

Forest Hill Railroad Station
Old Md. Rte. 23
Forest Hill, Maryland 21050

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Forest Hill "Ma & Pa" Railroad Station AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION South side of old Md. Rte. 23, just east of Rock Spring Rd. (Md. Rte. 24)

CITY, TOWN Forest Hill CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT STATE VICINITY OF COUNTY Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY OWNERSHIP STATUS PRESENT USE
-DISTRICT -PUBLIC -X OCCUPIED -AGRICULTURE -MUSEUM
X -BUILDING(S) X -PRIVATE -UNOCCUPIED X -COMMERCIAL -PARK
-STRUCTURE -BOTH -WORK IN PROGRESS -EDUCATIONAL -PRIVATE RESIDENCE
-SITE PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE -ENTERTAINMENT -RELIGIOUS
-OBJECT -IN PROCESS X -YES RESTRICTED -GOVERNMENT -SCIENTIFIC
-BEING CONSIDERED -YES UNRESTRICTED -INDUSTRIAL -TRANSPORTATION
-NO -MILITARY -OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Ralph & Shirley Klein Telephone #: STREET & NUMBER 17 E. Jarrettsville Road CITY, TOWN Forest Hill STATE, zip code Maryland 21050 VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse Liber #: Folio #: STREET & NUMBER 40 South Main Street CITY, TOWN Bel Air STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE DATE DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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

This ca. 1914 railroad station, which served the Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad, is located on the south side of old Md. Rte. 23, east of Md. Rte. 24.

The one-story, three-bay wide and two-bay deep shingled structure has a double-hipped roof with enormous eaves supported on oversized wooden brackets. Set on a low stone foundation, the station has a plain wooden belt course encircling the structure, a brick chimney slightly west of center, and, except for two newer casement windows, 2/2 sash windows with plain wide trim. The four-panel doors have two-light transoms.

Inside are two rooms--the waiting room on the west, the baggage room on the east--and the station master's office on the south with the bay window.

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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
Natalie Shivers, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION
Harford County Historic District Commission

DATE
10/79

STREET & NUMBER
45 South Main Street

TELEPHONE
838-6000 X207

CITY OR TOWN
Bel Air

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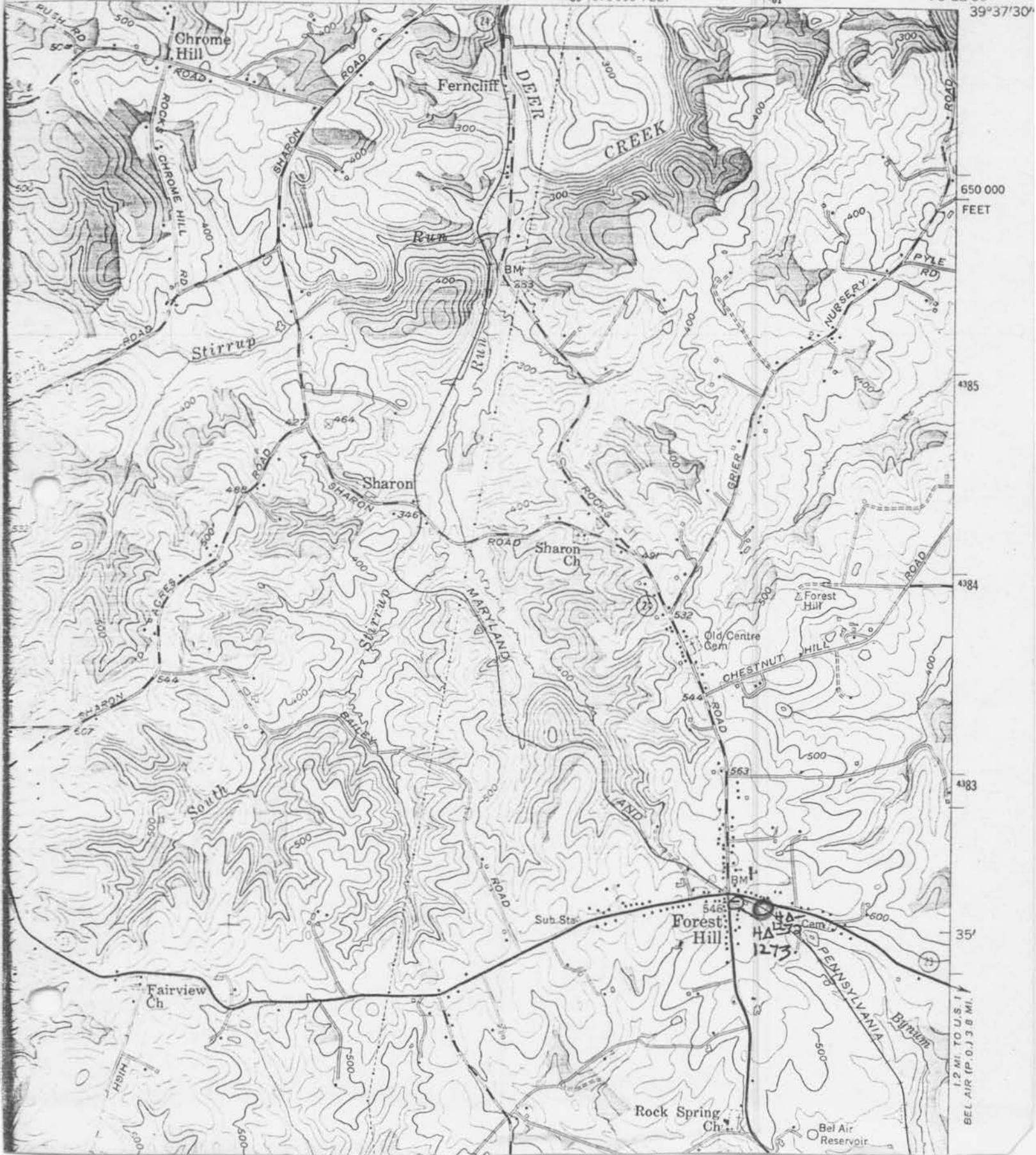
RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

NA-1272

JARRETTVILLE QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
SW/4 BEL AIR 15' QUADRANGLE

5763 III NE
(DELTA)

378 25' 8 MI. TO PA STATE LINE 4 MI. TO MD. 165' 180 1970 000 FEET 181 76°22'30" 39°37'30"



1.2 MI. TO U.S. 1
BEL AIR (P.O.) 3 MI.



Forest Hill R.R. Station HA-1272
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Southeast



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Forest Hill, MD 21050
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Southwest



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