

CAPSULE SUMMARY

5821 Ebenezer Road

BA-2827

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Inventory No. BA-2827

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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street & number 5821 Ebenezer Road not for publication _____
city or town White Marsh vicinity _____ state Maryland code MD
county Baltimore code 005 zip code 21162

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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>2</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
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Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes _____ Name of Listing _____

No

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No X

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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: Rockfaced Concrete Block
roof Gable: Asphalt Shingle
walls Wood Frame: Vinyl 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 1909-present

Significant Dates 1909

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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Acreage of Property 26,500 Square Feet

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

The property at 5821 Ebenezer Road is located on Parcel 22, as indicated by Map 83, Grid 1.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The property at 5821 Ebenezer Road has been historically associated with Parcel 22 since its original construction.

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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 Sarah B. Bailey
street & number 5821 Ebenezer Road telephone _____
city or town White Marsh state MD zip code 21162

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EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The facade, the north elevation of this dwelling, is divided into three bays. The first story of the north elevation is obscured by a full-width, enclosed, one-story porch. However, a replacement, single-leaf, panel and light, wood door remains in place in the center bay of the first story. To either side of the door is a 2/2 window. The outer bays of the second story are each marked with a single 2/2 window. The upper half-story is articulated with a 3-light, awning window which is located in the central cross gable.

The west elevation of the house has been altered through the construction of a two-story, frame addition, completely changing the southern half of the original roofline. An original 2/2 window remains in place at the north end of the first story, while a pair of non-original 2-light metal sliding windows pierces the south end of the first story. At the second story are two 2/2 windows. Only the northern portion of the original cornice return remains intact. An exterior end chimney clad in concrete cast to simulate brick rises near the center of the gable.

The south elevation rises two stories in height across the full width of the house. At the center of the first story is a small, frame entry vestibule clad in vinyl siding and covered with a shed roof. In the south wall of the vestibule are two single-leaf, panel-and-light doors. At the second story, a 2/2 window pierces the western end of the wall. Due to the two-story addition, an asymmetrical gable caps the elevation, with only the eastern cornice return remaining intact.

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The east elevation of the building remains much as it appeared originally. Two bays wide, this elevation is marked at the basement with two 1-light hopper windows. At the first and second stories, the elevation is pierced with two 2/2 windows. The original cross gable form of the roof is evident at this elevation, and the entire cornice return remains intact in the northern bay.

OUTBUILDINGS:

This frame garage, which dates from the 1930s, is located at the southeast corner of the house. Set on a concrete foundation, the garage is clad in asbestos shingles and covered with an asphalt shingle shed roof. Doors fabricated of boards laid horizontally are located at the north end of the building, and 6-light awning windows pierce the walls. A frame addition with a shed roof was constructed at the rear (south) of the garage around the 1950s.

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Erected in 1909 by the Vincent family as speculative development, the dwelling at 5821 Ebenezer Road provides 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 5821 Ebenezer 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-and-one-half-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. As originally designed, this house was nearly identical to the house directly west at 5819 Ebenezer Road (BA-2826), which was erected in 1887 while owned by the same property owners as 5821 Ebenezer Road.

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Able to pool their resources, the Vincent family had the Royal Realty Corporation purchase 51.38 acres of the property associated with the bankruptcy (case no. 7643, filed December 26, 1933) for a price of \$5.00. The courts agreed to the sale to the Royal Realty Corporation, which transferred the property to Richard and John Vincent immediately. The Realty Company was able to purchase all of the 227 acres of land originally held by the Vincent family, yet the company did not convey all of it back the Vincents.

Improved in 1909 by the construction of a vernacular dwelling, the property at 5821 Ebenezer Road was conveyed by the Royal Realty Company on August 19, 1938 to Charles A. Gambrill, who was purchasing vast acres historically associated with the Vincent family. Within one month of the purchase, Gambrill conveyed the improved property, which consisted of .65 acres, to William P.J. and Mary Chamberlain Holter. By 1940, the property was owned and occupied by Edward and Ella Gardner, who divorced in 1948. The dwelling was conveyed to George and Sarah Bailey in 1949. Presently, the property is singularly owned by Sarah Bailey.

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National Register Evaluation:

The house at 5821 Ebenezer 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>11/19/97</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>3/17/02</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

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Chain of Title:

Deed A: 114-3/4 acres

May 21, 1902: Equity Case: Julia A. Strong versus Winchester
Bond, et al
Elmer J. Cook appointed Trustee to sell
property
114-3/4 acres

August 9, 1902: Elmer J. Cook, et al, Trustee to Richard and
Annie Vincent
114-3/4 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber NBM 263 Folio 235

Deed B: 61-8/10 acres

May 3, 1816: James Christopher devised to Thomas Christopher

February 9, 1912: Charles Pielut and Forrest Bramble,
administrators for Thomas Christopher to James
L. and Anna C. Smick
61-8/10 acres
Will Records of Baltimore County
Liber OPM 4 Folio 168
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WPC 390 Folio 369

June 24, 1920: James L. and Anna C. Smick to Richard and Annie
Vincent
61-8/10 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WHM 661 Folio 282

Deeds A and B: 176.55

December 19, 1928: John S. and Mary Vincent and Richard A. and
Ella Vincent to Nathan C. Robertson
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WHM 661 Folio 282

