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# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Jacob Allnutt Farmand/or common Yesteryear Farm Country Inn

## 2. Location

street & number 23601 Route 108  not for publicationcity, town Laytonsville  vicinity of congressional district 6state 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	<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"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Yesteryear Farms Inc., Earl and Betty Marshallstreet & number 7420 Hawkins Creamery Road telephone no.: 301-948-3979city, town Laytonsville state and zip code MD 20879

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Judicial Building liber 6388street & number folio 571city, town Rockville state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Nonedate  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. M:23-123

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This 2 1/2 story house has german siding and fishscale shingles, and a steeply pitched, metal, gabled roof with ornamental porch brackets on a 3-sided, wrap-around porch, in a setting of mature oak trees. It is in mint condition both inside and out.

This 2 1/2 story victorian house, sheathed with german siding and fishscale shingles, faces west on Route 108 near Etchison, and is surrounded by more than a dozen mature oak trees. A 3-sided, one story porch wraps around the north, west and south facades. This porch has chamfered posts with the original trim intact, consisting of ornamental brackets at each post. The center door is a replacement, but the ones on the north and the south are original. Carved trim separates each door from its transom light. The house foundation is fieldstone, and brick pilings form the foundation of the porch.

The steeply pitched, standing seam metal roof has many gables, and runs north/south on the rear section, and west/east on the front part of the house. Within the gables are fishscale shingles, sheathing the house from the roofline to the second floor and terminating in an angled extension. In the center of the west gable, a pair of 4 over 2 windows with original, wavy glass is framed with wide boards; between them is a beaded panel; the porch gable is faced with narrow boards. There are two interior chimneys with corbeled caps and one interior, plain chimney. Wooden shutters are on the north, west and south facades; these shutters are replacements but are an exact match with the originals, one of which was found stored in the attic.

On the north side a one story, shed roof section extends to the east. This part has 2 over 2, fixed pane windows. The remaining windows are 2 over 2, double-hung sash.

The east facade has a 2 bay porch with trimmed posts. Asbestos shingles cover the exterior bulkhead entrance to the cellar. The gable has german siding and 2 over 2, fixed pane windows.

The south facade has a bay with an obtuse angle. Boxed trim work extends across the top of the bay above the west and the east windows.

There are 3 outbuildings. One is a 1 story, 1 bay by 1 bay, wood sided structure with composition shingled, shed roof, facing south. One is 6 bay by 1 bay, wood siding with composition shingled shed roof, also facing south. One is a metal "Farmstore" building with a flat roof and no windows, facing west.

Inside the house is a dirt cellar floor housing the original coal and wood furnace. Narrow pine boards cover the remain 3 floors, including the attic storage space. The entrance hall has a curved wall. The parlor has double pocket doors with a carved mantel over a false fireplace facade which is placed diagonally across one corner. Bullseye trim surrounds all openings on the first and second floors. Corner beads are used throughout the first and second floors. There are iron furnace registers on each floor, and a gadget to control the amount of heat is located on the first floor.

## Description

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Up the open-string stair with carved balusters, the second floor has 4-panel doors with the original hardware intact including porcelain door knobs and box locks. A closed staircase leads to the third floor where 2 rooms are completely finished, and a storage area has finished floors. Trim on this floor is beaded with no bulleeyes. There is a closed stair leading from the second floor to the kitchen.

# 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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1887 Builder/Architect Jacob Miller Allnutt

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
 and/or  
 Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  
 Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Jacob Allnutt house reflects a farm-oriented era when ownership of good soil meant prosperity, and a time when an elegant home with intricate details could be built for \$1650. Jacob Allnutt was one of six brothers who were willed a substantial farm each complete with large homes. Most of the Allnutt houses are gone, but this one remains and was recently honored by the Maryland Antiques Dealers who leased it for their annual showcase house.

John Allnutt owned the land from Griffith Road to Etchison, on both east and west sides of Route 108, during the latter part of the 19th century.<sup>1</sup> The rich chester loam of the Laytonsville soil district contributed to the Allnutts prosperous. In his will, filed in 1899, John Allnutt left a farm to each one of his six sons.<sup>2</sup> In addition, Allnutt built his unmarried daughters, Annie Amelia Allnutt and Sarah Elizabeth Allnutt each a house in the town of Laytonsville.<sup>3</sup> To his son, Jacob "Jake" Miller Allnutt was willed the "farm where he (Jacob) now resides", an acreage called Abell's Level. In 1887 John Allnutt paid taxes on his properties which included improvements on six farms, including land and improvements on Abell's Level. Jacob Allnutt paid tax in 1887 for livestock valued at \$100. These records indicate that the house was built by 1887, the year Jacob Allnutt was 36 years old. The 1899 will refers to the fact that Jacob was living on his farm at that time, and in 1900, the records show that Jacob Allnutt paid taxes on his part of Abell's Level, 185 acres assessed at \$12 an acre plus improvements valued at \$1650, for a total value of \$3870 for land and improvements. By this time Jacob had \$315 in livestock and \$100 in household furniture.<sup>4</sup>

Each of the Allnutt farmhouses was a substantial unit with gingerbread trim, porches and outbuildings. Jake Allnutt was no exception, and added an unusual wrap-around porch with three entrances facing the same direction. The steep pitch of the roof and fishscale shingles add style.

