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Project Name: FARNUM HOUSE HPR
Date Received: 12/1/2011
Project Number: PRJ-0017891
Case Number: HPR17891
Primary Parcel Number: 42020000820108
Site address: 9276 Meigs Road
Case Description: 12/1/2011, Heather Beckmann, 9276 Meigs Road. Application to register this approximately 140 year old house on the Bainbridge Island Historic Register.

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People associated with case:

01. File Name
FARNUM HOUSE
9276 MEIGS ROAD
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND WA 98110
03. Owner
JOYCE & FREDERIC LHAMON
9276 NE MEIGS ROAD
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND WA 98110
PHONE: 206-842-4866
07. City Planner
HEATHER BECKMANN

Parcel Numbers:

42020000820108

Tax Parcel Owner(s):

42020000820108
JOYCE & FREDERIC LHAMON
9276 NE MEIGS ROAD
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

Fee History for Case:

Description	Amount	Receipt No.	Due



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Dear Historic Property Owner –

The City of Bainbridge Island and the Historic Preservation Commission [BIHPC] welcome your interest in seeking placement on the Bainbridge Island Historic Register. Preserving a community's cultural and historic resources is an undertaking which provides a lasting reference of place for future generations.

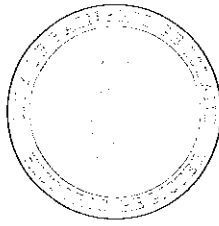
Your property is valuable to Bainbridge Island's history and listing it on the Island Historical Register will give you access to City, County and State economic and technical resources to support its preservation. Register listing will allow the following:

- Promote sustainable development by recycling existing resources.
- Encourage interest and training of local artisans and builders in the craft of restoration.
- Typically increase the value of your property.
- Provide a ten year special property tax freeze valuation based on substantial improvements.
- Receive a BIHPC card giving discounts from local merchants for approved rehabilitation projects.
- Receive an Island Register name plaque to attach to the property.
- Have access to future State and National grants for rehabilitation projects.

For all the above reasons, and for preserving the character of the island please fill out the enclosed forms. Please note that no property can be placed on the Island Register without the owner's or an agent of the owner's permission. Also, the owner can remove the property from the Island Register at any time. If you need assistance or information call 206.780.3774 or email ped@ci.bainbridge-isl.wa.us. Submit the completed forms with the required information and photos to:

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
City of Bainbridge Island
280 Madison Avenue North
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

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Please state in your own words why you'd like your property placed on the Island Historic Register and why you think it should be placed there:

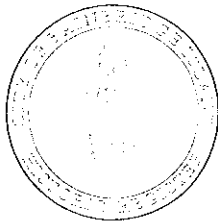
The Farnum House was built for Captain Farnum about 1870. Captain John Farnum had arrived in Port Madison on the north end of Bainbridge Island with his wife Helen in 1865. The previous year a fire had destroyed much of the lumber mill located on the east shore of the inlet. George Meigs had founded the mill in Port Madison in 1854 with equipment he had purchased from an older unsuccessful mill in Appletree Cove, (present location of Kingston). Captain Farnum became the master on the "Tidal Wave", a four masted barque which was built on the west side of the bay across from the mill. He made monthly runs to San Francisco and other Pacific Ocean ports including some in China delivering lumber.. The "Tidal Wave" held the speed record of 22 days for a round trip passage between Puget Sound and San Francisco.

Captain Farnum enjoyed his time ashore tending his garden with prize winning apples. His house was built for him by George Meigs in lieu of wages. The mill was suffering one of its financially difficult times and Mr. Meigs was unable to pay Captain Farnum his wages, so he built a home instead. After the mill closed in 1885, Capt Farnum moved to Seattle with his wife and adopted son, Albert. The house reverted into the hands of the Dexter Horton Bank, one of the creditors of the Port Madison mill. It was rented out as a summer home to the Cameron family. This family eventually purchased the house in 1905 when Dexter Horton Bank was promoting Port Madison as a planned community of summer homes for the wealthy of Seattle. The title was passed onto Don Cameron's (vice president of Lockheed aircraft) family, who used it as a summer home. Bob Ross, grandson of the original mill's manager, acted as guardian during the winters.

