

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Stetson, John B. House

AND/OR COMMON
"Gillen"

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
1031 Camphor Lane
CITY, TOWN DeLand VICINITY OF 4th
STATE Florida CODE 12 COUNTY Volusia CODE 127 ✓
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
NOT FOR PUBLICATION

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Marino ✓
STREET & NUMBER 1031 Camphor Lane
CITY, TOWN DeLand VICINITY OF STATE Florida 32720

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Volusia County Courthouse
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN DeLand STATE Florida

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The John B. Stetson House is basically a three-story, L-shaped building with a low pitched hipped roof. There are, however, varied projections on the North and South elevations. Because a second wing was to be attached to the west elevation only a temporary porch was constructed. The East elevation is unremarkable except for contiguous outbuildings located at the Northeast corner. The present roofing material is asbestos, replacing the original wood shingles. It is understood that the current light yellow walls, green trim and red roof duplicated the originals.

The ridge of the roof is interrupted by two large brick chimneys while a third rises on the exterior at the Northeast corner of the house and is functional for both the wing and main house. The rafters are exposed around the entire cornice with the exception of the center of the South facade where the pediment of a balcony is superimposed.

The wall covering of the entire structure is composed of wood shingles of a variety of designs, including rectangular, semicircular, and imbricated.

The main as well as subsidiary entries are all located on the first floor of the North elevation. All three are located beneath second floor projections. Also on the North facade are two stairways expressed on the exterior by sets of triple windows following the line of the ascending stairs. At the second floor level there are two shed roof projections. The smaller with a large sash window houses a bathroom while the larger expresses a second floor hall with six paired casements surmounted by stationary sash. The third floor windows which illuminate the servants rooms are diminished.

The most notable feature of the South facade is the first floor composition of a blind ogee arcade. The spandrel of the center and eastern arches is filled by the shingled pendant of a second floor oriel (in plan a semi-octagon). On the third floor, above the oriel, is a narrow projecting balcony with turned balustrade and three heavy posts. The posts, with swirled fluting, bear cushion capitals which support the shingled pediment. Shorter versions of these posts and capitals, placed in pairs, support a solid balustrade. There is a conical roof on the circular tower on the southwest corner of the building. On the Southeast corner, a semi-octagonal projection of only one story carries a pyramidal roof.

The window treatment reflects the variety of the facades. There are leaded and stained glass windows with semi-circular-headed, circular, truncated oval and double-hung sash, and casement windows, many of which have label moldings terminating in wood bosses.

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Within the recessed arcade with ogee voussoirs are highly decorative shingles. Also between the second and third floors of the South and East facades is a plain belt course which visually distinguishes the family quarters from the servant quarters.

On the interior are carved wood mantels with tiled fascia. The main stairhall is wainscotted and separated from the first floor rooms by a divider composed of panelled wood wainscoting and pierced wood dado.

The grounds of "Gillen" originally included 300 acres. Presently less than 3 acres remain. Within the three acres, however, is a building once used as a schoolhouse, parts of the Stetson garden, now overgrown, and an alligator pit. The latter was built by Stetson to provide entertainment for his visiting Philadelphia friends.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1886 BUILDER/ARCHITECT George T. Pearson, AIA

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The John B. Stetson home was built about 1886 as the winter home of the famous Philadelphia hat manufacturer, whose name is associated with Stetson University, also in DeLand. In addition to its association with Stetson, the house is significant as one of the few in the area designed by an architect (George T. Pearson). While the extensive grounds of the estate have been subdivided, the unusual alligator pit and underground heating plant remain with the residence.

The site was originally owned by Dr. H. H. Gillen who sold the land in 1883 to Henry DeLand, founder of DeLand, Florida. Stetson bought approximately 300 acres as a homesite from DeLand in 1886 at which time he hired George T. Pearson, AIA, of Philadelphia to design his new winter residence.

During the 20 years that Stetson wintered at DeLand (1886 until his death in 1906), he developed a sincere interest in the surrounding community, particularly DeLand University. Due to his financial aid to the school it was renamed "Stetson University" in 1889 at the insistence of Mr. DeLand. In addition to funding the University deficit, Mr. Stetson also gave several of the tracts of ground on which the campus now stands, and endowed several faculty chairs. The President's House, Stetson Hall and Elizabeth Hall were also designed by Pearson and built at Stetson's expense.

The Stetson's residence is not, therefore, an isolated building within the DeLand community, but a portion of the Stetson philanthropy for DeLand as executed by George T. Pearson's design. Although the President's House has since been replaced by a library, both Stetson and Elizabeth Halls are university dormitories likely to be retained.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bowen, Olga. Typescript essays on John B. Stetson, DeLand, and Stetson Home.

Caruso, Mike. "Windows on the Past: The John B. Stetson House." Daytona Beach News Journal, June 24, 1973.
(See Continuation Sheet)

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2

UTM REFERENCES

A

1	7	4	68	5	00	32	1	03	8	0
ZONE		EASTING			NORTHING					

B

ZONE		EASTING			NORTHING						

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

All of that property described as Lot 13, Block Q, Stetson Home Estates.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Elizabeth B. Monroe, Historic Sites Specialist 1/30/78

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Division of Archives, History and Records Management (904) 487-2333

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Department of State, The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

[Signature]

6/27/78

TITLE

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

[Signature] for

DATE

11-21-78

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

Jann H. Gilmore

DATE

11/17/78

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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Hockaday, Alyce. "Stetson Mansion Still Work of Art," DeLand (Fla) Sun News, June 7-8, 1975.

