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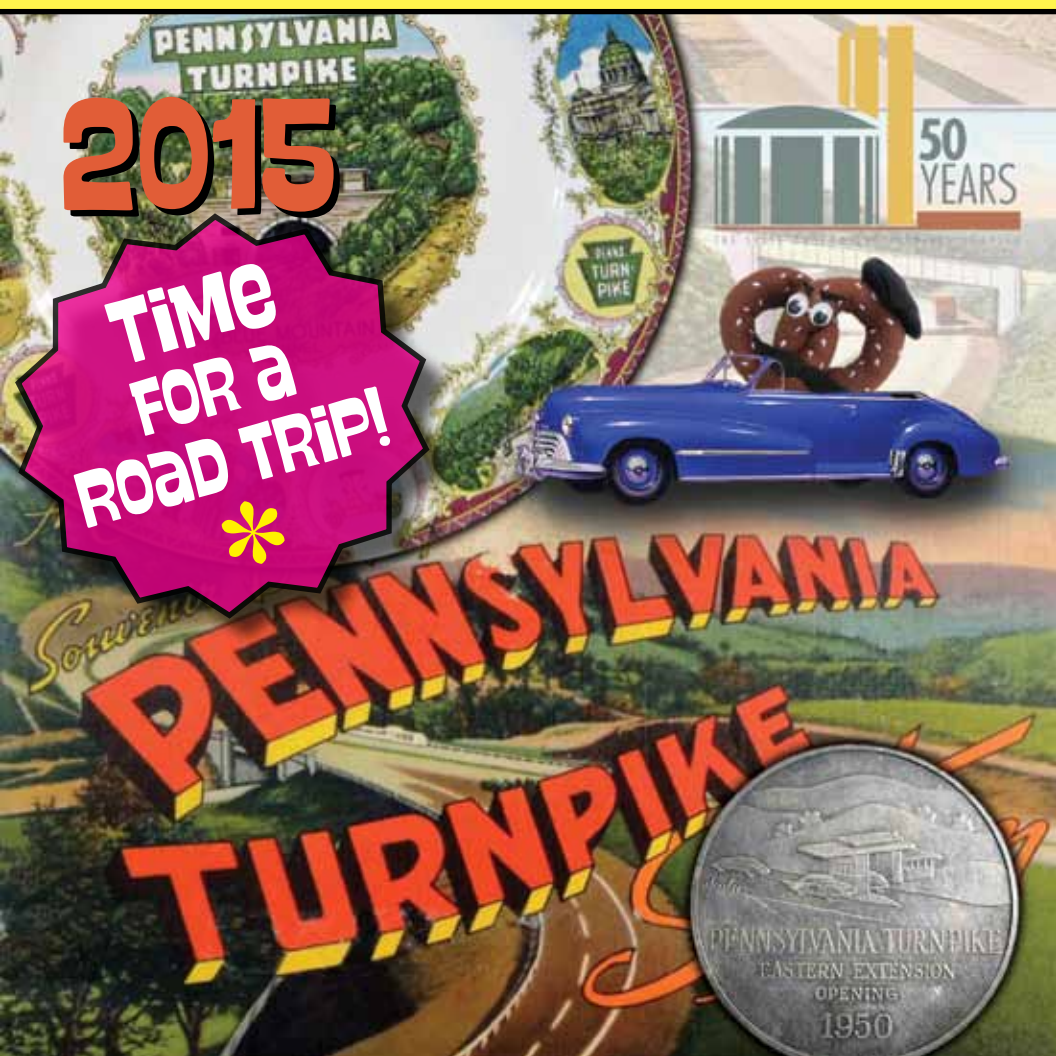
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DESTINATION PENNSYLVANIA

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TIME
FOR a
ROAD TRIP!



TWO KEYSTONE ICONS CELEBRATE MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS



THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE IS 75!

As the first of its kind in the nation (opened October 1, 1940), this superhighway offered improved speed and safety – and, as early promotional brochures promised, it was to be “the magical key that opens the door to one of the world’s most varied travel wonderlands.”

Pennsylvania road trips continue to offer visitors a bounty of historical and natural wonders, as well as hospitable, family-owned dining and lodging establishments. Check out the exhibit at the State Museum in Harrisburg opening October 1, 2015: **PA Turnpike, Celebrating 75 Years Driving Ahead: Changing the Way America Travels Since 1940.** The exhibit features a fully reconstructed 1940 Turnpike tollbooth, along with original artifacts, films and photographs.

THE STATE MUSEUM OF PENNSYLVANIA IS 50!

