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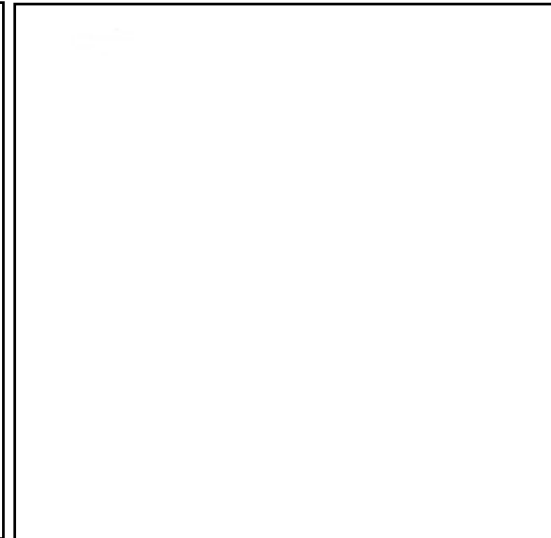
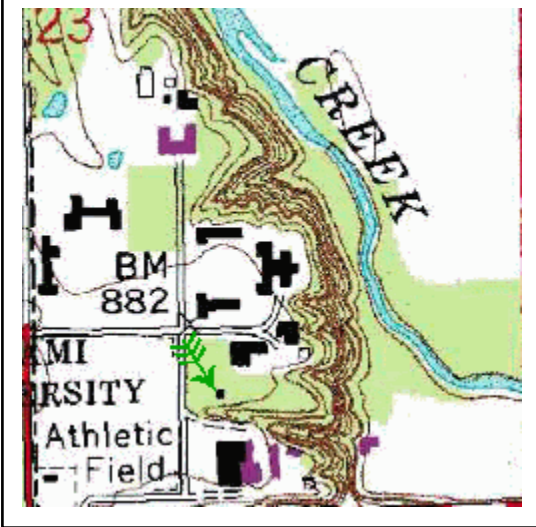
RPR Number:

1. No. BUT-02505-01		4. Present Name(s) Cook Place		5-01 BUT-0250
2. County Butler		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Dr. Robert Harvey Cook Residence		
6. Specific Address or Location 51 South Fisher Drive		19a. Design Sources		2. County Butler
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number		20. Contractor or Builder Joe Wespiser		
7. City or Village Oxford		21. Building Type or Plan Other House Type		4. Present or Historic Name(s) Cook Place
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oxford 16 695406 4375555 Zone Easting Northing		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling		
10. Classification: Building		23. Present Use Office		Cook Place
11. On National Register? NO		24. Ownership Public		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known Miami University Oxford, Ohio 45056		Cook Place
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		26. Property Acreage		
16. Thematic Associations: Health Care University		27. Other Surveys		Cook Place
17. Date(s) or Period 1932		28. No. of Stories Two story		
17b. Alteration Date(s) 1951		29. Basement? Yes		Cook Place
18. Style Class and Design Dominant Mission		30. Foundation Material Unknown		
18a. Style of Addition or Element(s)		31. Wall Construction Tile block/hollow tile		Cook Place
19. Architect or Engineer Joe Wespiser		32. Roof Type Gable Roof Material Spanish/Mission clay tile		
		33. No. of Bays 4 Side Bays 3		Cook Place
		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Stucco		
35. Plan Shape Rectangular				
36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. Original/Most significant construct				
17b. Some alteration				
37. Window Type(s) Casement				
38. Building Dimensions				
39. Endangered? NO By What?				
40. Chimney Placement Gable end, exterior				
41. Distance from & Frontage on Road				
51. Condition of Property: Excellent				
52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies Structure Type				
Date				
Associated Activity				
53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers: Historic (OHI)				
Archaeological (OAI)				
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary) Designed by Oxford architect Joe Wespiser, Cook Place is a simple residence designed in a vernacular Spanish Mission style. It is two stories in height, clad in white stucco and a red clay-tile gabled roof. The rectangular building has a projecting gabled pavilion on the main facade containing a recessed entry door with 'Casa de Manana' (House of Tomorrow) inscribed in the door lintel. Other features that typify the style are casement windows with brick header sills, brick header details at the eaves, a wrought iron window balcony, and exposed rafters below a window bay. On the north side is a stucco exterior chimney surmounted by a clay tile cap with arched openings. A rear door on this side has an arched opening.				
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary) Originally built in 1932 and acquired by Miami University in 1936, Cook Place is unique on the university campus because of its design and materials in a Spanish style. It was originally built as the home of Dr. Robert Harvey Cook, Miami class of 1891, who operated the Oxford Retreat Sanitarium with his father Dr. Harvey Cook. The original Retreat building was the building built as Oxford College for Women. After its purchase by Miami in 1925, the building was renamed Fisher Hall and used as a men's dormitory. Patients were moved to The Pines, which was renamed Wilson Hall after its purchase by Miami in 1936. This house was also obtained as part of the 1936 acquisition, but Dr. Cook continued to reside here until his death in 1949. Cook Place was remodeled in 1951 and became the home of continued...				
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52) The house is located on the East Campus of Miami University in a residential setting with mature trees. There is a curved sidewalk leading to the front door. Both it and nearby Cook Field are named to honor the Cook family who operated the Oxford Retreat on this site.				
45. Sources of Information Miami University Archives; Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings Past and Present, 1966; MU Physical Facilities, Building Information, 2005; Ellen Jackson, Leigh Swigart, Brian Rysinski, and Matt Quier, Getty Campus Heritage Grant Student Report, Professor Helen Sheumaker, Fall 2008.				
46. Prepared By: Judy Williams		47. Organization: Historic Preservation Consultant		6. Specific Address or Location 51 South Fisher Drive
49. PIR Reviewer:		48. Date Recorded: 07/30/2008		
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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:
Single off center

Door Position:
Recessed

Orientation:
Lateral axis

Symmetry:
Bilateral asymmetry

Report Associated With Project:

NADB #:



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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

43. History and Significance (Con't)

university Vice President Clarence Kreger. After Kreger became Provost in 1953, the house was known as the Provost's residence until 1970. In 1970, Housing Dining and Guest Services occupied the building for its administrative offices.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)

45. Sources (Con't)