

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,  
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\* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Building Name (Common) 49 Edwards Street  
 Building Name (Historic) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address or Location 49 Edwards Street  
 Town/City Guilford Village \_\_\_\_\_ County New Haven  
 Owner(s) Scott and Carole Firth  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 Colonial Revival Date of Construction 1947-1948

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

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|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard             | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding        | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick       | <input checked="" 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: 1 1/2 Approximate Dimensions 30' x 30'

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: Addition added to west elevation.

**FOR OFFICE USE:** Town # \_\_\_\_\_ Site # \_\_\_\_\_ UTM \_\_\_\_\_

District:  S  NR  If NR, Specify:  Actual  Potential

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**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 consists of 0.25 acres of land on the south side of Edwards Street. A driveway extends to the south off the road and terminates in front of (to the north of) the garage. The garage is to the southeast of the house. The property is on the corner of Edwards Street and Nut Plains Road. Less than a mile to the south is Nut Plains Cemetery and a mile to the northwest is Guilford Lakes Elementary School. (See continuation sheet)

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

This is a one-story, side-gable Colonial Revival cape style dwelling with an attic. It is sheathed in wood shingle siding with asphalt shingles on the roof. The facade faces north and the main entry is centered on this side. It is reached by stone steps. The door includes a simple entablature door surround. An addition is attached to the west elevation of the house, extending to the west. Fenestration includes six-over-six double-hung windows. (See continuation sheet)

Architect \_\_\_\_\_ Builder Edward Dohm (Helander)

- Historical or Architectural importance:

According to a 1948 Developer's Map found at the Town Clerk's office, this house was built before the map was created. This street was developed by Edward and Anna Dohm in the late-1940s. The houses were built between 1947-1956 (Helander). Originally this subdivision was named "Ridgecroft," but it is now known by residents as "Dohmville." The owner of the property in 1947 was Robert E. Dearden. Dearden was born in 1919 in Massachusetts to Robert and Margaret Forbes Dearden. He married Marjorie Anderson in 1944 and had three children. Dearden served in the Air Force during World War II, and he worked for Sturm Ruger Company for 22 years. He died at the age of 62 in 1982 and is buried in the Nut Plains Cemetery.

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property records accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=5822> on November 7, 2015. Hahn, Frederick C. Developer's Map Number 248. Accessed at the Guilford Town Clerk's Office. Shore Line Times. "Obituaries." October 7, 1982, pg. 24. Ancestry.com, accessed 11/7/2015. Helander, Joel, Email Correspondence, November 23, 2015.

Photographer Kristen Nietering Date 6/27/2015

View North view of the house, camera facing south. Negative on File \_\_\_\_\_

Name Kristen Nietering Date 11/7/2015

Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance

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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude & Longitude: 41.31622, -72.677568

**Threats to the building or site:**

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

49 Edwards Street

**Interrelationship of building and surroundings**

Surrounding the property are twentieth century single-family dwellings.

**Other notable features of building or site**

Gable-roof dormers are on the north slope of the roof. A brick chimney protrudes from the center of the ridgeline.