In 1970, the Cameron's sold the house to Tad and Joyce Lhamon. After returning from the Peace Corps in Micronesia, they purchased the house, completely furnished with items from the past 100 years of the home's existence. These items included tables, chairs, rugs, linens, beds, even cookbooks and curtains. The basic house was relatively unchanged from the 1800's at this point. The Camerons had enclosed a portion of the wrap-around porch for a bathroom with indoor plumbing, added basic electricity, combined the front and back parlors into single room with outside wall fireplace, added two dormers, and widened the front porch to ten feet from the original six feet.

The Lhamons have raised two sons in the house, while trying to preserve the home's historic integrity and charm. After the original plaster walls began slowly cracking off the underlying lath, and the house gained a decided slant. A basement was added along with other modern conveniences such as: central heating, more wiring, insulation, a laundry, and additional bathrooms. Modifications were made to the original woodshed and the foundation of salvaged barrels of cement was updated.

This structure is among the oldest in the central Puget Sound region left relatively intact. The original structure is readily discernible in spite of very few modifications. The interior is, also, free of major modernizations. We would like to have the help of the Historic Register Designation to help preserve this structure for the enjoyment of individual owners and the "drive by" public. It is a major element in the remaining historic structure of the original mill town on this site. an important part of our island heritage.



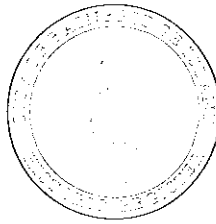
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A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Property Owner Frederic and Joyce Lhamon
Address: 9276 NE Meigs Rd, Bainbridge Island, WA, 98110
Phone/Fax: 206- 842-4866
Email: Joylha@aol.com lyricsails@aol.com
2. Property Owner _____
Address: _____
Phone/Fax: _____
Email: _____
3. Nominator: Tad and Joyce Lhamon
Address: see above
Phone/Fax: _____
Email: _____
Nominator is: ☒ Owner
☐ BIHPC
☐ Other
4. BI Planner(Heather Beckman 3/2011): _____
5. Vicinity Map (attached): Indicate location on the attached vicinity map
6. Site Address: 9276 NE Meigs Rd, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110
7. Tax Parcel(s) 4202-000-082-0009 (1546084)
8. Legal Description(or attach): _____
PORT MADISON, REPLAT OF LOT 73 ETC
***** DELETED PER MERGE/SPLIT TO 082-01 & 4167-000-084-0109 FOR TY2012 ***** PER
BLA AF# 201102080284, CAD 2011-0120 ***** BLK 000 LOT 82 TGW LOTS 80 & 81 IN PLAT OF
PORT MADISON CNVYD BY AUD NO 986595 TGW PTN VAC R/W PER C J 16 PG 65

You can find the legal description and other information about your property on the County Assessor's website:
<http://kcwppub3.co.kitsap.wa.us/ParcelSearch/> Go down the home page to the Disclaimer + Copyright open it, and then accept the Copyright + Claims in order to make your search. Select Bainbridge Island for your area and then put in your address - the property listing appears. Click on "GO" in the Assessor Data. Once in the Assessor Data box scroll down to the bottom and click on Building Data for additional information about the property.



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B. PROPERTY CATEGORY [CHECK BOX]

- Categories:
- ☒ Building
 - ☒ Structure
 - ☒ Site
 - ☐ Cemetery / Burial
 - ☐ Archeological Site

C. HISTORIC and CURRENT USE

Historic Use: Single Family Residence

Current Use: Single family Residence

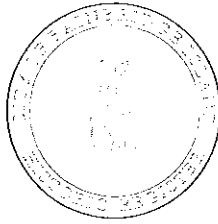
D. AGE OF PROPERTY

Years: 140 years approx.
☐ Unknown

E. CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY : [CHECK ALL THAT ARE RELEVANT AND ADD A BRIEF DESCRIPTION]

Any building, structure, site or object, publicly or privately owned, may be listed on the BI register if: it has physical integrity; is at least fifty –years old (or lesser age if exceptionally important); and has at least one of the following:

1. ☒ Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state or local history.
Port Madison mill was among the first mills on Puget Sound. This house is one of the few remaining structures from the mid 1800's built for the workers associated with this important early mill.
2. ☒ Embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style or method of design or construction or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose parts may lack individual distinction.
This virtually unchanged structure embodies the architectural elements of the first early settlements on Bainbridge Island. The use of large scale timbers in a balloon frame structure with a high pitch roof as some of the significant elements.



