

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bachman's Mill (site)

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 1322 Bachman's Valley Road (MD 496)  not for publication

city, town Westminster  vicinity of congressional district Sixty

state Maryland county Carroll

## 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 type="checkbox"/> museum                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> building(s)     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private        | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied          | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial    | <input type="checkbox"/> park                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure       | <input type="checkbox"/> both                      | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress    | <input type="checkbox"/> educational   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> site | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                          | <b>Accessible</b>                            | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> religious                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object          | <input type="checkbox"/> in process                | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted     | <input type="checkbox"/> government    | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific                   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered          | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted   | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial    | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation               |
|  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no       | <input type="checkbox"/> military      | <input type="checkbox"/> other:                       |

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

name Thomas G. & Mary Hallman

street & number 1322 Bachman's Valley Road telephone no.: 876-3970

city, town Westminster state and zip code Maryland 21157

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex liber 781

street & number 55 North Court Street folio 431

city, town Westminster state Maryland

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. CARR-1154

|                                    |   |                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Condition</b>                   |   | <b>Check one</b>                   | <b>Check one</b>                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated         | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | <input type="checkbox"/> original site               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good      | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins                | <input type="checkbox"/> altered   | <input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unexposed |                                    |  |

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

**SUMMARY:** Bachman's Mill was a stone grist mill built in the early 19th century by Frederick Bachman. It replaced an earlier mill dating to the 1760's by Christian Bauer. The mill structure was torn down in the early 20th century.

**DESCRIPTION:** A photograph in the collection of the Historical Society of Carroll County provides a view of the west gable end of the structure. Jerusalem's Church is located in the background on the extreme left-hand side of the photograph, which indicates the mill site in the meadow of the northwest corner of the intersection of Bachman's Valley and Bixler's Church roads. The west gable end was three bays wide with two stories of fieldstone construction covered in stucco. The wood framing of the gable end was covered in weatherboard. A door was located in the center bay of each story and in the gable. Six-over-six sash windows were located on each side of the doors. The upper portion of the gable roof projected out a short distance to enclose a pulley.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-1154

| 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce    | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy             | <input type="checkbox"/> theater         |
| <input 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 | Builder/Architect |
|----------------|-------------------|
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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.

**SUMMARY:** Bachman's Mill was located at an early will site along the Big Pipe Creek. The original will may date to the late 1760's when Christian Bauer owned the parcel. Frederick Bachman purchased the parcel in 1810 and built the stone will sometime thereafter. The mill structure stood until the early 20th century.

**HISTORY:** Bachman's Mill is located on a parcel known as "Hall's Range," a tract located at the "forks of the Great Pipe Creek" patented to William Hall in 1744. In 1768, the 26 acre parcel was purchased by Christian Bauer who had begun purchasing land in this area in 1764. Bauer constructed a mill on the site that was known as "Bower's Mill." The mill was sold out of his estate in 1798 to John Kohler, and in 1810 it was sold to Frederick Bachman. A February 13, 1886, Democratic Advocate article describes the mill as follows: "An old grist and saw mill occupied the site when (Frederick Bachman) bought it, but both fell into decay and ultimately went down. The mill was rebuilt, of stone, 45 feet square, and furnished with turbine wheels." The mill structure was torn down in the early 20th century.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-1154

"Bachman's Mills" Democratic Advocate February 13, 1886

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name Manchester, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

|   |                      |                      |                      |
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| E | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| G | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

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| B | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
|   | Zone                 | Easting              | Northing             |
| D | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| F | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| H | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

| state | code | county | code |
|-------|------|--------|------|
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| state | code | county | code |

