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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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REGISTER

1. Name of Property

historic name: Shady Lake Caretaker's House

other name/site number: PL 0101

2. Location

street & number: Forest Service Road #38

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Athens

vicinity: X

state: AR county: Polk

code: AR 113

zip code: 71971

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal

Category of Property: Building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: Facilities Constructed by the CCC in Arkansas, 1933-42

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification
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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Evan Q. DeBlouis _____ 9/3/93
Signature of certifying official Date

Federal Preservation Officer Forest Service
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. _____ See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
State or Federal agency and bureau

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5. National Park Service Certification
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I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register _____ Patty S. Christian 10/20/93
 _____ See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register _____
 _____ See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register _____
- removed from the National Register _____
- other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper Date of Action

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6. Function or Use
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Historic: Recreation and Culture Sub: Outdoor Recreation

Current : Recreation and Culture Sub: Outdoor Recreation

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7. Description

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Architectural Classification:

Other: Rustic Architecture

Other Description: _____

Materials: foundation Concrete roof Asphalt
walls Wood/Weatherboard other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

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8. Statement of Significance

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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally.

Applicable National Register Criteria: A, C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) : N/A

Areas of Significance: Social History
Architecture
Entertainment/Recreation

Period(s) of Significance: c.1940 _____

Significant Dates : N/A

Significant Person(s): N/A

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: Civilian Conservation Corps

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.
X See continuation sheet.

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Description:

The Shady Lake Recreation Area is located on Forest Service Road No. 38 in Polk County. The caretakers house is a single story wood frame structure set on a continuous stone foundation. The house has a gabled roof covered with composition shingles and the walls of the structure are covered with novelty siding. It has a brick chimney which has an interior placement in the rear "T" of the structure. The southern side of the structure has a screened porch on a stone foundation and has three one-over-one windows and one door within the porch area. There is also a single one-over-one window visible to the western side of the porch. The porch is covered by a gabled roof which intersects with the main gable of the structure. The eastern side of the structure is fenestrated with three one-over-one windows centered on the main section of the building with a louvered vent in the apex of the gable. Also visible is a single one-over-one window on the rear "T". The north side of the structure has a pair of one-over-one windows set to the right side of the rear "T" and a single one-over-one window on the main structure. The western side of the house shows a single door on the rear "T" and a set of three one-over-one windows centered on the main section with a louvered vent in the apex of the gable. The rear "T" has a gabled roof which intersects with the main gable of the structure. The house is in good condition.

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The Shady Lake Caretaker's House was constructed circa 1940 by members of the 742nd Company of the Arkansas CCC District stationed at the Mena Camp that was located approximately eight miles to the northeast, near the small town of Shady. It was constructed as part of a small, public recreational complex within the Ouachita National Forest (ONF) as a result of the CCC's emphasis upon recreational construction that began in earnest circa 1935. The extant historic structures within this complex include this caretaker's house, a picnic pavillion, a bathhouse, and a dam (each of which is nominated separately), all of which allowed the area to function purely as a swimming and picnicking facility, as it continues to do today. As such, the Shady Lake Caretaker's House remains significant through its associations with the contributions to American social history made by the Civilian Conservation Corps, its associations with the emphasis upon outdoor recreation that guided such construction, and its status as an excellent example of CCC recreational architecture in a remarkable state of preservation.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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See "Facilities Constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in Arkansas, 1933-1942," Section H.

___ See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other -- Specify Repository: _____

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>15</u>	<u>404900</u>	<u>3802750</u>	B	___	_____	_____
C	___	_____	_____	D	___	_____	_____

___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: ___ See continuation sheet.

Beginning at a point on the northern edge of Forest Service Road #38 located 2,250 feet south of its intersection with County Road #64, proceed northerly along a line running parallel with the house's western elevation for a distance of 200 feet; thence proceed easterly along a line running parallel with the house's northern elevation for a distance of 200 feet; thence proceed southerly along a line running parallel with the house's eastern elevation for a distance of 200 feet to its intersection with the northern edge of Forest Service Road #38; thence proceed westerly along said edge for a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification: ___ See continuation sheet.

This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource, including the house itself, its principal approach from the road, and the land immediately surrounding it that forms its historic setting.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Shady Lake Caretaker's House
NAME:

MULTIPLE Facilities Constructed by the CCC in Arkansas MPS
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Polk

DATE RECEIVED: 9/14/93 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 9/28/93
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 10/14/93 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/29/93
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 93001098

NOMINATOR: FEDERAL

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: Y SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 10/20/93 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

The Shady Lake Caretaker's House is significant under criteria A and C in the areas of social history, entertainment/recreation and architecture.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept A+C
REVIEWER P.S. Christman
DISCIPLINE Historian
DATE 10/20/93

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

count resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

historic current

DESCRIPTION

architectural classification
 materials
 descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

summary paragraph
 completeness
 clarity
 applicable criteria
 justification of areas checked
 relating significance to the resource
 context
 relationship of integrity to significance
 justification of exception
 other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

acreage verbal boundary description
 UTMs boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

sketch maps USGS maps photographs presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



Shady Lake Caretaker's House

~~Atlanta~~ Athens vic., Arkansas

Photographed by Todd Ferguson

February 1991

Negative on file at AHPP

View from the south

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500019