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SPT members are welcome to attend

When
Third Wednesday of each month at
6 PM.

Where
Currently these meetings are virtual. Please
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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 50 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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SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION TRUST NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2022

image above is
174-184 Maple Street
and neighboring houses.
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2022 MOST ENDANGERED LIST

On February 27 at the Annual Meeting the SPT released its Most Endangered List. Our list draws attention to the predicaments that endanger historic buildings, allows the public to comment and suggest ideas for reuse, and connects these properties with potential developers. Please visit our website below
<https://springfieldpreservation.org/mehr/> to learn more.



Apremont Triangle and Surrounding Buildings Image Courtesy of Kira

- ◆ Apremont Triangle and Surrounding Buildings Bridge, Chestnut, and Pearl Street
- ◆ 145 Bay Street Saint Luke's Episcopal Church
- ◆ 60 Byers Street Thurston Munson House
- ◆ 55 Emery Street National Needle
- ◆ Indian Orchard Fire Station 87 Oak Street
- ◆ 139-141 Lyman Street Chapman and Brooks Block
- ◆ 241 Maple Street David Ames Jr. House
- ◆ 201 Maple Street Andrew Wallace House
- ◆ 116 Mulberry Street
- ◆ 63 Mulberry Street
- ◆ 477 State Street Gunn Block
- ◆ 174-184 Maple Street
- ◆ 280-302 Worthington Street Underwood Building



Chapman and Brooks Block Courtesy of SPT

PRESERVATION AWARDS 2022

SPT plans to host the Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony in November 2022. If Covid-19 persists it will be switched to virtual ceremony. This ceremony will honor individuals and organizations that have helped restore and preserve historic places in Springfield. Nominations for restored buildings will be accepted until August 31. The Trust will be accepting nominations for buildings that have been restored since summer 2021. Please nominate your or someone else's building or home here.
<https://springfieldpreservation.org/preservationawards/> . Visit springfieldpreservation.org/preservationawards to see examples of winners from previous years.

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HISTORIC PLACES OF SPRINGFIELD ROSE COTTAGE, SPRINGFIELD, MA

Article Courtesy of Lost New England

Mulberry Street features many historic 19th century homes, but the oldest of these is the house here at 57 Mulberry Street. It was built in 1824 by Simon Sanborn, a local builder who was responsible for many buildings in Springfield during this time, and it was originally located on Chestnut Street, near what is now Edwards Street. Once known as Rose Cottage for the roses that grew on its piazzas, it was the home of merchant Elisha Edwards and his wife Eunice. They had seven children who lived to adulthood, and the house remained in their family into the 20th century.



Original Location on Chestnut Street from A Chronicle of Ancient Chestnut Street

Of the seven Edwards children, the most prominent was Oliver Edwards, who was born in this house in 1835, when it was still located on Chestnut Street. He went on to become an officer in the Civil War, and in 1862 was promoted to colonel and assigned command of the 37th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. In this capacity, he led the regiment at battles such as Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, and Wilderness, and was eventually promoted to brevet major general at the end of the war.

In the meantime, Eunice Edwards continued to live in this house until her death in 1875. By this point, though, Chestnut Street was undergoing changes. The surrounding city had grown significantly since the construction of the house a half century earlier, and its large lot was valuable real estate. So, by the late 1870s this house was relocated to Mulberry Street, and Edwards Street was built through the property, extending from Chestnut Street to Elliot Street.

Despite its new location, Rose Cottage remained in the Edwards family, with Elisha and Eunice’s daughter Charlotte Warner continuing to live here. Charlotte was one of the founders of the Springfield Women’s Club, and she published several books, including *A Chronicle of Ancient Chestnut Street*, which documented the early 19th century homes that had lined Chestnut Street during her childhood. Widowed at a young age, Charlotte also outlived two of her three children, and she died here at her home in 1916 at the age of 87.



Current location on Mulberry Street: Image Courtesy of WPA

Over the years, Rose Cottage has undergone many changes, including the removal of the front porch and the installation of artificial siding. The interior is also very different, having been used as a medical office for many years. However, the house remains an important part of Mulberry Street and the surrounding Ridgewood Local Historic District, and it stands as one of the oldest surviving homes in the city.

THANK YOU SPRINGFIELD CULTURAL COUNCIL AND MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL!
The SPT has received funding from these organizations in order to continue our Second Saturday Walking Tours for 2022. Thank you again.

2022 ANNUAL MEETING

This year’s Meeting was held virtually, on Sunday, February 27th. Lauren Canepari, of WinnCompanies, gave a presentation about the Springfield Court Square project.

President, Derek Strahan, made a brief presentation of the events and activities of SPT during the previous year. He also reviewed preservation achievements that have been made over the past year. Kira Holmes presented the 2022 Most Endangered List and Bob McCarroll gave an update on the Community Preservation Act. The membership also elected the following to the SPT Board of Directors:

Derek Strahan, President	John Bellows	Melvin Edwards	Walter Kroll	Robert McCarroll
Marilyn Sutin, Treasurer	Jim Boone	James Johnson	Jesse Lederman	Bryan McFarland
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2023 SPRINGFIELD PRESERVATION TRUST CALENDAR

After taking a hiatus in 2021 due to the coronavirus, the calendar is returning for 2022. Originally launched in 2015, the ‘City of Homes’ calendar became an instant hit. Each calendar featured photographs of homes in the city highlighting different architectural styles, historic districts, gardens and carriage houses.

This year SPT turns 50 years of promoting advocacy, preservation and education in the city of Springfield. The calendar theme will be released soon for 2023. In the meantime please consider being a sponsor.

The Trust is continuing its sponsorship program: for the calendar Palladian for \$300, Gothic for \$200, and Bay for \$100. If you want to learn more please email Kira Holmes at advocacy@springfieldpreservation.org by June 13. Please support the Trust so it may advocate for historic buildings in Springfield.

THANK YOU BOB MCCARROLL!

The SPT has received from Bob McCarroll another Qualified Charitable Distribution which has allowed us to fund our advocacy/community engagement coordinator for FY2023. The Trust appreciates your donation to continue our advocacy efforts!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Image Courtesy of WPA



Image Courtesy of Kira Holmes



MCKNIGHT PAST & PRESENT

Developed between 1870 and 1900 by the McKnight Brothers, McKnight is the largest and most intact, wood-frame, late-nineteenth century neighborhood in New England. Jim Boone, long-time resident and Springfield Preservation Trust member, will share photos and interesting facts about the rich history of the neighborhood. This will be a virtual presentation that will take place on April 22 at 7pm on Facebook Live on the Springfield Preservation Trust Facebook page.

SPRINGFIELD’S ADVENT CAMPGROUNDS: SECOND SATURDAY WALKING TOUR

Ben Murphy will be leading the first second Saturday walking tour on May 14 at 10:30am. The Springfield Preservation Trust walking tours this season are sponsored by the Springfield Cultural Council and Mass Cultural Council. The following tours will be June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, and November 12. The Trust is looking for tour guides, so if you are interested in leading a fun historic Springfield tour please email info@springfieldpreservation.org.

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Please save the date for the 50th Anniversary celebration of Springfield Preservation Trust on June 10 at 6pm. This event will take place at the Carriage House at the Barney Estate in Forest Park. Members will be \$50 and non-members will be \$55. This event is to mark 50 years of the Springfield Preservation Trust advocating for historic Springfield buildings. The evening will be filled with an overview of 50 years, appetizers, and surprises.