

FIRST PERIOD SURVEY

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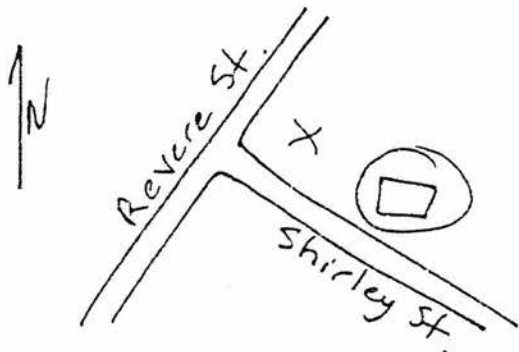
FORM B - BUILDING

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80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

Photos

- 32:11 east (later) room, fireplace wall
- 32:13 west room, fireplace (east) wall
- 32:15 west chamber, fireplace wall
- 32:16 east (later) chamber, fireplace wall
- 32:18 attic, looking west into older part of house
- 32:19 front (south) slope, west attic, showing evidence of original gable
- 32:25 summer beam at south wall, west room
- 33:3 exterior

Sketch Map:



Town Winthrop 025

Address 40 Shirley Street

Historic Name Deane Winthrop House

Use: Present Residence

Original Residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1638-1650

Source Visual analysis by A.L. Cummings

Style First Period

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Clabboards

Outbuildings late 20th c. tool shed

Major Alterations (with dates) N/A

Condition Good

Moved Possibly Date mid-18th c.

Acreage less than one acre

Setting Residential neighborhood of

closely spaced houses, primarily dating

to early 20th c.

Recorded by Anne Grady

Organization Boston University

Date April, 1986

ITM REFERENCE 19 / 337-160 / 4693-920

USGS QUADRANGLE Lynn

SCALE 1:25,000

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Office of the Secretary, Boston

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Property Name: Deane-Winthrop House	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Deane Winthrop House retains integrity of location, design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association in its First Period frame, floor plan, and finish. It embodies distinctive characteristics of form and construction under Criterion C. The enlargement of the structure from single to double cell plan by the middle years of the First Period illustrates a pattern of growth common to many houses in the study area, though rarely accomplished within the First Period. The house also incorporates rare surviving evidence of 17th Century gables on the facade.

The c. 1638 to 1650 construction date, corroborated by Cummings, places the Deane Winthrop house among the earliest surviving dwellings in Massachusetts. The retention of original shadow molded sheathing of two varieties and the presence of an intact principal rafter/common rafter roof with evidence of facade gables and rafter feet exposed at the eaves makes this house among the most significant structures in the study area.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION

The Deane Winthrop House is a 2 1/2 story structure, 5 bays wide and one room deep, with steeply pitched roof and added lean-to. The original single cell building of 1638 to 1650 is on the left. "Quite soon and perhaps by the same carpenter(s)", [1] the chimney bay was widened and another file of rooms was added to the right (east). With the addition of a lean-to spanning the four eastern most bays in the 18th century, the building achieved its present form. Now characterized by simple 19th-century finishes: clapboards, sash windows, and plain window and door enframements, the building has symmetrical fenestration except in the chimney bay. Here, the doorway and window above are cut off-center to the left, reflecting their initial placement in the original narrower chimney bay. The central chimney at the ridge is a mid-18th century replacement of the original.

MAJOR FIRST PERIOD FEATURES

First Period features are visible in all areas except the added lean-to. In the left hand (earliest) first floor room, the transverse summer beam and chimney girt have c. 2 inch wide quarter-round chamfers, flat collars and lamb's tongue stops. Corner posts and girts have one inch wide flat chamfers and taper stops.

In the right hand first floor room, the transverse summer beam and chimney girt have 1 1/2 inch flat chamfers, lamb's tongue stops, and pips. The owner reports that the studs are 4" x 8" laid depthwise and that there is nogging in the outer walls.

