

Wilson, Donald L

From: Wilson, Donald L
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2000 11:26 AM
To: 'archival@netkonnnect.net'
Subject: Hazen homestead

To: Tom Shorbert

This is in response to your call asking for directions to the Hazen property off Carriage Ford Road in western Prince William County. You mentioned that a woman named Bernice Webster lived there as a child, about 50 years ago, and that her father Thornton Blackwell was a sharecropper there.

The property I think you are referring to is "Pilgrim's Rest," also once known as "Mount Wesley." It was owned by the Hazen family from 1849 until at least 1979 (probably 1982 when it was sold to the Thomassen family). Melvin Colvin Hazen, who died in 1941, was the last person named Hazen to live there. He was a president of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia. One of his nephews, H. Lynn Colvin, bought the property in the 1940s from other family members and owned it until his death in 1974. He was a pediatrician in Washington, D.C. His widow lived on the property in the late 1970s.

Until the 1990s the property address was shown as 14102 Carriage Ford Road. Eugene Scheel's map of historic sites in Prince William County shows the house on an extension of Hazelwood Drive (a private drive) to the west of Carriage Ford Road. USGS maps of the 1950s show access to the house from Tenerife Road in Fauquier County, but current maps don't show any public road in that area. The current owners are Rodney J. and Carol S. Klima, who bought it in 1993. Since they bought it the property address has become "2101 Belmont Grove Road", a road I find on no published map. It probably is the name of their private drive. Rodney Klima is shown in the 1999-2000 telephone directory at 2101 Belmont Grove Road, phone 703-594-2811.

Hope this satisfies your needs. Please call if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Donald L. Wilson, Virginia Librarian
Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center for Genealogy and Local History (RELIC)
Bull Run Regional Library, 8051 Ashton Avenue
Manassas, VA 20109-2892
(703) 792-4540
www.pwcgov.org/library/services/relic

Found a note in the Pilgrims Rest file mentioning a secret passage in the house. Wonder if it could have been a station on the underground railroad. (owned by minister)

PILGRIM'S REST FARM
14102 Carriage Ford Road
Nokesville, Virginia 22123

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My 229 year old house, on 82 acres, is the second oldest one in Prince William County.

This house, on Cedar Run, has center hall, living, dining, kitchen, bedroom, bath, linen closet, pantry and coat closet on first floor; three bedrooms and bath on second floor; two rooms on third.

Siding is ship-lap, insulated, electric heat, central air on first floor - could easily be carried to second floor. 11 1/2 foot ceilings, four fireplaces, one of which carried the furnace flue, but could be opened, double chimney 16x50 of Flemish bond masonry.

The outside offers: 2-car garage, new hay barn, corn shed, cinder block machine shed, two hog houses, a second house (rental property) containing living room, 3 bedrooms, kitchen and bath, basement, storm windows, Venetian blinds, electric heat and insulated. + *the house*

In my garage is a 10,000 KW fully automatic generator.

And why am I considering selling? I am a Senior Citizen living in a house larger than I need.

Virginia S. Colvin
(Mrs. H. Lynn Colvin)

VSC/c

Pilgrims Rest 76-19



9109 Centreville Road / Manassas, Virginia 22110 / 703-368-9243 / Metro 631-1977
7418 Sudley Road / Manassas, Virginia 22110 / 703-361-6166 / Metro 631-0461
13410 Jefferson Davis Hwy. / Woodbridge, Virginia 22191 / 703-494-3166 / Metro 550-9680

LINDSEY C. ALTMAN, President

May 4, 1975

Dear Mr. Cook

Pilgrims Rest is now on the market. It is a beautiful mid-eighteenth century home and it still has the secret passageway. I cringe to think someone might purchase it who would not realize its historical value and beauty, proceeding to destroy it, either outright or through improper care.

Enclosed is the data concerning the property. If you know of someone who might be interested in owning and preserving Pilgrims Rest, or if you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Betty A. Wright

Call her about listing in Preservation News.

→ Sent extra copy of PN. April issue.
F.



FOR REAL ESTATE RESULTS - TALK TO THE KEY PEOPLE





BETTY ALICE WRIGHT
Realtor

OFFICE 361-6166
METRO 631-0460
RES. 754-4211

7418 SUDLEY ROAD
MANASSAS, VIRGINIA 22110

Betty Wright
7418 Sudley Rd.
Manassas, Va 22110



Ms. Frances Jones
Northern Virginia Planning District Commission
7309 Arlington Blvd.
Falls Church, Va. 22042

June 4, 1977

Dear Frances

Thanks for the copy of Preservation News. I believe I have been
decided to advertise Pilgrims Road in J.

I really appreciate your concern and help in an effort to
market the property.

I've enjoyed reading the articles in Preservation News.

Sincerely,
Betty Wright

