

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET
 Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission, Bureau of Historic Preservation
 Commonwealth Keystone Building, 2nd Floor, 400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026

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| Survey Code / HR #: | 66-003 | Historic / Other Name: | Darlington, Abraham, House |
| Tax Parcel #: | 66-3-179 | Address: | 137 Leadline La. |
| County: | Chester 029 | Municipality: | Thornbury Township |

137 Leadline Ln.

Photographs

Photo 1. North (back)
Elevation, House

Photographer:
J. Christopher Lang

Date: 4/25/2007

Negative Location:
Thornbury Township



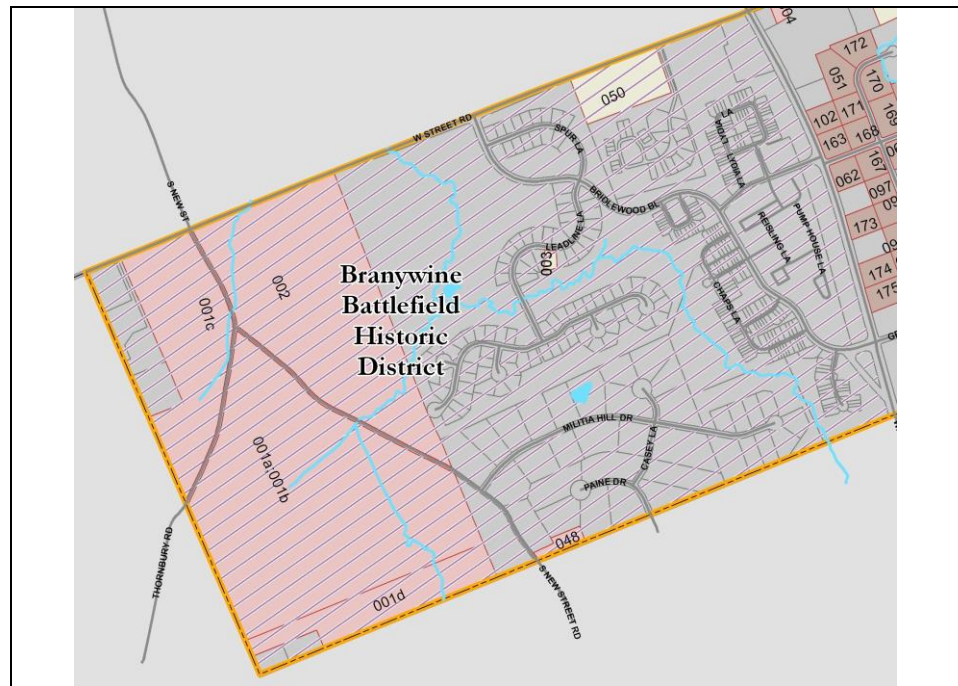
Location Map

Thornbury Township
Historic Resource GIS
Map

LOOK FOR: HR #003

MAP KEY

003 = HR Number
 Purple = Class 1
 Pink = Class 2
 Yellow = Class 3
 Med. Grey = Class 4



PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – DATA SHEET
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| IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|----------------|----------|----------------|------------------|
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| Address | 137 Leadline La. | | | | |
| Historic Name | Darlington, Abraham, House | | | | |
| Other Name | | | | | |
| Owner Name / Address | | | | | |
| Owner Category | Private | Public – local | | Public – state | Public – Federal |
| Resource Category | Building | District | Site | Structure | Object |
| Number/Approximate Number of Resources Covered by This Form | 2 | | | | |
| USGS Quad | 1. West Chester | | 2. | | |
| UTM References | A. | B. | C. | D. | |

| HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------------|------|
| Historic Function Category | | Subcategory | Code |
| A. | Domestic | Single Dwelling | 01 A |
| B. | | | |
| C. | | | |
| D. | | | |
| Particular Type | A. | Farm House | |
| | B. | | |
| | C. | | |
| | D. | | |
| Current Function Category | | Subcategory | Code |
| A. | Domestic | Single Dwelling | 01 A |
| B. | Domestic | Secondary Structure | 01 C |
| C. | | | |
| D. | | | |

| PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------|
| Architectural Classification | A. No Style | | B. | C. |
| | D. | | Other | |
| Exterior Materials | Foundation | | Roof | Wood Shingles 22 |
| | Walls | Stucco 61 | Walls | Wood 20 |
| | Other | | Other | |
| Structural System | 1. Masonry – stone | | 2. | |
| Width 3 Bay C | Depth 2 Rooms B | | Stories / Height 3 C | |

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: c. 1840 Additions/Alterations Dates: c. _____

Basis for Dating: x Documentary x Physical

Explain: According to the 1860 Map of Thornbury, there is a house on this property at that time.

Physically, the house, with its third-floor half-windows, bespeaks the mid-1800s.

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| Cultural / Ethnic Affiliation | 1. N/A | 2. | Associated Individuals | 1. N/A | 2. |
| Associated Events | 1. N/A | 2. | Architects / Engineers | 1. N/A | 2. |
| Builders | 1. N/A | 2. | | | |

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Lake, D. J., and S. N. Beers. Map of the Vicinity of Philadelphia. Philadelphia: Lake and Beers, 1860.

PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

Included in the Chester County Historic Sites Survey as Thornbury Township Historic Site #004, 1979.

EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: Yes No Context(s):

Contributes to Potential District Yes No District Name/Status:

Class: 3

Justification: Thornbury Township has deemed this resource to contribute to the historic fabric or character of the Township; therefore, according to the Township’s Historic Resource Classification Definitions, this resource is a Class 3.

THREATS

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

Explain:

| SURVEYOR INFORMATION | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------|--------------|
| Surveyor Name / Title | Jane E. Dorchester | Date | 8/2009 |
| Project Name | Thornbury Township VPP Historic Resource Inventory & Survey | | |
| Organization | Jane E. Dorchester, Historic Preservation Consultant | Telephone | 610-431-3737 |
| Street and No. | 19 S. Church St. | | |
| City, State | West Chester, Pa. | Zip Code | 19382 |
| Additional Survey Documentation | | | |
| Associated Survey Codes | PHMC Key #022603 | | |

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The Abraham Darlington House is a three-bay, three-story, stucco and frame, T-shaped building with one interior chimney on the north side of the west gable. Its roof is clad in wood shingles. The fenestration is symmetrical. The house appears to have been built in at least two, if not three, sections.

There is a modern two-bay garage on the property.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE:

The exact history of this house is unknown. The property was probably owned by Thomas and Hannah Darlington in 1789, when they bought and then gave the neighboring farm (HR #001) to their son, Abraham. The farm this house was associated with is labelled on the Witmer's 1873 Map of Thornbury as belonging to Abraham Darlington, but whether it is the same Abraham or not has not been ascertained.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – PHOTOGRAPH SHEET

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South (front) Elevation, House with South (back) Elevation, Garage



North (back) and East Elevations, House