A large audience filled the first floor rotunda at the Capitol in Jefferson City on March 24, 2012 to recognize the recipients of the 2012 Statewide Preservation Honor Awards. The Rozier Award, Missouri Preservation's highest honor, went to Dr. Bonnie Stepenoff for accomplishments in her many years as a preservation professional, historical writer, and as the coordinator of Southeast Missouri State’s historic preservation program.

McReynolds Awards, given in recognition of synergistic preservation activities, went to Jason Deem in St. Louis for his work in the Cherokee Neighborhood, Craig Wagoner for his work in Springfield, and Save the Katy Bridge for their efforts to preserve the MKT bridge spanning the Missouri River at Boonville.

The Overby Award, given for excellence in media, was shared by NINI Harris for her book on St. Louis’ Holly Hills Neighborhood, and Suzanne Bolten for her book on the St. Louis County municipality of Oakland.

The seven Preserve Missouri Awards for individual achievement went to the Saline County Courthouse (Marshall), the Commerce Building (Sedalia), the Finke Theatre (California), the Inter-State Grocer Building (Joplin), the Pickler Building (Kirksville), the Reeves Wiedeman Co. Headquarters (Kansas City), and Crestmead Plantation in Pilot Grove.

Following the ceremony, a luncheon was held in the Senate Alcove for award winners, their guests and various dignitaries. Many thanks to all the legislators, volunteers, and generous sponsors who helped make the day a memorable one for preservation and the award recipients.
**2012 Missouri Preservation Conference**

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Check for updates as they become available this summer at [www.preservemo.org](http://www.preservemo.org).

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2012 Missouri’s Most Endangered Historic Properties

Missouri Preservation announced its Most Endangered Historic Places List for 2012 at a press conference held at the Frank L. Sommer House, commonly known as the “Cracker House” in St. Joseph on Wednesday, May 30, 2012. Over 50 people from across the state attended the event in St. Joseph. Missouri’s Most Endangered Historic Places List is announced annually to bring awareness to threatened historic resources in Missouri. Nominations are accepted from citizens statewide and the properties selected are considered endangered for a variety of reasons, including deterioration, neglect, encroachment, potential demolition or a combination of threats. Nominations for this year’s list came from all corners of the state. Please see below for the complete 2012 list.

2012 Missouri’s Most Endangered Historic Properties (in no particular order)

The Frank L. Sommer House (“The Cracker House”)
The AAA Building
The Lyric Theater Building
Barns and Farmsteads of Missouri
The Pouncey Building
The Diamonds Café & Truck Stop
Kemper Arena
Charles and Bettie Birthright House
Schools Buildings of Missouri