

**OREGON INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES
HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM**

Note: For properties 35 years old and newer, starred (*) sections are the only required fields.

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| | | | | | *County: Clackamas | |
| *Street Address: 4700 Jean Road | | | | *City Lake Oswego | | |
| USGS Quad Name: Lake Oswego | | | | GPS Reading, UTM Format (Universal Transverse Mercator): Longitude: 45.39646 -122.72477 | | |
| Township: 2S | Range: 1E | Section: 18 | Block/Lot: 100 | Tax Lot #: | | |
| Historic Name: Bryant Homesite Marker | | | | Grouping or Cluster Name: N/A | | |
| *Date of Construction: 1947 | | Other Name: Bryant, Charles Wesley & Mary Fay, Homesite | | | | |
| Historic Use or Function: Monument/Marker | | *Current Use: Monument/Marker | | Associated Archaeological Site: Unknown | | |
| Architectural Classification(s): N/A | | Plan Type/Shape: N/A | | Number of stories: N/A | | |
| Foundation Material: N/A | | Structural Framing: Stone | | Moved? No | | |
| Roof Type/Material: N/A | | | Window Type/Material: N/A | | | |
| Exterior Surface Materials Primary: Stone | | Secondary: Field Stone | | Decorative: N/A | | |
| Exterior Alterations or Additions, Approximate Date: Tennis courts and parking lot added to site by 1994; Adjacent school construction by 1970; Flowerbed removed after 1989. | | | | | | |
| Number and Type of Associated Resources: N/A | | | | | | |
| Integrity: Good | | Condition: Good | | Local Eligibility: Eligible/Contributing | | National Register Listed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown |
| Preliminary National Register Findings: | | | | | | |
| Potentially Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Individually or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As a contributing resource in a District | | | | | | |
| Not Eligible: <input type="checkbox"/> Intact but lacks distinction or <input type="checkbox"/> Not 50 years old or <input type="checkbox"/> Altered - Choose one: | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/ potentially eligible individually or in a District <input type="checkbox"/> Reversible/ ineligible, lacks distinction <input type="checkbox"/> Irretrievable lack of integrity | | | | | | |
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Description of Physical and or Landscape Features:

The Bryant Homesite Marker is located in a grass field to the northeast of the Waluga School and Lakeridge Junior High School long Jean Road on a 28.77-acre, rectangle-shaped parcel in the Bryant neighborhood of Lake Oswego. The site is flat and open with large pine and deciduous trees. Wooden posts line Jean Road to the north of the marker and an eight-space asphalt parking lot is located to its northeast. South of the parking lot are two enclosed tennis courts with chain-link fence. To the west and southwest of the marker are the Waluga School and Lakeridge Junior High School and its multi-spaced asphalt parking lots and landscaping. The Bryant Homesite Marker is centrally located south of the wood post-lined pedestrian sidewalk along Jean Road and to the southwest of the eight-space asphalt parking lot north of the tennis courts.

The Bryant Homesite Marker is a small concrete and field stone object approximately three feet in height, with a bronze plaque attached to its north surface. The plaque reads: "This stone marks the home site of Charles Wesley Bryant and his wife Mary Fay Bryant, who left Java, N.Y. in the spring of 1853. They traveled by covered wagon train with a group of missionaries led by Rev. Harvey K. Hines. They arrived Oct. 1853, and acquired this homestead. Seven of their nine children were born and all reared in this home. Alta & Vesper Born in N.Y., Hale D., Ella C., Lee, Mary, Charles P., Myra, Cordelia. They were always active in church and community betterment. All honor to these courageous pioneers."

According to historic photos, in 1900 the Bryant house was a two-story, rectangle-shaped form with cross-gabled roof. It also had a one-story, shed-roof wing off one of the gable-end walls. The exterior façades were faced with horizontal board siding and six-over-six wood windows. The main entrance was recessed within one of the eave walls, creating a covered porch. The gables protruded slightly from the house and the roof was finished with wood shingles.

Since the last survey was recorded in 1989, the marker has not changed location. However, landscaping has changed with the infill of a small flowerbed along its north side. The adjacent tree to its immediate southeast remains. Some of the fieldstone applied to the stone core has been lost near the top of the marker. By 1994, the tennis courts and parking lot were added. The school was constructed on site by 1970.