In the upper stair hall, the jowled corner post of the original single cell house, with mortise for rising brace, is visible at the center of the present chimney bay.

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In the left hand chamber, the summer tie beam and chimney tie beam have quarter-round chamfers, flat collars, and lamb's tongue stops, except at the south end of the summer tie beam, where there are no stops. The rear girt is pit-sawn and without chamfer. Flared posts in the chamber have inch wide flat chamfers and taper stops. Joist spacing in the floor is 18 to 20 inches on centers. To the right of the fireplace is First Period vertical shadow-molded sheathing with an unusually deep profile, (apparently the original finish of the wall, although possibly introduced in the 1907 restoration.)

In the right hand chamber, ceiling beams are not exposed, but flared corner posts have one inch wide flat chamfers. The fireplace wall retains original shadow-molded sheathing south of the fireplace opening, and a board and batten door with similar molding north of the fireplace. The sheathing is molded on both sides. The same molding profile embellishes the stairhall side of the sheathing and is visible still whitewashed next to the attic stairs.

The attic exhibits a principal rafter/common rafter roof, with principal purlins framed into the principal rafters. As Cummings noted, the character of the earlier attic on the left does not differ significantly from that of the later right hand side. Cuts in the sheathing of the front slope of the roof indicate that there were gables at either side of the facade originally.

In the lean-to garret, the ends of the rafters originally exposed at the eave on the exterior are visible. The rafter feet are bird mouthed over the plate and shaped to a taper under the eave.

LATER SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

The chimney, which was built in the mid-18th century, exhibits several unusual features. The foundation arch in the cellar is among the largest in the study area, having a 12 foot five 5 inch vault. The open space in the center of the chimney stack behind the fireplaces is actually accessible through a large rectangular opening, with wooded lintel across the top, inside the closet on the first floor under the stairs. The space inside the chimney is c. five foot square and two stories high. Other modest pre-20th century finishes, including several mantelpieces and perhaps early plaster, survive in the house.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The site was granted in January 1638 to Captain William Pierce, "the celebrated mariner who piloted a number of the earliest settlers to New England." [2] In 1647 or 1648, Pierce's heirs conveyed the property to Deane Winthrop, the youngest son of Governor John Winthrop.

The house was acquired by The Winthrop Improvement and Historical

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association in 1907 and restored, making the house an early example of a structure saved and restored by a local historical society for use as a house museum. As such it is part of a broad pattern of cultural development in New England and an early representative of the preservation movement.

REFERENCES

HABS Drawings (MASS. - 575).

1. Cummings, Abbott Lowell, Massachusetts and Its First Period Houses, p. 191.
2. _____ . Framed Houses of Massachusetts Bay, p. 176.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
State _____

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

111. Walcott--Whitney House ^{entered in the}
National Register

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112. Winthrop, Deane, House
Entered in the
National Register

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Deane Wenthrop House
40 Shirley St
Wentthrop, MA

1st Period Buildings of E. Mass., TR

1985



Windsor, MA
40 Shirley St
Dean's Workshop

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1st period Builders of E. May, TR

