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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM



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 any 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 Holden House

other names/site number FL00121

2. Location

street & number 204 E Moody Blvd. not for publication

city or town Bunnell vicinity

state Florida code 08 county Flagler code _____ zip code 32110

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.)

Alissa Totane, Deputy SHPO 8/22/18
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Bureau of Historic Preservation
State or Federal agency and bureau

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

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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
 - See continuation sheet.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain) _____

[Signature]
Signature of the Keeper

10.16.2018
Date of Action

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)

- buildings
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include any previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	1	total

Name of related multiple property listings

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

"N/A"

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

RECREATION AND CULTURE: Museum

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19TH & EARLY 20TH CENTURY AMERICAN
MOVEMENTS: Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation BRICK
walls WOOD
roof ASPHALT SHINGLE
other Coquina Rock

Narrative Description

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

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

Narrative Statement of Significance

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

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

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 36) 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

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1918-c. 1940

Significant Dates

1918

Significant Person

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Samuel Merwin Bortree

Primary location of additional data:

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

Name of Repository

Flagler County Historical Society

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than 1/3 acre

UTM References

(Place additional references on a continuation sheet.)

1	1	7	4	7	5	0	7	7	3	2	5	9	7	2	0
	Zone		Easting					Northing							
2															

3															
	Zone		Easting					Northing							
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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

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

Boundary Justification

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

11. Form Prepared By

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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 Flagler County, attn: Craig M. Coffey, County Administrator

street & number 1769 E Moody Blvd., Building 2 telephone 386-313-4001

city or town Bunnell state FL zip code 32110

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Summary Description

The Holden House is a one-and-a-half story, side-gabled craftsman bungalow located at 204 East Moody Boulevard in downtown Bunnell, Florida, opposite the former Flagler County Courthouse. The house was constructed circa 1917 for Ethel Lura Bortree Holden and her husband, local pharmacist Thomas Edward Holden. Several characteristic features include porch columns made of local coquina stone, brick walls surrounding the porch, wood shingle siding in the side gables, both gabled and shed dormers, and a decorative glass mosaic made of broken apothecary bottles in a small side gable. Changes to the property include the in-kind replacement of historic windows, the loss of a glass mosaic in the gable of the front dormer, the reconstruction of a portion of one of the brick chimneys due to damage while the roof shingles were replaced, and the construction of a concrete ramp for ADA access following the conversion of the house into a local history museum. Also located on the property is a non-contributing annex building, constructed by Flagler County in 1980. Despite the changes to the property over time, the building retains a high level integrity of location, setting, design, materials, workmanship, association and feeling.

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Setting

The Holden House is located at the intersection of East Moody Boulevard and North Pine Street in downtown Bunnell, Florida (figure 1). The former Flagler County Courthouse is located across Moody Boulevard. Commercial properties flank the house to the northeast and southwest, while established churches are located to the northwest and east. The lot was once heavily wooded with pine trees, but is now mostly cleared of large trees and other plants (figure 4-7).

Exterior

The Holden House is a one-and-a-half story, side-gabled Craftsman bungalow. The house was constructed between 1917 and 1918. It rests on a brick pier foundation, is clad in wood siding and shingles, has a modern asphalt shingle roof, and two brick chimneys. To the east side of the house is a gabled sunroom addition with non-historic aluminum windows. Characteristic craftsman elements include exposed rafter tails, wood brackets supporting the eaves of the flared gable roofs, prominent dormers, multi-light upper sashes over single light sashes for the windows, shallow arches in the porches, and a variety of cladding materials including wood siding, wood shingles, and stucco.

The front façade faces Moody Boulevard and is nearly symmetrical, with a prominent gabled dormer and full-length shed roofed porch (photo 1-2). Coquina stone and battered wood columns support the porch roof. Brick walls with concrete coping surround the porch and stairs. Simple brick capitals also top the coquina stone columns. Shallow arches connect the stone columns, support the shed roof, and are clad in stucco. The porch has a wood beadboard ceiling. The front entry is a single-light glazed wood door, located in the center of the porch between two triple windows consisting of a central 5/1 double

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hung wood sash window flanked on either side by a 4/1 double hung wood sash window. To the east of the porch is a concrete patio that connects with the sunroom on the east elevation. The front-gabled dormer includes a screened in porch. Wooden brackets were located at the vertices of the dormer gable. Until 2016, a prominent glass mosaic made of broken apothecary bottles decorated the dormer gable, but it was badly damaged by Hurricane Matthew and taken down. Black tar paper now covers the wall sheeting. Also located on this elevation is a State of Florida Historical Marker recognizing the significance of the Holden House (photo 3).

