

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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

1. Name

historic Twining Farm

and/or common

2. Location

street & number East Side of Buck Road not for publication

city, town Newtown Township vicinity of congressional district 8

state Pennsylvania code 42 county Bucks code 017

3. Classification

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

4. Owner of Property

name Choice Communities

street & number Barclay St.

city, town Newtown vicinity of state Pennsylvania 18940

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Bucks County Courthouse

street & number Main and Court Street

city, town Doylestown state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

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

date 5/20/80 federal state county local

depository for survey records Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

city, town Harrisburg state Pennsylvania

For HCRS use only

received MAR 1 1982

date entered

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" 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 Twining farmhouse is situated just south of Newtown and overlooks Newtown Creek near its confluence with the Neshaminy Creek. The building is of stone construction except for a small 2 story, 1 bay frame shed-roof addition to the east gable end. The west main section is a 2 1/2 story double pile, 6 bay structure with double brick chimney on the east wall. This section shows a clear division line on both the north and south facades, indicating 2 periods of construction (A & B, see Floor Plan). The earlier period (A) includes the 3 bays to the east, and is constructed of rough stone. The window openings are set close together and the sash on the 2nd story may be original, possessing wide muntins. The west portion (B) of this section is constructed of cut stone laid in rough courses and bears a date stone with "1832" and the initials "D.H." in the gable between the double chimney. Dr. David Hutchinson purchased the building from his mother at that date, and it is reasonable that he constructed this 3 bay addition. The window openings are widely spaced, and the muntins are thin, characteristic of that period (A) correspond to the later style, indicating that they were probably replaced at the time of the addition.

The stone section to the east is 2 1/2 story single pile and about two feet lower than the previous section. The north wall has a deep set back, whereas the south facades of the two sections are exactly aligned. This section is 3 bays long and possesses a large stone and brick chimney on the east gable end. It appears that the building pictured in the Edward Hicks paintings of the Twining Farm consisted of the early period of section one (A) and section two viewed from the north, which was probably the front of the building at that date.

The building as it stands today has been only slightly changed from the 1838 period. Additions since then include the frame wing to the east and gable roof dormers, 3 facing north and 3 south. The most drastic change to the basic structure is a large bow window that was cut into the south wall of the early period of section 1. This change was made by the Custer family around 1940.

The front of the building now faces south. A center hall is flanked by 2 rooms with fire-places in the 1832 west portion, and 2 rooms, one with corner fireplace in the old period of section 1. The floor level of section 2 is one step below section 1, and a large fire-place is located in the east wall. Most of the wood trim, doors and panelling appear to be of the 1832 period of construction when the building was enlarged and updated.

Description of Outbuildings: Stable-A rather long (6 bay) 1 1/2 story stone and frame structure with shed roof. The rear wall is constructed of field stone, the side walls are frame, and the building is open in the front. Condition is poor. Chicken House-A frame 2 1/2 story gable roof building with vertical board and batten type siding. The structure is 24 foot by 12 foot on a stone foundation and is in good condition. Barn Complex-This building is stone and frame and was built in three sections. Section 1 is entirely of stone construction, 2 1/2 stories with 3 bays. It's a bank style barn with a forebay in the south wall. Section 2 is a 10 foot wide, 2 story, frame extension added across the entire south wall. Section 3 is a frame 2 1/2 story, one bay extension to the west gable end of Section 1, & a long 4 bay wing extending to the south. The frame sections have high stone foundations that extend nearly to the level of the second story.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input checked="" 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 Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Twining Farm is a fine, well preserved example of the multi-stage construction typical in the Bucks and Chester County areas where the major building material is stone. The use of stone and the lengthward addition of sections as the family and need for space grew is a distinctive characteristic of this area of Pennsylvania. The structure has fine wood-work detailing from the 1832 period. This farm was also associated with the development of a famous American painter, Edward Hicks. The farm is also the subject of three of his paintings.

David Twining and his wife Elizabeth owned the property from 1757, when it was purchased from his father, John, until 1791 when David Twining died. During his lifetime he acquired 341 acres of land in the southwest corner of Newtown Township, was the owner of the grist mill on Newtown Creek, and possessed extensive other property in Bucks and Westmoreland Counties. David Twining was a prominent man in Bucks County society and business and he served two terms in the General Assembly. He was one of the original directors of the Newtown Library Company, 3rd oldest in Pennsylvania, and filled the office of Librarian for 28 years. However, it was the relationship that the Twining family had with young Edward Hicks, the famous painter of American folk art, that establishes the importance of this property. When the artist was a young boy he was taken in by the Twining's, his mother having died and his father having lost his home and means of livelihood because of the revolution. Edward lived on the farmstead for about 10 years, and it is likely that the Twining's had a beneficial influence on him, especially since it was during this period that the community library was being housed there. Three Hicks paintings featuring the Twining homestead were painted, c. 1845-1848. One is in the collection of the Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute; one in the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Museum; and one in a private collection.

