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Spriggs-Lamb House
Arnold

mid 19th cent.
private

This mid 19th century three section farmhouse in a subdivision is all that is left of the Spriggs Farm which comprised 400 acres in 1870. Produce grown on the farm was transported by water to Baltimore from Ulmstead Point. A breezeway connects the main house and wing to a summer kitchen.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Spriggs-Lamb House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

938 Lynch Drive, off of Bayberry Drive

CITY, TOWN

Arnold

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Anne Arundel

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME David Stephens

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

938 Lynch Drive

21012

CITY, TOWN

Arnold

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Anne Arundel

Liber #: 923

Folio #: 131

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Spriggs-Lamb House is at 938 Lynch Drive, less than 1/4 of a mile from Bayberry Drive, Arnold. Once a large farm, the land has been reduced to a 2.40 acre lot, surrounded by a modern subdivision. The dwelling, facing north, is a mid-19th century farmhouse made up of three frame sections covered with German siding and weatherboard. The main block, two and-a-half stories high and five bays wide, has a one story kitchen wing abutting it on the east side. Next to the kitchen is the summer kitchen, a small one story, three bay structure on a low brick foundation. A covered breezeway forms a triangle that connects the summer kitchen and the main block. The summer kitchen is covered with weatherboards, has a low gable roof and a brick exterior chimney on the east gable end. Originally, the entrance to the house was on the south side, and the main road which led to Arnold went past it. The orientation of the house was changed in the 1950's or 60's and the road no longer exists. A one story addition with sliding glass doors was added to the rear of the house in the 1970's; it extends to the terrace of the swimming pool.

A hipped roof entrance porch, having perforated balusters, chamfered posts and uneven bays, shelters the front door, north elevation.

The entrance door is in the center bay, front elevation of the main block. The door has six panels and a small rectangular transom above it. The summer kitchen has a door in the center bay

All of the windows on the house have 6/6 light double hung sash. On the north elevation, main block, there is a wide interval between the first two and the last three bays, which corresponds to the staircase within. The kitchen and summer kitchen have smaller scale 6/6 light sash.

Interior: The main house has a center hall plan, with the stairs on the west wall entered from what is now the rear of the hall. Most of the woodwork, the mantles in the living room etc., were replaced by previous owners. Thus, the windows and doors in the dining room have architrave framing while those in the hall and living room have plain wide board frames with mitered corners. The dining room fireplace has been plastered over. The kitchen has a loft. The exposed beams in the ceiling of the summer kitchen bear the curved marks of a circular saw. Enclosed stairs lead the loft above. Previous owners (c. 1960's) uncovered the large brick fireplace and added a mantle shelf.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 checked="" 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		

SPECIFIC DATES *mid 19th c.*

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This mid-19th century , frame, three-section farm house is all that is left of the Spriggs farm, which comprised 400 acres in the 1870's. The main block is two-and-a-half stories high and five bays wide under a gable roof. A summer kitchen with a loft above is connected to the main house by a small wing with a covered breezeway forming a diagonal across it. Because the front and sides of the building retain their essential mid-19th century character, one does not suspect that a one story frame and glass addition and a pool have been added at the rear, in spite of the fact that that elevation was originally the principal facade.

Truck farming was extensive in the non tobacco growing parts of Anne Arundel County. While the railroad transported much of the fresh produce from the farms, sailing vessels, such as bugeyes, came to the Spriggs landing at Ulmstead Point and loaded up with water-melons, peaches, tomatoes etc for sale in Baltimore.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Franklin and Ruth Spriggs, July 1978
Broadneck Maryland's Historic Peninsula, 1976 published for
the Broadneck Jaycees, Annapolis

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

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 Marion Morton Carrolll- Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION Anne Arundel Ct. Dept. of Planning and Zoning DATE

STREET & NUMBER Arundel Ct. TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN Annapolis 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.

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Arnold
north elev.
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