

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	OAK.735
Historic Name:	Flanders, Stephen House
Common Name:	
Address:	3 Uncas Ave
City/Town:	Oak Bluffs
Village/Neighborhood:	Oak Bluffs;
Local No:	11-156;
Year Constructed:	1874
Architectural Style(s):	Victorian Eclectic;
Use(s):	Secondary Dwelling House;
Significance:	Architecture; Recreation;
Area(s):	OAK.C
Designation(s):	Local Historic District (04/08/2003);
Building Materials:	Roof: Asphalt Shingle; Wall: Asphalt Shingle; Wood;
Demolished	No



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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

Handwritten: Oak Bluffs

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In Area no. <i>(Handwritten: P AB)</i>	Form no. <i>(Handwritten: 735)</i> 11-156
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1. Town Oak Bluffs

Address 24³ Uncas Avenue

Name _____

Present use seasonal private dwelling

Present owner Joseph T. (Jr.) and Carol G. Stewart

3. Description:

Date circa 1890 1874

Source Tax records Registry of Deeds

Style Campground

Architect _____

Exterior wall fabric asphalt shingles

Outbuildings (describe) _____

Other features covered balcony with decorative posts and brackets; covered porch, 3 sides, partially enclosed, with decorative posts and brackets; Altered additions Date (see *)

Moved from 152 Circuit Date 1905-1889

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre _____

Approximate frontage 30' Circuit Ave.; 42' Hiawatha Ave.; 42' Uncas Ave.
Approximate distance of building from street

10' Uncas Ave.

6. Recorded by Peter C. Josephs

Organization O.B. Historical Survey

Date 9/7/78

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.

*OTHER FEATURES: dormers; decorative vergeboards with pendent; green shingles, white trim.

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Stephen Flanders

Original use seasonal private dwelling

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates _____

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	<u>X</u>
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	<u>X</u>				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This house is of the expansive Campground cottage construction. It is significant as a part of the Oak Bluffs Land and Wharf Company^{development} which began soon after the growth and popularity of the Wesleyan Grove Campground. The development became the secular alternative to the Campground and flourished as one of the most popular and well known East Coast summer resorts.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

- Oak Bluffs Assessor's Maps, 1975, Town Hall, Oak Bluffs, MA
- Registry of Deeds, Dukes County Courthouse, Edgartown, MA
- Henry Beetle Hough, Martha's Vineyard, Summer Resort, 1835-1935.