

1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-003		2. Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs	
3. County: CL		4. Address (Street No.) 200	Street (name) E. Excelsior Street
5. City: Excelsior Springs	Vicinity: <input type="checkbox"/>	6. UTM: 15 S/394676.66 E/4355547.82 N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8. Historic name (if known): Link Soda Spring and Sulfo Salt Spring		9. Present/other name (if known): Link Soda & Sulfo-Salt spring gazebo	
10. Ownership: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Public		11a. Historic use (if known): HEALTH CARE/resort	11b. Current use: VACANT/not in use

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

12. Construction date: Ca. 1918	15. Architect:	18. Previously surveyed? <input type="checkbox"/> Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: c. 1907-1930s	16. Builder/contractor:	19. On National Register? <input type="checkbox"/> individual <input type="checkbox"/> district Cite nomination name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
14. Area(s) of significance: HEALTH/MEDICINE	17. Original or significant owner:	20. National Register eligible? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> individually eligible <input type="checkbox"/> district potential (<input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> NC) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined
21. History and significance on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Sources of information on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

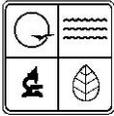
23. Category of property: <input type="checkbox"/> building(s) <input type="checkbox"/> site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure <input type="checkbox"/> object	30. Roof material: [under construction]	37. Windows: <input type="checkbox"/> historic <input type="checkbox"/> replacement Pane arrangement:
24. Vernacular or property type: Stone gazebo	31. Chimney placement: N/A	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? <input type="checkbox"/>
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural system: masonry	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): <input type="checkbox"/> Addition(s) Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Altered Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Moved Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Other Date(s): Endangered by: Neglect
26. Plan shape: Octagon	33. Exterior wall cladding: Masonry/limestone	
27. No. of stories: N/A	34. Foundation material: limestone	
28. No. of bays (1 st floor): N/A	35. Basement type: unknown	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.): N/A
29. Roof type: pyramidal	36. Front porch type/placement: N/A	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

OTHER

42. Current owner/address: SHP Holdings, LLC 6100 N Chelsea Ct. Kansas City, MO 64119-3065	43. Form prepared by (name and org.): Deon Wolfenbarger Three Gables Preservation 320 Pine Glade Road, Nederland, CO Deon@threegables.net	44. Survey date: 2011
		45. Date of revisions:

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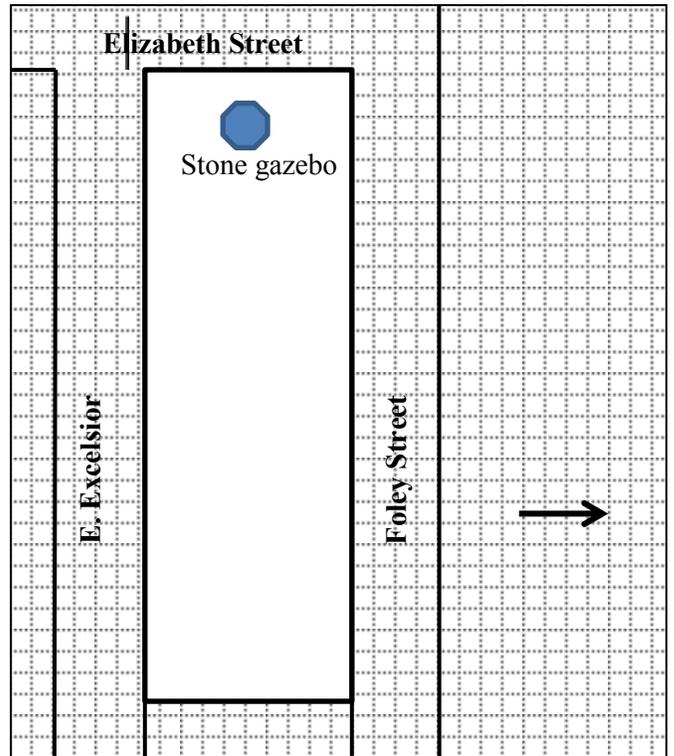
Date entered in inventory:	Level of survey <input type="checkbox"/> reconnaissance <input type="checkbox"/> intensive	Additional research needed? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
National Register Status: <input type="checkbox"/> listed <input type="checkbox"/> in listed district Name: <input type="checkbox"/> pending listing <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (individually) <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (district) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined	Other:	



LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)



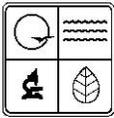
SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)



