### Historic Inventory of Jacob Philip Heintz House

**7356 Becker Road**

**Thematic Category:**
- 16. Modified Bungalow

**Date(s) or Period Constructed:**
- 17. c. 1905

**Style or Design:**
- 18. Frame

**Architect or Engineer:**
- 19. Unknown

**Contractor or Builder:**
- 20. Unknown

**Original Use, if apparent:**
- 21. Residence (Prior)

**Present Use:**
- 22. Residence

**Ownership:**
- 23. Public

**Owner's Name & Address:**

**Open to Public:**
- 25. No

**Local Contact Person or Organization:**
- 26. No

**Condition Interior:**
- 27. Good

**Condition Exterior:**
- 28. Good

**Foundation Material:**
- 29. Stone

**Wall Construction:**
- 30. Frame

**Roof Type & Material:**
- 31. Gable, Comp.

**Wall Treatment:**
- 32. Clapboard

**Plan Shape:**
- 33. Rectangular

**Changes:**
- 34. No

**Endangered:**
- 35. No

**Published History:**
- 36. No

**Preservation Underway:**
- 37. No

**Endangered:**
- 38. No

**Visitable by Public:**
- 39. Yes

**Visible from Public Road:**
- 40. Yes

**Distance from and Frontage on Road:**
- 41. 1/44

**Further Description of Important Features:**
- Good example of vernacular craftsman architecture seems to have an older-style porch, but it is probably a recent reconstruction. It has latticework under the floor, turned balusters and turned posts. It has a wide front-facing gable with siding, and no bottom molding. The front steps are brick. Front windows are paired. Windows have 3 vertical panes over 1. A large gabled dormer has 3 windows and bracketed overhang. Side overhang of the roof also has brackets made like solid triangles. Foundation.

**History and Significance:**
- Maria J. Obear, the widow of Josiah H. Obear, sold 40 acres, the northwest quarter of Section 35, in 1882. The buyer was John Heintz, who owned considerable other property in the vicinity, including his homestead on the west side of Heintz Road in Section 15. In 1889 he sold this 40 acres plus an adjacent 40 to Jacob Philip Heintz for $2,500. Nothing in the records indicates that the Heintzes were related, although Jacob Philip may be the son Philip mentioned in John Heintz's probate records. (Continued)

**Sources of Information:**
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 3784 and 6270.
is broken-course rubble. A narrow brick chimney rises from the south side.

43. continued

Jacob Philip Heintz died on June 4, 1913, a month after John Heintz. He left a widow, three sons, and two daughters. His widow Anna Theresa lived until 1923. She had been married previously and had a son John Henry Mild in addition to her other five children. She left another farm she and Jacob Philip had owned in Section 11 to her sons Fred and Philip, but this farm was left in common to all six children, so presumably it was sold soon afterward.
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**Conrad Rode House**

7531 Becker Road

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**Further Description of Important Features**

A 1977 photo shows the front porch with a segmental-arched frieze and X-patterned balustrade. It presently has flat cornice and square balusters. South wing has clapboard siding replacing vertical barn siding. It has two bays with sliding windows. North wing has triple double-hung windows. Both have gable roofs and concrete foundations. Main house has a hipped roof with unusual standing-seam metal roof, a recent replacement for a very similar one. Windows are 1-over-1.

**History and Significance**

Clifton Heights was laid out in 1878. By 1893, lot 52 was owned by F. H. Miller, and the adjacent lot 54 was owned by Anna C. Schierhoff, the wife of Johan. The Schierhoffs must soon thereafter have bought Lot 52, because on January 14, 1895, they sold it to Conrad Rode (then spelled Rothe). Rode (1856-1937) had married Diana Schierhoff. After her death he married Clementine Schierhoff (1868-1914). They had one son and five daughters.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The house sits on a flat lawn dotted with old trees.

**Sources of Information**

St. Louis County Probate Court, case 12692.
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Plat Bk. 44, p. 42.
Conrad Rode House
7531 Becker Road

42. continued

front windows have non-working shutters. The front door, in the third bay from the left, is a modern hollow-core one in a wide surround.

43. continued

daughters. Presumably the house was built shortly after Rode bought the property, but it burned down (around the time of his second wife's death) and was rebuilt. In 1949 the land around the house was subdivided by Ellen V. Barhorst as Laytons Subdivision.
### Historic Inventory

**Jakob Boenzle House**

7680 Becker Road

#### 1. No. 3

#### 2. County
- St. Louis

#### 3. Location of Negatives
- St. Louis County Parks

#### 4. Present Name(s)
- Jakob Boenzle House

#### 5. Other Name(s)

#### 6. Specific Location
- 40.53 acres, West part of Lot 55, Clifton Heights

#### 7. City or Town
- Lemay Township

#### 8. Site Plan with North Arrow

#### 9. Coordinates
- UTM


#### 11. On National Register?
- Yes X

#### 12. Is It Eligible?
- Yes X

#### 13. Part of Estab?
- Yes X

#### 14. District?
- Yes X

#### 15. Name of Established District

#### 16. Thematic Category
- 1890's

#### 17. Date(s) or Period constructed
- 1890's

#### 18. Style or Design
- Victorian vernacular

#### 19. Architect or Engineer

#### 20. Contractor or Builder

#### 21. Original Use, if apparent residence
- No

#### 22. Present Use residence

#### 23. Ownership
- Public X

#### 24. Owner’s Name & Address, if known
- J. H. Berra Construction Co.
  5019 New Baumgartner Rd. 63129

#### 25. Open to Public?
- Yes X

#### 26. Local Contact Person or Organization

#### 27. Other Surveys in Which Included


#### 28. No of Stories
- 1½ - 1

#### 29. Basement?
- Yes X

#### 30. Foundation Material
- Stone

#### 31. Wall Construction
- Frame

#### 32. Roof Type & Material
- Gambrel, comp. 6B FT

#### 33. No. of Bays
- Front: 3

#### 34. Wall Treatment
- Asphalt treatment

#### 35. Plan Shape
- Irregular

#### 36. Changes
- Addition X

#### 37. Condition
- Interior: 5B S

#### 38. Preservation Underway?
- Yes X

#### 39. Endangered?
- Yes X

#### 40. Visible from Public Road?
- Yes X

#### 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road

#### 42. Further Description of Important Features
- Siding is intended to resemble narrow broken-course stonework. Front porch has front-facing gable on fat square columns. Porch railing has patterned slats. Windows downstairs are 2-over-2; upstairs 1-over-1. The rear wing is one story high, and there is a partly glazed side porch with shed roof.

#### 43. History and Significance
- This property has recently been sold to a developer who plans to demolish both this house and the earlier one at 280 Finestown Road. Both were built by Jakob Boenzle, a native of Bern, Switzerland. Born in 1828, he came to this country with his brother John, and after his brother's death married his brother's wife Dorothea, called Dora in probate records. The exact date of his purchase of this property has not been determined, but it must have been after 1893 when the county atlas shows Lot 55 as belonging to E.S. Bowlus.

#### 44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings

#### 45. Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 2991.

#### 46. Prepared by
- E. Hamilton

#### 47. Organization
- St. Louis County Parks

#### 48. Date
- 7/88

#### 49. Revision Date(s)
Jakob Boenzle House
7680 Becker Road

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(not N. S. Runge). Jacob Boenzle died in 1908 (not 1909). Arthur Boenzle, the son of Jacob and Dora, lived first in the Finestown Road house and then in this one. He survived until 1980. His daughter Lavern and her husband Vincent Schiller lived here until recently, when the entire property was sold to a developer.
Further Description of Important Features Since 1977 the house has been repainted and many double-hung windows have been replaced by casements. The siding, however, is very discolored. The front gable of the projecting wing has shaped bargeboards. The front porch of the main wing does not extend the full length of the wing, but has a hipped roof. Doors open onto the porch from both wings. The roofing is an old type of composition material with separately articulated eaves.  

History and Significance In the 1850's Michael Casper (1837-1877), a native of Darmstadt, assembled a farm of 70 acres here. Part of it was purchased from Robert C. Fine in 1857. The part where the house is located is the southwest fractional quarter of the southeast quarter of Section 34, which had been granted originally to Gabriel L. Apperson. The property remained in the Casper family until 1931. The absence of probate records makes study of deterioration difficult.  

Description of Environment and Outbuildings The house sits high above the road, and the yard is approached by a flight of steps.  

Sources of Information  
St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 198, p. 76; 1015, 620; 1151, 41; 7138, 1056; 7176, 1358.
Michael Casper House
7815 Becker Road

43. continued

the family difficult, but it appears that Michael Casper, Jr., inherited this part of the farm while his brother Henry acquired the western part at 7980 Fine Road. He died just before the sale of the farm to William H. and Rachel Harrison. Mr. Harrison died about 1979, and eleven of the twenty-four acres were sold to the present owner shortly thereafter.
LOTS 1, 2 & 3
W.H. HARRISON SUBD.
LOTS 4, 5 & 6 OF
W.H. HARRISON SUBD. PLAT 2
PT. OF SEC. 34 T.43N. R.6E.
John Kehrt House

4418 Butler Hill Road

16 Thematic Category

23 Ownership

41 . Distance from and Frontage on Road

17 Date(s) or Period constructed c. 1894

24 Owner's Name & Address, if known

42. Distance from and Frontage on Road
c. 125 ft./250 ft.

18 Style or Design vernacular

25 Open to Public?

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings

19. Architect or Engineer

26 Local Contact Person or Organization

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings County records show five outbuildings, mostly frame sheds, but including a brick summer kitchen, 16 x 16, just behind the house. A well on the east side of the house was once the sole source of water in the vicinity and was heavily used during a drought early in the century (1907?). An oak on the west rolling lawn received a "Liberty Tree" plaque.

20. Contractor or Builder John Kehrt

27 Other Surveys in Which Included

45. Sources of Information

21. Original Use, if apparent residence OIA

28 Exterior condition

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 49, page 276; 1264, 282; 3652, 48

22 Present Use residence

29 Preservation Underway?

St. Louis County Probate Court, estates 001365, 011441, 020494

46. Prepared by E. Hamilton

23 Ownership

50 Foundation Material stone

47. Organization St. Louis Co. Parks

48 Date 49 Revision Date(s)

32. Roof Type & Material gable, comp. shingle

51 Wall Construction common bond

49. Construction Techniques and Materials

34 Wall Treatment common bond

52 Plan Shape L

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36 Changes

40 Visible from Public Road?

54 Heritage, Architectural, and Historic Significance

37 Condition

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41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
c. 125 ft./250 ft.

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38 Preservation

56 Heritage, Architectural, and Historic Significance

43. History and Significance John Kehrt bought 20 acres (the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 9) from Mary Catharine and Charles Gebhard in April of 1891. According to his daughter Tillie Barth, he built the house in 1894. He was a small-scale farmer and a member of the Assumption Catholic Church in Mattesville. His economic status is suggested by the inventory made at the time of his death, when he left three horses, two wagons and a buggy, two hogs and a 1927 Chevrolet, wrecked. Six months before his death in 1934 he distributed his real estate to his

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St. Louis County Probate Court, estates 001365, 011441, 020494

46. Prepared by E. Hamilton

47. Organization St. Louis Co. Parks

48 Date 49 Revision Date(s)

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two sons and two daughters. Son William died the following year. Son Alois received the home farm. He died unmarried in 1949, having previously transferred title to his sister Emma H. Heitmann, the wife of Henry W. Heitmann, who lived in Affton. The Heitmanns sold the present lot to Harold and Marie Gokenbach in 1956. Mrs. Heitmann died in 1981. The elder daughter of John Kehrt, Tillie Barth, is still living.

certificate from the governor in 1976 as being more than 200 years old.

Marie Gokenbach, interviews with Lester Kehrt, grandson, and Tillie Barth, daughter

Inside this house that looks like a bungalow of circa 1910 is said to be a log cabin dating from the 1840's. Outside, however, the house has 1-over-1 windows and a verandah across the front. The verandah has recently been remodeled with unpainted posts and a board fence. A large shed-roof dormer has two windows. An outside basement entrance is on the south side of the building. There are two front doors.

### History and Significance

This lot was part of Survey 3317 which was originally confirmed to J. B. Dechamp. It seems to have had about 160 arpents. It was acquired by Joseph Robidoux, the founder of St. Joseph, Missouri, and sold by him in 1832 and 1839 to a syndicate of 5 men who divided it. Part was acquired by Wilhelmina Kiel and her husband William in the 1840's and sold by them to Heinrich Mund in 1849. Another part later became Koch Hospital. Henry or Heinrich Mund was a native of Hanover, Germany. His marriage in 1845 to Christine Pape at the corner of Toulon. A gable-roofed frame garage opens onto Toulon.

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

The house is now on a small lot in a modern subdivision at the corner of Toulon. A gable-roofed frame garage opens onto Toulon.

### Sources of Information

- St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Book S, p. 19, G3, 10; A5, 104; R6, 453.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 2164, 4791, will 5596.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 6718, p. 1328.
was the first recorded at nearby St. Paul's Church. They had four sons and four daughters, but Charles and Annie, both of whom were living in 1917, were for some reason not mentioned when Heinrich died in 1882. This farm was acquired by Dietrich, a younger son, who in turn passed it on to his nephew Dietrich H. Keeling or Koelling. Dietrich was a son of Catherine Keeling, who died before her father, Heinrich; her children Annie, Henry, Herman, Richard and Amelia are mentioned in Heinrich's probate records, but not Dietrich. Dietrich H. Koelling died in 1978. He had already sold this property, however, as it passed in 1974 from Linda G. and Norbert Merz to the present owners. It has been substantially modernized since 1977.
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** Foundations of a Community (1977), III, p. 16.**

** Further Description of Important Features:**
The original part of this house is the center, which has a gable facing west and a large gabled dormer facing east. The west front has a full-length glazed porch with the entry at the south end, a glazed door with sidelights and toplight. The east front has been extended by a flat-roofed wing with bow windows and sliding glass doors. It is surmounted by a white-painted wrought-iron railing. South of the main house is a one-story wing with a low hipped roof and a louvered cupola. It has large picture windows on.

** History and Significance: **
The original house looks in old photos like it must have been built by contractor William Baumgartner, who built many similar ones in the Clifton Heights area. He may have built around an older log core. Anna Schierhoff bought Lot 46 of Clifton Heights in 1893 from Charles LeBourgeois, the husband of Lucretia Blow, one of the original subdividers. She had already purchased Lots 51 and 54 nearby in 1889. At her death in 1914, she was survived by her husband John H. (not William) and 7 children. One was (continued).

** Sources of Information:**

- St. Louis County Probate Court, Anna Schierhoff, filed 12-1-1914.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 41, pp. 564 & 565; 57, 8; 67, 148.
- jac99 (1977), III, p. 16.

** Preceded by:**

- E. Hamilton

** Organization:**

- St. Louis County Parks

** Date:**

- 7/88

** Revision Date(s):**

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Schierhoff-Schaeffer House
Evergreen Acres, 2921 Christopher Drive

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both sides. Still closer to the road is another one-story wing with a gabled roof at right angles to the others. It has a tall chimney with double stacks turned at 45° to the base.

43. continued

Clementina Rode, who lived in the surviving house at 7531 Becker Avenue. Anna wanted this property to go to her eldest son William after her husband's death, and Lot 54 to her second son Frank (1896-1949), but Frank and his wife Anna (Gebhardt) eventually inherited this lot too. It was sold in 1951 to Mr. & Mrs. Carl Schaeffer, who remodeled and enlarged the house extensively.
Carl Wilhelm Luther House

6312 or 6320 Christopher Drive

**16 Thematic Category**
- Queen Anne

**17 Date(s) or Period**
- Constructed c. 1895

**18 Style or Design**
- Queen Anne

**19 Architect or Engineer**
- 49

**20 Contractor or Builder**
- "A"

**21 Original Use, if apparent"**
- Residence

**22 Present Use**
- Residence

**23 Ownership**
- Public

**24 Owner's Name & Address**
- E. Hamilton

**25 Open to Public**
- Yes

**26 Local Contact Person or Organization**
- Carl Peter L. Schneller, Trustee

**27 Other Surveys in Which Included**

**28 No of Stories**
- 1½

**29 Basement**
- Yes

**30 Foundation Material**
- Stone

**31 Wall Construction**
- Frame

**32 Roof Type & Material**
- Gable, hip, comp. slate

**33 No. of Bays**
- Front 3, Side 5

**34 Wall Treatment**
- Snapboard

**35 Plan Shape**
- Irregular

**36 Changes Addition**
- Yes

**37 Condition**
- Exterior excellent

**38 Preservation Underway**
- Yes

**39 Endangered**
- Yes

**40 Visible from Public Road**
- Yes

**41 Distance from and Frontage on Road**
- 3

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**Further Description of Important Features**

This house was built in at least two parts. The front part has a projecting center bay with paired windows and a front gable. The gable has returns and a sunburst above the window. There are hipped dormers with square windows on both sides. Both cross wings have front verandas approached by steps across their full widths and leading to side doors. The porches have simplified Tuscan columns and half-column returns. The south wing also has a rear veranda. The north wing is tied into the second part of the house.

**History and Significance**

Carl Wilhelm Luther bought Lot 9 of the Clifton Heights Subdivision from Peter Blow in 1879. In 1888 he also acquired the adjacent Lot 18. This house may go back to Luther’s first occupation of the property, but in appearance it is more like the other cottages built in the 1890’s by local contractor William Baumgartner, including the front gable and paired windows. Luther was a native of Saxony who came to the United States in 1847 with his parents. He married Anna Geldbach in 1866. They had 6 sons and 1 daughter.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

This house is at the front of a large field that extends south to Grimsley Station Road. The property is just south of the point where Christopher Drive meets Telegraph Road. A large collection of semiderelict unpainted farm buildings stands behind the house along with one gabled clapboarded shed painted white.

**Sources of Information**


St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 4199 and 31495.

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 8, p. 382; 37, 283; 359, 636; 7688, 2434.

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**Prepared by**
- E. Hamilton

**Organization**
- St. Louis County Parks

**Date**
- 7/88

**Revision Date(s)**
- 49
Carl Wilhelm Luther House  
6312 or 6320 Christopher Drive

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a two-bay by one-bay wing of two full stories with a hipped roof. It has an entry under a gable-roof opening south. On the main side is a brick chimney, and two other chimneys are inside the house.

43. continued

Louisa, who married George Studer. Sons Edmund William, Jr., and Edward built houses near here. Both William and William, Jr., died in 1915, and in 1918 Charles J. Schneller, Jr., bought most of the Luther farm. Schneller died in 1961 at the age of 77, leaving this property to his son Emerald C. H. Schneller. In 1984 Emerald and his wife Myrtle deeded the farm to their son Richard, retaining life tenancy.
### Nicholas Traxler House

**6450 Christopher**

#### Further Description of Important Features

Although the house is supposed to date from the 1880's, all exterior surfaces are newer. Composition bricks form an exterior wainscotting around the base of the house and outline the windows. A framework of boards outlines the corners and floorlines. Windows are 6-over-6. The front porch is new within the decade. It fits the corner of the house, with shed roofs, square posts, and latticework used as railings and under the floor.

#### History and Significance

Nicholas Traxler of the City of St. Louis bought this property from Johan and Louisa Schulmeister in 1887, paying $925. The Clifton Heights Subdivision had been laid out by the children of Henry Blow in 1879. Traxler is said to have come from the Lorraine region of France, where he fought in the Franco-Prussian War. He lived here until after 1909. The present appearance of the house seems to be the work of the present owner.