The east elevation includes a gabled sunroom addition (photo 4). Coquina stone columns support the gabled roof with shallow arches spanning between the columns and the house. The sunroom gable has a surviving glass mosaic made of broken bottles that is nearly identical to the former mosaic on the front façade. Non-historic aluminum jalousie windows replaced earlier 12-light casement windows visible in historic photos from the 1940s (figure 6-7). The brick walls from the house's façade wrap around on this elevation. The main gable of the house is clad in wood shingles and has prominent wood brackets supporting the eaves of the roof at the vertices of the gable and halfway up the roofline on either side. A 2/1 double hung wood sash window is located in the gable. One of the house's two brick chimneys rises along this elevation, to the rear of the enclosed porch. Adjacent to the chimney at the ground level is a 16 light casement window that opens into the kitchen.

The rear of the house faces north (photo 5). A small, shed roofed ell is located on the ground floor and spans half the width of the house, while a shed roofed wall dormer rises above the lower eaves of the roof. Concrete steps lead up to the rear entry, which is a 15-light glazed wood door. The windows vary in configuration. The dormer has two 5/1 double hung wood sash windows of varying size, while the ell has 4/4 and 6/6 double hung wood sash windows. A single 2/1 double hung wood sash window is located at the west end of the façade. Clearly visible on this elevation are the brick foundation piers.

The west façade is dominated by the main gable, which is clad in wood shingle that contrasts with the wood siding at the ground floor (photo 6). Wood brackets are located underneath the eaves of the flared roof at the vertices of the gable and halfway up the sides. Like the other elevations, fenestration on this façade is irregular. A 6/1 wood sash double hung window is located in the gable, while narrow 4/1 wood sash double hung windows flank the brick chimney that rises on the south side of the elevation. On the north side, a three-part window consists of a 2/1 wood sash double hung window flanked by narrow 1/1 wood sash double hung windows. A large concrete ramp with metal pipe railings rises up to the porch on this elevation (photo 2). The upper portion of the brick chimney on this elevation is a reconstruction following damage caused by roofers replacing the roof shingles.

Interior

The interior of the house retains many original design elements dating to the period of significance, including the floorplan and historic unpainted pine trim, doors, and floors. In the kitchen, laundry, and half-bath, floors are linoleum. The walls are plaster.

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The ground floor is essentially square with four main rooms (see floor plan, figure 1). Entry to the house leads into the hall and living room (photo 7). To the right (east) of the entry is an arched doorway that leads to the music room (photo 8), where double-leaf 20-light glazed wood door leads to the Florida room (sunroom). The Florida room's walls and ceiling are historic wood bead board (photo 9). Directly across from the front door is a stair landing that leads to the second floor. The central stair preserves its turned pine wood balustrade and railings.

To the left (west) of the entry is the living room (photo 7). An original buff-brick fireplace is located along the living room's west wall. Historically, a kerosene heating stove was placed here and vented into the chimney. To the north of the living room is the dining room (photo 10). A large wood French door separates the living room from the dining room. This room preserves its original plate rail or shelf, which wraps around the interior at a level about 6 feet from the floor. To the east of the dining room is the kitchen, which preserves its original wood cabinets (photo 11). South of the kitchen are a butler's pantry and sewing room, which is connected by a door to the sunroom on the east side of the house (photo 12). To the rear, north of the kitchen, is a rear addition or ell which was added on at a later date to the house. The ell contains a half-bathroom and laundry room (photos 13-14).

The second floor is cruciform in plan, with bedrooms and closets organized around the central hall (figure 2). The bedrooms are located under the principal gables or dormers, while the closets occupy the space under the slope of the main roof. The floor retains its historic plan, pine wood trim and doors, but it does not retain its historic floors, which were changed to carpet.

The central stair from the first floor opens into a hall that occupies the center and eastern portion of the second floor under the main gable (photo 15-16). To the south is a closet and the master bedroom (Thomas and Ethel's bedroom), which is located under the gabled dormer visible from the front of the house (photo 17). A double-leafed glazed wood door opens onto a screened porch, which spans the width of the dormer. To the north of the central hallway is a closet, a bathroom, and another bedroom (photo 18). The bath and bedroom are located within the shed roofed dormer visible from the rear of the house. The bathroom retains its original hexagonal white and black tile floor (photo 19). To the west of the central hall is another closet and another bedroom (Ethel's room), which itself has two closets (photo 20).

Alterations

The house has undergone several alterations during its hundred yearlong existence. At an unknown date in the 1940s, the Holdens added a gabled sun room, also known as a Florida room, which was characterized by large, multi-light casement windows. These windows were replaced at a later date with aluminum jalousie windows. Other windows appear to have been replaced in the historic period, such as several 2/1 windows now located where historic photos showed 5 or 6/1 windows. However, in the recent past, a major modification to the building was the replacement of the majority historic windows with modern versions that match the original in design, proportion, and materials.

