

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

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**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Type all entries—complete applicable sections

**1. Name**

historic The Lewis Hall Mansion; Hall, Lewis, House #3

and or common The Charles H., III, and Sue Beall Residence

**2. Location**

street & number 1300 Pleasant Avenue \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Wellsburg \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of

state West Virginia code 54 county Brooke code 009

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
M.R.A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property**

name Charles H. Beall, III and Sue Beall

street & number 1300 Pleasant Avenue

city, town Wellsburg \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of state West Virginia 26070

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Brooke County Court House

street & number Main and Seventh Streets

city, town Wellsburg \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of state West Virginia 26070

**6. Representation in Existing Surveys**

title Pleasant Avenue Survey has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date Winter-Spring, 1985 \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county  local

depository for survey records Wellsburg Landmarks Commission

city, town Wellsburg \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of state West Virginia 26070

# 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date <u>11/A</u>

## **Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance** THE LEWIS HALL MANSION

The Lewis Hall Mansion is a Greek Revival house with a Neo-Classical first story portico. It is constructed of brick with an ashlar sandstone foundation on a rubble base.

The roof is hipped with a center platform; the eave entablature has a wide freize decorated with circular pinwheel-like panels.

This Greek Revival structure stands very close to the high bluff. It is a rectangular structure with a kitchen ell on the northeast corner. The rectangular structure has the long side toward the front.

The Lewis Hall Mansion is distinguished from the three other Greek Revival structures in the Historic Resources of the Pleasant Avenue Area by its paired windows and paired columns. The front of the house has only three bays and the windows in each bay are paired. The first floor windows are significantly taller than the second floor windows. The central bay contains a trebeated entry with overlight and sidelights. All windows have green louvered shutters.

The Neo-Classical one-story portico replaced the original portico about 1910. This portico has a central pedimental center bay set off by apired fluted columns on pedestals. The end columns and pilasters are single.

The side walls are distinguished by banks of three shuttered windows on each story. Some modification has been made in the windows on the north side of the ell and the glassed-in sunporch was added on the south side of the ell early in the 20th century. This section was reinforced with tie-rods secured by metal stars.

## CONTRIBUTING AND NON-CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES

Contributing Buildings	<u>1</u>
Non-Contributing Resources	<u>0</u>
Contributing Resources	1

# 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) history

**Specific dates** 1850 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Lewis Hall Mansion is significant as a demonstration of the ability to adapt Greek Revival architecture and landscaping to the peculiarities of terrain to create special impressions on the viewers. In every generation of its history the owners of this mansion have been prominent in and characterized by the different stages of Wellsburg's economic development.

Architecturally, the Lewis Hall Mansion shows local enterprise in the ability to adapt Greek Revival style to the peculiarities of terrain. Although this mansion differs little in size and nothing in floorplan from the Fleming, Tarr or the Duval mansions, the use of paired windows, three bays, and taller windows on the first floor, its pedimental portico and its location close to the edge of the bluff serve to enhance the feeling of overpowering height which this mansion and some Greek temples give.

Historic Resources of Pleasant Avenue Area is characterized by the fact that the oldest homes were built in Greek Revival style as country homes for Wellsburg's successfully wealthy in the 19th century. The Lewis Hall Mansion was the third of these structures to be built along the County Road north of the town. Like William H. Tarr and David Fleming, Lewis Hall had made a fortune in commerce, industry and entrepreneurship before he built his mansion in 1850. Like them, he owned extensive property in the town, including his own townhouse on Main Street.

In the last half of the 19th century and the first quarter of the 20th century the Hall mansion was owned successively by Greathouse Lazear and S.O. Paull. Although both men established glass works, they each characterize different eras in Wellsburg's development. Greathouse Lazear was the scion of two pioneer Brooke County families. The latter half of the 19th century he engineered the effort to bring the railroad to Wellsburg and thus laid a solid foundation for the rapid economic development of this small industrial city for whom the river had become more a threat than a highway. He also built the Lazear Glass Works, which later generations of his family would develop into a bagging mill.

S.O. Paull comes from another pioneer West Virginia family, the Paulls of Wheeling. He and his brothers, James and Harry, participated in the oil and gas exploration during the boom times in the Upper Ohio Valley. They moved to Wellsburg, married daughters of old Brooke County families (e.g., Louisiana Beall and Marianne Jacobs) and established Eagle Glass Works, now Eagle Manufacturing Company, a maker of steel containers. This industry is still largely family owned and is the largest industry in Wellsburg.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

N.L. Caldwell, A History of Brooke County, 1975.  
J.G. Jacob, Brooke County, Being A Record of Prominent Events, 1882.  
J.H. Newton, History of the Panhandle of West Virginia, 1879.  
Peter Boyd, History of the Northern West Virginia Panhandle, 1927.  
Industrial Wellsburgh, 1899.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property .889 acres

Quadrangle name Steubenville, Ohio East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UTM References

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Brooke County Tax Maps, Wellsburg District Map #10, Parcel #69.  
308' x 200' Irregular (see map)

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code
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state		code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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## 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date 5/16/86

