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Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

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

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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1. Name

historic WILLIAM KIRK HOUSE
and/or common Warrior Run Farm

2. Location

street & number .4 kilometers west of the intersection
of L.R. 49061 and Route 147 not for publication
city, town Delaware Township vicinity of _____ congressional district 17th
state Pennsylvania code 42 county Northumberland code 097

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 John A. Hefty
street & number R. D. #1
city, town Watsonstown vicinity of _____ state Pennsylvania 1777

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Northumberland County Courthouse
street & number Market Square
city, town Sunbury state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Pennsylvania Inventory of
Historic Places has this property been determined eligible? yes no
date 8-21-79 federal state county local
depository for survey records Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
city, town Harrisburg state Pennsylvania

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" 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

The William Kirk House is a 2 story, 5 bay, central hall common bond brick house. The major section is rectangular in shape and there is a 2 story ell to the rear. The original roof had a slight projection on the front and rear facades only. The present (c. 1870) roof has a medium overhang in the front and rear with a slight overhang on the end gables. On the gables there are short returns of the cornice which are decorated with brackets and dentils as is the cornice of the front facade.

Each gable end contains one chimney centrally placed. There is a chimney for a cook fireplace in the rear ell. The foundation is field limestone with an exterior entrance to the basement of the eastern facade. The original windows were 6/6 and were equipped with shutters. The present window sashes are 2/2.

The centrally placed front entrance is slightly recessed with side lights and a rectangular transom. Four inset tuscan order columns with ionic capitals decorate this entrance. The roof rafters are tapered and pegged.

The doors are 6 panels over 2 panels. The panels are raised, hand shaved, and there is applied moulding. The flooring is in excellent condition and is original.

Ogee curved mouldings and turned columns are the basis for decoration of the mantels on the second floor with those of the first floor having the added feature of the ionic capitals. All the rooms have moulded door and window frames with moulded corner blocks. The central hall contains a dog-leg pattern case of stairs with a circular hand rail and square uprights. These stairs rise to the attic through a set of 3 turns. The hand rail is initiated at the front entrance with a spiral and slender turned column in the center. The hinges are Baldwin Patent and the locks are cast boxed lift latch. Most of all the original hardware remains.

Also included on the property is a large gable roof, frame barn with silo and a one-story gable roofed addition.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The William Kirk House retains enough of its significant design features and integrity to warrant its nomination as an example of an early farm in the Northumberland County area. In addition, the site has retained its historical character and is worth protecting. The finish woodwork is stylish for its period and location and it is very well executed. This carpentry is attributed to Henry Leinbach Senior and Henry Leinbach Junior.

William Kirk was a son of Moses Kirk, a pioneer of the Warrior Run Region. At the time of the capture of Fort Freeland in 1779, William was 16. His widowed mother clothed him in a dress and passed him out of the fort to safety. William settled on a part of his father's land in 1801 and in circa 1828 he replaced his log house with the present brick structure. William decided to sell out and move to New York State in 1829.

The next family to occupy the house was the widow of Henry Leinbach Junior and her family. They took over the house early in 1829 shortly after Henry's death. It appears that when William Kirk decided to move away, that he offered to sell the farm to his carpenter, Henry Leinbach Junior and Henry had agreed to the deal.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bell, Herbert C. History of Northumberland County, Pa. Brown, Rink and Co., Publishers, Chicago, 1891.

Floyd, J. L. Genealogical & Biographical Annals of Northumberland Co., Pennsylvania. J. L. Floyd Co, Publishers, Chicago, 1911.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1

Quadrangle name Milton, Pa.

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A 18 347830 4551110
Zone Easting Northing

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification Starting at a point on the northside of L.R. 49061, moving north 210', then east 210', then south 210' to northside of L.R. 49061, then west along northside of L.R. 49061, 210' to starting point.

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

state code county code

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Dean R. Wagner

organization Wagner & Wagner, Consultants date

street & number Maple Avenue telephone 717-962-3351

city or town Beech Creek state Pennsylvania 16822

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

ED WEINTRAUB, Director
title Office of Historic Preservation date

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

date

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS
TOPOGRAPHIC AND GEOLOGIC SURVEY

346 50' MONTGOMERY 5 MI.

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5666 III NE
(MUNCY)

9 MI. TO U.S. 220
MUNCY 6 MI.

47'30"

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