#### Sources of Information

- Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 3.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 33, p. 530.
- St. Louis County Parks

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**Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 3.**

- Nicholas Traxler House
- 6450 Christopher
- St. Louis County Parks

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**Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102**

**HISTORIC INVENTORY**

**SL AS-019-009**

1. **No.**
2. **County.** St. Louis
3. **Location of Negatives.** St. Louis County Parks
4. **Specific Location.** .57 acres, parts of Lots 18 & 19, Clifton Heights.
5. **City of Town.** Lemay Township
6. **Other Name(s).**

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**Coordinates**

- **UTM:**
- **Location:**

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**Specific Location**

- **City of Town:** Lemay Township
- **Site Plan with North Arrow:**

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**Site Plan with North Arrow**

10. **Site 1:**
   - **Building:**
   - **Structure:**

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11. **On National Register?** Yes
12. **Is Eligible?** Yes
13. **Part of Established Historic District?** Yes
14. **District Potentially Eligible?** No
15. **Name of Established District:**

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16. **Thematic Category:**
17. **Date(s) or Period Constructed:** c. 1880
18. **Style or Design:** Vernacular
19. **Architect or Engineer:**
20. **Contractor or Builder:**
21. **Original Use, if apparent:** Residence
22. **Present Use:** Residence
23. **Ownership:** Public
24. **Owner's Name & Address:** Benjamin F. Luebbers
25. **Open to Public?** Yes
26. **Local Contact Person or Organization:**
    - **Title:** Foundations of a Community
    - **Date:** 1977
27. **Other Surveys in Which Included:**
28. **No. of Stories:** 1½ - 1
29. **Basement?** Yes
30. **Foundation Material:** Stone
31. **Wall Construction:** Frame
32. **Roof Type & Material:** Cross gable
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33. **No. of Bays:**
   - **Front:** 2
   - **Side:** 4
34. **Wall Treatment:** Stucco, brick
35. **Plan Shape:** L-shaped
36. **Changes:**
   - **Description:**
   - **Purpose:** Moved
37. **Condition:**
   - **Interior:**
   - **Exterior:** Good
38. **Preservation Underway?** Yes
39. **Endangered?** Yes
40. **Visible from Public Road?** Yes
41. **Distance from and Frontage on Road:** 1/100

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**History and Significance**

Nicholas Traxler of the City of St. Louis bought this property from Johan and Louisa Schulmeister in 1887, paying $925. The Clifton Heights Subdivision had been laid out by the children of Henry Blow in 1879. Traxler is said to have come from the Lorraine region of France, where he fought in the Franco-Prussian War. He lived here until after 1909. The present appearance of the house seems to be the work of the present owner.

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**Sources of Information**

- Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 3.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 33, p. 530.
Office of Historic Preservation, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

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Further Description of Important Features: Small house has a partial 2nd floor lighted from front and end gables. The front porch has a pedimented gable with returns, a frieze with an American eagle on it, and Tuscan columns. The pediment has a pattern of vertical strips, and similar strips, like horizontal ladders, form a frieze on the main house, broken by the front gable. Windows are 1-over-1. The rear wing has a narrow porch on the south side. The south side of the main house has an outside basement entrance with the typical angled door.

History and Significance: Philip Eiler retired to this house when his son George married and took over operation of the Eiler farm. Gus Becker and his wife, the former Elsa Beyes, bought the farm in 1919. They later built a brick house north of this one. The contractors were brothers who lived in this vicinity. Eiler had purchased this property in 1899 following a suit among the Tanzberger heirs, paying a total of $5,334.37 for 40.73 acres. He died in 1916, leaving his wife Catherine this "homestead" of 6 acres, the other 34 acres to be sold. He left 4 sons, 2 daughters, grandchildren of 2 deceased daughters, and a stepson, Theodore Casper.

Sources of Information:
- St. Louis County Probate Court
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 111, p. 500.

Prepared by:
E. Hamilton
Organization: St. Louis County Parks
Date: 7/88
Revision Date(s): 1977, 1978
### Historic Inventory

**Location:** St. Louis County Parks

**Specific Location:** 2.25 acres, part of Lot 20, Clifton Heights SD

**City of Town:** Lemay Township

**Site Plan with North Arrow:**

**Dimensions:** 1901

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**No. of Stories:** 2½

**Foundation Material:** Stone

**Wall Construction:** Frame

**Roof Type & Material:** High hip, comp.

**No. of Bays:**
- Front: 5
- Side: 3½

**Wall Treatment:** None

**Site Plan with North Arrow:**

**Ownership:**
- Public
- Private

**Owner's Name & Address:**
- Mel R. & Martha C. Freese

**Open to Public:**
- Yes
- No

**Local Contact Person or Organization:**

**Condition:**
- Interior: Good
- Exterior: Good

**Preservation Underway:**

**Endangered:**
- Yes
- No

**Visible from Public Road:**
- Yes
- No

**Distance from Frontage on Road:** 380

**Historical and Significance:**

This house couldn't have been built as early as 1875, because Clifton Heights wasn't laid out until 1878. John Crecelius bought Lot 23 in 1880 and Lot 20 in 1882. By then Lot 20 already had some improvements on it, built by J. Charles Le Bourgeois and his wife Lucetia B. An old photo shows that the house originally had only a partial second story and a gable roof. It was enlarged circa 1898 by contractor William Baumgartner.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

This house is difficult to see because of the thick Norway spruces in the front yard. To the rear the property is more open.

**Sources of Information:**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 11, p. 279; 18, 367.

**Prepared by:**
- E. Hamilton

**Organization:**
- St. Louis County Parks

**Date:** 7/88
John Crecelius
6550 Christopher Drive

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whose brother Arthur was married to Crecelius's daughter Laura. Crecelius's name often appears in records of the era as an agent of the County probate court. The Crecelius family flourished in this area after the original settlement by William Christian Crecelius (1821-1871), the father of John. John Crecelius died in 1920, and his sons John L., Samuel J., and Edgar P. sold this property.
### Historic Inventory

**John S. Meyer House**

6890 to 6900 Christopher Road

#### 1. Title
- John S. Meyer House

#### 2. County
- St. Louis

#### 3. Location of Negatives
- St. Louis County Parks

#### 4. Present Name(s)
- John S. Meyer House

#### 5. Other Name(s)
- 6890 or 6900 Christopher Road

#### 6. Specific Location
- Lot 1 of a subdivision of Lot 3 of the subdivision of Lot 32 of Clifton Heights

#### 7. City or Town
- St. Louis

#### 8. Site with North Arrow
- Yes

#### 9. Coordinates
- UTM

#### 10. Site Structure
- Building X

#### 11. National Register
- Yes

#### 12. Is Eligible
- Yes

#### 13. Part of Established District
- Yes

#### 14. District
- Yes

#### 15. Name of Established District

#### 16. Thematic Category
- 1

#### 17. Date(s) or Period
- 1892

#### 18. Style or Design
- Vernacular Italianate

#### 19. Architect or Engineer
- 

#### 20. Contractor or Builder
- 

#### 21. Original Use, if apparent
- Residence

#### 22. Present Use
- Residence

#### 23. Ownership
- 

#### 24. Owner's Name & Address, if known
- 

#### 25. Open to Public?
- Yes

#### 26. Local Contact Person or Organization
- 

#### 27. Other Surveys in Which Included

#### 28. No of Stories
- 2

#### 29. Basement?
- Yes

#### 30. Foundation Material
- Stone

#### 31. Wall Construction
- Frame

#### 32. Roof Type & Material
- Gable, comp.

#### 33. No. of Bays
- Side

#### 34. Wall Treatment
- 

#### 35. Plan Shape
- Irregular

#### 36. Changes
- 

#### 37. Condition
- Exterior
- Good

#### 38. Preservation Underway?
- Yes

#### 39. Endangered?
- Yes

#### 40. Visible from Public Road?
- Yes

#### 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
- 100

#### 42. Further Description of Important Features
- House is unusual in Clifton Heights in having a full 2 stories. The 2-over-2 windows have a dark sash; some have non-functional slat shutters. The front porch has a flat roof supported by a spindle frieze and a board frieze decorated with applied crosses. The rear wing is the same height as the front and like it has centered end chimneys of red brick.

#### 43. History and Significance
- Although this house looks like it could have been built anytime from the Civil War on, it seems to date no earlier than the 1890's. Clifton Heights was laid out in 1879, and Lots 31 and 32 were acquired in 1891 by John S. Meyer from Louis Crecelius just to the north on Lot 25. In the 1920's this property was owned by Charles Lemp, one of the sons of William Lemp, Sr., and an heir to the Lemp Brewery. He used this house for his caretaker while living in a smaller and simpler summer house closer to the bluff. That description of environment and outbuildings. This house is now at right angles to the road with rising ground in front of it and a steep slope to the rear.

#### 44. Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 55, p. 472; Plat BK. 93, 2
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house was demolished in 1975. The setting rivals that of the
country houses built by Lemp's brothers, William's Alswel off
Kennerly Road and Edwin's Cragwold in Kirkwood. In 1949, Charles
became the fourth of his family to commit suicide, dying at the age
of seventy-seven in the family home at 3322 South 13th Street. The
next year this property was acquired by Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick,
who were responsible for subdividing it in 1959 to make space for
more houses.
Paul Gaab House
7022 Christopher Drive

16. Theatnic Category
18. Style or Design
vernacular

19. Architect or Engineer

20. Contractor or Builder

21. Original Use, if apparent
residence

22. Present Use
residence

23. Ownership
Public

24. Owner's Name & Address,
if known
William & Margery H. Gebel
2429 Camino Drive 63125

25. Open to Public?
Yes

26. Local Contact Person or Organization

27. Other Surveys in Which Included
Foundations of a Community
(1977), II, II

42. Further Description of Important Features
Entrance is by shed-roofed wing to
north of main house. Another shed-roofed addition is on the south
side. The rear addition has a less-steep roofline. A gable-roofed
dormer on the west side has paired windows. Another dormer is on
the east side, and there are additional upstairs windows in the south
gable. Windows are 1-over-1. Those in front have non-fitting
shutters.

43. History and Significance
This house appears on the 1909 atlas as the property of Paul Gaab. He
had bought Lot 33 of Clifton Heights in August of 1892 and over the next decade had sold
but a small portion of it. The lot was unusual in Clifton Heights in having been traded sever
reval times before actually being settled. The original owner, Peter Blow, had lost it in a
law suit in 1887, when it was purchased by Logan Douglas Dameron (1827-1891). He was well

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings

45. Sources of Information
Hyde & Conard, Encyclopedia of the History of St. Louis (1899),
St. Louis County Probate Court, case 6883.

46. Prepared by
E. Hamilton

47. Organization
St. Louis County Parks

48. Date
7/88

49. Revision Date(s)
known as the publisher of The Christian Advocate and a founder of Forest Park. He died on April 21, 1891, and in December his son Edward (later to be well-known as a West End developer and builder of "Falcon" in Pike County) sold this lot to Conrad Meyer, a neighboring farmer. Meyer sold to Paul Gaab the next August, and only a few days later Gaab sold twelve of the thirty-six acres to Louis Gaab, who was perhaps a brother. Paul, a native of Germany, and his wife Barbara had two sons, Edward and Valentine, and six daughters. Barbara survived until 1925, when Louis Stuckmeyer bought the property. His family retained the property until recently.

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 35, p. 263; 57, 399; 66, 382 and 508; 65, 34.
LOTS 1 THRU 3 OF
JOST SUBDIVISION

PART OF TWIN HOLLOW TOWHEAD LOT 4
SEE SHEET 248A

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SEE PAGE 247-A
Further Description of Important Features

Elevations have 3 bays on 1st floor, 2 bays above. Front porch has wide front-facing gable. Corner piers are rubble stone, battened to the sides. The porch is screened and has no balustrade. A shed-roofed dormer almost the width of the house has two pairs of 1-over-1 windows. An old photo shows that the house once had narrow clapboard siding and vertical timber patterning in the gables.

History and Significance

William Plageman bought Lot 34 of Clifton Heights from Oscar Irrgang in 1906. He paid $2,500, so there was probably a house on the property already. He sold this property in 1920 (not 1915) to Otto Todtenhaupt, who is said to have moved the house away from the road and to have completely rebuilt it. Certainly the bungalow style of the house is in contrast to the Victorian vernacular houses of the 1890's in this neighborhood. Todtenhaupt lived here until about 1950.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Located at intersection of Blow and Minerva Avenues, the house stands at the top of a low rise. A stone wishing well is in the front yard.

Sources of Information

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 184, page 315; 226, 537; 498, 35.
**Adolph Warmbrodt House**

7103 Christopher Drive

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16. **Thematic Category**: Victorian vernacular

17. **Date(s) or Period constructed**: 1904

18. **Style or Design**: Cross gable, comp

19. **Architect or Engineer**: Delbert G. & Karen Meinz

20. **Contractor or Builder**: Adolph Warmbrodt

21. **Original Use, if apparent**: Residence

22. **Present Use**: Residence

23. **Ownership**: Private

24. **Owner’s Name & Address**: Delbert G. & Karen Meinz

25. **Open to Public?**: Yes

26. **Local Contact Person or Organization**: Foundations of a Community (1977), II, 14

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**Further Description of Important Features**

Second floor of house is less than full height but lighted from gable ends and from front center gable. One-over-one windows are double-hung in front. Front door has top-light. Front porch has gabled shed roof with sunburst patterns in gable and at sides. Posts are turned and have elaborate brackets supporting a spindle frieze. Balusters are rectangular. Rear wing has shed roof porch facing south with posts of a different pattern. Steps on south side descend to basement door placed at midfloor level.

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**History and Significance**

This house is traditionally dated 1904. In style, however, it closely resembles nearby houses built by contractor William Baumgartner as early as the 1880's, so it may date from earlier in Warmbrodt's ownership. Adolph Warmbrodt (1848-1918) was the eldest son of Benedict Warmbrodt, a native of Bern, Switzerland, who built the landmark house on Lemay Ferry Road at Butler Hill Road. Benedict died in 1883. Adolph bought this part of Road nearby.

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**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 300 & 4938.
Adolph Warmbrodt House
7103 Christopher Drive

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Lot 39 in 1891 from Thomas Warren. He and his wife Maria (Noll) are said to have had thirteen children, but at Adolph's death in 1918, there were only nine, plus two grandsons by deceased son Louis J. Maria had died in 1906. In 1920 the property was sold to William Boehl. His daughter Helen married Elmer Berger, and they retained ownership of the property until 1985, when they sold it to the present owners.
### Historic Inventory

**Friedrich Wilhelm Kleine House**

**7149 Christopher Drive**

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**Location of Negatives**

- St. Louis County Parks

**Specific Location**

- 1/2 acre, Lot 2, Kleine SD, in Lot 40, Clifton Heights

**City or Town**

- Lemay Township

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

**Acme**

**Coordinates**

- UTM

**Site**

- Building: X

**Structure**

- Object: I

**On National Register?**

- Yes [X]

**Is It Eligible?**

- Yes [X]

**Part of Established District?**

- Yes [X]

**Name of Established District**

- friedrich wilhelm kleine house

**Other Name(s)**

- 7149 christopher drive

**No of Stories**

- 1½

**Foundation Material**

- Stone

**Wall Construction**

- Frame

**Roof Type & Material**

- Cross gable, comp

**No. of Bays**

- Front: 3, Side: 2

**Wall Treatment**

- Asbestos shingles

**Plan Shape**

- Irregular

**Changes**

- Altered [X]

**Preservation**

- Yes [X]

**Endangered?**

- No [X]

**Visible from Road?**

- Yes [X]

**Distance from Road**

- 102

**Further Description of Important Features**

Second floor is less than full height. Rear gable has paired windows matching those 1st floor front. Front door has toplight. Front porch has hipped roof with front gable. Four front porch posts are turned and have pierced brackets supporting a spindle frieze. The returns are half posts. The plain balustrade seems to be a replacement. The house has a one-story rear wing. Brick chimneys rise from inside both ends.

**History and Significance**

This is one of several houses in this vicinity with similar front gables and paired windows, some of which are attributed to contractor William Baumgartner. A few of these houses have been dated as early as the 1880's and as late as 1910, but on further research most have proved to be built in the 1890's. This one was built for Friedrich Wilhelm Kleine, who bought this lot in 1892 from J. Charles LeBourgeois, the husband of Lucretia Blow. Kleine is said to have come from Germany in the 1850's and to have moved Drive nearby.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

This house is very similar in design to 7103 Christopher Drive.

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 61, p. 200.

**Prepared by**

- E. Hamilton

**Organization**

- St. Louis County Parks

**Date**

- 7/88

**Revision Date(s)**

- 4/9-016
Friedrich Wilhelm Kleine House
7149 Christopher

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here from Heintz Road. His wife was Amahlia Behring and his son was William Adolph (1870-1945), who took over the farm after his marriage in 1895. Several of William's children built newer houses on part of this property, and his daughter Elizabeth Kleine Kawelaske still owns this house.
PARCELS A, B & C OF SIEBERT SUB.

LOT 211 39

LOT 40

LOT 216 41

PT. OF LOT 40 -- OF CLIFTON HEIGHTS
This 1-story house gains extra room upstairs from the center gable in front and from the windows in the end gables. Windows are 1-over-1. The front door has a gabled hood, under which has been inserted an aluminum awning. There is another awning over the front gable window. The shed-roofed rear wing has paired windows.

This house is said to incorporate a log house built in the 1890's. Herman Behnke bought Lot 41 in 1890 from Adam Wackman. He is said to have come from Germany in 1877. In 1900 he sold the property to Albert Behnke. Little by little the Behnkes sold off this property until this house was sold in 1945 to Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Clark.

**Weck-Sheppard House**

7305 or 7311 Christopher Drive

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**Further Description of Important Features**
This house has been drastically remodeled since it was pictured in 1977. Then it was only 1½ stories high, with asbestos siding and a shed-roof porch. It now has a stucco siding of unusual texture, many small round patches like leopard spots. Over this has been applied a pattern of timbering. One window is original, the 3-over-1 one in the front-facing gable of the north wing. The window below is now a large multipane window. Most windows have false shutters. The porch has been rebuilt with

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**Sources of Information**
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 80, p. 628; 423, 168; 425, 598; 451, 178; 7278, 1684; 8188, 456; Plat Book 10, p. 80.

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Weck-Sheppard House
7305 or 7311 Christopher

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a roof-deck and wrought-iron posts, frieze and railing. A new porch has been added on the south side, combining wrought-iron posts and wood braces to support a wood second-floor balcony of vaguely Mediterranean styling. The main part of the house has been raised to a full two stories. The ground to the south of the house has been faced with the same stucco work.

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were probably the ones responsible for moving the house from the east to the west side of the road. A few months later the property was acquired by Henry and Anna Stark, who lived in St. Louis. They sold it a year later to Charles F. and Martha Betz. Mike and Mary Gutekunst lived here from about 1927 to 1972. The present drastic remodeling seems to have been undertaken by William A. Sheppard IV (not Shepherd) and his wife Ann, who owned the property from then until 1987.
REDRAWN SEE PG. 221A

PT. OF LOT 42 OF
CLIFTON HEIGHTS
### Missouri Office of Historic Preservation

#### Historic Inventory

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#### Thematic Category

- **DATE(S) OR PERIOD**
  - 1924, 1927, 1941

- **STYLE OR DESIGN**
  - Gothic Revival

- **ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER**
  - O'Meara & Hills

- **CONTRACTOR OR BUILDER**
  - Stone

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| Description of Environment and Outbuildings | The grounds of the retreat are on a bend in Christopher Road, but only the back of the Administration Block can clearly be seen from the road, and the end of the service drive. The main entry has modest stone walls, and the drive makes a right angle turn toward the chapel. The drive continues past the chapel and dormitory and |

| Sources of Information | Catholic Churches and Institutions by P. M. O'Meara Assoc. (New York: Architectural Co., Inc., 1946)  |


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**Further Description of Important Features**

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- **Preparing by**
  - E. Hamilton

- **Organization**
  - St. Louis County Parks

- **Date**
  - 1946

- **Revision Dates**
  - 1946
White House Retreat
7400 Christopher Road

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where there is also a large three-stack chimney. All three buildings are of squared rock-faced limestone in a variety of sizes laid in broken courses. The windows of this building are deeply inset and have multipane casements.

