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SPT BOARD MEETINGS

SPT members are welcome to attend

When

Third Wednesday of each month at

Where

Currently these meetings are virtual. Please email info@springfieldpreservation.org for more information.

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ABOUT THE SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION TRUST

The mission of the Springfield Preservation Trust (SPT) is to preserve and protect properties in Springfield, Massachusetts which have architectural, historic, educational, or general cultural significance for public edification and enjoyment.

SPT believes historic preservation is an important part of making Springfield a great place to live, work, and visit. Historic Preservation is crucial to tourism and economic development and creating a unique sense of place. It's a means of creating jobs, attracting investment, generating tax revenue, and supporting small business.

For 49 years, SPT has been an independent voice supporting historic preservation. Over the years we have held countless events to showcase how our old buildings can be part of our modern lives and show off the historic places that make Springfield unique. We've helped pass legislation on the state and local levels that averts the needless loss of historic places. Our online resources help homeowners with restoration and educate the public on the beauty, quality and value of older homes. These activities have helped save and restore Springfield's threatened historic treasures so that they are here for future generations to enjoy.

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PRESERVATION AWARDS 2022

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organizations that have helped restore and preserve historic places in Springfield.

The companies and people who will receive awards will be notified and invited soon. The public is invited to attend but please RVSP to info@springfieldpreservation.org by October 26. The Trust looks forward to having you join to celebrate preservation. (Image Courtesy of Jeff Morgan)



2023 SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION TRUST CALENDAR UPDATE

We had a great response to the 2023 calendar at the Mattoon Street Arts Festival. 2023 is the 50th anniversary of the Springfield Preservation Trust and the next years calendar references our successes and losses over 50 years with lots of photographs and text. Calendars are \$15 each and are available at the following locations:

Flowers Flowers, 758 Sumner Avenue The Flower Box, 596 Carew Street Springfield Visitor Center,

Calendars are also available online at springfieldpreservation.org.

Go to support SPT to purchase the calendar. Online orders include an additional \$7 for shipping and handling fees. If the calendar is a gift for Chanukah or Christmas, please make sure the calendars are ordered at least a week before the holiday(s).



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GOODHUE HOUSE, SPRINGFIELD, MA

Article Courtesy of Derek Strahan/Lost New England

Springfield acquired the nickname of the City of Homes during the late 19th century,

because of the many fine houses that were built here during this period. However, few of these could compare with the home of Charles L. Goodhue, which was built at 216 Central Street in 1894. This Colonial Revival house was designed by local architect Jason Perkins, and it was one of the largest single-family homes ever built in the city, at a cost of about \$300,000.

Goodhue was a contractor who specialized in building municipal water systems. He had done work across the country, including here in



Image Courtesy of WPA

Springfield. He constructed the city's reservoir in Ludlow, and he also served as chairman of the Water Commission for many years. Aside from this work, he had other business interests in the Springfield area, including serving as president of the Chicopee National Bank, and as president of the Knox Automobile Company, an early Springfield-based car manufacturer.

Charles Goodhue lived here with his wife Harriet and their daughter Grace. Harriet died in 1903, and Charles in 1912, and Grace subsequently inherited the house. The house was later used as a rental property, and it was later sold to Lewis J. Powers, of the Powers Paper Company in Holyoke, who lived here in the late 1920s and early 1930s, before selling it to Roger L. Putnam in 1931.

At the time, Putnam was the president of the Package Machinery Company, but he later went on to serve three terms as mayor of Springfield, from 1937 to 1943. His subsequent political career would include a role in the Truman administration as the director of the

Economic Stabilization Administration from 1951 to 1952, and today he is perhaps best remembered as the namesake of the city's vocational high school.

Roger Putnam and his wife Caroline raised six children in this house, and during the 1940 census they were also living here with a Lodger and three maids. However, as their children grew older, this massive house was no longer necessary, so in 1956 Putnam sold it to the Ursuline Order. The house became Ursuline Academy, and was expanded to include a classroom wing on



Image Courtesy of Derek Strahan

the west side of the building. It has since changed hands several times, and it is now used by the Holyoke-Chicopee-Springfield Head Start. Despite the changes in use, the house still retains much of its historic appearance, and it survives as one of the city's finest 19th century mansions.



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SECONND SATURDAY WALKING TOURS

Thanks to Mass Cultural Council and Springfield Cultural Council, Springfield Preservation Trust has been able to give an honorarium to each tour guide this year. Additionally the walking tours have had the most turn out this year from 40 to 120 individuals attending each walk starting in May and ending November 2022.

The next walking tour will be on October 8, Kira Holmes will lead the Second Saturday walking tour Successes and Losses of the Most Endangered List at 10:30 a.m. The tour will depart from Springfield Museums. Payment of \$5 is required at the Springfield Museum for those who are not SPT or Springfield Museums members. If you are interested in being a tour guide next year please contact info@springfieldpreservation.org



SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION TRUST PLANS OUT ITS NEXT 50 YEARS

SPT turned 50 years old and celebrated with a party in June, SPT has held several successful second Saturday tours, the 2022 Preservation Award exhibit at Springfield Museum November 22, 2022, and continues to plan for its future. The Trust will have a membership and public survey after the 2022 Preservation Awards to plan out public activities for the next 50 years of its important advocacy work. The Trust is also looking for volunteers for its winter virtual lecture series started in 2021. If you are interested in discussing Springfield history, preservation, or a preservation project in Springfield please email info@springfieldpreservation.org.

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Please volunteer or become a board member for SPT to help impact advocacy for historic Springfield building and help educate all audiences on historic architecture today. Visit our Facebook, Instagram, and website: www.springfieldpreservation.org to be inspired by our pursuits and by looking at our City's historic structures.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Image Courtesy of Kira Holme.

"VOICES FROM THE GRAVE " CEMETERY TOUR

For our Ninth annual Cemetery Tour, **Sunday, October 16**, SPT will conduct tours of Springfield Cemetery. Docent-led groups will visit graves of prominent Springfield residents, where costumed interpreters will speak about these individuals. Hour-long walking tours will depart every fifteen minutes starting at 1:00 p.m. at Springfield Cemetery, located at 171 Maple Street. The last tour will leave at 2:00 p.m. Buy your tickets now! https://springfieldpreservation.org/voices-from-the-grave-cemetery-tours/



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MCKNIGHT TOUR SECOND SATURDAY TOUR

On November 12, Jim Boone, long time member of the Board of SPT and resident of the McKnight Neighborhood for 46 years, will lead a free tour of the Historic McKnight Neighborhood. The free tour will start at Thompson Triangle, intersection of Worthington and Saint James Ave.