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- December 19, 1928: Nathan C. Robertson to Richard A. and Ella Vincent
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WHM 661 Folio 284
- December 19, 1928: Nathan C. Robertson to John S. and Mary R. Vincent
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WHM 661 Folio 287
- December 29, 1934: Richard A. Vincent and John S. Vincent to The Royal Realty Corporation
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber CWB, Jr. 949 Folio 89
- Deed C: 51-38/100
- January 10, 1871: Geoffery Jones to Annie E. Vincent
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber EHA 69 Folio 79
- May 15, 1907: Annie E. Vincent and Richard Vincent, Jr. to R. Vincent, Jr. and Sons Company
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WPC 322 Folio 161
- December 19, 1928: R. Vincent, Jr. and Sons Company to John S. and Richard A. Vincent
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber WHM 661 Folio 289
- August 1, 1938: Harry E. Perkhurst, Trustee for Vincent Bankruptcy Case No. 7643, to the Royal Realty Corporation
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber CWB, Jr. 1041 Folio 125
- August 16, 1938: The Royal Realty Corporation to Charles A. Gambrill
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber CWB Jr. 1041 Folio 126

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- September 20, 1938: Charles A. and Grace D. Gambrill to William P.J. Holter, Jr.
Part of previous property: .65 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber CWB Jr. 1042 Folio 448
- October 21, 1940: William P.J. Holter, Jr. to Edward L. and Ella E. Gardner
.65 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber CWB Jr. 1134 Folio 75
- July 16, 1949: Edward L. and Ella E. Gardner to William A. Sullivan
.65 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber TBS 1766 Folio 282
- July 16, 1949: William A. Sullivan to Ella E. Gardner
.65 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber TBS 1766 Folio 283
- August 25, 1949: Ella E. Gardner to George L. and Sarah B. Bailey
.65 acres
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 1763 Folio 549
- September 28, 1990: George L. Bailey to Sarah B. Bailey
Land Records of Baltimore County
Liber 1763 Folio 549

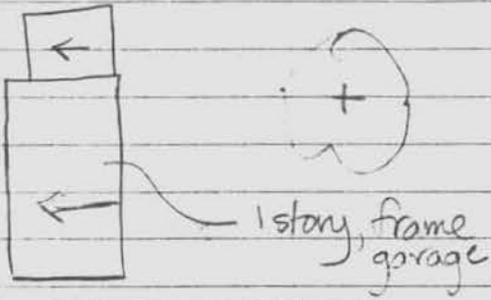
SKETCH MAP

BA-2827

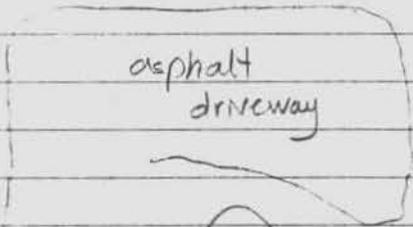
5821 Ebenezer Rd.
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Baltimore County



wooded area



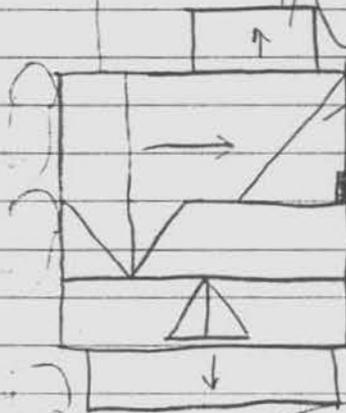
1 story frame garage



asphalt driveway

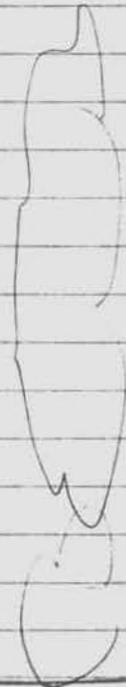
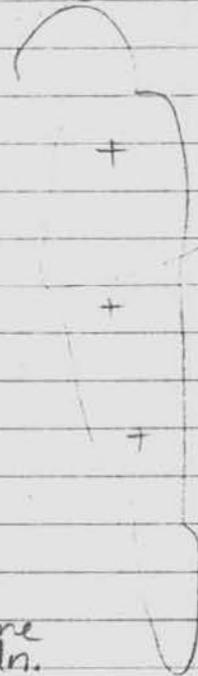


concrete patio



1 story frame addn.

2 story frame addn.



Ebenezer Rd.

BA-2827

White Marsh

White Marsh Station

BIRD RIVER

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Sandpit

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Substation

Pumping Sta

Cemetery

Our Lady Queen of Peace Sch

Victory Villa Community Ch

Glenmar Manor

Harmony Freewill

Bengies

Bengies-Walters Park

Middle River

BA-2824

MARTIN STATE AIRPORT

BA-2081

Proposed District

Midhorn Park

Kingdon Point Park

Stanbury Estates

WHITE MARSH, MD
MIDDLE RIVER, MD
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Mt Carmel High Sch

Pumping Sta

Kingston Ch

Matthew Ch

St. Lawrence Sch

Bowleys Quarters

Drive-in Theater

Fisher Park

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NW CORNER
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SOUTHWEST CORNER

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