The Harrisburg architecture firm Lawrie & Green designed the William Penn Memorial Museum and State Archives building with a concept that draws parallels between the design principles of the modern style and the values of Quaker simplicity embraced by the state’s namesake. The building’s abstracted geometric forms and lack of decorative detail break away from the classic forms of the past. Designers of the period – in architecture, home furnishings, automobiles and utilitarian products – looked to the future for inspiration. Today’s public hasn’t quite embraced the notion of modern architecture as “historic,” therefore, the preservation dialogue and education is underway. The State Museum was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2014 as a significant example of mid-20th century modern style.



ZOOM! ZOOM!

Welcome to the *Auto-palooza, Mid-Century Magnificent* edition of Preservation Pennsylvania's travel newsletter, *Destination Pennsylvania*. We're dedicating this edition to two major anniversaries this year, each of which link to national trends that forever changed or influenced the way we lived then and now. Happy birthday to the Pennsylvania Turnpike (October 1, 1940) and the State Museum of Pennsylvania (dedicated 1965)!

Car culture and modernism went hand in hand, as the early days of mass production and roadway travel matured into an industry focused on power, comfort and adventure. Cars adopted streamlined profiles that resembled jet airplanes, a comparison emphasized in the advertisements of the era. At the same time, architecture left behind old-fashioned, highly ornamented styles to adopt simplified, abstracted forms that broke away from the past and looked to the future. America evolved from the highway era to the jet age to the space age.

With this edition of *Destination Pennsylvania*, we celebrate car culture and modern design by pointing you toward great destinations and enterprises worthy of celebration and your support.

Let's hit the road and celebrate! Zoom across the state on the Turnpike, begin to appreciate our modern architecture, take an exit and explore back roads and scenic byways, and be sure to stop and support the small businesses beloved by generations of travelers!



DESTINATION PENNSYLVANIA

**HERE'S YOUR OWN PRETZEL
TO ACCOMPANY YOU ON
YOUR TRAVELS.**

Share the neat-o places you visit using #PresPA on social media.

Find us on



ROAD TRIP!

JOIN PRESERVATION PENNSYLVANIA

... and hit the road to discover charming locales, legacy businesses and happening historic places.

NEED HELP PLANNING a TRIP?

VisitPA hosts a wealth of information, including 17 recommended travel itineraries. Check VisitPA.com/pa-road-trips

The Rivers of Steel National Heritage Area in southwestern Pennsylvania offers “Routes to Roots” – suggested itineraries that lead you from mansions and milltowns to national landmarks and quirky local gems, inviting you to savor the flavors and folk life of a region as diverse as its people.

RiversofSteel.com

Check our website for more links useful for planning your trip, such as Lincoln Highway Heritage Corridor, RoadsideAmerica and Retro Roadmap.

..... SNACKS



What to pack for a roadtrip? Pretzels, of course! Since the 19th century, Pennsylvania has been the center for pretzel production, today producing a whopping 80% of the nation's pretzels.

Our Pretzel Ambassadors travel the countryside looking for interesting preservation stories and keep our staff company when they visit communities to provide technical assistance. *Follow us on Facebook or Instagram to keep up with Preston, Poindexter, Pearl, Pierre and Penny.*

CHALLENGE CHECKLIST



**IN YOUR ROADWAY RAMBLINGS,
SEE HOW MANY OF THESE YOU
CAN CHECK OFF THE LIST.**

Share on social media with #PresPA

- ☐ Find an example of quirky roadside architecture
(A coffee pot? A shoe? A lumberjack?)
- ☐ Vintage gas station
- ☐ Take a picture of yourself in front of one of the
places featured here
- ☐ Find a blue and yellow state historic marker
- ☐ Spot a vintage car
- ☐ Take in a local festival
- ☐ Sign a guest book at a historic house museum
- ☐ Take a picture with a small business owner or
the guide at a historic site
- ☐ Have a milkshake at a vintage roadside or family-owned
Main Street restaurant
- ☐ Pull over at a “scenic vista” to admire the view
- ☐ Take in a flick at one of Pennsylvania’s surviving drive-in
movie theatres
- ☐ Find an amazing neon sign and take a picture
- ☐ Try the local specialty
- ☐ Sculpture selfies!



MID-CENTURY MODERNISM

Mid-century modernism is roughly defined as the period from the 1930s – 1970s. While the 1930s saw a celebration of Americanism – through folklore, preservation as patriotic expression, and a celebration of the roots of American architecture – it also saw the modernist movement take off in this country.

