

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: Baker House Inventory Number: CE-1561

Address: 1323 Principio Furnace Road Historic district: yes no

City: Principio Furnace Zip Code: 21903 County: Cecil

USGS Quadrangle(s): Havre De Grace

Property Owner: George W. and Anna L. Baker Tax Account ID Number: 07000413

Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 36 Tax Map Number: 34

Project: MARC Maintenance and Layover Facility Agency: MTA

Agency Prepared By: URS Corporation

Preparer's Name: Lorin Farris Date Prepared: 1/1/2014

Documentation is presented in: MIHP form CE-1561

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G

Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:

Name of the District/Property: _____

Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes no Listed: yes no

Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The property encompasses a 2.539-acre site that has a house, two contemporary outbuildings and an in-ground pool. The Baker House at 1323 Principio Furnace Road is a two-story, wood-frame, split-level that was constructed in 1963. The house faces south towards Principio Furnace Road. Farm fields and small amounts of low density, residential properties, surround the house, which faces southeast. The house is situated on a south sloping ridge above the flood plain of the Chesapeake Bay. The house rests on a concrete slab foundation. The residence features a medium-pitch, cross-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The house is clad by stretcher bond brick and horizontal vinyl siding. The house has double-hung, vinyl-frame window sashes, some with brick header sills. Fronting southeast, the house has three sections: a two-story, two-bays by two-bays section (west) with a front-gable roof; a one-story, two-bay center bay (south) with a side-gable roof; and a one-and-half-story, side addition (east) with side gable roof. Although this 1963 split-level house is fifty years old, research on the property has indicated no historic association that would merit consideration under Criterion Consideration G, a property achieving significance within the past fifty years for exceptional importance. The ubiquitous nature of the split-level house type, and the replacement windows also suggest that the property would not be architecturally significant to qualify under Criterion Consideration G. The house is not eligible for National Register of Historic Places consideration due to its age and lack of design significance and significant historical association.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G

MHT Comments:

Zina Zamboni
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

5/21/2014
Date

[Signature]
Reviewer, National Register Program

6/12/14
Date

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Baker House

other _____

2. Location

street and number 1323 Principio Furnace Road not for publication

city, town Perryville X vicinity

county Cecil County

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

name George W. and Anna L. Baker

street and number 1323 Principio Furnace Road telephone (410) 642-6551

city, town Perryville state Maryland zip code 21903

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Cecil County Circuit Courthouse liber 00141 folio 00058

city, town Elkton tax map 0034 tax parcel 0036 tax ID number 07-000413

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
 Recorded by HABS/HAER
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
 Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<u> </u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<u> </u> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<u> </u> objects
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		<input type="checkbox"/> government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion	
		<input type="checkbox"/> social	
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	
		<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			<u> </u> 0 <u> </u>

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

Summary

The Baker House is located on the west side of Maryland Route 7, 1.4 miles northeast of Perryville, Maryland. An asphalt driveway provides access to the property from Principio Furnace Road. The property is a 2.539 acre site that has a house, two contemporary outbuildings and an in-ground pool. 1323 Principio Furnace Road had been part of Lindenwood, a 220-acre farm that had belonged to the Coudon family since 1880 (Cecil County Land Records Liber JAD 1 f. 174). Farm fields and small amounts of low density, residential properties, surround the southeast facing house. The residence sits on a south sloping ridge above the flood plain of the Chesapeake Bay.

Residence

The Baker House is a two-story single family, Split-Level residence constructed in 1963. The house has wood frame construction and sits on a concrete slab foundation. The house is six-bays by two-bays and has a rectangular plan. The medium pitch, cross-gabled roof has boxed eaves and is covered with asphalt shingles. An interior brick chimney with terracotta cap pierces the roof. The house is clad with stretcher bond brick and horizontal vinyl siding. The house has double-hung, vinyl-frame windows, some with brick header sills. The windows are arranged in singles, pairs, and bands. Fronting southeast, the house has three sections: a two-story, two-bays by two-bays section at the west end of the facade with a front-gable roof; a one-story, two-bay center bay with a side-gable roof; and a one-and-half-story, side addition with side gable roof attached to the east end of the facade. The following description starts at the façade (south elevation) and continues around to the west elevation.

The east end addition to the façade is one-and-half stories with side-gable roof. This addition has a brick foundation, is clad with horizontal vinyl siding and contains two pairs of evenly spaced, double-hung windows.

