

CARR-154  
GOOD CHANCE  
Westminster  
Private

3rd quarter 18th Century

We do not have a date on "Good Chance" as of yet, but it seems to have been built sometime before the turn of the 19th century. This home was either built or later renovated as a two-family home. A tendency to lean towards the former explanation leaves us with a house built with two different tastes in mind. Each half of this brick structure remains different in floor plan and floor elevations, not to mention different door and window trim. The mystery reverts back to the dates.

The house today is used as a one-family home. A few new walls have been added to make the place livable, yet original features stay visible, for example the painted simulated marble designs on the right front parlor fireplace, and second floor stairs.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Good Chance

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Rockland Road

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

7

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 checked="" 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 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pascal

Telephone #: 876-1235

STREET & NUMBER

1114 Fridinger Mill Road

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md. 21157

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Carroll County Office Bldg.

Liber #: 520

Folio #: 280

STREET & NUMBER

Center Street

CITY, TOWN

Westminster

STATE

Md.

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

## Exterior:

The Pascals have renovated this house and now rent it. It is an unevenly spaced six-bay American bond brick house which sites on an uncoursed stone foundation. The number of stories are 2 1/2 with a storage basement revealing a few exposed original wood beams. Other support beams are recent wood, and one steel beam has been added to support sagging first floor. The gable roof structure is wood truss with tin roof covering. There are two inside end chimneys on either side of the rectangular block and one center back chimney. Exterior walls are 18" thick.

The house is peculiar. When it was originally built, it was probably planned for two families for each half of the house is different from the other in floor elevations, window and door trim, and door entrances. There is no evidence inside or out what they were built at different times, although the possiblility exists. If so, they were connected with very clean, sharp precision, for no flaws are visible. Standing in front of the house, the right side windows are 9/6 with plain brick trim, and left side 6/6 with plain brick trim and flat plain wood cornice. Only three sets of blind shutters are left. There are two front doors on the right side section of first floor and one front door on the left side section of second floor. A split level wood porch runs across the front and accomodates both halves. It is of wood with a shed roof. The space under this porch on the first floor is open and has a cement floor.

## Interior:

The interior is used today for one family. The wall structure is original except for walls added to accomodate modern baths. Floors are all random width hardwood. Walls are plaster with wainscot composed of vertical even-spaced wood panels. Window trim is plain wood downstairs; the upstairs is plain also, but has original door jambs. The stairway was an open-round one directly beside the front parlor fireplace. It is still round but wall enclosed, and moved away from the fireplace for safety.

A large brick kitchen fireplace has wooden architrave trim. The living room fireplace has a square opening with a shouldered architrave, frieze, and cornice trim, all of painted, moulded wood. At the base of this fireplace on either side is painted a simulated marble design, apparently from the original period. This pattern is also seen on the open-string, second floor, one-run staircase which leads to the attic on the square wood brackets running upstairs along the wall. The effect is composed of swirls of grey, black and white hand painted. The entire

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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/HUMANITARIAN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 ?	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

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SPECIFIC DATES ?3rd qtr. 18th Century BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

If this house was built to accomodate two families, its architecture is unique in pattern and execution. If the two sections were built separately, it is in fact still unique because of precision in planning and detail. The house has been in stages of restoration since the Pascals have bought it and continues to be. It is surrounded by rural countryside and its own outbuildings, including barn and springhouse of same period. Barn has open-air blind shutters for windows with decorative exterior trim. Color scheme of all outbuildings of Good Chance is gold, except for brick house.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

North/south Rockland Road and north of Medford tract A-all those three contiguous parcels of land situate on the north side of Rockland Road, in the (7th/11th/2nd) election districts of Carroll County, Maryland. Tract B-all those contiguous parcels of land situate on the northwest side of a private road nr Jason Town in the 2nd election district of Carroll County, Maryland.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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DATE

August 16, 1978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

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STATE

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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.

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home is a mixture of asymmetrical rooms, different ceiling heights, and different door and window trim.

NOTE: Outside window trim is different according to halves. Inside trim is different on first and second floors. From that alone, it is difficult to conclude that each half was built by a different owner, or at a different time.

Exterior back wall of left half is now cement blocks; it was the same as other wall structures.



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