John D. Rockefeller began restoration of Williamsburg in Virginia in 1929. In 1931, construction began on the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society (PSFS) building in Philadelphia, the country's first International Style skyscraper. (This National Historic Landmark is now a Loews Hotel.)



*Margaret Esherick House, built 1959-62,
Louis Kahn, architect*

The period spans wars, technological and social changes. By the 1960s, the average American could buy a new car for less than \$3,000 and fill up the tank for about 31 cents a gallon. From the comfortable couch in their homes, Americans turned on their televisions and watched the invasion of the Beatles, protests demanding equal rights and an end to war, and nightly news reports that included shocking assassinations and a walk on the moon.

As the architectural expression of their time, mid-century modern (MCM) buildings have reached an age where they are now eligible for the National Register. Yet, while many people might consider a 1966 Mustang a prized classic car, or a reproduction Danish teak chair as on-trend interior design, much of MCM architecture is still seen as ugly and outdated. The style timeline is in effect; Victorian gingerbread was once disdained and demolished with fervor. Further along the timeline, a generation removed, we view a neighborhood of Queen Anne buildings with fond nostalgia. We haven't quite reached that point with MCM architecture.

How many MCM treasures will be lost before our sensibilities catch up? Will future generations shake their heads, wondering at the foolish decision-making that took down an unappreciated design by Frank Lloyd Wright or that quirky butterfly-roof bank on Main Street?

MCM ALL AROUND US



The Royer Building, Ephrata • 1939



“Saucer” (built 1959-61) and behind, the Municipal Services Building (built 1962-65)

Be a modernism detective! Mid-century architecture is all around us – from the fire station to the flower shop, sometimes period construction and sometimes old buildings that were modernized with a new façade or signage. We’re only beginning to appreciate modernism, as our perception of what is “historic” catches up with our personal history timelines. Keep your eyes open and see what you can find around you. Share #PreservationPA-MCM



Former Ambler Savings Bank Building • 1962-2014



The National Products Building, Philadelphia • 1957

WHAT DOES MID-CENTURY MODERNISM LOOK LIKE?

Forget the elegant Colonial Revival boxes. Never mind the pretty decorative Victorian houses. Think space-age “Jetsons” to oh-so-cool “Mad Men,” with abstracted geometric forms – circles, squares, cylinders – and experimentation with materials like sleek stucco and cement, tile and glass, metal and windows. French architect Le Corbusier advocated a functionalist aesthetic with his “machine for living,” and Louis Sullivan championed the natural law that “form ever follows function” or that a building’s use should dictate its design. By the 1950s, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe achieved Sullivan’s goal and added his own design edict, “less is more.”

**MID-CENTURY MODERNISM IS SOMETIMES BOLD.
IT’S SOMETIMES PLAYFUL.
IT’S FOND OF LINES – LOTS OF LINES. ROOFLINES.
BANDS OF WINDOWS. VERTICAL FRAMES FOR GLASS.
OR NO LINES AT ALL; SIMPLY SLEEK.**

It often plays well with nature – open floor plans indoors with large glass walls that open up to the out-of-doors. Buildings were often nestled into their site, rather than plunked on top of it. (*Frank Lloyd Wright’s Fallingwater is a prime example.*)

It loves the automobile. Drive-ins, drive-thrus, and the car port, which essentially created a stage setting to show off the family automobile next to the home.



Mid-century modernism pushes the envelope.

Embracing experimentation, MCM uses new building materials in new forms — such as the extreme concrete cantilevers Frank Lloyd Wright designed at Fallingwater, round buildings like the State Museum of Pennsylvania, or glass-framed lobby floors that lifted skyscrapers off city streets and celebrated modern engineering.

Mid-century sneaks up on you. Keep your eyes peeled and you may notice a street-level storefront that’s shiny and sleek, layered on top of a 19th century building when the owner decided to keep up with design trends. Some people call this “architectural slipcovers.”

FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT

**“True modern architecture,
like classical architecture, has no age.
It is a continuation of all the architecture
that has gone before, not a break with it.”**

~ Frank Lloyd Wright



FALLINGWATER, FAYETTE COUNTY

1491 Mill Run Road • Mill Run, PA 15464
(724) 329-8501 • www.fallingwater.org

Wright's Fallingwater (completed in 1937) may be the most famous 20th-century house in the world. Wright designed it as a summer home for a Pittsburgh department store owner, Edgar J. Kaufmann, in the 1930s. The house is cantilevered over a waterfall, exploding the box-like form of traditional homes.