The dwelling is a fine example of multi-staged construction typical of Bucks County stone farmhouses, the earliest period being c. 1750, with stages added through the 19th century. The bank barn is particularly noteworthy for its pointed stone walls and early construction techniques, examples of which are becoming increasingly rare in Bucks County. Although the Georgian style doorway and large front window are recent additions, the house retains many of the original architectural features representing major periods of construction from 1740 to 1838. This farm complex was one of the most prosperous and dominant Newtown estates from the time it was purchased by David Twining in 1757 until the end of the first half of the 20th century. It therefore represents the finest points of typical Newtown architecture of the Colonial and Federal styles.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 10

Quadrangle name Langhorne, PA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A	1 8	5 0 5 0 0 0	4 4 5 1 9 2 0
	Zone	Easting	Northing
C	1 8	5 0 5 0 2 0	4 4 5 1 7 6 0
E			
G			

B	1 8	5 0 5 2 8 0	4 4 5 1 9 6 0
	Zone	Easting	Northing
D	1 8	5 0 5 3 1 0	4 4 5 1 8 3 0
F			
H			

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 Newtown Joint Historic Commission c/o Mrs. A. Newton Gish, Jr., Chairman

organization Newtown Joint Historic Commission date March 14, 1980

street & number P.O. Box 103 telephone 215-968-3402

city or town Newtown state Pennsylvania 18940

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

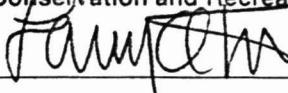
The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

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

Larry E. Riss, State Historic
Preservation Officer

date

3/2/82

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

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Twining Farm
 State, County: PA, Bucks
 Federal Agency: _____

resubmission
 nomination by person or local government
 owner objection
 appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Good example of Bucks County stone construction 8th - 18th century and early 19th century. Associated with painter, Edward Hicks, who used the scene in 3 of his (surviving) paintings.

- Return for technical corrections.

Recom./Criteria Return

Reviewer Bronnam

Discipline Arch. His.

Date 4-29-82

see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> Inaccessible

Please fill in

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Please fill in

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
		<input type="checkbox"/> date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 alterations/integrity
 dates
 boundary selection

- will not specifically discuss, boundary seems appropriate.

8. Significance

Please fill in

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

Significance is adequately discussed.

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Address of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UNIT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Title _____ Date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed Braunam

Date 4-29-82

Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*

Type all entries—complete applicable sections

For HCRS use only

received MAR 31 1982

date entered

1. Name

historic Twining Farm

and/or common N/A

2. Location

street & number East Side of Buck Road N/A not for publication

city, town Newtown Township N/A vicinity of congressional district 8

state Pennsylvania code 42 county Bucks code 017

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
district	public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	commercial
structure	both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	educational
site	Public Acquisition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accessible	entertainment
object	n/a in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	government
	n/a being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	industrial
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	military
			other:

4. Owner of Property

name Choice Communities

street & number Barclay St.

city, town Newtown vicinity of state Pennsylvania 18940

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Bucks County Courthouse

street & number Main and Court Street

city, town Doylestown state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

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

date 5/20/80 federal state county local

depository for survey records Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

city, town Harrisburg state Pennsylvania

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" 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			N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Twining farmhouse is situated just south of Newtown and overlooks Newtown Creek near its confluence with the Neshaminy Creek. The building is of stone construction except for a small 2 story, 1 bay frame shed-roof addition to the east gable end. The west main section is a 2 1/2 story double pile, 6 bay structure with double brick chimney on the east wall. This section shows a clear division line on both the north and south facades, indicating 2 periods of construction (A & B, see Floor Plan). The earlier period (A) includes the 3 bays to the east, and is constructed of rough stone. The window openings are set close together and the sash on the 2nd story may be original, possessing wide muntins. The west portion (B) of this section is constructed of cut stone laid in rough courses and bears a date stone with "1832" and the initials "D.H." in the gable between the double chimney. Dr. David Hutchinson purchased the building from his mother at that date, and it is reasonable that he constructed this 3 bay addition. The window openings are widely spaced, and the muntins are thin, characteristic of that period (A) correspond to the later style, indicating that they were probably replaced at the time of the addition.

The stone section to the east is 2 1/2 story single pile and about two feet lower than the previous section. The north wall has a deep set back, whereas the south facades of the two sections are exactly aligned. This section is 3 bays long and possesses a large stone and brick chimney on the east gable end. It appears that the building pictured in the Edward Hicks paintings of the Twining Farm consisted of the early period of section one (A) and section two viewed from the north, which was probably the front of the building at that date.

The building as it stands today has been only slightly changed from the 1838 period. Additions since then include the frame wing to the east and gable roof dormers, 3 facing north and 3 south. The most drastic change to the basic structure is a large bow window that was cut into the south wall of the early period of section 1. This change was made by the Custer family around 1940.

The front of the building now faces south. A center hall is flanked by 2 rooms with fire-places in the 1832 west portion, and 2 rooms, one with corner fireplace in the old period of section 1. The floor level of section 2 is one step below section 1, and a large fire-place is located in the east wall. Most of the wood trim, doors and panelling appear to be of the 1832 period of construction when the building was enlarged and updated.

