

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Penna.
COUNTY: Bucks
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: Twin Trees
AND/OR HISTORIC: Twin Trees Farm

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 905 Second Street Pike			
CITY OR TOWN: Richboro		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Eighth	
STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE: 042	COUNTY: Bucks	CODE: 017

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <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 (Specify) _____ _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Mrs. J. Milton Luff		
STREET AND NUMBER: 905 Second Street Pike		
CITY OR TOWN: Richboro	STATE: Penna.	CODE: 042

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Bucks County Court House		
STREET AND NUMBER: Main and Court Streets		
CITY OR TOWN: Doylestown	STATE: Penna.	CODE: 042

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places			
DATE OF SURVEY: 7/1/74	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State	<input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: William Penn Museum Historic Sites Survey			
STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1026			
CITY OR TOWN: Harrisburg	STATE: Penna.	CODE: 042	

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This structure was built in two sections during the eighteenth century. The original section, 1740-60, is a one and one-half story structure with one room on the first floor and an attic above. The walls are constructed of rubble brownstone. The interior features a large cooking fireplace, original built-in cupboards and hewn and pegged ceiling beam.

In 1779 the prosperity of the owner allowed the construction of a large addition. The addition is a two and one-half story, five bay, Georgian structure. The south elevation is of cut brown field stone with keystone window lintels. Window sash is eight over eight with solid panel shutters on the first floor and louvered shutters on the second floor. The cornice features very nice dentils.

The north elevation is also five bays but the walls are constructed of rubble field stone. A nineteenth century Victorian porch shelters the entrance.

The interior is a typical Georgian floor plan with a center hall and two rooms on each side. Most of the original hardware, woodwork, etc. are intact.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This structure was originally the home of Richard Leedon, a prominent Quaker who amassed large land holdings in Bucks County. Leedon became a strong supporter of American independence, so much so that he was eventually ostracized by the Wrightstown Quaker Meeting.

In 1774 citizens of Pennsylvania petitioned Governor John Penn to call a session of the Assembly to deal with Revolutionary issues. Penn ignored the citizens' plea and as a result citizens group called "Committee's of Correspondence", were established to discuss the possibility of Revolution.

Richard Leedon, himself a member of the local Committee of Correspondence held committee meetings in his small one and one-half story home, thus placing himself and his colleagues outside of British law.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **One acre**

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
David C. Stacks Historic Preservation

ORGANIZATION: **Penna. Historic & Museum Commission** DATE: **11/14/74**

STREET AND NUMBER:
Box 1026

CITY OR TOWN: **Harrisburg** STATE: **Penna.** CODE: **042**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name WILLIAM J. WEWER

Title Executive Director

Pa. Historical & Museum Commission

Date _____

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

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

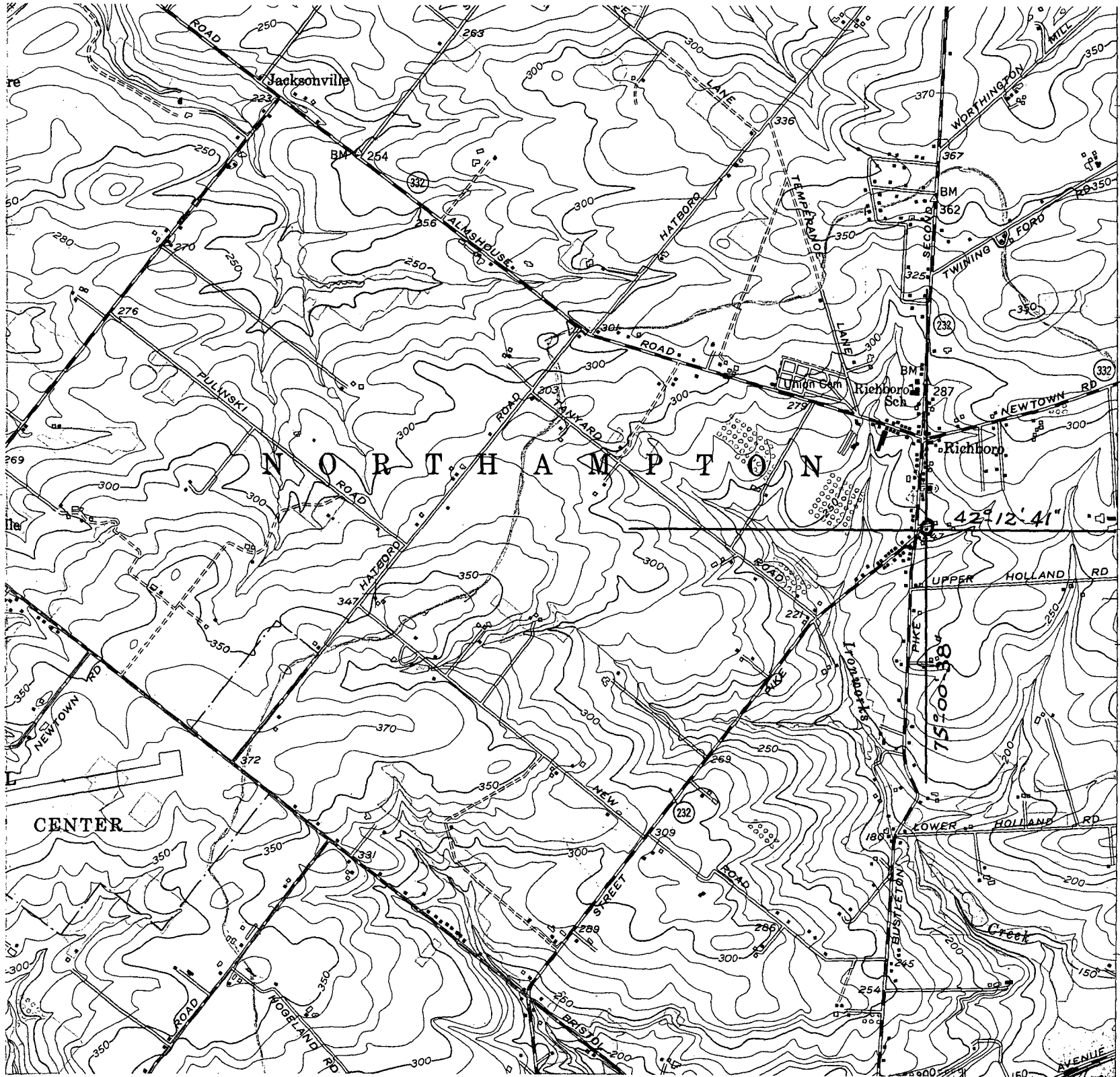
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ATTEST: _____

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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NEWTOWN 3.5 MI.
TRENTON, N. J. 15 MI.

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