The Administration Building, by contrast, has paired 1-over-1 windows. It is Z-shaped and has a 1965 addition at the north end. The riverfront has a glazed cloister running its entire length. Its south end is similarly arched on the west side, with three double-centered pointed arches. This building has predominantly hipped roofs, with a gable at the west end and another over the main entry bay. A service area is located on the north side of the building. Inside, the ground floor has a reception hall and visitors lounge, the second floor a main lounge with a massive fireplace and many windows overlooking the river. Elsewhere in the building are living quarters for the Jesuit fathers and a small chapel modeled on one in St. Francis Xavier in Paris, built in memory of James and Anna Curran.

Between these two buildings is the Chapel, a cruciform structure with a nave of 4 bays and transepts 1 bay by 2. At the crossing the roof is crowned by a slender spire or fleche in the French style. The building is buttressed only at the corners. At the end of the east aisle is a small chapel, gabled on the outside, and inside decorated as a replica of the Cave of Manresa. The ceiling was wooden coffering inserted between the roofbeams. The windows of the nave are paired lancets in ashlar surrounds. The large north chancel window has decorated tracery. The main entry, in the west transept, has a carved panel over it, and above that a shorter pair of lancets.

43. continued

The first retreat was begun on May 4. The mansion was destroyed by fire on February 14, 1923. In 1924 the present stone administration building was begun, and the next year a gift of $100,000 from Dayton Henry Mudd permitted erection of the chapel, which was started in 1927 and dedicated in 1928. The concept of the spiritual retreat which is promoted by this institution goes back to the time of Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuit Order, who made a long retreat in Manresa, Spain, in the 16th century. The White House Retreat and its Laymen's Retreat League have been responsible for establishing or strengthening several other retreats in the area, including the Cenacle on Spoede Road.

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43. continued

The architects, O'Meara & Hills, opened offices in St. Louis, St. Paul and Detroit in 1922. Patrick O'Meara was born in 1840 in Wisconsin and was trained at Notre Dame. James B. Hills left the firm in 1940, and after O'Meara's death in 1945, it became Maguolo & Quick. The firm was one of the most popular with Archbishop Glennon in the 1920's, and among their designs were DePaul Hospital on Kingshighway (listed on the National Register), the Carmelite Monastery in Ladue, the Cathedral rectory on Lindell, the mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery, and the churches of St. George, St. James, and St. Wenceslaus.

44. continued

turns back to a row of apparent storage areas recessed into the hill below the west front of the dormitory. The grounds are extensively landscaped. One path runs along the steep riverside to terra cotta stations of the cross. South of the dormitory a large circular rose garden surrounds a shrine of the Sacred Heart. West of the administration's building is a smaller garden with figure of the Blessed Virgin and a sunken garden.

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White House, the St. Louis House of Retreats (St. Louis, 2nd printing 1948)
LOT 45 OF
CLIFTON HEIGHTS
PART OF
SEC. 35 T.43N. R.6E.
The house has one 2-story section of two bays and a wider one-story section of two wider bays. The side of the house toward the road has no door. Windows are 1-over-1. The main entry is through a lean-to portion of the one-story wing. At the south end of the 2-story part, a one-story porth with a shed roof has been added since 1977. A narrow wing like an enclosed breezeway connects the one-story part of the house with a two-car garage. A brick chimney rises from inside the north end of the house.

History and Significance: Section 12 was one of the last parts of this township to be claimed. According to the 1847 atlas, it had not been sold as of April, 1846. By tradition, however, the log cabin which forms the core of this house was built in 1837 by a Mr. Lindhorst. Atlases show it subsequently held by St. Louis businessmen: 1862 Williams & Spalding; 1878 Bryan M. Chambers; 1893 and 1909 the estate of Joseph S. Fullerton, who laid out Westminster Place in the West End. Houses were shown on the property in the 1878 and (continued)

Description of Environment and Outbuildings: The house sits at an angle to the road, and the side closest to it has no door. Along the road are some log railings and low stone embankments.

Sources of Information:
Dober-Jost House  
5500 Dober Lane

42. continued.

two-story part of the house. Old photos show the windows with shutters, but the application of modern siding has given the windows a recessed appearance.

43. continued

1909 atlases, presumably the log core of the present house, but the occupants must have been tenants. In 1912 August and Anna Dober bought 50 acres here from Albert and Ida Bussen. They paid $6,250. The Dobers were natives of Switzerland. His dates were 1870-1945, hers 1875-1952. After her death the property was inherited by her great-nephew Alois Jost, who still owns it. They have remodeled the house and added the garage and porch. The surrounding farm was sold off bit by bit, and the farm lane is now Dober Lane.
LOTS 1 & 2 OF
DOBER ESTATES
BK. 252-45

PART OF
SEC. 12 T. 43 N. R. 6 E.
This house is said to have been enlarged over the years, but the front part seems to be all of a piece. It has a front gable with paired windows above a gabled front porch with square posts and no balustrade. First floor front windows are also paired. All are 1-over-1. The gables have small ornaments at their apexes. The rear wing has a hip-roofed screen porch along the east side.

This house closely resembles others in the area built by contractor William Baumgartner. Foundations of a Community says that the house has been remodeled and enlarged from 3 rooms to 6, but the front part of the house is one of the best preserved of its type. The 40 acres of which this was once a part was part of the Heger estate, held by John, Nicholas and Gertrude Heger. In 1895, John or Johannes Heger, leased this property.

The house stands above the road and close to it. To the west the ground drops into a woods. A modern 2-car frame garage is behind the house.
Heger-Studer House
2600 Erb Road

43. continued

to Darwin Schulte, and the house was probably built around that time, as were other Baumgartner houses. Johannes Heger transferred a total of 160 acres to Anna Heger at the turn of the century, and in 1904 she sold this part to George Studer. He was the son of the George Studer whose homestead was on Hageman Road off Tesson Ferry, and who died in 1912. George (II) was married to Louise Luther, the daughter of William C. Luther of 6312 Christopher. Their son Henry also lived here after his marriage to Ann Niemeyer. The Studers were here until about 1935. Later owners were Emil Hoechst (1930's) and Maynard Sanderlin, who bought the property in 1946. Sanderlin worked for the St. Louis school board. His widow now lives here, while his daughter and her husband Harold W. Bradley have built a newer house nearby.
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**Further Description of Important Features**

Illness in the family caused the present owners to decline a request to allow an inspection of the house. An examination of the structure was therefore attempted from outside the property limits but virtually nothing could be learned. The rapid rise in the elevation of the land, along with the screen created by trees, makes it impossible to see the house from Fine Road. The only vantage point is in fact on Telegraph Road, approximately 600 yards from the house and barn. A tree obscures the

**History and Significance**

The land on which this house was built is in the northwest quarter of Township 43 North, Range 6 East; Section 27 Spanish Sub. 50. It was part of a disputed land grant not released for sale until after 1847. Melsor Fine, whose "homestead farm" was between here and the Meramec, claimed a "preemption right" to 87 acres, and although he died in 1843, his claim was later made good for his heirs by William K. Knott, his wife Margaret's second husband. Melsor Fine was one of five sons of Philip Fine, whose Spanish grant of 400 arpents, confirmed as Survey 50, began on the

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The house and the early barn are placed atop the highest elevation in the immediate area. Other frame outbuildings are present at the base of the hill near the entrance to the property from Fine Road. Mature trees cover much of the land and the section that is currently used for agricultural purposes is not visible from Fine or

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis City and County Probate records
- St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Book 189, page 184; Bk 278, p. 481; Bk 350, p. 436; Bk 375, p. 458; Bk 432, p. 237; Bk 507, p. 262
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 5594, page 209

**Prepared by**

John Lindenbusch

**Organization**

St. Louis Co. Parks

**Date**

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42. continued

house from that point and it was not possible to do anything more than
determine the spatial relationship of the public roads to the farm complex.

The son of the present owners was encountered. After being shown a copy
of a photograph made in 1970, he indicated that the building now retains
the same basic features.

Kenneth Coombs prepared a report on what he found to be the notable
features of the house and barn in August 1965:

Setting high on a hill, this native stone building of federal
lines suggests an early building date. Frame additions to
the rear speak of the Victorian 80's.

The original stone portion is rectangular in plan having
single chambers on either side of a central hall. The second
floor repeats this plan.

A barn is adjacent to the house. Stone foundations suggest
a building date concurrent with that of the house. The center
unit of the barn is log, additions on either end are frame.

Coombs believed that the stone section dates from c. 1850. The history of
the property offered in Barbara Waddock's *Foundations of a Community*
places the construction of that part of the house in the 1820s and suggests
that Benjamin Fine was the original owner.

The additions to the stone portion are said in *Foundations* to be log
rather than frame, and are described as having been made by Philip Eiler
after he acquired the farm in the 1870s.

43. Mississippi River about half a mile north of the mouth of the Meramec and
stretched northwest to meet the Meramec near the present Telegraph Road
Bridge. In 1837 another son, Benjamin Fine, platted Finestown at the
Mississippi end of the tract, but although a few lots were sold the town
never became established. Benjamin's farm in the southwest and southeast
quarters of Section 34 was inherited after his death in 1849 by his son
Melsor, a name which has created some confusion.

The elder Melsor Fine had three surviving children, Felix F., Charles
Lawson and Margaret E. Charles Lawson Fine was apparently named for his
uncle Lawson Lovering, who ran the ferry at the Meramec end of Philip
Fine's Survey 50. According to records of Assumption Church in Mattese,
he married Eliza Jane Anderson in 1857. He may have begun this house
about that time. He purchased additional land nearby in 1857 and 1868,
but by the summer of 1869 he and his wife were living in Springfield, Missouri, and they mortgaged their farm to Perry Sappington. When they were unable to pay, Perry Sappington sold it to Sebastian Sappington, who had earlier been the guardian for Melsor Fine's children and was probably their mother's brother. In 1874 he sold the tract to Philip Eiler for $4,000. Eiler, born in 1850, apparently sold this farm to his son William L. Eiler sometime after 1909, because at his death in 1918 it was no longer in his possession and he was living on Section 23 off the present Christopher Drive. William L. Eiler (1880-1969), one of four sons, married Bertha Debbe. In 1965 they sold the farm to their son Wilfred P. and his wife Alberta, the present owners.

The property has been called Fassen-Eiler farm. John Frederick Fasson bought nine acres from Charles Lawson Fine in 1858, and held it for many years, but he never owned the site of the present house.

44. continued

Telegraph Roads.

45. continued

Barbara Waddock et al, Foundations of a Community (St. Louis 1977)
J. Thomas Scharf, History of St. Louis and St. Louis County (Philadelphia 1883), p. 1881
William Thomas, History of St. Louis County (Clayton MO, 1911), p. 401
Atlases published by Hutawa (1847 and 1870), Pitzman (1862 and 1878), Johnson (1893) and Northwest Publishing Co. (1909)
**Foundations of a Community (1977) III, p. 25.**

This house is essentially unaltered except for the enclosure of the front porch. An early photo shows the cornices and window frames painted a contrasting dark color. The windows are tall in proportion and 1-over-1. The front porch has a hipped roof. The two bays are divided into three each by the glazing. The gables at front and sides are hipped, with a skirting of roof below the windows. The front gable window is Palladian. The rear wing has a 2-story porch along its south side, the first floor.

**History and Significance**

John Beck (1834-1913), a native of Germany, and his wife Katharine Burg (1842-1903), purchased these 17 acres in 1874 from Sebastian Sappington and his wife, Isabel Fine Sappington. This land is part of the original Spanish land grant to Philip Fine's first wife, Marie Gaignon, and had belonged to Lawson Fine. Beck acquired another 30 acres on the south side of the road. After John Beck's death in 1913, his two sons, Philip and John William, inherited the farm. In the early 1900's, the brothers constructed a hip-roofed garage is north of the house in the lee of the hill which rises behind the house. In front of the house the ground flattens out into the bottoms of the Meramec River.

**Sources of Information**

John Beck House
7782 Fine Road

42. continued

of which has been enclosed. A red brick chimney rises from the inside of the south side toward the front.

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the large two-story frame home and a large log barn. In 1946, the Beck brothers sold the 36-acre farm to Mr. and Mrs. John Miller. Although the home had electricity, it was not until a year later that county water and central heating were installed. Mr. and Mrs. John Miller still own this 17-acre estate today.
Three-bay hip-roofed front porch has square posts and plain frieze but lacy quarter-circle brackets at the corners. Porch is fitted with screens. Saltbox roofline is less than two stories high in front. Gable in front gives headroom to two tall narrow windows. Windows are 1-over-1.

This house resembled several others in the area said to have been built by William Baumgartner, most built in the 1880's and 1890's. This land had been owned since at least 1862 by Michael Caspar or Casper. The 1893 atlas shows it owned by Catharine Caspar, probably Michael's widow. It was then acquired by their son Henry J., who probably built this house in the mid-1890's. He sold the property in 1909 to Heinrech Reinmund for $6,000; 49.24 acres in Survey 50 and the adjacent Section 34. Three years later Reinmund.

This house sits on a rise well back from Fine Road. It overlooks the floodplain of the Meramec River to the south. A few delapidated farmbuildings are still standing north of the house.

Foundations of a Community (1977), III, 24
43. continued

sold the same property to Christ M. Scheidt, who is said to have been Caspar's brother-in-law.
Boenzle Tenant House

2880 Finestown Road

Date(s) or Period
constructed 1880's

Style or Design
vernacular

Architect or Engineer

Contractor or Builder

Original Use, if apparent
residence

Present Use
residence

Owner's Name & Address, if known
J. H. Berra Construction Co.
5019 New Baumgartner Rd. 63129

Owner's Name & Address, if known

Further Description of Important Features
This house is connected to a deteriorated one-story log cabin set in stairstep relation to the main house and connected to it by a screened porch. The log cabin portion is one bay by one, with a lean-to attached to its east side. The logs are squared. The main house also has a lean-to shape, with a higher wall on the west side and a lower one on the east side. One entrance to the house is through the screen porch, but the main entrance seems to have been the one on the north gable end of the

History and Significance
This large property has been acquired by a development company for subdivision into suburban lots, but descendants of the builder hope to move the cabin. It was built by Jacob or Jakob Boenzle (1828-1909) and his wife the former Dorothea Becker (1839-1921). Jacob was a native of Bern, Switzerland. According to Foundations of a Community, Boenzle came to this country with his brother John and settled first in Ohio and later in Monroe County, Illinois, where John married Catherine Becker. She came from this part of

Source of Information
Mary Jo Goellner, "Lemay man fights to save historic cabin," South County Journal, April 1, 1988.

Prepared by
E. Hamilton

Organization
St. Louis County Parks

Date
Apr 1, 1988

Revision Date
7/88
Boenzle Tenant House
2880 Finestown Road

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house, sheltered by a gabled shed roof of frame construction supported by two turned posts on a frame platform. The windows are two-over-two, and some are covered with a framework supporting plastic sheeting. Two of the windows retain the original working shutters. The main house has a rubble stone foundation, but the cabin has only stone piers lifting the floor above the ground.

43. continued

St. Louis County, and after John's death Jacob and Dorothea married and moved here. The cabin was built as a temporary home while a larger house was built at 7680 Becker Road, around the corner. The larger house on this site must have been added later for a tenant. It was occupied by the Boenzles' son Arthur and his wife Della (Schmagel) early in their marriage. His children Arthur, Jr., Willard and Laverne (Schiller) recently sold the property for development.
**Historic Inventory**

**No. 26**

**Site:** Bee Tree Farm, Eugene Nims Estate

**Location:** Golden Eagle River Museum, Bee Tree Park, Finestown Rd.

**Thematic Category:**
- 030 220

**Date(s) or Period:** 1929

**Style or Design:** Tudor Revival 53

**Architect or Engineer:**

**Contractor or Builder:**

**Original Use, if apparent:** Residence 12E 19D

**Present Use:** Museum, park

**Ownership:**
- Public
- Private

**Owner's Name & Address, if known:**

**Sign Person:**

**Nims, Eugene**

**Coordinates UTM:**

**Site Plan with North Arrow:**

**No. of Stories:** 2

**Foundation Material:**
- Stone 40

**Wall Construction:**
- Stone UD

**Roof Type & Material:**
- Gable, slate

**No. of Bays:**
- Three 7

**Wall Treatment:**
- Squared broken course

**Plan Shape:**
- Irregular

**Changes:**
- Addition (Explain in #2)

**Condition:**
- Interior 20
- Exterior 40

**Preservation Underway:**
- Yes

**Endangered By What?:**
- Yes

**Visible from Public Road:**
- No

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

Bee Tree was the last open river-bluff property in the metropolitan area, with 2 watercourses and more than 2/3 of a mile of scenic bluffs. Development by landscape architects Robert E. Goetz and Associates left half the site as wilderness, created an 11-acre lake and installed inconspicuous service buildings. (Cont'd)

**Further Description of Important Features:**

Nearly half of the interior of this house is devoted to the large hall or living room where the museum is now installed. The roof has 3 different heights, the tallest being over the entry, which is deeply recessed in a timber-framed archway. Windows are also timber-framed, with heavy lintels. They are banked casements. One runs the full two-story height of the house. At both ends are 2nd floor timber-framed porches with turned balusters. The one on the north end has a stone base with a shed-roofed projecting roof.

**History and Significance:**

The house at Bee Tree Park was built in 1929 by Eugene Dutton Nims and his wife Lotawana. It was intended to be their country retreat for a prominent business executive rather than their residence which was at 56 Portland Place in the city; they summered at Woods Hole, Massachusetts. At the time Nims was the President of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. He was widely known as the father of the telephone business in the Southwest.

**Sources of Information:**

- St. Louis Post-Dispatch, July 31, 1986.
"Bee Tree Farm", Eugene Nims Estate,  
Golden Eagle River Museum, Bee Tree Park

42. continued

bay, while the one to the south is bracketed out over the base. Two of  
the front bays have gables over the windows, which rise slightly above the  
roofline. The slates of the roof are of various colors and shapes,  
designed for a rustic effect. A chimney to the left of the entry has a  
spiral-fluted stack.

43. continued

Born in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, in 1865 to a family of French Huguenot  
descent, he grew up in Nebraska and Kansas. His early career was varied:  
banking in Greenfield, Kansas, and real estate loans in Kansas City,  
Missouri. In 1893, he participated in the land run that opened the  
Cherokee Strip and settled at Perry, Oklahoma. There he ran a wholesale  
grocery and was active in the lumber business, electric light, the water  
works and the ice plant, as well as various banks. In 1896, with several  
others, he organized the Arkansas Valley Telephone Company, which ran from  
Perry to Pawnee and Stillwater, with a wire mileage of 27 miles. From  
this beginning grew Pioneer Telephone and Telegraph, a statewide company  
that joined the Bell system in 1904. Pioneer merged with three others in  
1914 to form a regional organization, of which Nims was Vice President.  
This became Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in 1917, and two years  
later Nims became president. He remained in this position until 1930, by  
which time the millionth phone had been installed and service inaugurated  
to Europe and by shortwave to ships at sea. After serving for two years  
as Chairman of the Board, he retired, although he maintained an office in  
the Telephone Building he had built at 1010 Pine.

