

HO-1105

5517 Trotter Road

Private:

Description:

The house at 5517 Trotter Road is a one-story, four-bay by two-bay rancher with a parged foundation, brick veneer on the north, east, and south elevations and the south bay of the west elevation, and faux stone blocks in an ashlar pattern in the three northern bays of the west elevation. The roof has a gable with a north-south ridge, and a cross gable on the two southernmost bays of the west elevation; it has asphalt shingles. The southern bay of the west elevation projects forward. There is an exterior brick chimney on the north end, set west of the gable ridge. The west elevation has a large, 18-light bow window in the north bay. The north-center bay has a 12-panel door with one of the panels glazed. The two center bays are covered by a gable-roofed porch with an east-west ridge. This porch connects to the cross gable, which is cantilevered over the south-center bay. The porch is supported by two foliate iron posts. The gable ends of the porch and the cross gable have aluminum siding.

Significance:

The house at 5517 Trotter Road is a traditional one-story rancher that has been dated to 1959. The entrance is set near the center of the house, with living spaces to one side (the north, in this case) and sleeping rooms to the other, an arrangement that is common. Also typical of many Howard County ranchers in the 1950s and 1960s are the large picture window and fireplace in the living room. It is set under a long gable roof, and has an ell to the front, another fairly common arrangement for the building type. Many of these examples in Howard County also are of brick veneer, sometimes with some stone or faux stone that is typically used on the living room to signify the importance of the space within the house. The house was scheduled to be demolished in 2012 and replaced with a new structure.

Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

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1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic House

other

2. Location

street and number 5517 Trotter Road not for publication

city, town Clarksville vicinity

county Howard

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

name Thomas Samuel & Sissy Ambily

street and number 5517 Trotter Road telephone

city, town Clarksville state MD zip code 21029

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse liber 12539 folio 403

city, town Ellicott City tax map 29 tax parcel 88 tax ID number

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	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				<u>0</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.

The house at 5517 Trotter Road is about 1 ¼ miles northeast of Clarksville in south-central Howard County, Maryland. The house is located on the east side of the road and set back from it several hundred feet. The house faces the road and is set on a lot that slopes slightly down to the southeast. The house is a one-story, four-bay by two-bay rancher with a parged foundation, brick veneer on the north, east, and south elevations and the south bay of the west elevation, and faux stone blocks in an ashlar pattern in the three northern bays of the west elevation. The roof has a gable with a north-south ridge, and a cross gable on the two southern-most bays of the west elevation; it has asphalt shingles. The southern bay of the west elevation projects forward. There is an exterior brick chimney on the north end, set west of the gable ridge.

The west elevation has a large, 18-light bow window in the north bay. The north-center bay has a 12-panel door with one of the panels glazed. The south-center bay has paired one-over-one sash. The two center bays are covered by a gable-roofed porch with an east-west ridge. This porch connects to the cross gable, which is cantilevered over the south-center bay. The porch is supported by two foliate iron posts. The gable ends of the porch and the cross gable have aluminum siding. The south bay has paired one-over-one sash. The north elevation of this bay, under the porch, has a one-over-one sash.

The north elevation has the chimney in the south bay and a door with three lights over three lying panels in the north bay. This door is blocked by a railing. The east elevation is six bays, with a one-over-one sash in the south, south-south-center, and north-north-center bays, a door with three lights over three lying panels in the south-center bay, and paired one-over-one sash in the north-center and north bays. The south-south-center and south-center bays are covered by a shed-roofed porch with square posts and balusters and a new stairway on the north side.

The south elevation has the foundation exposed, with a door in the west bay that has four lights over two lying panels. The east bay has paired one-over-one sash. The first story has two one-over-one sash and the gable end has a small four-over-four sash.

There is a modern plywood shed to the rear of the house.

