The Major Peter Curtis House is set back off the west side of High Street. A large, spacious yard enhances the lot, as does a wooden picket fence. A number of large trees and hedges trim the lawn. The surrounding neighborhood contains a mixture of residential and commercial buildings. The Brick Walk Lane, a small shopping center borders the property to the north. Abutting residential buildings date from the eighteenth century to the present.
This well-preserved five-bay, Colonial-period dwelling, which is capped by a ridge-to-street gable roof, features Federal-period decorative detail. Colonial-period embellishments include the double overhang, large central brick chimney and the twelve-over-twelve, double-hung sash. The ornate enclosed entry porch, which is fully Adamesque in character, exhibits delicate corner pilasters, transom motif above the door and decorative sidelights. This house is similar in design to other homes erected by architect Judah Woodruff (see #66, 123, 149 Main Street).

**ARCHITECT**

Captain Judah Woodruff

**HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE**

The Major Peter Curtis House originally stood farther to the north on the corner of Farmington Avenue and High Street. The building which faced north onto Route 4 was moved in 1938. In 1769 Peter Curtis purchased the old dwelling house of Thomas and Sarah Norton (FLR 16:500). Seventeen years later in 1786, Curtis hired Captain Judah Woodruff, architect of Farmington's First Church of Christ, to design him a new dwelling house to replace the old one. This new house is mentioned in 1793 when Curtis sells his son Adna Curtis "one half of my new dwelling house, barn, shop and outhouses" (FLR 30:209). Peter Curtis (1740-1797) was a blacksmith by trade. He served in the Revolutionary War and was at the Battle of Bunker Hill and Yorktown. It is said he fought in every battle commanded by General Washington. Curtis and his wife Ruth (1735-1815) raised six children. In 1790 he took the position of keeper (warden) at Newgate Prison in Granby and remained there until 1796 when failing health prompted Curtis to return to Farmington. Upon his death in 1797 the Major willed his eldest son Adna (1766-1815) "half of the original home estate and buildings" (FFR 7:334, 335). Like his father, Adna was a blacksmith, although he also was engaged in farming. He and his wife, Almira (1767-1848) had four children: Ruth (1794-1802), Peter, Sylvia (1787-1789) and Sylvia (b. 1790). Adna died in 1815 and willed the house to his widow and son Peter (FFF 7:263). They sold the house to William Whitman in October of 1822 for $3275 (FLR 41:348). A native of Farmington, Whitman (1783-1876) was the son of Elnathan and Lois (Dickerman) Whitman, who lived at 37 High, which is now the Stanley-Whitman Museum. In 1812 he married Elizabeth Whiting of Beverly, Massachusetts and raised two children: Ann Sophia (b. 1816) and Charles Loring (b. 1827). (see cont.)
After purchasing the Curtis House, Whitman converted the building into a tavern, which he successfully operated for many years. Located at a strategic point along one of the main throughfares westward, the Whitman tavern was a popular stopover which served good food and entertainment. There was a ballroom on the second floor and kitchen and dining room in the rear ell. Whitman died in 1876 leaving the tavern to his son, Charles. He continued to operate the inn with the help of his wife, Caroline (Thompson) Whitman, a native of Rochester, New York. Charles also served as vice-president of the Farmington Savings Bank and was elected Judge of Probate in 1884 and 1885. He was also an active member in the Episcopal Church. Upon his death in 1886 all of Charles Whitman’s property was inherited by his widow, Caroline (FPR 17:436). Mrs. Whitman continued to operate the tavern for a number of years and eventually rented the "public" rooms to two women who ran a tea room and antiques business. Caroline died in 1921 and willed the house to her nephew Henry Wolcott Farnum, the son of of Ann Sophia (Whitman) Farnum (FPR 31:444). Farnum quit-claimed the building to his daughter, Louise Whitman Farnum in 1927 (FLR 82:333). During the Farnum’s ownership, the house continued to be rented to various businesses. Dr. Wall Bunnell and his wife Elsa acquired the house in 1938 (FLR 92:99). A graduate of Yale Medical School, Bunnell served Farmington for many years as a general practitioner. Shortly after they purchased the house, the Bunnells moved the building to its present site on High Street. Louis Turgen and Sons were hired to do the moving and architect Mrs. Corinne Mortimer was to oversee the restoration. Dr. Bunnell was also responsible for the small shopping center known as Brick Walk Lane, located on the southwest corner of High Street and Farmington Avenue. This complex contains a mixture of older and modern buildings housing a variety of commercial enterprises. Most of the older buildings were moved here from other locations in Farmington because they had been slated for demolition. The present owners of this property purchased the house in 1973 (FLR 225:335).

