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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY – BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: National Register and State Register Coordinator,
State Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community Development,
450 Columbus Blvd., Suite 5, Hartford CT 06103
* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 112 Belden Hill Road

Building Name (Historic) _____

Street Address or Location 112 Belden Hill Road

Town/City Wilton Village _____ County Fairfield

Owner(s) Buffam, David ○ Public ◉ Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Single-family residence

Historic Use: Single-family residence

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 ca. 1929

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

☑ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☐ Brick ☑ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding
☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☑ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding
☐ Concrete (Type _____) ☐ Cut Stone (Type _____) ☐ 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 Saltbox

(Material)

☑ Wood Shingle ☐ Roll Asphalt ☐ Tin ☐ Slate ☐ Asphalt Shingle
☐ Built up ☐ Tile ☐ Other _____

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 43' x 22', w/31'x15', 14'x18', 41'x26'

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: None known.

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: pool

Surrounding Environment:

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

• Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

See continuation sheet.

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

See continuation sheet.

Architect N/A Builder N/A

• Historical or Architectural importance:

See continuation sheet.

• Sources:

See continuation sheet.

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• Subsequent field evaluations:

MBLU# 87/23 PID# 4251A

Threats to the building or site:

☑ None known ☐ Highways ☐ Vandalism ☐ Developers ☐ Renewal ☐ Private
☐ Deterioration ☐ Zoning ☐ Other ____ ☐ Explanation ____

CONTINUATION SHEET: 112 Belden Hill Road, Wilton, CT

Photograph of 112 Belden Hill Road, view facing southeast. (Photograph Vision Appraisal)

Interrelationship of Building and Surroundings:

This house is located on the east side of Belden Hill Road approximately 1000 feet south of the intersection of Belden Hill and Drum Hill roads. It is set back roughly 500' from Belden Hill Road and a paved driveway leads from the street along the north side of the house. The driveway is flanked by a large lawn that is edged on the south by a dense grouping of mature trees. A garage and a pool are located east of the house and the yard is landscaped with manicured hedgerows and specimen trees. The neighborhood features houses set on large, private lots.

Other Notable Features of Buildings or Site:

The house at 112 Belden Hill Road is a two-story, wood-frame Colonial Revival-style residence built in 1929. The main block is oriented with the ridgeline of the gabled main block set perpendicular to the street (north-south). A gambrel-roofed ell extends from the north elevation and is oriented in the north-south direction. This ell connects to a second, smaller north-south oriented wing with a saltbox roofline. The main block and saltbox ell are clad in wide clapboards and the gambrel-roofed ell is clad in wooden shingle siding. The roof is clad in wooden shingles throughout. The main block is seven bays wide with a central

entrance. Twin interior brick chimneys extend above the ridgeline and there are narrow overhangs of the roof at the eaves. A wide band of cornice trim lines the eave. The primary entrance is located on the main block and is shielded by a gabled portico supported by Tuscan columns. The door is flanked by three-quarter sidelights and is topped by a fanlight transom. Windows on this block are six-over-six double-hung sash on the second story and six-over-nine double-hung sash on the first story. A tall, chamfered brick chimney is located centrally along the ridge of the gambrel-roofed ell and there are shed-roofed dormers on the front and rear elevations. He entire structure is set on a stone foundation.

Historical and Architectural Importance:

This house was most likely built for Dr. James Pedersen, who is listed as owner on the 1931 Dolph & Stewart Atlas of Fairfield County. Pedersen was 75 years of age in 1940 census and lived there with his wife Anne (70), daughter Ruth (37), Marjorie daughter (37), Florence Moore, who was listed as a guest (50) and maid Marie Boxa, who was born in Czechoslovakia. According to the 1940 census, Pedersen was born in New York and was working in private practice in 1940. Despite his age, he reported that he worked 112 hours in the week prior to the census being taken. By 1950, Allen C. Eustis, Jr. is shown as owner of the house (A. C. Eustus). Lived from 1904-1974. Eustis was a stockbroker born in Louisiana in 1904. He lived in New York in 1930 and served in the Army during WWII. The 1952 Wilton directory indicates that he was an executive working in New York. The Eustis family were still living at 112 Belden Hill in 1960, but records indicate that Mr. Eustis died in Arizona in 1974. This house is an excellent example of the Colonial Revival style which incorporated elements of Georgian Colonial architecture. The side gabled main block with symmetrically-placed openings and central entrance incorporating classical elements are character defining features. The gambrel-roofed and saltbox-roofed ells are further influences of the Colonial era that were carried forth in this design.

Sources:

Wilton Assessor's Records on Vision Appraisal; U.S. Federal Census Records, 1900-1940; "Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1909," C.C. Wood, C.E.; "Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1922," Robt. F. Thorley; "Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1929," W.E. Godfrey, Surveyor; "Atlas of Fairfield County, Conn., 1931," Dolph & Stewart, Publishers, New York: NY; "Residents of Wilton, Conn. (As of July 1, 1937), 1937," Town of Wilton, CT; "Atlas of Fairfield County, Conn., 1942," Dolph & Stewart, Publishers, New York: NY; "Wilton, Connecticut, Directory Map, 1950," Town Planning Committee, Wilton: CT; Westport, Saugatuck, Greens, Weston, Wilton Directory, The Price & Lee Co., New Haven, CT, 1933-1963.