Padden, Ann. "Company 'As Old as America' to Restore Victorian Stetson House," DeLand (Fla) Sun News, n.d.

Philadelphia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.
Biography and History of George T. Pearson.

Property

Stetson, John B., House

State

Florida

Working Number

7.10.78.3579

78000957

TECHNICAL

Photos 5

Maps 1

Signature
W. H. H. H.

CONTROL

OK

pl
7.11.78

HISTORIAN

ACCEPT

Joe Jones
11-16-78

Stetson was one of many rich northerners who wintered in Florida & contributed to its early development but his contributions thru land grants & funding to DeLand's university is perhaps more lasting and positive than his ~~other~~ contemporaries?

NO arch. statement of significance.

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

~~Accept~~
Braunam
9.6.78

This residence maintains strong associations with the clothing manufacturer and would in my opinion be eligible regardless of architectural significance.

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____

Review _____

Architectural significance justification weak
But accept for educational Association.

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

JANN H. Gilmore
11/17/78

ACCEPT

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Approved
11/21/78

National Register Write-up _____

Send-back _____

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Federal Register Entry 2-6-79

Re-submit _____

INT:2106-74



1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and
Records Management
6. South facade
7. Photo #1

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- 77-N-01-20
#38
1. Stetson, John B., House
 2. DeLand, Florida
 3. Phil Werndli
 4. January, 1976
 5. Division of Archives, History and Records
Management
 6. North facade
 7. Photo #2

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1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Stained Glass in Stairhall
7. Photo #3

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1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Stairhall
7. Photo #4

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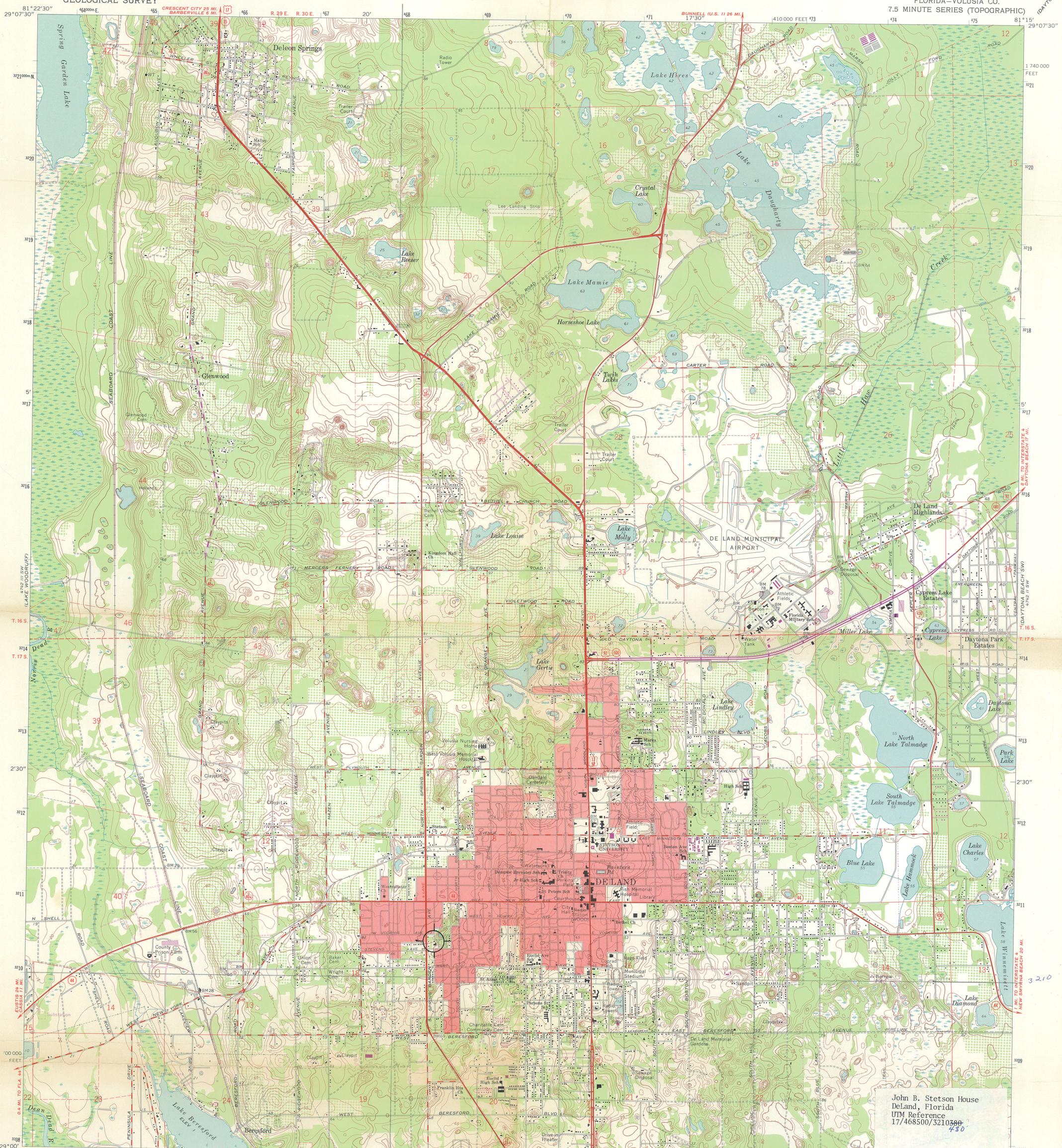
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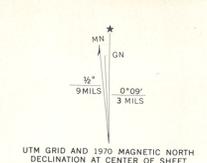
1. Stetson, John B., House
2. DeLand, Florida
3. Phil Werndli
4. January, 1976
5. Division of Archives, History and Records Management
6. Fireplace
7. Photo #5