Eugene Nims had a variety of civic interests, including Washington  
University, the University of Missouri, and the St. Louis Parks and  
Playgrounds Association, on whose boards he served. From 1932 to 1939 he  
served as president of the St. Louis Council of Boy Scouts. He died of  
Parkinson's disease in 1954 at the age of 88.

In 1914 Eugene Nims married Lotawana Plateau, the daughter of L. S.  
Plateau, an inventor from Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Nims, who was said to be  
part Indian, pursued her husband's interest in Scouting after his death  
and in 1962 gave $44,000 to the Boy Scout Ranch near Farmington for the  
construction of a 136-acre lake in his memory. She died in 1966.

The following year, St. Louis County attempted to purchase the 192-acre  
Bee Tree Farm through a bond issue. When this failed, the Open Space  
Council formed a Foundation for the purpose of saving the site. Under the  
leadership of Lindell Gordon and R. Walston Chubb, $137,500 was raised  
which was matched the next year by a federal grant.
"Bee Tree Farm", Eugene Nims Estate, Golden Eagle River Museum, Bee Tree Park continued

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Nims bought the part of the tract where the house now stands in 1918 from Oscar Gideonsen who had acquired it in 1896. Nims assembled the land for Bee Tree Farm in partnership with Melville L. Wilkinson (1865-1925), the president of Scruggs-Vandervoort & Barney Dry Goods Company. Wilkinson's city residence was 4405 Westminster Place. After his death his interest in the farm was acquired by William Harrison Pitts Plateau (H. Pitts Plateau), the brother of Mrs. Nims. He lived until 1955, but sold his interest to Eugene and Lotawana in 1933. The Gideonsen house was used by the Nimses until it burned down in 1927. It was then replaced by the present house. The north part of the property, purchased from Dr. William Bartlett, had a log cabin also used as a vacation and summer home. It was illustrated in Foundations of a Community in 1977 but was taken down by the Parks Department later in the decade.

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Near the house a small fountain has been erected as a memorial to Lindell Gordon, who was fatally ill at the time of the fundraising campaign. It has a sculpture of a ginko leaf with the inscription "The imprint of a dying leaf is wondrous to behold." The sculpture was created by the firm Scopia, consisting of Bill Severson and Saunders Schultz.

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"Bee Tree Farm", Eugene Nims Estate,
Golden Eagle River Museum, Bee Tree Park
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St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 431, p. 639; 1226, 250.
St. Louis County Probate Court, case 25358.
St. Louis City Probate Court, case 61461.
This old house has a shape reflecting alterations and additions made at an early period. The first floor hip-roofed porch is one bay on the east front, then wraps around the south side. It has turned posts. Both front and back have one gabled dormer. Most windows are 2-over-2, North side has a shed-roofed addition.

According to "Foundations of a Community" the date 1873 and name John Miller were carved on one of the rafters in the barn. The 1870 county atlas shows J. Miller as the owner of this property, but probate records tell a different story. In 1878, the estate of Elizabeth Mueller was filled in the newly formed St. Louis County Probate Court. According to these records, the 22 acres of Lot 2 were acquired in 1858 by Sebastian Hahn, the "first husband of Elizabeth Mueller." He bought the property from Matthias & Mary Lapp.

Beautiful property which descends to a large pond and the flood plain of the Meramec River. There is a shed-roofed shed on the slope of the backyard. The house is close to the east property line. Green Road makes a right-angle turn along the south edge of the property, while the driveway is a north extension of the road.

St. Louis County Probate Court, Case #69.
St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 205, p. 129; 273, 176.
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 12, p. 273.
In 1863, he bought a further seven acres from Henry and Augusta Stein. He is said to have bequeathed this property to his wife, but the probate appraisers were unable to find a record of it. According to Philippine Mueller, the widow of Jacob Mueller, Elizabeth Mueller left no heirs except her brothers and sisters, one of whom was Johan Jacob Mueller, who lived in Germany. She also had a sister, Charlotte Amann, who lived in Belleville, Illinois, and several nieces and nephews, children of her deceased brother Jacob and sister Catharine. These could have been the family of Elizabeth's second husband, but that does not correspond to the usual rules of inheritance in this country. The other possibility is that she reverted to her maiden name, which would have been equally unusual at that date. In any case, Lot 2 in 1879 had "a one-story log house and stable thereon," and it seems as likely that it was built in the early 1860's as in 1873. The heirs of Elizabeth Mueller sold the property to Catherine Muench, who seems to have been the wife of the Philip Muench who bought many items at the 1879 estate sale. The house has been enlarged and reworked on several occasions.
LOTS 2 & 3 OF THOS. J BROWN ESTATE, SUBDIVISION
**John Gebhardt II House**

**206 Grimsley Station Road**

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**History and Significance**

This house is similar to several others in the vicinity known to have been built by contractor William Baumgartner. John Gebhardt, Jr., bought this land in 1888 from Logan Dameron, and he probably built this house a few years later. He was the son of Johannes Gebhardt, who came to the Oakville area from Hesse-Darmstadt. John, Jr., and his wife Elizabeth Becker, had 6 children. After 1910, John III took over this farm. but he sold it in the late 1920's. Originally it included Fordyce House property.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The house sits close to the road on a corner. The ground drops behind to house toward the east.

**Sources of Information**


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**Further Description of Important Features**

All the windows in the front of this house are paired, 1-over-1. The upper ones have dark-painted sash. The door is glazed and has a toplight. It is sheltered by a small porch with a gabled shed roof. It has turned posts and returns, a spindle frieze, and plain balusters which are probably replacements. The house itself has a similar gable with second floor windows rising into it. The roofing material has an interesting pattern of scallops on rectangles, and the roof ridge has a row of flared ornaments.

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**Organizational Notes**

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St. Louis County Parks
Date 7/88
**HISTORIC INVENTORY**

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**Specific Location**

- 38.67 acres, parts of Lots 15, 16 and 17, Clifton Heights

**City or Town**

- Lemay Township

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

- St. Louis

**Coordinates**

- UTM

**Structure**

- Building #

**Object**

- Site #

**On National Register?**

- Yes [Y] No [N]

**Eligible?**

- Yes [Y] No [N]

**Part of Estab?**

- Yes [Y] No [N]

**HIST Dist.?**

- Yes [Y] No [N]

**Name of Established District**

- (a) (b) (c) (d)

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**Thematic Category**

- Date(s) or Period: constructed 1926

**Style or Design**

- Georgian Revival

**Architect or Engineer**

- Study & Farrar

**Contractor or Builder**

- N/A

**Original Use, if apparent residence**

- N/A

**Present Use**

- N/A

**Ownership**

- Public [P]

**Owner's Name & Address**

- St. Louis University, a Missouri Corporation

**Open to Public?**

- Yes [Y] No [N]

**Local Contact Person or Organization**

- 846-2370

**Other Surveys in Which Included**

- N/A

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**Construction Features**

- The paneled shutters and 6-over-6 or 8-over-8 windows against the fieldstone walls make the house very reminiscent of Pennsylvania Colonial architecture, but the one-story plan was unusual at the time. The main house has two long gabled masses, accented by two cross-gables at the entrance. At the southwest corner, the largest room has a hipped roof. A wing at the south end extends west. It was originally separated from the main house by a breezeway, but that has been filled in a stucco wall and sliding.

**History and Significance**

- The main house on this property was built as a weekend retreat for Sarah Lane Glasgow Wilson, whose main residence was 4 Brentmoor Park in Clayton, (now listed on the National Register). The name "Sun-Up" was selected for the house's eastward orientation. She was a granddaughter of William Carr Lane, St. Louis's first mayor, and the daughter of William Glasgow, Jr. She was the widow of H. R. Wilson, a mining engineer and lumberman who

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

- The new retreat is a large yellow brick building with several wings. It is between the older house and the entrance to the Road. Beyond the older house are some smaller service buildings. The whole estate has a fine view of the river.

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**Sources of Information**

- John Albury Bryan, Missouri's Contribution to American Architecture (1928), p. 239
- St. Louis Globe-Democrat, "Mrs. Sarah Wilson Dies Suddenly," Nov. 20, 1938

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**Prepared by**

- E. Hamilton

**Organization**

- St. Louis County Parks

**Date**

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**Revision Dates**

- 65102
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glass doors. The river side of the house has numerous floorlength windows.

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died in 1914. Mrs. Wilson was never able to walk properly after breaking her hip in the early 1920's, and this house was designed all on one floor with that in mind. It also included bedrooms for her two nurses and a garage for her Pierce Arrow. Mrs. Wilson was a noted philanthropist, giving $50,000 for the St. Louis Medical Society Building at 3839 Lindell, over $800,000 to Mary Institute for their campus at Ladue and Warson Roads, and three buildings to Washington University. Born in 1858, she died in 1938, leaving a further $2.5 million to Washington University. The next year her executors sold the property, which then totalled 35 acres, to J. Lewis Hutton and his wife Anna. They paid $65,000. Mrs. Hutton offered in 1964 to sell the property to St Louis University to replace the Hazelwood Retreat in northwest St. Louis County. That historic property at Frost and Graham Roads in Berkeley (not in Hazelwood) had been given to the university in 1952 by Harriet Frost Fordyce, the widow of attorney Samuel Wesley Fordyce. When this property was purchased, it was renamed in her honor.

The new buildings were dedicated November 22, 1967. Perhaps because of the proximity of the White House Retreat, another Jesuit-related facility, Fordyce House was not economically successful in its first years, so St. Louis University changed the focus of the retreat to management training and continuing education.

The original house was designed by Study & Farrar, an architectural firm well-known for their period and Craftsman-influenced designs. Guy Study (1880-1959) and Benedict Farrar (1885-1978) began their joint practice in 1915 after Study's previous partner John Roth moved to California. Farrar was a member of an old St. Louis family and Building Commissioner of Ladue, which gave the firm good social connections. Among other buildings the firm designed Our Lady of Lourdes Church, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, and Mary Institute.

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Joseph G. Knopp, S.J., The Presence of the Past (St. Louis University Press, 1979)
"Sun-Up", Sarah Wilson Country House, Fordyce House
316 Grimsley Station Road

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Missouri Historical Society Necrology Files.


St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 62, p. 511 (6-27-1892); 696-576 (7-9-1925); 799-199 (11-16-1926); 853-323 (5-23-27); 1561-595 (5-3-1939).
Country Home of Mrs. Newton R. Wilson, St. Louis County
Built in 1926
Study & Farrar, St. Louis, Architects

Country Home of Mrs. Newton R. Wilson in St. Louis County
Built in 1926
Study & Farrar, St. Louis, Architects
## Zelch House One

**5748 Hawkins Fuchs Road**

### Thematic Category
- **C02**

### Date(s) or Period
- **1890**

### Style or Design
- **Vernacular**

### Architect or Engineer
- **George Schmidt Jr. & Alma Schmidt**

### Thematic Category Details
- **No of Stories:** 2
- **Foundation Material:** Stone 40
- **Wall Construction:** Frame
- **Roof Type & Material:** Gambrel, Metal
- **No. of Bays:** Front 4 Side 1+
- **Wall Treatment:** Clapboard
- **Shape:** Rectangular

### Ownership
- **Public**: Yes
- **Private**: Yes

### Owners Name & Address
- **George Schmidt Jr. & Alma Schmidt**

### Address
- **5748 Hawkins Fuchs Road**

### Building Structure
- **UTM Coordinates**: [Coordinates]
- **Building #**: [Building]
- **Object #**: [Object]

### Further Description of Important Features
This house has a short second story with square front windows upstairs. Others are 2-over-2. The two glazed front doors open onto a porch that has been rebuilt as a porch and deck. The porch roof is hipped like the main roof and has a standing-seam metal roof. It has turned posts and a multistory railing with staggered verticals. Some windows have louvered shutters.

### History and Significance
This ground was part of Lot 12 of Martha Hawken's Subdivision, laid out in 1888. It was immediately purchased by Henry Zelch. He had another farm of 40 acres on Baumgartner Road in Survey 2968 and later acquired a third at the corner of Baumgartner and Milburn. He died in 1923, leaving his property to his wife Margaretha during her lifetime. George, the eldest son, was to receive the farm on Baumgartner overlooking the

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
This property has recently been divided, putting some outbuildings with this house and some with 5752 Hawkins Fuchs Road.

### Sources of Information
- **St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Plat Bk. 198, p. 16; Record Bk. 37, p. 314.**
- **St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 6482, 13629, 30597.**
- **George Schmidt.**

### Preparer
- **Prepared by:** E. Hamilton

### Organization
- **St. Louis County Parks**

### Date
- **7/88**
Meramec; William the farm on Milburn, and Christian, the third son, this homestead farm. By 1923 William was already living on his farm, and it is probable that the second house here was built for Christian while his parents still occupied the other. Christian died in 1960 at the age of 66, and the family sold this property to George and Alma Schmidt a few years later.
The front porch has been rebuilt as a 3-bay deck with 1-bay roof, and first-floor windows have been reduced in size with false shutters. The porch roof is a front-facing gable with shingled face, supported turned posts but with non-matching antae. The house has 2 modern wings; the east one is on stilts and has painted shingle siding. The second floor is short and has shorter windows.

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This property has recently been divided, putting some outbuildings with this house and some with 5748 Hawkins Fuchs Road next door.

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St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 6432, 13629, 30597.
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### Christian Geitz House

**Address:** 5822 Hawkins Fuchs Road

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

A clapboarded shed is in back yard. Other farm buildings have been demolished, and most of the turn-of-the-century trees have had to be replaced.

### History and Significance

This lot was bought about 1888 by Christian Geitz, who had already owned Lot 1 of the C.M. Hawken SD across the street for at least a decade. The 1909 atlas shows a house here. Christian Geitz died in 1910, bequeathing this lot to his eldest son Charles. In 1921 Charles's widow Amelia (Westerman) married Henry Geitz, the son of the Frederick Geitz who had built 6007 Hawkins-Fuchs Road. Her second son Jacob ultimately inherited.

### Sources of Information

- Myra Creasy
- St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 426, p. 135.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 37, p. 313; 2597, 196; 6612, 2286; 6900, 2122 & 2123.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 3109.
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that property, while her eldest son Carl (born in 1901) inherited this one. Carl and his wife Edna sold some of the land north of here for suburban residential lots in 1950. He died in 1971, and in 1976, Edna finally sold this one-acre lot to her daughter Myra, and Myra's husband David Creasy, the present owners. The undeveloped farm land went to Carl's brother Jacob. According to the family, the first farmhouse burned and was replaced by this one, perhaps around the turn of the century.
**Mabel Schroeter House**

5901 Hawkins Fuchs Road

### Thematic Category
16. Thematic Category: *Bungalow*

### Dates or Period
17. Dates or Period: *c. 1915*

### Style or Design
18. Style or Design: *Bungalow*

### Architect or Engineer
19. Architect or Engineer: *Henry C. Schroeter et al*

### Original Use, if apparent residence
21. Original Use, if apparent residence: *Yes*

### Present Use residence
22. Present Use, if residence: *Yes*

### Ownership
23. Ownership: *Public*

### Owner’s Name & Address, if known
24. Owner’s Name & Address, if known: *Henry C. Schroeter et al*

### General Information

#### 1. County
St. Louis

#### 2. Location of Negatives
St. Louis County Parks

#### 3. Specific Location
1 acre, NW part of Lot 2, Survey 403, Section 9, Township 43, Range 6

Martha Hawkins SD in Survey 403, Section 9, Township 43, Range 6

#### City or Town
Lemay Township

#### Site Plan with North Arrow

### Coordinates
UTM

#### Latitude

#### Longitude

### Site Plan

#### Building Number

#### Object Number

#### National Register

11. On National Register: *Yes*

12. Is it Eligible? *Yes*

13. Part of Established District

14. District Eligible? *Yes*

### Name of Established District

#### 4. Present Names(s)
Mabel Schroeter House

#### 5. Other Name(s)

### No. of Stories
28. No of Stories: *1½*

### Basement
29. Basement? *Yes*

### Foundation Material
30. Foundation Material: *Concrete faced*

### Wall Construction
31. Wall Construction: *Frame*

### Roof Type & Material
32. Roof Type & Material: *Gable, comp*

### No. of Bays
33. No. of Bays: *4* *2*

#### Front: *4* *2*

### Wall Treatment
34. Wall Treatment: *Aluminum siding*

### Plan Shape
35. Plan Shape: *Rectangle*

### Changes
36. Changes: *Addition*

### Condition
37. Condition: *Porch, R.1*

### Preservation
38. Preservation: *Yes*

### Underway?
39. Underway? *No*

### Endangered?
39. Endangered? *Yes*

### By What?
40. By What? *Moved*

### Visible from Public Road?
41. Visible from Public Road? *Yes*

### Distance from and Frontage on Road

### Further Description of Important Features
42. Further Description of Important Features: House has 2 front doors, glazed with 4 long panes each. Windows are 3-over-1; 1st floor front windows are paired. Shed-roof frame dormer in front has 3 smaller windows. Front verandah roof has lower angle, and roof breaks similarly in back. Verandah has square column-like posts with capitals and slat balustrade. Chimneys are brick on both sides, south outside, north inside.

### History and Significance
43. History and Significance: Although this house appears to date from the period 1910-1920, it is not documented as a separate parcel of land until 1930. This land was part of the farm of Henry Wohlschlaeger, acquired in 1870 and enlarged in 1894. His son Jacob acquired the farm after his father's death in 1924. This house may have been Jacob's before he obtained the main house, or it may have been built for his daughter Mabel or Mable, who acquired this one acre after her marriage to Henry C. Schroeter. He was a son of Henry August Schroeter.

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings: A frame, gable-roof, 2-car garage is south of and behind house.

### Sources of Information
45. Sources of Information: 

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 1070, p. 634; 2525, 40; 7283, 1270.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 6499, 14039, 1909.

### Prepared by

46. Prepared by: E. Hamilton

### Organization
47. Organization: St. Louis County Parks

### Date
48. Date: 7/88

### Revision Date(s)
49. Revision Date(s):
Mabel Schroeter House
5901 Hawkins Fuchs Road

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who built 6006 Hawkins Fuchs Road. Mabel died about 1980, and Henry Schroeter now owns this property with his son Leroy and Leroy's wife.
## Historic Inventory

### Henry Wohlschlaeger Farm

5959 Hawkins Fuchs Road

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### Further Description of Important Features

House seems to face north, although the roads are to the east and south. Windows are in gable ends. Most windows are 1-over-1. Entrance porch of 3 bays has turned posts. The roof is standing seam metal.

### History and Significance

In 1870 Henry Wohlschlaeger bought Lot 2 of C. M. Hawken's Subdivision from the brothers Christopher and Jacob Hawken and their wives. He paid $1,000. In 1894 he bought the adjacent lot 2 of Martha Hawken's Subdivision from Henry and Elizabeth Beck for $700. He and his wife Mary or Marie raised 3 sons and three daughters here. Of the sons, William H. died in 1956, Jacob R. in 1948, and Henry A. in 1945. Jacob acquired the farm after his father's death in 1924. Jacob and his wife Helena had sons Alfred and

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

A large frame barn, painted white, a white frame 2-car garage and several unpainted outbuildings are included on the property. In an unusual layout, several of the smaller buildings face the front of the house. The south edge of the property is Rnalene Drive, where Ronald A. and Verlene E. Wohlschlaeger have built a new house.

