

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Thomas Smith House

AND/OR COMMON

Charles T. Stephens House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

4054 Wilkinson Road

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Charles T. Stephens

Telephone #: 734-6922

STREET & NUMBER

4054 Wilkinson Road

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21078

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: ORG 823

Folio #: 231

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

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

This building has been extensively remodelled and very few vestiges of it's original appearance remains. The house is of two and one-half stories, facing southwards. It has a narrow eastern wing of the same height that was built about twenty years ago. The aluminum-sided house (frame underneath) is two bays by three in the original section and four bays by five overall. A high stone cellar is under the older part, serving as a ground floor entrance on the southern embrasure. The windows and the shutters are all new, the sashes being 6 X 6's. They are somewhat narrower on the southern exposure at the first floor level. Two doors are located on the cellar level; one being on the south wall and one on the north wall underneath a recent shed/shelter. This rear door has a six-pane transom. The main entrance is on the level above the cellar on the south side, resplendent with it's four-pane transom and three-pane side lights. The tin gable-flank roof has new box cornices and eaves underneath, and there are two new brick chimneys. One of these is on the west inside end, while the other is on the outside of the east end. A large double-deck porch is located on the outside of the southern facade. It has a shed roof. The cellar at one time served as a kitchen and the wood lintels still remain over the windows.

West of the house is a small stone meathouse of uncoursed rubble that is quoined at the corners. It is one bay by one with 3 X 3 windows. The roof and the eaves have been replaced and the door is on the south side. The barn is west of the springhouse, with a stone foundation and vertical sheath planking. The roof is gabled and the ridgeline runs east-west. The inside beams are hand-hewn, with pegged mortise joints.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD

PREHISTORIC
 400-1499
 1500-1599
 1600-1699
 1700-1799
 1800-1899
 1900-

ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
 ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
 AGRICULTURE
 ARCHITECTURE
 ART
 COMMERCE
 COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

COMMUNITY PLANNING
 CONSERVATION
 ECONOMICS
 EDUCATION
 ENGINEERING
 EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
 INDUSTRY
 INVENTION

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
 LAW
 LITERATURE
 MILITARY
 MUSIC
 PHILOSOPHY
 POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

RELIGION
 SCIENCE
 SCULPTURE
 SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
 THEATER
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house, which dates from the middle of the last century, is unique in that it retains the high stone cellar that originally served as a kitchen. The house sits on a parcel that was devised from two tracts, Lines Tents and Lines Addition, which totalled 1500 acres when John Stump purchased the land from Thomas Harrison in 1783. This house was owned owned by the Smith family, Nathaniel Smith having bought this parcel of land from the same John Stump in 1813. Nathaniel was a descendant of Thomas Smith, the ferry operator. There were two houses occupied by the Smith family on the original property, the other being the adjacent Seaman house. The present Stephens residence was once occupied by the only married child of either Charles Coleman Smith or Thomas Smith during the mid-1800's. Also of interest is the pegging in the barn, which was built at a time when this practice was not as widespread as it once was.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harford County Land Records
Martenet's Map of 1878

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 71.9

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The tract is located off of the northwest corner of the intersection of Graigs Corner and Wilkinson Roads, bounded on the east and the west by Susquehanna State Park Property and to the north by the lands of James A. Seaman.

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul L. Penrod / site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

May 26, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

267-1212

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

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.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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

SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK PROPERTY

Charles T. Stephens House.

Libre	Folio
GRG 823	231
GRG 437	77
GCB 291	171
WSF 104	366
WSF 109	62
HD 20	291
HD X	274
GRG 483	338
GRG 434	46
Will RLW 23	192
SWC 251	369

In 1969, Raymond S. Clark sold to Charles T. Stephens, Jr., 71.9 acres in all. This land originated from two different sources, mentioned here.

1. Roscoe L. West sold 82 acres to Raymond S. Clark in 1955.

In 1945, Alice W. Smith sold to Roscoe L. West 82 acres, more or less, in 1945. The tract was called Lyon's Tent and Lyon's Addition. This deed mentions that in 1933 Alice W. Smith sold a small strip of her land to Maude S. Parker (SWC 27 333). Otho Williams had willed Alice the property in 1904 (Will JA 15 354).

In 1902, Augustus Smith sold Otho Smith his 82-acre share of Lyon's Tents and Lyon's Addition that Augustus had inherited from his father, Thomas Smith.

In 1903, Thomas Ogden Smith sold Otho Smith his portion of Lyon's Tents and Lyon's Addition amounting to 82.5 acres. Thomas, like Augustus, had inherited the property from his father. Thomas Smith had apparently divided the tract equally between his sons.

Nathaniel Smith sold, in 1838, 160 acres, more or less, of Lyon's Addition to his son, Thomas Smith.

In 1813, John Stump sold Nathaniel Smith 159 acres, more or less, of the tract called Lines Tent and Lines Addition. Stump had acquired had purchased this land as part of a huge transaction with Thomas Harrison.

2. In 1956, James E. Emerson sold to Raymond S. Clark a plot of land that he had gotten from two other sources:

2a. James E. Emerson bought 29 acres, one rood and 37 perches from Margaret S. Tollinger.

In 1954, following her death, Katie Craig's will had deeded her 35 acres, more or less, which she called the Home Place, to Margaret S. Tollinger and Anna Lucretia Bowman.

In 1938, William D. and Katie Craig either leased, sold or rented (unclear) the 32 acres of Lion's Tents and Lion's Addition to Frederick Lee Cobourn.

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7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

SW/4 HAVRE DE GRACE 15' QUADRANGLE

W
DAM

399 DARLINGTON 2.4 MI

10' 400

401 1 040 000 FEET

3.4 MI TO U.S. 1
OCTOBER 2.4 MI

RISING SUN 7.0 MI
5.8 MI TO MD. 276





Chas. Stephens House HA-383
4054 Wilkinson Road
Havre de Grace, MD
Paul Benrod
South side

7/76



Chas. Stephen's Meathouse HA-383
4054 Wilkinson Road
Havre de Grace, MD
Paul Penrod 7/76
West side



Chas. Stephens Barn HA-383
4054 Wilkinson Road
Havre de Grace, MD
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Southside