The Major Peter Curtis House is historically significant for its association with the Curtis and Whitman families and as a fine Farmington home designed by Judah Woodruff.
BUNNELL, W.W. & ELSA S. 1950-residence

OWNER’S NAME

ADDRESS: 4 High Street

DATE BUILT: 1786 FOR: Major Peter Curtiss

ARCHITECT Captain Judah Woodruff

MASTER-BUILDER The house was moved from Farmington Ave by Dr. Bunnell—architect for move & additions Mrs Corinne Mortimer-movers, Louis Turgeon & Son

FORMER OWNERS: Dr. Bunnell from Louise Farnum Wilson, the house & land on Farmington Ave, 7/21/1938, & land on High St, 10/27/1938, Vol. 92, pp. 99, 1933.

This house, formerly standing on Farmington Avenue, is pictured on its earlier site, on page 28 of the Farmington Book. The photo shows its east side, as it faced north, standing very close to the sidewalk, and about where the building housing parts of the 'Tweeds And Tees' stock now stands. Baker and Tilden's 1869 Atlas shows it as "Hotel, W. Whitman".

It was written up for the Colonial Dames Society by Henry S. Kelly of New Haven, placed in pamphlet form in the State Library in 1938.

The text on pages 22 and 25 of the Farmington Book, from a lecture by Julius Gay in 1895, reads as follows:

"On the corner eastward (after mentioning the house at 785 Farmington Avenue) stands the house, much improved of late, built in 1786 and 1787 by Capt. Judah Woodruff for Major Peter Curtiss, an officer in the Revolutionary War, who removed to Granby in 1790, and was the first keeper of the reconstructed Newgate Prison, leaving it in 1796 in declining health and dying in 1797".

Major Peter Curtiss, perhaps the son of Lt. Abner Curtiss and his wife Mary, 1716-1782, had been born in 1740 and is buried in the old Farmington Cemetery, as is his widow Ruth, 1735-1815, both having returned to Farmington after the short residence in Granby.

Egbert Cowles spoke of Major Curtiss as follows:

"Born in 1740, died on May 19, 1797, in early life was a blacksmith, and a great friend of Fisher Gay. He participated in the Battle of Bunker Hill and was in every battle commanded by General Washington in the War. He participated in the storming of the redoubt at Yorktown. His health was broken by the war, but his mind was still vigorous. He returned to his home, noted since as the Whitman Tavern".

Note: This redoubt still stands at Yorktown, a reminder to visitors from Farmington, of its Major Curtiss.

The title record on the card at the Village Library shows that the house was later sold by Peter and Almira Curtiss in 1822. The inference might be that this Peter Curtiss would have been the Major's son, and his heir.

Records of burials in the old Farmington Cemetery do not include any Peter Curtiss other than the major. The only Almira Curtiss recorded is the relict of Adna. There is an Adna Curtiss recorded, born 1766, died 1815. He could, from the dates, have been the Major's son. His wife was Almira, born 1767, died 1848. Adna and Almira had two known daughters, Sylvia, 1787-1789, and Ruth, 1794-1802.

May 17, 1970
It has been said that the fourth generation of the Curtiss family sold it in 1822. The writer has not read a Curtiss Genealogy but does find records of four generations of Curtises, up to and including Almira, who married into the family. These are, according to cemetery records:

Martha, 1683-1769, widow of Joseph,
Mary, 1716-1782, wife of Lt. Abner,
Major Peter, 1740-1797, Ruth, 1735-1815, his wife, and
Almira, 1767-1848, relict of Adna, 1766-1815.

The purchaser in 1822 was William Whitman, 1783-1876, son of Elnathan Whitman of the house on High Street that is now the Farmington Museum. Elnathan Whitman, 1746-1813, was of the fifth generation of Whitmans in America, of the third generation in Farmington. His wife was Lois Dickerman of Hamden, Connecticut.

William Whitman was married in 1812 to Elizabeth Whiting, born in Beverly, Massachusetts. See some Whitman genealogy in the account of 36 Main Street.

