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Louisa Hutchinson Family House (Site)
Big Woods community
Private

c. 1870's-80's

Oral informants recall that this log house had two rooms down and two up. It was the home of John and Louisa Hutchinson, black landowners in the post-bellum 19th century. Her family has been documented to the 1790's, one of the few black families in the county able to trace its history back so far.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC The Louisa Hutchinson Family House (Site)

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER West side of Rt. 109

CITY, TOWN Dickerson VICINITY OF (Big Woods) CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3

STATE Md. 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" 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
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME C.E. Onley Telephone #: 349-2042

STREET & NUMBER 20830 Big Woods Rd.

CITY, TOWN Dickerson, VICINITY OF STATE, zip code
Md. 20753

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Registry of Deeds
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #: 652
Folio #: 56

STREET & NUMBER County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN Rockville STATE Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE None

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN 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 type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Mrs. Florence Hallman recalls that this was a log house and contained two rooms down and two up. For further details of its design and construction, see the descriptions of the log houses of Fred Hamilton and Louis Brown, which remain standing, and which were similar to this house of the Hutchinson family, according to Mrs. Hallman.

The outbuildings included a meat house, hog pen, and hen house.

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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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

1870's - 1890's

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Since this house is no longer standing it is not possible to date it. However, Florence Hallman remembers that it was one of the older log houses in the community, so it was probably contemporary to the homes of Louis Brown and Isaac Owens, that is, to the 1870's.

According to Florence Hallman, her grandmother, Flora Norman (Onley) was the sister of Louisa Norman (Hutchinson). Their mother was Sarah Norman, who according to the 1860 U.S. Census, for Medley district, was born in 1790. Florence Hallman remembers that her great-grandmother was "part Indian."

According to 1880 census for the Medley district, Louisa Hutchinson was born in 1844 and was married to John Hutchinson, born in 1833. Their children were Thomas, born 1865, Armstead, born 1866, Florence, born 1872, Susie, born 1879, and Robert Vinton, born 1878. Hutchinson descendants continue to live in the Big Woods vicinity and throughout Montgomery County.

This is one of the few black families in the county that has been documented to the 1790's.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land records, Montgomery County Courthouse, Rockville, Md.
Deed 652/56.
Oral interviews, not taped, with Florence Hallman, Big Woods
community, August, 1978, by George McDaniel.
U. S. Census; 1860, 1880 and 1900.

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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

George McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

301-926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson,

STATE

Md.

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