

HISTORIC NAME: Stone Eagles	COMMON NAME: Mochary house
LOCATION: 60 Undercliff Road	BLOCK/LOT 0101/11: 49-A/1
MUNICIPALITY: Montclair	COUNTY: Essex
USGS QUAD: Orange	UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Northing/Easting
OWNER/ADDRESS: Mochary, Steven & Mary V. See above	

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date: 1929	Source of Date: Tax Assessor
Architect: Goodwillie & Moran; Olmstead Brothers, landscape architects	Builder:
Style: English Manor house	Form/Plan Type: Rectangle
Number of Stories: 2½ + B	
Foundation: Stone	
Exterior Wall Fabric: Dressed ashlar, random courses	
Fenestration: 4 bays, grouped leaded casements w/ deep transoms, chamfered stone mullions.	
Roof/Chimneys: Gable w/parapet; shingle finish; exterior end chimneys north & south.	

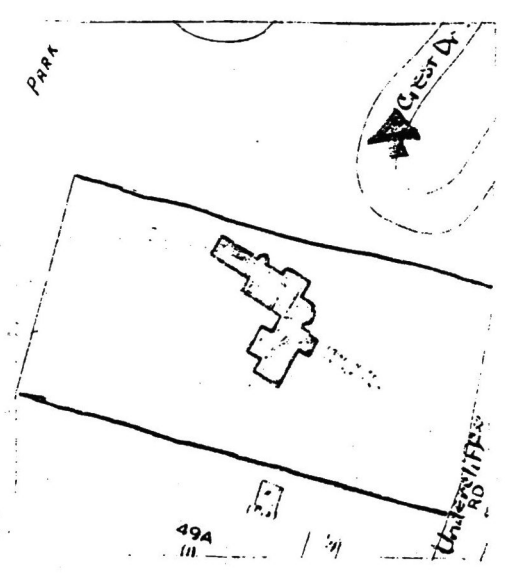
Additional Architectural Description:

Molded label lintels above all major 1st & 2nd floor windows; stone finials top corners & apex of gable parapets; basement wall forms high chamfered plinth below 1st floor windows. Parapet gable extends forward in the 3rd bay, w/ elaborate oriel window at center, 2nd floor; panelled entrance door below Tudor arch, cartouche above on the first floor. Entrance flanked by wrought iron lanterns opens to terrace w/ stone balustrade w/ shallow risers from the north. Double door from driveway in terrace wall below main entrance. Broad bay window 4th bay, 1st floor, shows heraldic emblems at center diamond light casements; Tudor emblems on all rainwater leaders. Carved stone eagles surmount tall piers w/ wrought iron lantern at center on either side of entrance driveway on north-east corner of property.

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Map (Indicate North)



# SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

The home lies at the center of a large 248' x 476' lot. Well set back from the street on a steep sloping site, the residence is approached by a long driveway which circles the property from the north-east corner.

Roughly 2.75 acres.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban ☐ Suburban ☒ Scattered Buildings ☐  
Open Space ☐ Woodland ☐ Residential ☒ Agricultural ☐ Village ☐  
Industrial ☐ Downtown Commerical ☐ Highway Commercial ☐ Other ☐

## SIGNIFICANCE:

This distinguished manor home was built for the Eshbaugh family. Reputed to have cost \$1,000,000, it was considered one of the most extravagant homes of the time in the metropolitan era. A family of stone masons was brought from Italy for one year to cut & set the stone.

Inside, the house is treated with equal splendor. The first floor with its library in the style of Christopher Wren and imported fifteenth century panelling presents an English character. There are tapestries in many of the rooms. The second floor shows a lighter touch & is distinctly French with 2 Louis XVI bedrooms, Aubusson carpets, & more delicate furniture & fittings. The colored marble bathrooms have gold fixtures.

The house is included in the 1971 survey by the Montclair Historical Society. Mr. William H. Eshbaugh, a stock broker, was in the lumber business in Canada. He was prominent in opening the Gulf of St. Lawrence for the lumber industry.  
(Continued under "Comments")

ORIGINAL USE: Residence  
PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent ☒ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐  
REGISTER ELIGIBILITY: Yes ☒ Possible ☐ No ☐ Part of District ☐  
THREATS TO SITE: Roads ☐ Development ☐ Zoning ☐ Deterioration ☐  
No Threat ☒ Other ☐

COMMENTS: The Eshbaugh House is referred to in The Biographical Dictionary of Architects by H. F. & E. R. Withey, p. 240-241. Other work by Goodwillie & Moran included a number of industrial plants and business offices: The Globe Indemnity Insurance Office, Newark, N. J., the Wheatena Mills at Rahway, N. J., the Manice Building in New York, and the Morton Ice Cream Plant, N. Y.

## REFERENCES:

Franklin Survey Company. Atlas of Montclair, Glen Ridge, Cedar Grove & Verona, 1933.

"Montclair Times," June 22, 1929, p. 8

RECORDED BY: Eleanor Price  
ORGANIZATION: Preservation Montclair

DATE: 7/18/81

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form



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Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Montclair MRA  
State Essex County, NEW JERSEY

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Reading, M.F., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

Melvin Byers 7/1/86

Attest

32. Stone Eagles

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33. Wight, Allyn, House

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34. Bradner's Pharmacy

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National Register

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35. Post Office Building,  
Upper Montclair

Entered in the  
National Register

for Keeper

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Attest

36. Central Presbyterian  
Church

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Patrick Anders 11/14/86

Attest

37. Christian Union Congregational  
Church

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National Register

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38. Cliffside Chapel

Substantive Review

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39. Congregational Church

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40. First Baptist Church  
(68 Church St.)

Substantive Review

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Stone Eagles (Montclair MRA)  
Essex County  
NEW JERSEY

Working No. OCT 1 1986

Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Due: 11/1/86 - 11/15/86

Action: ACCEPT

RETURN 11-14-86

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: X technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

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

- ☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
☐ alterations/integrity  
☐ dates  
☐ boundary selection

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## 8. Significance

Period      Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

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- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
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- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## X 10. Geographical Data

X Acreage of nominated property

*Please provide acreage*

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

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## 13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

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*Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet*







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Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

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