Description of Outbuildings: Stable-A rather long (6 bay) 1 1/2 story stone and frame structure with shed roof. The rear wall is constructed of field stone, the side walls are frame, and the building is open in the front. Condition is poor. Chicken House-A frame 2 1/2 story gable roof building with vertical board and batten type siding. The structure is 24 foot by 12 foot on a stone foundation and is in good condition. Barn Complex-This building is stone and frame and was built in three sections. Section 1 is entirely of stone construction, 2 1/2 stories with 3 bays. It's a bank style barn with a forebay in the south wall. Section 2 is a 10 foot wide, 2 story, frame extension added across the entire south wall. Section 3 is a frame 2 1/2 story, one bay extension to the west gable end of Section 1, & a long 4 bay wing extending to the south. The frame sections have high stone foundations that extend nearly to the level of the second story.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input checked="" 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 c. 1750, 1838, 1845-⁴⁸ Builder/Architect Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Twining Farm is a fine, well preserved example of the multi-stage construction typical in the Bucks and Chester County areas where the major building material is stone. The use of stone and the lengthward addition of sections as the family and need for space grew is a distinctive characteristic of this area of Pennsylvania. The structure has fine wood-work detailing from the 1832 period. This farm was also associated with the development of a famous American painter, Edward Hicks. The farm is also the subject of three of his paintings.

David Twining and his wife Elizabeth owned the property from 1757, when it was purchased from his father, John, until 1791 when David Twining died. During his lifetime he acquired 341 acres of land in the southwest corner of Newtown Township, was the owner of the grist mill on Newtown Creek, and possessed extensive other property in Bucks and Westmoreland Counties. David Twining was a prominent man in Bucks County society and business and he served two terms in the General Assembly. He was one of the original directors of the Newtown Library Company, 3rd oldest in Pennsylvania, and filled the office of Librarian for 28 years. However, it was the relationship that the Twining family had with young Edward Hicks, the famous painter of American folk art, that establishes the importance of this property. When the artist was a young boy he was taken in by the Twining's, his mother having died and his father having lost his home and means of livelihood because of the revolution. Edward lived on the farmstead for about 10 years, and it is likely that the Twining's had a beneficial influence on him, especially since it was during this period that the community library was being housed there. Three Hicks paintings featuring the Twining homestead were painted, c. 1845-1848. One is in the collection of the Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute; one in the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Museum; and one in a private collection.

The dwelling is a fine example of multi-staged construction typical of Bucks County stone farmhouses, the earliest period being c. 1750, with stages added through the 19th century. The bank barn is particularly noteworthy for its pointed stone walls and early construction techniques, examples of which are becoming increasingly rare in Bucks County. Although the Georgian style doorway and large front window are recent additions, the house retains many of the original architectural features representing major periods of construction from 1740 to 1838. This farm complex was one of the most prosperous and dominant Newtown estates from the time it was purchased by David Twining in 1757 until the end of the first half of the 20th century. It therefore represents the finest points of typical Newtown architecture of the Colonial and Federal styles.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 10

Quadrangle name Langhorne, PA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A	1 8	5 0 5 0 0 0	4 4 5 1 9 2 0
Zone	Easting	Northing	
C	1 8	5 0 5 0 2 0	4 4 5 1 7 6 0
E			
G			

B	1 8	5 0 5 2 8 0	4 4 5 1 9 6 0
Zone	Easting	Northing	
D	1 8	5 0 5 3 1 0	4 4 5 1 8 3 0
F			
H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

See Continuation Sheet

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	n/a	code	n/a	county	n/a	code	n/a
-------	-----	------	-----	--------	-----	------	-----

state	n/a	code	n/a	county	n/a	code	n/a
-------	-----	------	-----	--------	-----	------	-----

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Newtown Joint Historic Commission c/o Mrs. A. Newton Gish, Jr., Chairman

organization Newtown Joint Historic Commission date March 14, 1980

street & number P.O. Box 103 telephone 215-968-3402

city or town Newtown state Pennsylvania 18940

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

Larry E. Tise, State Historic
Preservation Officer

date

3/2/82

For HCRS use only

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

date

July 1, 1982

for Keeper of the National Register

date

Attest:

Chief of Registration

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service****National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**TWINING FARM, BUCKS COUNTY
Continuation sheet

Item number 10

For HCRS use only

received MAY 28 1982
date entered

Page 1

Deeds and Wills on record at the Bucks County Courthouse, Doylestown, Pa.

A Dream of Peace, Edward Hicks of Newtown by Edna Pullinger, Published by Dorrance and Company, Philadelphia, 1973

Edward Hicks - A Gentle Spirit, Published by Andrew Crispo Gallery, Inc., 41 East 57th Street, New York City, 1975

Edward Hicks Primitive Quaker by Eleanore Prince Mather, Printed by Sowers Printing Company, Lebanon, Pa., 1970

Edward Hicks 1780-1849, Exhibition catalogue with Introduction and Chronology by Alice Ford, published by Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Falk Art Collection, Williamsburg, Va., 1960

LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS

1. Southeast view of Twining Farmhouse.
2. South facade of Twining Farmhouse showing placement of window and door openings.
3. East gable end of stone barn and frame outbuilding.
4. Stone smokehouse with hip roof, old wooden door with strap hinges.
5. *Fl* "The Residence of David Twining 1787". c.1845-1848.
Artist: Edward Hicks. Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Folk Art Collection, Williamsburg, Virginia.
Pullinger, Edna S. A Dream of Peace: Edward Hicks of Newtown. Page 84.
6. "The Residence of David Twining in 1785". c. 1845-1848.
Artist: Edward Hicks. Collection Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute: Howard N. Eavenson Americana Collection.
Andrew Crispo Gallery. Edward Hicks: A Gentle Spirit (May 16 thru June 28, 1975). #21.

