



## **Sussex-Wantage Historical Markers Program** **Instructions and Application**

If you have a property or location that you believe qualifies as historically significant in Sussex Borough or Wantage Township, we encourage you to fill out the following application. On the first page, please include your Name, Address, Phone # and Email and fill out the “Location”\* and “Short Description” sections. \*Please note, location may differ from applicant address.

You may use an additional page if your short description is longer than the space provided. Also include any relevant documentation substantiating your historical assessment. On the second page of the application, please provide, in your own words, what you would like the marker to say in describing the location. Please limit this to no more than 100 words. A marker example has been included.

### **Information**

1. Each Historical Marker measures 12” x 18” and is made of max metal.
2. The marker may be mounted directly on a building or on a signpost.
3. Each Historical Marker has holes for installation. One on top and one on the bottom for pole mount and one in each corner for building mount.
4. If your application is approved, the cost of the marker is \$125.00 for the marker only or \$175.00 for the marker, post and mounting hardware. In both cases, \$33.00 is tax deductible on your Federal tax return.
5. Upon purchase and receipt, the marker becomes your property. You are responsible for installation, including researching any ROW (Right-of-Way) considerations by calling 811 “Call before you dig” for a mark out, and any ongoing maintenance after installation. The Sussex-Wantage Historical Society takes no responsibility for marker installation, and no product or installation warranty is given or assumed.
6. All application approval and denial decisions are at the sole discretion of the Sussex-Wantage Historical Society. If your application is denied, you may appeal the decision. Applicants are encouraged to contact SWHS in advance of submission to discuss. Calls are welcome.
7. All markers will share the same design.

## Historical Marker Sample



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# HORNBECK BLOCK

Deckertown had an opera house. This is the opera house block. Built by Jacob E. Hornbeck, was completed in 1876. Most of the bricks used were kilned in a yard on Clove Avenue, where the present day Clove Lake is. The entire top floor was made into a public meeting hall, which was called the opera house. It had all the necessary props, scenery, etc. to put on lavish shows. They also held dances and had many prominent speakers there. Home talent, medicine shows and traveling theatres all made use of it. Later the name Hornbeck Hall stuck, then Hornbeck Block for the entire building.

The first stores on the ground floor were A.C. Noble drug store and Couse & Vandruff general store.



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## **Historical Marker Application**

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location Applying For:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Short Description / Historical Information / Historical Importance:**

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**Add an additional page if necessary and attach relevant documentation.**