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Statement of Significance: [Required only for Intensive Level Surveys] (Use additional sheets if necessary)

The Bryant Homesite Marker is located at 4700 Jean Road in Lake Oswego, Oregon. Constructed in 1947 at the home site of Charles Wesley and Mary Fay Bryant, this marker has retained good historic integrity and continues to express the early development of Oswego.

The Bryant Homesite Marker sits on land originally owned by Charles Bryant as part of his 320-acre Donation Land Claim located southwest of Oswego. By 1928, the land on which the marker sits was owned by Ella C. Durham. Durham retained the land through at least 1937 (Metzger Maps). Currently, the Bryant Home Marker is located on the site of the Lakeridge Junior High School and Waluga School campus in the present day Bryant neighborhood. Located at "the edge of the property on Jean Road near the intersection with Bryant Road in Lake Grove" (Goodall 69), the Bryant Homesite Marker once stood "in front of a picturesque old farmhouse" (Goodall 69). This farmhouse was the house of Charles and Mary Fay Bryant.

Charles Bryant left his home in North Java, New York in 1853 in a covered wagon train lead by Reverend Harvey K. Hines (Lake Oswego Review 1976). Once established in Oregon, Bryant filed for his Donation Land Claim where he grew hops and prunes, had an orchard and logged. Bryant had an easement with the Tualatin Valley Manufacturing Company in 1879 to retain the right to the lake so that he could continue to float logs, draw water, and use it for recreation (Lake Oswego Public Library 20). However, Bryant was a carpenter by trade, as he also worked as a joiner at a millwright. According to the last survey conducted on this property, Charles Bryant helped build the Walter Carman House at 3811 Carman Drive. Given his trade, it is suspected that he built his own home, the Bryant House, where seven of his nine children were born. The home was later destroyed by fire (Lake Oswego Review 1990). Over his lifetime, Bryant was an active member of the local Grange Hall and Methodist Church (Lake Oswego Public Library "History Files"). Bryant was also "one of few early settlers who mastered the Chinook language and was able to converse with the Indians. In addition to this attribute, "he was a loyal Methodist and Republican" (Goodall 69), and is known for introducing the Red Clover to the state of Oregon, which he sent back to New York for after he realized that Oregon was without (Oregonian). Charles Bryant died on October 27, 1915 (Lake Oswego Review 1990).

Overall, based on the information gathered for this survey and further research, it is more than likely that the Bryant Homesite Marker can be found significant in the area of community planning and development. Given its reflection of Oswego's early development, the Bryant Homesite Marker could also be a contributing resource in a potential historic district.

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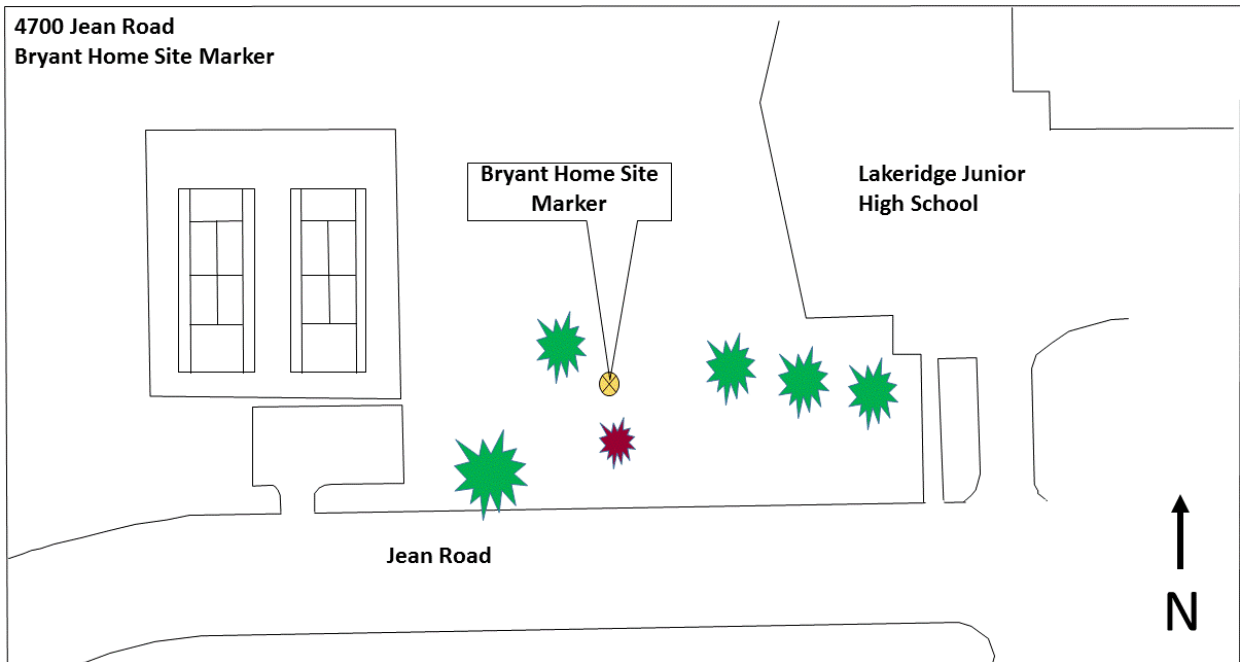


Bryant Homesite Marker (Viewing Southeast)

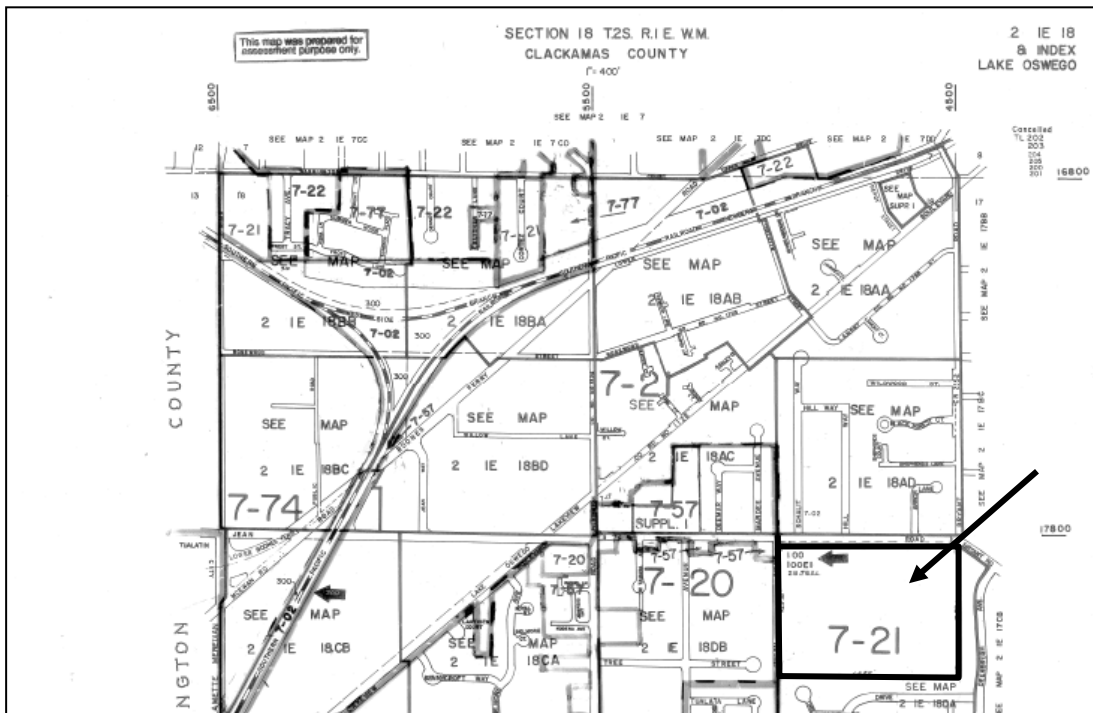
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Bryant Homesite Marker Site Plan



Assessors Map

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Note: This page of the survey form is required only for Intensive Level Survey

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| Architect and / or Builder(s): Unknown | Owner Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed | |
| | Owner Name(s): | |
| Addition or Subdivision Name: Bryant | Address: | |
| | City, State, Zip: | |
| | Phone Number(s): | |
| Area(s) of Significance: Community Planning and Development | | |
| Property Category: <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/> District | | |

Documentation

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| Research Sources: <input type="checkbox"/> Title/ Deed Records <input type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Maps <input type="checkbox"/> Obituary Index <input type="checkbox"/> City Directories <input type="checkbox"/> Census Records <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biographical Encyclopedias <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Permits <input type="checkbox"/> Tax Records <input type="checkbox"/> SHPO Files <input type="checkbox"/> State Archives <input type="checkbox"/> State Library <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Histories <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Interviews <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic Photographs | Local Library (specify): Lake Oswego Public Library University Library (specify): Historical Society (specify): Other (specify): Charles F. Metsker Civil Engineer Maps |
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