

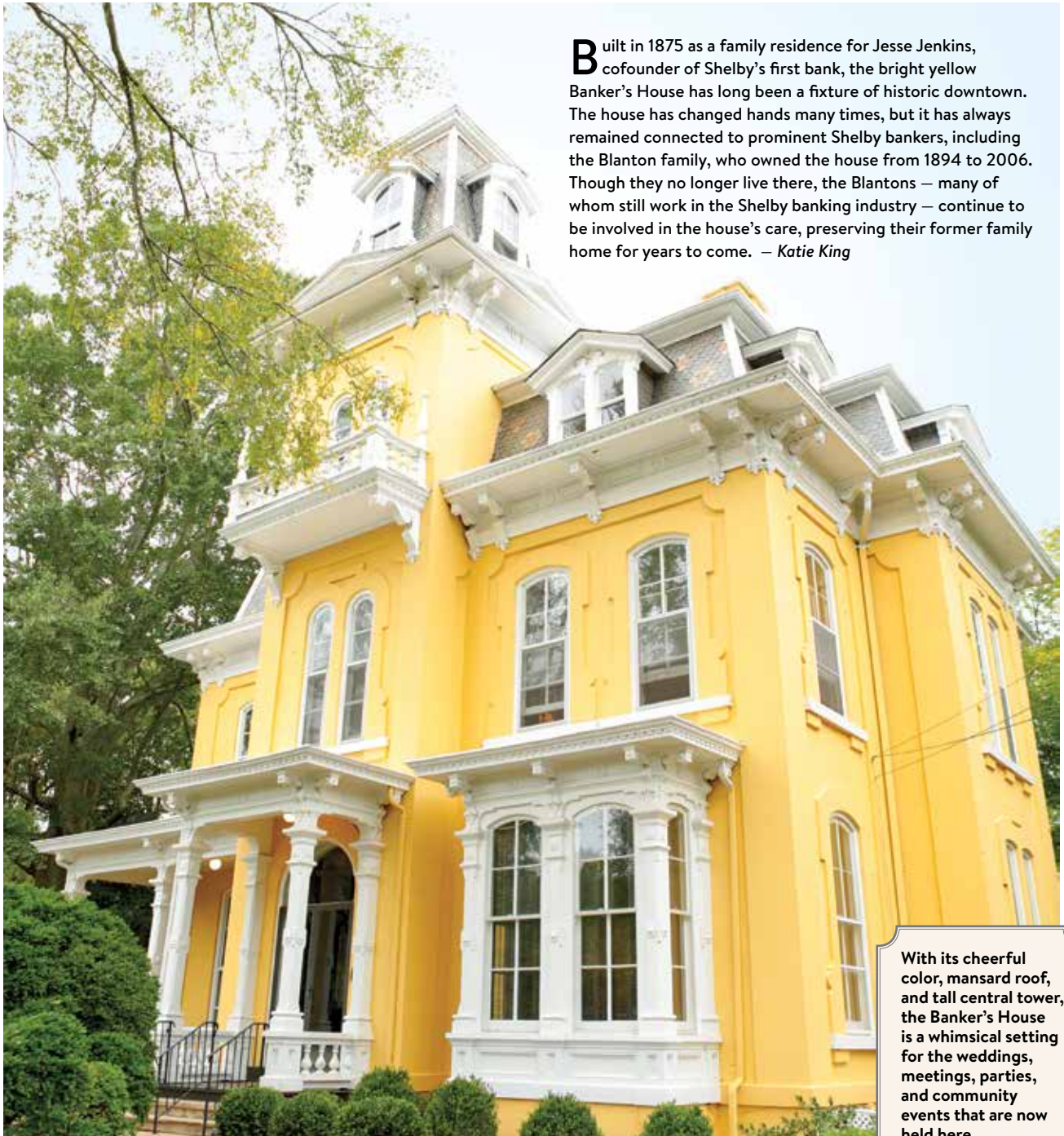
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Banker's House

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This storybook structure in Cleveland County was once home to some of the area's most notable bankers.

Built in 1875 as a family residence for Jesse Jenkins, cofounder of Shelby's first bank, the bright yellow Banker's House has long been a fixture of historic downtown. The house has changed hands many times, but it has always remained connected to prominent Shelby bankers, including the Blanton family, who owned the house from 1894 to 2006. Though they no longer live there, the Blantons — many of whom still work in the Shelby banking industry — continue to be involved in the house's care, preserving their former family home for years to come. — *Katie King*



With its cheerful color, mansard roof, and tall central tower, the Banker's House is a whimsical setting for the weddings, meetings, parties, and community events that are now held here.

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