

Within My Lady's Manor NR Historic District

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Cold Comfort Farm BOHS#888

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: Northwest side, Wesley Chapel Rd., 3/4 mile from Sheppard Rd.

CITY OR TOWN: Monkton

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Baltimore

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PUBLIC ACQUISITION: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered			
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____			

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: Mr. and Mrs. Francis C. Grant

STREET AND NUMBER: Wesley Chapel Rd.

CITY OR TOWN: Monkton STATE: Maryland

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Baltimore County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Towson STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): Bk.#2675, p. 539

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Historic Sites Inventory, Baltimore County

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

## 7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Grant house is of weatherboarded log and frame construction. The middle section is of two storeys, three bays, and is flanked, on the east, by a three bay  $1\frac{1}{2}$  storey wing, and on the west, by a three bay two storey wing. Shed-roofed additions behind all sections create a long sweeping rear roofline.

The east wing, and the first storey of the middle section, are said to be of log construction. The west wing, and extensive alterations to the fenestration and the interiors of the earlier sections, all date from within the last decade, designed by VanFossen Schwab, Architect, Baltimore, Maryland.

The interiors are of a distinguished but quiet, contemporary flavor, compatible with the age of the basic structure.

A photograph, showing the house prior to the last additions, indicates that a door was approximately centered in each of the two earlier sections. The south front wall of the east wing is aligned several inches behind the south front wall of the middle section. A chimney (still) rises through the roof ridge of the middle section, near, but entirely within, its east end.

Internally, the middle section is one large room. A winding stair formerly occupied the space north of the chimney, but is now removed. A door south of the chimney connected the middle section with the east wing, now eliminated. The large fireplace remains on the east side of this section.

A beaded board partition divided the east wing into two rooms; the one next to the chimney was two bays in width, and included the south front door. It has a large stone fireplace within the above described chimney. Accessible from this room, but within the smaller room, at the north end of the partition, was an enclosed winding stair. The lower portion of the stair has been rebuilt straight, and the partitioning, south of the stair, has been removed. Part of the architrave around a door in the partition, survives in situ. A small door to the closet beneath the stair is of ledge construction, and retains its clinched rose-headed wrought nails.

In the attic of the middle section, old log joists have been reused, out of context, as floor joists. The chimney rises several feet above the attic floor, in stone, with a projecting course of stone several inches below the actual top forming a cap motif. The chimney has been extended in brick through the existing late 19th or early 20th century roof construction.

The attic of the east wing was not accessible for viewing.

No determination could be made as to which section came first, due to the extensive alterations.

Accepted historical references to a house on this property date from ca. 1814. Visible evidence neither confirms nor denies that the remaining structure is the one referred to in ca. 1814. Evidence described does indicate that at least part of this structure dates from at least the early 19th century. The middle section is about 18'-9" wide; without its rear additions, it was about 18 feet deep; it is now about 30 feet deep. The east wing is about 20 feet wide; it was about 18 feet deep, and is now about 30 feet deep.

James T. Wallen, Jr.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" 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	osophy	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> 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

The house on Cold Comfort Farm is of early 19th century construction in part, although this is not exactly datable.

This property was acquired in the auction of confiscated lands by Thomas Gist. (-1) It was known as lot 73 and Independent Gist received a patent for 74 3/4 acres in 1811. (-2) In 1814, the property was sold by Independent Gist to Lawson Cuddy. (-3) In the deed, reference is made to buildings on the property, but there is no description of them and the origin is not discussed.

The property from that time on was owned by the Cuddy and Kaye families until purchased by the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Grant. The Grants have added to the house.

The 1823 Tax Assessment for Baltimore County, District Five, lists this property and the evaluation of the structure in keeping with a log house.

The original deed from Independent Gist to Lawson Cuddy is in the possession of the present owners, as well as an original agreement between James Kaye and Rebecca Cuddy concerning occupancy of portions of the house. This agreement is dated April 1857.

References:

1. Sale to Thomas Gist for General Gist. Salebook Confiscated British Property 1781-85, pp.55, 56. Certificate of Survey #73 to General Merceai Gist.
2. Patent to Independent Gist, March 1811. Return Book of Reserved Lands, pp. 19-22. Liber JK#T folio 460
3. Independent Gist to Lawson Cuddy, 74 3/4 acres, 1814. Liber WC#128 folio 729.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Blank area 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 NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.8 acres

**Acreage Justification:**

Acreage owned by present resident is adequate to insure preservation of immediate environment.

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**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE: R.M.N. Crosby, M. D.