Elnathan Whitman was already in ill health when William was married, and he died one year later. William and his wife lived with William's mother on High Street until they bought this house in 1822. This house had already been established as a hotel and they continued it as such.

Conversion of the house to a hotel had required some changes. The house was enlarged by building a rear ell, kitchen and pantries, on the south end. The former kitchen became the tavern dining room. Reached by a staircase ascending from the kitchen there was a ballroom, extending the length of the second floor, the length of this rear ell. It later was divided into bedrooms. The left front room with its separate side entrance was quite naturally the bar room. There was a smaller ell on the west side at the junction of the main house and rear ell.

Their hotel became widely known for its good cheer, comfort and cleanliness. Mr. Whitman was known for his great shrewdness and acuteness of observation. Their daughter Ann Sophia, born in 1816 while they had still lived on High Street, inherited that house. She married Henry Farnam of New Haven in 1839, and it was in that manner that the house later to be the Farmington Museum, came into the ownership of the Farnam family.

On page 160 of the book "Town Clerks", Mrs Hurlburt says that at a Town Meeting on January 1837, "Timothy C. Steele, Virgil Goodwin and William Whitman were nominated as fit and suitable persons to keep houses of public entertainment", but she also mentions on this same page:

"In 1845 the nomination of William Whitman, who kept a famous tavern at the corner of High Street and Hartford Road, was reconsidered and refused. Mr. Whitman was soon reinstated however, upon condition that he would not sell wines or spirituous liquors to any resident of the town."

May 17, 1970
The Whitman Tavern is mentioned in "Old Inns of Connecticut", written by Marian Dickinson Terry, and published by Prospect Press, Hartford, in 1937. Speaking of William Whitman Marian Terry says:

"He conducted the tavern business to the satisfaction of the town and the traveling public for many years, aided during his later years by his son Charles. William Whitman was a man of tall stature and iron constitution. Two sources of amusement were theater and whist, in which he did not lose interest even in his nineties. He could outplay many a younger man and at 88 was known to enjoy an evening of six hours of continuous play".

William Whitman died in 1876, having survived his wife by ten years. Their son, Charles Loring Whitman, born 1827, inherited this house and carried on the hotel business.

Charles Whitman’s wife was the former Caroline Thompson, born in Rochester, New York in 1839. Mr. Whitman was vice president and trustee of the Farmington Savings Bank, and was judge of probate in Farmington in 1884 and 1885.

The Farmington Book says of him:

"He and his father for many years kept a tavern in Farmington, in the days when there was much teaming through this town. The place was famous in all the region, partly on account of Mrs. Whitman’s excellent pies and cakes. When one’s ancestors have been among those who serve the public with care and courtesy it seems to become second nature in the descendants to be very polite. This might explain Mr. Whitman’s genial manners, but I am inclined to believe it was more a special goodness of heart. He was also for many years one of the directors of the bank and an appraiser".

Mr. Whitman was a very strong believer in the Episcopal Church. Mrs. Hurlburt says on page 315 of Town Clerks:

"When Charles L. Whitman desired to receive Holy Baptism according to the rites of the Episcopal Church, he had to travel to Unionville to do so. At that time he asked Rev. Edward R. Brown, the rector there, to open a mission in Farmington, and the first service was held in 1873 in the hall of the old Center School which stood where the Noah Wallace School stands today....... Mr. Whitman is credited with a most generous support of the church until his death in 1886. His successor in that work, to a large extent was Charles Stanley Mason, Sr., whose son Henry Hall Mason later designed and built the present church on Mountain Road".

In 1882 Mr. Whitman was appointed to a committee to rid the town of encroachments on the highways. In 1887 he was elected a state senator to represent Farmington. In 1870 he was a member of the committee to procure for the town a suitable hearse. These facts are from Mrs. Hurlburt’s "Town Clerks".

Charles Whitman survived his father by only ten years, dying in 1886, and leaving his widow to carry on the business alone.

May 17, 1970
Mrs. Whitman did carry on the hotel work for some time, but it is not known for just how long.

She was a very charitable woman and always on the lookout for needy people to whom she could give some help.

Robert Brandegee, who was a naturalist as well as an artist, spoke of one of the attributes of Mrs. Whitman, when in 1901 he wrote the following:

"The first tree among the maples to turn color is the tree in front of Mrs. Whitman's. Something of the promptness of the property holder gets into that tree, and I think it must be more nearly related to the red maple and the sumac bush than the other trees, for it has a very beautiful soft red color that the artists call Titian Red".