RECEIVED
MAY 28 1982

NATIONAL
REGISTER

Twining Farm
Bucks County
Verbal Boundary Description

MAY 28 1982

ALL THAT CERTAIN tract or parcel of land, situate in the Township of Newtown, County of Bucks and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, bounded and described according to a Survey and Plan dated February 21, 1980, by All County, Inc., Surveying Engineers of Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania, as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron pin, a corner, said point being located the thirteen following courses and distances from the intersection of the centerline of Buck Road (45 feet wide) LR 326 with the centerline of Barclay Street (33 feet wide) T 357.

(1) Following along the centerline of said Buck Road South 25 degrees 09 minutes 32 seconds West, 215.00 feet to a corner.

(2) South 34 degrees 30 minutes 28 seconds East, 261.96 feet to an iron pin, a corner.

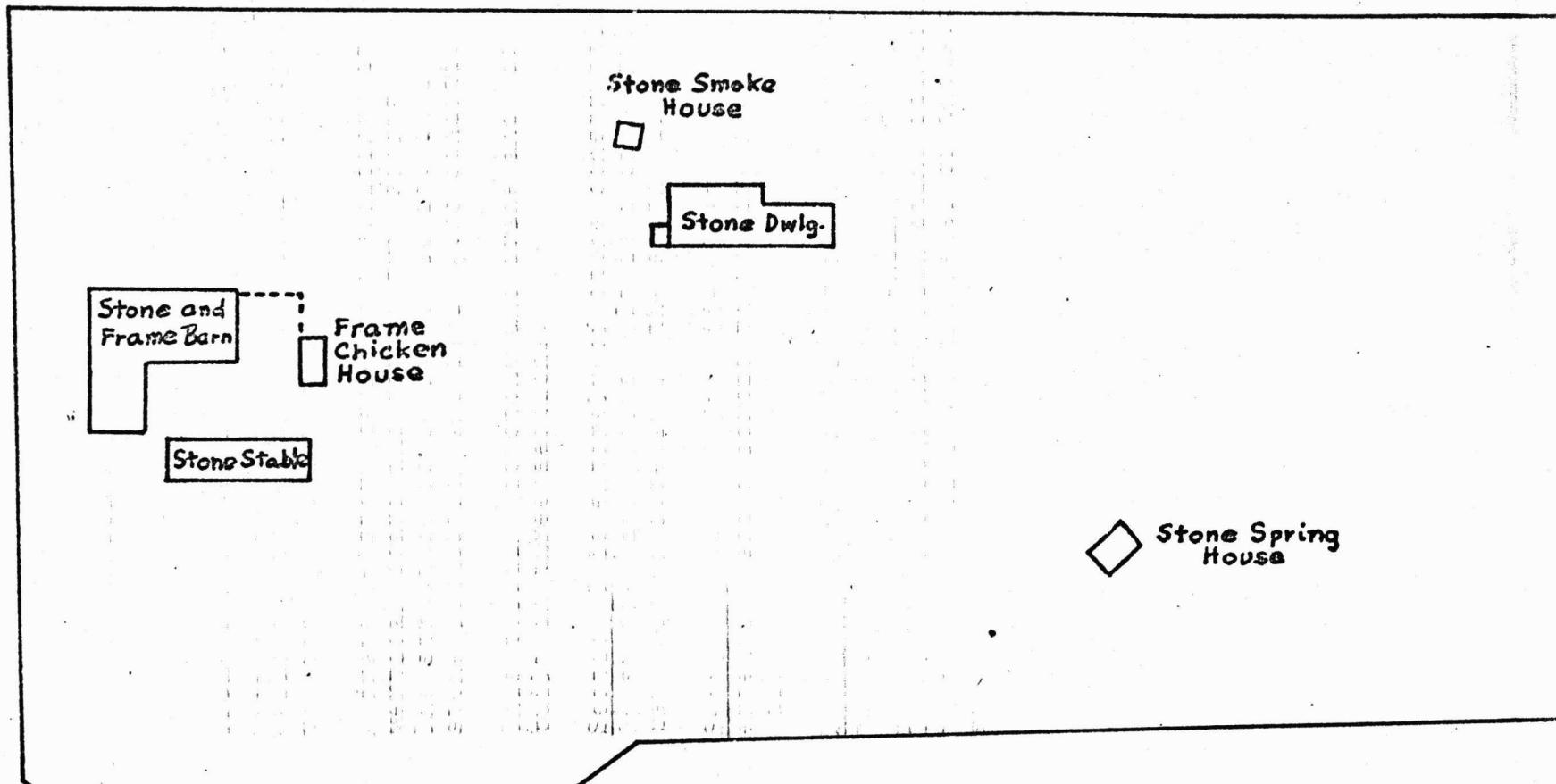
(3) South 78 degrees 57 minutes 03 seconds East, 210.22 feet to an iron pin, on the North side of Braeburn Lane (50 feet wide).

(4) Following along the North side of Braeburn Lane, North 59 degrees 09 minutes 32 seconds East, 314.71 feet to an iron pin, a point of curvature, a corner of Lot No. 10, "Brookside".

