

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY
BUILDING AND STRUCTURES
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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Town No.:	Site No. 155
UTM	:
QUAD:	
DISTRICT	IF NR SPECIFY
<input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> NR	<input type="checkbox"/> Actual <input type="checkbox"/> Potential

IDENTIFICATION	1. BUILDING NAME (Common) (Historic)	
	Bailey, James E. House	
	2. TOWN CITY	VILLAGE COUNTY
	Durham	Middlesex
	3. STREET AND NUMBER (and or location)	
Parmelee Hill Road, south side at intersection of Pent Road		
4. OWNER(S)		
Town of Durham/ Caltabiano, A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private		
5. USE (Present) (Historic)		
Residence Residence		
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
EXTERIOR VISIBLE FROM PUBLIC ROAD <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
INTERIOR ACCESSIBLE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
IF YES, EXPLAIN		

DESCRIPTION	7. STYLE OF BUILDING		DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	
	Late-nineteenth-century Domestic		1872	
	8. MATERIAL(S) (Indicate use or location when appropriate)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Brick	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten	<input type="checkbox"/> Stucco	<input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Type:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut stone Type: <u>Brownstone Foundation</u>	
	9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wood frame	<input type="checkbox"/> Post and beam	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> balloon	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Load bearing masonry	<input type="checkbox"/> Structural iron or steel		
10. ROOF (Type)				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable	<input type="checkbox"/> Flat	<input type="checkbox"/> Mansard	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor <input type="checkbox"/> sawtooth	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip	<input type="checkbox"/> Round <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
(Material)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Asphalt	<input type="checkbox"/> Tin	<input type="checkbox"/> Slate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt shingle	<input type="checkbox"/> Built up	<input type="checkbox"/> Tile	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
11. NUMBER OF STORIES		APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS		
2 1/2		38 x 22; 30 x 14		
12. CONDITION (Structural) (Exterior)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	
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13. INTEGRITY (Location)		WHEN ?	(Alterations) IF YES EXPLAIN	
<input type="checkbox"/> On original site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <u>addition, modern windows</u>	
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Shed	<input type="checkbox"/> Garage	<input type="checkbox"/> Other landscape features or buildings (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Carriage house	<input type="checkbox"/> Shop	<input type="checkbox"/> Garden		
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open land	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood-land	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scattered buildings visible from site	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Indus-trial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> High building density	

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

While some modern development has occurred to the east of the property, the land is still actively farmed and dominated by open fields.

17 OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior)

DESCRIBE (Continued)

Surmounted by a four-paned overlight, the four-panelled central door is protected by a simple pedimented entrance portico. It is supported by four turned columns with square bases and capitals. The 1½ story, 4-bay ell located on the western elevation features a ridge-to-street gable roof with two small dormers displaying six-over-one sash. Six-over-six sash are found throughout the rest of the house. A six-paned relieving arched window is exhibited in the facade gable end. A tall brick chimney is found on the western ell and a modern concrete-block chimney is featured on the north elevation of the main block. Outbuildings include a large 2 story barn with silo, a smaller single story concrete block barn, and other farm-related structures.

18 ARCHITECT

BUILDER

19 HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

SIGNIFICANCE

Located at the intersection of Parmelee Hill and Pent Roads, this 2½ story, 3 - bay, late nineteenth-century Domestic-style dwelling was built by James E. Bailey in 1872. Supported by a brownstone foundation, the clapboarded balloon frame is capped with an asphalt-shingled gable-to-street roof.

In 1872 James E. Bailey (1826-1893), the son of Jeremiah and Maria (Nettleton) Bailey, erected this farmhouse directly across the street from his father's residence (see Ezra Camp House). Born in Madison, Bailey married Electa A. Burr (1838-1916) of Haddam in 1860. Bailey, a farmer, served as a town assessor and school visitor for many years. In 1918 James's youngest son, George Henry Bailey (b. 1874), purchased the farm from his mother's estate. Married to Ethel Janette Crowell of Middletown in 1910, George continued to farm the property until 1931 when he sold it out of the family. The property still operates as a dairy farm.

Still located on an active farm, the James E. Bailey House serves as a link to the area's agricultural past.

SOURCES

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20 SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS

21 THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE

None known
 Highways
 Vandalism
 Developers
 Other _____

Renewal
 Private
 Deterioration
 Zoning
 Explanation _____