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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Connell Mansion

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

d 249 West Main Street

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Ephrata

VICINITY OF

16

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Pennsylvania

42

Lancaster

071

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"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

The Historical Society of Cocalico Valley

STREET & NUMBER

249 West Main Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Ephrata

VICINITY OF

Pennsylvania 17522

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Lancaster County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

East King Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Lancaster

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

5/30/78

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Harrisburg

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE	
<input 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 Connell Mansion is a three story brick structure with a low hipped roof and center octagonal cupola. A two story gable roof and a one story gable roof section are located on the rear of the main house. The main section measures 39' by 37', the two story section is 22' X 17' and the one story section 17' X 16'. The structure's slate roof was restored in 1975. The octagonal cupola has a bell shaped roof. The painted tin cupola-roof was replaced with copper in 1975. The round arch windows in the cupola are two over two. Decorative saw-tooth fretwork outlines the eaves.

The cornice of the main hipped roof is lined with coupled brackets. Two interior brick chimneys are located in the east and west sides of the hipped roof. Windows in the main section have rounded arches and hood moulding. First story windows have panelled shutters, second and third story louvered shutters. Third story windows are diminished in size giving the appearance of eyebrow windows. The central double doors have a etched ruby glass transom. A one story pent roof porch lines the front facade. Pillars are square with panelled bases and solid wooden brackets. The porch ceiling has decorative planking painted, as the shutters and trim, in contrasting tones.

The two story rear section has a gable end brick chimney. Windows are identical to windows in the main section. A two story porch is located on this section. The one story section appears to date from an earlier period. Its windows are 6 over 6 with plain stone sills and lintels. A large kitchen fireplace is located in the rear gable end of this section. Circa 1960 an outside bake oven was removed from the rear wall of the section. The interior of the Connell Mansion is in excellent condition. A central stair hall is located on all three floors. The house has two parlors, a library/study, dining room, kitchen, seven bedrooms, two bathrooms, and a ballroom/storage room. A original, copper lined wooden bathtub is located in rear second story bedroom. It drains through the side of the house directly into the spouting. Many original features remain some of which are plaster ceiling decorations in first floor hall and parlor, numerous gas and/or electric chandeliers, and a marble fireplace in parlor.

Associated with the Connell Mansion is a square frame carriage house with a hipped roof and square ventallator. The eaves are decorated with toothed trim. Next to the carriage house the a frame privy similar in design to the carriage house. This privy was moved to its present location circa 1965 from elsewhere on the property.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
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 Circa 1860

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Moore Connell

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Connell Mansion was built circa 1860. The Connell family was a prominent 19th century family in the Ephrata area. Their business interests were real estate and livestock. Mrs. Moore Connell was Rebecca Konigmacher. The Konigmacher family also played an important part in the development of the Ephrata Cloister, both families once being householder members.

Architecturally the Connell Mansion is unique in an area of Georgian and rural Germanic building styles. The excellent preservation of the structure and its interesting outbuildings make the Connell Mansion an excellent example of the Italianate style in rural Pennsylvania.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Records of Historical Society of Cocalico Valley.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .5

QUADRANGLE NAME Ephrata

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

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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

Clarence E Spohn

ORGANIZATION

Historical Society of the Cocalico Valley

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

837 - B W. Main St.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ephrata

STATE

Pennsylvania

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL XXX

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 11-20-75

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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

CONNELL MANSION
LANCASTER COUNTY
ZONE 18 N4448420 E300280

