

CAPSULE SUMMARY

606 Earl's Road
BA-2820

The dwelling at 606 Earl's Road was constructed for Pauline Eccleston in 1915. According to the recorder of deeds, Pauline Eccleston has owned the property since 1915. It was during her ownership that the extant dwelling was constructed. Eccleston is the present owner and currently resides at 606 Earl's Road.

The two-story, L-shaped, wood frame, vernacular house is set on a stuccoed, concrete block foundation. The house has been clad in aluminum siding, obscuring the original cladding. A cross gable roof of asphalt shingles covers the building and a cross gable is located above the center bay.

A one-story, three-bay porch with wrought iron supports and a hipped roof extends across the full width of the facade. An exterior concrete block chimney rises at the rear of the house. A small, one-story, wood frame addition with a shed roof is located at the east elevation.

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MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Inventory No. BA-2820

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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____

common/other name _____

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2. Location

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street & number 606 Earl's Road not for publication _____
city or town Baltimore vicinity _____ state Maryland code MD
county Baltimore code 005 zip code 21220

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification

N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
 public-local
 public-State
 public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
 district
 site
 structure
 object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>		<u>2</u>		buildings
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		sites
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		structures
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		objects
<u>1</u>		<u>2</u>		Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes _____ Name of Listing _____

No

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

vernacular

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Solid: Concrete Block, Stuccoed
roof Gable: Asphalt Shingles
walls Wood Frame: Aluminum Siding
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1915-present

Significant Dates 1915

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Baltimore County Land Records, Recorder of Deeds, Baltimore County, Towson, Maryland.

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreeage of Property 1,425 Square Feet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property at 606 Earl's Road is designated as Parcel 149 as indicated on Map 83, Grid 16.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The property as 606 Earl's Road has been historically associated with Parcel 149 since the original construction of the house in 1915.

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11. Form Prepared By
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city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815
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12. Property Owner
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name Pauline Eccleston
street & number 606 Earl's Road telephone _____
city or town Baltimore state MD zip code 21220
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The house at 606 Earl's Road, constructed in 1915, is located on a small lot to the northwest of Earl's Road. The lot is slightly raised above the road is bounded by a wooded border the west. According to oral tradition, a cemetery devoted to the Atkinson and Marr families and associated with this house was located in the woods on the south side of Earl's Road.

The vernacular, two-story, L-shaped, wood frame house is set on a stuccoed, concrete block foundation. The house has been clad in aluminum siding, obscuring the original cladding. A cross gable roof of asphalt shingles covers the building, and typical of the Gothic Revival style, a cross gable is located above the center bay. A one-story, three-bay porch with wrought iron supports and a hipped roof extends across the full width of the facade. An exterior concrete block chimney rises at the rear of the house. A small, one-story, wood frame addition with a shed roof is located at the east elevation.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The facade, the south elevation of the house, is two stories tall and three bays wide. The center bay is emphasized at the first story with a single-leaf, panel-and-light door. The door is flanked by two replacement 1/1 metal windows. Each of the bays at the upper story is also marked by a replacement 1/1 metal window. The center bay is emphasized with a cross gable. A one-story, full-width porch extends across this elevation.

The east elevation is also two stories tall and three bays wide. The original first story of the east elevation of the ell has been obscured by the one-story, two-bay, wood frame addition erected against this elevation. Again the center bay of the first story is marked with a single-leaf, panel-and-light door. Flanking the door are two 1/1 metal windows of different sizes. The second story is marked with a replacement 1/1 metal window in each bay.

The north elevation of the building contains only one window. This window, a non-original 1/1 metal window is located within the wall of the one-story addition.

The west elevation is three bays wide. A single replacement 1/1 metal window is located within each bay at both the first and second stories.

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OUTBUILDINGS:

A one-story, concrete block garage, dating from the 1960s is located to the northeast of the house. The garage has a rolling, overhead door and a gable roof covered in asphalt shingles. The side walls of the garage are pierced with 9-light pivoting windows.

A small, 1970s, prefabricated wood frame shed with a gambrel roof is located to the west of the garage.

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Constructed for Pauline Eccleston in 1915, the house at 606 Earl's Road is a vernacular example of rural I-house architecture. The traditional I-house retained its popularity during the latter part of the 19th century, being stylistically detailed by applied ornament associated with fashionable trends. The cross gable, open pediment at the central bay of the side gable I-house form was one of the most fashionable trends in the county, often requiring property owners to add the component to extant side gable roofs. First appearing in the 1870s, the pediment was typically pierced by a single double-hung window opening. The I-house form was also often enlarged by the construction of one- to two-story ells that gave the building a T- or L-shaped plan. Another popular variation to the form was the enlargement of the front parlor by a two-story canted or square bay.

Typically five bays wide and two bays deep, the I-house building form has a central-passage plan. The use of the passage as a summer hall had changed with the introduction of numerous asymmetrically placed window openings and the wrap-around porch. Thus, the hall was reduced in width and served as a connecting hyphen that usually accommodated the main stair. The I-house form continued into the early part of the 20th century, gaining popularity in suburban and rural communities in the 1920s and 1930s with Craftsman-style detailing rather than Late Victorian.

The dwelling at 606 Earl's Road provides a good illustration of a vernacular I-house as practiced throughout Baltimore County, and across America, at the turn of the 20th century. Lacking in decorative details, the form of the building -- a two-story house with a symmetrical facade and center bay emphasized through the use of a cross gable -- reflects the I-House form so typical of rural America in the early 20th century.

