



Zone 18

A U4433 880 E449 090

B U4433 880 E449 480

C N4433 770 E449 500

D N4433 720 E449 470

Union Chapel
Bacton

PHILADELPHIA MEMORIAL PARK

Union Chapel

Planebrook DB

Church Farm Sch

St Paul Ch

Glenloch

WEST
WHITELAND

SOUTH

Immaculata College

Whiteand Crest (Whiteland Sta)

Ship Road Station

Morstein

United States Geological survey
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
Aerial photographs as of May 1965
Property lines from County tax maps as of 1964
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1955 Original - 1965 Partial Revision
MALVERN QUADRANGLE
PENNSYLVANIA - CHESTER COUNTY

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

1 NAME

HISTORIC

LOG HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

Hopper Log House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

L.R. 15139 Conestoga & Yellow Springs Roads

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

East Whiteland Township

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

5

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Chester

CODE

029

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input 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

Chester County Historical Society

STREET & NUMBER

225 North High Street

CITY, TOWN

West Chester

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania 19380

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Chester County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Market and High Street

CITY, TOWN

West Chester

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

1973

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE (Hopper Log)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE <u>1978</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		(Mendenhall-Peeling)

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Hopper Log House - The earliest section of the home is the two story, one bay, log structure, exterior measurements of 18'10" x 19'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and built by either Jacob Lapp or John Norris approximately 1800. This measurement considers the average width of the log walls as thirteen inches. Round and squared logs are joined at corners by variations of the saddle notch and the walls are sealed with chinking. The gables have horizontal clapboard; the medium pitched roof has wood shingles and the exterior massive stone chimney is located on the west elevation. The windows in this section are casement twelve lights fastened at the top and open outward from the bottom, with broad simple trim. The main entrance on the north facade is a vertical planking door surrounded by narrow rustic trim. The eight foot stone fireplace is on the west wall towards the north; the hearth is seven feet in width and the fireplace opening is over two feet deep. A gooseneck staircase spirals from the first through to the attic floor in the northeast corner of the log house.

The two story, frame addition, now the dining room on the first floor, and the bedroom on the second, 14' x 15', was added in the 1800's, possibly by Benjamin Jenkins or Benjamin Coulter. A one story second addition was added in the 1900's on the north elevation while the porch and brick patio were enclosed in 1976 to create a family room. Extensive restoration was completed by Lowell Gabel in the 1940's. All facades on the additions have vertical board and batten or painted horizontal siding. Addition one has double hung windows with simple surround, medium pitched roof plus wood shingles, one four light window, and small overhung, cornice. Addition two on north elevation has medium pitched wood shingled roof on west and shallow angled shed roof on east; windows are same as addition one. The hooded stone and wood entry to the basement in front of addition two is an unusual and outstanding feature of the home. Addition three has a similar wood shingled shed roof as section two; double hung sash, eight over eight light windows; and vertical board and batten siding. The salt box architecture of the additions are a perfect compliment to the structure, all of which is in excellent condition.

Pennsylvania Bank Barn - The stone Pennsylvania bank barn, circa 1800, is constructed of limestone and sandstone in rubble courses with large quoins of the same. The medium pitched roof has wood shingles. The forebay on the east elevation is built of vertical planking to the roof. The incline plane for the large planked barn doors is on the west elevation towards the north. A louvered window exists on the stone gable end of the north elevation.

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Mendenhall-Peeling House - Also located on this property is the Mendenhall-Peeling House, approximately 36' x 20', which was originally located in Concordville, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, circa 1730, and is currently being relocated and reconstructed northwest of the log house. The two story, two bay, unfinished, FRAME structure has pent roofs between the first and second floors, medium to steep pitched wood shingled roof and interior brick chimneys on east and west elevations. A minor shed wood shingled one story addition exists on the west wall. Few frame structures have survived from this period. See attached information for details on this building.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<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 c. 1800

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Jacob Lapp or John Norris

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

About the year 1800, when the Hopper Log House was built, the majority of residential construction in northeastern Chester County had its exterior walls made of local quarried stone. Therefore, it is unusual to have a substantial two story square log house erected in the middle of numerous stone quarries. In addition, very few log structures appeared this late in the development of the country in an area where the first settlers had appeared about eighty to ninety years earlier. The meticulous craftsmanship reveals the artisans were journeymen in their trades, from the saddle notched corner logs to the interior trim including the hinges.

After the German Swiss arrived at Philadelphia in the 18th century, they simply passed through Chester County because it had already been settled by the Welsh and English. However, one contingent established residency in this locality and built the only Amish church building ever erected in the U.S. The Lapp family, first owners of the log house, were members of this congregation. Frugality and thriftiness, well known ethnic Swiss traits, became apparent as the Lapp family with their fellowman chopped wood from a ready lumber supply in a nearby family woodlot. The effort was a community endeavor, the last of its kind in Chester County before the German Swiss moved westward. Today it stands as a symbol for the German Swiss in an English and Welsh environment.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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William Helburn, Inc. 1931, Plates 105 & 152.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 9.5

QUADRANGLE NAME _____
UTM REFERENCES

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

A
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C

D

E

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STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

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STATE

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KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

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