KENTUCK KNOB, FAYETTE COUNTY

723 Kentuck Road • Chalk Hill, PA 15421
(724) 329-1901 • www.kentuckknob.com

While Wright designed many houses during his prolific career, only a few high-end, customized examples exist in Pennsylvania. Kentuck Knob, built with native stone, tidewater cypress, and copper, and beautifully sited on rolling hills near Fallingwater, serves as an excellent example from the final decade of Wright's career (during which he was working on Beth Shalom Synagogue and the Guggenheim Museum in New York).



BETH SHALOM SYNAGOGUE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY

8231 Old York Road • Elkins Park, PA 19027
(215) 887-1342 • www.bethsholompreservation.org

Within a few years of its completion in 1959, just a few months after Wright's death, Beth Shalom Synagogue was singled out by the American Institute of Architects and the National Trust for Historic Preservation as one of the architect's most important works.



FIND YOUR MODERNIST MOJO

National Historic Landmarks (NHL) are nationally significant historic places designated by the Secretary of the Interior because they possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating or interpreting the heritage of the United States. Fewer than 3,000 places bear this distinctive honorific. These Pennsylvania National Historic Landmarks are exceptional examples of mid-century modernism.

GEORGE NAKASHIMA WOODWORKER COMPLEX, BUCKS COUNTY

1847 Aquetong Road • New Hope, PA 18938
(215) 862-2272
www.nakashimawoodworker.com



Photo Credit: Bill Brookover

Recognized as one of America's most eminent furniture designer craftsmen, George Nakashima (1905-1990) lived and worked here from 1946 until his death. The landscape, homes, furniture, workshops and other structures that he designed and built here reflect his mastery of technology and aesthetics that combined Japanese traditions, European modernism, and Eastern religious philosophy with modern advanced structural theory.

WHARTON ESHERICK HOUSE & STUDIO, CHESTER COUNTY

1520 Horseshoe Trail
Malvern, PA 19355
(610) 644-5822 *Visits by reservation only*
www.whartonesherickmuseum.org

Wharton Esherick's daughter, Ruth, and her husband, Mansfield Bascom, worked for years to preserve and share Esherick's artistic legacy. In 2009, Preservation Pennsylvania awarded the F. Otto Haas Award for lifetime achievement in historic preservation to the Bascoms.



From 1926 to 1966, this was the home and workplace of Wharton Esherick (1887-1970), noted sculptor, painter, printmaker, carpenter and architect. Esherick agreed with Frank Lloyd Wright that a house should appear to grow from its site and not be encumbered with superfluous ornament. His idiosyncratic stone and frame studio building contains furnishings that bridge the gap between utility and art; the stairway has been well described as “functional sculpture.” His nearby home, a private residence, was a collaboration with Louis Kahn, one of the 20th century's most influential architects.

FIND YOUR MODERNIST MOJO

Photo Credit: University of Pennsylvania Facilities



**THE RICHARDS MEDICAL
RESEARCH LABORATORIES
& DAVID GODDARD LABORATORIES
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY
3700-3710 Hamilton Walk
Philadelphia, PA 19104**

This internationally renowned group of laboratory towers (completed in 1960 and 1965, respectively) was designed by Louis Kahn and is considered to have been a breakthrough in his career. Built with prefabricated concrete elements, the techniques used in its construction advanced the state of the art for reinforced concrete and helped set new directions for modern architecture.

**LOEWS PHILADELPHIA HOTEL
(FORMER PHILADELPHIA SAVINGS
FUND SOCIETY/PSFS BUILDING),
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY
1200 Market Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107**

In 1932, the PSFS building was the premier International Style building in the United States. Philadelphia architect George Howe and Swiss architect William Lescaze designed not only the building and its interiors, but also the furnishings. It is regarded as one of the most important works of modern architecture.



Photo Credit: Jack E Boucher; Historic American Buildings Survey; Library of Congress

AT RiSk UPdAtE



LOST

**FORMER PUBLIC FEDERAL
SAVING BANK,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**
29-39 E. Wynnewood Road
Wynnewood, PA 19096

Listed on Preservation Pennsylvania's 2013 At Risk list, this former bank building, built circa 1951, was demolished in July 2015.

Pennsylvania AT RiSk

Are you aware of a mid-century modern building that's threatened by neglect, demolition or underutilization? Consider nominating it to a local At Risk/Places to Save list, as well as Preservation Pennsylvania's annual At Risk list. Check our website for more information.



#savethesaucer WORKED!

In February, Preservation Pennsylvania announced the annual PA At Risk list, which included the saucer-shaped Fairmount Park Visitor Center building in John F. Kennedy Plaza (popularly known as LOVE Park). The city's park redesign threatened the structure with demolition. We supported the Young Friends of the Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia advocacy effort using #SavetheSaucer on social media. We're pleased to report that at an April 30 public meeting, it was announced that the building will remain and will be rehabbed by KieranTimberlake.

