

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 #:	66-133	Historic / Other Name:	None
Tax Parcel #	66-4-18.1A	Address:	1326 S. Concord Rd.
County:	Chester 029	Municipality:	Thornbury Township

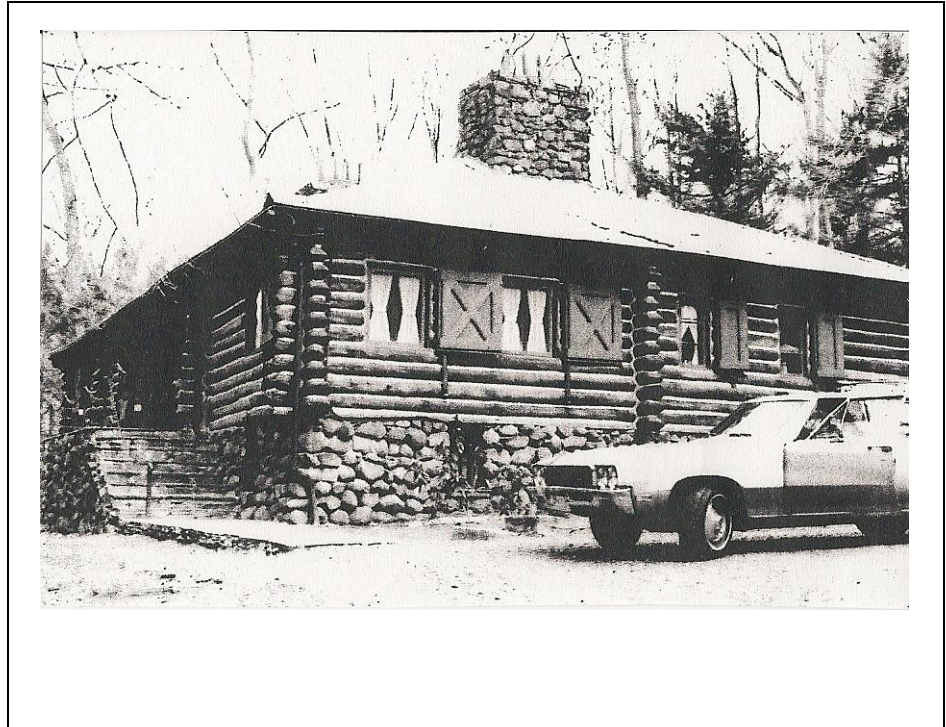
1326 S. Concord Rd.

Photographs: This is a scanned photograph taken in the 1970s. North & West Elevations, House

Scanner: J. Christopher Lang

Date: N/A

Original Negative Location:
 Chester County Historical Society

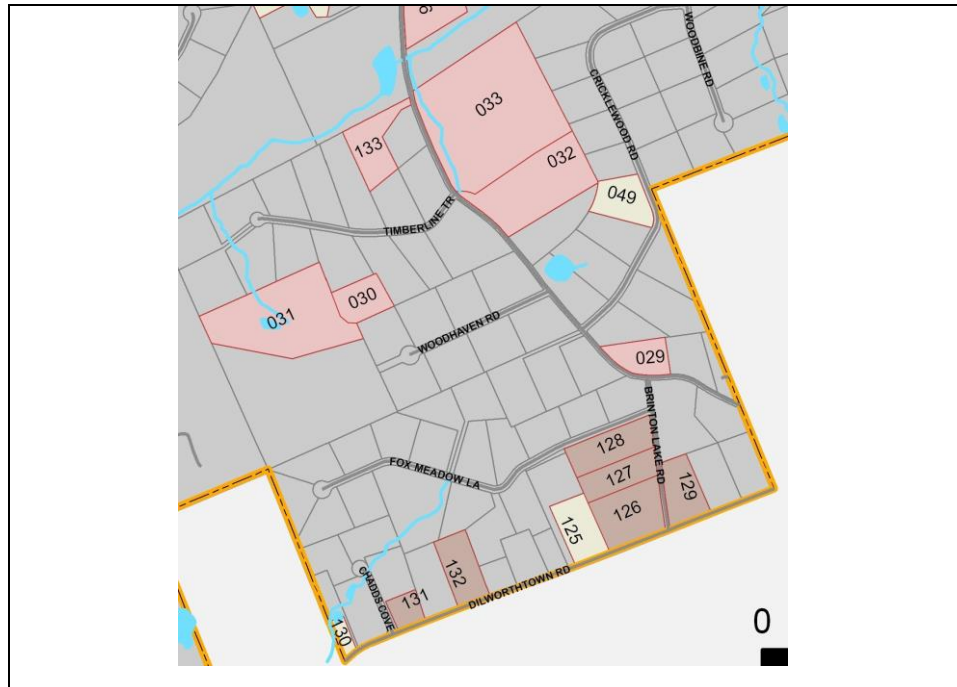


Location Map
 Thornbury Township
 Historic Resource
 Inventory GIS Map

LOOK FOR: HR #133

MAP KEY

133 = 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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County	1. Chester 029	2.			
Municipality	1. Thornbury Township	2.			
Address	1326 S. Concord Rd.				
Historic Name	None				
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	1				
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.	Lodge	
	B.		
	C.		
	D.		
Current Function Category		Subcategory	Code
A.	Domestic	Single Dwelling	01 A
B.			
C.			
D.			

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION					
Architectural Classification	A.	B. Other 80		C.	
	D.	Other: Adirondack Lodge			
Exterior Materials	Foundation	Stone 40		Roof	Asphalt 63
	Walls	Log 23		Walls	
	Other	Wood 20		Other	
Structural System		1. Stone 22		2.	
Width 2 Bays B		Depth 2 Rooms B		Stories / Height 1.5 A	

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: X c. 1910 Additions/Alterations Dates:

Basis for Dating: X Documentary Physical

Explain: Stuart Wyeth sold his father’s house and land to James Gay Gordon in 1908, retaining a lot of land for himself. This house appears on the 1912 Mueller’s Map of Thornbury Township.

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

Dorchester, Jane E. “Deed Lineage Historic Resource #037, Rokeby Stock Farm.” Thornbury Township, July 31, 2009.

Lathrop, J. M. and St. Julian Ogier, CEs. Atlas of Properties on Main Line of Pennsylvania Railroad from Devon to Downingtown and West Chester. Philadelphia: A. H. Mueller, 1912.

PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

Included in the Chester County Historic Sites Survey as Thornbury Township Historic Site #036, 1979.

EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: X Yes No Context(s):

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

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 #022608		

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM – NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The house at 1326 S. Concord Road is a one-and-a-half story, two-bay, square, Adirondack-type log house on a raised stone foundation with a hipped roof. There is a large stone chimney in the center of the house. The fenestration is symmetrical with four openings per elevation. There is a wide stone stoop on the east side accessed by a stone staircase with a metal railing. The stoop is centered on the east elevation door.

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

This house appears to have been built sometime between 1908, when Stuart Wyeth sold his father's country estate (HR #037) to James Gay Gordon, and 1912 when the house appears on Mueller's 1912 Map of Thornbury Township. Stuart Wyeth was the son of John Wyeth, founder of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals. When he sold his father's country estate in 1908, Stuart retained a lot of land for himself upon which he had this house built.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This property is significant for two reasons. First, it is significant under Criterion C (architecture) because it is the only Adirondack-type house in the Township, and quite possibly, in the County. And second, 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. This house could represent the last stage in the creation of country estates along the road with its Arts and Crafts inspired architecture to act as one bookend in opposition to the earliest country house of late Federal architecture.

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East Elevation, House



South Elevation, House

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West Elevation, House