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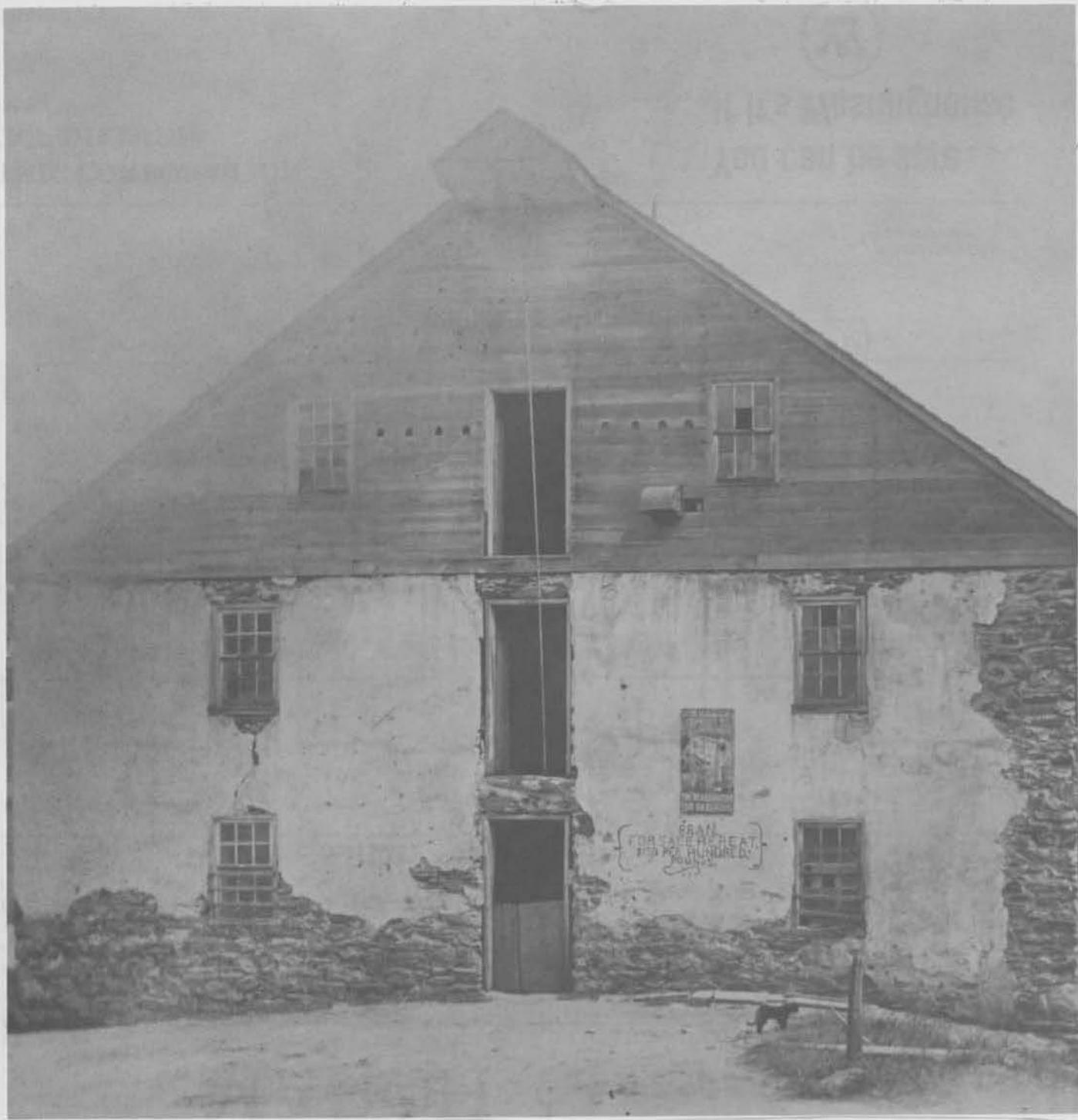
city or town Westminster

state Maryland

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.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
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21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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1. CARR-1154 Bachman's Mill (site)
2. Carroll County, Md
3. Unknown
4. Unknown--late 19th century ?
5. Original in the collection of the  
Historical Society of Carroll Co.
6. West elevation
7. 1/1

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|        |         |           |          |        |
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| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |

MARCH



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2. Carroll Co., Md.
3. unknown
4. unknown
5. Carroll County Hist. Soc.  
Westminster, Md.
6. west elevation
7. 1/1