



Voices from Mt. Pleasant:

Collected stories from one of Upper Merion's original African-American neighborhoods

Saturday, October 11 at 2pm
Christ Church Old Swedes Hall, Swedesburg, PA

(Parking lot on Colbert St)

“Voices from Mt. Pleasant” is a collection of oral histories gathered over the years by students in a class at Cabrini College titled “Democracy and Diversity.” The demographics of this neighborhood are somewhat unique when viewed in the context of the Wayne area that surrounds it. The community is mostly, but not entirely, African-American. Many of its current residents are descendants of people who settled here in the early 1900’s, while the neighborhood dates back to the early 1800’s.

Mt. Pleasant is a tight-knit community that has many lifelong residents and families that make their home here, including many multi-generational households. It is also a neighborhood experiencing changes, such as the conversion of homes into rental properties for local college students and many other transformations that long-time residents have experienced over their lifetimes.



Join us for this special presentation about the history of one of Upper Merion's oldest predominantly African-American neighborhoods, and please share this with others who may be interested.

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