### Sources of Information

- St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 408, p. 78.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 72, p. 201; 373, 250; 1070, 634; 2525, 40; 4419, 181.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 6499, 17648, 19909, 26167.
- Prepared by E. Hamilton
- Organization: St. Louis County Parks
- Date: 7/88
- Revision Date(s):
Randolph and one daughter, Mabel. They sold part of the farm in 1930 to Mabel and her husband Henry C. Schroeter. Helena died in 1934, and after Jacob's death, the farm was acquired by Alfred and his wife, who still own it. In 1924 the farm was valued at $4,000 and in 1948 at $5,000.
Henry August Schroeter House

6006 Hawkins Fuchs Road

**Thematic Category**
- Date(s) or Period: constructed c. 1895
- Style or Design: Victorian Vernacular

**Present Use**
- Residence

**Ownership**
- Public

**Condition**
- Exterior: Good

**Preservation**
- Yes

**Endangered?**
- Yes

**Visible from Public Road?**
- Yes

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**
- Property has several outbuildings of unpainted vertical siding and a frame garage, with a metal roof matching the house.

**History and Significance**
- This was one of the last lots to be sold by the heirs of Martha Hawken, who subdivided this side of the street in 1888. It was bought in 1893 by Henry August Schroeter. He also bought lot 4 in 1911 following the death of his neighbor John Funk. He survived his wife Bertha and died in 1939, leaving 3 sons and 3 daughters. The eldest son August acquired the east part of the Wohlschlaeger estate nearby. The second son, 

**Sources of Information**
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 71, p. 491; 1325, 525.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 3417, 14039.

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**Further Description of Important Features**
- Fairly large house for this neighborhood has center gable, 1-over-1 windows downstairs, 2-over-2 upstairs. Front porch is new, with flat porch supported by paired metal posts. Rear wing has roof at right angles to front.
Henry August Schroeter House
6006 Hawkins Fuchs Road

43. continued

Henry, married the daughter of neighbor Jacob Wohlschlaeger and lived on that farm, while son Fred H. acquired this property. He died about 1980, survived by his wife Lucille. Parts of Lot 4 were conveyed to their sons Milton H. and Marven R. Schroeter.
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<td>Very simple house has hip-roofed porch clad in metal supported by very thin posts. Fitted storm windows are 2-over-2. House has saltbox profile, allowing a small 2nd-floor window in front but dropping to 1st floor level in rear. Because of hill, foundation is more exposed in rear. It is clad in a pressed-metal siding resembling coursed rock-face ashlar with beaded mortar joints.</td>
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<td>Christopher M. Hawken's Subdivision was laid out in 1868. Lot 3 was acquired by Frederick Geitz in 1872. It had 15.5 acres. He had already bought Lot 11, closer to the river, in 1868. The 1878 County atlas shows a house here but not on the other lot. Geitz died in 1879 leaving a widow Katherine and 7 children, 5 girls and 2 boys. Katherine died in 1903. In 1921 Henry married Amelia Westerman Geitz, the widow of his neighbor Charles Geitz (the son of Christian Geitz). She had 4 surviving children, actually faces a side road now called Ronalene. In back on lower reaches of the steep hill are barns and other outbuildings.</td>
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Frederick Geitz Farm
6007 Hawkins Fuchs Road

43. continued

Carl, Jacob, Maggie, and Hilda. Jacob ultimately acquired this farm from his stepfather and property from the estate of Christian Geitz nearby. His wife Iva A. died in 1985. They had three children, Vernell, Gerald and Nancy (Stange).
Further Description of Important Features
Side of house faces Hawkins Fuchs Road, Main entry is now from rear or south side. It has a verandah with plain posts. Rear wing, slightly lower than main house, projects on left side of verandah. Windows are mostly 2-over-2. Brick chimneys rise outside west end and inside near east end.

History and Significance
Martha Hawken's subdivision was laid out in 1888, corresponding in size and number of lots to Christopher Hawken's subdivision on the west side of the road. Frank Diel bought Lot 10 on January 14. His wife Julia died in 1910, leaving in addition to her husband, 7 children and the daughter of another deceased child. Frank, Junior appears to have acquired this farm. He was the third son. He died in 1957, leaving this farm to his son Simon, called Sam, who "has managed farm during my declining years." Simon Diel still

Description of Environment and Outbuildings
This property is also numbered 619 Meramec Bottom Road. The house faces north toward that road but is now scarcely visible from it due to accumulated underbrush. Several board-and-batten sheds stand behind the house.

Sources of Information
St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 27743; 3394.
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 37, page 582.
Frank Diel Farm
6484 Hawkins Fuchs Road

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owns the property but has moved away, leaving its future uncertain.
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<td>This lot was acquired by Louis Beyes from Rosina Crecelius in 1889, at the same time that he bought Lot 22 adjacent. He built his house, now 6530 Heimos Lane on Lot 22 but kept this lot also; with the later purchase at Lot 27 Beyes had almost 60 acres. This house was built for his second son Herman (or Hermann) W. Beyes after the latter's marriage to Emilie Dorst. The traditional date was 1913 and the builder William Baumgartner this is a more sophisticated version of Baumgartner's usual front-gabled house in this area.</td>
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Sources of Information:
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 41, pages 93 & 94; 598, 120; 4051, 23; 5501, 478 & 480; 6583, 911; 7189, 1132.

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Organization St. Louis County Parks
Date 7/88
Revision Date(s) 49
Herman Beyes House
191 Heimos Lane

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Herman acquired the rest of his father's farm after Louis's death in 1934. He died after 1964 but his daughter Laura Kreyling and son Louis farmed here until 1972, when they sold the farm to Norman Heimos.
LOT 26 OF
CLIFTON HEIGHTS

LOT 26
Pt. 34H44-0025
HEIMOS, NORMAN B & J.
7189-1132
**HISTORIC INVENTORY**

1. No. 6530 Heimos Lane
2. City or Town St. Louis
3. Other Names (if known)

### Louis Beyes House

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- Style or Design: vernacular
- Architect or Engineer: 
- Contractor or Builder: 
- Original Use, if apparent residence: 
- Present Use residence: 
- Ownership: Public
- Known as: 
- Owner's Name & Address: Norman B. & Jacqueline L. Heimos, 191 Heimos Dr., 63129
- Open to Public?: Yes
- Local Contact Person or Organization: 
- Other Surveys in Which Included: 

**Condition:**
- Interior: 
- Exterior: good

**History and Significance:**
Clifton Heights was laid out in 1879 by the heirs of Henry Blow, but Lot 22 was not sold until 1889, when Louis Beyes bought it from Mattie Blow Wadsworth. He is said to have immigrated from Hanover, Germany in 1872. In addition to Lot 22, he acquired Lots 26 and 27 giving him a farm of almost 60 acres, large for this part of the country. He died in 1934 leaving his wife Eliza (not Elizabeth) and eight children. His daughters married into the Luther, Weinreich, Becker, and Deitz families, all residents.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**
The property includes a large farm complex with two large unpainted barns and two smaller painted sheds, in the back yard of the house is a huge old sycamore tree. The portion of Heimos Lane leading east from Christopher Drive was originally a private right-of-way negotiated by Herman and Louis Beyes. As it goes past this house,

**Sources of Information:**
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 11611.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 41, pages 93 & 94; 598, 120; 4051, 23; 5501, 478 & 480; 6583, 911; 7189, 1132.

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Louis Beyes House
6530 Heimos Lane

43. continued

locally. The eldest son John married Meta Crecelius and lived at 6332 Mayville Drive. The second son Herman or Hermann W. married Emilie Dorst, and they built the house on Lot 26. After Louis's death in 1934, Herman acquired the whole home farm, which he retained until his death sometime after 1964. His daughter Laura Kreyling and son Louis W. continued to farm here until 1972 when they sold to the present owner.

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Heimos Lane was originally Cliff Cave Avenue (not to be confused with Cliff Cave Road). The southern part of Heimos Lane was Lucretia Avenue. Suburban development is rapidly closing in on this property.
### Catherine Dillon House

- **Location:** 5057 or 5059 Ivondale Lane
- **Historic Category:** Vernacular
- **Construction:** 1878 & C. 1910
- **Owner:** James W. & Ruth L. Dozier

### Description

- **Shape:** L-shaped
- **Windows:** 2-over-2, irregular spacing
- **Chimneys:** Gable ends
- **Porch:** Shed roof, in front
- **Foundation:** Stone

### History and Significance

- This house was probably built by 1878 and was a part of the property owned by William Patterson.
- It was acquired by Catherine Mooney Dillon, the widow of Ferguson Dillon, in 1893.
- The house has thin wood posts irregularly placed.

### Further Description

- The windows are 2-over-2 but not regularly spaced. Thin brick chimneys rise at the gable ends. A shed-roof porch across the front of the house has thin wood posts irregularly placed. A second porch is in back.

### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Probate Court, Refusal 93, case 2098.
Catherine Dillon House
5057 or 5059 Ivondale Lane

43. continued

dependent on her. She had come from Ireland as a girl in the 1850's and she died in 1903. Son William had married Margaret, daughter of Robert Patterson, and was living there, but the remaining five children were still living at home; at the estate sale, daughters Jane and Nellie bought back all the furniture and household goods. George brought his wife Christina Holdenried here after their marriage in 1907, and it is thought that the newer part of the house was built as a separate apartment for them. The Dillons remained here until about 1925. In 1947 Sidney Schwartz subdivided the property as Dillon Lane, putting the old house on lot 3.
### Historic Inventory Description

**Site Plan with North Arrow**

**Hill Road and Lemay ferry**

**Kassebaum Building**

5049 Lemay Ferry Road

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**City or Town**

Concord Township, Lemay vicinity

**Part**

North Range 6 East, at northwest corner of Butler Hill Roads, a few feet on Butler Hill and 150 feet on Lemay Ferry. The rear dimensions of the lot are larger. The rapid development of this part of the county has necessitated widening of Lemay Ferry Road. This project, coupled with the tailored widening of Hill Road, ensures the convenient location of the Kassebaum family-owned property for commerce.

**Kassebaum Building**

5049 Lemay Ferry Road

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**8. Architect or Engineer**

Henry Seibel & Sons

**9. Contractor or Builder**

**10. Original Use, if apparent**

store, saloon, residence

**11. Present Use**

store

**12. Ownership**

Public

**13. Organization**

Session Fixture Company

**14. Endangered?**

No

**15. Preservation Underway?**

Yes

**16. Changes Made**

Altered in 1942

**17. Foundation Material**

Squared rubble

**18. Wall Construction**

Common bond

**19. Roof Type & Material**

Flat

**20. Wall Treatment**

Common bond

**21. Condition of Building**

Interior - good

**22. Condition of Exterior**

Good

**23. Exterior of Building**

Good

**24. Local Contact Person or Organization**

Session Fixture Company

**25. Visible from Public Road?**

Yes

**26. Distance from Frontage on Road**

10'/150'

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**Further Description of Important Features**

The storefronts, of which there are three in the main block and one in the one-story wing, are unaltered except for closing in the transom lights. They are framed in iron and have an iron beam at the top. The upper windows are framed in white terra cotta, and the parapet also has a terra cotta cornice, and two shaped gables with terra cotta caps and finials. A matching parapet (cont'd)

**History and Significance**

August Kassebaum purchased this land from his father, Henry, in 1907 for $10,400. This land consisted of about 40 acres including the family home, which is located directly north of this commercial corner. The 1909 Atlas illustrates that a smithshop and slaughterhouse were nestled at the corner of Lemay Ferry and Butler Hill Roads. The 1909 Atlas further indicates that the Kassebaum family owned about 250 acres in this area, once

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The building is located at the northwest corner of Butler Hill Road and Lemay Ferry Road, with a frontage of 170 feet on Butler Hill and 150 feet on Lemay Ferry. The rear dimensions of the lot are larger. The rapid development of this part of the county has necessitated widening of Lemay Ferry Road. This project, coupled with

**Sources of Information**

Daily Record, 7-24-1913, construction $15,695

St. Louis County Directory 1893

Thomas, History of St. Louis County (1911), Vol. II, pp. 6 & 141

Watchman-Advocate History of St. Louis County (1918), p. 132

**Prepared by**

V-J Bass, E. Hamilton

**Organization**

St. Louis County Parks

**Date of Preparation**

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Butler Hill Roads.

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surmounts the wing. Large letters spelling "KASSEBAUM" are incorporated in a glazed plaque on the parapet. The side elevation is simpler, with one-over-one windows and a door opening onto a small stoop in the rear bay.

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called Matese. Henry Kassebaum (1838-1910) was a native of Germany, who settled in St. Louis County in 1860 and became a successful "agriculturalist." August Kassebaum was born in this neighborhood in 1864. He opened a store in this location about 1884, dealing in general merchandise and farm implements. Two years later he opened a produce and commission business in what is now the Laclede's Landing area of downtown St. Louis, and he successfully operated both enterprises. During Cleveland's administration he served as postmaster of Mattese. In 1904 he was elected county judge, one of the 3-man board of administrators of the county, and in 1910 he was elected County Collector, which the Watchman-Advocate called "the most important office that can be conferred upon a man." He also served for more than 20 years on the local school board. He married Catherine Brummer in 1885, and they had 11 children, of whom 8 survived. He was killed in an automobile accident in 1915. In 1911 August had taken his eldest son, J. Harry Kassebaum, as a partner in his Mattese business, and when the business was incorporated in 1916, J. Harry became secretary, treasurer and manager.

The large residence at 5009 Lemay Ferry was built by August Kassebaum in 1907. Its architect was William Wedemeyer, who had an active commercial and industrial practice based in North St. Louis, and it is possible that he also designed this store. The store, with its hotel rooms upstairs, was built in 1913 after a fire destroyed its predecessor. It also had space for a saloon in the one-story wing. The contractors, Henry Seibel and Sons, were based in Manchester, where three of his sons' houses survive. Larger and more elaborately detailed than most rural stores, the Kassebaum Building is one of very few surviving buildings of its type and in exceptionally unaltered condition.

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planned realignment of Butler Hill Road, has resulted in condemnation of this property by the County Highway Department. In the early part of this
century this neighborhood was called Mattese in Carondelet Township. This property is now in Concord Township but immediately across the street from Lemay Township.

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St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 190, p. 482; last will 431, 19
St. Louis County Probate Court
Notthwest Publishing, Plat Book of St. Louis County (1909), p. 131
### August Kassebaum House

**5009 Lemay Ferry Road**

**Historic Inventory**

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**Further Description of Important Features**

This striking design features ashlar watertable, window sills, voussoirs over the first floor windows and shaped lintels over the second. Both front and south side porches have short Tuscan columns on pedestals and wide friezes with moldings and stone bases. The front porch has a flat roof with a wood balustrade, while the side porch has a hipped roof. Dormers are gabled, with brackets and half-timbering now painted white. There are 3 in front and 1 on the sides. The dormer windows are 8-over-1, while others

**History and Significance**

August Kassebaum was born in this neighborhood in 1864, the son of Henry Kassebaum (1838-1910), a native of Germany. He opened a store in this location about 1884, dealing in general merchandise and farm implements. Two years later he opened a produce and commission business in what is now the Laclede's Landing area of downtown St. Louis, and he successfully operated both enterprises. During Cleveland's administration he served as postmaster of Mattes. In 1904 he was elected county judge, one of the 3-man board.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

Road-widening will greatly reduce the front yard. To the south is the corner store built in 1913 by the same owner.

**Sources of Information**

Atlas of St. Louis County (1909), photo.
Daily Record, September 17, 1907, $7,000.
Thomas, History of St. Louis County (1911), Vol. II, pp. 6 & 141.
Watchman-Advocate, History of St. Louis County (1918), p. 132.
August Kassebaum House
5009 Lemay Ferry Road

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...are one-over-one in a dark sash.

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The large residence at 5009 Lemay Ferry was built by August Kassebaum in 1907. Its architect was William Wedemeyer, who had an active commercial and industrial practice based in North St. Louis, and it is possible that he also designed the store on the corner, built in 1913.

Born in St. Louis in 1869, Wedemeyer studied at O'Fallon Polytechnic and in several architectural offices before opening his own practice in 1893. By 1907 he was a wide practice, including factories, theaters, and office buildings, as well as residences like this one. In 1913 he became president of the North St. Louis Business Men's Association, and in 1919 he formed a partnership with Albert L. Nelson. He practiced into the 1940's, and his son Wesley Wedemeyer became a well-known architect in his own right. It is unusual in St. Louis County to find an architect-designed house in a rural setting such as this.
### Historic Inventory

**Warbrodt House**

5118 Lemay Ferry Road

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| Historic Significance | The north half of the northeast quarter of Section 9 had not been purchased from the U.S. government up to April 1, 1846, according to the Huters' Atlas of 1847. Part of this 80-acre tract overlapped the unconfirmed claim of Julien Choquette, which probably discouraged potential buyers. Later in 1847, however, Charles Runckel filed an affidavit with the General Land Office stating that his father Adam Runckel had been "living

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**Further Description of Important Features**

A widening of Lemay Ferry Road is planned which will bring the road within 5 feet of the front door. The owners have received county approval for a shopping center here. The house is symmetrical in shape but has only one window north of the door and two south. These windows are 6-over-6, but upstairs they are 4-pane casements. The front door has narrow sidelights and a toplight in Greek Revival style. In front of the door is a flat-roofed porch with 2 square posts supporting a rooftop balustrade.

**Sources of Information**

St. Louis County Probate Court, case 300.
St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 172, p. 382 & 540.

**Prepared by**

E. Hamilton

**Prepared for**

St. Louis County Parks

**Date**

7/88

**Revision Date**

7/88
Warmbrodt House
5118 Lemay Ferry Road

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A glazed door in a front gable opens onto this porch deck. The house has a saltbox profile. A stormcellar door is on the south side of the house.

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on the land the last twelve years." Adam Runckel sold the land to Benedict Warmbrodt in 1856. It is possible that the log portion of the present house dates back to Runckel's occupation, with the frame portion added by Warmbrodt. Benedict or Benedikt Warmbrodt was born in Switzerland in 1824 and came from from Bern to St. Louis in 1839. He died April 20, 1883, leaving in addition to this farm several properties in the City of Carondelet. Benedict and Marianna had two sons and four daughters. Adolph built the house at 7103 Christopher Drive, while John (J. A.) remained here, leasing the farm from his mother. He married Caroline Freed in 1883, and they had three daughters and a son, Emil. John specialized in growing strawberries, and William L. Thomas said of him, "there are few men engaged in this line of business who can truthfully claim the same intimate practical knowledge of strawberry culture." Thomas described this house in 1910 as "an attractive two-story residence surrounded by a large green lawn." The property has remained in the family since that time, the present owner being a Warmbrodt by birth. It is one of the least altered pioneer complexes in the county. It is shortly to be swept away, however, a victim of road widening and redevelopment. Lemay Ferry Road will be widened to within five feet of the house, and in 1987 the county approved rezoning of the property for a shopping center.

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Letter from Jane F. Smith, National Archives, to Dr. W. M. Shankland, March 27, 1963.

Letter from Dr. W. M. Shankland to Wayne Kennedy, August 31, 1987.

St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 23, p. 613; 26, 206.

