

The East Falls Historical Society

Presents two Linked Events Aimed at Enhancing your Understanding and Appreciation of East Falls

"Origins of Modern East Falls: A Suburb in the City"

A lecture by Steven J. Peitzman

Much of what is now deemed East Falls outside the old village grew out of the early twentieth-century development of land acquired by oil magnate William G. Warden. A semi-planned "garden suburb" in the city, the developers, the notable firm of Wendell and Smith, gave the district the idyllic name "Queen Lane Manor" and hired mostly young architects to design picturesque houses. Dr. Peitzman will place this story in its historical context.

**Wednesday, October 28, 7:00 P.M. Falls of Schuylkill Library, Free
EFHS business meeting at 6:30.**



"Midvale Avenue: The Spine of East Falls"

A walking tour led by Kenneth Hinde

Midvale Avenue is the main thoroughfare within East Falls, beginning at the Schuylkill River and continuing up to Wissahickon Avenue. Strolling it (uphill!) from its intersection with Ridge Avenue, one can experience East Falls' commercial district, then enter a diverse residential neighborhood, ranging from worker housing built when Falls of Schuylkill was a mill town, to the middle-class and upper middle-class housing of Queen Lane Manor.

**Saturday, October 31, 10:10 A.M. Meet at the Corner of Ridge and Midvale.
\$15 or \$10 for members of EFHS. Tour will last approximately 1 ¾ hours.**

