

9. Nordmont



Sometime after 1938 a stone retaining wall was built along the road in front of the Cherry Grove Church near Nordmont.

Where did the stones used for the wall come from? (See sign on church, Sr 2003 at May Rd, Nordmont, 41.367890, -76.476474)

10, 11, 12. Countywide



Hiding in plain sight throughout the county are remnants of the past that you might have only seen in movies: public phone booths! Although many are no longer in service, they can be found in nearly every community in the county, frequently unnoticed.

List the locations of up to 3 phone booths in Sullivan County?

Bonus: How much does it cost to make a phone call?

Fill in your answers in the spaces provided below.

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Tell us, Where did you travel from to do the History Quest?

Name: _____

Address: _____

Learn more about the natural and historic heritage of Sullivan County and receive a commemorative token!



It's simple:

- Visit 10 of the 12 sights listed
- Answer the question for each sight you visit on the form provided

Return the form to either:

The Sullivan County Historical Society Museum
570-946-5020

In person:
June through August - Fri – Sat, 1:00 – 5:00,
or by appointment
458 Meylert St, Laporte PA 18626

-or-

By Mail Year Round:
P.O. Box 252, Laporte PA 18626

The Sullivan County Conservation District
Mon – Fri, 8:30 – 4:30 year round

July 23rd, 2023 The Summer Talk
Jennings Family of Lopez
Mattern Building, Mildred

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Originally built in 1885 to house county records, today this building is part of the Museum complex.

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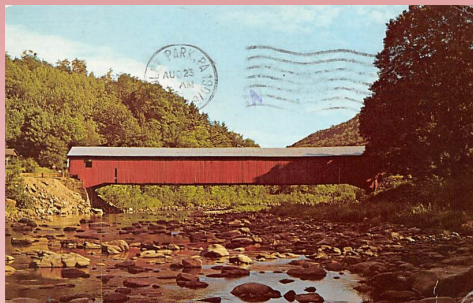
1. Dushore



In the uppermost section of St. Basil's cemetery stands a statue of St. John Neumann, Bishop of Philadelphia from 1852-1860. He made several trips to the Sullivan County area, and gave the approval to build a frame church that preceded the stone building we see today.

*In whose memory was the statue erected?
(Church Hill St., Dushore)*

2. Forksville



The covered bridge in Forksville was built by Sadler Rogers in 1850 and was posted to the National Register of Historic Places on July 24, 1980. Requiring frequent maintenance, the façade of the bridge has changed slightly over the years with each renovation.

*How many windows does the bridge have today?
(Bridge St, Forksville)*

3. Eagles Mere/Davidson Twp



The David A. DeWire Center is the summer home to the Eagles Mere Friends of the Arts, who serve Sullivan County by bringing the community together to enjoy concerts and performances, create art, and enjoy weekly movies, lectures, and book discussions.

*What decorates the columns in front of the DeWire Center?
(891 Laporte Ave, Eagles Mere)*

4. Mildred/Cherry Twp



The Keystone State Shoe Company building, originally owned by Endicott Johnson Corp., was built in 1947 and provided employment for hundreds of county residents until it closed in the early 1960s. Today the building is owned by the county and houses a commercial kitchen, county offices, private businesses, and state of the art tech facilities.

*Why is the building named "Mattern"?
(Main Entrance door, Factory Rd, Mildred,
41.475513, -76.376375)*

5. Elkland Twp



The Elkland Charge, a Wesleyan Methodist congregation formed in 1844, created the Elkland Holiness Camp Meeting Association in the early 1900s to host an annual camp meeting. Today the camp meetings continue to be held each summer.

*What year was the church at the camp built?
(Norton Rd, Elkland Twp, 41.475513, -76.376375)*

6. Forks Twp



Electricity came to rural areas of Sullivan County in 1937, when residents formed a co-operative and utilized Federal loans to finance the first lines. Today the Sullivan County Rural Electric Cooperative is based in Forksville and serves over 6000 members in 3 counties.

*How many electric cooperatives were formed in Pennsylvania from 1936 to 1941?
(State Sign, PA 87 just SW of Pa. 154, Forksville)*

7. Laporte/Museum



The Sullivan County courthouse is located in Laporte, the smallest county seat in the state at the highest elevation. Built in 1894, the courthouse replaced an earlier building from 1851, and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978.

*What large element of the courthouse was removed from the roof in the 2013 renovation and is now housed in the yard of the Museum complex?
(458 Meylert St, Laporte)*

8. Lopez/Colley Twp



In the early 1900s, Lopez was home to nearly 1000 people and many industries, including a brick factory which used clay from Dutch Mountain and made the bricks used in the Highway Building in Towanda. Today the smokestack from the kiln still stands along Lopez Creek.

*What color are the bricks in the pile behind the smokestack?
(SR1003 below Turrel Town Rd, Lopez, 41.453101, -76.330945)*