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<td>This structure has been extensively altered since 1970. It was then divided into apartment units but is now a single-family residence. The present address is 5292 Lemay Ferry Road whereas it was formerly known as 5288-5292. No listing of any resident at the address appears in the most recent county directory. The coursed rubble foundation, the exposed rafter ends above the porch, and five of the present eight wooden columns on the facade are the only original material that remains visible on the</td>
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<td>Charles Fox has been said to have been the original owner of this building but John Fried is a more probable candidate for that distinction. In Dec. 1866 he bought the .88 acre, site of this building, from Heinrich or Henry Erb for one hundred dollars. Erb who had owned the property since May 4, 1848 was the father of Margaret, John Fried's wife. Erb died in 1874, dividing his 68-acre farm between his daughter and his son Henry Jr. By</td>
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46. Prepared by John Lindenbusch
47. Organization St. Louis Co. Parks
48. Date 6/81
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42. continued

exterior. New siding covers all the walls and composition shingles have been used as a replacement for the corrugated metal roofing that was present in 1970. The three entries which were in existence in 1970 have been reduced to one. It forms the central bay and has a modern broken pediment atop it which is painted black. It is clearly an architectural feature that was purchased from a commercial mill or a lumber dealer. The door is flanked by eight-over-eight light windows which were also installed within the past ten years. The southern extension to the main building had a window in its west wall in 1970. That has been converted into a doorway. An oriel on the north wall of the main section is yet another example of recent alterations as is the present double flight of steps leading up to the porch. The transom and side lights at the central entry which were mentioned prominently during the study carried out by Kenneth Coombs in 1965 are no longer present. The significance of the entire building now rests in its historical associations rather than its architectural merit.

43. continued

1878 Charles Fox had come into possession of forty acres adjacent to the site, but Henry Erb, Jr. reappears as owner of the forty acres in 1893. John Fried continued to control the property at the intersection until at least 1909.

The small size of the plot of land and the original form of the building—with three doors opening onto the front porch of the main, 1½-story section—suggest a use as an inn or tavern but nothing has been found in the documentary record of the southern section of St. Louis County to verify that supposition.
### Sebastian Gau House

**466 Magoffin Road**

#### 16. Thematic Category
- **Date(s) or Period** constructed c. 1886
- **Style or Design** vernacular

#### 22. Present Use residence

#### 24. Owner’s Name & Address, if known
- **Emily Hipp**

#### 25. Open to Public? Yes

#### 26. Local Contact Person or Organization
- **Emily Hipp**

#### 28. No of Stories 1½

#### 29. Basement? Yes

#### 30. Foundation Material rubble stone

#### 31. Wall Construction frame

#### 32. Roof Type & Material gable, comp.

#### 33. No. of Bays 1

#### 34. Wall Treatment asphalt siding

#### 35. Plan Shape rectangle

#### 36. Changes Added

#### 37. Condition Interior
- **Interior fair**

#### 38. Preservation Yes

#### 39. Endangered? Yes

#### 40. Visible from Public Road? Yes

#### 41. Distance from and Frontage on Road

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**Further Description of Important Features**

Since 1977 some of the first floor windows have been replaced by lower ones of wider shape, and the upper parts have been crudely covered with plywood. Some older windows are 1-over-1, others are 2-over-2. Entrance is through the rear side of a shed-roof, shiplap-sided glazed porch or vestibule. Like the house, this has a coursed-rubble foundation. Two brick chimneys rise from the roof ridge. In front is a clapboard-sided, gable-roofed dormer with a 2-over-2 window.

**History and Significance**

This was one of the lots of the Highland Park Subdivision assigned to Samuel Magoffin in 1879. Sebastian and Christine Gau bought Lot 8 at the end of 1885, but they seem later to have turned it over to their third son Jacob and his wife Amelia. Sebastian died in 1904 and Christine in 1921. Jacob Gau sold this property in 1944 to Edwin C. Hipp, and his widow Emily still lives here. Sons Donald and Craig have built houses on other parts of the original property.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The three properties owned by the family constitute almost the whole of the original Lot 8 of the Highland Park subdivision, one of the last parts of this area to retain anything like its 19th-century appearance.

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 13, p. 234; 28, 266; 2026, 78; 8001, 351.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 2275 & 5742.
Foundations of a Community (1977), I, 17

This house has particularly ugly asphalt siding, apparently intended to represent broken-course stonework. The front porch has a hipped roof and short Tuscan columns on tall pedestals but no balustrade. House has several gabled "additional" dormers; the one in front has a pedimented gable with a sunburst or chrysanthemum motif. Also in front are two lower hipped-roofed dormers with single-pane windows. Most other windows are:

This house does not appear in the 1909 Atlas but it is said to have been started in the 1880's as a log cabin and remodeled to its present form in 1900. The contractor, William Baumgartner, built many houses in this neighborhood, but this is larger and more complex than his usual work. William or Wilhelm was an immigrant from the Darmstadt area. In 1892 after the Highland Park subdivision was laid out in 1879, he acquired both Lots 5 and 6 (on opposite sides of Magoffin Avenue), giving him about 50 acres. Winheim and a garage east of the house has matching siding.

St. Louis County Probate Court, case 3124.
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 19, page 199; 25, 12; 2935, 158; 7533, 611.
Wilhelm Winheim House  
616 Magoffin Road

42. continued

1-over-1. The roof cornice breaks for the "additional" dormers. It outlines a bay window on the west side of the house which has a turreted dormer.

43. continued

his wife Caroline had five sons and two daughters. Emil and Otto operated a store at the corner of Telegraph and Cliff Cave. Charles built the modest house at 5452 Telegraph Road. Minnie married Henry Gau, the son of their neighbor Sebastian Gau, and Matilda married into the Warmbrodt family. Wilhelm died in 1910. William Winheim, Jr., must have lived here after his father's death, because his widow Lydia (later the wife of Martin Christensen) later had to issue a deed in connection with the property.
**Historic Inventory**

**John Geldbach House**

6332 Mayville Drive

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17. Date(s) or Period constructed: c. 1890

18. Style or Design: Vernacular Victorian

20. Architect or Engineer: Vernacular Victorian

21. Original Use, if apparent, residence: Yes

22. Present Use: residence

23. Ownership: Public

24. Owner's Name & Address:

25. Open to Public? Yes |

26. Local Contact Person or Organization:

27. Other Surveys in Which Included:

28. No of Stories: 1

29. Basement?: Yes |

30. Foundation Material: Stone

31. Wall Construction: Frame

32. Roof Type & Material: Gable, Comp. CB, GR

33. No. of Bays: Front 3+3 Side 2+2

34. Wall Treatment: Clapboard

35. Plan Shape: Irregular

36. Changes Added by: No

37. Condition Interior: Excellent |

38. Preservation Underway?: Yes |

39. Endangered?: No |

40. Visible from Public Road?: Yes |

41. Distance from and Frontage on Road: 311

Further Description of Important Features: This house looks much better now than it did in 1977, when it had asphalt siding. It has a front gable with paired windows and false shutters. The front door has been widened but still has its porch with gabled hip roof, spindle frieze, and ornamental balusters. The first floor front windows have been replaced by oriel windows with low hipped roofs. The side windows are 1-over-1, shuttered. To the north is a 1-story wing ornamented with panels of latticework. Another 1-story wing is behind the house.

History and Significance: The early history of this property as reported in Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 21, is not accurate. The first owner of this property after it was subdivided as Clifton Heights was not John Gebhardt but John Geldbach. He was the son of John Geldbach (1815-1874), an immigrant from Hesse-Darmstadt. He was born in 1855 on his father's farm at 6405 Telegraph Road, a place to which he returned after selling this property. He bought 3 lots on March 12, 1888: Lot 10 from Martha Bow, Lot 11 from J. C. LeBourgeois, and Lot 12 from Mayville Drive was formerly a part of Cliff Cave Road. The property retains its barn and other outbuildings.

45. Sources of Information:

Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 21
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 36, p. 394; 38, 463; 188, 502; 187, 531; 7739, 1453.
1893 County Directory.

46. Prepared by: E. Hamilton

47. Organization: St. Louis County Parks

48. Date: 49. Revision Date(s): 7/88

Photo
Susan Blow. In 1896 Geldbach sold them to Herman Wolder, although he neglected to record the transaction for another decade. Louis Beyes (not John) bought the lots from Wolder in 1906. Beyes (1856-1934) already had a house on Lot 22, now 191 Heimos Lane, so he probably gave this tract to his eldest son John (1888-1941). John and his wife Meta Crecelius lived here and farmed for the next two decades. Through marriage the Beyes family was related to many of the surrounding families, including Becker, Dietz, Knippenberg, Luther, Uthoff and Winheim.

The house closely resembles others in the area known to have been built by contractor William Baumgartner in the late 1880's and 1890's. It was probably built by Geldbach soon after he purchased the property. In recent years, the house was acquired by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boesing in 1976 and sold by them in 1985 to the present owners, who are responsible for the extensive remodeling.
| 1 | No. |  
|---|---|---|
| 2 | 54 | Barbara Fuchs House |
| 3 | Location of Neighboors | St. Louis County Parks |
| 4 | Specific Location | Lot A, Mellowlight |
| 5 | City of Town | Lemay Township |
| 6 | Site Plan with North Arrow | 5112 Milburn Road |
| 7 | Specific Location |  |
| 8 | Specific Location |  |
| 9 | Coordinates | UTM |
| 10 | Site: Building | Structure Object |
| 11 | On National Register? | Yes/No |
| 12 | Is it Eligible? | Yes/No |
| 13 | Part of Established District | Yes/No |
| 14 | District Potentially Eligible? | Yes/No |
| 15 | Name of Established District | 5112 Milburn Road |

28. No of Stories: 1½ - 1½ - 1½ - 1½
29. Basement?
30. Foundation Material: coursed rubble
31. Wall Construction: frame wood
32. Roof Type & Material: Gable
33. No. of Bays: Front 5, Side 2
34. Wall Treatment: clapboard
35. Plan Shape: irregular
36. Changes: Addition Altered
37. Condition: Interior good, Exterior good
38. Preservation Underway?
39. Endangered?
40. Visible from Public Road?
41. Distance from and Frontage on Road: 150

Further Description of Important Features:
The present appearance of the house gives little indication of its age except for the foundation. Windows are 6-over-1 and have non-working shutters. Front windows are all paired. The entrance wing is symmetrical, with a terrace across the front and a gabled projecting vestibule. The front door has a round top. Above the door is a shed-roofed dormer with two pairs of windows. To the right of this wing is a front-facing gable with paired windows. The south wing is a large sunporch, four windows wide in front.

History and Significance:
This property is in the southwest quarter of fractional Section 2; Milburn Road is the N-S center line of the quarter section. In 1965 this house and lot were included in Mellowlight Subdivision, which was built by Kadean Construction Company, Darrel Dean Climer, president. Casper Leng (also spelled Laeng and Link) had owned this land at least since 1862, as well as some adjacent in Carondelet Commons. He died in 1875.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings:

Sources of Information:
Foundations of a Community (1977), IV, 28
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 6736, p. 1872; Plat Bk. 115, p. 92.
St. Louis County Probate Court, Elizabeth Long, died 10-9-96;
Jacob Fuchs, died 8-1-04.
43. continued

and his will was recorded in 1878. His widow Elizabeth inherited all this property, and at her death in 1896, this thirty-five acres had a log house with a frame kitchen and also a two-room frame house and a log barn. The main house faced Ringer Road, north of this house. At that time, however, this property was all leased out. The Longs had four children, two of whom had died before their mother, leaving grandchildren. The Long property was divided into four equal lots. Mary, the wife of John Heimos, acquired the old log house, which she tore down to build the brick house formerly at 4542 Ringer Road, while Barbara, the wife of Jacob (not Henry) Fuchs acquired this lot, which must have had the frame house and old barn. Jacob died in 1904, leaving Barbara and six adult children. Barbara lived until about 1915. The house has been enlarged and altered on several occasions since then.
# HISTORIC INVENTORY

**Henry Heintz House**

2996 Old Baumgartner Road

### 13 Name of Established District

St. Louis County Parks

### 16 Thematic Category

consigned 1913

### 17 Date(s) or Period

Victorian commercial

### 18 Style or Design

Architect or Engineer

### 19 Architect or Engineer

Original Use, if apparent

### 20 Contractor or Builder

Present Use

### 21 Original Use, if apparent

Residence

### 22 Present Use

Residence

### 23 Ownership

Public

### 24 Owner's Name & Address, if known

Louis F. Schweiss

### 25 Open to Public?

Yes

### 26 Local Contact Person or Organization


### 27 Other Surveys in Which Included

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 7688, p. 1791.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 3748.
- William L. Thomas, History of St. Louis County (1911), p. 462

### 42 Further Description of Important Features

This house looks like a commercial building, with flat roof and parapet and brick cornice. The windows are 1-over-1, set under segmental arches with 2 rows of vertical headers. The front porch, which has brick columns and parapet and a hipped roof shelters 2 doors with toplights. The basement windows are also arched.

### 43 History and Significance

The Henry Heintz who built this house seems to have been a grandson of the John Heintz who came to the U.S. from Rheinfels, Germany, in 1860. One son of the immigrant, Martin, moved to Bonhomme Township while another, John (II) came to the Oakville area. John II had his house on the west side of Heintz Road, and he used this property for quarrying, employing as many as 15 men. The jog in Baumgartner Road at this point is a result of the encroachment of the quarry. John II and his wife Amelia had 11 children.

### 44 Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Ground drops to the south where there was formerly a quarry. A vertical-sided barn is east of the house.

### 45 Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 7688, p. 1791.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 3748.
- William L. Thomas, History of St. Louis County (1911), p. 462

### 46 Prepared by

E. Hamilton

### 47 Organization

St. Louis County Parks

### 48 Date

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Henry Heintz House
2996 Old Baumgartner Road

43. continued

six sons and five daughters. Two of the sons moved to Louisville, Kentucky, and in his will John bequeathed specific parts of his estate of about 250 acres to three others. This part went to Henry, possibly because he had already built this house here. It is more likely, however, that the house was not built until after John's death in 1913. Henry Heintz died about 1950, and after his wife Evelyn's death in 1984, their son Ollie sold it to the present owner.
The porch roof is 6-pane casements. The front of the house is a glazed porch constructed of varicolored brick. It has glass block basement windows, square brick posts at corners and flanking door, and a simple frieze. The porch roof is a nearly flat hip.

This house was mistakenly called a former school in Kenneth E. Coombs's 1965 survey. It was actually built by St. Paul's Church for a parsonage after the death of pastor Heinrich Schmitz in 1878. Schmitz had lived immediately south of this site on property he owned himself, but this house was on property the church is said to have owned since 1844. The church building itself was also on this site until 1919, after the new cemetery of St. Paul's Church, UCC. To the west, the ground drops, exposing the basement level.

In front of this house Baumgartner Road turns south for a block, then west, while Heintz Road continues southward. To the north of the house is the cemetery of St. Paul's Church, UCC. To the west, the ground drops, exposing the basement level.

### Sources of Information

- Foundations of a Community (1977), IV, 8
3317 Old Baumgartner Road

43. continued

church had been erected on Telegraph Road. A new parsonage had already been erected there in 1905. Thereafter this house was used by the cemetery caretaker. In the 1940's the church sold the house to the incumbent caretaker Fred Aulbach. Fred, Jr., succeeded his father as caretaker until his death in the 1970's.
Further Description of Important Features

The low second floor has a front gable to accommodate a center door that opens onto a wrought-iron balcony. The windows have ashlar sills and segmental-arched radiating brick lintels. The front door has sidelights and a toplight. First floor windows are 6-over-6; smaller 2nd floor windows are casements. Stone work has larger corner quoins. A two-story frame addition on the south side has 6-over-6 first floor windows and a glazed porch under a shed roof upstairs. A gable dormer opens from the roof of the main house.

History and Significance

This house was called a priest's house by Kenneth E. Coombs in his 1965 county survey, mistaking the denomination of the church that built it. In Foundations of a Community it is said that this house was built in the 1860's, by the men of St. Paul's Church Heinrich Schmitz, who became their pastor in 1867. In reality, however, Schmitz bought this property in 1870 from Frederick William Meyer and his wife Hannah Fredericks.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Old Baumgartner turns at this point from south to west, while the southern prolongation of this road is called Heintz Road. The ground drops steeply from east to west here; the road is higher than the front door, while the basement is exposed in back.

Sources of Information

Foundations of a Community (1977), IV, 9
St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 398, p. 442.
St. Louis City Probate Court, case 1978.
Kenneth E. Combs, survey for St. Louis County, 1965, 0, 2.
Heinrich Schmitz House
3327 Old Baumgartner Road

42. continued
on this side.

43. continued
It was then 2.5 acres, and Schmitz paid $210. The house may indeed have been built with volunteer labor, though, because in 1878 when Schmitz died, it still was not finished. Schmitz left a wife Christine and a daughter Martha, then age 17. Martha lived here until her death in the 1920's, by which time she had changed the spelling of the family name to Schmidt.
### Wesche-Schneller House

**Thematic Category**
- Vernacular residence

**Date(s) or Period**
- Orig. constructed 1870's

**Style or Design**
- Vernacular

**Architect or Engineer**
- Unknown

**Contractor or Builder**
- Unknown

**Original Use, if apparent**
- Residence

**Present Use**
- Residence

**Ownership**
- Private

**Description**

- The core of this house is said to have been built by Christian Wesche, who bought the land between 1870 and 1878. He sold it in 1894 to Charles Schneller, who already owned a 40-acre tract nearby, the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 15. The line of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway, following the valley of Mattis or Mattese Creek, went through both parts of Schneller's farm about 1900. The current appearance of the house is the work of the present owner.

**Environment and Outbuildings**
- The house is located on the north side of the Frisco Railroad, east of Schneider Road. The house sits on the edge of a hill overlooking the floodplain of Mattis Creek.

**Sources of Information**
- Foundations of a Community (1977), IV, 10, includes photo
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 76, page 167; 136, 185; 398, 191; 423, 28; 442, 462.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, Case 23287.

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**Further Description of Important Features**

In the last decade this modest farmhouse has been drastically altered. The front porch and a dormer window have been removed, several windows have been closed, and the front door relocated. The original siding has been replaced by plywood sheathing stained dark.

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**Prepared by**
- E. Hamilton

**Date**
- 7/88

**Revision Date(s)**
- 1977
### Daniel Wind House

**Location**: 4745 Old Baumgartner Road

#### Thematic Category

16. *Date(s) or Period* Constructed 1850's & later

17. *Style or Design* Vernacular

18. *Architect or Engineer* Robert J. & Dorothy A. Anton

19. *Contractor or Builder* Robert Weinreich

20. *Original Use, if apparent residence* Yes)

21. *Present Use residence* Yes

22. *Ownership* Public

23. *Owner's Name & Address* Robert J. & Dorothy A. Anton

24. *Preservation Underway?* Yes

25. *Endangered?* No

26. *Condition Interior* Poor

27. *Condition Exterior* Poor

28. *No of Stories* 1½

29. *Foundation Material* Stone

30. *Wall Construction* Frame

31. *Roof Type & Material* Cross gable, comp

32. *Roof Pitch & Material* Tapered

33. *No of Bays* 3

34. *Plan Shape* Irregular

35. *Changes Addition X Move X Altered X Alteration X"

36. *Description of Important Features* House has outside brick chimney at west end and inside one at east end. Gable in front has 1-over-1 window. Roof has simple cornice with returns. Other windows vary, some 6-over-6, some 2-over-2. Front vestibule has small gable with sunburst pattern. Stoop leading to vestibule is apparently an addition, concrete with wrought iron railing. Another addition is on the east side, a glazed sunporch with concrete foundation, louvered

37. *Further Description of Important Features* This property was originally set aside for the benefit of the public schools and was sold by the State of Missouri to Joseph Valle in 1844. Valle soon died, and in 1846, the property was sold to Francois Lemai or Francis Lemay, for whom Lemay Ferry Road is named. Lemay sold it only 3 years later to William A. Weinreich for $215. In 1851 Weinreich sold it for $225 to Daniel Wind. The core of this house may date from the 1850's. Wind later acquired about 50 acres adjacent to this in Section 15. He died in 1876. (cont'd)

38. *Visible from Public Road?* Yes

39. *Other Surveys in Which Included* None

40. *Other Names* Daniel Wind House

41. *Frontage on Road* 4745 Old Baumgartner Road

42. *Sources of Information* St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Book A4, p. 101; B5, 185; V5, 147.