WHEN THE CAR WAS KING!

**WITHOUT THE OIL INDUSTRY, OUR CARS
WOULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN VERY FAR.**

**DO YOU KNOW ABOUT PENNSYLVANIA'S CLAIMS
TO THE FOUNDING OF THIS BUSINESS?**

Venango County

The Drake Well Museum is the birthplace of the modern petroleum industry (August 27, 1859) thanks to "Colonel" Edwin Drake, one of "the men who built America." As an agent of the Seneca Oil Company, his success with the Titusville oil well prompted the first great wave of investment and additional drilling that established petroleum as a major worldwide industry and turned Titusville and other northwestern Pennsylvania communities into boomtowns for the development and extraction of oil and natural gas. Drake's innovative drilling process is still in use today. However, he never profited personally from his work and, while respected in his lifetime, did not receive due recognition for his achievements until after his death.

Photo Courtesy of the Drake Well Museum, Pa Historical and Museum Cmsn



Drake's Well

In addition to discovering the origin story of the fuel that makes cars go, visitors can enjoy family adventures in Oil Creek State Park on bike and hiking trails that begin at the museum. Picnic pavilions, fishing and canoeing on Oil Creek, and rides on the Oil Creek & Titusville Railroad are also available. **202 Museum Lane, Titusville, PA 16354, (814) 827-2797**
www.drakewell.org • www.oilregion.org



We're celebrating a golden age of exploration – the era of the auto, a time when people hopped in their cars and headed off for adventures into the unknown. City dwellers headed to the country to ramble and enjoy fresh air. Tourists hit the road and found new places to vacation, stopping along the way for food, entertainment, and a glimpse of how other people lived. Lancaster's Amish Country was featured in *National Geographic* in the 1940s because its landscape and culture were just as interesting to readers as any foreign locale.

Henry Ford launched the Model T in 1914, and by the end of the 1920s, there were 23 million registered drivers on America's roads. Historians consider the period from 1920-1945 a time of recreational driving, and from 1945 to now as the freeway period, where speed matters.

It was the “modern” era – marked by an expanding economy, post-war optimism, and scientific and technological advances. Our cars were an extension of our American personality – powerful and fast.

In our cars, we zoomed along the Turnpike. We took an exit and found roads filled with cozy motor courts and motels, diners and roadside stands, and drive-ins where you never left the comfort of your car and watched a movie under the stars.

Here's your chance to go back in time and experience the golden age of the auto.

DRIVE-IN MOVIES

The drive-in movie theater is an automobile era classic! Once there were more than 4,000 drive-in movie theaters scattered across the countryside – more than 180 in Pennsylvania by the late 1950s. In the 21st century, only 375 survive in the U.S. due to a variety of challenges, including the exorbitant cost of switching to digital equipment.



In Pennsylvania, we've discovered 22 drive-ins for you to enjoy and support for future generations. (Listings were current at the time of publication; please confirm before you visit.) Did we miss any? Let us know! Can't visit in person? Some of these theaters accept donations to help them stay open or upgrade their equipment.

* ROAD TRIP! *

■ Allegheny County

Dependable Drive-In
500 Moon Clinton Road
Coraopolis, PA 15108
(412) 264-7011
www.dependabledrivein.com
Since 1950!

■ Allegheny County

Twin Hi-Way Drive-In
5588 Steubenville Pike
McKees Rocks, PA 15136
(412) 494-4990
www.twinhiwaydrivein.com
Classic car night every Saturday!

■ Armstrong County

Riverside Drive-In
Route 66/River Road
North Vandergrift, PA 15690
(724) 568-1250
www.riversidedrivein.com

■ Butler County

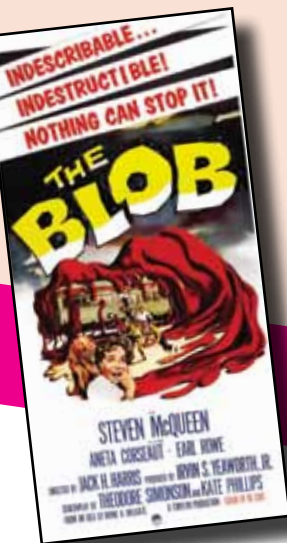
Pioneer Drive-In
1985 N. Main Street Ext.
Butler, PA 16001
(724) 284-5003
www.epictheatres.com/location/4214/
The-Pioneer-Drive-In-Showtimes
Since 1958!

