

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) Alfred Blatchley House
 Building Name (Historic) Alfred Blatchley House
 Street Address or Location 60 Boston Post Road
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) David and Kathleen Jones Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: single dwelling
 Historic Use: Residential: single dwelling

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? Yes No

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Greek Revival Date of Construction 1847 (Helander)

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Structural System

- Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
 Other _____

Roof (Type)

- Gable Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth
 Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other _____

(Material)

- Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate Asphalt Shingle
 Built up Tile Other _____

Number of Stories: 2 1/2 Approximate Dimensions 27' x 25'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? _____

Alterations? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)**Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- Barn Shed Garage Carriage House Shop Garden
 Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- Open land Woodland Residential Commercial Industrial Rural
 High building density Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

This property is a 0.66 acre parcel that sits on the south side of Boston Post Road. A driveway extends to the south off Boston Post Road on the west side of the house, terminating in a parking area in the rear of the house. A studio is at the rear of the house, just to the southeast. Surrounding the property are late nineteenth century and twentieth century dwellings as well as commercial properties. (See continuation sheet)

- Other notable features of building or site (Interior and/or Exterior)

This is a two and a half story Greek Revival style dwelling with a front-gable roof. The house is sheathed in clapboard siding and the roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The three-bay façade faces north, and the main entry is on the right hand corner (west corner). It is surrounded by molding and a pediment. The fenestration consists of six-over-six double-hung sash windows. (See continuation sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Alfred Blatchley (Helander)

- Historical or Architectural importance:

This property was built in 1847 and the original owner was Alfred Blatchley who worked for Eber S. Hotchkiss. Alfred Blatchley was born c. 1806. He married Caroline Norton, and they had five children: Mary Jane, Catherine E., Philo M., Lewis W., and Caroline A. Blatchley. In the 1850 Federal Census records, Alfred Blatchley was listed as a ship builder. His son, Philo M. Blatchley, worked for his father and Eber Hotchkiss. He was both a ship carpenter and a fisherman throughout his life. He died in 1929 at the age of 91. (See continuation sheet)

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property cards found at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=3052> accessed October 3, 2015. Helander, Joel; "A Treasury of Guilford Places"; Guilford, Connecticut; 2008. Ancestry.com. 1850 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Shore Line Times. 1929. "Obituaries." December 9, pg. 4.

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View Northeast view, camera facing southwest. Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Longitude & Latitude: 41.285539, -72.649415

Threats to the building or site:

- None known Highways Vandalism Developers Renewal Private
 Deterioration Zoning Other _____ Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

60 Boston Post Rd

Interrelationship of buildings and surroundings

The Madison town line and East River are just to the east of the property. The property is a mile and a half to the north of Long Island Sound and two miles to the northeast of the Guilford Green.

Other notable features of building or site

Along the east elevation is an open deck and a shed-roof dormer protrudes from the east slant of the roof. In the rear (on the south elevation) of the house is an addition. Greek Revival features include the door surround and overhanging eaves with return cornices.

Historical or Architectural importance

In 1846, Hotchkiss purchased property on the south side of Boston Post Road near East River Bridge from the heirs of Roswell Evarts. Here he set up Hotchkiss Shipyard and went to business with his son, T. Dwight Hotchkiss. Later on – they jointly owned two other businesses in town: a saw mill and the brick factory on High Street. In 1868 due to the railroad and the Civil War – the Hotchkiss Shipyard closed. Throughout it's time the shipyard built and launched 32 vessels including sloops, schooners, barks, and ships.

Later owners include James Rogers (1876), Stanley Lewandowski (1910), and Sophia Majeska.

