

United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

received

date entered

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

1. Name

historic The Nook, Francis Farquhar House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 1101 Farquhar Drive

\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Spring Garden Township

\_\_\_ vicinity of

congressional district 19

state Pennsylvania

code 42

county York

code 133

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Carol A. Kearney

street & number 1101 Farquhar Drive

city, town York

\_\_\_ vicinity of

state Pennsylvania

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. York County Courthouse

street & number 28 E Market

city, town York

state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 4/16/80

federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Pennsylvania Historic 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 Shingle style frame structure includes a polygonal turret capped by a roof ornament. Siding material include brick base, clapboard, three kings of wood shingles, and stucco with half timbering. Window styles include multi-paned Queen Anne style and leaded glass. Many windows are capped by a dentil cornice. Intersecting roofs of shingle and slate are sometime capped by terra cotta. A terra cotta sunflower adorns an upper story. There are three large brick decorated chimneys. Decorative porch brackets and cutouts comprise a front veranda with three skylights. The entrance door is flanked by leaded glass windows and fanlight. The two and one half story home has several half levels and the interior has room of varying door heights. The library is done in oak wainscoting which was painted by a later owner. There are also two painted oak Ionic columns. Peeling exterior paint reveals an Indian red color. The home has several overhanging porches. Interior rooms have not been structurally altered excepted for a pantry off the dining room that has been changed to a powder room. Also the upstairs servants' quarters originally consisted of three rooms and have been altered into one large and one small room. There are two outbuildings of log construction; a small playhouse and a garage. Interior room arrangement is as follows:

1st floor-center hall, library/l.r., parlor, d.r., powder room, kitchen/root cellar/servant's entranceway

½ level-b.r./solarium/dressing room/bath

2nd floor-b.r., sitting room, bath, b.r., bath, guest room, bath, guest room, bath, guest room (2small converted to 1), small b.r.

½ level playroom

3rd floor-attic

# 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

1893-98

## Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Francis Farquhar House, The Nook, is a fine, well preserved example of the Shingle style of architecture which became popular in the late nineteenth century. Though once the home of the son of a large estate owner, which has now disappeared, this structure still possesses integrity of location, design, materials and workmanship. It expresses those distinctive features of the Shingle style; irregular massing, broad and flowing shingles. of different styles and irregularly placed and styled windows. The Farquhar house is an attractive, restrained Shingle style structure.

"The Nook" was the home of Francis Farquhar who continued the management of his father's firm, the A.B. Farquhar Co., York. The company was one of the foremost U.S. Manufacturers of agricultural machinery, exporting equipment around the world. It was a major York industry from 1862 until it was acquired in 1951 by the Oliver Corp.

It's picturesque setting includes many varieties of trees (including bamboo) that were brought from abroad by A.B. Farquhar. The home was part of A. B. Farquhar's country estate, Edgcombe. All that remain from that estate are the remnants of the Italian garden, stone entrance at foot hill and carriage house.

Francis Farquhar was a noted York humanitarian. He was instrumental in starting the York County Chap. Red Cross, was pres 1918-1938. He organized the York County Boy Scouts, was pres 1918-1934. Served as pres. and trustee YWCA 1925-1951. Board of York Hospital, 1925-1943. Trustee York Collegiate Institute 1910-1943, left over 300 books to York College (philosophy, history, science). Willed 1300 shares of stock to various York charities, York College, Bryn Mawr College, Yale U. Monetary value of stock around \$140,000.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Blumenson, John J. Identifying American Architecture  
Farquhar, A.B. The Frist Million the Hardest.  
Prowell, George R. History of York County, PA  
Encyclopedia of American Biography, vol 3 1971  
Poppeliers John What style is it

Richman Irwin PA Architecture  
Scully, Vincent The Shingle Style  
Deed Book 13 K-428

