

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

**CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

59 South Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106  
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**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM**

For Buildings and Structures

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<b>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY</b>			
TOWN NO.:		SITE NO.:	
UTM: 18	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL
			POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION:

1. BUILDING NAME: Common: \_\_\_\_\_ Historic: John Shepard House
2. TOWN/CITY: Norfolk VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: Litchfield
3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): Shepard Park Road, east side
4. OWNER(S): William M. & Marjorie F. Komons, Shepard Road, Norfolk, CT PUBLIC  PRIVATE
5. USE: Present: Residence Historic: 06058 Residence
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road:  yes  no  
Interior accessible:  yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_  no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1922
8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):  
 clapboard rough chestnut  asbestos siding  brick  
 wood shingle  asphalt siding  fieldstone, rubble  
 board & batten  stucco  cobblestone  
 aluminum siding  concrete: type: \_\_\_\_\_  cut stone: type: \_\_\_\_\_  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:  
 wood frame:  post and beam  balloon  
 load bearing masonry  structural iron or steel  
 other: \_\_\_\_\_
10. ROOF: type:  
 gable  flat  mansard  monitor  sawtooth  
 gambrel  shed  hip  round  other \_\_\_\_\_  
 material:  
 wood shingle  roll asphalt  tin  slate  
 asphalt shingle  built up  tile  other: \_\_\_\_\_
11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2+ APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 37 x 132'
12. CONDITION: Structural:  excellent  good  fair  deteriorated  
 Exterior:  excellent  good  fair  deteriorated
13. INTEGRITY: Location:  on original site  moved, when: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Alterations:  no  yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:  
 barn  shed  garage  other landscape features or buildings: \_\_\_\_\_  
 carriage house  shop  garden \_\_\_\_\_
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:  
 open land  woodland  residential  scattered buildings visible from site  
 commercial  industrial  rural  high building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The house is located close to the street on a wooded lot.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

The central gabled section of this long house has angled wings to the south, for living room and owner's bedroom above, and to the north, for service. The central section has recessed entrance porch under a dark wood balcony, dining room, and on the second floor, bedrooms. The walls are rubble stone and wide, rough, chestnut clapboards in a dark finish. There are many small-paned windows; three, of oblong shape and staggered, light the stairwell. The roofline is punctuated by a truncated dormer and stone chimneys that reach above to the ridge. The plans include an angle nook with fieldstone floor off the living room, and an outdoor pool.

SIGNIFICANCE

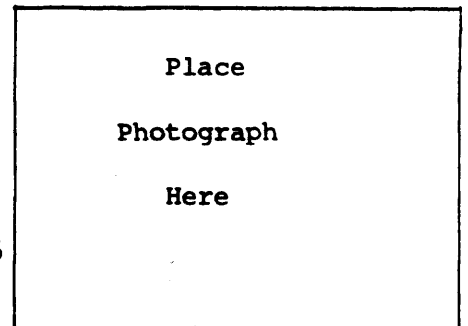
Architect: Taylor & Levi, Comm. 249 Builder: \_\_\_\_\_

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This is another of Taylor's long houses, with angled wings. Its interest lies in its materials. Here he returned to rubble stone, dark wood, small-paned windows, porches, and balconies, after having worked in white clapboards and shingles with Georgian trim at the Noble and Low houses nearby, two-to-three years earlier.

PHOTOGRAPH

photographer: D. Ransom  
date: October 1978 view: South  
negative on file: Connecticut Historical Commission



COMPILED BY:

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19. SOURCES:

Prints of construction drawings are in the Taylor Collection.

20. ~~SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:~~

Verbal boundary description: NLR 49/349  
Approximately one acre.  
UTM Reference: 18/649400/4650550

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known     highways     vandalism     developers     other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 renewal     private     deterioration     zoning     explanation: \_\_\_\_\_