

# • SPRINGETTSBURY TOWNSHIP •

## FORUM ON HISTORIC RESOURCES

# WHY IS PRESERVATION IMPORTANT?

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- Springettsbury Township has a number of local historic resources, some of which have been recognized by the National Register.
- The Township has a responsibility to protect resources of great importance to the future of the community. Preservation builds community awareness, strengthens neighborhoods, and helps provide a sense of community character.
- Preservation can provide economic benefits to communities through increased property values, tax revenue, and heritage tourism opportunities.
- Preservation encourages the reuse of underutilized sites, rather than development on ecologically sensitive or agricultural land.



Residential Building in Pleasureville Historic District

## HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOODS AND LANDMARKS

### OLD EAST YORK

- Old East York was originally the Keesey Farm. Still known as the “Keesey Tract”, the area was described as “fronting for two-thirds of a mile, on both sides of Market Street, York’s main thoroughfare, and part of the great Lincoln Highway.” The is now a National Register Listed Historic District.

### GLADES

- The village of Glades is situated along the road to Vinagar Ferry, east of Mount Zion Road, and northeast of York. The name Glades was given to the village around 1800 by travelers going from York to the river. A number of homes already existed here at the turn of the century.

### HAINES ACRES

- With more than 1,000 homes and nearly 800 acres of ground, Haines Acres represents a major suburban development within the Township. In 1925, Haines donated a 50’X25’ site for the Springetts Fire Company Engine House. Haines also built a two-room brick school located at Fifth Avenue and Maywood Road for the Independent School District of Springettsbury Township and the 25-foot high shoe house on Shoe House Road.

### SPRINGETTS

- In the northeast corner of the Township there is an area of Pleasureville that was once known as “Springetts”. The community included a general store, Evangelical Church, and a Band Hall in addition to the post office and residential properties. The Springetts post office was closed with the advent of the rural free delivery service and Pleasureville became the name most often used in reference to the area. This area is now part of the National Register Listed Pleasureville Historic District.

### STONY BROOK

- This area is east of York where the railroad crossed the Turnpike. The name came from the name of a nearby small stream that eventually flows to the Kreutz Creek. By 1900, the village had a store, post office, coal yard, warehouse, and twenty homes. The Heistand Mill, one of the earliest in York, was also in this area.