

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

Survey Code / HR #:	66-031	Historic / Other Name:	Taylor, Stephen, III, House
Tax Parcel #	66-4-18	Address:	1340 S. Concord Rd.
County:	Chester 029	Municipality:	Thornbury Township

1340 S. Concord Rd.

Photographs: North
(front) Elevation, House

Photographer: J. Christopher
Lang

Date: 4/20/2007

Original Negative Location:
Thornbury

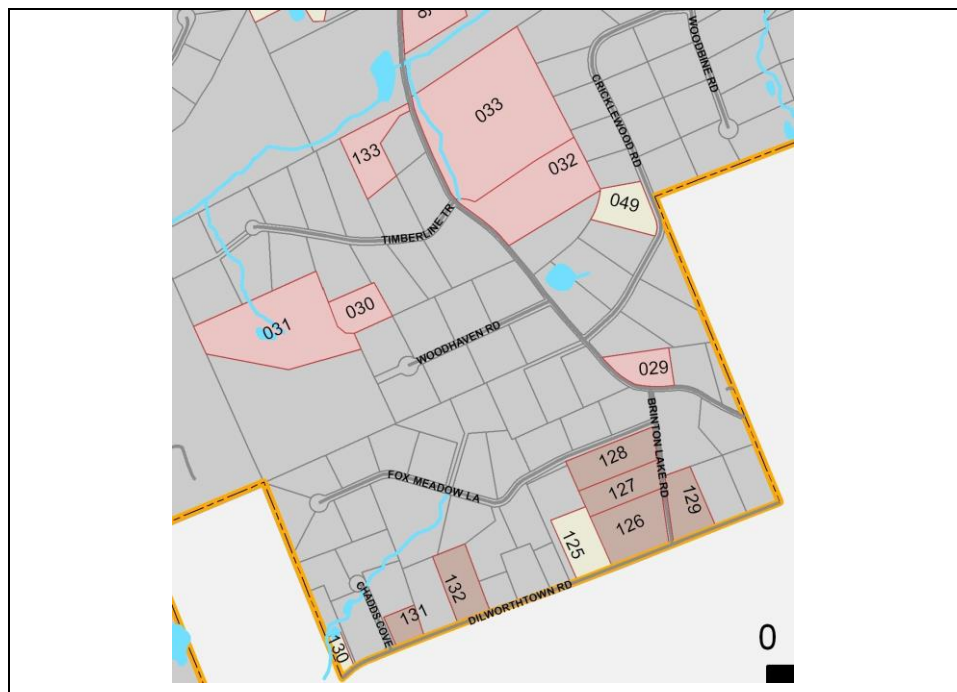


Location Map
Thornbury Township
Historic Resource
Inventory GIS Map

LOOK FOR: HR #031

MAP KEY

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



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IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION					
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County	1. Chester 029	2.			
Municipality	1. Thornbury Township	2.			
Address	1340 S. Concord Rd.				
Historic Name	Taylor, Stephen, III, House				
Other Name					
Owner Name / Address					
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	3				
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.	Domestic	Secondary Structure	01 C
C.			
D.			
Particular Type	A.	Farmhouse	
	B.	Spring House	
	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 Shingle 22
	Walls	Stone 40	Walls	Weatherboard 21
	Other	Wood 20	Other	
Structural System	1. Masonry 20		2.	
Width 3 Bays C	Depth 2 Rooms B		Stories / Height 3.5 C	

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: X c. 1805 Additions/Alterations Dates:

Basis for Dating: X Documentary Physical

Explain: According to the Tax Assessment Records, there is a stone house on the property no later than 1805.

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

Chester County Tax Records, Chester County Triennial Tax Assessments, Thornbury Township, 1796-1802. Photocopy.

Chester County Tax Records, Chester County Triennial Tax Assessments, Thornbury Township, 1805-1835. Microfilm.

Dorchester, Jane E. "Deed Lineage Historic Resource #031, Taylor, Stephen, III, House." Thornbury Township, July 31, 2009.

PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

Included in the Chester County Historic Sites Survey as Thornbury Township Historic Site #33, 1979.

EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: Yes No Context(s):

Contributes to Potential District X Yes No District Name/Status: South Concord Road Historic District/Potential

Class: 2

Justification: The Township of Thornbury has deemed this property to have the potential to be eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places either as an individual resource or as a contributing resource to a potential historic district.

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 #065284		

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The Stephen Taylor [III] House is a three-bay, three-and-a-half-story, side-gable, stone bank-house that now faces north. Its original orientation was south, but at some point in time, it was reoriented north and additions were made to its former front (south) elevation. It has one interior chimney on its east elevation. The fenestration is symmetrical with a center front door. There is a full-length, two-story, wood porch attached to the south elevation, the second story of which is enclosed. The house has had at least three if not four additions made to it. The first addition is a one-bay, two-and-a-half-story, side gable, stone wing attached to the core's west elevation at the ground floor level. This ell has a large stone interior chimney on its west elevation and is accessed via a door on its south elevation at the ground level. There is a one-story, full-length, wood porch attached to the south elevation of this wing that is an extension of the first level of the core's porch. The next addition is a one-bay, two-and-a-half-story, side-gable, stone wing attached to the core's east elevation at the ground level. The third addition is a two-bay, one-and-a-half-story, side-gable, frame wing that wraps around the east wing's east and south elevations. The fourth addition is a four-bay, two-and-a-half-story, side-gable, frame ell attached to the south elevation of the previous addition at the ground level. It has a interior chimney on its south elevation and a one-story, wood porch on the ground level of its west elevation.

There are twin spring houses on the property located to the west of the house. Both of them have had additions made to them. One is a stone, front-gable structure and one is a frame, front-gable structure on a stone foundation.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (including a brief statement of significance for Class 2 properties only):

Stephen Taylor [III] acquired 138 acres from his uncle, Stephen Taylor [II], in 1813. However, starting in 1802, he began paying the taxes on the acreage. At that time, there was probably a log house on the property as his uncle had been taxed for one in 1799. In 1805, the log house disappeared from the tax roles, replaced by a stone house.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This property is significant because it is a potential contributing resource in the South Concord Road Historic District whose area of significance would be the establishment and development of country estates in Thornbury Township in the mid-Nineteenth Century through the early Twentieth Century.

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Close-up, North (front) Elevation, House, Showing Eastern and Southern Additions



South (back) and West Elevations, House

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Twin Spring Houses