



The Osborn-Cannonball House. This structure was built in the mid-1700s, with a fieldstone foundation and wide weather clapboard. The house stands in its original setting, and was occupied as a single-family home until 1972. It is owned by the Township of Scotch Plains and is the home of the Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood. It has been partially restored to its original structure, including an authentic hand-split wood shingle roof, beehive oven, and colonial kitchen. The parlor retains its Victorian decor to show the changes through the years. The garden is a recreated eighteenth-century working herb garden; it has been featured in many national publications, and was recently featured by the Smithsonian Institute of Washington, D.C. Local sources report that during the Revolutionary War a cannonball landed in the side of this house during a skirmish between British troops and the Patriots.