



INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Cedar Heights School, 24224 Survey Number: M-10-41
Ridge Road, Montgomery Co

Project: MD 27 from MD 355 to MD 310 Agency: SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Constructed as a one-room school house; the building was converted to a residence in 1924. The Cedar Heights School no longer retains integrity of historic character due to non-historic alterations, as indicated by photographs and descriptions submitted with the project and contained in the inventory files.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Inventory Form #M-10-41
and project files

Prepared by: Maragret Coleman, Andy Reed Rita Sufness, SHA
Elizabeth Hannold 8/30/91
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable
R Lindner 30 Aug 91
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C.- A.D.900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): School

Known Design Source: _____

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

M:10-41
(date entered 5-4-80)

1. Name: Cedar Heights School House
2. Planning Area/Site Number: 10/41 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 7
L-1
4. Address: 24224 Ridge Road, Cedar Grove

5. Classification Summary

Category	<u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording	<u>M-NCPPC</u>
Ownership	<u>private</u>	Title and Date:	<u>1976 Inventory of</u> <u>Historical Sites</u>
Public Acquisition	<u>N/A</u>		
Status	<u>occupied</u>		
Accessible	<u>no</u>	Federal	<u>State</u> <u>x</u> <u>County</u> <u>x</u> <u>Local</u>
Present use	<u>private residence</u>		

6. Date: 1898 7. Original Owner: Montgomery Board of
Education

8. Apparent Condition

a. good b. altered c. original site

9. Description: This three bay by three bay, one-and-a-half story rectangular frame school house faces southeast on Ridge Road. It has white novelty siding and a southeast porch with a half-hipped roof supported by four turned posts. The school house was renovated about 20 years ago and now is a private residence. There are six-over-six double-hung windows. There is a shed dormer window in the gable roof on the southwest elevation. The owner refused to allow inspection of his house.

10. Significance: Cedar Heights School house is significant as one of the numerous one-room school buildings opened in the late 19th century and later absorbed into a consolidated school system.

In August 1898, The Board of Education bought $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land from Joseph F. and Sophronia Williams from the Williams tract, "Prospect Hill". The transaction cost \$20. The land was part of the 159.5 acres deeded Williams by Somerset T. Williams.

These families sent students to school at Cedar Heights in the early 20th century -- Barber, Beall, Davis, Gue, King, and Poole. The teachers boarded at the Snyder Hotel, directly across the road. Water was fetched in a bucket from a spring northwest of the school, at the foot of a hill. The bucket was placed on the floor of the school, and thirsty students share the single dipper.

The Board of Education sold the school property to Harriet A. Snyder for \$1 in August 1924, and the schoolhouse has been used as a residence since that time. The present owners were deeded the property in 1973, now surveyed for .34 acres. It is used as a rental property.

11. Researcher and date researched: Margaret Coleman-5/79 Candy Reed
Arch. Description
12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: 10/79 14. Designation
Approval
15. Acreage: .34 acres

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Cedar Heights School House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 24224 Ridge Road

CITY, TOWN Cedar Grove VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8

STATE Maryland COUNTY Montgomery

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME J. and S.L. Smith Telephone #: 253-3167

STREET & NUMBER 24300 Kakae Drive

CITY, TOWN Damascus VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland 20750

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4413

Folio #: 525

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Rockville STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE M-NCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE 1976 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN Rockville STATE Maryland 20855

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 three bay by three bay, one and a half story rectangular frame school house faces southeast on Ridge Road.

Built on poured concrete foundations, the school house has white novelty siding. The southeast (front) porch has a half-hipped roof supported by four turned posts. The southeast (front) door is wooden paneled. The northwest (rear) porch has a shed roof and is enclosed by a wooden railing.

There are six over six double hung windows throughout the house. In the southeast gable end there are two six light casement windows. On the southwest elevation there is a shed dormer with four over four double hung windows.

The gable roof is covered by green asbestos shingles and there is one interior stove chimney.

The school house was completely renovated sometime ago and is now a private dwelling.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Montgomery County, Md.
 Burdette, Mrs. Harold; 9911 Watkins Road, Gaithersburg, Md. Interview, 1979
 Jewell, E. Guy. Schools that Were; Montgomery County Public Schools;
 Rockville, Md., 1973.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .34 acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Ridge Road, south of Damascus, approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north of the Kings Valley Road intersection, west side of the road.

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Margaret M. ColemanCandy Reed-arch. description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

May 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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~~

~~800-368-6868
 DIRECTOR
 Dickerson, MD 20753
 (301) 926-4510~~

B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Blank area for the Statement of Significance.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES			
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE			
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds		
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"		
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"		
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"		

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 18 Mar 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

- National
- State
- Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS



NAME # 10-41 CEDAR HEIGHTS SCHOOL MI: 10-41

LOCATION RTE. 27, CEDAR GROVE, MD.

FACADE SE

PHOTO TAKEN 3/18/74 W. DWYER