

Heritage of the past



Promise of the future

*Conley House Dedication
University of Missouri-Columbia*



Conley House is a rare and handsome example of the Italianate Revival Victorian style of architecture in Missouri.

Completed about 1868, it is one of the oldest homes of the period in the Columbia area and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

Under the administration of Chancellor Barbara Uehling, the University purchased the home in 1980 from George Miller, retired Columbia lawyer and grandson of the late Sanford Francis Conley for whom the house was built.

Plans began immediately for the renovation and restoration of the house to be used by the campus.

The master plan includes the Conley House to be an important feature of the green space on the south side of Jesse Hall, an area which will become a south quadrangle to echo Francis Quadrangle on the north.

Members of the Conley family have expressed interest in the project through gifts and pledges toward the cost of the restoration. In addition, the house features several antiques, including many of the light fixtures, from the

Booth estate, which recently was bequeathed to the University.

The preservation of Conley House is an example of restoration planning and adaptive use of historic buildings to meet modern purposes. After considerable study of various proposals for use of the house, it was agreed that it best fit the needs and missions of the Honors College in the College of Arts and Science and the Missouri Cultural Heritage Center in the Graduate School and Office of Research. Both of these units moved into the house following the restoration.

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The Honors College

The Honors College provides a stimulating and challenging academic atmosphere for Mizzou's most talented and motivated undergraduate students. The house provides classrooms for many of the 60 honors courses offered each semester and serves as a meeting place for students in small group settings with peers and faculty. Academic advising also is provided for honors students at the facility.

The Missouri Cultural Heritage Center

The Missouri Cultural Heritage Center was established in 1982 and grew out of the multidisciplinary Ste. Genevieve Community Study. The center is charged with the nourishment of cultural heritage studies at the University and with the research, analysis, preservation and celebration of the heritage of the state and region.

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