

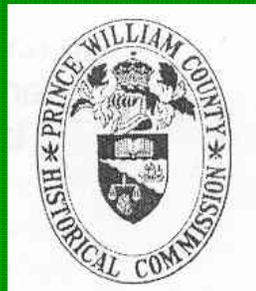
SB 766

Demolition of Historic
Structures,
Cemeteries and
Gravesites

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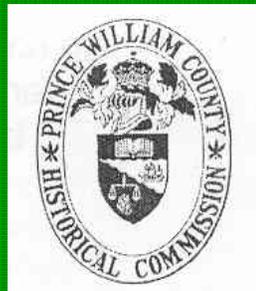
Prince William County: Where History Loves Company

- Historic Preservation is a key component of County's Comprehensive and Strategic Plans
- Established an Office of Historic Preservation
- Acquired 31 Historic Buildings
 - 10 Historic Sites
 - 207 Acres of Historic Land
- Increase in Documented Burial Sites from 175 in the year 2000 to 530 in 2008
- 56 Historic Sites Designated by the County with Owner Consent



Historic Tourism

- \$136 Million Brought into PWC Yearly from Tourism
- Historic Tourism is an Emerging Market
- The Historic Tourist is a “Quiet Tourist”
- Little Strain on Infrastructure

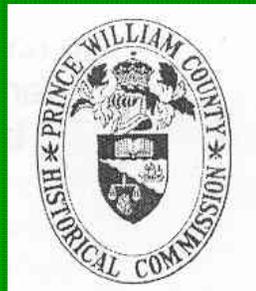


Positive Partnership Has Emerged With the Local Building Community



Problems and Threats

- Some outside groups are still not sensitive to historic preservation
- In some cases willful and intended destruction of historic resources occurs
- The following slides give examples of our losses in Prince William County



Heavenly Poles



Ghostly Houses



Illusionary Houses

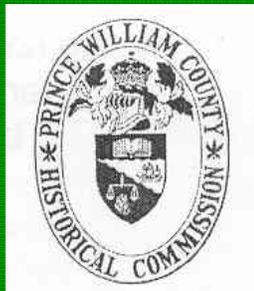


Flying Cemeteries



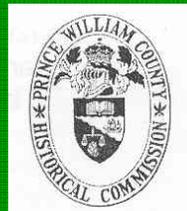
SB 766 Allows

- Local Option Choice
- Flexibility of Implementation
- Dialogue with Landowners Regarding Historic Properties
- Communication of Tax Incentives and Grants that may be available



In Summary

- SB 766 Enhances the sensitivity of all parties regarding historic resource preservation
- Provides “Breathing Room” for dialogue among all stakeholders
- Provides the Building Community with an Additional Marketing Tool (Historic Resources as a Community Amenity)



SB766: A Win-Win Situation

