

MOYER LOG HOUSE

AL-II-A-063

Murley's Branch Road  
ca. 1825

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Moyer Log House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Murley's Branch Road 1.5 miles southwest of Warm Springs Road

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Walter Moyer

Telephone #: 478-2182

STREET & NUMBER

Route 2

CITY, TOWN

Flintstone

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 415

Folio #: 9

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Moyer Log House is located on the north side of Murley's Branch Road, 1.5 miles southwest of Warm Springs Road, Flintstone, Allegany County.

The Moyer House is an irregular rectangular block that is two stories tall and three bays wide. At present the house is covered with weatherboard; however, the original structure is log. The building rests on a high slate foundation. The roof is gabled with a soffit, boxed cornice and returns. It is covered with tin. Windows are double hung, pegged, frame sashes with a combination of two over two and six over six lights. Entrances are located on the south and west sides of the house and feature paneled doors with transom lights. A single bay end porch that is supported by square columns and scrolled brackets covers the west entrance. One original corbeled brick chimney is located at the inside gable end while a second replaced cement block chimney is located at the outside gable end.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES *CA 1800* BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Moyer house is located on Murley's Branch Road near Flintstone on a tract known as the "Resurvey of Deer Path". The house was probably constructed by a member of the McKelfish family in the last decade of the 18th century. The family, in addition to being farmers, operated a gun powder mill and a game chicken farm.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> "Heritage Press", Vol. I, No. II, p.5

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

"Heritage Press", Vol. I, No. II  
Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 12.6 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

11/8/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-A-063

415/9  
12.6A

DATE: 10/13/76

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Meyer Log House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Murphy's Branch Rd. 1.5 miles S.W. of Warm Springs Rd.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF OWNER: Walter Meyer 478-2182

ADDRESS: Rt. 2

Fintstones

STORIES: 1( ) 2() 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3() 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: small rectangular addition abuts on rear

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- LOG
- Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE slate

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2() 6/6() 9/9( ) other( )  
pegged () nailed( ) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment ( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: South West

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced()  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)  
original( ) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS # \_\_\_\_\_  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced( )

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip( ) gable( )

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK() STONE( ) CORBELED() original() replaced( )  
LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end() Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior ()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Residence  
Significance - Arch  
Date Constructed - CA 1800  
Condition - Fair

TITLE SEARCH

Moyer Log House  
AL-II-A-063

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 415, Folio 9  
grantee: Walter Moyer  
grantor: George V. O'Neal  
December 14, 1967  
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 359, Folio 365  
grantee: George V. O'Neal  
grantor: Jack Allen Pifer & Hazel Marie Pifer  
May 31, 1963  
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 343, Folio 315  
grantee: Jack Allen Pifer & Hazel Marie Pifer  
grantor: Hobart E. Smith & Margaret Ann Smith  
August 31, 1961  
Consideration: \$4,000.00

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 289, Folio 88  
grantee: Hobart E. Smith  
grantor: Edward J. Ryan, Trustee  
March 10, 1956

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 87, Folio 155  
grantee: Mary Robinette  
grantor: Amos Ash  
April 27, 1900

Allegheny County Deed, Liber 24, Folio 212  
grantee: John Ash, (father of Amos)  
grantor: Hanson Willison  
December 2, 1865  
Consideration: \$,200.00

Allegheny County Deed, Liber N, Folio 100  
grantee: John McKelfish  
grantor: David McKelfish  
December 2, 1825

(Resurvey of Deer Path", Deed mentions both powder mill and dwelling house)

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Moyer Log House  
Murley's Branch Rd  
USGS - Flintstone Quad

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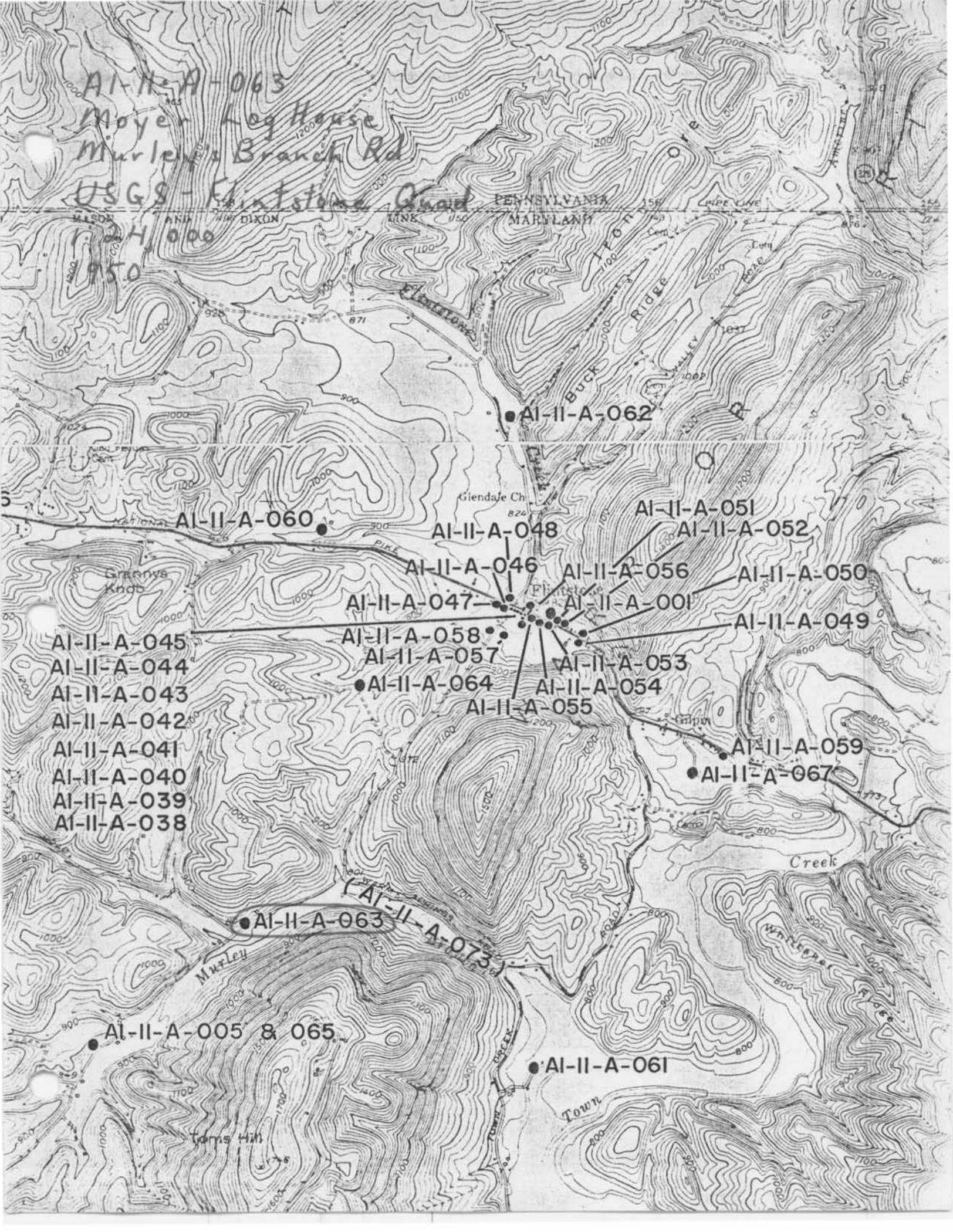
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Meyer Log House

Murley's Branch Rd.

John Nelson

10/13/76

West



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Moyer Log House

Murkey's Branch Rd.

John Nelson

10/13/76

Northeast