ORGANIZATION: My Lady's Manor Association DATE: January 1975

STREET AND NUMBER: Rt. 1, Box 42

CITY OR TOWN: Markton STATE: Maryland

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

Significance of this property is:  
 National  State  Local

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 Signature

STATE <b>Maryland</b>	
COUNTY <b>Baltimore</b>	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY MAP FORM**

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<b>3. MAP REFERENCE</b>			
SOURCE: <b>U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute map, Phoenix Quadrangle, Maryland</b>			
SCALE: <b>1:24,000</b>			
DATE: <b>1957</b>			
<b>4. REQUIREMENTS</b>			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

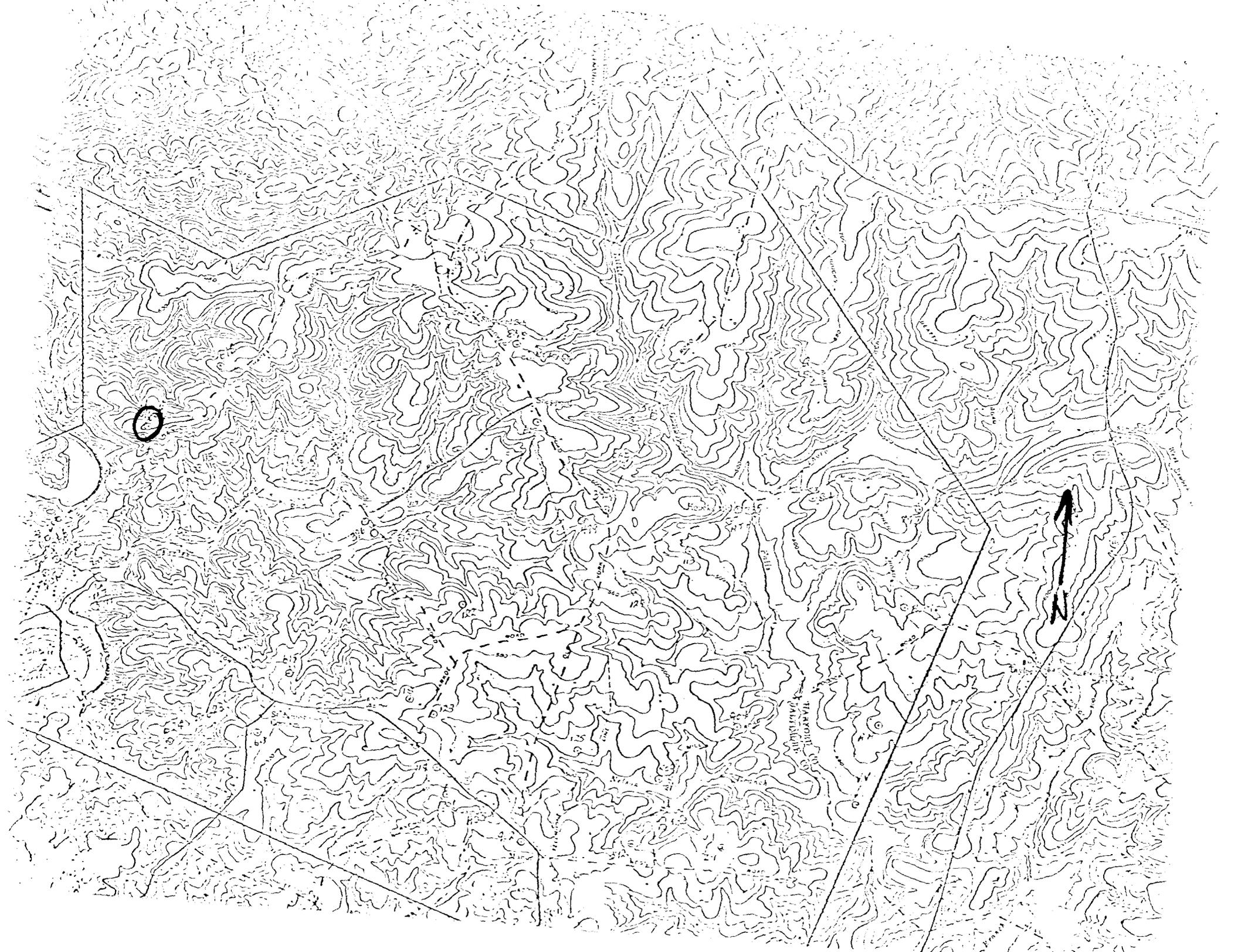
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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
PROPERTY PHOTOGRAPH FORM**

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<b>3. PHOTO REFERENCE</b>			
PHOTO CREDIT: <b>R.M.N. Crosby, M.D.</b>			
DATE OF PHOTO: <b>January 1975</b>			
NEGATIVE FILED AT: <b>Maryland Historical Trust 21 State Circle, Annapolis, Md.</b>			
<b>4. IDENTIFICATION</b>			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.  <b>South (front) facade</b>			





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COLL COMFORT FARM