

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET

Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission

Bureau of Historic Preservation

Box 1026, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026

Survey Code/Tax Parcel/Other No.:

081 / 66 00 05365 00 5 Block-Unit #018-030

County: Montgomery

Municipality:

Whitpain Township

Address: 760 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike

Historic Name/Other Name:

SITE PLAN

PHOTO INFORMATION



Number	Description of View	Direction of Camera
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1 House – rear

2 House – facade (right)

3 Springhouse

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Photographer Name: Robert Wise Date: 1999

Negative Location: Robert Wise Consulting, Station Square 1, Suite 104, 37 N. Valley Road, Paoli PA 19301

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM - DATA SHEET

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IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Survey Code: 081 Tax Parcel/Other No.: 66 00 05365 00 5 Block Unit #018-030

County: 1. Montgomery 091 2.

Municipality: 1. Whitpain Township 2.

Address: 760 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike Historic Name:

Other Name:

Owner Name/Address: J. Bruce & Beatrice Nichols 760 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike Blue Bell PA 19422

Owner Category: Private Public-local Public-state Public-federal

Resource Category: Building District Site Structure Object

Number/Aproximate Number of Resources Covered by This Form: 3

USGS Quad: 1. Lansdale 2.

UTM A. _____ C. _____

References: B. _____ D. _____

HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS

Historic Function Category: Subcategory: Code:

A. Residence 1795 2,208 SF Land 2.60 Acre Dwelling _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

Particular Type: A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

Current Function Category: Subcategory: Code:

A. Single Family Residence Dwelling _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Architectural Classification: A. Georgian _____

B. _____

D. _____

C. _____

Other: _____

Exterior Materials: Foundation _____ Roof _____

Walls stone _____ Walls _____

Other _____ Other _____

Structural System: 1. _____ 2. _____

Width _____ Depth _____ Stories/Height 2 _____

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: ca. 1795 Additions/Alterations Dates: ca. ca.

Basis for Dating: x Documentary Physical

Explain: Tax records

Cultural/Ethnic Affiliation: 1. _____ 2. _____ Associated Individuals: 1. _____ 2.

Associated Events: 1. _____ 2. _____ Architects/Engineers: 1. _____ 2.

Builders: 1. _____ 2. _____

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: Yes x No Context(s): _____

Contributes to Potential District Yes No District Name/Status: _____

Classification: This is a great example of early vernacular architecture, but its alterations, including an incompatible slanted window, cause it be a Class II resource.

THREATS

Threats: x 1. None 2. Public Development 3. Private Development 4. Neglect 5. Other

Explain:

SURVEYOR INFORMATION

Surveyor Name/Title: Robert Wise Date: 6/16/2000

Project Name: Whitpain Township Historic Resource Survey

Organization: Robert Wise Consulting/Whitpain Township Telephone: (610) 722-5818

Street and No.: Station Square 1, Suite 104, 37 North Valley Road

City, State: Paoli, Pa Zip Code: 19301

Additional Survey Documentation: n/a

Associated Survey Codes: n/a

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

This secluded house is an example of Georgian architecture. The site consists of a two and a half story core with a two story addition and two associated buildings. The core, built c. 1795, was built with uncoursed stone. It is a four bay, gable-end asymmetrical house with wood shingles and interior end chimneys. The windows are two over two double hung (obviously replacements) with shutters. A cantilevered pediment over the door is a classic colonial Pennsylvania touch. The two story addition is composed of semi-coursed stonework; it has windows of the same style as the core.

Associated Resources:

Springhouse: The property includes a stone springhouse with a wood shingle end gable roof. The door has a post and lintel frame.

Garage: The second addition is a frame garage. (no photo)

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