(5) Following along Lot No. 10 and partially along Lot No. 11 and continuing along the North side of Braeburn Lane on the arc of a circle curving to the right having a radius of 305.00 feet, the arc distance of 131.75 feet to a point of tangency, a corner of Lot No. 11, "Brookside".

(6) Following along the same, and crossing Whitman Drive (60 feet wide) North 83 degrees 54 minutes 32 seconds East, 190.17 feet to an iron pin, a point of curvature, a corner of Lot No. 18, "Brookside".

Plot Plan of Twining Farm



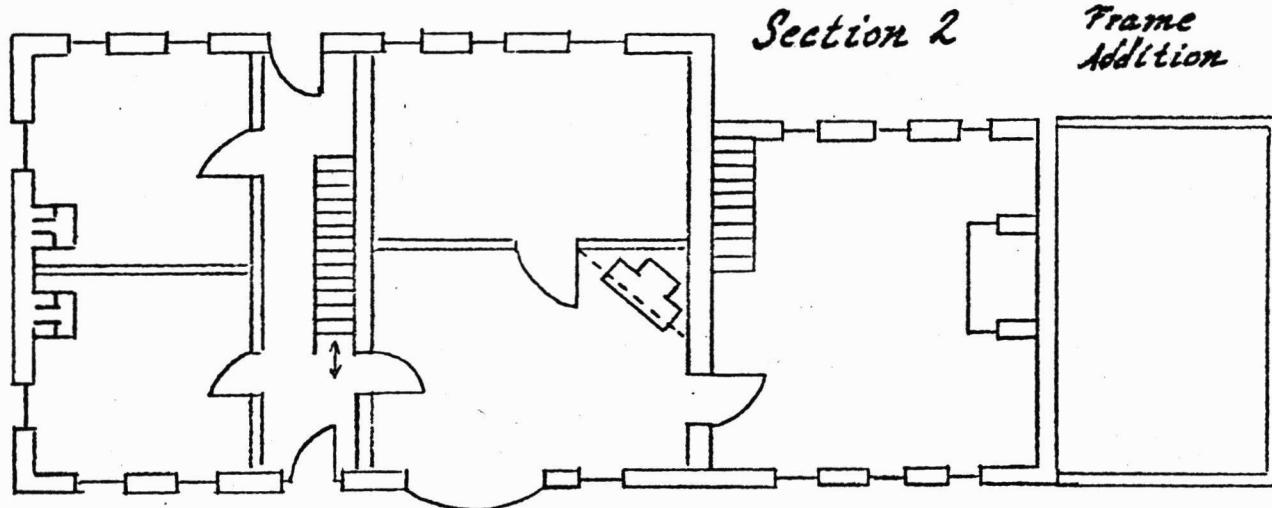
Scale 1" = 50'

Twining Farm
Bucks County
Site Map

MAY 28 1982

Floor Plan - First Floor

Section 1



RECEIVED
MAY 28 1982

NATIONAL
REGISTER

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

U.S. Department of the Interior

Substantive Review

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

82003766 2nd Control
82003766

Property: Twinay Farm
 State, County: PA Bucks
 Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 3-31-82-966
 Fed. Reg. Date: 2-1-83
 Date Due: 7/1/82
 Action: ACCEPT 7/1/82
 RETURN _____
 REJECT _____

resubmission
 nomination by person or local government
 owner objection
 appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Technical corrections requested by Register have been made.
 See previous ~~and~~ control/return sheet for reviewer's assessment.

Recom./Criteria B, C - Draft
 Reviewer Beebe
 Discipline _____
 Date _____
 see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		<input type="checkbox"/> date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 alterations/integrity
 dates
 boundary selection

8. Significance

Period **Areas of Significance—Check and justify below**

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UNIT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

National State Local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

date

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____

Date _____

Phone: 202 272 - 3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet.



NAME: Twining Farm
LOCATION: Newtown Township
TAX #29-9-5
DATE OF PHOTO: Feb., 1980
CREDIT: Thomas C. Mayer
NEGATIVE FILED: Newt. Jt. Hist. Comm.
DESCRIPTION: Southeast view of
Twining Farmhouse

MAY 28 1982



2
NAME: Twining Farm
LOCATION: Newtown Township
TAX # 29-9-5 **MAY 28 1982**
DATE OF PHOTO: Feb., 1980
CREDIT: Thomas C. Mayer
NEGATIVE FILED: Newt. Jt. Hist. Comm
DESCRIPTION: South facade of
Twining Farmhouse showing placement
of window and door openings



3

NAME: Twining Farm
LOCATION: Newtown Township
TAX # 29-9-5
DATE OF PHOTO: Feb., 1980
CREDIT: Thomas C. Mayer
NEGATIVE FILED: Newt. Jt. Hist. Comm.
DESCRIPTION: East gable end of ~~old~~
stone barn and frame outbuilding

