

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 343 Park Park City, Summit County, Utah UTM: 12 458120 4498980  
 Name of Structure: House at 343 Park T. R. S.  
 Present Owner: Robert W. Thielke  
 Owner Address: 1026 Hillview Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah 84117  
 Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax #: PC 44  
 Legal Description: Kind of Building:  
 All Lot 11 and South half Lot 12 Block 3, Park City Survey  
 Less than one acre.

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: probably Walter and Ann W. Wilcocks Construction Date: c. 1898 Demolition Date:  
 Original Use: Residence Present Use:  
 Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:  
 Excellent  Site  Unaltered  Significant  Not of the  National Landmark  District  
 Good  Ruins  Minor Alterations  Contributory Historic Period  National Register  Multi-Resource  
 Deteriorated  Major Alterations  Not Contributory  State Register  Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography: Date of Slides: 1983 Slide No.: Date of Photographs: 1983 Photo No.:  
 Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other Views:  Front  Side  Rear  Other

Research Sources:  
 Abstract of Title  Sanborn Maps  Newspapers  U of U Library  
 Plat Records/Map  City Directories  Utah State Historical Society  BYU Library  
 Tax Card & Photo  Biographical Encyclopedias  Personal Interviews  USU Library  
 Building Permit  Obituary Index  LDS Church Archives  SLC Library  
 Sewer Permit  County & City Histories  LDS Genealogical Society  Other Census Records

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):  
 1900 Census Records. Summit County, Park City Precinct., p. 156-A.  
 Deseret News. March 12, 1930, p. 10. Ann Wilcocks obituary.  
 Salt Lake Tribune. June 20, 1898, p.1.

Architect/Builder: unknown

Building Materials: wood

Building Type/Style: Pyramid House

## Description of physical appearance &amp; significant architectural features:

(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This house is a one story frame pyramid house with a truncated hip roof. Typical of the pyramid house is the square plan, the generally symmetrical facade with the door set slightly off center between pairs of double hung sash one over one light windows, the truncated hip roof, and the porch supported on lathe turned piers that spans the facade. The windows are framed with a common type of Victorian molding, one that is grooved and has decorative corner blocks. There is a rear shed extension on the northwest corner of the building, which in scale and materials complements the original section, and may in fact be original. In-period rear extensions are part of Park City's architectural vocabulary. Although in many cases an extension represents a major alteration of the original house, it usually contributes to the significance of a house because it documents the most common and acceptable method of expansion of the small Park City house. This house has received no major alterations and is in excellent condition. It maintains its original integrity.

Photos:

## Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: c. 1898

Built c. 1898, the house at 343 Park is architecturally significant as one of 69 extant pyramid houses in Park City, 28 of which are included in this nomination. Of the 28 being nominated, 11 are true pyramid houses and 17 are variants of the basic type. This house is one of the true pyramid houses. The pyramid house is one of the three most common house types built during the early period of Park City's mining boom era, and significantly contributes to the character of the residential area. It appeared early on, but continued to be built with variations longer than the other two types.

This house was built by at least 1900, as indicated by the Sanborn Insurance Maps, having probably been built c. 1898 as investment property by Walter and Ann W. Wilcocks, who lived down the block at 363 Park. William Scoble, Ann Wilcocks' brother, sold them the property in 1888, at which time there was a different house located there. That house was probably destroyed in the fire of 1898, which burned many of the houses in town, including some along this the west side of Park Avenue.<sup>1</sup> Ann Wilcocks, widowed in 1900, probably rented out this house until selling it in 1905 to her 21 year old nephew, William J. Scoble (a son of William Scoble). The 1900 census records indicate that at that time this house was probably occupied by William Boyd, a druggist, and his family. William J. Scoble, who had previously lived with the Wilcocks in their neighboring house, owned this house until 1924, although it is unclear whether or not he ever lived here. Other owners of the house include Willard R. Jones (1924-26), Henry and Corina Tuggle (1926-49), and Robert W. Thielke (1949-c.1980).

<sup>1</sup>Salt Lake Tribune, June 20, 1898, p. 1.