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REGISTRATION FORM

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REGISTER

1. Name of Property

historic name: Matthews-Bradshaw House

other name/site number: PU 0086

2. Location

street & number: 524 Skyline Drive

not for publication: N/A

city/town: North Little Rock

vicinity: N/A

state: AR

county: Pulaski

code: AR 119

zip code: 72116

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

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: Pre-Depression Houses and Outbuildings of "Edgemont in Park Hill"

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification:

Late 19th and 20 Century Revivals/
French Eclectic

Other Description: _____

Materials: foundation Brick/Stucco roof Other/Composition Shingles
walls Brick other _____
Stone/Fieldstone

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: Architecture
Community Planning and Development

Period(s) of Significance: 1929-1939 _____

Significant Dates: 1929-1939 _____

Significant Person(s): N/A _____

Cultural Affiliation: N/A _____

Architect/Builder: Designed by Frank Carmean/
Built by the Justin Matthews Company

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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Summary

Originally a one-story house with attic and full basement, the brick-and fieldstone-veneered Matthews-Bradshaw House is the only representative of the French Eclectic style among the houses built before the Depression in the Edgemont section of Park Hill. The French tone of the house's design is set by a round turret at the east end of the main (north) facade, as well as by the main entrance, which suggests the presence of a second, polygonal-roofed, turret. Although the house's interior spaces have undergone some alterations in recent years, the exterior of the house has remained largely unchanged since its construction in 1929.

Elaboration

The main section of the Matthews-Bradshaw House--dining room, kitchen and breakfast nook, all the bedrooms and baths--is contained beneath a side-gabled roof. Projecting from the west end of the main (north) facade is a gable-roofed ell enclosing the living room. The house's picturesque entryway is located at the juncture of the ell and the main section of the house in a polygonal-shaped projection veneered with fieldstone. The door is sheltered by a half-timbered, gabled roof.

Like the entryway, the round turret at the east end of the main facade is fieldstone-veneered. The rest of the house, however, is veneered with brick that has been painted. Multi-paned windows, either casement or with double-hung sashes, are used throughout the house, except in the turret, which originally had casement windows with diamond-shaped panes. The original casements have been replaced by new casements with a single large pane of glass, but detachable muntins will be used to create the appearance of diamond-shaped panes. A set of four casement windows, located between the turret and the entryway, defines the location of the dining room. A large pointed-arched window dominates the north end of the living room ell.

The kitchen door is located on the east end of the house, adjacent to the driveway that originally provided access to a basement-level two-car garage and maid's quarters. The basement has been converted to use as a den, and a swimming pool now is located where the driveway once led into the basement. Two dormer windows have been added to the rear (south) plane of the main roofline, allowing the attic to be converted to use as two bedrooms, a bath, and a sitting area.

On the main level of the house, the living room, dining room, kitchen and breakfast nook (located in the turret), and one bath remain generally unaltered. Along the rear of the house,

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however, the space that originally was divided into three bedrooms of approximately equal size has been reconfigured as a large master bedroom, a hall and stairway to the living spaces created in the attic and a smaller bedroom.

Notable interior features include the living room's vaulted, beamed ceiling and its "medieval" chimney breast and mantel. Like most Edgemont houses, the Matthews-Bradshaw House utilizes arched doorways, such as one between the living and dining rooms. Another archway defines the bathtub niche in the original bathroom, where vintage tilework remains intact.

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Summary

Criteria A and C, local significance

Another of the houses representing the Edgemont phase of Park Hill's development, the Matthews-Bradshaw House is a "spec" house that was built in 1929 but did not sell until late in 1939. Its architectural significance derives from the fact that it is the only example of the French Eclectic style among the sixteen pre-Depression Edgemont houses.

Elaboration

The Matthews-Bradshaw House was built speculatively in 1929 by the Justin Matthews Company, making it one of the "spec" houses built in "Edgemont in Park Hill." Illustrating the effect the Depression had on the development of Edgemont, the house remained unsold until the end of 1939, when it was purchased by Keith T. Bradshaw, who was associated with an auto supply company, and his wife, Martha. Prior to being purchased by the Bradshaws, the house had been rented by at least two different tenants.

About 1950, the Bradshaws sold the house to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Metcalf; Mr. Metcalf was a vice-president of Commercial National Bank in Little Rock. Following Mr. Metcalf's death a few years later, his widow owned the house until the late 1960's, when it was purchased by the present owner.

The Matthews-Bradshaw House's French-inspired architecture makes it unique among the pre-Depression Edgemont houses, and, in being a spec house that went unsold for a decade, it illustrates very well the effect the Depression had on Edgemont.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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X 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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Acreeage of Property: Less than one

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	<u>15</u>	<u>568190</u>	<u>3848660</u>	B	___	_____	_____
C	___	_____	_____	D	___	_____	_____

___ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: ___ See continuation sheet.
Lot 32, block 107, Park Hill Addition to the City of North Little Rock

Boundary Justification: ___ See continuation sheet.
This boundary includes all the property historically associated with this resource.

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11. Form Prepared By

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Bibliography

Little Rock-North Little Rock city directories for the years 1928 through 1970.

Pulaski County Deed Records: Book 203, p. 78; Book 231, p. 156; and Book 267, p. 355.

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	Substantive Basis	Date Listed
COVER		<u>6/1/92</u>
1. Cherry House	Substantive Basis	<u>6/1/92</u>
2. England, Joseph E. Jr., House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
3. Jeffries House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
4. Kleiber House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
5. Matthews--Bradsham House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
6. Matthews--Bryan House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
7. Matthews--Dillon House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
8. Matthews--Godt House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
9. Matthews--MacFadyen House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>
10. Owings House	Substantive Basis	<u>6/1/92</u>
11. Young House	Entered in the National Register	<u>6/1/92</u>

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CLASSIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

COUNT

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

FUNCTION

PROPERTY NAME: Matthews--Bradshaw House

historical

MULTIPLE NAME: Pre-Depression Houses and Outbuildings of Edgemont in Park Hill
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architectural classification

STATE & COUNTY: ARKANSAS, Pulaski

materials

DATE RECEIVED: 4/17/92 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/01/92
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 5/17/92 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/01/92
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

REFERENCE NUMBER: 92000568

Period

NOMINATOR: STATE

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

summary paragraph

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

COMMENT WAIVER: N

relating significance to the resource

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 6/1/92 DATE

Entered in the
National Register

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

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

Signed

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 _____



Matthews-Bradshaw House, 524 Skyline Dr. (PU 0086)

North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

March 6, 1991

Main facade, looking south

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Matthews - Bradshaw House, 524 Skyline Dr. (PU 0086)
North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

March 6, 1991

View looking southwest

NEGATIVE ON FILE AT ANPA



Matthews-Bradshaw House, 524 Skyline Dr. (PU 0086)

North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

March 6, 1991

Rear facade, looking north

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Matthews. Bradshaw House, 524 Skyline Dr. (PU 0086)
North Little Rock, AR
Cheryl Nichols
March 4, 1991
Living room, looking west
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Matthews-Bradshaw House, 524 Skyline Dr. (PU 0086)

North Little Rock, AR

Cheryl Nichols

March 4, 1991

Living room, looking southeast

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500027