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Jones Farm

Architectural Survey File

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Although it is uncertain exactly who financed this story-and-a-half gambrel roofed house around 1820, it was held by the Jones family for over a half century stretching from the 1870s until the 1920s. Crafted in the best traditions from the Federal period, the interior was finished with beaded and exposed joists, beaded board wall paneling, chair rail, built-in chimney breast cupboards and a finely detailed mantel that frames the main fireplace. In the northwest corner a quarter turn staircase survives with a chamfered corner newel post, rectangular balusters, and portions of a beaded board partition and stair soffit paneling. The second floor is divided in two rooms by a beaded board partition, and the ceiling is sheathed with wide beaded edge boards. The attached story-and-a-half wing boasts a built-in corner cupboard with flat-panel doors. The Jones farmhouse is one of the few gambrel roofed dwellings to remain in Dorchester County. Although now covered with vinyl siding, the original exterior was sheathed with beaded weatherboards.

The land history for this gambrel roofed house as been associated with the Jones family, at least since the mid to late nineteenth century ownership of Thomas C. Jones, his son Thomas I. Jones, and during the early twentieth century by Asbury D> and Thomas W. Jones. In 1923, Nina C. Spicer, daughter of Asbury D. Jones, sold the gambrel roofed house and sixty-three acres to Mary E. Linthicum, and the house and acreage remained in Linthicum family ownership until the early twenty-first century.
1. Name of Property  (indicate preferred name)

historic Jones Farm

other

2. Location

street and number 1747 Taylor's Island Road

not for publication

city, town Woolford

county Dorchester

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

name William H Hughes

street and number 7258 Calves Acre Land

city, town Easton

city, town Cambridge

city, town Cambridge

city, town Cambridge

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester County Clerk of Court

liber MLB 663

folio 509

tax map 51
	tax parcel 284

tax ID number 9-203818

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

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_____ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT

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Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory

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DESCRIPTION SUMMARY

The Jones farmhouse is located on a 2.46-acre parcel bounded by Taylor's Island Road and Buttons (or Burton's) Neck Road between the villages of Church Creek and Woolford in Church Creek Election District, Dorchester County, Maryland. The physical address is 1747 Taylor's Island Road. Situated at the end of a farm lane, the story-and-half two-part frame dwelling was built during the first quarter of the nineteenth century. The one-room plan main block, covered by an asphalt shingle gambrel roof, is supported on a brick foundation and the exterior is clad with vinyl siding over wood shingles which cover beaded weatherboards. Attached to the east end of the gambrel roofed house is an early nineteenth century story-and-a-half wing, which is extended to the south by a mid twentieth century one room wing resting on a concrete block foundation. The interior of the two nineteenth century rooms retain large amounts of early nineteenth-century finishes.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Jones farmhouse is a story-and-a-half gambrel roofed frame dwelling that stands at 1747 Taylor’s Island Road between the villages of Church Creek and Woolford in the Church Creek Election District of Dorchester County, Maryland. Supported on an infilled brick pier foundation, the exterior is clad with vinyl siding over wood shingles, which cover beaded weatherboards. The main block, a one-room plan structure, is covered by a asphalt shingle gambrel roof. Attached to the east gable end of the main block is a shorter story-and-a-half kitchen wing that also dates to the first quarter of the nineteenth century.

The north (main) elevation of the gambrel-roofed house is an asymmetrical three-bay façade with an off-center entrance and flanking windows. The front door has been replaced with a partially glazed metal door, and the adjacent windows, formerly nine-over-six sash, have been substituted with modern single pane windows. The gambrel roof is marked by a pair of shed roofed dormers fitted with replacement windows. Piercing the roofline is an interior end brick chimney.

The east end of the gambrel roofed main block is largely covered by the story-and-a-half kitchen wing, which is contemporaneous with the gambrel roofed section. Two replacement windows mark the north wall, and a single gable roofed dormer defines the north roof slope. The east end of the kitchen wing has been altered with a side entrance and paired set of modern windows. Fixed in the gable end is a modern replacement sash. The south side of the kitchen is largely covered by a single story gable roofed wing dating to the mid twentieth century. Fixed on the kitchen roof is a single gable roofed dormer.

