

FORM B – BUILDING

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)

Photograph



Address: 329 Pleasant Street

Historic Name: Harry and Eleanor Priestley House

Uses: Present: Single Family Residential

Original: Single Family Residential

Date of Construction: 1933

Source: Assessors Records

Style/Form: Dutch Colonial Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Concrete

Wall/Trim: Wood Shingles

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:
Garage

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Condition: Fair

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 1.28 Acres

Setting: Set back from the street in a formerly rural area developed in the second half of the 20th century as a suburban residential area.

Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Date (*month / year*): March 2010

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

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___ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The two by two bay dwelling at **329 Pleasant Street** is a one-and-a-half-story Dutch Colonial Revival Style dwelling. The rectangular dwelling rests on a concrete foundation. A one-story ell projects from the southwest side of the house and a one-story enclosed porch projects from the northwest side of the house. Despite the installation of vinyl replacement windows, the house retains the gambrel roof, full width shed dormer, end wall chimney, attached porches, and entry portico that characterize the Dutch Colonial Revival Style. The roof forms are sheathed in asphalt shingles. The walls are clad in painted wood shingles. The entry portico features a curved underside and a gable roof supported by square columns. The sides of the portico are filled with wood lattice. Windows are flanked by wood shutters comprised of two wood boards with a heart shaped cutout.

A single car garage is located to the northeast of the house. The asphalt sheathed hip roof rests on wood shingle walls. The single wood paneled door is adjacent to a wood paneled pedestrian entrance.

A dry-laid field stone wall is located at the road edge.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

According to Assessor's records the house was built c1933. In 1933 Harry and Eleanor Priestley purchased an acre of land from the heirs of George Marshall. Harry Priestly was a salesman and a trustee of the Tewksbury Public Library. Harry died in 1965 and his widow died c1968.

Additional owners: Donald & Patricia Stewart (1968-2007); and Allen Wiggin (2007-2009).

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List of Residents by Streets, Ages 17 years and over, In the Town of Tewksbury Mass. As prepared by the Board of Registrars (various years 1965-)

Valuations of the Real and Personal Estate of the Town of Tewksbury.

North Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.

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