

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Rosebud Farm

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER *E of Jobstown on*  
Springfield Meeting House Road

CITY, TOWN Springfield Township VICINITY OF Jobstown

STATE New Jersey CODE COUNTY Burlington CODE

NOT FOR PUBLICATION  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Robert S. Sinn

STREET & NUMBER Springfield Meeting House Road

CITY, TOWN Jobstown VICINITY OF STATE New Jersey 08041

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Rosebud Farm consists of five buildings on a 157 acre tract. The building complex sets approximately 800 feet south of Springfield Meeting House Road. The large brick farmhouse is 18th century and is the most significant building on the farm. The carriage shed is 19th century or possibly 18th century. The remaining buildings are 20th century.

The 2 1/2 story brick farmhouse sets on a slight knoll with its principal facade to the south overlooking open meadows and distant wood lots. The 45 foot wide south front facade has five bays with a central entrance door. The building is 36 feet deep. The brickwork is Flemish bond on this elevation and common bond on the other three elevations. There is a watertable on the south, west, and north elevations; a belt course on the north and west elevation; and a pent roof on the south front. This pent roof between the first and second floor has been reconstructed based on marks in the brickwork left by the original pent.

The 6 panel front door with a 4 light transom is original. The door is recessed and the recess is panelled. The first floor windows are 9/9 sash, the second floor are 9/6 sash, and the dormers are Gothic sash. Most of the three panel shutters on iron strap hinges on the first floor are original. The shutters on the second floor are louvered. There is a pair of ornate dormers on both the north and south elevations. The mullions of the top sash curve to form a triple pointed arch within the semicircular form of the top of the sash. The dormers have a pedimented roof and are ornamented with fluted pilasters flanking each of the sash.

The wood shingle gable roof has a boxed cornice trimmed with a bed and crown molding. Three chimneys project through this roof, one serving the west section of the house and two serving the east section. The west chimney projects through the room ridge approximately ten feet from the west gable elevation. The pair of east chimneys rise off the east gable wall about half the distance up the slope of the roof.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Architecturally this farmhouse represents a high style 2 1/2 story brick dwelling of the 18th century. Nearly all its original features have remained intact. Stylistically the interior features (doors, fireplaces, mantels, casings, staircase) represent the period of the middle of the last quarter of the 18th century. These details are finely executed with an elaboration of mouldings and detail.

The proportions of the brick exterior and fenestration, as well as the pent roof, reflect an earlier period. These forms are found in earlier houses in this region. No information at this time has verified this to be an earlier building; however, the property had been in the Stockton family since 1692. If the brick structure is earlier than the fourth quarter of the 18th century, the existing interior features, including the roof and floor framing, could only be explained by the destruction of the entire building except for the brick walls, such as by fire and then rebuilding the present interior within the brick walls.

This land was a portion of Richard Stockton's holdings. (He was the father of Richard the signer of the Declaration of Independence and a prominent New Jersey figure.) His holdings were divided among his sons, this portion going to John Stockton. This land remained in the Stockton name for over a century and a half.

The land grant from the King of England to Lord Berkeley was parcelled off. A portion was acquired by George Hutchinson who in turn sold to Richard Stockton in 1692. This property passed to his son John Stockton at his death in 1707. Upon his death in 1747 the property and as stated in his will the "house where I now dwell" passed to his son David Stockton. This indicates that there was a house in the early 18th century, though not necessarily the present house. In 1763 the tract passed to his son Benjamin Stockton; to his brother David Stockton in 1787; to his son Job Stockton in 1787; to his son David Stockton in 1828. Upon his death in 1856 the farm passed out of the Stockton name to Edward Bowne. The property at that time consisted of the 157 acres, its current acreage.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA <sup>104</sup>

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 157 Acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Columbus

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
A   1, 8	5   2   8   4   1   1   0	4   4   3   2   3   2   0	B   1, 8	5   2   8   4   2   1   0	4   4   3   2   1   2   0
C   1, 8	5   2   8   5   0   0	4   4   3   2   1   3   0	D   1, 8	5   2   8   7   5   0   0	4   4   3   1   5   2   0
E   1, 8	5   2   9   2   0   0	4   4   3   1   6   0   0	F   1, 8	5   2   9   1   8   1   0	4   4   3   1   6   8   1   0
G   1, 8	5   2   9   3   1   1   0	4   4   3   1   7   0   0	H   1, 8	5   2   9   2   7   1   0	4   4   3   1   9   8   1   0

