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The 2010 Distinguished Heritage Hall of Honor pays tribute to longtime supporters of the Naperville Heritage Society

Naperville, Ill. — Each year, the Naperville Heritage Society Board of Directors inducts honorees into the Distinguished Heritage Hall of Honor to recognize exemplary dedication to the preservation of our community's heritage. This award recognizes those who have enthusiastically supported preserving Naperville's rich and storied history, and have demonstrated a high level of commitment to Naper Settlement and the Heritage Society's mission of historic preservation and education. The public is invited to the Distinguished Heritage Hall of Honor ceremony that is being held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, in Century Memorial Chapel at Naper Settlement, 523 S. Webster St., Naperville.

This year's inductees are:

Robert Furhoff: An expert in the restoration field, Robert Furhoff has been the key advisor for interior accuracy for the Paw Paw Post Office, the Halfway House, the Daniels House, the Martin Mitchell Mansion and its Carriage House, among others. He has assisted in the development of furnishing plans and the restoration of several Naper Settlement buildings.

Mary Kay Hyett: Mary Kay Hyett, her husband, Steve, and their four children have been members and active volunteers at Naper Settlement for many years, assisting with events such as the Heritage Ball and Naper Days.

Ann Durkin Keating: Ann Durkin Keating, who is the C. Frederick Toenniges Professor of History at North Central College, has been involved with Naper Settlement since she began teaching at the college 19 years ago. Naper Settlement staff have tapped into her considerable expertise and knowledge when they have developed programs and exhibits.

James Moser: James Moser was a visionary, who was instrumental in establishing Naperville's Riverwalk. He was the owner and CEO of Moser Lumber, who also established Moser Enterprises, Inc. When plans for Naper Settlement's new visitor center, a recreation of the former Pre-Emption House were discussed, Jim donated time, materials and funding to make it happen.

USG Corporation: USG Corporation is a building products manufacturing company headquartered in Chicago with facilities worldwide. When the Pre-Emption House was being built in the 1990s, USG contributed building materials and the use of a distribution center to have the materials delivered to the site. USG continues to be the single largest Heritage Alliance donor and is the Heritage Society's largest corporate donor.

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History comes to life at Naper Settlement, an outdoor museum village, located in downtown Naperville at 523 S. Webster St. Accredited by the American Association of Museums, Naper Settlement has 30 historic structures ranging from a rustic log cabin to an elegant Victorian mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Open year round, for more information about hours and admission prices, visit www.napersettlement.museum or call (630) 420-6010.

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