

**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET**

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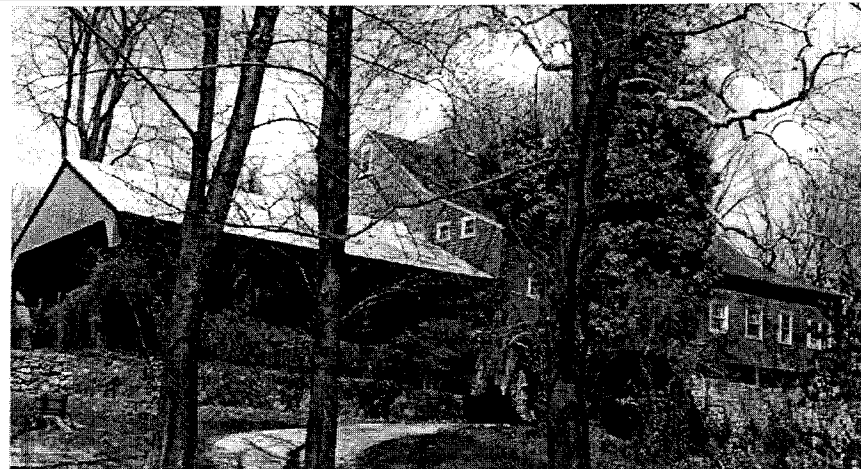
Survey Code/Tax Parcel/Other No.: 091 / 66 00 05131 00 5 Block-Unit #014-087 County: Montgomery

Municipality: Whitpain Township Address: 1405 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike

Historic Name/Other Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**SITE PLAN**

**PHOTO INFORMATION**



Number	Description of View	Direction of Camera
1	House – façade	
2	House – rear	
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4		
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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: 091 Tax Parcel/Other No.: 66.00.05131.00.5 Block Unit #014-08Z
County: 1. Montgomery 2.
Municipality: 1. Whitpain Township 2.
Address: 1405 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike Historic Name:
Other Name:
Owner Name/Address: Edna D. Lalli 1405 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike Blue Bell PA 19422
Owner Category: x Private Public-local Public-state Public-federal
Resource Category: x Building District Site Structure Object
Number/Approximate Number of Resources Covered by This Form: 1
USGS Quad: 1. Lansdale 2.
UTM A. C.
References: B. D.

HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS

Historic Function Category: Subcategory: Code:
A. Barn 1800 3,120 SF Land 2.10 Acre AGRICULTURE
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.
B. C.
D. Other:
Exterior Materials: Foundation Roof
Walls stone Walls
Other Other
Structural System: 1. 2.
Width Depth Stories/Height 2

## HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: \_\_\_ ca. 1800 \_\_\_ Additions/Alterations Dates: \_\_\_ ca. \_\_\_ ca. \_\_\_

Basis for Dating:  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 house is in good condition, but the window alterations require a Class II classification.

### THREATS

Threats:  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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Survey Code: 091 Tax Parcel/Other No.: 66\_00\_05131\_00.5 Block-Unit #014-087  
County: Montgomery 091 Municipality: Whippen Township  
Address: 1405 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike  
Historic/Other Name:

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:**

This house was originally the barn associated with 1399 Penllyn Blue Bell Pike. The core of the bank barn is a three-story end-gable (asphalt shingles) structure made with uncoursed stone. A front addition is clad with simple drop siding and rests on stone corners (the addition operates as an overhang throughout most of its length). A large buttressed stonewall is located in front of the barn. Several windows have been cut into the frame addition. A smaller shed has been added on the gable end on the same axis.

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## Michael and Edna Lalli Home

By Dorothy S. Conard  
Photography by George S. Peck



This converted barn at Blue Bell Road and Stenton Avenue was part of the farm known for four generations as the "Shoemaker farm." It was also known as "Plymouth Plantation."

When Tom and Helen Fleming sold the property in 1958, it was divided and sold in three different parcels. The barn and a little over two acres was bought by Peter Scheidt, then a bachelor, and it contained a living room, kitchen, bedroom and bath.

On August 1, 1962, Edna and Michael Lalli with their daughter Loren, moved into the converted barn. They added an additional bedroom, a hallway, two studies and a second bath. The outside improvements included fences, terraces and beautiful gardens. Today it is a most charming and unusual home.