■ Cambria County

Bar-Ann Drive-In
1815 Springhill Road
Portage, PA 15946
(814) 736-9450
www.baranndrive-in.com

■ Cambria County

The Hi-Way Drive-In
Theatre Road
Carrolltown, PA 15722
(814) 344-8684
www.hiway219drive-in.com



■ Cambria County

Silver Drive-In
1664 Scalp Avenue
Johnstown, PA 15904
(814) 266-9177
www.silverdrivein.com

■ Carbon County

The Mahoning Drive-In Theater
635 Seneca Road
Lehigh, Pennsylvania 18235
(610) 683-7243
www.mahoningdit.com
Since 1948!

■ Clearfield County

Super 322 Drive-In

US-322

Woodland, PA 16881

(814) 857-7821

www.super322drive-in.com

*Annual car show in August!
Featured in a previous
edition of this newsletter,
we're pleased to report that
the Super 322 successfully
raised the funds to convert
to digital equipment.*

■ Cumberland County

Cumberland Drive-In

3290 Ritner Highway

Newville, PA 17241

(717) 776-5212

www.81fun.com/drivein_home/

Since 1952!

■ Erie County

Sunset Drive-In Theater

808 PA-97

Waterford, PA 16441

(814) 796-4883

www.facebook.com/sunsettlea

■ Fayette County

Brownsville Drive-In

6229 National Pike

Grindstone, PA 15442

(724) 785-7190

www.facebook.com/brownsvilivedrivein

*Since 1949! Located on
America's first federally
funded highway.*

■ Fayette County

Comet Drive-In Theatre

US-119

Connellsville, PA 15425

(724) 628-6160

www.cometdrivein.com

■ Greene County

Skyview Drive-In Theater

595 PA-88

Carmichaels, PA 15320

(724) 966-2364

www.skyviewdriveinpa.com

Since 1946!

■ Indiana County

Palace Gardens Drive-In

225 Indian Springs Road

Indiana, PA 15701

(724) 465-9032

■ Jefferson County

Moonlite Drive-In Theatre

5268 US-322

Brookville, PA 15825

(814) 849-5588

www.lipumatheatres.com

Since 1952!

■ Juniata County

Midway Drive-In Theatre

1380 William Penn Highway

Mifflintown, PA 17059

(717) 436-6011

www.midwaydriveintheatre.com

Since 1954!

■ Lackawanna County

Circle Drive-In Theatre (Dickson City)

1911 Scranton-Carbondale Highway

Scranton, PA 18508

(570) 489-5731

www.circledrive-in.com

Since 1949!

■ Lehigh County

Shankweiler's Drive-In Theatre

Rt. 309 - 4540 Shankweiler Road

Orefield, PA 18069

(610) 481-0800

*Nation's oldest and
Pennsylvania's first drive-in
movie theater — the second
to open in the country when
Wilson Shankweiler opened
the gates in April 1934.*

■ Luzerne County

Garden Drive-In

State Route 11

Hunlock Creek, PA 18621

(570) 735-5933

www.gardendrivein.com

■ Luzerne County

Laurel Drive-In

1024 S Church Street

Hazleton, PA 18201

www.laureldrivein.com

Since 1950!

■ Lycoming County

Pike Drive-In Theatre

5798 US-15

Montgomery, PA 17752

(570) 547-7232

www.pikedi.com

■ McKean County

Kane Family Drive-In Theatre

6627 Route 6 East

Kane, PA 16735

(814) 837-9760

www.kanefamilydrivein.com

■ Montour County

Point Drive-In

Route 11 & Northumberland-Da

Highway

Danville, PA 17821

(570) 275-9926

www.facebook.com/pages/Point-Drive-In

■ Northampton County

Becky's Drive-In

4548 Lehigh Drive

Walnutport, PA 18088

(610) 767-2249

www.beckysdi.com

*Second oldest drive-in in
Pennsylvania! (And "the
oldest outdoor cinema in
America that has been in
continuous operation under
the same family ownership.")*

■ Westmoreland County

Evergreen Drive-In Theatre

309 Drive in Lane

Mount Pleasant, PA 15666

(724) 547-4747

www.evergreendrivein.com

Since 1947!

■ York County

Haar's Drive-In Theatre

185 Logan Road

Dillsburg, PA 17019

(717) 432-3011

www.haars.com

Since 1953!

CELEBRATE CAR CULTURE!

**“O public road ...
you express me better than
I can express myself.”**
~ Walt Whitman, *Song of the Open Road*

Here are just a few of the museums and events in Pennsylvania dedicated to celebrating and preserving important icons and traditions connected to our state's and nation's long-standing love affair with the automobile.



