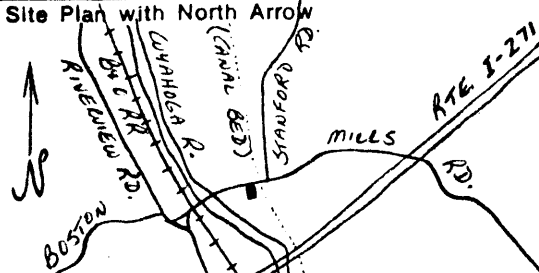


OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

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Ohio Historical Center
Columbus, Ohio 43211

1. No. //	4. Present Name(s) "Jim" Brown Tavern	1. No. //
2. County Summit	5. Other Name(s)	
3. Location of Negatives OHS		

6. Specific Location south side Boston Mills Rd., approx. 150 feet west of Stanford Rd.	16. Thematic Category C, N	28. No. of Stories 2	2. County Summit
	17. Date(s) or Period 1825 or 1826	29. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Boston	18. Style or Design Federal	30. Foundation Material ashlar stone	4. Present Name(s) "Jim" Brown Tavern
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 	19. Architect or Engineer	31. Wall Construction wood frame	
9. Coordinates Lat. _____ Long. _____ U.T.M. Reference 17 45 32 00 56 79 20	20. Contractor or Builder	32. Roof Type & Material gable/asphalt shingle	5. Other Name(s)
10. Structure Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	21. Original Use, if apparent general store; tavern/hotel	33. No. of Bays Front 3 Side 4	
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22. Present Use vacant	34. Wall Treatment pilasters/clapboard siding	
12. Is it Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	35. Plan Shape rhombus	
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	24. Owner's Name & Address, if known unable to determine ownership Thomas Rodhe	36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	37. Condition Interior _____ Exterior poor	
15. Name of Established District	26. Local Contact Person or Organization Summit County Hist. Soc.	38. Preservation Underway? see #42 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. Further Description of Important Features Building is constructed in unusual rhomboid shape. Pilasters divide building into 3 X 4 bays, though west elevation has been unfortunately altered (probably in attempt to "restore" the building) by removal of pilasters and new clapboard siding (see photo, over). There is a handsome elliptical fanlight in the pediment, which features flush siding. Much of the delicate classical ornamentation has been preserved, despite numerous alterations.	27. Other Surveys in Which Included	39. Endangered? By What? neglect, unsympathetic restoration efforts Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
3. History and Significance 1825 or 1826, James ("Jim") Brown built on the west side of the Cuyahoga R. a two-story frame store-house, and, with one William G. Taylor, of Cleveland, embarked in trade.... Brown also kept a tavern in the building. Several years later, Brown sold his stock of goods and "removed the building, bodily, across the bridge to the east side of the river, and handsomely refitted it as a hotel...."	Approx. Acreage: 1	40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Description of Environment and Outbuildings Building is situated immediately adjacent to the Ohio Canal bed, now dry; this vividly recalls its historical function as a hotel for canal travelers. The building is in the sleepy village of Boston.		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 15' X 60'	
5. Sources of Information Samuel A. Lane, Fifty Years and Over of Akron and Summit County (Akron, O.: Beacon Job Department, 1892), pp. 877, 881. History of Summit County, ed. William Henry Perrin (Chicago: Baskin & Battey, Historical Publishers, 1881), p. 542.		46. Prepared by Carol Poh Miller	
		47. Organization	
		48. Date 5/76	
		49. Revision Date(s)	





Thematic Resources

Jim Brown Tavern, Ohio and Erie Canal
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Counties, Ohio

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Facade and east elevation looking
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Facade and west elevation looking
southeast. *POC*

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