It is not known just how long Mrs. Whitman operated the hotel, but she was only 47 years of age at her husband's death, so perhaps she continued for some years. Later she lived in the building, renting out the portion which could be used by the public. Two ladies are said to have run an antique shop and tea room here, ladies who had previously been house mothers at Miss Porter's School.

Catherine Boardman Root, "Miss Kitty", 1861-1948, the sister of Lewis Root and Mrs. Edwin Tillotson, who specialized in such work, was the close companion of Mrs. Whitman during all of her last years, until Mrs. Whitman's death in 1921.

Mrs. Whitman's generosity to the community did not end with her death, because afterward, as stated by Mrs. Hurlburt in "Town Clerks", the town found that she had devised the sum of one thousand dollars to the Village Green and Library Association.

Mrs. Whitman willed this house to Henry W. Farnam, who took title after her death in 1921, and in 1927 Mr. Farnam's daughter Louise inherited. Louise was at this time Mrs. Hugh B. Wilson, the wife of a physician of English birth, or ancestry.

During the period of ownership by the Farnams, father and daughter, the house was rented to various people. Miss Dexter was one of these tenants, who operated a tea room and antique shop here. Helen Battista was one of the girls who worked for Miss Dexter after school, waiting on tables in the tea room, whose guests were sometimes girls of Miss Porter's School and their mothers. Miss Dexter's health began to fail and she moved to Plantsville, although she was still living here as of 1938.

Dr. Walls W. Bunnell purchased the house from Louise Farnam Wilson in 1938.

May 18, 1970
Dr. Walls Willard Bunnell, graduate of Lafayette College of Easton, Pennsylvania, and 1929 graduate Magna Cum Laude of Yale Medical School, had come to Farmington after having served as an intern, assistant resident, and resident, at New Haven Hospital. He had been offered and planned to accept an assistant professorship at the Medical School, but when asked to come to Farmington to succeed Dr. Davies, he decided to become a general practitioner for Farmington. Dr. Davies was moving on to Boston to specialize in pediatrics.

Dr. Bunnell had been born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, his father having been in the legal profession there. He came here in 1933 accompanied by his wife, the former Elsa Skoglund of Lebanon, Connecticut, a registered nurse who had practiced in New Haven Hospital.

His first office in Farmington was above the Colonial Pharmacy, which was at that time in the old Gay Store building north of what is now the Corner House on Main Street.

The Bunnells first rented the house at 92 Main Street, and lived there about two years before buying the house at 19 Main Street, where they lived until 1939.

In 1938 Dr. Bunnell purchased the former Whitman Tavern which was then situated on Farmington Avenue on the present site of the branch store of Tweeds and Tees, where its front door was right at the sidewalk line. Mr. Turgeon moved this house for them to its present location at 8 High Street, removing the lean-to woodshed and placing it in the rear yard to be used as a playhouse for the Bunnell children. This later was to become the dental office of Dr. Bruce P. Anderson, 775 Farmington Avenue. There was a small pond in the rear yard also, very good for winter skating. The moving of the house, and the re-conditioning of its interior were completed so that they were able to move into the house by February of 1939.

Re-modeling of the house was planned by Architect Corinne Mortimer. None of the structure of the house was to be changed except that book cases were built into the wall of the north living room, and the floor of the south living room was replaced with wide planks found in the attic. Later a bathroom was made out of one of the closets of the north wing bedroom. It is said that this large room was built by the Whitmans upon the marriage of their daughter, so that the young married couple could live there and be isolated somewhat from the activities of the tavern.

A photo of this house on its new site appears opposite page 314 of Mrs. Hurlburt's book "Town Clerks", published in 1943, just four years after the move was completed.

In 1946, the old woodshed no longer needed as a playhouse, it was moved to its present site at 775 Farmington Avenue, and made a dental office for Dr. Frank Cogan, now serving as the same for Dr. Bruce P. Anderson.

June 18, 1970
On May 17, 1947, a tour of Farmington's older houses was conducted by the Antiquarian and Landmarks Society. This house was included in the tour, and was introduced in the following words:

"One of the best examples of the design and workmanship of Captain Judah Woodruff, this house was built by him in 1786 for Major Peter Curtiss. The fourth generation of the Curtiss family sold it in 1822 to William Whitman, whose tavern there was famous. The house, which originally stood at the corner of High Street and Farmington Avenue, was moved about 1938 by its owner, Dr. Bunnell, to its present location. The paneling in the two front rooms and the stairway are especially worthy of notice. The wallpapers are authentic copies of old papers."