■ Allegheny County

Frick Car and Carriage Museum
7227 Reynolds Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15208
(412) 371-0600
www.thefrickpittsburgh.org

Thanks to the benevolence of Helen Clay Frick, her childhood home, Clayton, has been transformed into an art and historical center. The Car and Carriage Museum presents not only the Frick family's personal collection of cars and carriages, but also interweaves the history of the automobile with that of western Pennsylvania's early auto enthusiasts and manufacturers. It also contains many vehicles from the collection of Pittsburgh industrialist G. Whitney Snyder. Note: The museum will be closed for approximately 18 months for renovations — so make a note to visit in the future!

■ Allegheny County

Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix
www.pvgp.org

The annual Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix offers car fans 10 days filled with rare, classic and exotic cars and featuring the races at Schenley Park where vintage cars zoom along a 2.33-mile circuit — the country's only such races held on city streets! Proceeds from the weekend provide residential care, treatment and support for developmentally disabled individuals in the Pittsburgh region.

■ Berks County

**Boyertown Museum of
Historic Vehicles**
85 S. Walnut Street
Boyertown, PA 19512
(610) 367-2090
www.boyertownmuseum.org

The Boyertown Museum of Historic Vehicles preserves and educates visitors about our statewide road transportation history. Included in its amazing collection are dozens of automobiles, trucks and motorcycles that were manufactured right here in Pennsylvania while the industry was still in its infancy. Don't miss Diner Day, offered each spring, when the museum offers homemade pie and coffee in an authentic vintage roadside diner at 1938 prices!

■ Berks County

Roadside America

109 Roadside Drive
Shartlesville, PA 19554
(610) 488-6241
www.roadsideamericainc.com

Roadside America's miniature model village first opened in 1935 and since then has been hailed as "the most unique and detailed masterpiece of its kind in the world."



■ Butler County

Bantam Jeep Heritage Festival™

www.bantamjeepfestival.com

The Jeep® celebrated its 75th anniversary in 2015! Each June, Butler, Pennsylvania, "birthplace of the Jeep," is home to the Bantam Jeep Heritage Festival™ with loads of fun activities for enthusiasts and families.

■ Dauphin County

Antique Automobile Club of America Museum (AACA)

161 Museum Drive
Hershey, PA 17033
(717) 566-7100
www.aacamuseum.org

The Antique Automobile Club of America Museum (AACA) is dedicated to preserving and presenting automotive history with permanent and changing exhibits. Each October since 1955, the museum hosts the Fall Meet and welcomes more than 1,500 antique cars for a show and flea market.



Photo Credit: www.aacamuseum.org

■ Lehigh County

America on Wheels

5 N. Front Street
Allentown, PA 18102
(610) 432-4200
www.americaonwheels.org

The collection at the America on Wheels museum features over 75 bicycles, motorcycles, automobiles and trucks — "from Macks to muscle cars" — telling the story of people and products on the move from the days of the carriage to the vehicles of the future.

■ Philadelphia County

Simeone Foundation

Automotive Museum

6825-31 Norwitch Drive
Philadelphia, PA 19153
(215) 365-7233
www.simeonemuseum.org

One of the world's greatest collections of racing sports cars. The Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum celebrates "The Spirit of Competition."



Photo Credit: www.simeonemuseum.org

■ Schuylkill County

Annual Great Pottsville Cruise

www.thegreatpottsvillecruise.com

For more than 20 years, the Annual Great Pottsville Cruise has celebrated the coolest cars with trophies, tunes, food and fun for all. In August 2015, the spectacular hosts over 1,000 classic cars, trucks, Corvettes, street rods and antiques.

■ Westmoreland County

Lincoln Highway Roadside Experience

3435 State Route 30 East
Latrobe, PA 15650
(724) 879-4241
www.lhhc.org

The Lincoln Highway Roadside Experience celebrates the vibrant history of our nation's first cross-country auto route, and everything we love about the golden era of automobile travel: quirky roadside architecture (including the Coffee Pot and roadside giants), vintage gas stations, drive-in movie theatres, souvenir postcards and more. Visitors to the Lincoln Highway Experience receive the 60-page Lincoln Highway Driving Guide with their ticket and a free postcard to write — and the folks at the Lincoln Highway Heritage Corridor will even mail it for you!

LET'S EAT!

Part of the fun of a road trip is stopping for a bite to eat at a roadside restaurant. We encourage you to forego the chains now and then and give local establishments a try. You'll find lots of character – and pie! We've listed only a few roadside winners here – let us know about the gems you find in your travels.

