

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON: "Belfield" site and dependencies				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: South side of Route 50, 3/4 mile east of jct. with St. Margaret's				
CITY OR TOWN: Road (Route 179), near St. Margarets				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Anne Arundel	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: William Warlick, Jr.				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 10, ^{Box} Block 102				
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Anne Arundel County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: Annapolis, Maryland				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	
Map 40, AD #3, Parcel #234, Liber/folio #1200/57 (40 acres) Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Historical Trust				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust				
STREET AND NUMBER: 21 State Circle				
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis, Maryland			STATE:	

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Uncolored		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The long rambling frame house at "Belfield" burned to the ground in 1939. What remains are the foundations of the house, a graveyard, and several outbuildings now in ruinous condition. Still standing are the smoke-house, the carriage-house and a corn-crib. The carriage-house is a frame building with an unusual form. The plan is square; it has one story, with a hipped roof with a square cupola in the center. The interior is divided into three rooms, each with an outside entrance.

The brick smokehouse is a typical example except that it has a shed-roofed brick addition attached to its west end. The smoke-house itself was at some time converted to a garage. The graveyard at "Belfield" is perhaps the most interesting feature. Among those buried there are Captain Thomas Homewood, died 1730, whose family were the original patentees of the land, then known as "Homewood's Loft". John Hesselius, the famous painter, is believed to have been buried there in 1778 in an unmarked grave. Others whose stones are still visible are Sudlers and Mackubins who were living in the early 19th century.

Though most of the buildings have now disappeared, "Belfield" still retains possible significance as an archaeological site. Traces of a number of building foundations have been found which predate the last house on the site.

"The earliest section of the Belfield Farm tract was granted to John Cary, February 1649, and as Careys Creek Plantation was one of the first known grants to be erected in Anne Arundel County. From Carey the tract passed to James Homewood and after a hundred years came down to Charles Homewood who lost the property by his grand and extravagant manner of living to Mr. Henry Woodward. When Mr. Woodward died his widow married John Hesselius the noted American portrait painter. Hesselius sold 814 acres of Belfield to Governor Horatio Sharpe in 1763 and it was this tract that Sharpe added to his Whitehall Estate". (from notes of Ordlando Ridout IV)

The boundary stones between Sharpe and Hesselius can still be found. They are inscribed with the initials JH and HS, and the date 1763. One stone is located at the head of Homewood's Creek near the house site and graveyard and the other is on the other side of Route 50. The present owners of the property have recently built a home just south of the Belfield site.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE			
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	
SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)			
AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	losophy	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	itarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Empty box for Major Bibliographical References.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF ~~PROPERTY~~ PROPERTY: *40 acres*

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Amy Hiatt

ORGANIZATION: *Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning* DATE: *July 1975*

STREET AND NUMBER:
Arundel Center

CITY OR TOWN: *Annapolis* STATE: *Maryland*

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature



AA-
328

aa-20-aa-a (map 17).
Smokehouse
North Elevation

amb 2-75



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aa-20-aa-a^(map 17)
Smokehouse
South Elevation

amb 2-75.



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(map 17)
Ad-20-Ad-a
"Belfield"
Carriage house
S.E. corner

Amh 2-75