

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic CONTEES WHARF HOUSES (A and B)

and/or common

## 2. Location "HOUSE A"

street & number Lot 1 Block 1

city, town 1 Contees Wharf Rd. vicinity of

state Edgewater, MD., AACo. county

## "HOUSE B"

street & number Lot 2A - IMPS.  not for publication

city, town Contees Wharf Rd. congressional district

state Edgewater, MD., AACo. county

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

*Map 60 parcel 136*

*Map 60 parcel 135*

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Wm. B. Prigg Jr. / Minette A. McCullough et. al.

street & number 3619 Shepherd St.

city, town Chevy Chase, MD. 20815 state and zip code

name George P. Bergman

street & number 1519 Lemontree Lane telephone no.:

city, town Silver Spring, MD. 20904 state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

	A	B
courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	liber <u>0022</u>	
street & number	folio <u>422</u>	<u>NONE</u>
city, town		
	state	

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

state  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

# 7. Description 8. Significance

Survey No. AA-2068

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Contees Wharf compound consists of six summer cottages owned by descendants of W. C. Bergman.

In 1917 Mr. Bergman purchased a cottage from Herman Quade. [After helping his brother August Quade build his house in 1894 at Whitemarsh Creek, AA-2057, Herman had settled at Contees Wharf where he either bought or built a cottage just north of Contees Wharf Rd. He married Samuel Asher's mother's sister. (Sam'l Asher, born c.1910, grew up and lives at Contee Farm, AA-146.) Sam'l Asher's grandfather kept a blacksmith shop at the Wharf. There was also a county pier south of the Wharf Rd where schooners stopped to load produce for Baltimore and a Tolchester Steamboat Co. pier north of the road where the Emma Giles steamboat stopped for passengers.]

The cottage purchased by Mr. Bergman in 1917 is either Cottage A or Cottage B. Shortly after 1917 Mr. Bergman purchased adjoining land from Mr. Quade including either the second of the two cottages (A and B) or the space to build it. Mr. Bergman's grandson, Joseph Cook (b. 1913) cannot remember for sure whether one or both cottages was there in his early childhood. Joseph Cook's mother was one of W. C. Bergman's ten children.

Mr. Bergman's idea was to provide accomadations for his children and their families during summer holidays. After a few years he built a third cottage northwest of Cottage B. Then he purchased still more land adjoining on the west side where three additional cottages were built sometime after 1927.

Joseph Cook has a photograph taken c.1927 from the water which shows Cottages A and B. Cottage B had not yet had its roof raised to its present shallow pitch.

# 8. Significance 7. Description

Survey No. AA-2068

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Cottage A is a 3-bay center-entry 2-story frame house.  
 Enclosed one-story porches completely surround the house.  
 Medium pitch side-gabled roof.  
 The facade faces the road (south). The east gable end faces the water of Rhode River.

Cottage B, located north of Cottage A, is a much smaller front-gabled 1½-story frame cottage, 1-bay, facing the water.  
 Enclosed one-story porches line 3 sides (S-E-N) of the cottage.  
 Space in the attic has been increased by changing the pitch of the roof from steep to very shallow, in other words by adding full-length shed dormers both sides of the ridge line.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. AA-2068

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name South River, Md.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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E	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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F	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan Wetherill

organization A.A.Co. Planning & Zoning date July 1987

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_

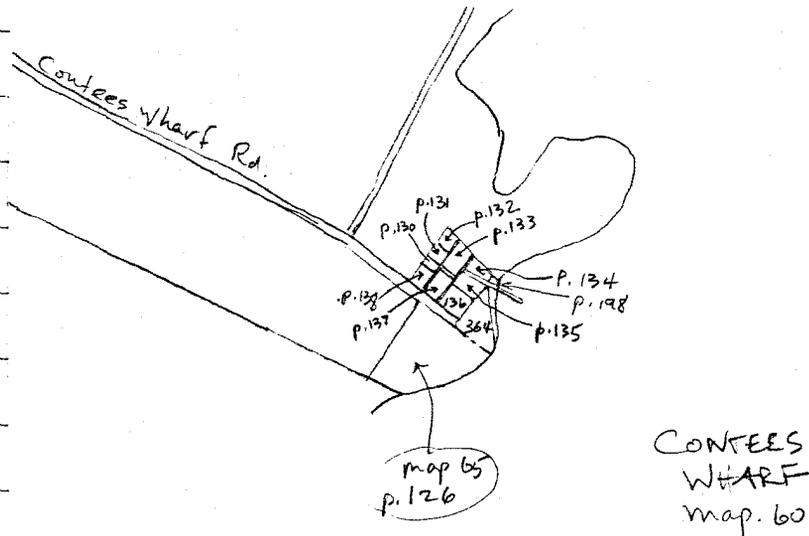
city or town \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_

