

MSB 6/26/26

**K-219**  
**Lavenham**  
**near Still Pond**  
**c.1810**

Lavenham, located on Still Pond Neck, is a well-designed brick house of the Federal period. It is composed of two sections, the larger of which is a five-bay, two-story structure which was built over a full basement around 1810-20. The smaller section is a four-bay kitchen wing which was built about ten to twenty years later and is near ground level. The north facade is distinguished by its use of Flemish bond brickwork. All other walls were constructed with common bond.

In the main section, the fenestration is classic in that the second floor windows are one pane less in height than those below. The windows in the wing, however, are all the same size. (~~This may be the result of alterations in the past?~~) The two sections also differ in their cornices, with a simple wooden box cornice on the main section and a corbeled brick cornice on the wing.

Lavenham's plan consists of a central stair hall with two flanking rooms in the main section. The wing, originally two rooms, has been made into one. The interior is simply finished with Federal mantels, chair rail and baseboard. Some of the woodwork was removed and reused at Sandy Hill.

The land now called Lavenham was originally a 300 acre tract surveyed in 1659 for George Goldsmith. At that time it was called George's Town (1).

Footnotes:

1. Rent Rolls: Lib. 5, fol. 164.

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LAVENHAM  
Still Pond, Maryland  
(ca 1800)

Lavenham Farmhouse is a typical residence of a prosperous farm family of about 1800. Its main house is five bays long and two stories tall with a central stair and entry hall. The kitchen wing is constructed against one gable. Both sections of the house have gable roofs and are constructed of brick. Inside some Federal style woodwork remains.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST K - 219

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC DR. JOYCE FARM

AND/OR COMMON

Lavenham

**2 LOCATION**STREET & NUMBER South side of Still Pond Neck Road, 1½ miles  
west of Coleman

CITY, TOWN

Still Pond

VICINITY OF

1st

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

Kent

COUNTY

**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 type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input checked="" 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	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Arundel Corporation

Telephone #: 301-822-4455

STREET &amp; NUMBER

West Road

CITY, TOWN

Towson

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21204**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Kent County Court House

Liber #: EHP 19

Folio #: 176

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown, Maryland

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE Maryland Historical Trust, Survey of Kent County

DATE 1968

 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust, The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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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

The house on Lavenham Farm is a five bay brick building with a four bay side wing, also of brick. Both sections of the house have gable roofs and are two stories tall. The five-bay section has a basement and is therefore taller. Brick chimneys are located in both gables of the large section and in the east gable of the wing. Brick on the facade is laid in Flemish bond; elsewhere the bond is Liverpool.

The cornice of the wing is a three-step brick corbell; on the main house a wooden box cornice with composite crown and bed moldings is used. Beaded vergeboards finish the gable ends.

Fenestration of the main house is evenly spaced with entrances originally located in the central bays. Nine over six sash windows are used on the main house and six over six sash in the wing. Trim consists of a 1/2" inside bead and a 1" fillet; wooden sills are plain and set flush with the wall surface. There are jack arches above the main house windows, and basement windows in each window bay. The doorway on the south facade has been bricked in and an entrance recently installed in the east bay of that facade. A few shell pattern cast iron shutter dogs from Victorian period shutters remain in place.

In addition to the changes in fenestration noted above, there have been aluminum storm windows and doors installed on the house. Plastic shutters replace the wooden ones. A new 8'0" X 5'3" gable-roofed front porch has been added as well as a one-story shed porch on the rear of the wing.

The exterior of the house is painted white; the roof is asphalt shingles.

The interior of the wing, first floor is rebuilt into a modern kitchen. The interior of the main house was not open to the surveyor but it has a central hall plan with a window on the south facade at the height of the stair landing.

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# 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
<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 checked="" 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		

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SPECIFIC DATES    ca 1800

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Lavenham farmhouse is a well proportioned structure which typifies the residences of prosperous Kent farmers of ca 1800. Its plan type--central hall--is a common one of this period, the other common plan being the hall and parlour with winding corner stairs. In form and dimensions as well is building is an excellent example of its period.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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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  
Marsha L. Fritz, Survey Consultant

ORGANIZATION DATE  
Kent County Planning Commission 778-4600, ext.67

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE  
Court House

CITY OR TOWN STATE  
Chestertown, Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

In the east room of the first floor of the main house is a handsome Federal mantle with reeded freize blocks. This room also has a molded chairrail.

When this house was threatened with demolition, one wall of paneling was removed from a second floor bedroom and installed in Toad Hall (K-132.) The wall has raised and beveled panels and six-panel doors.