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Other changes include the addition of carpet flooring on the stairs and upper rooms, and the use of linoleum in the kitchen and rear addition. The carpet may be laid atop the historic flooring; however, some of the original pine wood floors from the upstairs closets was used to replace wood flooring on the ground floor that was irreparable due to termite damage.

Another alteration to the property was the construction of a masonry vernacular, one story, concrete block museum annex building. Constructed in 1980, the building serves as a local history museum and provides office and storage space for the Flagler County Historical Society. The building is considered non-contributing to the nomination. A concrete pad in front of the annex serves as parking for the historical society.

Integrity

The Holden House retains a high level of location, setting, design, association and feeling, and a good level of integrity of materials and workmanship. The house has never been moved, and the additions were small or consisted of enclosing exterior elements. The integrity of materials has been impacted by the replacement of certain design elements, notably the historic windows. However, the new windows appear to match the historic in design, proportion, and materials, and therefore their impact upon the overall integrity of the house is limited. In addition, the house retains a high level of integrity of other materials, such as preserving much of its original wood floors, wood trim and doors, and plaster walls. Overall, the house retains sufficient integrity for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

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Summary Significance

The Holden House is locally significant under Criterion C: Architecture as an excellent example of an early 20th Century Craftsman bungalow house. The Craftsman style was a significance nationwide residential architectural style that developed as a vernacular expression of the Arts and Crafts movement. Popularized by magazines such as Gustav Stickley's *Craftsman* and by the house catalogues of mail order companies such as Sears Roebuck and Company and the Aladdin House Company, the style was found across the United States and incorporated such character defining features such as the extensive use of wood, exposed rafter tails, wood brackets, battered (tapered) columns, multi-light over single light windows, and the expression of craftsmanship in design and components—even though they were mass produced by industry. The bungalow house type was equally common in the period and was characterized by a compact arrangement of rooms, often one to one-and-a-half stories tall, with wide porches on one or more sides, front or side gabled roofs of varying slopes, and prominent gable or shed roofed dormers. The period of significance for the Holden House is 1918, the year of construction, to circa 1940, the approximate date of the sunroom addition.

Narrative Statement of Significance

Historic Context

Much of the following historic context was researched and developed by Randy Jaye, of the Flagler County Historical Society, as part of the centennial of the Thomas and Ethel Holden House.¹

Thomas and Ethel Holden

Thomas E. Holden (1892-1974) was a prominent pharmacist in Bunnell and owned one of two pharmacies in the community. His wife was Ethel Lura Bortree Holden (1892-1977). Ethel's father, Samuel M. Bortree, had the house at 204 E. Moody Boulevard constructed for the newly-wed couple in 1918 (figure 4). Thomas Holden arrived in Bunnell in 1914, and purchased the Smith Drug Store in 1916, renaming it Holden's Pharmacy.² He would eventually construct a new building for his pharmacy at the intersection of Moody Boulevard and Route 1 (State Street) in 1928, and he operated his pharmacy through 1949 (figure 8).³ Unfortunately, the building he constructed for his business is no longer extant.

In addition to his pharmacy, Holden was very active in other fields in Bunnell. Holden was elected mayor of the city in 1920, and in 1924, he joined the board of trustees for Bunnell High School. He opened his own real estate company in 1926, and in 1938 he joined the Citizens Bank of Bunnell as one of its directors. Eventually, he would be promoted to be the bank's Executive Vice President.⁴

¹ Randy Jaye, "The Holden House Centennial (1918-2018)" (Bunnell, FL: Flagler County Historical Society, 2018) 1-5.

² Jaye, 1-2.

³ *The Pictorial History of Bunnell* (Bunnell, FL: The Pioneers of Bunnell, 1988), 49.

⁴ Jaye, 2.

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Thomas Holden and his wife Ethel raised two daughters in the house, and lived there until the 1970s when Thomas passed away. The house was sold to Flagler County, which used it as an office following the firebombing of the Courthouse across the street. In 1984, the house was turned over to the Flagler County Historical Society, which renovated the house using a historic preservation grant in 1988.⁵

Architectural Context

The Craftsman style was one of several contemporaneous residential architectural styles popular in Florida in the early 20th century, including the Prairie style and the various revival styles such as Colonial and Mediterranean Revival. The Craftsman style developed out of the high-style Arts and Crafts, primarily in Southern California as practiced by Bernard Maybeck and Charles and Henry Greene, where they incorporated basic elements of decorative woodwork, natural materials, broad overhanging roofs, large porches, and intersecting forms to create a new domestic style.⁶ The style was popularized by various periodicals, most notably Gustav Stickely's *The Craftsman*, which ran articles on the Arts and Crafts style and included example designs for a variety of house sizes and types, all sharing the stylistic features that would become known as Craftsman.⁷ The widespread adoption of the style was facilitated by the publication of pattern books, house catalogues, and the mass production of its characteristic wood elements. Property owners could easily order houses in the style from retailers such as Sears or manufacturers such as Aladdin House company, or they could buy all the necessary materials from a local lumber yard and hire a builder that could construct a custom house using the standardized elements of the style. Widespread construction in the Craftsman style lasted until about 1930, when the onset of the Great Depression deprived homeowners of the resources to build in the style and more austere styles such as the minimal tradition became widespread.