Dr. Bunnell was a very active man. He loved the medical profession and his practice (and incidentally his patients loved him too) but he always found time for other activities. From probably about 1945 until 1954 he engaged in the breeding and showing of Cornish game fowls, and earned many honors for showings at the Eastern State and various other fairs and expositions.

When the State Highway Department condemned to destruction the building in which his office was still situated, in the old Gay Store building, he began to make plans for a new location, and decided on the building at 2 High Street. This had been built by D. N. Barney in or around 1935, but Dr. Bunnell purchased it much later, using it as his office after the old store building was razed.

Dr. Paul H. Barbour, Jr., came to Farmington as Dr. Bunnell's assistant in 1946, having served in the army for some time prior to this.

Dr. Richard M. Stockwell came in 1952.

Early in 1956 Dr. Bunnell became aware of the fact that two buildings on Farmington Avenue across from his office, would be razed if no one wished to move them. It was then that he conceived the idea of what was eventually to become Brick Walk Lane, the little community of businesses north and west of his residence and office. This enterprise began in 1955, and was completed in 1958, with the opening of the Farmington Branch of the Hartford National Bank. Some of the buildings in the group were newly built, including that for the bank, but some were remodeled from buildings which were moved to the site.

Three buildings came from across the street. One of these was the building which had housed the old North District School. It is now Wright's Liquor Store, at 771 Farmington Avenue. Another was formerly the lean-to which had been attached to the side of the old schoolhouse when it was converted to a residence. This lean-to became what is now the Wig Shop on Brick Walk Lane, although listed in the phone book as on Farmington Avenue.

June 18, 1970
The third house which came from across the street is that which now houses the Yarn Winder, one of the shops of Brick Walk Lane. This was the house pictured on page 8 of the Farmington Book as "The Daniel Curtis Place". The rear, square, addition to the house, which shows in the old photo, was taken off before it was moved. This house had housed the old Tunxis Library, pictured as such on page 16 of "Farmington Papers", the volume which contains the texts of Julius Gay's library talks. In that same picture can be seen the old North School, while it was still a school, and prior to the addition of the lean-to.

The building which made the longest move to Brick Walk Lane was the one now housing Tweeds and Tees on the first floor, and two apartments upstairs. This building is the one pictured on page 134 of the Farmington Book as "The Mark Root Place". At the time of its purchase by Dr. Bunnell it was owned by Mrs. Ralph Talbot, now of Meadow Road. The house formerly stood on Meadow Road, facing south, just west of New Britain Avenue and the old railroad track. Dr. Bunnell had it dis-mantled for the move, and the shell re-assembled on Brick Walk Lane. The original portion of the house, just showing at the left of the house in the photo, was given by Dr. Bunnell to Wilmarth Lewis.

Just below the Wig Shop is a small building used as a storage for tools and equipment, an old building which had been given to Dr. Bunnell. The medical building, known as 2 High Street, has other offices in addition to those of the physicians, and one is occupied by Lucius M. Whitaker, Jr., present owner of the Brick Walk Lane complex.

Two buildings which were built by Dr. Bunnell, in addition to the one housing the branch bank, were those at 767 and 769 Farmington Avenue. 767 Farmington Avenue at one time housed the "Village Shop", operated by Mrs. Shepherd and Mrs. Sanborn, and later, "Robin Hood's Barn", owned by Mr. Whitney. It is now the home of the Farmington Valley Travel Agency and the Edward H. Deming Agency, Inc. 769 Farmington Avenue housed the Elm Tree Pharmacy, stocked and operated by Joseph Harris, until July 1971. It now houses a branch of Tweeds and Tees.

Dr. Bunnell, while in his residency at New Haven Hospital in 1932, aided Dr. John R. Paul in an extensive research regarding infectious mononucleosis. Their method of testing for it, called the Paul-Bunnell Test, is still used.

As stated earlier, Dr. Bunnell's interests ranged over a wide area. At one time he had nineteen Siamese cats. At another time he had 500 tropical fish, in thirty tanks, and they were frozen one night when the heat went off, unknown at the time by Dr. Bunnell.