■ Armstrong County

The Cadet Restaurant

13514 US Route 422
Kittanning, PA 16201
(724) 543-2704
www.cadetrerestaurant.com

Founded in 1952, it was the first drive-in restaurant in the tri-state area. The carhops are gone, but you can still dine under the car canopy and enjoy the regular vintage car nights.

■ Beaver County

Oram's Donut Shop

1406 7th Avenue
Beaver Falls, PA 15010
(724) 846-1504
www.orams.com

With a reputation that dates back to the store's founding in 1938, Oram's warns customers on its website: "[Our] donuts are so delicious and popular that we are sometimes unable to meet demand, especially on Fridays and Saturdays." Try getting there when they open at 5 a.m.

■ Berks County

Schell's

4625 5th Street Highway
Temple, PA 19560
(610) 929-9660
www.schellsminiaturegolf.com
www.facebook.com/pages/Schells

Since 1952, generations of kids have gone to Schell's for burgers, ice cream or miniature golf after school dances, or a date at the drive-in that used to be down the road. It seems summer meant Schell's in the good ol' days, and it still holds true today, as those kids, grown up, now take their kids to continue the tradition.



■ Chester County

Jimmy John's Pipin' Hots

1507 Wilmington Pike
West Chester, PA 19382
(610) 459-3083
www.jimmyjohns1940.com

Though the business dates back to 1940, the original roadside stand was demolished for a highway, and the current structure was built in 1960. Now celebrating 75 years, Jimmy John's hot dogs continue the roadside tradition of delicious, fast food.

■ Crawford County

Hank's Frozen Custard

13940 Conneaut Lake Road
Conneaut Lake, PA 16316
www.hanksfrozenscustard.com

Hank's opened here in June 1952 and, now managed by the third generation of the founding family, still uses the original machinery to make their frozen confections.

■ Dauphin County

Kuppy's Diner

12 Brown Street
Middletown, PA 17057
(717) 944-5122
www.facebook.com/kuppys.diner

Established August 5, 1933 by Percy Kupp. The Kupp family is currently in its fourth generation of ownership of this award-winning restaurant, with the fifth generation working regular shifts. The parking lot features the oldest neon diner sign in the state, and Kuppy's 1960s remodeled exterior conceals the 1938 deluxe model diner within.

■ Erie County

The Lawrence Park Dinor

4019 Main Street
Erie, PA 16511
(814) 899-4390
[www.facebook.com/pages/
The-Lawrence-Park-Dinor](http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Lawrence-Park-Dinor)

No, that's not a typo — billed as "the **ONLY** Erie Dinor on the National Register of Historic Places" — "dinor" is a northeast Pennsylvania quirk.

■ Lancaster County

Boehringer's Drive-In

3160 N. Reading Road
Adamstown, PA 19501
(717) 484-4227
[www.facebook.com/
BoehringersDriveIn](http://www.facebook.com/BoehringersDriveIn)

After trawling for treasures in the many antique and vintage stores in Adamstown, exhausted shoppers would do well to stop here for sustenance. Have a hot dog or a cheesesteak, indulge in some homemade ice cream, and enjoy your meal at picnic tables on the banks of the sparkling stream. The restaurant first opened in 1936 on Main Street in the family basement and moved to this location in the 1940s. Four generations (and a 2014 fire) later, this roadside stand still offers service with a smile.



■ Northumberland County

Fence Drive-In

1605 PA-405
Milton, PA 17847
(570) 524-2865

There's been a restaurant between the road and the river here since the 1930s. Despite regular flooding, The Fence persists and is the only area restaurant that offers carhop service seven days a week, serving delicious food made from the secret recipes of the 1950s era owners.

LET'S EAT!

■ Schuylkill County

Kwik Shoppe Drive-In

555 Shoemaker Avenue
Shoemakersville, PA 19555
(610) 562-8833

You'll fall in love with the vintage sign before you even think about what to order. Family owned for almost 50 years.



■ Tioga County

Wellsboro Diner

19 Main Street
Wellsboro, PA 16901
(570) 724-3992

Right on Main Street, this diner dates from 1939 and lets you step back in time for classic diner food and a great slice of pie.



■ York County

Maple Donuts

various locations
around York, PA
www.mapledonutsinc.com

A local tradition since 1946.

■ York County

Wolfe's Diner

625 N. US Route 15
Dillsburg, PA 17019
(717) 432-2101

A neon sign greets you in the parking lot. Inside, find orange stools at the counter and booths with miniature jukeboxes!

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