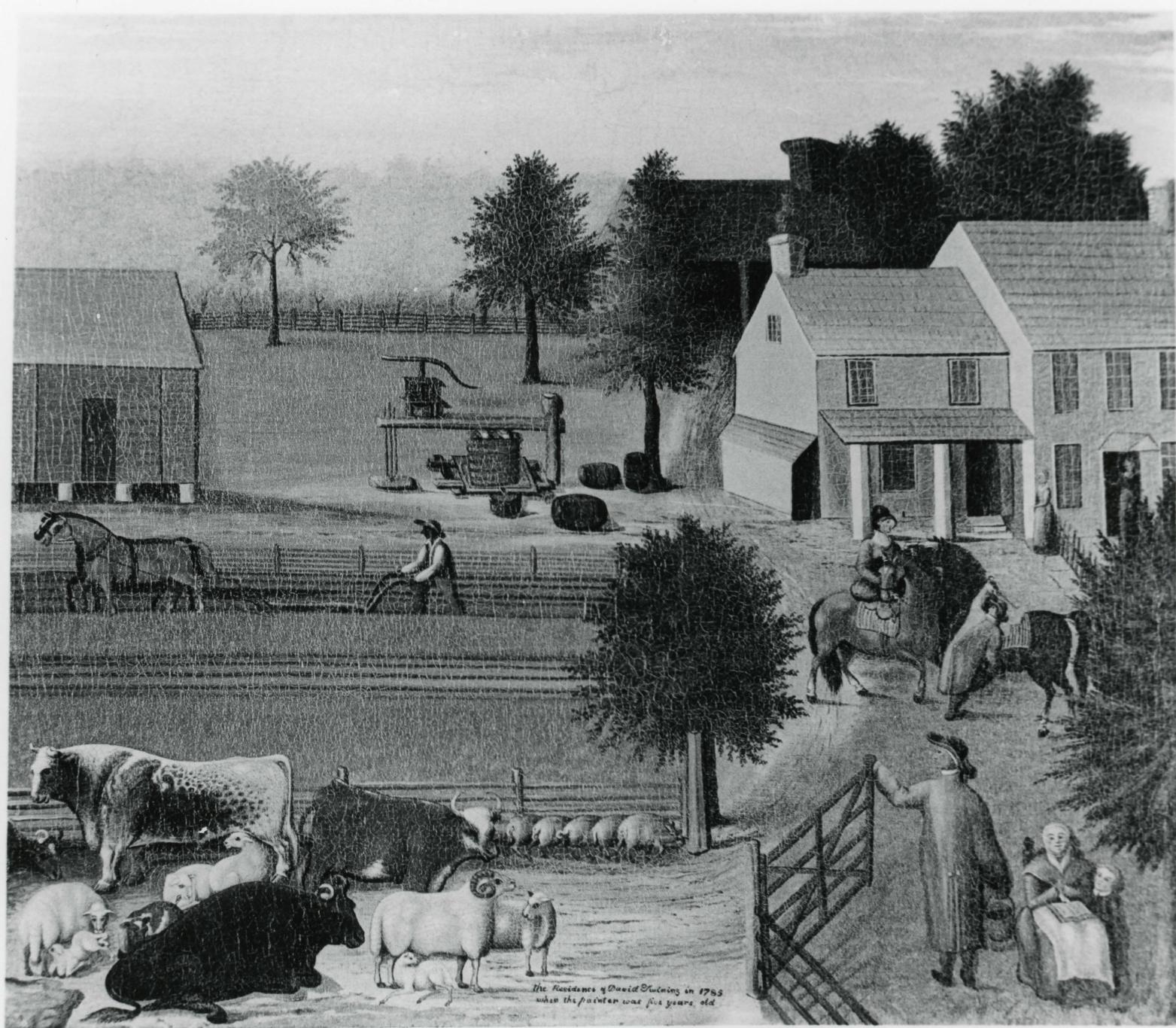
MAY 28 1982



4

NAME: Twining Farm
LOCATION: Newtown Township
TAX # 29-9-5
DATE OF PHOTO: Feb., 1980
CREDIT: Thomas C. Mayer
NEGATIVE FILED: Newtown Jt. Hist. Com
DESCRIPTION: Stone smokehouse with
hip roof, old wooden door with strap
hinges

MAY 28 1982

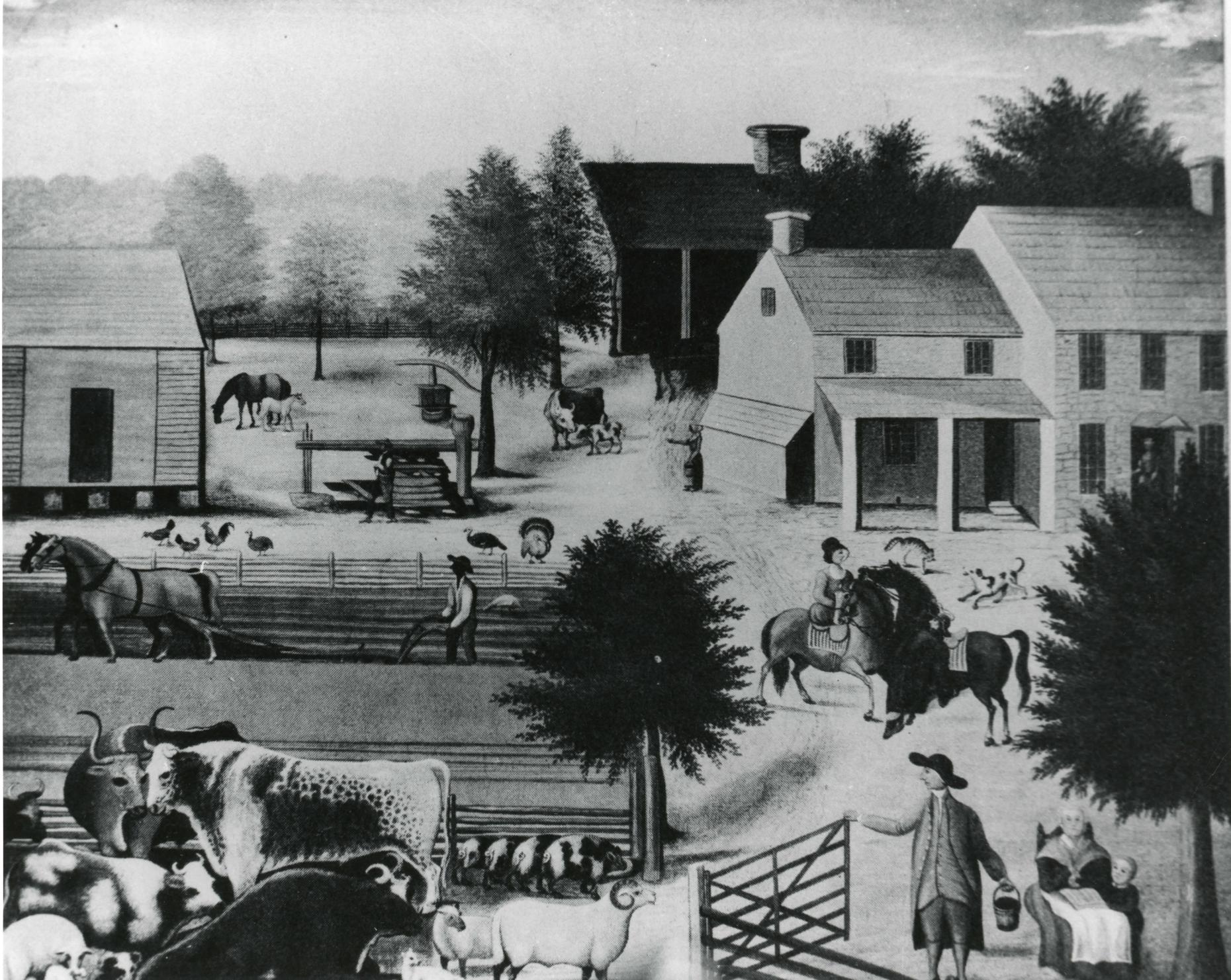


21. THE RESIDENCE OF DAVID TWINING IN 1785. c. 1845-48.

Collection Museum of Art, Carnegie Institute:

Howard N. Eavenson Americana Collection.

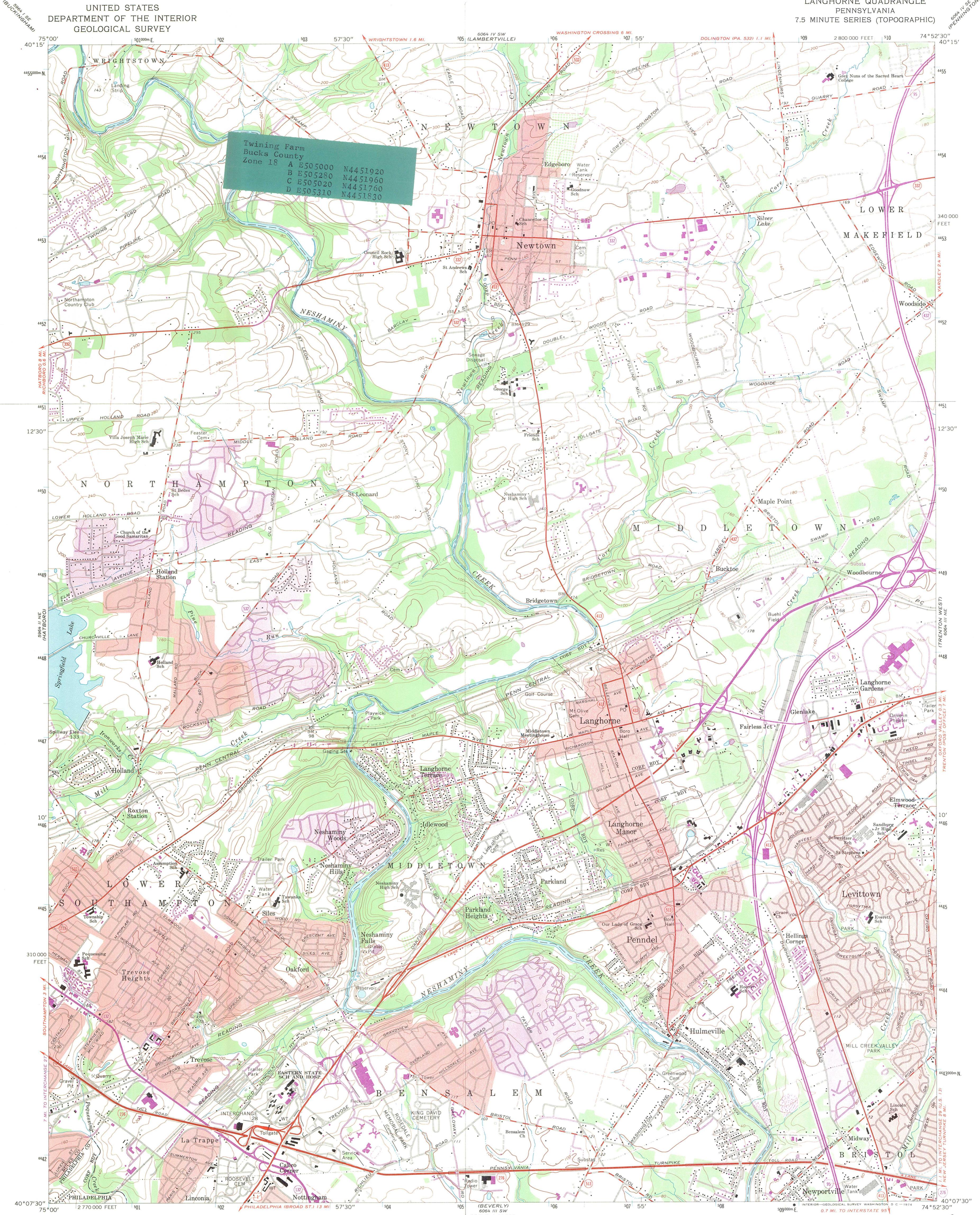
NAME: TWINING FARM PAINTING, Hicks
LOCATION: Buck Road, Newtown Twp.
TAX # 29-9-5 **MAY 28 1982**
DATE OF PHOTO: April 1980
CREDIT: Kathryn Auerbach
NEGATIVE FILED: Bucks C. Conservancy
DESCRIPTION: "The Residence of David
Twining in 1785". c. 1845-48. Artist:
Edward Hicks. Collection Museum of Art,
Carnegie Institute: Eavenson Collection.