The south wall of the main block has been altered with the introduction of a tripartite set of single-pane sash windows. Fixed on the south slope of the gambrel roof are a pair of shed roofed dormers.
The interior of the main block retains a large portion of its early nineteenth century finishes. Potentially divided with a narrow stair passage, the one-room first floor retains exposed beaded floor joists, beaded board walls and period chair rail. Fixed in the east end of the room is a Federal mantel that frames the old fireplace. Early nineteenth century pilasters rise to a single-panel frieze, and the mantel design is capped by a molded shelf. The projecting chimney breast has built-in cupboards. Fixed in the northwest corner is a quarter turn staircase featuring a chamfered edge newel post, rectangular balusters, beaded board cupboard door, and portions of beaded board partition and soffit paneling. The door has been removed. The second floor is divided into two rooms by a vertical beaded board partition. Both rooms have beaded board ceilings. A beaded board door survives on the door opening between the two rooms. The adjacent story-and-a-half kitchen has been reworked but it does retain a built-in corner cupboard with flat panel doors above and below a bolection molding.
8. Significance

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Specific dates

Construction dates

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.)

SIGNIFICANCE SUMMARY

Although it is uncertain exactly who financed this story-and-a-half gambrel roofed house around 1820, it was held by the Jones family for over a half century stretching from the 1870s until the 1920s. Crafted in the fine building practices from the Federal period, the interior was finished with beaded and exposed joists, beaded board wall paneling, chair rail, built-in cupboards and a finely detailed mantel that frames the first floor fireplace. In the northwest corner a quarter turn staircase survives with a chamfered corner newel post, rectangular balusters, and portions of a beaded board partition and stair soffit paneling. The second floor is divided into two rooms by a beaded board partition, and the ceiling is sheathed with wide beaded boards as well. The attached story-and-a-half kitchen boasts a built-in corner cupboard with flat-panel doors. The Jones farmhouse is one of the few gambrel roofed dwellings to remain in Dorchester County. Although now covered with vinyl siding, the original exterior was sheathed with beaded weatherboards.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

The land history for this gambrel roofed house has been associated with the Jones family, at least since the mid nineteenth century ownership of Thomas C. Jones, his son Thomas J. Jones, and his sons Asbury D. and Thomas W. Jones.¹ In 1923, Nina C. Spicer, daughter of Asbury D. Jones, sold the gambrel roofed house and sixty-three acres to Mary E. Linthicum, and the house and acreage remained in Linthicum family ownership until the early twenty-first century.²

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¹ Dorchester County Probate Record, EWL 2/315, Written 29 May 1880; proved 11 November 1880; Dorchester County Land Record, JFD 13/19, 20 February 1923, Dorchester County Courthouse, Cambridge.
Jones Farmhouse
1747 Taylor’s Island Road
Woolford, Dorchester County, Maryland

Map 51, Parcel 284

MLB 663/509
Virginia T. Linthicum

to

7.5.2005
William M. Hughes, Jr.

2.46 acres

466/406
Benjamin J. Linthicum

to

11.30.2001
Benjamin J. Linthicum and Virginia T. Linthicum

Jones Farm Parcel No. 2

PLC 219/1
Benjamin J. Linthicum, Personal Representative of Josiah F. Linthicum

to

5.22.1981
Benjamin J. Linthicum and Clara B. Linthicum
Name: Jones Farmhouse

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JFD 33/544 Henry D. Linthicum

to

4.4.1936 Josiah F. Linthicum

JFD 31/290 Josiah F. Linthicum and wife Clara Linthicum

to

8.6.1934 Henry D. Linthicum

...of which Mary E. Linthicum died seized...being the home property of the late Asbury D. Jones

