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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

BROTHERTON - MCKENZIE FARM

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Falling Spring Road, Route 8

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Guilford Township

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

9

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Franklin

CODE

055

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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McKenzie

STREET & NUMBER

Route 8, Box 561

CITY, TOWN

Chambersburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Franklin County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

One North Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Chambersburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

7/3/78

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT

GOOD

FAIR

DETERIORATED

RUINS

UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED

ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE

MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This stone farmhouse is located on the north side of the Falling Spring Road just east of Garman Drive about five miles southeast of Chambersburg, Guilford Township, in Franklin County, Pennsylvania. The house is situated on a rise of ground just east of a spring and of the Falling Spring Creek and faces south. It is a two story, five bay L-shaped building of native limestone. The front or south elevation displays finely cut chisel faced blocks with narrow mortar joints. Other elevations consist of coursed stones with hammered surfaces. Extending to the rear or north is a two story, four bay ell or wing with a recessed double porch along part of its east elevation:

At the southwest corner of the house the roof has a mitered or hipped joint at the place where the front section and the ell meet. The east end of the front section and the north end of the ell terminate with gables.

Flat arches of angle cut stones are present above first story windows at the front elevation. A semi-circular arch of similarly cut stones is present above the main entrance. At the west elevation, first story openings are topped with roughly cut flat arches. On the east elevation of the ell there are no arches above the windows where the stone construction is exposed. The recessed area of the wall beneath the double porch has been sheathed with stucco.

Windows and doors are arranged symmetrically in the front elevation. The windows are relatively large with wide frames having corner joints secured with pegs. The frames are trimmed with cavetto molding. Six over six pane sashes are used at all front elevation windows. All of these windows apparently had shutters although some have been moved temporarily. Those at the first story have three recessed panels while the second story shutters apparently were louvered.

The main entrance is located in the central bay of the front elevation. It is quite elaborate among Franklin County farm houses with angled jambs from which spring a semi-circular arch lined with symmetrically molded woodwork. Within the arch is a fanlight with a small semi-circular muntin at its center with radiating muntins extending out from it. The panels of the door match the panels in the jambs. Apparently it had eight panels originally, but the upper four have been replaced by a large pane of glass. The lower tier of panels of the door and jambs are plain while those above are recessed, molded and trimmed with small arcs at each corner.

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The entrance way is sheltered by a one bay, one story Greek Revival style portico with a pedimented front supported by pairs of doric pillars between which runs a balustrade with turned balusters. Exposed nailing blocks in the front wall east of the door could suggest that a different porch was attached to the wall at one time. Stylistically, this porch would appear to date from a slightly later time than the rest of the house.

There are no openings in the east end wall of the front section. Some other windows in the ell have 9 over 6 sashes although most have 6 over 6 panes. Other entrances open onto both levels of the double porch on the east side of the ell and one entrance is located on the west wall of the ell. These secondary entrances have 6 panel doors.

The front surface of the roof is sheathed with slates. At the north and east gables the roof structure extends beyond the end walls. Beneath the eaves at the front elevation is a decorated frieze including a strip with delicately carved vertical and horizontal pieces beneath a rounded rope braided molding. The house has four brick chimneys all of which have been rebuilt above the roof line in their original locations. They extend from inside the north and east gable walls and from the interior of the ell.

Interior - The main entrance centered in the south elevation opens into a broad stair hall. The front door has a cast box lock with a USA patent date of March 30, 1869. This replaced an earlier lock on the door. The stair has delicate round newels with square balusters, two per step, supporting the hand rail. At the second story level the hand rail and balusters form an arc curving toward the stair to the attic. Decorative scroll carvings finish the ends of the risers. The stair case has horizontal panels trimmed with molded stiles and rails. A split hand rail paralleling the rail on the stair case has been applied to the interior partition against which the stair case is built. Opposite the newel posts are vertical pieces with symmetrical moldings similar to those of the door architraves. The architraves in the hall are trimmed with decorated corner blocks.

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East of the hall is the main parlor with an elaborate fireplace mantel piece. The brick firebox like others in the house was plastered at one time. The mantel has pairs of narrow reeded colonnettes resting on bases of six small round wooden balls. Below the mantel shelf are three rectangular tablets with their corners trimmed in arcs.

West of the hall is one room with a fireplace along its north wall. The mantel piece has symmetrically molded pilasters and three rectangular tablets beneath the mantel shelf. The window wells in both rooms in the front section of the house extended to the floor. Their lower sections have since been enclosed.

The back wing of the house at the first story consists of two rooms each with a fireplace. The southernmost room now serves as a kitchen although it would appear to have been a dining room at one time. Its fireplace has a mantel with reeded concave pilasters and three oval panels beneath the molded shelf. This room has two opposing exterior doors in the east and west walls. Architraves are simpler than those in the front rooms, having a cavetto molding above plainer moldings.

The northernmost room has a large service fireplace beside which is an enclosed tight winder stair leading to the second floor.

The second floor has a similar floor plan with variations in the back wing. A few alterations were made about 1900 when a stairway in the back section was added or altered and a bath was installed. A modern bath at the second story has also changed the floor plan slightly.

