the decades of service and tremendous impact of Anne T. Rutherford, with an award which recognizes the collective effort of an individual's work, the impact on the agencies themselves and the community at large.

Franklin Tomorrow is a community visioning nonprofit which seeks to engage the community, foster collaboration and advocate for a shared vision for the future of Franklin. That shared vision includes a vibrant economy, distinct character, robust neighborhoods and great people. Visit its website at [www.franklintomorrow.org](http://www.franklintomorrow.org)

**Studio Tenn opens its 2017/2018 season with the return of the original production "The Battle of Franklin: A Tale of a House Divided" September 7-22**

FRANKLIN, Tenn. - Studio Tenn Theatre Company returns to the roots of Franklin, Tennessee with its reprise of "The Battle of Franklin: A Tale of a House Divided." Back by popular demand, "The Battle of Franklin" will premier at the Jamison Theatre in the Factory at Franklin this September 7 - 22.

Studio Tenn's Artistic Director, Matt Logan, enlists the expertise of writer A. S. Peterson to script the tale, along with the guidance of local historians, to recreate the stirring performance piece.

This unique local work takes audiences back in time to witness the tragic struggle between father and son, master and slave, and North and South. The perfect blend of history and theatricality, "The Battle of Franklin" presents more than mere history, but the conflict in us all and our hope of restoration.

"The Battle of Franklin: A Tale of a House Divided" runs September 7 - 22 at the Jamison Theater in the

Factory at Franklin. See a trailer and get your tickets while they are still available [at studiotenn.com](http://at.studiotenn.com) or by calling (615) 541-8200.

**News In Review  
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**Monuments on Franklin Square, My Opinion, Pearl Bransford — Williamson Herald — 8/18/17 — FRANKLIN** — In my opinion, Franklin is now doing an ok job highlighting the Civil War history that occurred right here in our yards and backyards. . . .Chip that stands on Franklin's square represents a generic confederate soldier that fought and died in the Civil War. Four Union cannons on Franklin's square represent the brave Federalist Soldiers that gave their lives for the Union. Should the Cannons and Chip be placed in another location? That's a discussion for Daughters of the Confederacy, City of Franklin and others to have in a calm and intellectual setting. I have no doubt that date will occur."

**Opinion: Southern Signs and Wonders, Sherri Clark — Williamson Herald — 8/18/17 — FRANKLIN** — "What better way to set a trajectory for the future than with history markers reminding us of what is good and what is bad in our history? Comparing historical figures and events to current times helps us measure progress. . . . The argument for tearing down symbols because they glorify a past of which we should be ashamed misses the point of any historical marker reflecting a view of any time in history; and, destroying markers of history or even our understanding of history will not erase evil or bigotry."

**FPD keeps eye on social media threats to vandalize Franklin landmarks — Williamson Herald — 8/18/17 — FRANKLIN** — Franklin Police are aware of several recent social media posts with references to both protecting historical landmarks in Franklin and to vandalizing them. Police said they are closely monitoring these posts. Facebook posts are circulating spreading alleged information that "antifa," or anti-fascist action groups, who are a part of a movement opposing fascist ideologies, groups, and individuals, could be coming to Franklin to show opposition to its Civil War landmarks, police said.

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QTY	Item	Price	Total
	Annual Membership: Individual \$20 ~ Family \$30 ~ Corporate \$50 (circle one)		
	Donation: <b>Marker Fund</b> ~ <b>Land Purchase</b> (circle one)		
	“Retreat from Pulaski to Nashville” ~ limited & numbered reprint edition, hardcover	\$20.00	
	“Eyewitnesses to the Battle of Perryville” ~ David Logsdon, paperback 8-1/2 x 11	\$15.00	
	“Eyewitnesses to the Battle of Franklin” ~ David Logsdon, paperback 8-1/2 x 11	\$15.00	
	“Eyewitnesses to the Battle of Shiloh” ~ David Logsdon, paperback 8-1/2 x 11	\$15.00	
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