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Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs
taken 1957. Topography by planetable surveys 1952 and 1964
Selected hydrographic data compiled from USC&GS Chart 688 (1959)
This information is not intended for navigational purposes
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Florida coordinate system, east zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 17, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs
taken 1970. This information not field checked



CONTOUR INTERVAL 5 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL
SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DA'UM IS MEAN LOW WATER
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 1 FOOT

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
FOR SALE BY U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20242
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

John B. Stetson House
De Land, Florida
UTM Reference
17/468500/3210380
430

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
Heavy-duty ——— Light-duty ———
Medium-duty ——— Unimproved dirt ———
U.S. Route ——— State Route ———



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DE LAND, FLA.
N2900—W8115/7.5

1964
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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE FLORIDA

Date Entered NOV 21 1978

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Palmer House	Monticello Jefferson County
Stetson, John B., House	DeLand Volusia County
Payne's Creek Massacre - Fort Chokonikla Site	Hardee County

Also Notified

Honorable Richard (Dick) Stone
Honorable Lawton Chiles
Honorable Don Fuqua
Honorable William V. Chappell, Jr.
Honorable Andrew P. Ireland

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. W. Robert Williams
Deputy Secretary of State
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32304

NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET

① NAME as it appears on federal register: Stetson, John B., House
 ② OTHER NAMES: Gillen
 ③ date of entry: NOV 21 1978
 ④ county code: 127

⑤ LOCATION street & number: 1031 Camphor Lane
 city / town: DeLand
 vicinity of:
 state: FL
 county: Volusia
 ⑥ NPS REGION: SE

⑦ OWNER PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name)
 ⑧ ADMINISTRATOR:

⑨ EXISTING SURVEYS HABS HAER NHL
 ⑩ FUNDED? YES NO
 ⑪ CONGRESS. DISTRICT: 4th
 ⑫ SOURCE OF NOMINATION: STATE FEDERAL

⑬ WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME: NO
 ⑭ WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME: NO
 ⑮ ACRES: LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION
 if state who prepared form? Elizabeth B. Monroe

⑯ CONDITION: excellent good fair
 deteriorated ruins unexposed unexcavated
 altered unaltered reconstructed excavated
 original site moved unknown
 ⑰ features: INTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-4 NOT APPLICABLE-7
 EXTERIOR SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-5 NOT APPLICABLE-8
 ENVIRONS SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-6 NOT APPLICABLE-9

⑱ ACCESS: YES - Restricted YES - Unrestricted No Access Unknown
 ⑲ ADAPTIVE USE: YES NO
 ⑳ SAVED? YES
 IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? yes no

㉑ AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 ARCHEOLOGY - prehistoric-2
 ARCHEOLOGY - historic-1
 AGRICULTURE-3
 ARCHITECTURE-4
 ART-5
 ENGINEERING-11
 ENTERTAINMENT-26
 EXPLORATION-12
 HEALTH-27
 INDUSTRY-13
 EDUCATION-10
 LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15
 LAW-16
 LITERATURE-17
 MILITARY-18
 MUSIC-19
 PHILOSOPHY-20
 POLITICS / GOVT.-21
 RELIGION-22
 SCIENCE-23
 SOCIAL / HUMANITARIAN-24
 SOCIAL / CULTURAL-30
 TRANSPORTATION-25
 RECREATION-28
 SETTLEMENT-29
 URBAN PLANNING-31
 OTHER (SPECIFY)
 ㉒ CLAIMS: explain
 'first'
 'oldest'
 'only'

㉓ functions: WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: CURRENTLY:
 ㉔ dates of initial construction: major alterations: historic events:
 ㉕ ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION

㉖ architectural style(s):
 ㉗ architect:
 ㉘ master builder:
 ㉙ engineer:

㉚ landscape architect / garden designer:
 ㉛ interior decorator:
 ㉜ artist:
 ㉝ artisan:
 ㉞ builder / contractor:

㉟ NAMES give role & date
 PERSONAL:
 EVENTS:
 INSTITUTIONAL:

㊱ NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP