

From Sarah Brown McCulloch's *Guilford: A Walking Guide* (2012):

**Joel and Lucy Griswold, 264 State Street, 1793.**

It is surprising for a house to be listed as belonging to a husband and his wife. In this case Joel Griswold built their house on a part of the homelot which belonged to Lucy's parents. She was born July 3, 1770, the second daughter of Samuel Lee, Jr., and his wife, Agnes Dickinson. The Lees are famous in the annals of Guilford history because of the stories passed down about their experiences during the Revolution (see 1 North Street). Lee descendants owned this property for many years. This story-and-a-half house is a type that appears in Guilford toward the end of the eighteenth century. Providing headroom for a fully finished room plus an attic, it marks a rising level of prosperity and amenity in American life after the Revolution. The Greek Revival door probably belongs to the 1840s or 1850s, and the paired windows beside it have the look of a later alteration.