After the Brick Walk Lane had been completed he became very interested in the growing and culture of Gloxinia, growing them under lights in the basement. He was a very active member of the Gloxinia Society of America, and in 1962 and 1963 was president of the Connecticut Horticultural Society, and very active in that role also. One of his projects, done under the chairmanship of Gene Goodwin, was the setting up of a horticultural library and information center, still housed at Hartford College.

October 20, 1973
To show the high esteem in which one of his patients held him, Mrs. Arthur Birdseye, his patient for many years while she lived at the Elm Tree Inn, gave him her copy of the Farmington Book, which she had treasured since its publication in 1906, and which gave a whole page to photos of the Birdseye house, "Birdseyeview", and her husband. Mrs. Birdseye was by no means the only one to hold Dr. Bunnell in high regard.

The Bunnell children are:

Willard Walls Bunnell, married to Deborah Wiepert, the niece of Dr. Wiepert of Avon, is employed and lives in Madison, Connecticut,

Frederick Philip Bunnell, whose wife is the former Alice Eaton of Manlius, New York, presently teaches political science at Vassar, and

Richard Carl Bunnell, who married Joan Robotham of Unionville, is presently an automobile dealer in Willimantic, Connecticut.

Dr. Bunnell died in April 1965 at the age of 63, but having lived a well filled life. Mrs. Bunnell carried on the management of Brick Walk Lane and its responsibilities, could much of the time be seen in its area, watching over it, seeing to its proper maintenance, and sometimes improving on the removal of snow from its walks. Responding to doctor's orders to give up such strenuous work, she sold the Brick Walk Lane complex, including all business buildings. This sale, which was consummated in May 1973, was to Lucius M. Whitaker, Jr. His wife purchased Mrs. Bunnell's residence at 8 High Street in September 1973, and the Whitakers live there now, Mrs. Bunnell residing in the Garden Apartments on Garden Street.

October 20, 1973
Owner occupants of this house since September 1973 are Mr. and Mrs. Lucius M. Whitaker, Jr., formerly of 17 Dorset Lane, Farmington. Mr. Whitaker, son of Lucius Milan Whitaker, Sr., formerly of 44 Mountain Road, Farmington, was born in Norwich, Connecticut, was graduated with a B. S. degree from the University of Connecticut, and served in the U. S. Signal Corps in 1952 and into 1954. He has been with the Edward Deming Insurance Agency and the Deming and Luscomb Real Estate Agency since that time, president of the former since 1962, and of the latter from 1957 until 1965. He formed the Farmington Valley Travel Agency in 1965, and was its president through 1968. He is still very active in these three business enterprises.

Lucius M. Whitaker, Jr., was married in 1961 to Arline Belicka, born in Port Chester, New York, the daughter of John Belicka and Pauline Kosik. Mr. Belicka was fleet manager for a Stamford, Connecticut, dairy. Arline is a graduate of Central Connecticut State College, and taught in primary schools in Greenwich and West Hartford before their marriage.

Mr. Whitaker has been interested in real estate development to some extent, and also had an interest in the first commercial building in the Unionville Urban Renewal area. He also purchased in May 1973 the Brick Walk Lane properties which had been developed some years ago by Dr. Walls Bunnell. Mrs. Arline Whitaker purchased this house at 8 High Street in September 1973.

Mr. Whitaker is also active in many community affairs as shown in the following listing:

Committee Chairman, Boy Scout Troop 68,
Treas. James Palache Post #53, American Legion,
Board of Directors, Farmington Exchange Club,
Director, Farmington Recreation Association,
Member Prudential Committee, Congregational Church,
Ch. and Pres. Farmington Village Green & Library Assn.,
Director, Farmington Chamber of Commerce,
Unit Chairman, Salvation Army,
Farmington Volunteer Fire Department,
Director & Treasurer, Farmington Visiting Nurses Assn.,
Farmington Historical Society,
Farmington Land Trust,
Friends of Hillstead,
Farmington Valley Watershed Assn.,
Hartford Power Squadron,
Mystic Yacht Club,
Farmington Country Club.

Mrs. Whitaker is on the Board of Directors of the Farmington Visiting Nurses Association, Vice President of the Farmington Garden Club, on the Board of the Greater Hartford Community Chest and a member of the Outlook Committee of the Congregational Church.

The Whitaker children are Lucius M. Whitaker III and Lindsay Anne Whitaker, both attending Farmington Schools.

February 12, 1974