

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,
One Constitution Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hartford CT 06103

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) Scribner House
Building Name (Historic) Jacob Scribner House
Street Address or Location 125 Scribner Hill Road
Town/City Wilton Village _____ County Fairfield
Owner(s) Dunn, Lisa A ☐ Public ☒ Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: residence
Historic Use: residence

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

Interior accessible? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Vernacular Date of Construction c. 1845

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 _____

(Material)

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

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 29 x 33 ells

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:

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.

Photographer Mary E. McCahon Date 4/89

View _____ Negative on File CTSHPO

Name Mary E. McCahon Date 5/89

Organization Wilton Historical Society

Address 249 Danbury Road, Wilton, CT 06897

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET 125 Scribner Hill Road, Wilton



Photograph 125 Scribner Hill Road View Northwest

Interrelationship of Buildings and Surroundings

Set on a rocky steep hilltop lot, the house is oriented to the southeast, with a dramatic vista to the east.

Other Notable Features or Buildings on the Site

The diminutive two-story, three-bay, vernacular dwelling survives basically unaltered. Simply detailed with circular-headed windows in the gable-ends, and six-over-six windows placed functionally rather than symmetrically, the house has an original one-story, lean-to ell on the rear and a shed roofed porch with plain posts shelters the façade. A small-plank-sided outbuilding has been moved up to the east side of the house. The overhanging roof is finished with continuous boxed eaves.

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125 Scribner Hill Road, Wilton

Historical and Architectural Importance

The well preserved, vernacular house was apparently built ca. 1845. Betsy Scribner, wife of Jacob Scribner, and her children Ann, Harriet and William took title to a parcel of land with buildings thereon and bounded on three sided by the highway from Jasper Olmstead (10:50). Betsy conveyed the property to her daughter Ann Scribner Gaines in 1892, and she conveyed it to William F. Scribner (exact relationship unknown; he is possibly her nephew) in 1901. William was a wire weaver for Gilbert & Bennett Manufacturing Company, and the family were members of Zion's Hill Methodist Episcopal Church. The children, including Florence Scribner Youngquist (1898-1986) who inherited the house from her father in 1947, attended Cannondale School. Mrs. Youngquist went on the a few years of school at Norwalk High School and then returned to Cannondale to work for Gregory's General Merchandise Store until she was married. The house is one of the best preserved vernacular dwellings in Wilton, due in large part to it remaining in the same family since 1846. It is currently owned by Florence S. Youngquist's son Kenneth. The house is an important example of 19th century vernacular architecture.

Sources

Wilton Historical Society. Cannondale A Connecticut Neighborhood. 1987.
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Wilton Land Records