

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET

Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission

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Box 1026, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026

Survey Code/Tax Parcel/Other No.: 058 / 66 00 04264 00 8 Block-Unit #0011B-001

County: Montgomery

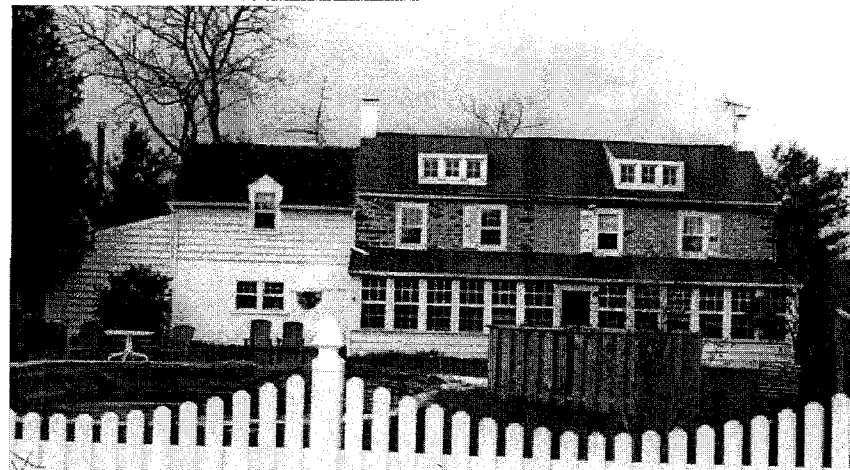
Municipality: Whitpain Township

Address: 1098 Morris Road

Historic Name/Other Name: _____

SITE PLAN

PHOTO INFORMATION



Number	Description of View	Direction of Camera
1	Façade	
2	Additions	
3		
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6		
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: 058 Tax Parcel/Other No.: 66.00.04264.00.8 Block Unit #0011B-001
 County: 1. Montgomery 091 2.
 Municipality: 1. Whitpain Township 2.
 Address: 1098 Morris Road Historic Name: Quail Call
 Other Name:
 Owner Name/Address: Robert P. Trinkle & Kathy Lee Pape 1098 Morris Road Blme 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: 2
 USGS Quad: 1. Lansdale 2.
 UTM A. _____ C. _____
 References: B. _____ D. _____

HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS

Historic Function Category: Subcategory: Code:
 A. Residence 1813 SF Land 1.73 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. Colonial _____
 B. _____ C. _____
 D. _____ Other: _____
 Exterior Materials: Foundation _____ Roof _____
 Walls stone _____ Walls _____
 Other _____ Other _____
 Structural System: 1. _____ 2. _____
 Width _____ Depth _____ Stories/Height 2.5

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: ca. 1813 Additions/Alterations Dates: ca. 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 No Context(s):
Contributes to Potential District Yes No District Name/Status:

Classification: This is a fine house, but its extensive additions make it a Class II resource.

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: Whippain 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

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NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Sitting on an angle to the road, this colonial vernacular house with several additions preside over an enclosed courtyard. The core was built c. 1800 of uncoursed stone. It is a two and a half story building with an end chimney in one of the gables. A later roof dormer has a band of three windows and a shed roof.

The first addition was a continuation of the façade of the core. It is also composed of uncoursed stone, and its quoins are less prominent. An end chimney clad in stucco thrusts out of the gable end. A one story porch extends the length of the aforementioned units of the house, possibly replacing an old pent roof. This enclosed porch is composed of a band of windows and a central door.

On the other gable end of the core is a frame addition. This portion of the house is a story and a half with a centered wall dormer with a gable roof. Two small windows appear in the center of the first story of this addition. Off of the end gable of the addition is a shed.

Behind the core is another stone addition. This portion of the house sits on an axis perpendicular to the core and extends the roofline to a third gable end with a chimney. The window pattern of the addition suggests that it may have been built in two campaigns: it has twin windows grouped together and one bay that is centered on the remainder of the addition.

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HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

“Quail Call”

By Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Trump

“Quail Call” is the charming home situated on the southern corner at the intersection of Morris and Cathcart Roads.

The original house was built in 1812 or early 1813. It consisted of one room on the first floor and two on the second with an attic above and a half cellar under the first floor. The original “one room” house appears to have always been stuccoed and whitewashed over native brownstone. According to county tax records, it was built by Barnabas Gearhart who was the son of Nicholas Gearhart. Barnabas was described as a “cordwainer” (today a shoemaker) in the original sheepskin deed.

Tax records of 1819 show Barnabas crossed off as probably deceased and “Neavel, Henry 2-A & Dwg-100” is shown. In 1812, the tax rate doubled to \$200 indicating extensive building. This suggests that the second section of the house (two stories and matching the first in outline but with a full cellar) would have been then added to the west side.

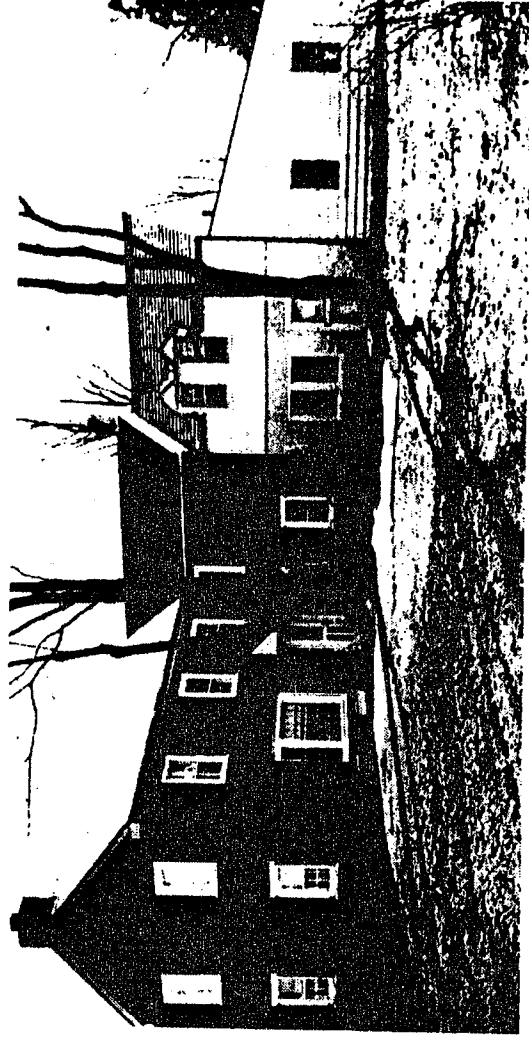
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Over the years, different owners have “modernized” the home until the George Millingtons, in 1926, began to restore the house. The Trumps have been living in the house since mid-1976 and have extensively restored the home, including exact details as they would have been in the early 19th century.

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