1985



Wintthrop, MA

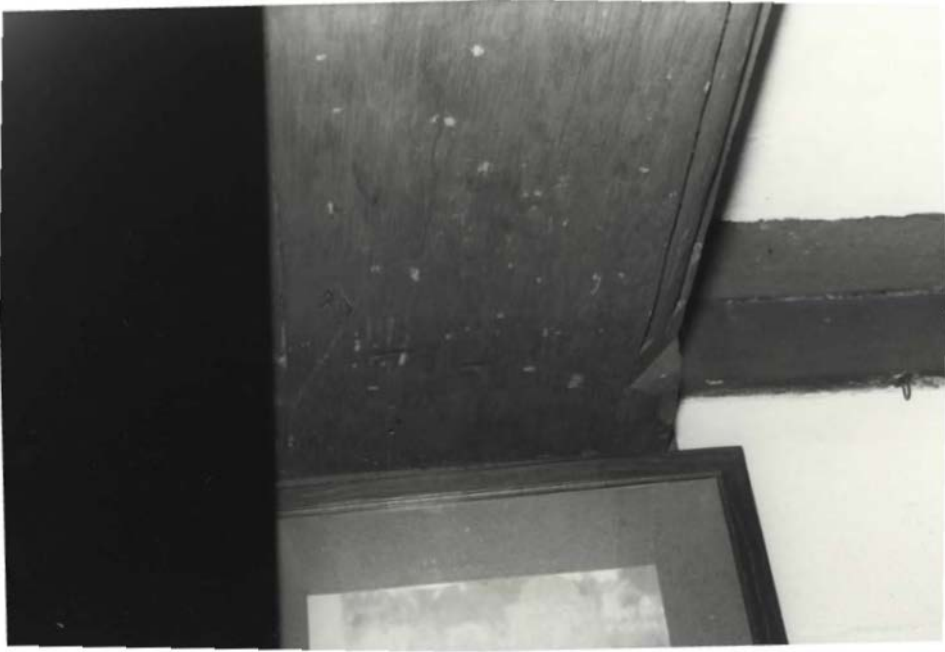
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410 Juley St.

Deane Wintthrop House

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR

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Writling, MA

40 Stuy St.

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Diane Writling House

1st Period Building of E. May, TR

1985-



Wareham, MA
40 Jewley St.

32-13

Deane Wareham House

1st Period Building / E. Ma, TN

1985



Wintthrop, MA

32-11

410 Surley St

Deane Wintthrop House

1st Period Buildings of E. May, TR

1985



Wintthrop, MA 32-19

40 State St.

Deane Wintthrop House

1st Period Buildings of E. Mass., TR

1985



WINTHROP, MA
DEANE WINTHROP HOUSE
40 SHIRLEY ST.
Suffolk Co! 1" = 100'

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NO. 1
HISTORICAL
28 SHIRLEY ST. WINTHROP

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TOWN OF WINTHROP
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20421
TOWN OF WINTHROP
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SHIRLEY

FRANKLIN

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000281

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Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2011

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First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TRA
Deane Winthrop House 90000162
Winthrop (Suffolk), MA

Section number 2009 supplemental information

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Re-evaluation of construction date due to dendrochronology

As a result of the dendrochronology testing of the Deane Winthrop House in November of 2001, the construction date of Phase I of the building has now been identified as 1675, and the date of Phase II as 1696. The research team consisted of Daniel Miles and Michael Worthington of the Oxford Dendrochronology Laboratory, England, with Anne Grady of the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities (SPNEA) acting as liaison. Their report, cited below, presented the following results and conclusions. Six samples were taken from the west section, including one from the downstairs summer beam, one from each of three principal story posts, and from each of two rafters. Four of the samples were dated successfully. One principal post was felled in the winter of 1672/73; another was felled in the spring of 1674, as was a common rafter. The summer beam was felled during the winter of 1674/75. This suggests that construction took place during 1675 or soon after. Six samples were also taken from the east section, three from the principal posts upstairs and three from principal rafters. Only the three posts were successfully dated, two to the winter of 1695/96 and one to 1694. This suggests that construction began in 1696.

The full results of the analysis are presented in: D. W. H. Miles, M. J. Worthington, and Anne Andrus Grady, *Development of Standard Tree-Ring Chronologies for Dating Historic Structure in Eastern Massachusetts, Phase II*, Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey and Planning Grant Completion Report, Interim Report 2002/6, Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities and Oxford Dendrochronology Laboratory, May 31, 2002. An abridged version of the report can be found on the website www.dendrochronology.com. The full report can be found at SPNEA, now known as Historic New England, and at the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

A note on dendrochronology dating

In recent years tree-ring chronologies have been developed for eastern Massachusetts and adjacent regions, and a number of buildings or parts of buildings have been evaluated and given new construction dates due to tree-ring dating, or dendrochronology. The principle behind tree-ring dating is a simple one: the seasonal variations in climate produce variations in growth which are reflected in the varying width of the annual rings of the tree. The rings in timbers from historical houses are compared with previously dated ring sequences from old-growth trees and from timber from structures with well-established dates to allow precise dates to be ascribed to each ring. Computer comparisons quantify how good the match is between the two. A dendrochronologist then analyzes the results and establishes the date the tree was felled. Some caution must be used in interpreting these dates to determine the construction date of a building. Sometimes timbers from the same construction phase of the same building have been felled one, two or more years apart. However, it was common practice to build timber-framed structures with green or unseasoned timber, and it is likely that construction was completed within twelve or eighteen months from the felling date.

--Dayl Cohen, 08/2007

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Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2014

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: West Schoolhouse

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 11/19/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 1/05/14
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000144

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT _____ DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Approved

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept
REVIEWER Edson Beall
TELEPHONE _____

DISCIPLINE History
DATE 1-3-14

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
 Massachusetts Historical Commission

September 10, 2013

J. Paul Loether
 National Park Service 2280, 8th Floor
 National Register of Historic Places
 1201 I (eye) Street, NW
 Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Loether:

Re: Address changes for properties listed on the NRHP

As we digitize our inventory of historic resources, we are discovering discrepancies in property addresses due to renumbering, changing the address to a side street that abuts the parcel, or assigning a precise address where none had existed. In some cases, property owners have notified us of an incorrect address. We are, therefore, writing to request technical corrections in the National Register records for the following:

Chelsea (Suffolk County)

- Chelsea Garden Cemetery (NRIND 2/9/2001)—new address is 70 Central Avenue (formerly Shawmut Street) 01000089

Cheshire (Berkshire County)

- Hall's Tavern (NRIND 3/10/1983)—new address is 31 North Street (formerly North Street) 83000568

Cohasset (Norfolk County)

- Pratt Historic Building (NRIND 9/7/2006)—new address is 106-110 South Main Street (formerly 106 South Main Street) 06000816

Concord (Middlesex County)

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo House (NRIND/NHL 10/15/1966; NRDIS 9/13/1977)—new address is 18 Cambridge Turnpike (formerly 28 Cambridge Turnpike near intersection of Lexington Road) 66000365 NHL
- Sleepy Hollow Cemetery (NRIND 8/19/1998)—new address is 34A Bedford Street (formerly 24 Court Lane) 98000991

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Dennis (Barnstable County)

- West Schoolhouse (NRIND 4/24/1975)—new address is 61 Whig Street (formerly Nobscusset Road) **75000262**
- Dennis, Josiah Manse (NRIND 2/15/1974)— new address is 61 Whig Street (formerly Nobscusset Road and Whig Street) West Schoolhouse and Josaih Dennis Manse, which stand adjacent to each other, have the same address. **74000360**

Easton (Bristol County)

- North Easton Railroad Station/Old Colony Railroad Station (NRIND 4/11/72; NRDIS 11/3/1972 and 12/23/1987; NHL 12/23/1987)—new address is 80 Mechanic Street (formerly Oliver Street or off Oliver St along railroad right of way) **72000125**

Holden (Worcester County)

- Willard-Fisk Farm (NRIND 2/23/1996)— new address is 121 Whitney Street (formerly 123 Whitney Street) **96000163**

Wilmington (Middlesex County)

- West Schoolhouse (NRIND 2/23/1990)— new address is 141 Shawsheen Avenue (formerly Shawsheen Avenue at Aldrich Road) **90000144**

Winthrop (Suffolk County)

