

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: 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: 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: 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

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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.

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