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	N/A	Architect/Builder	N/A
Construction dates	c. 1959		

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.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 1 A
Acreage of historical setting 1 A
Quadrangle name Clarksville

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the outlines of the property, tax map 29, parcel 88, which encompasses all of the historic buildings and features on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Ken Short		
organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	November 2012
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335
city or town	Ellicott City	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.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
DHCD/DHCP
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
410-514-7600

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5517 Trotter Road
Howard County, Maryland
Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera

Epson Premium paper

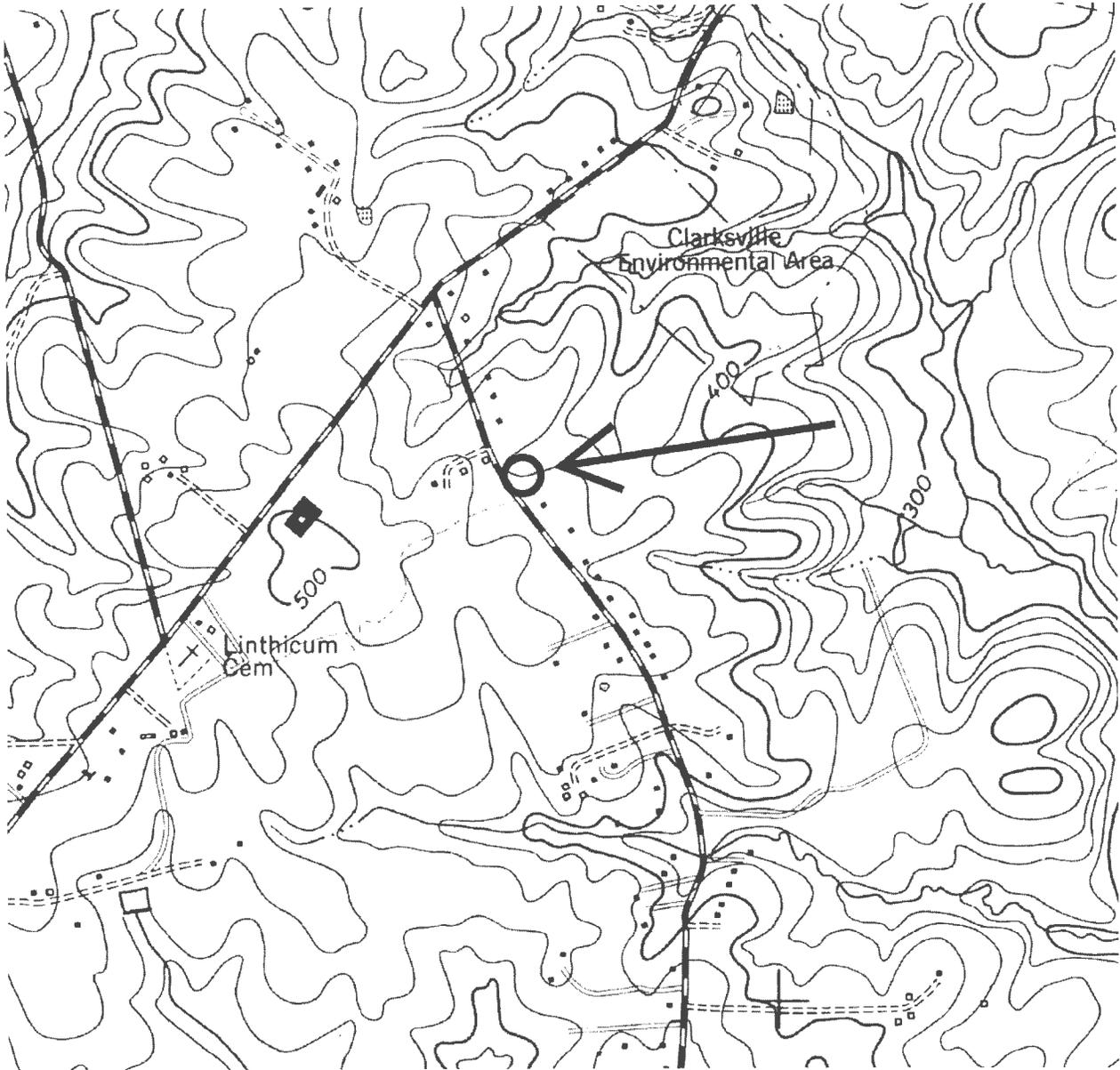
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West elevation

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East & north elevations



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5517 Trotter Road
Clarksville quad



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West elevation

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East + north elevations

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