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Block 1901, lots 2 and 2Q

I 18 529 110 4431 980  
J 18 529 100 4432 240

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE  
Robert S. Sinn, owner/Charles R. Tichy, OHP Staff

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE November 1978

STREET & NUMBER Springfield Meeting House Road TELEPHONE (609) 723-8088

CITY OR TOWN Jobstown STATE New Jersey 08041

## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL  STATE  LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

Deputy [Signature]  
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE Deputy Commissioner DATE May 18, 1979

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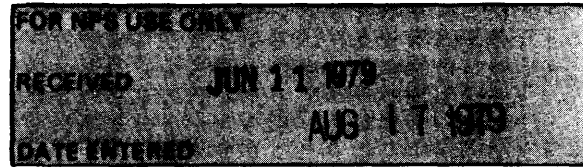
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

[Signature] Carol Shell DATE 8-17-79  
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: [Signature] Jan H. Gomme DATE 8/17/79  
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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The east gable end elevation does not have a water table or belt course. At one time an addition projected off this wall as evidenced by marks in the brickwork and the remains of a foundation. The present one story frame kitchen wing off this east elevation was built in 1978. The two 9/6 windows on the second floor are 19th century additions. The north rear facade, unlike the front facade, is not symmetrical and has only four bays. The central 6 panel door leads to the rear of the central hall.

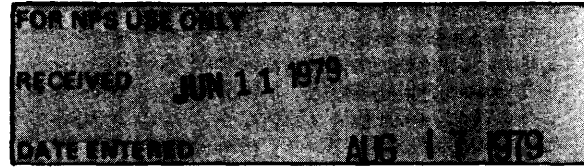
The south front entrance door opens into an entrance hall. Doors off the hall lead to the front parlor on the west, the dining room on the east, and the stair hall directly to the north. Doors off the stair hall lead to the rear parlor on the west, the original kitchen on the east, and the north exit to the outdoors. A modern powder room has been added under the stairs. An original enclosed service stair from the cellar to the third floor rises adjacent to the main open stair. Its access is from the kitchen.

The 6 panel doors on both the first and second floors have raised panels. All rooms have a chair rail. The mouldings of the door panels, door and window casings, and chair rails are finely detailed and have compounded mouldings. Each of the 8 principal rooms has a fireplace with wood mantels. The ceilings on both the first and second floors are 9 1/2' high.

The delicate open stair case rises gracefully to the second floor with an intermediate landing reversing the direction of the stair rise. The rail appears to be cherry wood. A half section of the rail follows along the wall of the stair case. The newel posts and ballusters are square in section and taper upwards. They have a wider projected base. On the landing the newel posts have pendant drops at their bottoms.

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The front parlor has the most elaborate of the wood mantels. It has reeded pilasters supporting a frieze with paneled end blocks and a central tablet. There is a reeded band below the mantel shelf. The hearth is brick. There are seven other fireplaces with less elaborate mantels. Three additional fireplaces are on the first floor located in the rear parlor, dining room, and kitchen. There are four fireplaces on the second floor in the bedrooms.

The kitchen in the northeast corner of the house has a large corner fireplace with a cooking crane. The opening is 7'-8" wide and 4'-8" high. Marks remain for a removed bake oven. The wood mantel shelf comes from another 18th century house. Several new built-in closets have been added in this room duplicating original mouldings and paneling. The functioning kitchen is in a new frame leanto wing entered off this original kitchen.

The second floor consists of a center stair hall with two bedrooms off each side of the hall. All the rooms are intact with their original features except the northeast bedroom which was reduced in size to add a bathroom. The third floor attic has a modern 4 room apartment.

The 1 1/2 frame carriage shed is constructed with a hewn oak braced frame and may be in part 18th century. The structure and fabric has been altered in the 19th and 20th centuries. The large gambrel roofed dairybarn is early 20th century; attached is a silo and a one story wing. The barn has recently been converted to horse stables. A manager's house is presently being built, based on 18th century forms and details. A horse track and pond are located between the farm buildings and the road. A large horse exercising barn is presently being constructed adjacent to the barn complex.