

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-010-040	Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs		
3. County:	4. Address (Street No.)	Street (name)	
CL	415	St. Louis Avenue	
5.City: Vicinity: Excelsior Springs			7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8.Historic name (if known): Sulpho-Saline Spring Elms Pavilion; Sulpho-Saline Pavilion No. 2 9. Present/other name (if known): Mill Inn Restaurant			
10. Ownership: ☑ Private ☐ Public	11a. Historic use (if know HEALTH CARE/resort		11b. Current use: COMMERCE/TRADE/restaurant
HISTORICAL INFORMATION			
12. Construction date: Ca. 1904 (pavilion)	15. Architect:		18. Previously surveyed? ⊠ Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: Ca. 1900s - 1963	16. Builder/contra	actor:	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 continuat	ion page. ⊠	22. Sources of information on continuation page.	
ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION			
23. Category of property: ⊠ building(s) ☐ site ☐ structure ☐ object	30: Roof material:		37.Windows: ☐ historic ☒ replacement Pane arrangement: single sash
24. Vernacular or property type: 31. Chimney place N/A		ement:	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? ⊠
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural sys masonry	tem:	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): ☐ Addition(s) Date(s): ☐ Altered Date(s):
26. Plan shape: irregular	33. Exterior wall of brick	cladding:	☐ Moved Date(s): ☐ Other Date(s):
27. No. of stories:	34. Foundation m concrete	aterial:	Endangered by:
28. No. of bays (1 st floor): 9	35. Basement typ unknown	e:	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.):
29. Roof type: gable	36. Front porch ty N/A	pe/placement:	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. ⊠
OTHER			
42. Current owner/address: Cowsert, Evelyn M Trust 43.Form prepared Deon Wolfenbarg			.): 44. Survey date: 2012
1100 Seybold Rd Excelsior Springs Mo 64024-9308	Three Gables Preservation 320 Pine Glade Road, Nederland, CO Deon@threegables.net		45. Date of revisions:
FOR SHPO USE			
Date entered in inventory: Level of survey ☐ reconnaissan		☐ intensive	Additional research needed? ☐ yes ☐ no
National Register Status: ☐ listed ☐ in listed district Name: ☐ pending listing ☐ eligible (individual) ☐ eligible (district) ☐ not eligible ☐ not determined	Other:		



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LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)



SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)



PHOTOGRAPH

Photographer: Kerry Davis Date: 2/03/2012

Description:
Looking northeast at former location of pavilion (parking lot of Mill Inn)





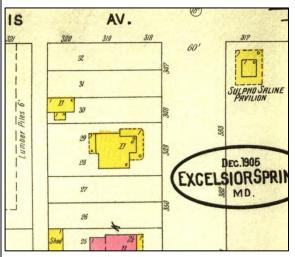
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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

The Sulpho Saline well was located at the north end of Main Street, but the water was piped and sold at two pavilions in town: this pavilion (known as the "Sulpho-Saline Elms Pavilion" or the "Sulpho-Saline Pavilion No. 2") and the other on E. Broadway. Its waters belonged to the *Saline & Sulphur laxative* group, and was one of four waters bottled by the Excelsior Springs Bottling Co. The sign of the Sulpho Saline was the "Three Owls", and its slogan was "We're out all night, Til broad daylight, But we drink SULPHO Saline in the morning." In a brochure published by the company, "The Famous Waters of Excelsior Springs Missouri," the list of its benefits are practically endless; however, it was primarily used as a laxative.

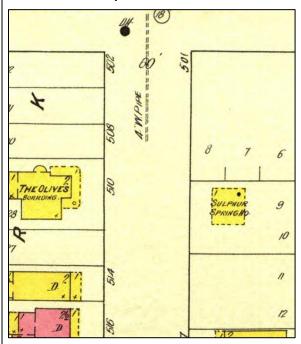
This lot was empty in the 1900 Sanborn map, but in 1904, the Elms Realty Company platted the Elms Addition from a large parcel that formerly contained the Elms Hotel. By the next year, the first Sulpho-Saline pavilion in Elms Park was located on the southeast corner of the intersection of St. Louis and S. Kansas City avenues (lot 8, block A). By 1909, the pavilion had been moved further south on S. Kansas City Avenue to lot 9, block A. Likely the same pavilion was simply moved down the block. This pavilion is listed in the 1908 Blue Book, and the 1908-1909 City Directory, as well as the 1922 City Directory, where it is referred to as "Sulpho-Saline Spring Pavilion No. 2" (it was not included in the 1917 City Directory). By the time of the 1926 Sanborn map, lots 8 and 9 were vacant; in the 1942 update, a filling station had been constructed on lot 8 (still extant), and a portion of the rear of lot 9 contained either small apartments or a motor court. Sulpho-Saline was one of the ten waters that was piped into the Hall of Waters.





1905 Sanborn Map

Historic postcard - possibly first location on corner



1913 Sanborn Map - second location



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Clay County Assessor's Office

The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; "Sulpho Saline," folder V1.200.420

1908 Excelsior Springs Blue Book

1908-1909, 1917, 1922 City Directories

"Excelsior Springs Historic Resources Survey Plan & Survey," 1991

"Excelsior Springs Hall of Waters Commercial East Historic District," National Register of Historic Places form, 1999

"Hall of Waters," National Register of Historic Places form, 1983

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, 1900, 1905, 1908, 1913, 1926, 1942

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

Now part of a larger parcel which encompasses both historic locations for the Sulpho-Saline Elms Park Pavilion, Elms Addition Lts 5-11

Blk A, Clay County parcel ID: 12-311-00-43-001.00. The parcel contains an irregular plan brick building, with intersecting gable roofs forming a "V" shape. A small circular addition with two-tier low pyramidal roofs is on the southwest corner.

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages. There were two Sulpho-Saline pavilion locations in this area: the first was immediately adjacent to corner of St. Louis and S. Kansas City avenues, and the other was approximately 100 feet south of the corner. There are no extant remnants. The UTM location for the second site is 15S/ 394253.19m / 4355101.17N. Both pavilion locations are currently paved parking.