PHOTOGRAPH

Photographer: Deon Wolfenbarger	Date: July 29, 2011	Description: Looking northeast (left); looking west into gazebo and capped well (right)
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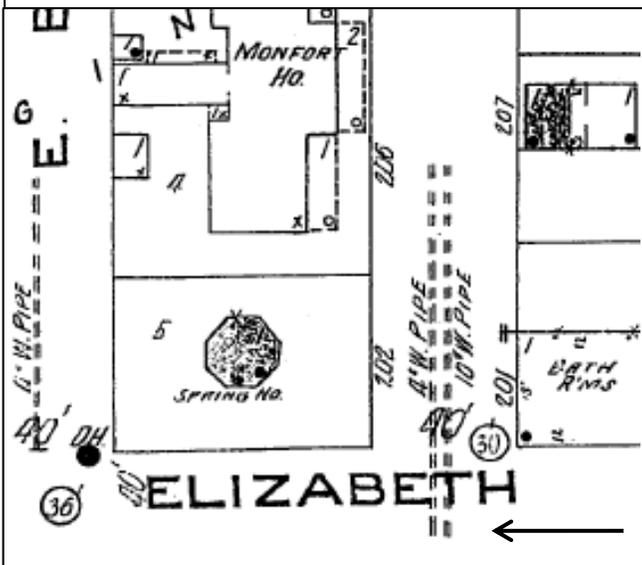


ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

21. (cont.) History and significance. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The Sanborn Maps show that this property originally contained a residence on lot 5 (the site of the extant stone gazebo) in 1894. The house remained standing up through the 1913 Sanborn map, but by 1905, it was referred to as the "Brindage Cottage." By 1909, a one-story pavilion with brick-facing on the south and west side (main entry) was added to the southwest corner of the property (see historic photograph). A newspaper report from 1909 records not only the discovery of a new salt well on the property, but the fact that an existing well was in place prior to this event. "Salt water was struck last night on the Link soda well property at 202 east Excelsior Street." The house and pavilion were still extant in the 1913 Sanborn map, but by 1926, the house and pavilion were demolished and the present stone gazebo was constructed. The adjoining lot (now part of this parcel) contained the Montfort Hotel.

Link Soda was categorized as one of the eleven known soda bicarbonate waters that operated at various times in town, while the Sulfo Salt Spring was one of eight saline and sulphur laxative mineral waters. Records at the Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives indicate that the water(s) were advertised as Saline (Chloride); Soda (Chloro-Carbonate); Calcic (Sulphato-Carbonate). The former address for the location was 200 E. Excelsior, the property is currently addressed 0000 Bluff Avenue (with more than one property having the same address designation).



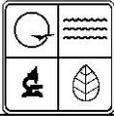
1926 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map & historic photograph of former brick-faced pavilion (prior to construction of existing stone gazebo)

22. (cont.) Sources of information. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

- Clay County Assessor's Office
- The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality*
- Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps
- The Waters of Excelsior Springs* poster
- Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; file V1.200.250. "Link Soda"

40. (cont.) Description of environment and outbuildings. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The property is a large lot taking up approximately half of the block bounded by Foley on the north, E. Excelsior on the south, Elizabeth on the west, and Kugler on the east. The elevation rises a few feet along the south side of the grassed lot, which then remains relatively level until the northern edge, where it rises again in elevation several feet. There are large deciduous trees along the north boundary (Foley Street) as well as concrete curbing; a sidewalk on the south boundary; a narrow sidewalk on the west boundary with a metal railing; and a limestone pillar on the northwest corner. Access to the gazebo is from three sides: concrete steps with tile insets and metal pipe railing leading down from Foley Street; a concrete sidewalk from Elizabeth St.; and concrete steps with metal pipe leading up from E. Excelsior Street. The stone gazebo is encircled by a concrete sidewalk, also with tile insets, and deciduous shrubs. In 2012, a new octagon shaped pyramidal roof was constructed. The property is part of a larger parcel covering lots 2-5, Block 12, Original Town, Clay County parcel ID: 12-311-00-05-001.00.



ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORIC INVENTORY FORM

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.
The octagonal shaped gazebo is constructed of random-range, quarry-faced ashlar limestone with widely spaced mortar joints. There are stone pillars at each corner, and an approximate 3' stone balustrade between each of the four entries which are set on the compass points. The decking is concrete faced with terracotta tiles, several of which are missing. In the center is an approximate 3' high circular well, currently capped with concrete. The roof is no longer extant. On the south side of the west entry is a concrete post with a bronze plaque inscribed with "LINK SODA and SULFO SALT WELL" and "DONATED BY ELKS LODGE NO. 1001 AUXILIARY."