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PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
BUREAU FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION Box 1026
PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

7. Local survey organization
Historic Preservation Trust
of Lancaster County

1. County 071-LANCASTER
5. present name
Bellevue

8. property owners name and address

9. tax parcel number / other number
11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)
LH #17

10. U.T.M. zone easting northing
usgs sheet: Gap

12. classification
site () structure () object ()
building
in N.R. district yes () no

13. date(s) (how determined)
c.1817-1818
14. period
1801-1821 02/ 03

15. style, design or folk type
02-Federal

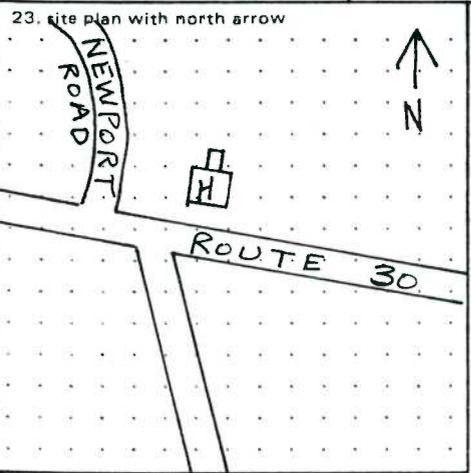
19. original use
020201P-farmhouse
20. present use
residence

16. architect or engineer

17. contractor or builder

18. primary building mat./construction
02-limestone

21. condition very good
22. integrity good



2. municipality
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP
6. other name (historic name if any)
Kennedy, Maxwell, House

24. photo notation
B52/10
Esther F. Boyle

25. file/location
HPT of LC

3. street address or specific location
Route 30, NE corner at
Newport Road

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)

2 1/2 stories with gable roof and end chimneys
5 bay facade with central doorway
9 over 6 window sash
piazza with round posts
slate roof

stone summer kitchen to rear

frame bank barn

"MAXWELL / KENNEDY"
Key # 071026
Part of site key # 071029

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27. history, significance and/or background
This large and fine stone house was built for the residence of Maxwell Kennedy (1782-1845) and his wife Margaret Maxwell. Reliable printed sources, written while some of the children of Maxwell and Margaret Kennedy were still living, document the construction of this house in 1817-1818. Less reliable, and much later, secondary sources have dated the residence as early as 1806; a source from the 1950's has given
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28. sources of information
Kennedy Genealogical File, Lancaster County Historical Society,
Lancaster.
(continued)

29. prepared by:
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30. date 11/83
revision(s)

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4. survey code
071-50-17

27. History (continued):

an 1813 date. However, the c.1817-1818 date does seem acceptable and tenable. The Kennedys were one of the richest families of landowners and tavernkeepers in Salisbury Township. Maxwell Kennedy was a member of the State Legislature in 1835-1836. He was also noted in his time as a cattle dealer.

This house is one of the more elegant and intact Federal style residences extant today in Salisbury Township. The front piazza almost certainly is original. A very unusual feature of the plan is the presence of "side-by-side" kitchens in the very broad rear wing. The central hall or entry, of unusual width, features an elliptical staircase and an elliptical-arched entriepiece. There are also many original doors, mouldings, and fine marble mantels.

28. Sources of Information (continued):

Ellis and Evans, History of Lancaster County, 1883, p. 1058.

EVALUATION

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