

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

In Area no.

Form no.

536  
N-8-51

1. Town Fall River, Mass.

Address 34 Franklin St.

Name Belmont Club/John Young House

Present use bar & social club

Present owner John R. Brennan

3. Description: 2½st., 5bay w/hip roof.

Date c.1845

Source deeds

Style Greek Revival

Builder

Architect John Young, housewright

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings (describe)

Other features Massive trabeated dr.

enframement w/flat Ionic pilasters,  
attic "frieze" windows. Pln. corner-  
boards.

Altered modern door Date

Moved Date

5. Lot size: 11,360 sq.ft.

One acre or less x Over one acre

Approximate frontage

Approximate distance of building from street

6. Recorded by Duncan Holmes

Organization FROHP

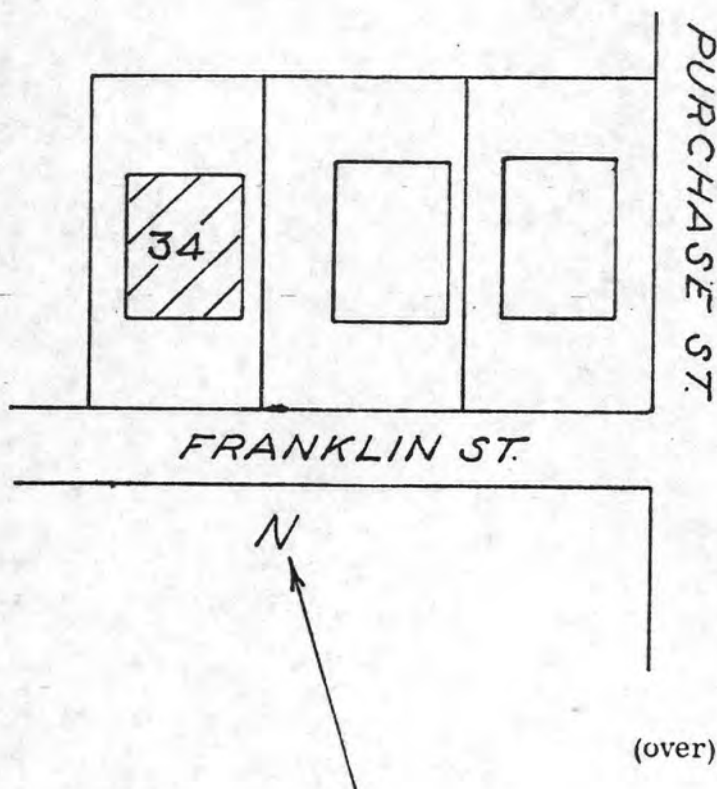
Date 7/10/81

2. Photo (3x3" or 3x5")

Staple to left side of form

Photo number BPI - #364 #37

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



(over)

7. Original owner (if known) John Young

Original use residence-double house?

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates 1934, Belmont Club

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

|                       |          |                            |       |                         |       |
|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| Aboriginal            | _____    | Conservation               | _____ | Recreation              | _____ |
| Agricultural          | _____    | Education                  | _____ | Religion                | _____ |
| Architectural         | <u>x</u> | Exploration/<br>settlement | _____ | Science/<br>invention   | _____ |
| The Arts              | _____    | Industry                   | _____ | Social/<br>humanitarian | _____ |
| Commerce              | _____    | Military                   | _____ | Transportation          | _____ |
| Communication         | _____    | Political                  | _____ |                         |       |
| Community development | <u>x</u> |                            |       |                         |       |

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

The John Young House is a handsome late Greek Revival structure, built ca.1845 by housewright John Young. Young is not listed in the 1853 directory, but in 1855 he is listed as a carpenter, north of Steep Brook. Lewis H. Adams and William Chace are listed as living here early on; Chace's widow Phebe and Samuel Chace lived here until the 1890's. From 1884 and 1899, Mark and Julia Anthony shared the house. By 1934, the Belmont Club had assumed ownership, operating the building as a social club.

This well-preserved house is highly significant as the only surviving example of the handsome residences which once stood close to the business district. Unlike the temple front homes which are more characteristic survivors from this period, the John Young features a hip roof, a central trabeated doorway with sidelights, and attic frieze windows. As an important example of its style and as a symbol of the post-fire development of Fall River, the Young House meets Criteria A and C of the National Register.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

— Atlas 1895: Shown  
1883: Shown  
1871: W. Chace  
1858: Shown  
1850: Shown

Directory: 1855 Phebe Chace, widow 8 Franklin  
Lewis H. Adams, 8 Franklin, a grocer at 34 South Main

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Fall River Multiple Resource AreaState Massachusetts Bristol County

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Algonquin Printing Co.

~~Substantive Review~~

Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Lee Boyd

Attest

2. American Printing Co. and  
Metacomet MillEntered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 2/16/83

Attest

3. Anthony, David M., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

Attest

4. Ashley House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

Attest

5. Ashworth Brothers Mill

~~Substantive Review~~Determined Eligible  
Keeper

2/16/83 Bruce Lee Boyd

Attest

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

6. Barnard Mills

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National Register

for Keeper

2/16/83 Melrose Byers

Attest

7. Belmont Club/John Young House

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8. Blossom, Barnabus, House

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9. Boguslavsky Triple-Deckers

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10. Borden, A. J., Building

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States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Belmont Club/John Young House (Fall River MRA)  
Bristol County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. 116/83-15  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84  
Date Due: 2/3/83 - 2/19/83  
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 2/16/83  
☐ RETURN  
☐ REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Entered in the  
National Register

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below  
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

## 1. Name

## 2. Location

## 3. Classification

|          |                    |            |             |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Category | Ownership          | Status     | Present Use |
|          | Public Acquisition | Accessible |             |

## 4. Owner of Property

## 5. Location of Legal Description

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

## 7. Description

|                                    |                                       |                                    |                                           |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Condition                          |                                       | Check one                          | Check one                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | <input 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    |                                    |                                           |

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
☐ alterations/integrity  
☐ dates  
☐ boundary selection

## **8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below \_\_\_\_\_

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- \_\_\_\_\_ summary paragraph
- \_\_\_\_\_ completeness
- \_\_\_\_\_ clarity
- \_\_\_\_\_ applicable criteria
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of areas checked
- \_\_\_\_\_ relating significance to the resource
- \_\_\_\_\_ context
- \_\_\_\_\_ relationship of integrity to significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of exception
- \_\_\_\_\_ other

## **9. Major Bibliographical References**

## **10. Geographical Data**

Acres of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

## **11. Form Prepared By**

## **12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## **13. Other**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Maps
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Fall River MAA, Ma

Belmont Club/ John Young House

34 Franklin St.

GPI #37



Fall River MRA Ma

Belmont Club/John Young House

34 Franklin St.

GPI #32

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000279