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ZOUCK HOUSE
337 Main Street
Reisterstown, Maryland.

Private

337 Main Street is a carefully designed house in the picturesque Queen Anne style, ca. 1895, closely related in style, time and setting to its neighbors, 325 and 357 Main Street (q.v.). The barn behind is one of the few remaining early out buildings in Reisterstown, this one designed to complement the associated dwelling. In front of this dwelling is a milepost (q.v.).

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Zouck House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

337 Main Street

6th

CITY, TOWN

Reisterstown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Virginia Schuster

Telephone #: 833-6129

STREET & NUMBER

337 Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Reisterstown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21136

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore County

Liber #: 4823

Folio #: 512

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Towson, Md.

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

337 Main Street is a large picturesque frame house of the Queen Anne period, dating from ca. 1895, two storeys in height with a broad but steep gabled roof. It is closely related in style, time and setting to its neighbors, 325 and 357 Main Street (q.v.). The interior of 337 was not accessible for inspection.

The house is symmetrical but subtle assymetrical features in the one storey porch which extends around the north, west and south sides, mask the symmetry. Set back from the street across a wide lawn, the house faces the street to the west. The principal entrance is centered in the west front, flanked by broad, shallow bay windows each containing three 1/1 windows. A single 1/1 window is in the second storey above the door. Windows have louvred blinds. A wide shingled gable rises in the attic storey extending the full width of the house. Set deep in the gable is a triple window with jambs curving out to the plane of the gable wall. A balustrade with turned balusters suggests a balcony. A tiny tripartite Gothic blind window is high in the gable, suggesting a supra-attic.

At the northwest corner of the porch is a broad circular projection having a conical roof; a similar projection, but rectangular, forms a porte-cochere at the southwest corner of the porch, its roof pyramidal. A small gable in the porch roof marks the principal entrance. A balustrate with turned balusters extends around the entire porch.

Behind the dwelling is a frame barn, two storeys in height, with a steep hipped roof. A small square louvred cupola with a pyramidal roof is toward the north end of the ridge.

In front of this dwelling is a milepost (q.v.).

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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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) local history
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This handsome house stands on land which Andrew Banks and wife, Rebecca, deeded to William F. Godwin in 1884. This was a time when the large Banks estate, amassed by Andrew's father, Daniel, was being broken up and sold due to the financial troubles of the family. In 1884, then, Godwin purchased 15 acres. (WMI 141/518)

Godwin was interested in settling in Reisterstown at this time. He was to use part of the acreage for his own fine house which he was soon to build, (see #357) in 1896.

In 1913, Godwin sold some of the acreage to Frank H. Zouck (WPC 425/517). Soon there was another fine house along main Street which is the one we are now considering.

Mr. Frank Zouck was one of the community's most upstanding residents. He was Chairman of the States Road Commission and helped to establish the Reisterstown Savings Bank in 1901. He was president of that institution until his death.

Mr. Zouck passed away in March of 1950. His estate was administered by the Equitable Trust Company (Wills JPC 43/550). Some of the land which he purchased from Godwin, as well as the house, was subsequently sold to Archer T. Schweizer in 1952 (GLB 2105/338).

Archer Schweizer conveyed the land and house to John J. and Virginia Schuster in 1962 (WJR 3947/484). It has been in the Schuster family since then. Eventually the Schusters bought the adjoining Godwin house and the 10 acres which surrounded it in 1963. (RRG 4140/128), adding considerably to the lot around #337. They subsequently sold #357 and 1.9 acres with it in 1965 (see #357). Mrs. Schuster obtained title to this house in 1967 (4823/512).

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records Baltimore County Courthouse Towson, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 10.23 acres**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY James T. Wollon A.I.A.

NAME / TITLE

Cornelia M. Ives Project Coordinator

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ORGANIZATION

Historic Reisterstown, Inc.

DATE

833-3078 (Ms. Ives)

STREET & NUMBER

430 Main Street

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Reisterstown, Md. 21136

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.

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North-East