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National Register Evaluation:

The house at 606 Earl's Road is not eligible due to the fact that it does not meet National Register Criteria A, B, C, or D. Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the dwelling and events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A) or the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). Although the building provides an example of vernacular rural architecture, it is neither unusual nor distinguished; it does not represent the work of a master or display high artistic merit (Criterion C). There is no evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, the property is not National Register-eligible.

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Eligibility recommended _____	Not Recommended <u>X</u>
Comments: _____ _____ _____	
Review, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>11/19/87</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>3/17/00</u>

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930)
Modern Period (1930-present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape, and Community
Planning

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

SKETCH MAP

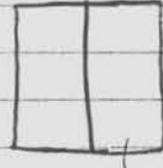
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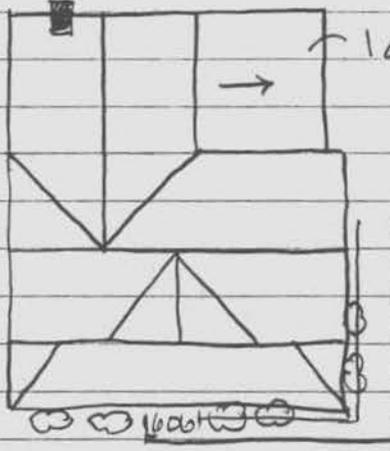
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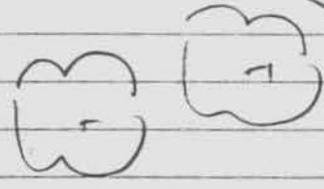
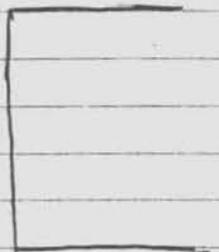
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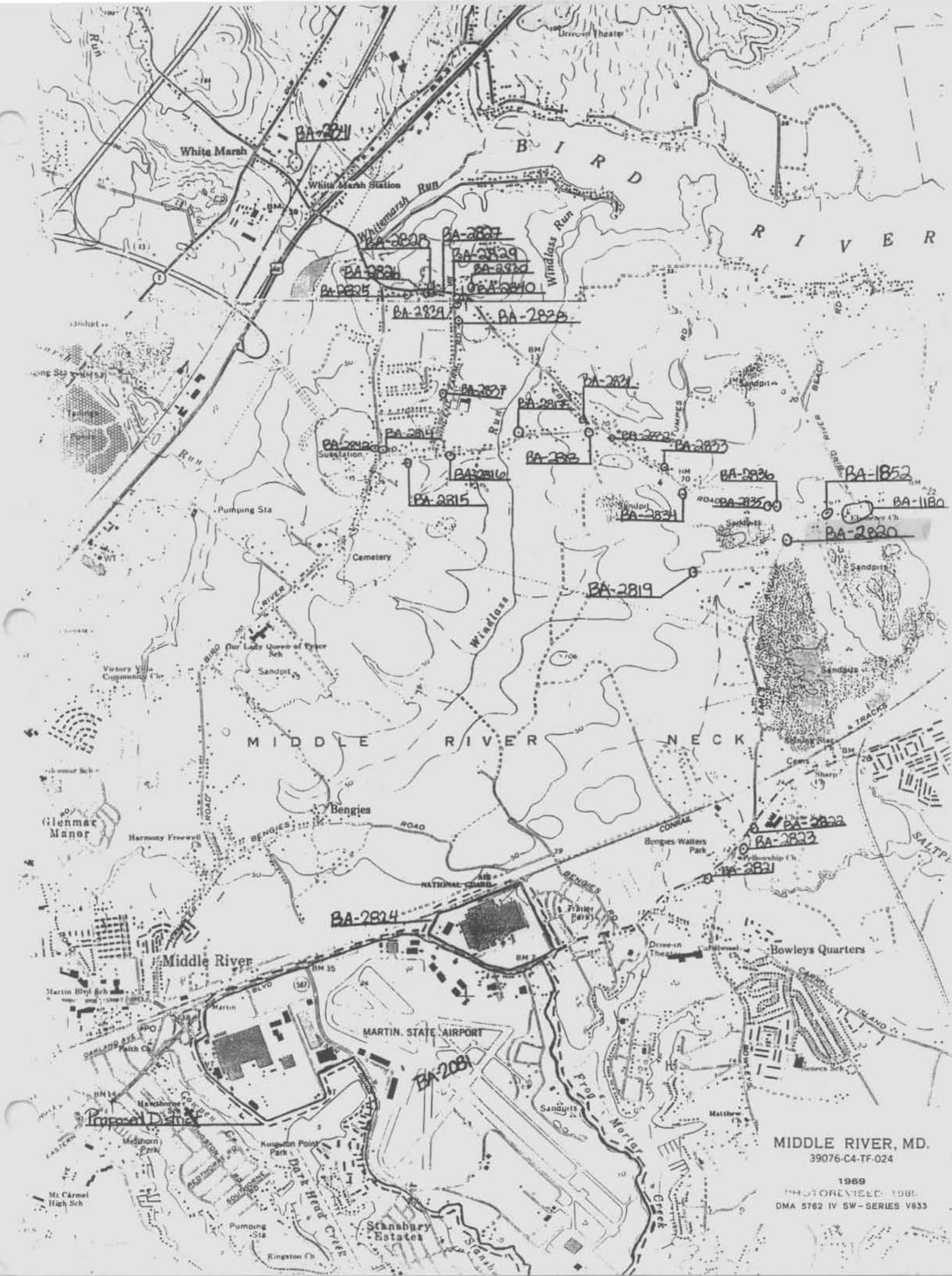
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