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Seward House

2011 \$8,880 Register Nomination

Grant Recipient: Mount Olive Township

Location: Mount Olive Twp.

The property has been traced to early West Jersey Proprietor ownership-Joshua Newbold. Following acquisition by Samuel Wills of Mendham in 1789 a stone house was built (now the kitchen wing). Around the time of the Civil War, and probably at the time of the wedding of Henry C. Seward the main structure was built. The prominence of the Seward family in the area, and the size and Italianate design of the building makes it the most significant home built in Mt. Olive previous to the 1900's. The local farm was the leader in the area and the Seward formed a dairy cooperative to improve the market availability.

The 2011 grant will assist with the preparation of a National Register Nomination.