West of the house is a one and a half story stone spring house with a fireplace and a finished interior. Behind the house is a frame wash house which would appear to date from the late 19th or early 20th century. Northeast of the house is a large frame bank barn dating from the late 19th century. It replaced an earlier barn that burned. Other agricultural outbuildings are located nearby.

The buildings are in excellent condition and stand on a tract containing 7.86 acres.

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 type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1820

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The "Brotherton-McKenzie Farm" is significant primarily for its architecture and secondary for its association with the history of agriculture, commerce and industry in Franklin County. At one time the property included a "straw board mill" as referenced among Franklin County's Land Records.

Architecturally, the house is important as an example of an unusually refined dwelling dating from the first quarter of the 19th century, most probably between 1810 and 1825. Structure evidence indicates that the entire house was built at the same time with its exterior and interior woodwork reflecting the Federal style. Built of the native limestone it is one of a significant group of stone houses in southern Pennsylvania where limestone is a prominent feature of the landscape and was used as a building material extensively during the 18th and early 19th centuries. Unusual about the stonework in this house is the facade with the finely chiseled surface and narrow mortar joints. This precision masonry would have been quite costly and thus was reserved for the principal elevation. Hammer faced coursed stonework is used at the side and rear elevations. Another unusual feature of the house is its roof construction. Most L shaped houses in southern Pennsylvania have gable roofs. This building has a combination of hipped and gable roofs with a mitered or hipped roof joint at the southwest corner which is also the corner of the L.

The exterior woodwork and trim are also notable from an architectural standpoint. The entranceway with its molded fanlight is quite elaborate. Most unusual among Franklin County farmhouses are plainer rectangular transoms. The front porch is elaborate as well its pedimented gabled roof supported by doric pillars. It does follow the Greek Revival style more than the Federal stylistic motifs throughout the house and may be a slightly later addition. Some old exposed wooden nailers in the stonework also suggest that some other earlier porch may have been present.

Delicate moldings also trim the eaves area and are of a type associated with the early 19th century and the Federal period in Franklin County.

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Federal style motifs are present throughout the interior of the house, most particularly notable in the fireplace treatment. Of the eight fireplaces in the house, each has a different mantel piece. All are delicately formed with much use of reeding.

It must be remembered that this building is a country house and does differ substantially from its high style Federal counterparts in the coastal cities. Relative to Pennsylvania farmhouses, however, this building is unusually refined. It reflects both stylistic influences and vernacular building traditions.

The history of the property on which the buildings stand is obscure and difficult to follow. At one time the farm included a mill which was presumably located along the falling apring creek. During the second half of the 19th century the mill property was conveyed separately and was described in the deeds as a "straw board mill." Saw and grist milling were important industries in the Cumberland Valley, (Franklin and Cumberland Counties, Pennsylvania and Washington County, Maryland), where wood supplies were plentiful, agriculture and grain production extensive and where there was ample water power.

The deeds for this property could be traced back directly only as far as 1878 when Jacob Strickler, assignee of John Stouffer of Jacob sold seven acres containing the mill to Abraham Lehman (62/191). Apparently the entire farm surrounding the mill had been acquired by the Lehman family. In 1899, 15⁴ acres and 27 perches were sold by John S. Lehman to Benjamin Lehman of John, presumably his son. (148/271). In this deed reference was made to the mill owned by John S. Lehman which was not included in the transaction. The property remained in the Lehman family until 1944.

It would appear that during the mid 19th century, the entire farm as well as the mill belonged to John and/or Jacob Stouffer. The present owners have in their possession several deeds, one made on April 21, 1831, for 197 acres sold to Jacob Stouffer from John and Martha Brotherton, (16/385). This deed describes the property as being part of a tract for which a pater was granted to John Lindsay, December 1, 1774, later vested in John Moreland whose estate was seized in execution and sold to John Brotherton by Jacob Snider, sheriff of Franklin County on November 12, 1806. On

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January 23, 1796, James Lindsay sold 178 acres to John Moreland (3/478). According to the deed, this was land patented to John Lindsay in 1774 (patent book A/656), and afterwards sold at public sale by Jeremiah Talbott, high sheriff of the County to James Lindsey, presumably John Lindsay's son, on September 19, 1786.

John Brotherton who apparently owned the property between 1806 and 1831 was presumably the builder of the house.

John Moreland who owned the property in 1798 is assessed in the U.S. DirectTax of that year for one log house, 20' x 20', two stories high with four windows and 22 lights; one log springhouse 10' x 12', one weaver shop 18' x 15', of log construction and a log barn, 55' x 20'. He was also assessed for 161 acres of land.

9) MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 7.86

QUADRANGLE NAME Scotland

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
E	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
G	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
D	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
F	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
H	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates

DATE

May 1978

STREET & NUMBER

109 West Main Street

TELEPHONE

301-432-5466

CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg

STATE

Maryland 21782

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 ED WEINTRAUB, Director
Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

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DATE

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING
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ZONE EASTING NORTHING
D 1,8 27,63,0,0 4,42,11,0,0

E

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G

H

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Starting at a point on southside of Falling Spring Road moving southeast for 625 feet then SW for 250 ft. then NW along N side of Rt. 8 for 255 ft. then NW for 125 ft. to Falling Springs Road then N along eastside of road for 195 ft. to starting point.

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Brotherton-McKenzie Farm
Guilford Township
Franklin County, Pennsylvania
Scotland Quadrangle

