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## Press Release

### Delhi Township Springhouse Wins Second Award For Immediate Release – November 10, 2005

The Cincinnati Preservation Society has chosen Delhi Township as one of the recipients of their 2005 Preservation Awards for Rehabilitation. The award will be presented on Sunday, November 13, 2005 during the Cincinnati Preservation Society's annual meeting at Old St. George Church in Clifton. The award will recognize the architect, contractor, Hamilton County Engineer's Office and Delhi Township for their efforts in preserving this historic structure.

This is the second such preservation award in as many months for Delhi Township. Last month the Ohio Historical Society awarded Delhi Township one of their 2005 Ohio Historic Preservation Office Award for the restoration of the Springhouse.

Originally built in 1796 to protect a natural spring, the Springhouse also provided cool storage for perishable foods and served as a rest stop for weary travelers. On a hot, muggy summer afternoon the Springhouse provided a cool sanctuary where the inside temperature was likely to be twenty degrees cooler than the outside air. This provided a welcome respite for travelers where they could grab a cool drink of water and bask in the shady coolness of the structure. The Springhouse remained in regular use for over 100 years, supplying pure water as late as 1937.

The restoration project lasted for more than a year and was funded primarily by a Federal Grant.



Springhouse Before Restoration



Springhouse After Restoration

For additional information, please contact Gerard Schroeder, 513-922-3111.