

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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<b>Inventory No:</b>	SWN.74
<b>Historic Name:</b>	Martin House
<b>Common Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	108 Ledge Rd
<b>City/Town:</b>	Swansea
<b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>	Gardner's Neck;
<b>Local No:</b>	46;
<b>Year Constructed:</b>	1908
<b>Architectural Style(s):</b>	Craftsman;
<b>Architect(s):</b>	Horton, Arthur; Martin, Frank;
<b>Use(s):</b>	Single Family Dwelling House;
<b>Significance:</b>	Architecture;
<b>Area(s):</b>	SWN.D
<b>Designation(s):</b>	Nat'l Register District (02/16/1990); Nat'l Register MRA (02/16/1990);
<b>Building Materials:</b>	Roof: Asphalt Shingle; Wall: Concrete Cinderblock;
<b>Demolished</b>	No



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AREA	FORM NO.
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Town SWANSEA

Address 108 Ledge Road

Historic Name Martin House

Use: Present Residential

Original Residential

#### DESCRIPTION

Date 1908

Source Mrs. Emery C. Kellogg  
daughter of builder

Style Cottage/Bungalow

Architect Unknown

Exterior Wall Fabric Cement block

Outbuildings None

Major Alterations (with dates) None

Condition

Moved No Date

Acreage Less than one acre

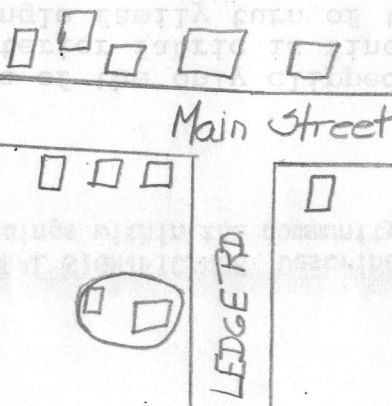
Setting Set back from street with small  
parcell of land to west side and back  
of house. Situated off main road in a  
more residential area on a dead-end  
street.

Recorded by Kim Valente/H. Pierce '78

Organization Swansea Historical  
Commission

Date March, 1986

Intersection(s).  
Indicate north



UTM REFERENCE

USGS QUADRANGLE Fall River, MA., R.I. 1967

SCALE

**NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)**

**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE** Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

One of the only clipped gabled homes built in this section of town. Exterior fabric is finely finished stone and stucco work, Typical single family turn of the century cottage indicative of south - eastern Massachusetts.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE** Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

This was the first house in the area to be built from cement blocks. These blocks were made by Frank Martin and Arthur Horton. Mr. Martin was a stone mason. Both Mr. Martin and Mr. Horton were from old Swansea families.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES**



FORM B - BUILDING

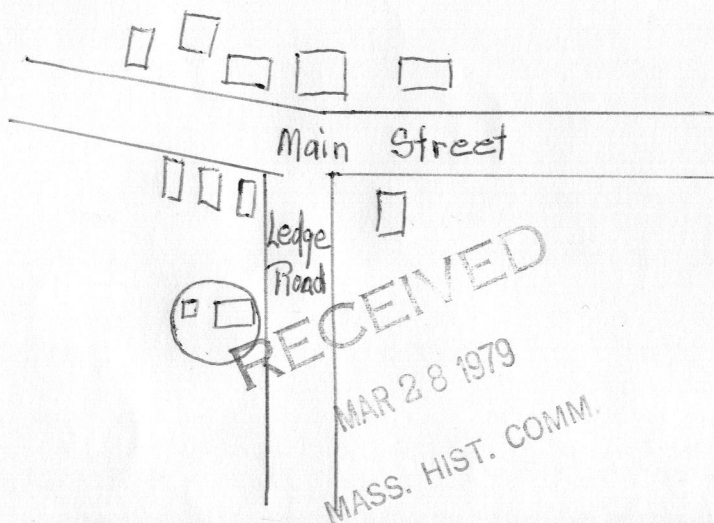
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In Area no. <u>C.</u>	Form no. <u>46</u>
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4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



1. Town Swansea, Massachusetts

Address 108 Ledge Road

Name Martin House

Present use Residential

Present owner Everett Diaz

3. Description:

Date 1908

Source Mrs. Emery C. Kellogg  
daughter of builder

Style Cottage Bungalow

Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Cement Blocks

Outbuildings (describe) None

Other features None

Altered No Date \_\_\_\_\_

Moved No Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:

One acre or less X Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate frontage 82 feet

Approximate distance of building from street

20 feet

6. Recorded by Helen Pierce

Organization Swansea Historical Soc.

Date October 9, 1978

(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Frank N. Martin

Original use Residential

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates None

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

Aboriginal	_____	Conservation	_____	Recreation	_____
Agricultural	_____	Education	_____	Religion	_____
Architectural	<u>X</u>	Exploration/ settlement	_____	Science/ invention	_____
The Arts	_____	Industry	_____	Social/ humanitarian	_____
Commerce	_____	Military	_____	Transportation	_____
Communication	_____	Political	_____		
Community development	_____				

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

This was the first house in the area to be built from cement blocks. These blocks were made by Frank Martin and Arthur Horton. Mr. Martin was a stone mason. Both Mr. Martin and Mr. Horton were from old Swansea families.

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)