

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
80 BOYLSTON STREET  
BOSTON, MA 02116

AREA	FORM NO.
164	NC-56

Newton, Mass. M.R.A.  
Town Newton (Newton Centre)

Address 1008 Beacon Street

Historic Name none

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Use: Present dwelling

Original dwelling

DESCRIPTION

Date circa 1897

Source Water Records, City Directories

Style Colonial Revival/Shingle style

Architect unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric clapboard, shingles

Outbuildings garage

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition Very Good

Moved no Date \_\_\_\_\_

Acreage 6,696 sq. ft. less than one acre

Setting Along major thoroughfare, suburban setting on corner lot

Recorded by Archit. Pres. Assocs.

Organization Newton Historical Comm.

Date 5/83; rev. by H. White 3/86

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s). Indicate north

(SEE ATTACHED MAP)

UTM REFERENCE 19.318440.4688570

USGS QUADRANGLE NEWTON, MASS.

SCALE 1:25,000

#### NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The house at 1008 Beacon Street is a notable and representative example of a suburban, architect-designed residence, a type one numerous along Beacon Street as it extends west of the commercial center of the village; the house therefore meets Criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

#### ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

The house at 1008 Beacon Street is a square plan house designed in the Shingle style with Colonial Revival style overtones. The gable roof of the main block is intersected by an over-scaled gambrel cross-gable clad in patterned cut wood shingles. The focal point of the design is the Syrian-arched entrance porch of coursed, dressed fieldstone. Other features include oriel windows, a prominent soaring fieldstone chimney and windows of stained and bevelled glass. The frieze is ornamented with applied wooden swags, a favorite decorative motif of the Colonial Revival period.

#### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

This Beacon Street residence is typical of the homes of the emerging upper middle class in Newton during the final years of the nineteenth century. Beacon Street west of Newton Centre was characterized by numerous large, architect-designed homes. The first occupant of this house was Joseph W. Barrows, in 1899. Barrows soon moved to another house on nearby Lake Avenue. The second occupant was Christopher Goddard, a Boston insurance broker, who lived here beginning in 1903.

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Atlases: 1895, 1907  
Directories: 1899, 1903, 1907  
Water Records: 1897

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

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

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Newton MRA  
State Middlesex County, MA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Gunderson, Jos ., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

Attest

52. Harbach, John, House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

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53. Harding House--Walker  
Missionary Home

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National Register

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54. Haskell, Charles, House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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55. House at 1008 Beacon St.

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National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

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56. House at 102 Staniford Street

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National Register

for Keeper

Delores Byers 9/4/86

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57. House at 107 Waban Hill Road

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National Register

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58. House at 115--117 Jewett  
Street

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National Register

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59. House at 15 Davis Avenue

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60. House at 152 Suffolk Road

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

House at 1008 Beacon St. (Newton MRA)  
Middlesex County  
MASSACHUSETTS

JUL 23 1986

Working No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Due: 8/21/86 - 9/6/86 <sup>2/3/87</sup>  
Action: ACCEPT 9-4-86  
\_\_\_\_ RETURN  
\_\_\_\_ REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in  
National Register

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

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 Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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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"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
		<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

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**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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

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

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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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

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

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

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Newton, Mass, MRA

*House at*

1008 Beacon St, Newton Centre  
- 3-83-K-22 (26) -



City of Newton Assessor's Maps. Sheet **89**  
 Metric Series. 1979  
 Scale: UTM grid line interval = 100 meters (328 feet)

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