

**PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM PHOTO/SITE PLAN SHEET**

**Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission**

**Bureau of Historic Preservation**

**Box 1026, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1026**

Survey Code/Tax Parcel/Other No.: 047 / 66 00 03550 00 2 Block-Unit #017-005

County: Montgomery

Municipality: Whitpain Township

Address: 225 Mathers Drive

Historic Name/Other Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**SITE PLAN**

**PHOTO INFORMATION**



Number	Description of View	Direction of Camera
1	House – façade	
2	House – gable end	
3	Mill	
4	Spring House	
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Photographer Name: Robert Wise		Date: 1999
Negative Location: Robert Wise Consulting, Station Square 1, Suite 104, 37 N. Valley Road, Paoli PA 19301		

# PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM - DATA SHEET

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## IDENTIFICATION AND LOCATION

Survey Code: 047 Tax Parcel/Other No.: 66 00 03550 00 2 Block Unit #017-005  
County: 1. Montgomery 091 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Municipality: 1. Whitpain Township 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: 225 Mathers Drive Historic Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner Name/Address: Charles R. & Barbara Tyson 225 Mathers Drive Ambler PA 19002  
Owner Category: ☒ Private ☐ Public-local ☐ Public-state ☐ Public-federal  
Resource Category: ☒ Building ☐ District ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object  
Number/Approximate Number of Resources Covered by This Form: 3  
USGS Quad: 1. Lansdale 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
UTM A. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_  
References: B. \_\_\_\_\_ D. \_\_\_\_\_

## HISTORIC AND CURRENT FUNCTIONS

Historic Function Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Subcategory: \_\_\_\_\_ Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
A. Residence 1800 4,911 SF Land 10.65 Acre Dwelling \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_  
C. \_\_\_\_\_  
D. \_\_\_\_\_

Particular Type: A. \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_  
C. \_\_\_\_\_  
D. \_\_\_\_\_

Current Function Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Subcategory: \_\_\_\_\_ Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
A. Single Family Residence Dwelling \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_  
C. \_\_\_\_\_  
D. \_\_\_\_\_

## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Architectural Classification: A. Federal Revival \_\_\_\_\_  
B. \_\_\_\_\_ C. \_\_\_\_\_  
D. \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Exterior Materials: Foundation \_\_\_\_\_ Roof wood shingles \_\_\_\_\_  
Walls stone \_\_\_\_\_ Walls \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Structural System: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Width 5 bay \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_ Stories/Height 2.5 \_\_\_\_\_

## HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Year Built: ca. 1800 Additions/Alterations Dates: ca. ca.  
Basis for Dating: x Documentary    Physical  
Explain: Tax records

Cultural/Ethnic Affiliation: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Associated Individuals: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Associated Events: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Architects/Engineers: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Builders: 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

## MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## PREVIOUS SURVEY, DETERMINATIONS

## EVALUATION (Survey Director/Consultants Only)

Individual NR Potential: x Yes    No Context(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contributes to Potential District Yes    No District Name/Status: \_\_\_\_\_

**Classification:** Well-maintained with a great deal of original fabric, this complex of three buildings should be classified as a Class I resource.

## THREATS

Threats: x 1. None 2. Public Development 3. Private Development 4. Neglect 5. Other

Explain:

## SURVEYOR INFORMATION

Surveyor Name/Title: Robert Wise Date: 6/16/2000  
Project Name: Whitpain Township Historic Resource Survey  
Organization: Robert Wise Consulting/Whitpain Township Telephone: (610) 722-5818  
Street and No.: Station Square 1, Suite 104, 37 North Valley Road  
City, State: Paoli, Pa Zip Code: 19301  
Additional Survey Documentation: n/a  
Associated Survey Codes: n/a

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL RESOURCE SURVEY FORM  
NARRATIVE SHEET 89C

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**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:**

This complex consists of a house, mill, and springhouse, all of which are contributing. The house is a two and a half story, five bay, end gable house constructed of uncoursed stone. It has a gambrel roof and wood shingles. There are two interior end chimneys and one exterior end chimney which intersects the point of one gambrel. Three gabled roof dormers decorate the house. The windows in the dormers are six over six double hung without shutters, and a fanlight appears over the upper sash. There are eight six over six, double hung sash windows with shutters (four on each floor) on the façade, and a pointed arch window appears over the door. Two pointed arch windows appear in the gable end as well; they have three panes and an arch pattern in the fixed sash and six panes in the movable sash. A small porch with a gable split on the bottom emphasizes the door; it has a fire mark in the gable and rests on two unfluted columns.

There are some stone additions: Two of them share the axis of the core; one is two story and has a slope chimney and a similar window pattern as the core while the other is one story with three six-paned sliding windows. A one-story addition on a perpendicular axis has an additional doorway and a nine-paned window.

**Associated Resources:**

Mill: Associated with this house is a fine stone mill. This building has symmetrical window placement; the windows in the gable end have twelve panes except the window above the central entry which has fifteen panes. A tablet-shaped ornament appears in the gable.

Springhouse: A springhouse is also associated with the house. This building is constructed of uncoursed stone and has exposed rafter tails.

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