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  
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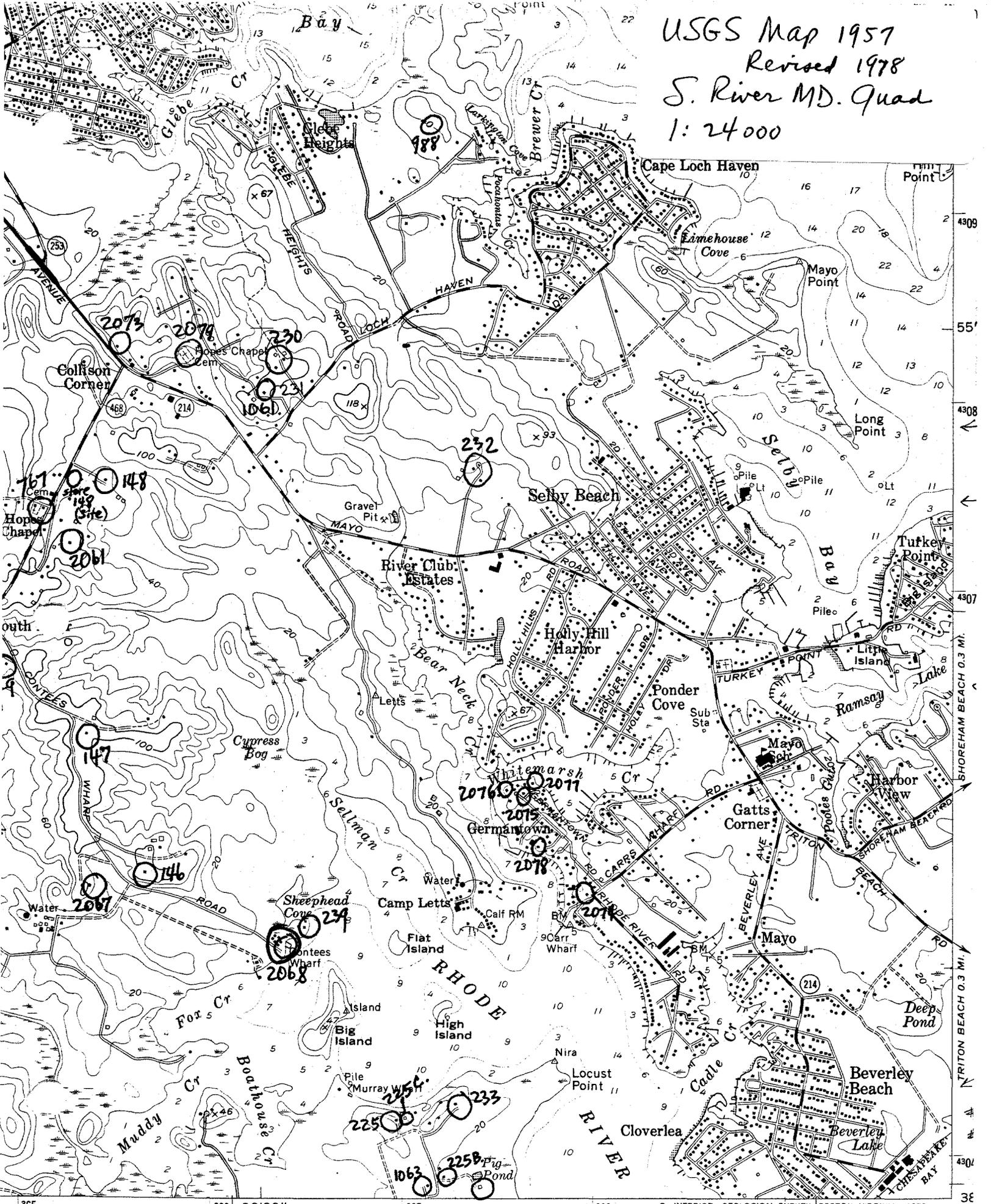
Tracing of A.A. Co. Tax Map # 60 :



"HOUSE A" is located on parcel # 136.

"HOUSE B" is located on parcel # 135.

USGS Map 1957  
 Revised 1978  
 S. River MD. Quad  
 1:24000



AA 2068 - Contees Wharf Houses

1 MILE

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

INTERIOR-GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA-1978  
 369000m.E. 76°30'



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CONTEES WHARF HOUSES (A and B)

Contees Wharf

A.A.Co. MD

S. Wetherill 6/87

SE elevations



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CONTEES WHARF HOUSES (A and B)

Contees Wharf

A.A.Co. MD

S. Wetherill 6/87

B: East corner / A: left of B



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CONTEES WHARF HOUSES (A,B)

Contees Wharf

A.A.Co. MD

S. Wetherill 6/87

Cottage A, SW facade



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CONTEES WHARF HOUSES (A and B)

Contees Wharf

G.A. Co. MD

S. Weimer 6/87

A: W. corner / B: immed. behind A