*Patrick Andrews*  
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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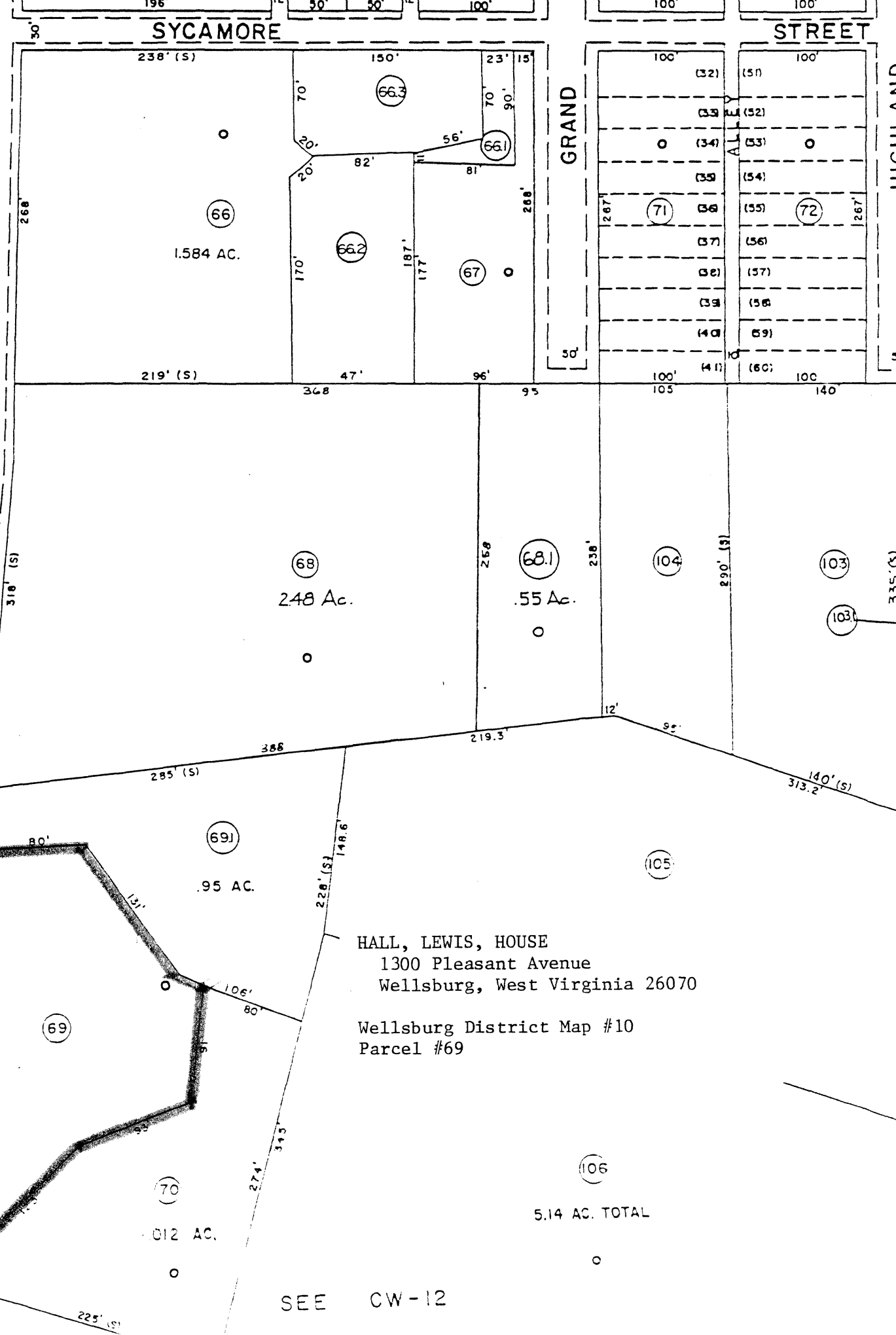
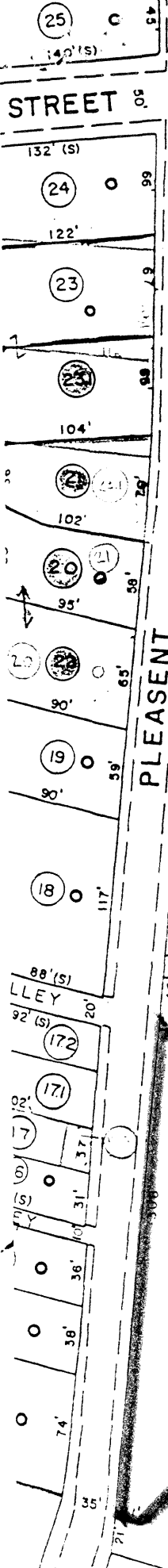
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Continuation sheet The Lewis Hall Mansion

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Landscaping features on the Lewis Hall Mansion property provide a vernacular, or local, treatment of spaces between the house and Pleasant Avenue. Plantings of trees, shrubbery, and flowers were arranged in a manner so as not to obtrude upon the axial view of the house along the front walkway. The house is thus the focal point with low growing plants and taller trees arranged to the periphery of the grounds.



HALL, LEWIS, HOUSE  
 1300 Pleasant Avenue  
 Wellsburg, West Virginia 26070

Wellsburg District Map #10  
 Parcel #69

SEE CW-12