

State of Connecticut  
**CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford 06106

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Town No.:	Site No.: 179
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**HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY:**  
 Buildings & Structures

**SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437**  
 June-December 1981

IDENTIFICATION

1. ADDRESS 111 Goose Lane  
(map 75, lot 13)
2. NAME James Davis  
(historic)  
NAME Sachem Country House  
(common)
3. USE Private house  
(historic)  
USE ~~Private house~~ Restaurant  
(present)
4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



DESCRIPTION

5. ARCHITECT 1792
6. DATE 1792
- BUILDER Federal
- STYLE Federal
7. ALTERATIONS  
Large addition to both sides; 6/6 sash.

SIGNIFICANCE

8. NOTABLE FEATURES  
Brick chimney (central position); entry with a pediment roof (decorated with mutules and dentils); slender round columns, and a wood fan motif over the door.
9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL  
When built in 1792 for James Davis, Jr., a joiner, this was a story-and-a-half house. The doorway with a wooden fan over the door and a delicate ornamented pediment roof supported by plain columns has a style commensurate with that date, leading one to wonder if James Davis did the work himself. The house was enlarged by about 1840, making it a substantial house of two stories. George Bartlett, who owned the house at the time, is said to have hidden runaway slaves here. About 1950, two large wings were added, and when it became a restaurant, the low section in front expanded restaurant facilities.

SOURCES

10. SOURCES  
Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; Joel E. Helander, Guilford Long Ago, Vol. II.

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.

If you have not actually made certain of the answer to a given question, either leave it blank or write "inferred" after the checked box; or, if drawn from a previous investigator, give source.

11. MATERIALS

- Clapboard
- Wood Shingle
- Board & Batten
- Brick
- Fieldstone
- Cut Stone
- Stucco
- Concrete
- Cobblestone
- Asbestos Shingle
- Asphalt Siding
- Aluminum/Vinyl
- Other:

12. STRUCTURE

- Wood Frame:
- Post & Beam
- Balloon
- Masonry
- Iron or Steel
- Concrete
- Other:

13. ROOF

- a.  Pitched
  - Saltbox
  - Gambrel
  - Gable-front
  - Cross-gable
  - Mansard
  - Hip
  - Flat Hip
  - Flat
  - Shed
  - False Dormer
  - Sawtooth
  - Other:
- b.  Tower(s)
  - Monitor
  - Cupola
  - Dormered Gable
  - Dome
- c.  Wood Shingle
  - Asphalt Shingle
  - Slate
  - Metal
  - Other:

14. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 1/2

APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS:

LOT SIZE: 8.1 ac

15. CONDITION: Exterior

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Bad

16. CONDITION: Structure

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Bad

17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road)

- Barn(s)
- Carriage House
- Garage
- Shed(s)
- Shop(s)
- Other (well, stand, greenhouse, gazebo, privy, etc.):

18. LANDSCAPING (visible from public road)

- Planted Grounds
- Garden
- Terracing
- Plaza
- Court
- Stone Wall(s)
- Pickett Fence
- Iron Fence
- Post & Rail
- Other:

19. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

- a.  Town Street
  - Rural
  - Semi-rural
  - Clustered Growth
  - Development
  - b.  Commercial
  - Industrial
  - Agricultural
  - Residential
  - Vacation, now or originally
  - c.  Open
  - Wooded
  - Lakefront
  - Coastal
  - Salt marsh
- d.  Of outstanding scenic/architectural value
  - Of scenic/architectural value
  - Of supportive value to contiguous scenic/architectural area
  - Neutral
  - Other:

20. ROLE OF BUILDING IN ENHANCING QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT

- Vital
- Important
- Supportive
- Neutral
- Other:

21. OWNERSHIP

- Public
- Private
- Interior accessible

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22. Name P. Odiseos

Date 7/14/81

Photographer P. Odiseos

Date 7/14/81

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Organization: Guilford Preservation Alliance  
P.O. Box 199, Guilford, Conn. 06437

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23. THREATS TO BUILDING

- None Known
- Renewal
- Highways
- Private Owner
- Vandalism
- Deterioration
- Developers
- Other:
- Zoning

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

DESCRIPTION

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