43. *Organization* St. Louis County Parks

44. *Date* 7/88
windows, and shed roof. The rear wing of the house has a slightly lower roof.

his wife Elizabeth having predeceased him. They had four children, but by his will sons Daniel (II) and Casper divided the farm between them. Daniel also remembered Anna Matilda Wind, the daughter of his brother Werner, who had died about the time this land was purchased. Daniel (II) got this part in 1880. By the time of his death in 1914, however, he was living on Reilly Avenue in Carondelet. He left seven children, the youngest of whom, Julia, was only thirteen.
### Jennemann Mercantile Company

5523 Old Lemay Ferry Road

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#### Further Description of Important Features

Unusual plan for a commercial building has a front verandah up 8 steps from the ground. The verandah is banked with concrete retaining walls. The verandah roof is supported (none too well) by masonry posts. The verandah has iron railings. A long thin commercial sign stands above the verandah roof. Above that are 2 shed-roofed dormers with 4 windows in each, all 4 vertical panes over 1. The gable ends have similar windows paired. On the south side there is a secondary entrance with a booth-like vestibule.

#### History and Significance

Henry J. Jennemann bought this site in 1902 and erected a 2-story frame general merchandise store here, with a 1-story saloon attached. Born in 1874, he was the eldest of 8 children of Herman Jennemann, an immigrant from Hesse-Darmstadt. Henry married Katie Meyer in 1900 and they had 5 children. He lost his life on December 28, 1924, in a fire that destroyed his store and all his business accounts. The family retained this property in spite of the tragedy, however, and probably erected this building a short time.

#### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

This property is also numbered 5519 Old Lemay Ferry Road.

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#### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 6789, 13645, 23046, 39485.
- Watchman-Advocate, History of St. Louis County (1919), p. 84.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 7317, p. 1132.
under a steep shed roof. To the rear is a concrete block addition with its own entry, and a plain door opening onto metal steps. The front features several fixed-glass windows with sills like residential windows.

43. continued

later. In 1925, the three younger children, Otto, Mildred and Henry S., were still minors. The second son, Walter B., married and had one daughter, Shirley Mae. He and his family moved to 4238 South 38th Street, where he died in 1935. Arthur E. Jennemann, the eldest son, remained at this location and operated the grocery and liquor store called the Jennemann Mercantile Company. He died in 1952, leaving a wife Mamie L. and a son Alvin H. Mamie kept the store up until her death in 1968, by which time Alvin, his wife Jeannette A., and sons John Alvin and Stephen Arthur had moved to Arnold, across the Meramec in Jefferson County. Finally, in 1981, Jeannette Jennemann sold the property to the present owners.
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### Further Description of Important Features
House has some similarities with craftsmen work of period, especially roof overhang and window patterns, paired 12-over-3 windows. Front door has sidelights and partial toplights, recessed slightly. Two columns in the recess ("in antis") support scalloped brackets which support a wide pediment. Hipped roof has gabled dormers on sides and a gabled "additional" dormer in front with two casement windows. Foundation ledge at level.

### History and Significance
Highland Park was laid out in 1879, and Sylvestro Camillo acquired Lot 3 before 1893. He was unusual in this neighborhood of German Protestants in being an Italian Catholic. He had a working farm here, and this house must date from the last years of his life. Its Palladian symmetry and massing make the Italian association seem natural. Camillo died in 1916, leaving the farm to his wife Mary. He also had a son and two daughters, one of whom died before him leaving three grandchildren. Mary Camillo leased the farm in 1919.

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
A masonry garage is behind the house.

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**Sources of Information**
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 4506.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 437, page 310; 493, 135; 521, 540; 2410, 37; 6633, 544.

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E. Hamilton 
St. Louis County Parks 
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Sylvestro Camillo House
125 East Pottle Avenue

42. continued

of first front porch forms a base for pilaster strips at the corner of the house.

43. continued

and then sold it in 1921 to William Budde.
## HISTORIC INVENTORY

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### Specific Location
- 3.55 acres, part of Highland Park, Lot 7

### City or Town
- II Rural, Township & Vicinity
- Lemay Township
- Site Plan with North Arrow

### Coordinates
- UTM
- Lat: 38
- Long: 90

### Building
- 11: On National Register?
- Yes: 1
- No: 11
- 12: Is it Eligible?
- Yes: 1
- No: 11

### Structure
- 13: Part of Estab
- Yes: 1
- No: 11
- 14: District
- Yes: 1
- No: 11
- 15: Name of Established District

### Further Description of Important Features
- This house has been altered almost out of recognition. It was originally a 1-bay front-gabled structure with a half second story. By 1977 a side wing had been added with a low gable roof and a front porch. Now the wing is 2 full stories, the porch has been removed, and the first-floor windows are now picture windows with double-hung ends and aluminum awnings. Other windows are 1-over-1.

### History and Significance
- The original part of this house is the gabled wing facing the street. It was built in the 1880's by George Fuchs, Sr. (1843-1890), a native of Hesse-Darmstadt. This was Lot 7 of the Highland Park Subdivision, laid out in 1879 by the children of Henry Blow and some others, including Edward L. Pottle and the estate of William McPherson, deceased. Lot 7 was assigned to McPherson and purchased by Fuchs. At his death in 1890 he left 6 children by two marriages. They were all minors, ranging in age from 19 to 1. (con)

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
- Pottle Avenue comes to a cul-de-sac near this point. In some county records, this property is numbered 357 East Pottle Avenue.

### Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 768 D00, 6385 R00

### Organization
- St. Louis County Parks

### Date
- 7/88

### Prepared by
- E. Hamilton

### Legend
- Photo

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**Photo:** [Image]
Louis, the age 3, eventually acquired this property from the estate of his mother Katharina (Fischer), who died in 1903. He sold this property in 1950 to Donald and Vera Heberer, and died two years later, in 1952. Louis was responsible for the early one-story wing, and the Heberers for the major enlargement and alteration the house has undergone since 1977.
**Historic Inventory**

**4304 Ringer Road**

**Location:**
- **Lot 1, Ringford Place**
- **City or Town:** Lemay Township
- **Site Plan with North Arrow:**
- **UTM Coordinates:**
  - **East:**
  - **North:**

**Structure Description:**
- **Date(s) or Period:** Constructed 1920's
- **Style or Design:** Vernacular
- **Architect or Engineer:**
- **Contractor or Builder:**
- **Original Use, if apparent:** Residence
- **Present Use:** Residence
- **Ownership:**
  - **Public or Private:** Public
  - **Owner's Name & Address:** Kevin E. & Johanne Jones

**Additional Details:**
- **Open to Public:** Yes
- **Local Contact Person or Organization:**
- **Other Surveys in Which Included:**
- **Endangered:** Yes

**Historical and Significance:**
Ringford Place Subdivision was laid out by Bruce Campbell & Co. in 1954, but the ground had earlier been Lot 2 of Forders's Garden. It was part of the extensive estate of Samuel W. Forder, who lived at 2225 Telegraph Road and who died in 1886. In 1908 his three surviving children divided this part of the estate, and this part was purchased by William H. Clausen and his wife Alma, who lived in the city. They were presumably the parents of the William F. Clausen who bought Lot 3 at the same time. William F. sold his land for this house to sit above the road making a nearly right-angled turn. A frame barn/garage is in the backyard.

**Sources of Information:**
- **St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Plat Book 9, p. 47; 63, 36; Record Book 221, p. 289; 437, 473.**
4304 Ringer Road

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lot in 1911, but William H. and Anna kept this lot until 1919, when they sold it to John LeFarth and his wife Louisa. The price the Clausens paid was $1,779. The price the LeFarths paid is not known, but they took out a mortgage for only $1,250. They had already owned part of Lot 147 of Carondelet Commons since at least 1909, when the atlas shows it with the house on it. Although the style of this house appears to be the vernacular of the turn of the century, the documentary evidence suggest that the house was not built until the 1920's.
In its present condition this house appears to date from the 1920's. It has large 8-over-8 front windows with nonfunctional shutters, a paneled front door in a frame of flat pilasters and pediment, 2 gabled front dormers with 6-over-6 windows, and a 1st-floor bay window on the south side, with a hipped roof.

This ground was part of the estate of Samuel W. Forder, who died in 1886, and whose family lived at 2225 Telegraph Road. This house may have its origins as a tenant house built about 1900. In 1908 the three surviving Forder children subdivided this part of their ground as Forders Garden, in the process eliminating an old road that would have bisected this lot. The lot was sold in 1908 to William F. Clausen. He sold the lot in 1911 to Irma Beckert, who borrowed $2,000 to pay for it and then sold it to Beckert Realty.

Road widening has led to regrading of the front lawn into a long continuous slope.

**Sources of Information**

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Plat Book 9, p. 47; Record Book 221, p. 288; 278, 532; 291, 83; 1599, 281; 5332, 374.
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The realty company retained the property at least until 1920, so the Stahl family who are said to have lived here must have been tenants. By the 1930's Charles E. and May H. Golterman lived here. She had been May E. Humber. He died in the 1930's, but she remained here until 1964, when she sold to the present owners.
### Further Description of Important Features

The date of the house is suggested by the front porch, which has tapering front posts with bases and capitals, a frieze and cornice. The windows have thick ashlar lintels and thinner sills. They are 2-over-2, but the larger window in the 1-story west wing is 12-over-12. At the rear, a frame addition to the stone building has a less steeply sloping roof, and along its east side is a 4-bay screen porch.

### History and Significance

This house was built in 1902 to replace an earlier house that burned down. It was built on the earlier foundations. The builders were William and Margaret Dillon. Mrs. Dillon was the daughter of Robert Patterson (1843-1902), whose father James Patterson had acquired this land in the 1840's. Patterson Road, which is the North-South center line of Section Three, is named for the family. Dillon was a road builder in Oakville.

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### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

### Sources of Information

He died in 1945 and Margaret died in 1951. One of the four daughters married Herbert Faust, and they moved into the house in 1940.
Louis Schreyer bought 43.60 acres from George Boulay in 1907, paying $4100, which was about average for farmland at that time. The land was partly in Section 9 and partly in Survey 3118 adjacent. Boulay had owned it since the early 1890's. The 1909 Atlas shows a building at this location, which might have been paid for by the loan of $1600 Schreyer made six months after he purchased the lot. He borrowed a further $700 late in 1909. He seems to have lived here at least through 1921.

Further Description of Important Features
This good local example of a bungalow has clapboards in the gable ends painted a darker color. Windows are of varying sizes and have 4 vertical panes over 1. The front porch has a squared rubble base and posts, and plain wood balusters. There are 2 front doors. In front is a long shed-roofed dormer with two pairs of windows. In the back of the house is a similar long verandah.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Sources of Information
St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Book 196, pages 506 and 507; 244, 202; 6503, 1193.
### Kappeser-Uthoff House

#### Address
5524 Ringer Road

#### Details
- **Thematic Category:** Vernacular Victorian
- **Original Use:** Residence
- **Present Use:** Residence
- **Owner's Name:** Robert R. Otte
- **Open to Public:** Yes
- **Local Contact Person or Organization:** Mattese Welding
- **Other Surveys in Which Included:** 27

#### Further Description of Important Features
Very deteriorated house has mostly 2-over-2 windows, although upper end window has 3 vertical panes over 1. Gable over the front door has a tall window. Porch over door has paired slender turned posts supporting a gabled roof and a barrel-arched ceiling. Inside the house is a dogtrot with two 16x16 pens and a center hall with staircase on the right.

#### History and Significance
This house is in part of the east half of the northwest quarter of Township 9, which was sold by the U.S. government to Hugh Glenn before 1838. Between 1862 and 1870 the south half of this east half passed from Henry J. Hillsdorff to Henry J. Kappeser (also spelled Kappesser and Kapesser). His widow Anna sold 36.5 acres in 1890 to Herman Uthoff for $3,100. The central gable and other features of the house likely date to Uthoff's ownership. Uthoff died in 1931, leaving 3 sons and 2 daughters. The Mattese

#### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
Several large barns and other buildings behind the house are now used by a welding company.

#### Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 47, p. 78; 7365, 989; Plat Bk. 190, p. 84.
- Larry Giles; Jesse Francis.
- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 9956.

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**Address:**
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- **Experience:** Built in 1870
- **Present Use:** Residence
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- St. Louis County Probate Court, case 9956.
Hills Subdivision was platted in 1979 by Mark J. and Barbara Haegele and by Nora Otte.

The log core of the house suggests pioneer construction, and more research should be conducted into the early ownership of the property.
Further Description of Important Features

In 1977 the front porch had just been removed from this house. A new one has been built with 4 thin posts supporting a shallowly gabled roof probably very close in design to the original. The 1-over-1 windows have false shutters. The front cross gable and side gables have windows. The porch has latticework under floor level.

History and Significance

This house is similar to others in the area known to have been built by contractor William Baumgartner except that it has broad single windows in front instead of paired ones. The history of this house differs somewhat from that given in Foundations of a Community. Clifton Heights was laid out in 1879, and Lot 6 was assigned to John G. Blow. It was acquired in 1887 from Frank J. Karleskind by Frank Koelbel, reported in the 1893 County directory as an Oakville farmer, and it was probably he who built this house.
Frank Koelbel House
215 Susan Road

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sold this property in 1907 for $2,750 to Caroline Meyer. She was the widow of Conrad Meyer (1849-1902) and the mother of 8 children, including Conrad, who was then 21, and George, who was 11 or 12. She retained this property at least through 1917. In 1966 two lots were created here by Howard and Evelyn Dallman. The property was subsequently purchased by Clarence and Connie Henenberg, who sold it in 1985 to the present owners.
### Peter J. Becker House

**456 Susan Road**

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**Center front gable gives enough headroom, with end gables, for a second floor. The front windows are paired, 1-over-1, but sides are 2-over-2. A 1-story shed-roof addition runs along the north side of the house. Other additions have been built onto back of the house. The front porch has elaborate gabled shed roof with spindle frieze and turned posts and returns, but no railing.**

**Foundations of a Community (1977), II, p. 19.**

**The authors of Foundations of a Community assumed that this house was located on lot 5 of Clifton Heights, but it is actually on lots 3 and 4. Those lots were acquired by Peter Becker in 1889 and he probably built this house soon after. It is very much like other contemporary houses in the area built by contractor William Baumgartner, especially the front gable with tall paired windows. It is not certain whether this is the**

**St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 41, p. 198.**

**St. Louis County Probate Court, Peter Becker, died 2-15-1927**

**Prepared by**

F. Hamilton

**Date**

7/88

**Revision Date**

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Peter J. Becker House
456 Susan Road

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same Peter Becker (1848-1927) who also owned the farm at the
intersection of Telegraph and Becker Roads.
# Molt-Sander House

**4501 Telegraph Road**

### Thematic Category
- **16.** Thematic Category: Vernacular

### Date(s) or Period
- **17.** Date(s) or Period: constructed 1870's & later

### Style or Design
- **18.** Style or Design: Vernacular

### Architect or Engineer
- **19.** Architect or Engineer:

### Contractor or Builder
- **20.** Contractor or Builder:

### Original Use, if apparent
- **21.** Original Use, if apparent: residence

### Present Use
- **22.** Present Use: residence

### Ownership
- **23.** Ownership: Public 11 Private 0

### Owner’s Name & Address
- **24.** Owner’s Name & Address, if known: Teresa J. Pehar

### Open to Public?
- **25.** Open to Public?: Yes 11 No 0

### Local Contact Person or Organization
- **26.** Local Contact Person or Organization:

### Other Surveys in Which Included

### Condition
- **37.** Condition Interior: good Exterior: 

### Preservation Underway?
- **38.** Preservation Underway?: Yes 11 No 0

### Endangered? By What?
- **39.** Endangered? By What?: Yes 11 No 0

### Visible From Public Road?
- **40.** Visible From Public Road?: Yes 11 No 0

### Distance from and Frontage on Road
- **41.** Distance from and Frontage on Road: 1/58

## Further Description of Important Features

A photo circa 1900 shows only 3 bays in front of this house. The north 2 bays seem to have been added later. The even bays are doors. The long low gable roof extends over the front verandah, supported by stocky square piers (replacements for square columns). A low shed-roofed dormer in front has two oblong windows. A brick chimney is at the south end. Windows are set under segmental arches. Many are 3-over-1, a style later than the supposed date of the house.

### History and Significance

Although this house has been said to date from the 1880's, evidence suggests that it goes back to the 1870's at least, and possibly to the 1860's. The south 10 acres of lot 157 of Carondelet Commons were acquired by Carl or Charles Molt from Anton Lefarth in 1866. Molt acquired an adjacent small piece of lot 158 about 1873, which gave him a larger frontage on Telegraph Road. He also owned a tract of 4 acres on the Meramec River.

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

A two-car gabled garage is behind the house, facing south. The new suburban street called Rolens Drive skirts the property to the south.

### Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 28, p. 387; 30, 292; 2912, 482.
- St. Louis City Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 184, p. 101; 310, 456.
north of the present Green Road frontage. In 1885 Molt's widow Maria Elisabeth and four daughters sold the property to a fifth daughter, Elisabeth (not Elizabeth) Catherine, the wife of John Sander. They reserved, however, a life estate for Maria Molt, providing, however, that the Sanders paid her $24 every six months for life and permitted her to reside with them "and to occupy the middle room and kitchen of the building erected on said land." The house was thus standing at least by 1885.

In 1952 the property was acquired by Darwin and Helen Rolens from Emil B. and Kathryn Faller. Rolens laid out the suburban street south of the house which is named for him.
LOTS 1 TO 4 & 15 TO 17 OF OAKVILLE TERRACE
PT. BLKS. 157 & 158 OF CARONDELET COMMONS
Further Description of Important Features: The right front bay has 2nd-floor gable with window. The windows vary, some 1-over-1, some 6-over-1. The front porch has a metal roof on 3 paired slender metal posts. At the rear, the lower wing has a 3 bay front with a center door under a gabled cantilevered hood.

History and Significance: While this house is on the west side of Telegraph Road, most of the land associated with it was on the east side. John Vandewal (or van Dewal) purchased Lot 158 from the City of Carondelet in the 1860's. He sold the property to John T. Bruening in 1879, and Bruening sold to Conrad Decker the next year. By 1909 the property was owned by C. Lorch, who operated a butcher shop next to the house.

