

Springfield Township Historical Society Scavenger Hunt

This scavenger hunt is designed to be completed by vehicle and may best be done with a partner. Our hope is that it will better familiarize yourself with the area, as well as the rich history of the Township. Questions need not be answered in any order. Please obey all traffic regulations and conditions. Be safe and have fun! Let the hunt begin...

1. Between 1735 and 1811, there were seven (7) inns along Bethlehem Pike. Four (4) of the buildings are still in use today. Find these four buildings and name the businesses that currently occupy them.



The railroads made travel from the city to the country easier. Railroad executives and other businessmen began building summer homes and country seats in Springfield Township. Some of these large houses still exist today.



2. Can you find the above house located off of Birch Lane and name what business is operating at the location today?

3. Locate and name the Flourtown estate built by Henry Frazer Harris that Genesis Health currently operates.

4. Whitemarsh Hall, the home of Edward and Eva Stotesbury, was built in 1921 and demolished in 1980. However, remnants of the Stotesburys' grand estate still exist in the Township. Where are these located? Take a photograph or draw a picture of what you found.



5. “Educate yourself” by finding the former estate of Marion and Frederic Rosengarten shown above. What organization now calls this building home?

6. Find and name the location in Erdenheim which once held the amusement park owned by Henry B. Auchy, Charles E. Albright, Arnold Aiman, and John Faber Miller, as well as the Springfield Township High School? Take a photograph or draw a picture of the sign at the entrance of this location.

7. Find the sign that marks eleven and a half miles to Philadelphia and two miles to Chestnut Hill. Take a photograph or draw a picture of this sign.



8. Can you find the US government facility which is on land once owned by E.T. Stotesbury in Wyndmoor for his Winoga Stock Farm? The building is at the corner of what two streets?

9. The Wyndmoor Hose Company held their annual carnivals at this park, which currently is home to the OWLL and sports a memorial “dedicated to those who answered their country’s call”. Can you locate and name the park? Draw or take a photograph of the memorial or something green found within the park.

10. A sign at this location, reads “United States Department of the Interior, February 4, 1999.” Find and name this park which was once a quarry, as well as used by the US Navy for underwater research and torpedo testing. Draw or take a picture of a good place for fishing. (P.S.: You might want to watch for golf balls while you’re driving)



11. There were two greenhouse operations in Springfield Township: Samtamm Bros. Rose Growers and Meyers Greenhouses (which became Robertson Greenhouse in 1927). Find and name the park which once was the location of this photograph. Hint: This photograph was taken from the Wyndmoor School roof about 1916.

Did you find all of these historical places that make Springfield Township such an interesting place? What else do you want to know about your local history? Feel free to contact the Archivist at the Springfield Township Historical Society with your questions.

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