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 2.34

Quadrangle name York PA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A 

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B 

Zone				Easting				Northing						

C 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

See Continuation Sheet

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 Carol A Kearney

organization

date December 3, 1979

street & number 1101 Farquhar Drive

telephone 717-843-7026

city or town York

state Pennsylvania

# 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

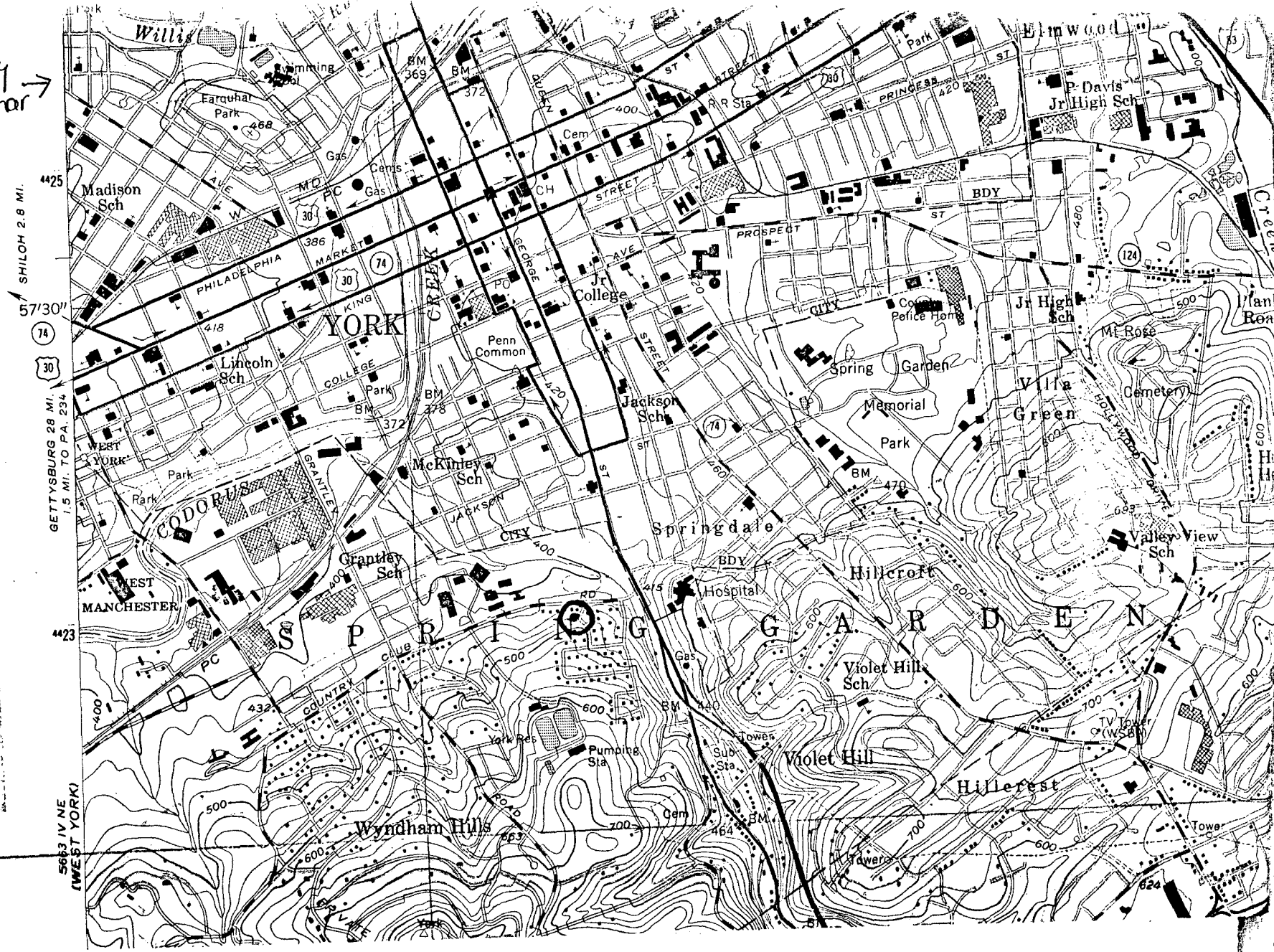
title State Historic Preservation Officer

date 6/2/80 6/24/80

For HCRS use only	
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
	date
Keeper of the National Register	
Attest:	date
Chief of Registration	

Farguhar PK.  
donated to city  
by A.B. Farguhar →

Francis Farguhar House  
York County  
Zone 18 E352700 N4422920



SHILOH 2.8 MI.

57°30' 74

GETTYSBURG 28 MI.  
1.5 MI. TO PA. 234

5663 IV NE  
(WEST YORK)

425

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