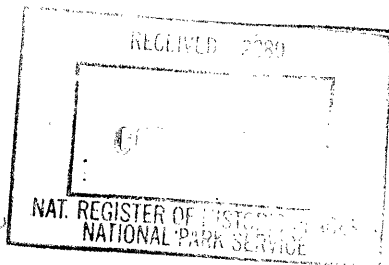
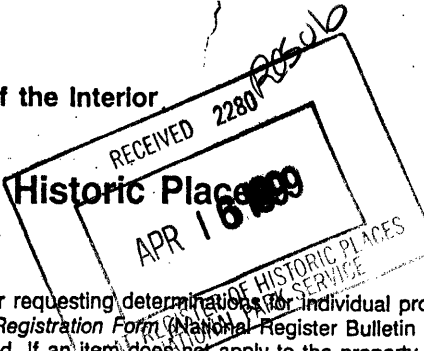


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form



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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Bower House

other names/site number BO-235

2. Location

street & number South side of S.R. 34, Parksville not for publication

city or town Parksville vicinity

state Kentucky code KY county Boyle code 021 zip code 40464

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan, SHPO and
Executive Director 10-1-97
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Patrick Andrew Date of Action 5/28/99

Bower House (BO-235)
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY 0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

MID-19TH CENTURY: OTHER:
center-passage plan

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone
walls Weatherboard

roof Asphalt Shingles
other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheet

Bower House (BO-235)
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY
County and State

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1867

Significant Dates

c. 1867

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

See Continuation Sheet

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Bower House (BO-235)
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Approx. 1 acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

Parksville Quadrant

1	1, 6	6, 85	8, 20	41, 6, 3	00, 0
	Zone	Easting		Northing	
2					

3					
	Zone	Easting		Northing	
4					

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Christine Amos, Historian and Amanda Bradley, Historian

organization Burry & Amos, Inc. (Heart of Danville) date June 18, 1997

street & number 926 Main Street telephone (502) 633-5530

city or town Shelbyville state KY zip code 40065

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Gary & Edith Sinkhorn

street & number P.O. Box 26 telephone N/A

city or town Parksville state KY zip code 40464

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Projects (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY
Multiple Property Listing
Bower House (BO-235)

7. Description:

The Bower House (BO-235) is located in the railroad community of Parksville along the southern edge of State Route 34, the Danville and Lebanon Road which has historically paralleled the Louisville and Nashville Railroad). The two-story, frame center-passage dwelling is an example of an early, single pen dwelling transformed in the mid-nineteenth century into a larger, center passage plan for the purposes of comfort and space. Currently, the property is comprised of approximately one acre. Included in this nomination are one contributing building and one non-contributing building.

1.) Constructed c. 1867, the **main residence** (contributing building) is a two-story, frame, single pile dwelling with a center-passage plan (an "I-House" formation) with original weatherboard siding and an asphalt-shingle clad side gable roof. Sitting on a continuous mortared stone foundation, the dwelling faces north, toward the main road, and is symmetrically divided into three bays across the front facade. The central, paneled wood entry is surrounded by a multi-light transom and sidelights, fronted by a porch extending 3/4 the length of the dwelling with turned wood supports and a spindle frieze. Original 2/2 sash windows are set in plain wood surrounds with wood sills, flanked by louvered wood blinds. Completing the main block are two central interior brick chimneys. A one story-ell extends from the rear (south) elevation, creating an L-plan. Sided with original weatherboard, the ell also sits on a continuous mortared stone foundation and is believed to be an original portion of the residence. Two mid-twentieth century additions to the ell are found on the south and west walls and are unseen from the front of the residence.

2.) To the rear (southwest) of the main residence is a pre-World War II **frame garage** (non-contributing building). Facing the main road, the one-bay building has an asphalt shingled hip roof, continuous concrete foundation and vertical board siding.

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Multiple Property Listing

Bower House (BO-235)

8. Statement of Significance:

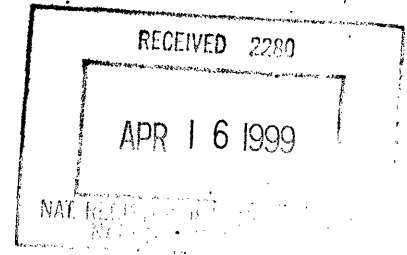
The Bower House (BO-235) sits within the railroad community of Parksville, on the southern edge of State Route 34, the Danville and Lebanon Road. The residence is nominated to the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Multiple Property Listing entitled "Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, Kentucky". Adopting its current plan ca. 1867, the residence is architecturally significant under Criterion A as a local example of a center passage plan, traditionally an "I-House" formation, adorned with Victorian trim. The period of significance for the property is circa 1867, the approximate year the residence took its current form.

Significant within the historic context "Domestic Architecture in Boyle County: 1780-1945", the residence maintains excellent historic integrity through its retention of original materials, workmanship, design and setting. In 1867, Francis M. Bower obtained the land on which the residence sits. Deeds refer to a "Dr. Brown's Office" on the site and it is probable that the original pen of the current residence is that structure (Boyle County Deed Book 10: 479). Francis M. Bower would have had ties with Dr. Brown as Bower was a registered "undertaker" in the area (1860 Boyle County Census). Bower also operated a coffin and tombstone business and presumably aided in numerous burials at the nearby Parksville Cemetery (located less than one-half mile from the residence). Still evident today are numerous limestone fragments behind the dwelling, many apparently chipped from larger pieces, possibly used in the carving of tombstones. The time of Bower's acquisition of the property coincides with the construction of the L&N Railroad through the area, introducing a number of new settlers to the community and providing greater access to materials potentially used for burials (iron fencing, coffins, hardware, mass-produced tombstones, etc.). Perhaps Bower chose the location along the main road and near the railroad to better meet his professional obligations.

The size and ornamentation of the residence suggests that Bower enjoyed some measure of affluence within the community in 1867. Through the application of sawn bargeboard and porch details to an otherwise common center-hall passage plan, the Bower House is typical of vernacular house forms with stylish ways in the post bellum period.

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Bower House (BO-235)

9. Bibliography:

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_____. "Boyle County Survey Summary Report," prepared for The Boyle County Landmark Trust and The Kentucky Heritage Council, 30 September, 1991.

10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property includes the portion of PVA tax map #7, parcel #8 that corresponds to the area outlined on the attached map copy scaled at 1"=600'. The boundary begins at the northwest corner of the property (point A) and extends south 300' along the boundary joining parcel #7 on the west to point B, then eastward along the line to the west edge of Lower Johnson Branch Road, then along that road in a northerly direction to its intersection with KY 300, then west along the south side of the highway to point A.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the architecturally significant residence and the limited area of domestic yard area that contributes to the property's setting.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

Bower House, Boyle County, KY

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Shelbyville, KY 40065

DATE: August, 1996

Front (north) facade, facing southeast

1 of 4

Front (north) facade and east elevation, facing southwest

2 of 4

West elevation, facing east

3 of 4

Pre-World War II garage, facing south

4 of 4



BOWER HOUSE
BO-235
BOYLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY
PVA TAX MAP 7, PARCEL 8 (PORTION)



1" = 400'