- Newton, Edward B. School (NRIND 8/21/1997)— new address is 131 Pauline Street (formerly 45 Pauline Street) **97000878**
- Winthrop, Deane House (NRIND/TRA, First Period Buildings of Eastern MA, 3/9/1990)—new address is 34 Shirley Street (formerly 40 Shirley Street) **90000162**

Woburn (Middlesex County)

- U. S. Post Office-Woburn Center Station (NRIND 10/19/1987)—new address is 1 Abbott Street (formerly 2 Abbott Street) **86003436**

Sincerely,

Betsy Friedberg

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Winthrop, Deane, House
NAME:

MULTIPLE First Period Buildings of Eastern Massachusetts TR
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Suffolk

DATE RECEIVED: 1/24/90 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/07/90
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/23/90 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/10/90
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 90000162

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

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
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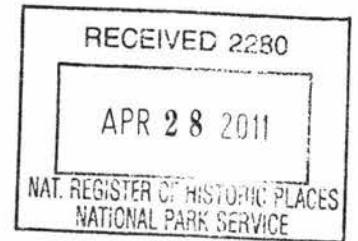
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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

April 19, 2011 William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
Massachusetts Historical Commission

Mr. J. Paul Loether
National Park Service
National Register of Historic Places
1201 Eye Street NW, 8th floor
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Loether:

Enclosed please find supplementary information for 34 properties previously listed on the National Register of Historic Places, reflecting recent scholarship regarding their dates of construction, based upon dendrochronological techniques.

These properties include:

Boston (Suffolk County):

James Blake House (NRIND, 5/1/74)
Pierce House (NRIND, 4/26/74)

Cambridge (Middlesex County):

Cooper-Frost-Austin House (NRIND 9/22/72)

Dedham (Norfolk County):

Fairbanks House (NRIND, NHL, 10/15/66)

Deerfield (Franklin County):

All properties are located within the Old Deerfield Village HD (NRDIS, NHL 10/15/66)

Allen House (MHC # 20)
John Ashley House (MHC #31)
Eldad Bardwell House (MHC #23)
Bull-Williams House (MHC #47)
Childs House (MHC #53)
Frary House (MHC #13)
Eliezer Hawks House (MHC #58)
Hinsdell-Williams House (MHC # 24)
Jonathan Hoit House (MHC # 9)

Little Brown House (MHC #79)
Moors House (MHC #39)
Nims House (MHC #12)
Russell House (MHC #49)
Saxton House (MHC #48)
Severance House (MHC #19)
John Sheldon – Hawks House (MHC #32)
Stebbins House (MHC # 36)
John Williams House (MHC # 50)

Essex (Essex County):

Cogswell's Grant (NRIND 4/19/90)

Gloucester (Essex County):

White-Ellery House (NRIND, NRTRA 3/9/90)
[First Period Buildings of Eastern MA, TRA]

Ipswich (Essex County):

Paine-Dodge House (NRIND, NRTRA, 3/9/90)
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Merchant-Choate House (NRDIS, NRMRA, 9/17/80)
[High Street HD]

Lexington (Middlesex County):

Hancock – Clarke House (NRIND. NHL, 7/17/71)

Millville (Worcester County):

Chestnut Hill Meeting House (NRIND 11/13/84)

Newbury (Essex County):

Tristram Coffin House (NRIND, NRDIS, 5/24/76)
[Newbury HD]

Salem (Essex County):

Eleazer Gedney House (NRDIS, 10/1/74)
[Gedney and Cox Houses HD]

Pickering House (NRDIS 8/28/73)
[Chestnut Street HD]

Sandwich (Barnstable County):

Wing Fort House (NRIND 6/3/76)

Winthrop (Suffolk County):

Deane Winthrop House (NRIND, NRTRA 3/9/90)
[First Period Buildings of Eastern MA, TRA]

Please add the enclosed continuation sheets to the existing National Register nomination files.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betsy Friedberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Betsy Friedberg
National Register Director
Massachusetts Historical Commission

Enclosures