

## About the South Park Historical Society . . .

Located in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, the South Park Community has an abundance of history. South Park Township was established in 1966 but a look at history shows when it really began. In 1788 Allegheny County was formed from parts of Westmoreland and Washington Counties. Among the newly formed townships of Allegheny County were St. Clair and Jefferson, and in 1845 Snowden Township was formed from parts of these two townships. The new township was named for Judge Snowden of Pittsburgh. In 1966, by referendum of the electorate, the name of Snowden Township was changed to South Park. The communities of South Park that have greatly contributed to the growth of our township are Curry, Broughton, Bruceton, Snowden, Windover Hills, Piney Fork, Knothole, and Library. The rich and abundant history of our area includes early settlers, the Whiskey Insurrection, coal mining, Allegheny County Fairs, the Bureau of Mines, historic homesteads, and so much more. Please join us as we make history. We have preserved:

- The Glenn log cabin (1996)
- The Pittsburgh Coal Company, Montour No. 10, Freight Station (1999)
- Instrumental in retaining the Game Preserve and buffalo in South Park (2001).

## Our Mission . . .

The South Park Historical Society's mission is to research and preserve artifacts, documents, photographs and oral histories of this area and of our ancestors who settled here. We encourage education of our history through dissemination of this information to the community.

## You Can Help . . .

Share with us your memories, stories and memorabilia of those earlier years. Join the South Park Historical Society and help support the preservation of our past and the present for future generations.

**The South Park Historical Society meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Library Fire Hall, 6581 Library Road, Library, Pennsylvania.**

**For more information call 412-835-6826**

## Member Benefits . . .

- **Newsletters**
- **Informative Programs**
- **Research Assistance**
- **Free/Discount admission to special events, tours and museums**
- **Making History**



The South Park Historical Society's logo depicted on the brochure front is of the John M. Murray house, later known as the Trax Homestead in Library, PA. The log house was built in 1806 by John Murray and was purchased in the 1800's by Louis Trax. The land was part of an original tract of 413 acres bought by David Steele from the Royal Colony of Virginia and later sold to John McClure in 1786.

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- I am renewing my membership  
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 This is a gift membership  
 Contribution

**Membership fees are yearly (please check one)**

Individual \$15.00

Family \$20.00

Student (21 and under) \$ 5.00

Senior (age 65 years or older) \$ 10.00

Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your membership helps preserve our history.**

## Join Us For A Journey Through History



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- Coal mines
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- Early businesses
- Old homesteads and early settlers
- Land grants and maps
- Military
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- South Park fairs and history



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