

Muddy Creek Forks And the Muddy Creek Mansion

Muddy Creek Forks, is an incredibly unique place. The village is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a National Historic village and is preserved in its entirety as a living history museum. The Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad Preservation Society in conjunction with York County, own the village and preserve it just as it was in the early 1900's. The village has a 3 story general store, which includes the original post office and train station, train platform, mill and creamery buildings and an excursion railroad with train rides. Muddy Creek Forks is also a popular place for trout fishing and has a wonderful old swimming hole for summer fun.

Our home has been known locally as the "Muddy Creek Mansion". The home was built in 1899 by Alexander M Grove, the owner of the village of Muddy Creek Forks (general store, mill, creamery). AM Grove was also the postmaster and station master for the Ma and Pa Railroad at the Muddy Creek forks station. Mr Grove built our home to overlook his village. Materials to build the house came by train into Muddy Creek Forks, including the slate from the slate quarry in Delta PA. Employees of his lived in the 3rd floor of our home and the ice house on our property was used to store ice that was cut from Muddy Creek in the winter and stored for use in the summer in the iceboxes at the general store. The original entry to our home was from the hill to Muddy Creek Forks. As old pictures show, there was a carriageway for horses from the valley up the hill to our home. This carriageway still allows easy pedestrian access to the village.