

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Continuation Sheet No. 1

BA-2792

property is a contributing resource to its historic district, and the quality of its design and construction support its qualifications for eligibility for registration under the terms of Criterion C: Design/Construction.

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MIHP NUMBER: BA-2792

LOCATION: BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

TAKEN BY: KATHRYN ELGIN

DATE: FEB 2003

LOCATION OF NEGATIVE: MARYLAND SHPO 1 1

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No. ~~BA-2779~~ BA-2792
DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic John Brown's Store

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 13501 Falls Road not for publication

city, town Cockeysville vicinity of Councilmanic District 3
congressional district 2

state Maryland county Baltimore Co.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<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:

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

name E. Fenwick, T. Whedbee, D. White (c/o D. White)

street & number 1211 John Street telephone no.: 410-669-2856

city, town Baltimore state and zip code MD 21217-4114

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. County Courts Building liber SM 8394

street & number 401 Bosley Avenue folio 261

city, town Towson state MD 21204

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title No previous study.

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
X <u>EXCELLENT</u>	<u>DETERIORATED</u>	X <u>UNALTERED</u>	X <u>ORIGINAL SITE</u>
<u>GOOD</u>	<u>RUINS</u>	<u>ALTERED</u>	<u>MOVED</u> <u>DATE</u> _____
<u>FAIR</u>	<u>UNEXPOSED</u>		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The John Brown Store is a fieldstone structure in the Cape Cod tradition, one and a half stories with gable-roofed dormers to light the upper level. The building is L-shaped in footprint,, set at an angle to Falls Road. The small store windows have mullions and muntins and an subdued, inside, neon sign. The n buildingmmaterial is apparently Butler quartzite.

Somewhat similar cottages of fieldstone occupy the SW and SE corners, forming a group. There is also a separate, rectangular, flat-roofed stone structure used as a dry-cleaning pick-up establsihment. That structure has a rugged appearance typical of roadside structures of the early automobile era. Both structures were designed to fit into the rural setting within sight of the elegant, Federal style Shawan House on the nearby hill, just west of Falls Road.

Architect of the other buildings on C. Wilbur Miller's large estate was James R. Edmonds, Jr., although the first wave of building took place in 1929.

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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/
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" 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 1937 **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.

John Brown's Store at the NE corner of Falls and Shawan Roads has been a familiar fixture since 1937. Traditions cited by one of its owners holds that a store has stood here since 1740, the log predecessor building having survived until 1937.

Falls Road seems to be a road of considerable antiquity, probably a link in the rolling road that passed through Brooklandville that was mentioned as early as 1720 (1) The lower part of Falls Road leading to the port was already old when upgraded into a turnpike road in 1805. The General Assembly never allowed the privately owned toll road to be improved from Brooklandville to Shawan and on to the Carroll County line.

Three of the four corners near the Shawan mansion were occupied by well crafted stone structures in a Colonial Revival tradition. The present owners intend to sell the store separately from the surrounding property but wish to control its future use by landmark designation. The NW corner is used as a produce market for the products of the adjoining Shawan farm.

NOTE:

1. William B. Marye, "The Place Names of Baltimore and Harford Counties," Maryland Historical Magazine, 25 (December 1930): 338.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. BA-2792

No known sources.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 2 acres

Quadrangle name Cockeysville

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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	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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Verbal boundary description and justification

RegULAR sided parcel at NE corner of Shawan Road and Falls Roads. See Tax Map 41, Grid 16, Parcel P158.

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

state	code	county	code
None			

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None			

11. Form Prepared By

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