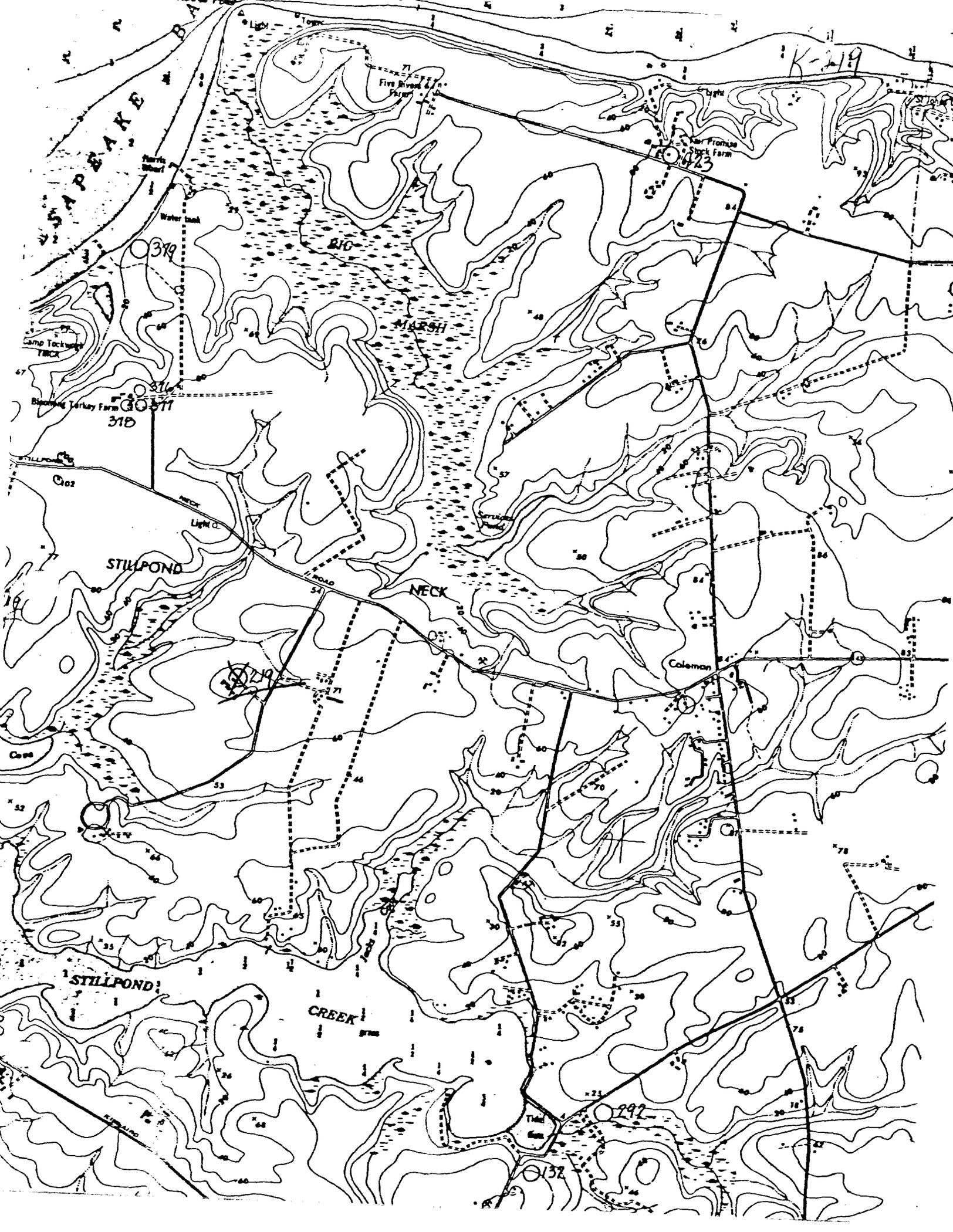
The building faces north, overlooking open fields.

Form 10-445  
(5/62)

1. STATE <u>Maryland</u> COUNTY <u>Kent</u> TOWN <u>Stillpond</u> VICINITY <u>Coleman's Corner</u> STREET NO. <u>Stillpond Neck Road - Md 443 - 2 mi. W of</u> ORIGINAL OWNER <u>Coleman</u> ORIGINAL USE <u>dwellin</u> PRESENT OWNER <u>Arundel Corporation</u> PRESENT USE <u>Henry Mamberger</u> WALL CONSTRUCTION <u>brick</u> NO. OF STORIES <u>2</u>	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <u>K-219</u> 2. NAME <u>Dr. Joyce</u> <del>Lanham</del> <u>Farm</u> DATE OR PERIOD <u>c. 1800</u> STYLE <u>Colonial</u> ARCHITECT BUILDER 3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION <span style="float: right;">OPEN TO PUBLIC <u>NO</u></span> <p>The old house on the Lanham Farm is a very tall 2 story brick house which is 5 bays long and one room deep. It sits on a high basement and has water table now belt course. On the main section there is a wood cornice and on the 4 bay 2 story <sup>brick</sup> wing is a <del>brick</del> cornice stepped brick. The main facade has shutters, 1/6 inch and flat brick arches. Also a screened porch covers the central entrance which has a painted gable and a <sup>rectangular</sup> transom. There is a large chimney - each gable with 2 small windows <del>and</del> flanking them.</p>	
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE <span style="float: right;">Interior <u>NO</u> Exterior <u>poor</u></span>	
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)	7. PHOTOGRAPH
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.	9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <u>Michael Bourne</u> DATE OF RECORD <u>Sept 24, 1968</u>

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

The old house on the Lavenham Farm is a very tall two story brick house which is five bays long and one room deep. It sits on a high basement and has neither water table nor belt course. On the main section there is a wood cornice and on the four bay two story brick wing is a cornice of stepped brick. The north facade has shutters, 6/6 sashes and flat brick arches. Also a screened porch covers the central entrance which has a panelled jamb and a rectangular transom. There is a large chimney in each gable with two small windows flanking them.





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View to Southwest K-219

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