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John Buckey House
Buckeystown
Private

C. 1795

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Its builder, John Buckey, is for whom the town was named. In 1800, John Buckey died, leaving the property to his wife, Elizabeth, who in 1807 sold it to her son George. George continued to operate the tavern for several years, but also established a Tannery immediately across the road which operated until the late nineteenth century.

In 1811, George Buckey offered the house for rent describing it as "a large and commodius house with a kitchen and smokehouse attached to it with a blacksmith and wheelwright shop." The house remained in the Buckey family when George died, as he left it to his son-in-law, Lewis Kemp.

In 1853, Kemp sold it to B. Amos Cunningham and it has had several owners since that time. However, like much of Buckeystown, it has undergone little change.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC John Buckey House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West Side of Route 85

6th

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Douglas Mann

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 76

CITY, TOWN

Buckeystown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

MD. 21717

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Court House

Liber #: 883

Folio #: 704

STREET & NUMBER

Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick, Maryland

STATE

21701

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 type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

The John Buckey House, built by 1795, is a two and a half story ell shaped gable roofed coursed random stone residence set on a hill facing east from the west side of Route 85 in the northern half of Buckeystown.

The main facade of the building is four bays wide. The main entrance, a replaced paneled door with two light transom, is located in the second bay from the southeast corner. Originally the door was located in the third bay.

Occupying the remaining bays are double hung 6/6 windows with glazed windows and pegged frames. A nineteenth century columned porch with dentiled frieze extends along the entire front of the building on the first level. There are no windows on the north wall of the building. A three bay wide two story stone addition extends to the rear of the building. A frame addition made in the twentieth century extends from the rear of this addition.

The replaced asphalt gable roof is connected to the building by a boxed cornice. Large brick chimneys are located at the north and south ends of the main block of the building. A small single brick chimney extends from the southwest corner of the stone addition.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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
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		

SPECIFIC DATES C. 1795

BUILDER/ARCHITECT John Buckey

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The John Buckey Tavern is one of the oldest structures standing in Buckeystown, and its builder is for whom the town was named.

In 1788, John Buckey purchased the land upon which the residence stands for pounds 100.¹ John established a residence and tavern in the present location of the building by 1795 according to local residents.

Since, Carrolltons Manor was located just west of the Buckeystown Pike and Ignatius Davis's Mill was operating at full scale east of the area, a tavern prospered.

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1 Frederick County Land Records Liber WR7 Folio 743

2 Frederick County Land Records Liber WR30 Folio 516

3 Frederick Town Herald, February 16, 1811

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Frederick City Land Records
FrederickTown Herald, February 16, 1811.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn Widell, Sites Analyst

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

9/28/78

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

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.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

DESCRIPTION (continued)

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Buckeystown Historic District

Several small frame residences located on Buckingham Lane were built as workers' houses for the brickyards. Ruins of the cannery, another significant industry, can still be seen west on Manor Woods Road.

A fine brick Queen Anne building (now a carry-out) housed the offices of the Baker Brothers, the major entrepreneurs of the town who founded the Citizens National Bank in Frederick and also ran numerous farms, a cannery, and the Buckingham School, south of town. Across the street, is located a brick building which was the general store and post office and is now an antique shop and post office.

Two gas stations in the center of town and one equipment storage area are the only nonconforming areas in the boundaries of the historic district.

BUCKEYSTOWN
QUADRANGLE





#13 John BUCKEY TAVERN
W/3 Rte 85, BUCKEYSTOWN, MD
BUCKEYSTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT
SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

CHERYL WIDELL 7/78
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