NAME: TWINING FARM PAINTING, Hicks
LOCATION: Buck Road, Newtown Twp.
TAX # 29-9-5
DATE OF PHOTO: April 1980
CREDIT: Kathryn Auerbach
NEGATIVE FILED: Bucks C. Conservancy
DESCRIPTION: "The Residence of David
Twining 1787". c.1845-48. Artist: Ed-
ward Hicks. Abby Aldrich Rockefeller
Folk Art Collection, Williamsburg, VA

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

LANGHORNE QUADRANGLE
PENNSYLVANIA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



Edited and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS

Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1942. Field checked 1942
Revised by the Geological Survey from aerial photographs
taken 1965. Field checked 1966

Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks
zone 18, shown in blue

Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown

SCALE 1:240,000
1 MILE
1000 0 1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET
1 0 1 KILOMETER

CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

UTM GRID AND 1973 MAGNETIC NORTH
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

10°18' 187 MILS
0°02' 1 MIL

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20242
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

RECEIVED
MAY 28 1982
NATIONAL
REGISTER



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy duty — Light duty —
Medium-duty — Unimproved dirt —
Interstate Route — U.S. Route — State Route —

LANGHORNE, PA.

N4007.5—W7452.5/7.5

1966
PHOTOREVISED 1973
AMS 6064 III NW—SERIES V831

Revisions shown in purple compiled by the Geological Survey from
aerial photographs taken 1973. This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
WILLIAM PENN MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES BUILDING
BOX 1026
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

March 24, 1982

Ms. Carol Shull, Acting Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
Department of Interior
440 G Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20243

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed are four National Register forms to be considered for placement on the National Register: The Touraine, Philadelphia County, Mayfair House, Philadelphia County, Spring Valley Village Historic District, Bucks County and Twining Farm, Bucks County. Also enclosed is the Samuel Stewart Lyons Farmstead, Centre County for which we are requesting a Determination of Eligibility.

If you have any questions concerning these properties, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Susan M. Zacher
Susan M. Zacher
National Register Coordinator
Bureau for Historic Preservation

Enclosure

SMZ/tg



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
WILLIAM PENN MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES BUILDING
BOX 1026
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

October 28, 1982

Mr. Jerry Rogers, Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
U.S. Department of Interior
National Park Service
440 G Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20243

Re: Twining Farm
Bucks County, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rogers:

We have received notification that the ownership of Twining Farm, listed on the National Register on July 1, 1982 has changed.

New owners: Choice Communities
Barclay Street
Newtown, Pennsylvania 18940

Please amend your records to reflect this change. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Zacher
National Register Coordinator
Division of Preservation Services
Bureau for Historic Preservation
(717) 783-8947

cc: K. A. Auerbach,
Bucks Co. Conservancy

SMZ:jk



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
WILLIAM PENN MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES BUILDING
BOX 1026
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

May 17, 1982

RECEIVED

Carol Shull, Acting Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
Department of Interior
440 G Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20243

MAY 28 1982
NATIONAL
REGISTER

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed please find a resubmission of the Twining Farm for placement on the National Register of Historic Places. All documentation is enclosed and if you should have any questions concerning the form, please call me at 717-783-9926.

Sincerely yours,

Susan M. Zacher

Susan M. Zacher
National Register Coordinator
Bureau for Historic Preservation

Enclosure

SMZ/tlg