Closely intertwined with the Craftsman style is the bungalow house form. The early 20th century American bungalow developed from British interpretations of the traditional southeast Asian bangala, and was often a small, one to one-and-a-half story residence. Characteristic elements of the bungalow form were its height, large porches across the front and possibly the sides of the building, moderate to low pitched roofs with broad eaves, and a compact floorplan that could be either square or rectangular.

Architectural Significance

The Thomas and Ethel Holden house is an excellent example of an early 20th Century Craftsman Bungalow, specifically a side-gabled bungalow. Constructed between 1917 and 1918, the century-old house retains many of the character defining features of the style, including prominent dormers, a roof with broad eaves, brackets in the eaves, battered columns, a wide front porch, multi-light over single light windows, and original wood elements on the interior including floors, doors and trim (figure 4-7). The use of two different types of wood siding, boards along the walls and shingles in the gables, is also characteristic of the Craftsman style. The house is unique in Bunnell for its glass mosaics in the dormer

⁵ Jaye, 2, 4.

⁶ McAlester 568, 578; Gelernter 221-225.

⁷ Gelernter 223-224

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and side porch gables. The use of broken apothecary bottles provides a visual connection on the building's exterior to its owner and resident, pharmacist Thomas Holden. The use of coquina stone for the porch walls is also uncommon in Bunnell.

According to historic resource surveys, the Holden House is the oldest of four surviving Craftsman Bungalow houses in Bunnell, all fronting Moody Boulevard. The houses are roughly comparable in quality. The house at 400 E. Moody Boulevard is a side gabled, one-and-a-half story bungalow constructed in 1926 (figure 9). Larger in plan than the Holden House, it features a large, shallow sloped roof with a prominent front-gabled porch supported by battered wooden columns on brick piers. Details such as the use of wood shingles in the gable ends, the brick chimney, the use of simple brackets in the eaves, and the configuration of the windows suggest the possibility that the same builder or contractor constructed this home. A significant change is the use of a red, standing seam metal roof on the building, which is not original.

The second surviving Craftsman Bungalow is the George Moody House at 1000 E. Moody Boulevard (figure 10). Constructed in 1930 for one of the founders of Bunnell, the house is a side gabled, one-and-a-half story Craftsman house with a full width front porch supported by battered stone columns. A prominent front-gabled dormer with multiple windows is located over the front porch. The side gables and dormer feature elaborate wood shingles. The house is larger in size compared to 400 N Moody and the Holden house. Adjacent to the George Moody House is the L. A. Jett House, a 1924 single story, front-gabled Craftsman Bungalow with a half-width porch and wood shingle siding. This is the smallest of the bungalows. Two other Craftsman bungalows were identified by surveys, one at 401 E. Moody Boulevard and one at 1101 E. Moody Boulevard, but both of these are no longer extant.

The Holden House remains as the earliest example of the Craftsman Bungalow style in Bunnell, and retains uncommon or unique features such as its use of coquina stone and incorporation of glass mosaics that add to its architectural significance. The building also includes the most significant character defining features of the Craftsman style and bungalow house form. As such, the house is eligible for the National Register for its local significance in the area of Architecture.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property includes the lots associated with Parcel ID 10-12-30-0850-01340-0120, as described by the Flagler County Property Appraiser:

TOWN OF BUNNELL LOTS 11 & NW 35 FEET OF LOT 12 & THE NE 30 FEET OF LOT 2 & THE NE 30 FEET OF NW 35 FEET OF LOT 1 & SE 3 FEET OF THE NE 30 FEET OF BL-134 LOT 3 & THE SE 3 FEET OF LOT 10 EXCEPT MOODY BLVD R/W LOCATED IN SECTION 15 OR 131 PAGE 467

Boundary Justification

The boundary encompasses the historic property associated with the Thomas and Ethel Holden House during the period of significance.