The one-story, center bay of the house façade has an off-centered main entry wood panel door (Attachment 2, Figure 1). Three brick steps access the entrance. East of the main entry is a band of three double-hung windows with brick sills. The west section of the façade is projecting two-stories, has a front-gable roof, and slightly projects out from the other facade wall planes. The first story is clad with brick and the second story is clad with horizontal siding. Both levels contain evenly spaced double-hung windows with brick sills. The front-facing gable has a triangular-shaped attic vent.

The west elevation's first story is clad with brick and contains a window and a pair of evenly spaced windows with brick sills (Attachment 2, Figure 2). The second story is clad with vinyl siding and has two evenly spaced windows. The north or rear elevation is not visible by the public-right-of-way or through aerial photographs.¹ The east elevation consists of the east side addition (Attachment 2, Figure 3). The ground story has a garage with panel overhead garage doors. The first story has a window.

Contemporary Outbuildings

Northeast of the house is a two-story, one-bay by two-bay, detached garage with an exaggerated gambrel roof covered by asphalt shingles (Attachment 2, Figure 4). The garage is clad with horizontal vinyl siding. On the southeast elevation at the first story is a garage door and a pair of windows at the second story. The southwest side has a side entrance and a window. The northeast side has a window.

¹ Architectural historians were advised by MTA to conduct surveys of the historic properties from the public right-of-ways or through the use of aerial photographs. As a result, a property survey may not include architectural descriptions of all elevations. Also, architectural historians were not allowed interior access to the properties, unless otherwise noted.

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Northwest of the house is a one-story, one-bay by two-bay, pool-utility shed (Attachment 2, Figure 5). The shed has a front-gable roof covered by asphalt shingles and is clad with vertical wood siding. There is an entrance on the northeast side. The in-ground pool is northeast of the pool-utility shed.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____

Specific dates 1963

Architect/Builder

Construction dates 1963

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

Summary

This 1963 Split-level house is fifty years old, but research on the property indicates no historic association that would merit consideration under Criteria A or B. The ubiquitous nature of the Split-level house type and the use of replacement windows indicate the property is not architecturally significant and is not eligible under Criterion C for architecture. The house is not eligible for National Register of Historic Places.

Baker House

The Baker House at 1323 Principio Furnace Road was constructed in 1963 on a 4.088- acre tract purchased by George and Anna Baker in 1963 (Cecil County Land Records Liber WAS 141 f. 58). The house property was purchased from Joseph Coudon, MD and the parcel had been part of Lindenwood, (CE-700) a 220-acre farm that had been farmed by the Coudon family since 1880 (Cecil County Land Records Liber JAD 1 f. 174). A 1938 aerial photograph indicates that the lot was undeveloped prior to house construction (ASCS 1938). George and Anna Baker have lived in the house since purchasing it.

Although historically associated with the Coudon family, the property was part of farmland and is now developed. The property clearly has no historic integrity as farmland from the 19th or early 20th century. The 1963 construction date of the house does mean it meets the 50 years of age threshold however the ubiquitous nature of the split-level house type strongly suggests this property is not architecturally significant.

The Baker house does not meet the minimal qualifications for NRHP consideration.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2.539 Acres
Acreage of historical setting 2.539 Acres
Quadrangle name Havre de Grace Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The legal description for the property contains the whole property. It is:
LOT 3 - 2.539 ACRES
1323 PRINCIPIO FURNACE
PERRYVILLE

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Lorin Farris / Architectural Historian; Sarah Michailof / Cultural Resources Specialist		
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city or town	Germantown; Columbia	state	MD

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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PROJECT MARC Maintenance and Layover Facility		USGS Topographic Map Showing Baker House	
SCALE 1:24,000		URS	Project No. 20836023
SOURCE USGS 7.5' Series Havre de Grace MD 1998			Attachment 1

Photo Log

CE-1561, Baker House

Cecil County, Maryland

Photographer: Brian Clevon

Date: November 12, 2013

Fuji Frontier Silver Edition Digital Printer on ILFORD Express Digital B&W Silver Gelatin RC paper

Verbatim UltraLife Archival Grade DVD-R

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CE-1561, 2013-11-12_02	House, view NE
CE-1561, 2013-11-12_03	House, view N
CE-1561, 2013-11-12_04	Garage, view NE
CE-1561, 2013-11-12_05	House, view NE



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House, view North

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House, view Northeast

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House, view North

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Garage, view Northeast

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House, view Northeast
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