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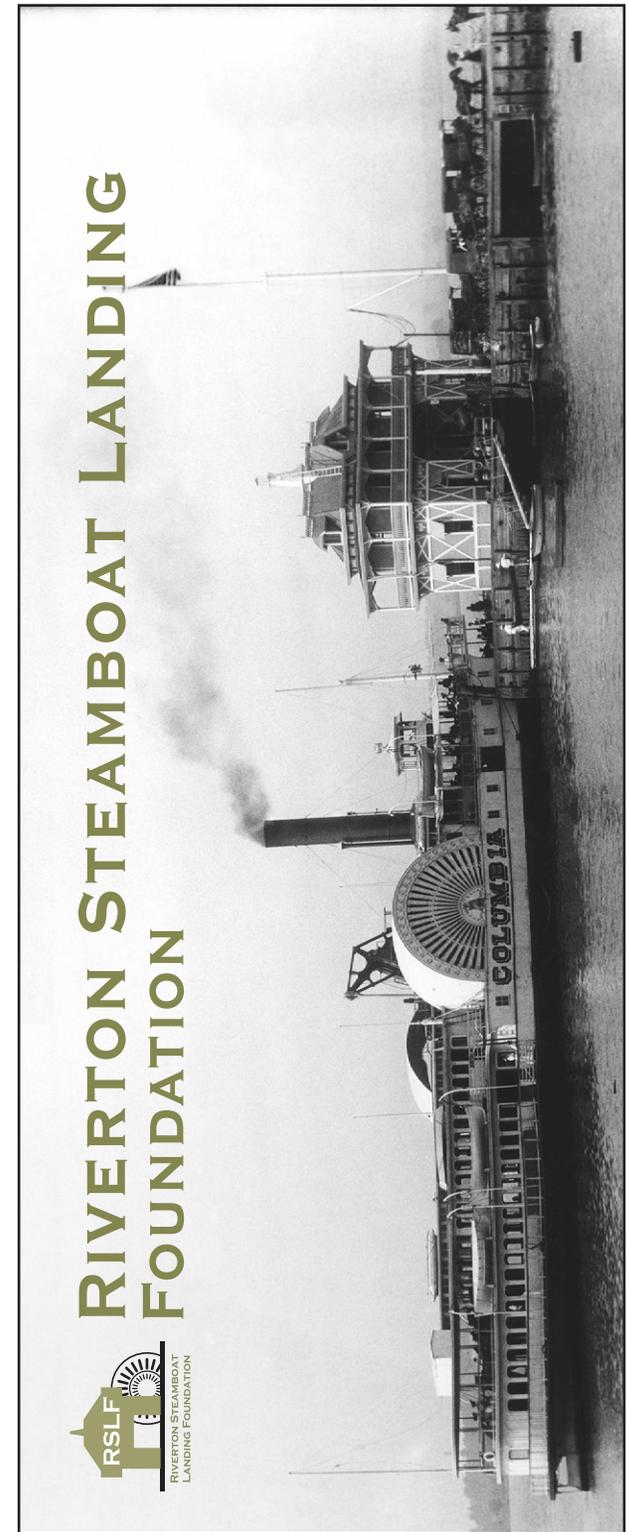
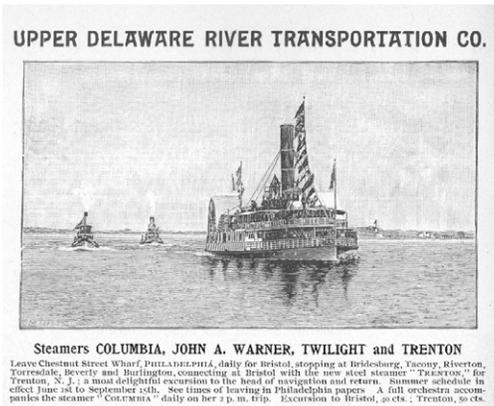
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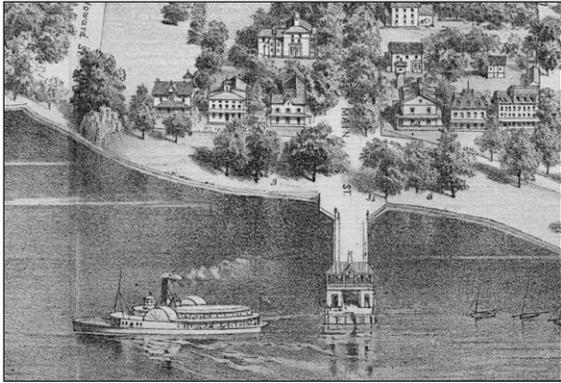


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Mission Statement

The purpose of the endowment fund is to ensure that adequate moneys are available for the next 150 years to preserve and maintain the physical structure of the historic Riverton Steamboat Landing pier and building, to prevent a recurrence of the deterioration that occurred at the end of the 20th century, and to generally provide funds to carry out the charitable purposes of the Riverton Steamboat Landing Foundation.





RIVERTON STEAMBOAT LANDING FOUNDATION

America's first highways were our rivers.

Primitive roads often became literal bogs of deep mud — and they were useless in the snow. It was far more efficient to use the rivers to move people and goods — but sail- and oar-powered boats were slow and unreliable.

Steamboats changed the game. If you were a farmer or fisherman with fresh goods to ship to the big city, it no longer took days — a steamboat gave you same-day delivery! *For a town to survive in the new world, it now needed a steamboat landing.* When architect Samuel Sloan designed the new town of Riverton, NJ in 1851, he naturally made the landing right at the foot of Main Street — the town's "front door".

Steamboats provided reliable service and an easy commute to Philadelphia of an hour or less.

The pier was extremely popular and became the subject of many paintings, photos and postcards throughout the years. Today, the steamboats have long since disappeared. The pier and clubhouse remain iconic, widely-recognized structures — priceless survivors of that lost age.

Simply put, this pier is a landmark to every town's historic relationship with the Delaware River and the steamboats that supported local

commerce more than a century ago.

So, why would we let it crumble into the river?

Well, that almost happened. For many years, the pier and clubhouse were maintained by members of the Riverton Yacht Club. However, the facility is constantly buffeted by waves, six-foot tides, swirling currents, and, in the winter, significant ice flows. It's only a matter of time before we lose this historic link without preservation.

The Riverton Steamboat Landing Foundation is a non-profit organization created to fund, maintain, and — when desperately needed — rebuild the pier. Through its efforts, historic preservation grants in an aggregate amount in excess of \$1.5 million were obtained in 1999 to refurbish the pier and to repair and restore the club house building.

Maintenance of the pier requires significant resources — and there is no guarantee that the generous donors of the past can be counted on to provide the same level of support in the future.

The Riverton Steamboat Landing Foundation has embarked on a mission to raise a \$1,000,000 historic preservation fund, with The Philadelphia Foundation — and we want you to join us.

People in the past recognized its worth and stepped up to preserve the landing... now it's *our* turn.

Join us in protecting this iconic piece of history for the *next* 150 years.

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HELP US PRESERVE THE PIER!

The iron pier and club house are iconic structures that are widely recognized and appreciated as representative of the town and region at large.

Thank you for your support to maintain and preserve this treasure.

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