

**Progress Through Preservation
October Membership Meeting
Tuesday, October 11—Tours at 3:00, 5:00 and 6:30
The John S. Knight House at 400 South Portage Path**



The John S. Knight House—Before



The John S. Knight House-After



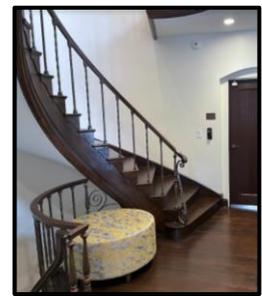
Doorway—Before



Doorway—After



Staircase—Before



Staircase—After

On Tuesday, October 11, PTP members and their guests will tour the recently restored John S. Knight House on South Portage Path. The house, a stucco Tudor Revival with Arts and Crafts details, was designed by noted Akron architects Good and Wagner, and construction was completed 1922. Knight, the editor of the Akron Beacon Journal, built the home for his new bride, Katharine “Kitty” McClain. The house was situated in what was then one of the finest neighborhoods in the city and was the site of many elaborate social events. During the time they lived in the house they had three sons, but when Kitty died in 1929 Mr. Knight never returned to the home.

The house had passed through many owners over the decades but sat empty for 15 years before the Summit County Land Bank purchased it and saved it from further blight. Two million dollars was spent to restore both the interior and exterior to their former glory. The project was a partnership of the Land Bank, the Knight Foundation and the Summit County Historical Society.

Summit County Land Bank staff will lead guided tours that highlight the history of the house, its restoration, and current use. To keep groups a manageable size we will offer three time slots: 3:00, 5:00 and 6:30. If you are able to attend the 3:00 tour, please do so allowing folks who have afternoon and early evening obligations the opportunity to tour in the evening.

Please contact Alice Christie to RSVP at 330-864-8364 or achristie@malone.edu by Friday, October 7. Please indicate how many people will attend and the time of the tour you prefer.