



Florence MRA
Site 11
Photo by Reba N. Wells

1618 Main St.
Florence, AZ
10-01-85
(looking nw)

ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

SURVEY AREA NAME: FLORENCE MRA
 HISTORIC NAME: Harvey/Niemeyer House
 ADDRESS/LOCATION: 1618 Main Street
 CITY/TOWN: Florence, Arizona
 TAX PARCEL NUMBER: 202-07-005-02 - less acre
 OWNER: Thomas Rubright
 OWNER ADDRESS: P. O. Box 942
Florence, Arizona
 HISTORIC USE: residence
 PRESENT USE: residence
 BUILDING TYPE: house
 STYLE: Sonoran transformed to American Victorian
 CONSTRUCTION DATE: c. 1870s/1891
 ARCHITECT/BUILDER: unknown
 INTEGRITY: altered, historic period
 CONDITION: good

COUNTY: Pinal SURVEY SITE: 11
 USGS QUAD: Florence
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 UTM 12-463860-3654410

Description (contd.)

ROOF TYPE: hip
 ROOF SHEATHING: wood shingle 1/2
metal 1/2
 EAVES TREATMENT: box cornice
 WINDOWS: 6/6 wood, double-hung
 ENTRY: off-center, wood, wood panel
 PORCHES: at ell with wood columns
 STOREFRONTS: n/a

DESCRIPTION

STORIES: one DIMENSIONS: (1) 45' (w) 42'
 STRUCTURAL MATERIAL: adobe
 FOUNDATION MATERIAL: stone/concrete apron
 WALL SHEATHING: fired-brick veneer
on all but rear facade
 APPLIED ORNAMENT: turned posts on porch

NOTABLE INTERIOR: corner fireplace in living room; zaguan connecting main core rooms.
 OUTBUILDINGS: various (noncontributing)
 ALTERATIONS: major changes were made 1891; rear additions 1936. See Garrett NR draft attached.

PHOTOGRAPH recent
 PHOTOGRAPHER: Reba N. Wells
 DATE: 10-01-85 VIEW: looking northwest

SKETCH MAP:

See attached map:
 Florence MRA base map



ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTION/ANALYSIS (annotated form):

SIGNIFICANCE:

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: COMMERCE___ COMMUNITY PLANNING___ ECONOMICS___
EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT___ GOVERNMENTAL___ MILITARY___ RELIGION___ SCIENCE___
THEATRE___ TRANSPORTATION___ TOURISM___ OTHER(specify) Architectural Evolution

HISTORIC ASSOCIATIONS (be concise):

Dr. Niemeyer - Clerk of Pinal County Board
of Supervisors, 1911-1936

Dr. Harvey - First County Physician for Pinal County

RELATIONSHIP TO LOCAL DEVELOPMENT___ X

CULTURAL AFFILIATIONS___

ARCHITECTURAL MERIT___ X

MAJOR ARCH. FORM/MATERIAL___

ENGINEERING/STRUCTURAL___

DISTRICT/STREETScape CONTRIBUTION___

DISCUSSION AS REQUIRED:

Excellent example of conversion of early Sonoran design into a unique brick building which retains evidence of its origin. (See attached individual nomination prepared by Billy G. Garrett prior to Multiple Resource Area nomination.)

CONTEXT: ISOLATED/RURAL___ RESIDENTIAL STREET___ X COMMERCIAL___ CENTRAL SQUARE___
CBD:___ OTHER:___

BIBLIOGRAPHY/SOURCES: Garrett, Billy G. National Register nomination draft for the Harvey/ Niemeyer House, January 1984. State Historic Preservation Office, Phoenix.
Harris Sobin & Assoc. Florence Townsite, A.T. Florence Industrial Development Authority May 1977.
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Oral interviews with Florence residents (July-October 1985).
Tax Records, Pinal County, Arizona. Florence, Arizona.

LISTING IN OTHER SURVEYS:___ - - -

NATIONAL REGISTER STATUS:

LISTED___ DETERMINED ELIGIBLE___ DETERMINED NOT ELIGIBLE___ NOT EVALUATED___

COMMENTS/DEVELOPMENT PLANS/THREATS:

SURVEYOR A. Urbas/R. Wells SURVEY DATE 9-30-85 DATE FORM COMPLETED 10-07-85