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Additional Documentation (Figures, plans, historic photos)

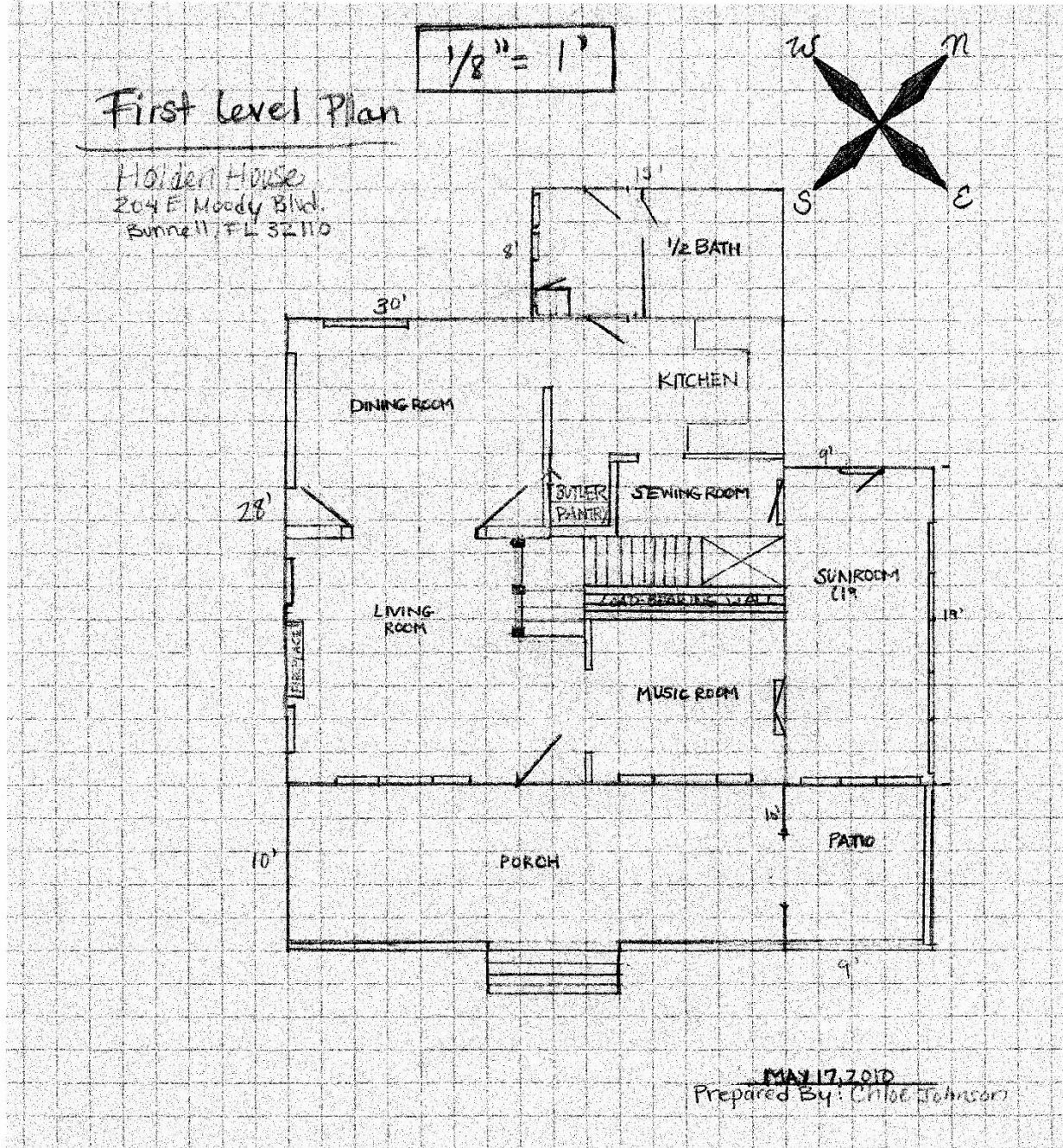


Figure 1: Holden House Plan, First Floor.
(Chloe Johnson, 2010. Flagler County Historical Society)

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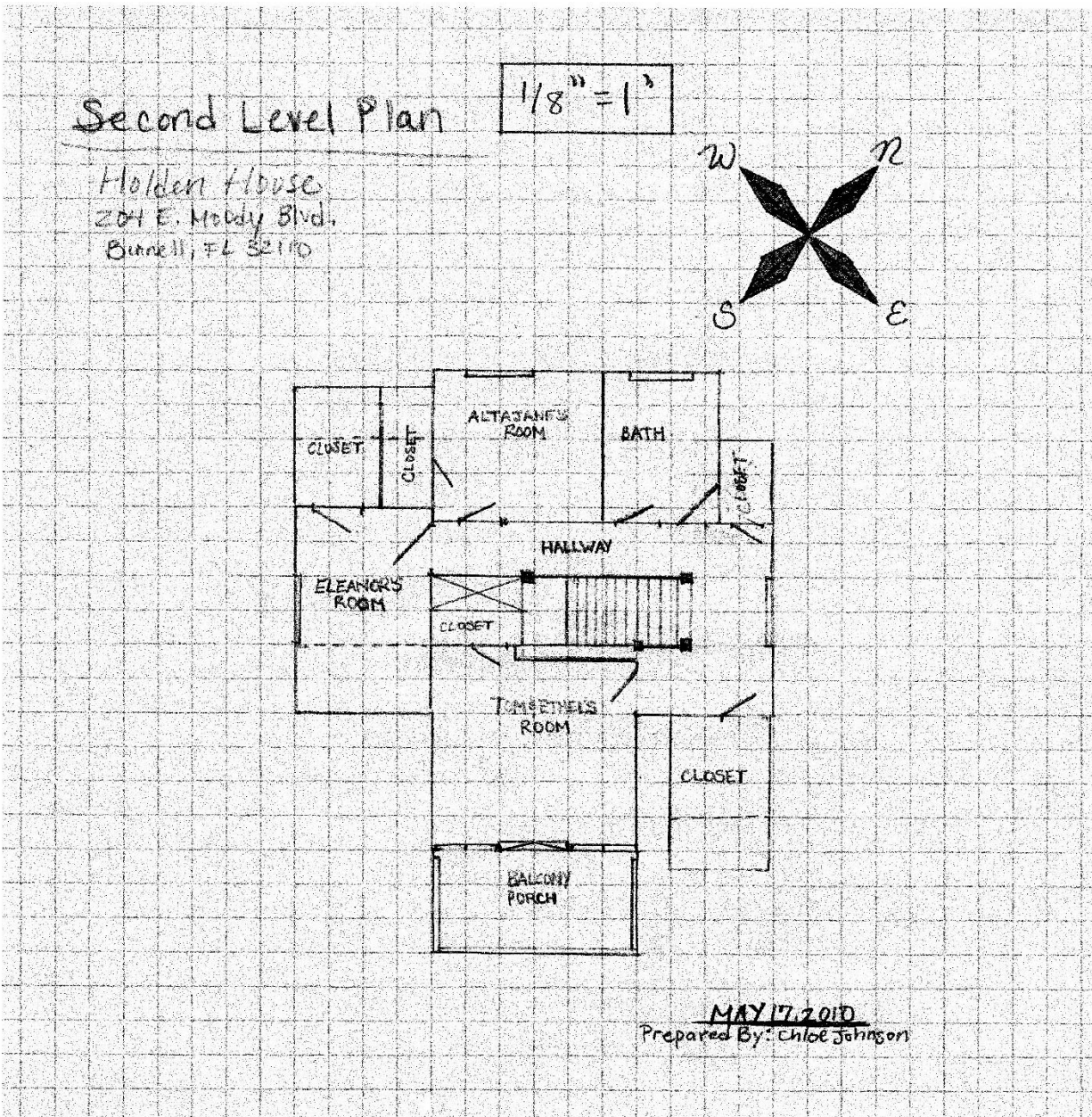


Figure 2: Holden House Plan, Second Floor.
(Chloe Johnson, 2010. Flagler County Historical Society)

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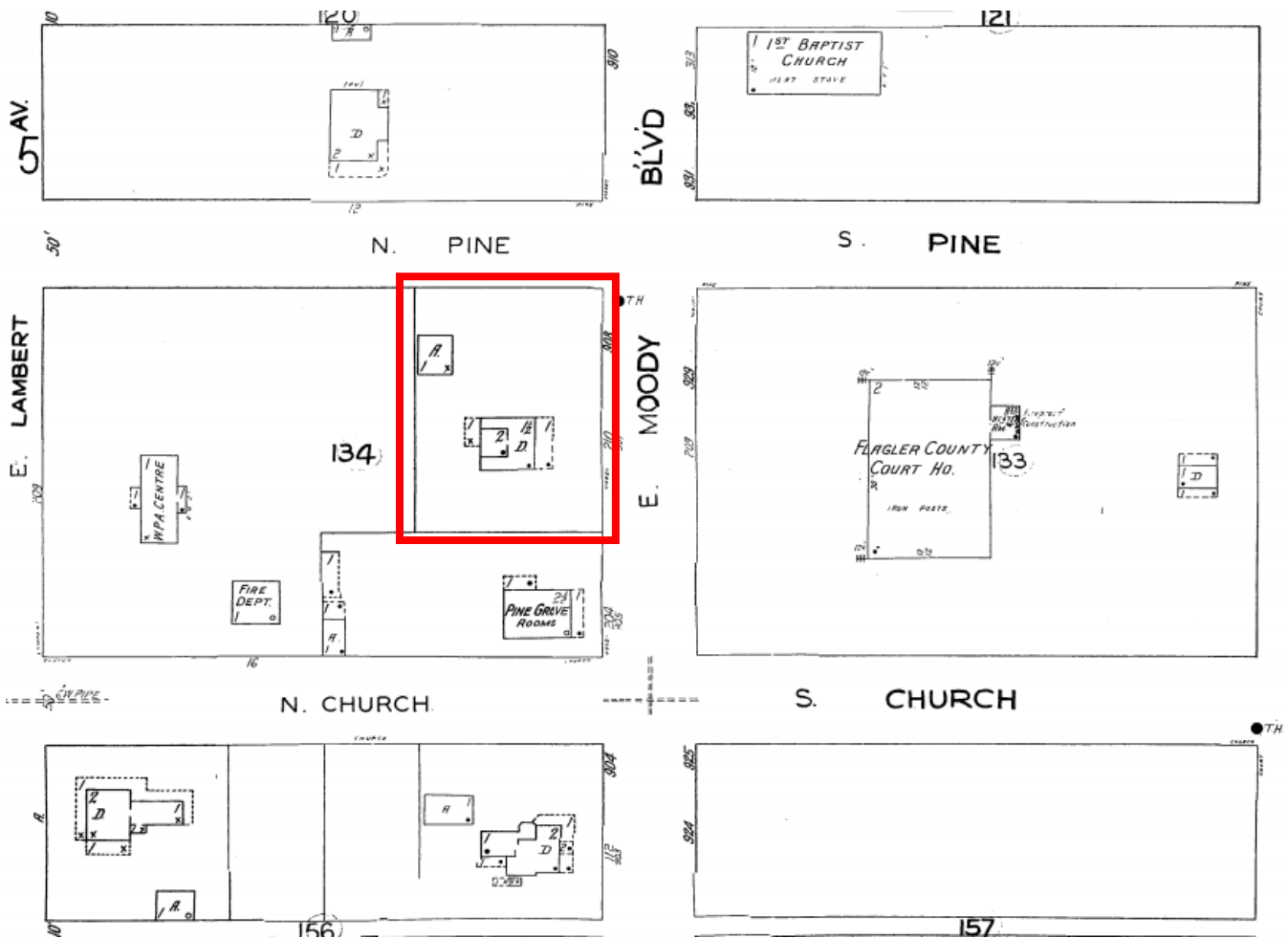


Figure 3: 1938 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map showing the location of the Holden House across the street from the Flagler County Courthouse.

(Sanborn Map Company, *Bunnell, Flagler County, Florida* (New York: Sanborn Map Company, 1938), Sheet 3)

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Figure 4: Construction Photo, c. 1917. The original lot, like much of Bunnell, was wooded with pine trees. (Flagler County Historical Society)

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Figure 5: Circa 1930s-era photo showing the Holden House. (Flagler County Historical Society)

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Figure 6: Bunnell Flood of 1944 photo showing the Holden House. The Holden family has constructed the house's side porch by the date of this photo. (Flagler County Historical Society)

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Figure 7: East elevation of the Holden House showing the sunroom addition and mosaic, c. 1940s.
(Flagler County Historical Society)

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Figure 8: Holden's Pharmacy, no longer extant. The building was constructed by Holden in 1929 and stood at the southwest corner of the intersection of Moody Boulevard and US 1. (*The Pictorial History of Bunnell, Bunnell, FL: The Pioneers of Bunnell*, 1988, page 49)

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Figure 9: 1998 Survey photo of 400 E Moody Boulevard. The house retains much of its original details, but now has a new red, standing seam metal roof. (Florida Master Site File, FL00107)

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Figure 10: George Moody House, 1000 East Moody Boulevard. The house is the most recent and most elaborate of the surviving bungalows along Moody Boulevard.

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Property: Holden House

City or

Vicinity: Bunnell County: Flagler State: FL Photographer: Randy Jaye Date Photographed: April 2018 **Photographs****Description of photograph(s) and number, including description of view indicating direction of camera:**

1. ¾ view, Holden House. View S.
2. East façade, Holden House, View SW.
3. Historic Marker, front façade, View NW
4. Rear façade, Holden House, View NE
5. West façade, Holden House, View SE
6. ¾ view, Holden House, View N.
7. Interior, family room and dining room. View W.
8. Interior, music room. View NE.
9. Interior, sunroom. View NW.
10. Interior, dining room. View NW
11. Interior, kitchen. View NE.
12. Interior, sewing room. View E.
13. Interior, laundry room. View NW.
14. Interior, downstairs bathroom. View NE.
15. Interior, central stair. View NE.
16. Interior, second floor, central hall. View NE.
17. Interior, second floor, master bedroom. View SE.
18. Interior, second floor, middle bedroom. View N.
19. Interior, second floor, bathroom. View N.
20. Interior, second floor, west bedroom, View SW.


Holden House

204 East Moody Boulevard
Bunnell, Flagler County
Florida, 32110

UTM:
17R 475077 3259720

Datum: WGS84

Legend

 Holden House

Date: 7/25/2018

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0 40 80 160 Feet

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Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe,
GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics,
CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS,
AEX, Getmapping, Aerogrid, IGN,
IGP, swisstopo, and the GIS User
Community



Holden House

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USGS Quad: Bunnell

Legend

 Holden House

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Holden House
Museum

HOLDEN HOUSE
1880-1885
The Holden House was built by
John Holden, a prominent
merchant and politician.
It is a fine example of
the Queen Anne style
of architecture.
The house was
renovated in 1980
and is now a
museum.



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HOLDEN HOUSE

The Holden House was designed and built in 1918 by Sam Bortree (1859-1918) as a gift for his daughter, Ethel (1892-1977), and son-in-law, Thomas Holden (1892-1974). Holden was the town pharmacist and prominent in business, civic and political affairs. A unique feature on the house is the broken apothecary glass Holden used from his pharmacy as decoration on the gables. This home is among the more elaborate examples of the Craftsman bungalow style, featuring coquina, a shell and stone mixture quarried in this region. The Holden House is associated with I. I. Moody (1874-1918) and the Bunnell Development Company, the principal forces behind the first significant settlement and development of Bunnell. The Bunnell Development Company platted the town in 1909. Two years later, the Florida Legislature incorporated Bunnell as a town. Holden's family retained ownership of the property until Flagler County purchased it in 1978. Except for the addition of a sunroom on the east side of the house in 1947, and the replacement of sash windows, the house retains its original features.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Nomination

Property Name: Holden House

Multiple Name: _____

State & County: FLORIDA, Flagler

Date Received: 9/4/2018 Date of Pending List: 10/1/2018 Date of 16th Day: 10/16/2018 Date of 45th Day: 10/19/2018 Date of Weekly List: _____

Reference number: SG100003020

Nominator: State

Reason For Review: _____

X Accept Return Reject 10/16/2018 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments: Excellent example of a Craftsman bungalow in the local community, distinct in its use of stone for piers and foundation, and the mosaic in the gable

Recommendation/ Criteria: Accept / C

Reviewer Jim Gabbert Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2275 Date _____

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.

**Board of County
Commissioners**

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July 16, 2018

Mr. Ruben A Acosta
Survey and Registration Supervisor
Bureau of Historic Preservation
Division of Historical Resources
R.A Gray Building
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: Thomas and Ethel Holden House (FL00121), 204 East Moody Boulevard, Bunnell,
Flagler County, Florida 32110

Dear Mr. Acosta:

On behalf of the Flagler County Board of County Commissioners, we are excited that the Florida National Register Review Board will be considering Flagler County's historic Holden House as a potential listing on the National Register. The community has long valued the Holden House for its significance as a window into our County's past. Unfortunately, many of Flagler County's historic buildings from the 19th and early 20th centuries were not preserved which means that their valuable history is no longer available.

Our one hundred (100) year old Holden House is a well preserved house that provides a clear example of how people in the early 1900's lived in Flagler County, Florida. Additionally, the Holden family were valued citizens who enriched the community through their business and civic contributions. At 100 years old, the house would have been built in the first year following our County's creation.

We look forward to receiving a positive vote from the Florida National Register Review Board so that the National Register can in turn designate the Holden House on their historic registry. Again, many thanks to the committee for their consideration of the Holden House nomination.

Sincerely,

Gregory L. Hansen
Chair

Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

Cc: County Commissioners

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August 27, 2018

Dr. Julie Ernstein, Deputy Keeper and Chief,
National Register of Historic Places
Mail Stop 7228
1849 C St, NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Ernstein:

The enclosed disks contain the true and correct copy of the nomination for the **Holden House (FMSF#: 8FL00121), in Flagler County**, to the National Register of Historic Places. The related materials (digital images, maps, site plan, and correspondence) are included.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 245-6364 if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Ruben A. Acosta
Supervisor, Survey & Registration
Bureau of Historic Preservation

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Enclosures

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August 27, 2018

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Washington, DC 20240



Ref: Thomas and Ethel Holden House (FL00121)
Application to the National Register of Historic Places

Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of the Flagler County Board of County Commissioners we are excited that the Florida National Register Review Board has approved for your consideration Flagler County's Holden House as a potential listing on the National Register of Historic Places. We are writing to ask for your support for Flagler County's Holden House being placed on the National Register.

This structure, located at 204 East Moody Boulevard, Bunnell, Flagler County, Florida, has seen a myriad of changes in its 100 year history, starting from the creation of Flagler County itself. As such, our community has long valued the Holden House for its significance as a window into our County's past. Unlike many of Flagler County's historic buildings from the 19th and 20th centuries, the Holden House has been well preserved, thus providing a clear example of how people lived in the early 1900's in Flagler County. Additionally, the Holden family were valued citizens who enriched the community through their business and civic contributions. At 100 years old, the house would have been built in the first year following the County's creation.

We look forward to a positive response from the National Register for Historic Places Review Board. Many thanks to you and your committee for consideration of the Holden House nomination.

Sincerely,

Gregory L. Hansen, Chair
Flagler County Board of County Commissioners

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