

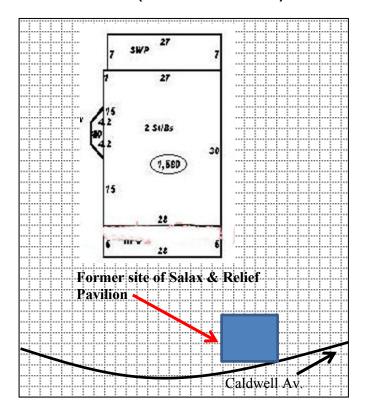
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102 ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORIC INVENTORY FORM

1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-027	Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs		
3. County: CL	4. Address (Street No.) 508	Street (name) Caldwell Avenue	
5.City: Vicinity Excelsior Springs	: 6. UTM: 15 S/ 394474.84E/ 435	55731.95N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8.Historic name (if known): Salax Spring pavilion; Salax and Relie	f Springs pavilion	9. Present/other	name (if known):
10. Ownership: ⊠ Private □ Public	11a. Historic use (if know HEALTH CARE/resort		11b. Current use: DOMESTIC: single dwelling
HISTORICAL INFORMATION			
12. Construction date: Ca. 1911 (pavilion, no longer extant	15. Architect:		18. Previously surveyed? ☐ Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: Ca. 1910s	16. Builder/contract	ctor:	19. On National Register? ☐ individual ☐ 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? ☐ individually eligible ☐ district potential (☐ C☐ NC) ☐ not eligible ☐ not determined
21. History and significance on continu	lation page. 🛛	22. Sources of in	formation on continuation page.
ARCHITECTURAL INFORMAT			
23. Category of property: ⊠ building(s) ☐ site ☐ structure object	30: Roof material: Asphalt shingle		37.Windows: ☐ historic ☐ replacement Pane arrangement: 1/1
24. Vernacular or property type: National folk (gable-front)	31. Chimney place N/A	ement:	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? ⊠
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural syst Wood frame	em:	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): ☐ Addition(s) Date(s): ☐ Altered Date(s):
26. Plan shape: rectangular	33. Exterior wall c	ladding:	☐ Moved Date(s): ☐ Other Date(s):
27. No. of stories: 1 1/2	34. Foundation ma	aterial:	Endangered by:
28. No. of bays (1 st floor):	35. Basement type full	e:	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.): N/A
29. Roof type: High gable	36. Front porch tyl Open, full, 1-story	•	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. ⊠
OTHER			11:0: =
42. Current owner/address: Clevenger, Gary W & Christina M~t	rust Deon Wolfenbarge): 44. Survey date: 2012
Dusanek, Michael L & Mary C 1902 Honeysuckle St Kearney Mo 64060-8229	Three Gables Pre 320 Pine Glade R Deon@threegable	oad, Nederland, Co	45. Date of revisions:
FOR SHPO USE			
Date entered in inventory:	Level of survey reconnaissance	intensive	Additional research needed? yes no
National Register Status: ☐ listed ☐ in listed district Name:	Other:		
☐ pending listing ☐ eligible (individed in the ligible district) ☐ not eligible	lually)		



LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)

SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)



PHOTOGRAPH

Photographer: Kerry Davis Date: 2/03/2012

Description:

(left) Looking west at east & north elevations & former pavilion site next to road; (right) looking northwest at east elevation, former pavilion site







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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

508 Caldwell Avenue was the location of a stone pavilion that sold waters from both the Salax and Relief Springs. The Salax Spring was drilled adjacent to the Relief Spring well in the early 1910s, but at a different depth. Its waters belonged to the *Saline & Sulphur laxative* group. The Salax Spring was not listed in the 1908 Blue Book and City Directory. Records from 1911 stated that the Relief had been closed for some time, but was recently improved and re-opened by Prof. J. F. Kennedy, Dr. J. T. Rice (who resided at the location), and Rev. J. W. Gresham. A year later, an advertisement in the *Daily Call* stated that "the Salax and Relief Springs – now open to the public. SALAX, the Great Purifier, for the stomach and bowels. . . Try them. New native stone pagoda located at North Marietta and Caldwell Avenue." The Relief and Salax were listed together in a list of springs in the 1912 *Souvenir Guide-Book of Excelsior Springs, MO.* In the 1917 City Directory, the Relief was no longer included in a list of wells, although the Salax was shown in the street listings at 510 Caldwell with Dr. J. T. Rice residing there as well. By the time of the 1922 City Directory, Mrs. N. M. Rice was living at 510 Caldwell alone, and Salax was no longer included in a list of springs. [note: the Salax Water Company at 117 S. Main does not appear to be related to this well, as an historic advertisement lists three other mineral waters.]





Historic photograph of sales pavilion on Caldwell

Historic postcard of sales pavilion for Salax & Relief springs

Salax Spring Analysis	Salts in Solution in Grains Per Gallon	
Aluminum	Trace	
Calcium Bicarbonate	25.1	
Ferrous Bicarbonate	Trace	
Magnesium Bicarbonate	6.2	
Magnesium Chloride	2.6	
Potassium Chloride	0.3	
Potassium lodide	Trace	
Silica	3.1	
Sodium Chloride	511.6	
Total Mineral Matter	549.1	

Salax mineral water analysis by Dr. Cross



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Clay County Assessor's Office

Clay County Recorder of Deed's Office

The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; "Salax Spring," V1.200.330

1917 City Directory

John J. Gaines, M.D., A Souvenir Guide-Book of Excelsior Springs, MO," 1912.

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

The triangular shaped lot rises from the street level. A concrete retaining wall has replaced the former stone wall. Concrete steps lead from the sidewalk to the front entry. There are deciduous trees at the rear of the lot. Clay County parcel ID: 12-311-00-11-005.00.

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages. The former site of the historic stone sales pavilion for the Salax & Relief springs was located northeast of the entry steps to 508 Caldwell, adjacent to the sidewalk along Caldwell. The dwelling at 508 Caldwell is a gable-front building with simple classically-inspired details seen in the three part oriel window on the second story, the gable-end returns, and the simple square porch columns. Historic photographs show a small gabled portico over the entry bay of the porch (no longer extant).