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3. ☐ Is an outstanding work of a designer, builder or architect who has made a substantial contribution to the art.

4. ☒ Exemplifies or reflects special elements of the city's cultural, special, economic, political, aesthetic, engineering or architectural history.

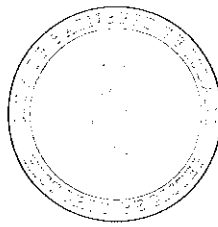
Early mills on Puget Sound were elements of significant importance to commerce, transportation, settlement. Bainbridge Island had two large mills, one in Port Madison and a latter larger one in Port Blakely. Both mills and their associated communities with shipbuilding, farming, and commerce were essential to the early settlement of the island.

5. ☒ Is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state or local history.

_ This house was built for a ship captain, Captain John T. Farnum, who was instrumental in transporting lumber from the vast forest of the PNW to areas around the Pacific rim.

6. ☐ Has yielded or may be likely to yield important archaeological information related to history or prehistory.

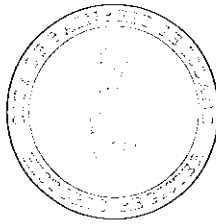
7. ☐ Is a building or structure removed from its original location but which is significant mainly for architectural value, or which is the only surviving structure significantly associated with an historic person or event.



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8. ☐ Is a birthplace or grave of an historical figure of outstanding importance.
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9. ☐ Is a cemetery which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, or cultural patterns.
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10. ☐ Is a reconstructed building that has been executed in an historically accurate manner on the original site.
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11. ☐ Is a creative and unique example of folk architecture and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and which does not fit into formal architectural or historical categories.
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12. ☐ Is listed on the National Register or the State Register.
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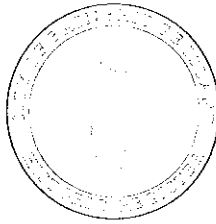
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F. AREA OF SIGNIFICANCE : [CHECK ALL THAT ARE RELEVANT AND ADD A BRIEF DESCRIPTION]

- A. ☒ The property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of Bainbridge Island history.
 __see above__
- B. ☒ The property is associated with the lives of significant person(s) in our past.
 __see above__
- C. ☒ Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or construction method, or possesses high artistic value of significant and distinguishable elements apart from the whole.
 __see above__

- D. ☐ The property yielded, or is likely to yield information important to history or prehistory.



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G. SUBMITTAL DOCUMENTS: [A COMPLETE APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW.]

- x A completed application form provided containing the signatures of all property owners.
- ☐ A notarized Owner/Applicant agreement signed by all owners in the event the owners designate an agent to act in their stead.
- x One (1) copy of the application and all supporting documentation. You should make an additional copy for yourself.
- x An historical narrative that includes (if known): the date built or established, builder, owner, architect, architectural elements, and any information on known alterations. etc.*
- x Written sources including books, magazines, newspapers, videos or movies used to research/establish significance, if available (please include in proper bibliographical form).*
- ☐ Oral histories/interviews, etc. used to research/establish significance, if available (please include in proper bibliographical form).
- x Copies of maps and photographs used in research, if available.*
- x At least four (4) defining exterior photographs of nominated property.

* The BI Historical Museum may be able to assist in providing said documentation.

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Bucklin House - 1870

Sources:

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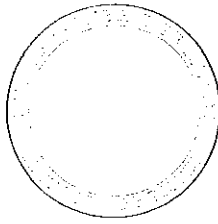
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Bainbridge Island History Museum – photo, map and document collections.

Oral histories related to the owners by John Allen, Bill Bowden, Van Bucklin, Don Cameron, Robert Endter, Virginia Mudge, Roake family members



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H. SIGNATURES / AUTHORIZATION:

*Signature of Owner/Agent: _____

Printed Name of Owner/Agent: _____

Date: _____

*Signature of Owner/Agent: Frederic T. Lamm

Printed Name of Owner/Agent: FREDERIC T-LAMM

Date: 12/1/11

*If signatory is not the owner of record, the attached "Owner/Agent Agreement" must be signed and notarized. No property can be placed on the Bainbridge Island Historic Register (Register) without the consent of the owner or owner's agent. The owner or owner's agent can remove the property from the Register at any time.