Description of Environment and Outbuildings: In 1977 it was expected that the house would be demolished for road widening, but it has survived above a concrete retaining wall.
LLOTS 1 TO 4 & 15 TO 17
OF
OAKVILLE TERRACE
PT. BLKS. 157 & 158
OF
CARONDELET COMMONS
**St. Paul's United Church of Christ**

5508 Telegraph Road

### HISTORIC INVENTORY

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#### 16. Thematic Category
- Gothic Revival

#### 17. Date(s) or Period
- constructed 1918

#### 18. Style or Design
- Gothic Revival

#### 19. Architect or Engineer
- Herman Burgdorf

#### 20. Contractor or Builder
- William Gruenewald

#### 21. Original Use, if apparent
- church

#### 22. Present Use
- church

#### 23. Ownership
- Public

#### 24. Owner's Name & Address, if known
- St. Paul's German Evangelical Church

#### 25. Open to Public?
- Yes

#### 26. Local Contact Person or Organization
- downstairs

#### 27. Other Surveys in Which Included

### Further Description of Important Features

The main church has a Greek Cross plan with the northwest angle filled by a tower. Each arm has a very large pointed window of six panels with twelve smaller panels in the arch. Around the arch are five eaves of headers. The very high foundation has large rock-faced lintels over glass-block basement windows. The main entrance is in the tower, double doors and elaborately molded terra cotta arch above. The tower has two stages above the door, then a parapet and a pyramidal steeple. The upper stage louvered openings.

### History and Significance

The German Evangelical Congregation of St. Paul at Mathews Creek was organized in 1844 by Rev. E. Nollan, who had been holding services in this area since 1838. Nollan was the pastor of St. John's Evangelical Church in Mehville, still a local landmark. The first church was erected on Old Baumgartner Road near Heintz Road, where the church's cemetery is still located. The present church was built on land that had been acquired by the congregation in 1918, according to the church history, but the 1909 atlas shows that a school

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings

Was already being operated in this location. The church buildings are on a steep rise on the east side of Telegraph Road, a little north of its intersection with Baumgartner and Cliff Cave Roads.

### Sources of Information

- Church office, St. Paul's United Church of Christ
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
5508 Telegraph Road

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are arched and have tracery infill and labels above. The corners of the tower are buttressed, with stone quoins at the floor levels. Large brick additions to the church have been made to the north and the east, but they are set back from the older church and have lower roofs.

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acquired 3 acres in 1905 from Magdalena Grate, a widow.
**Gebhardt's Store**

**5701 Telegraph Road**

**16 Thematic Category**

**17 Dates or Period**

constructed by 1878

**18 Style or Design**

vernacular

**19 Architect or Engineer**

**20 Contractor or Builder**

**21 Original Use, if apparent**

store

**22 Present Use**

store

**23 Ownership**

Public

**24 Owner's Name & Address, if known**

Paul T. Bles, D.D.S., P.C.
5709 Telegraph Rd. 63129

**25 Open to Public?**

Yes

**26 Local Contact Person or Organization**

**27 Other Surveys in Which Included**


**28 No of Stories**

1

**29 Basement?**

Yes

**30 Foundation Material**

stone, concrete

**31 Wall Construction**

frame

**32 Roof Type & Material**

gable, comp.

**33 No. of Bays**

Front irr. Side 5

**34 Wall Treatment**

asbestos shingles

**35 Plan Shape**

rectangular

**36 Changes**

Addition

Explanatory

in #42

Moved

**37 Condition**

Interior

Exterior

fair

**38 Preservation Underway?**

Yes

**39 Endangered?**

Yes

By What?

No

**40 Visible from Public Road?**

Yes

**41 Distance from and Frontage on Road**

96

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**Further Description of Important Features**

Illustrations in Foundations of a Community show that this building once had 6 posts supporting the front overhang, which a cornice line articulated as a porch roof separates from the main roof. The windows were shuttered. The posts have been removed and the roofline smoothed out. The fenestration on the front has been remodeled with off-center glass double doors and a 4-part ribbon window. The last 2 bays at the rear appear to be a later addition with concrete foundations.

**History and Significance**

Although this store has been greatly altered over the years, it is unusual in surviving at all, and it does retain its original outline. Johannes Gebhardt acquired this property before 1862, and perhaps as early as the 1830's. It was part of a larger tract on which he had built his homestead. Gebhardt is said to have come from the Hesse-Darmstadt region of Germany. He died in 1913, but in 1908 and 1910 he sold off most of his land.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**

The widening of Telegraph Road has left this building right on the road.

**Sources of Information**


St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 209, p. 244; 210, 602; 210, 631; 213, 63; 216, 46; 290, 257; 315, 282; 452, 161 & 165; 455, 543; 496, 502.
of his property. The store, on a tract of 0.997 acres, was sold to Peter Rode and Herman Wolder (not Wolter) and their wives, who paid $4,000. Wolder owned 6332 Mayville Drive from 1896 to 1906. Rode and Wolder ran a produce hauling business. They borrowed money several times against the property and in 1912 lost it to the Regal Realty and Investment Company. In 1919 the company sold it to Edward J. O'Hare for $3,000. O'Hare kept it for only a year before selling to Emil Benack. Benack had acquired another lot nearby the previous year, and eventually they acquired the Gebhardt homestead as well. Mrs. Benack was Tillie Cecilia Gebhardt.
### Arthur Baumgartner House

**5758 Telegraph Road**

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#### Historic Inventory

- **County:** St. Louis
- **Location of Negatives:** St. Louis County Parks
- **Present Name(s):** Arthur Baumgartner
- **Other Name(s):** 5758 Telegraph Road

**Address:** 5758 Telegraph Road

**Additional Information:**

- **Theme:** Public
- **Ownership:** Private
- **Condition:** Good
- **Preservation:** Yes
- **Underway:** No
- **Endangered:** No
- **Visible from Public Road?:** Yes
- **Potential?:** No
- **Alteration?:** No
- **Moved?:** No
- **Open to Public?:** Yes
- **Local Contact:** Madonna M. Bruce
- **Contractor or Builder:**
- **Architect or Engineer:**
- **Foundation Material:** Stone
- **Wall Construction Frame:**
- **Roof Type & Material:** Composition, gable, comp
- **Wall Treatment:** Asbestos shingles
- **Plan Shape:** Irregular
- **No. of Bays:** Front 2 Side 2
- **Additional Information:**
  
  **Description of Important Features:**

  Very picturesque house has been little altered except for siding and aluminum awnings over some windows. Front porch has dentilled frieze, pediment over front steps and door, Tuscan columns, and turned balusters. Porch wraps around south side of house. Windows are 1-over-1, paired to the left of the entry. House does not have a full second story, but dormers and gables provide second floor headroom. An additional dormer above much front yard.

  **Further Description of Important Features:**

  Widening of Telegraph Road has left this house without

  **History and Significance:**

  Arthur Baumgartner built this house soon after his marriage to Laura Crecelius in 1904. He was born in 1882, the son of Jakob and Maria Baumgartner. With his brother William he was in the construction business. This property was in Laura's name. She was the daughter of John Crecelius, who built 6550 Christopher Drive. She died before Arthur in 1933, leaving 4 daughters. This lot was then appraised at $3,000.

  **Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

  Founded on a Community (1977), I, 14

  **Sources of Information:**

  Foundations of a Community (1977), I, 14
  St. Louis County Probate Court, Case 10793

  **Prepared by:** E. Hamilton
  St. Louis County Parks

  **Date:** 7/88
  **Revision Date(s):**
Arthur Baumgartner House
5758 Telegraph Road

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the front door is framed by wide pilasters and has a pedimented gable. The roof above is a steep pyramid. The front gable has curving bargeboards, wider at their lower ends. The main roof of this house is also a high pyramid.
### Conrad Meyer House

**Location:** 6162 Telegraph Road

**County:** St. Louis

**City/Town:** Lemay Township

**Total Acres:** 19.21

**Foundation Material:** Stone

**Roof Type:** Gambrel

**Condition:** Good

**Description:**
This well-maintained farm occupies the southeast corner of Susan and Telegraph Roads. The house faces Telegraph, where it looks like a 1½-story house with a front-facing gable and a gabled dormer. This side has a hipped 3-bay porch with a slightly arched frieze on square posts. It has uneven x-patterned railings. The side elevations are two full stories. The 1st floor windows are 1-over-1, but 2nd floor windows are 2-over-2.

### History and Significance
Conrad Meyer bought Lot 8 of Clifton Heights in 1883 from Lucretia Blow and her husband J. C. LeBourgeois. Born in 1849 in Switzerland, he and his wife Caroline had 8 children, the youngest of whom was only 4 when he died in 1902. Conrad (II), who was then 16, and George, then 7, eventually took over operation of the farm. George, who married Emma E. Luther, died in 1929, leaving two small children. His son George, Jr., grew up to marry Laverne Wombrodt and to operate this farm. When they finally sold this

### Description of Environment and Outbuildings
A frame garage south of the house is entered from the rear. It has a gable roof, clapboards, and a 2-over-2 window. Behind the house are 2 barns, both gambrel-roofed and at right angles to each other. The smaller has 2 garage doors facing the house, while the larger faces Susan Road to the north. They have corrugated metal roofs and are painted red.

### Sources of Information
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 22, p. 118; 1150, 50.
Conrad Meyer House
6162 Telegraph Road

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part of the farm in 1949, George and Laverne built a new house nearby. The buyers were Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Ahlemeyer, who still own most of the property.
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**Further Description of Important Features:** Like many houses in this area, the house has two front doors. They are sheltered by a porch which has turned posts and a shed roof with front gable. Front windows are paired, 1-over-1. The second floor does not rise full height except in the front and end gables.

**History and Significance:** Philip Burg, who died in 1889, said that he had acquired the land on which this house stands from John Miller. Burg owned 80 acres in all, including all sides of the intersection of Telegraph and Heintz Roads. His widow Catharine sold this land in 1894 to Emma, the eldest of their 5 daughters, and Emma's husband Louis. Louis and Emma are said to have married in 1888. Their children, named Margareth, George, and LaPearl in the probate records were 9, 5 and 2 when Louis died in 1900 at the age of 39. After George's marriage.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:** Many outbuildings are clustered around the main house.

**Sources of Information:**
- St. Louis County Probate Court, cases 667 & 1738.
- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 76, p. 55.

**Prepared by:**
- E. Hamilton

**Organization:**
- St. Louis County Parks

**Date:**
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in 1919 to Alma Beyes, he acquired this property from his mother. Alma Dietz is currently a joint tenant of this property with her daughter Ruth A. Haefner.

The contractor built many similar houses in this area, all characterized by their center gable and paired windows.
John Becker House

6925 Telegraph Road

This typical bungalow design is modified by half of the front porch being enclosed, with a bank of 4 windows in front and 1 on the side, 3-over-1. The entry and porch arches are angled at the corners. Porch posts are clapboarded with moldings at the corners. A low shed-roofed dormer with 4 square windows is centered in front. A brick chimney rises on the south wall just behind the center. Toward the rear is an exterior basement entrance.

This property had been in the Becker family since before 1862 when this house was built. It was first acquired by Karl Becker (1817-1898, called Charles Becker in the 1862 atlas), an immigrant from Hesse. He and his wife Philippine had 2 sons, Peter (1818-1927) and Carl (1845-1877). Peter married Dorothea Westermann and settled on this tract, which he acquired from his father between 1878 and 1893. After Dorothea died in 1883, Peter married Francisca Grueninger. Their son John (1886-1927), seems to have purchased this property from his father before the latter's death, and he probably built this house in the mid-1920's.

A barn which was noted in the 1977 survey has now disappeared. Other outbuildings, however, still exist behind the house.

This house reflects the continuity of the French Colonial tradition in its 1½-story height, full-length verandah and gabled dormers. It is very simply detailed, with 2-over-2 windows and shaped porch posts. There are two front doors, one at each end of the front facade. A porch at the rear seems to be a later addition.

Part of this house is said to be the log construction of John Earley, who bought this property in 1850. Born in 1825, he died in 1861, and his widow Margaret married Leopold Knaus (1837-1912). Earley’s father Francis or Francois had lived on part of this property before him, and another part had ferry privileges on the Meramec River. The ferry had been called Lovering’s and later Brown’s, after earlier owners of the property, so there

**Descriptive Information**

- **Type & Mat: 1722 rectangular**
- **Upper Floor:** Yes
- **Condition:** Fair
- **Preservation Underway:** No
- **Endangered By What?:** No
- **Visible From Public Road:** Yes
- **Distance From and Frontage on Road:** 361

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### Sources of Information

- St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds, Bk. 6, p. 346.
Earley-Knaus House
7381 Telegraph Road

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is a possibility that the house has earlier origins than traditionally assigned to it. Earley had first been married to Christianna Creselius, by whom he had one daughter, also called Christianna. At the time of his death his property was said to be improved with a "block" farmhouse of two rooms and a "block" stable. Margaret Knaus died in 1905 and Leopold in 1912. Their daughter Sophia married George Erb. Their son Ferdinand died in 1904 leaving four minor children who also lived here.

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St. Louis County Probate Court, case 3537.
St. Louis City Probate Court, case 6107.
August Schulenburg House
2559 Yaeger Road

16. **Thematic Category**: 030
17. **Date(s) or Period constructed**: 1894
18. **Style or Design**: Queen Anne 45
19. **Architect or Engineer**: J. R. Henning

20. **Contractor or Builder**: J. R. Henning
21. **Original Use, if apparent**: residence
22. **Present Use**: residence
23. **Ownership**: Public $X Private $X
24. **Owner's Name & Address, if known**: J. R. Henning
25. **Open to Public?**: Yes $X No $X
26. **Local Contact Person or Organization**: Yes $X No $X

**Further Description of Important Features**:
For its semirural location, this is a high-style house. It has a foundation of large regular rock-faced blocks with a larger projecting water table. First floor windows have segmental arches with radiating brick voussoirs, while second-floor windows have straight tops. Both are 1-over-1. The plan is very irregular, with semi-octagonal tower at the southeast corner and a bay window on the east side. The tower windows are very narrow, and the roof is conical. The center front bay is recessed. The main

**History and Significance**:
August H. Schulenburg (1864-1933) was the son of Herman Schulenburg (1836-1891) and the former Wilhelmine Wermeler (died 1912). Herman bought this property, which was the east half of the east half of Section 11, sometime between 1870 and 1878. August built this house a few years after his father's death. He must have had income other than as a farmer, because this tract was only 28.33 acres, and he sold 10.83 of them to Bertha Keim.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings**:
The house stands in a large lot with tall trees.
August Schulenburg House
2559 Yaeger Road

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doors with its transom (now closed) is in this bay, and over it is an oval window with four wedge-shaped voussoirs. The left front bay is wider and breaks forward. Swags decorate the walls on either side of the second-floor window. Across these two bays is a hip-roofed porch with slender Tuscan columns on brick piers. The spaces between the piers under the porch floor is filled with latticework. Both porch and house have dentilled cornices. A similar porch is at the northeast corner of the house. A hip-roofed frame dormer with two windows is over the left front bay.

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August married Lillian Burg, called Lillie, and they had two daughters: Estella, who married Charles A. Lorch and moved to Valrico, Florida; and Lillian, who married Edward W. Lorch and had one daughter, Lois.
Missouri Office Of Historic Preservation
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No
2. County
   St. Louis
3. Location of Negatives
   St. Louis County Parks
4. Present Name(s)
   Charles Damm House
5. Other Name(s)
6. Specific Location
   .64 acres in S 1/8 of NW 1/4,
   Section II T43 R6
7. City or Town
   Lemay Township
8. Site Plan with North Arrow
9. Coordinates
   UTM
   Lat
   Long
10. Site I
    Building I
    Structure I
    Object I
11. On National
    Yes
    Register?
    No
12. Eligible?
    Yes
13. Part of Estab
    Yes
    Hist Dist.?
    No
14. District
    Yes
15. Name of Established District
16. Thematic Category
17. Date(s) or Period
    constructed 1907
18. Style or Design
    Queen Anne
19. Architect or Engineer
20. Contractor or Builder
21. Original Use, if apparent
    residence
22. Present Use
    residence
23. Ownership
    Public
    Private
24. Owner's Name & Address,
    if known
    David M. & Joan Caldwell
25. Open to Public?
    Yes
    No
26. Local Contact Person or Organization
27. Other Surveys in Which Included
    Foundations of a Community
    (1977), 4-17
28. No of Stories
    1/2
29. Basement?
    Yes
   No
30. Foundation Material
    stone
31. Wall Construction
    frame
32. Roof Type & Material
    gable, comp
33. No of Bays
    Front
    Side
34. Wall Treatment
    clapboard
35. Plan Shape
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36. Changes
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    Alteration
    Moved
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    Interior
    Exterior
    good
38. Preservation
    Yes
    Underway?
    No
39. Endangered?
    Yes
    By What?
    No
40. Visible from
    Public Road?
    Yes
   No
41. Distance from and
    Frontage on Road
    /23
42. Further Description of Important Features
   The house is basically cross-shaped. It is less than two stories tall, but the four gables provide ample height. Paired 6-over-6 windows are in each of these gables which have boxed cornices with returns. A one-story porch crosses the front of the house. It has a hipped roof, a dentilled cornice, and an arched frieze rising over each of the 5 front and 2 side bays. The main entrance is on the east side of the porch.
43. History and Significance
   This property was acquired after 1862 by Anton Damm (1831-1921). His son Charles is said to have built this house when he took over operation of the farm. The present owners bought the house in 1965 and have extensively renovated it.
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings
45. Sources of Information
   Foundations of a Community (1977), 4-17
46. Prepared by
   E. Hamilton
47. Organization
   St. Louis County Parks
48. Date
49. Revision Date(s)
**William Niemeyer House**

**3014 Yaeger Road**

**Historic Inventory**

**No:** 1  
**County:** St. Louis  
**Location of Negatives:**

**Specific Location:** 2.66 acres in Section II, Township 43 Range 6 located 100 ft. E of W line

**City or Town:** Lemay Township  
**Site Plan with North Arrow:**

**Coordinates:** UTM  
**Site:** Building X  
**Structure:** Object X  
**Building:** Object X  
**Structure:** Object X

**On National Register:** Yes X  
**Eligible:** No X  
**Dist:** No X  
**Name of Established District:**

**Date(s) or Period:** c. 1895  
**Style or Design:** Colonial Revival  
**Architect or Engineer:**

**Original Use:** Residence  
**Present Use:** Residence

**Ownership:** Public X  
**Condition:** Fair

**Source:** Foundations of a Community (1977), 4-18.

**Description of Important Features:**

Comparatively unaltered house has a double front door opening onto a porch with Tuscan columns and antae supporting a hipped roof with a dentilled frieze. A similar frieze underlines the main roof. Three gabled dormers have sides covered with roofing material. The center door stands slightly forward of the cornice line and seems to rise from the porch roof. It is larger and more elaborate than the others, with a broken cornice and a shingled lunette above the window. Windows are 1-over-1; some have non-fitting shutters.

**History and Significance:**

When Theodore and Mary Friedmeyer sold 40 acres here to William and Rosa Niemeyer, the land already had improvements on it, probably including the farm buildings. The Niemeyers paid $4,500, higher than average. This house, however, is said to have been built by the Niemeyers soon after their purchase. The property remained in the family until about 1940. It has been owned by the present owner since 1962.

**Description of Environment and Outbuildings:**

The barn that originally went with this property was remodeled into a separate house in the 1940's and is now numbered 3022 Yaeger Road.

**Prepared by:** E. Hamilton  
**Organization:** St. Louis County Parks  
**Date:** 7/88
TWO LOTS OF
OAKVILLA MANOR
A BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

PART OF
SEC. 11 T. 43 N. R. 6 E.
Since 1977 a shed-roof entry bay has been added in front of the door, using the previous porch roof. The walls are slightly taller than one story, giving additional headroom to the attic rooms. A one-story wing has two paired windows and a door with glass louvers.

This house was built as a barn for the adjacent farm of William Niemeyer, now 3014 Yaeger Road. It was converted to residential use by Mr. & Mrs. Albert Feldmann, who still live there.

The house sits far back on the lot, behind the line of the adjacent houses. The front of the property is a steep embankment down to the road.

Foundations of a Community (1977), 4-19