

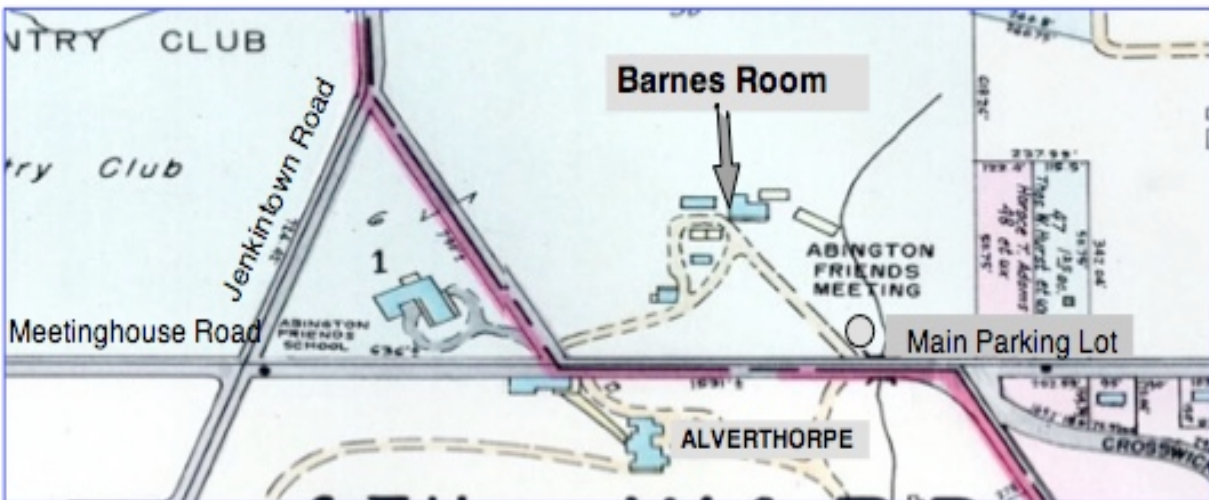
OLD YORK ROAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Welcome to our new lecture series venue

THE BARNES ROOM AT ABINGTON FRIENDS MEETING

520 MEETINGHOUSE ROAD
JENKINTOWN, PA 19046

The rich history of the venerable Abington Meeting is a perfect complement to the mission of the Old York Road Historical Society. In 1697 John Barnes donated 120 acres, situated about a mile north of the Richard Wall house, “for erecting a meeting house for Friends and toward the maintenance of a school under the direction of Friends.” He also gave a gift of 100 pounds sterling, a more valuable gift than the land, which cost the equivalent of approximately 10 cents an acre. The original Meetinghouse was erected on the donated site between 1698 and 1699. The first recorded Abington Monthly Meeting for business was held there on April 9, 1702.



The Abington Friends Meeting is directly across Meetinghouse Road from Alverthorpe Manor, the home of the Old York Road Historical Society. From Huntingdon Pike, proceed southwest on Meetinghouse Road to the Friends Meeting and turn right into the parking lot. From Jenkintown or Cheltenham, proceed southeast on York Road and turn left onto Meetinghouse Road. Proceed to the Meeting House on the left. There is ample parking in the lot inside the entrance to the grounds. Handicap parking is available directly in front of the entrance to the Barnes Room. The Barnes Room has a direct entrance on the left of the main building behind the handicap parking.