63 acres

JFD 13/19 Nina C. Spicer, et al. (Bernard L. Spicer)

to

2.20.1923 Mary E. Linthicum

...a part of the land above described was inherited from her father Asbury D. Jones and a part thereof was conveyed to her by Elizabeth H. Thompson, 12.4.1914, WLR 8/509, and a part was conveyed to her by Elizabeth W. Thompson and others 12.21.1922...
Last Will and Testament of Thomas I. Jones

to, sons Asbury D. Jones and Thomas W. Jones

1st ...all that land which belonged to Thomas H. Jones purchased by me at the sale of said land being the same that was owned by his father Thomas C. Jones, except a piece called the Colston Lot, and I further devise to them the lot containing two acres that was devised to me by my grand father James Dail being also the house and lot where my son Thomas W. lives being the same that I purchased from Richard Linthicum and wife.
9. Major Bibliographical References

Dorchester County Land Records, various volumes, Dorchester County Courthouse.
Dorchester County Probate Records, various volumes, Dorchester County Courthouse.

10. Geographical Data

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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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.

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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Woolford vicinity, Dorchester Co., MD
North Elevation
10. 2012, Paul B. Turner
Attn: (MD. Historical Trust)

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Woolford vic., Dorchester Co. MD
Southeast Elevation
18. 2012, Paul B. Toutart, Ph.D.
WIZ / MD Historical Trust

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Woodford vic. Duxford Ten Co. MD
Fireplace wall
16. 2012, Paul B. Turner, PTVIVT.
Wes.Jur., Historic Trust

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SECOND FLOOR BEAVER BOXES
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Staircase
10.2012, Paul B. Tourney, Pit TV TV
WEB/MD. Historical Trust

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

1. NAME
   COMMON:
   Jones Farm
   AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION
   STREET AND NUMBER:
   Rt. 16, 1 mile west of Church Creek on Buttons Neck Road
   CITY OR TOWN:
   Church Creek
   STATE:
   Maryland
   COUNTY:
   Dorchester

3. CLASSIFICATION
   CATEGORY (Check One)
   □ District  □ Building  □ Site  □ Structure  □ Object
   □ Public  □ Private  □ Both
   PUBLIC ACQUISITION:
   □ In Process  □ Being Considered
   □ Occupied  □ Unoccupied  □ Preservation work in progress
   ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC:
   Yes:
   □ Restricted  □ Unrestricted  □ No

   PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)
   □ Agricultural  □ Government  □ Commercial  □ Industrial  □ Education
   □ Religious  □ Military  □ Entertainment  □ Museum  □ Park
   □ Transportation  □ Other (Specify)
   □ Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
   OWNER'S NAME:
   Josiah F. Linthicum
   STREET AND NUMBER:
   Church Creek
   CITY OR TOWN:
   Maryland
   STATE:
   21622

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
   COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
   Dorchester County Courthouse
   STREET AND NUMBER:
   High Street
   CITY OR TOWN:
   Cambridge
   STATE:
   Maryland
   21613

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
   TITLE OF SURVEY:
   DATE OF SURVEY:
   □ Federal  □ State  □ County  □ Local
   DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
   STREET AND NUMBER:
   CITY OR TOWN:
   STATE:
Jones Farm is a three bay long gambrel roof frame house with a two bay kitchen wing. It is built on brick piers and the sides are covered with wood shingles. Each of the windows of the facade have 9/6 sash. A wide six panel door is centered on the facade of the gambrel portion. On the second story are two shed dormers plus a small "A" roof dormer on each side of the kitchen roof.

Fenestration on the rear of the house has been altered when remodeled in the 20th century, but there is some original cornice molding and beaded weatherboard. Chimneys within the gables of the main portion appear to have been re-built above the roof.
The building is important on this survey because there are few gambrel roof houses in Dorchester County.
### 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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**APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:**

Acreage Justification:

District 9  
Tax Map 51, p 76  
48 Acres

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### 11. FORM PREPARED BY

**NAME AND TITLE:**  
Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant

**ORGANIZATION:**  
Maryland Historical Trust

**STREET AND NUMBER:**  
Shaw House, 21 State Circle

**CITY OR TOWN:**  
Annapolis

**STATE:**  
Maryland

**DATE:**  
May 6, 1975

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

**Significance of this property is:**

National ☐  State ☐  Local ☐

Signature ___________________________