In addition to his life as a prosperous farmer in the Laytonsville district, Jake Allnutt was an active member of the Goshen Methodist Church. He owned beef cattle, chickens, hogs and preserved the family meat with the help of his smoke house. He had an orchard to provide fruit and cider for vinegar. He also invested in nearby real estate, owning a total of five properties in "Griffithsburg" between 1905 and 1916.<sup>6</sup>

In 1921 Allnutt died and his daughters, Nettie Allnutt Lynch and Della Allnutt Darby received the property by decree of the orphan's court.<sup>7</sup> The following year, Nettie Lynch was assigned the mortgage.<sup>8</sup> A few days later Nettie deeded the property to her sister, Della Darby.<sup>9</sup>

Ernest and Evelyn Barnhart purchased the land in 1934.<sup>10</sup> The Barnhardts maintained the house in its original condition.

The current owners bought the property May 7, 1984.

Footnotes:

1. County tax assessment records for 1876 to 1896 and interviews with Gladys King, Genevieve Welsh and Byron Allnutt, the granddaughters and grandson of John Allnutt.
2. County wills, GCE 12/239; April 18, 1899.
3. Gladys King and Genevieve Welsh.
4. County tax records including 1900.
5. Welsh op cit.
6. County land records.
7. County orphan's court records, HCA 4/2; Nov. 14, 1921.
8. County mortgage records HCA 27/74; May 31, 1922.
9. Land records 320/39, August 2, 1922.
10. Ibid., 582/328, December 11, 1934.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Montgomery County Land, Tax, Orphan's Court and Mortgage Records  
Interviews with descendants of John Allnutt, including Gladys Allnutt King, Genevieve Lynch Welsh and Byron Allnutt.

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 2.5 acres

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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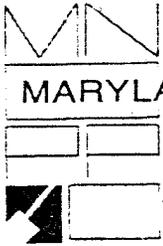
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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

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MEMORANDUM

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

TO: Richard Ferrara, Director  
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Philip Cantelon, Chairperson  
Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Melissa C. Banach, Coordinator  
Community Planning North *MCB*

SUBJECT: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for  
Historic Preservation: Northern and Eastern  
Montgomery County Resources

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I am pleased to transmit to you this Preliminary Draft  
Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:  
Northern and Eastern Montgomery County Resources.

This document contains the recommendations of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission on approximately 80 historic sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring, Aspen Hill, and Burtonsville areas of the County.

The Montgomery County Planning Board will hold a public hearing on this Preliminary Draft Amendment on Monday, April 21, 1986, at 7:30 P.M., in the Auditorium of the Montgomery Regional Office at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Should you have any questions concerning this specific Preliminary Draft Amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart at 495-4565.

MCB:MR:dws  
Attachment

PRELIMINARY DRAFT

AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED AND ADOPTED  
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

NORTHERN AND EASTERN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCES

Including sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring,  
Aspen Hill, Norbeck and Burtonsville Areas

March 1986

An amendment to the 1980 Olney Master Plan, 1980 Sandy Spring/  
Ashton Special Study Plan, 1970 Aspen Hill Master Plan, and the  
1981 Eastern Montgomery County Master Plan; being also an  
amendment to the General Plan for the Physical Development of the  
Maryland-Washington Regional District and to the Master Plan of  
Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

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IMPLEMENTATION

Once designated on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation, any substantial changes to the exterior of a resource or its environmental setting must be reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission and a historic area work permit issued. The Ordinance also empowers the County's Department of Environmental Protection and the Historic Preservation Commission to prevent the demolition of historic buildings through neglect.

It is the intent of the Master Plan and Ordinance to provide a rational system for evaluating, protecting and enhancing Montgomery County's heritage for the benefit of present and future residents. The accompanying challenge is to weave protection for this heritage into the County's planning program so as to maximize community support for preservation and minimize infringement on private property rights.

THE AMENDMENT

The purpose of this Preliminary Draft Amendment is to consider the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations that the following sites be designated on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and protected under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. A copy of the Ordinance is provided in Appendix B of this document.

*(NOTE: Unless otherwise specified in the Preservation Commission's nomination, the recommended environmental setting for each site is the entire parcel on which the resource is located as of the date it is designated on the Master Plan as defined in Section 24A-2 of the County's Preservation Ordinance. Where additional buildings of historical or architectural importance are associated with a site, these buildings are noted in the nomination as being part of the recommended setting.)*

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
15/55	Spencer/Carr House	2420 Spencerville

- Dating from 1855 with a rear section added in the 1870's, this three-story house is distinguished by three over three windows on the third floor and a one-story porch with bracketed pillars on the front facade.
- Significant as an example of the "Spencerville style", a local style characterized by a special grouping of architectural detail most notably half windows on the third story extending into the boxed cornice and roof line.

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Holland Store

16400 Layhill Road

- The store, built circa 1860, is one of the few surviving commercial structures of that era in the County. Although undistinguished architecturally, it contributes to the economic heritage of the County as an example of a 19th century, rural crossroads, general store.
- Has been a landmark at its present location -- earlier known as "Holland's Corner" -- for 125 years, including numerous years as the local post office.
- The recommended setting includes the major trees associated with the store.

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Jacob Allnutt Farm

23601 Route 108

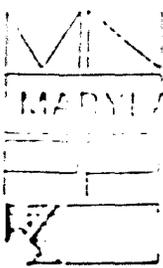
- Built in 1887, this two and one-half story frame house retains its original German siding, fish-scale shingles, chamfered posts, ornamental trim, and a wrap-around porch.
- Architecturally, the building is an outstanding example of Queen-Anne architecture with Eastlake features.
- Associated with the Allnutt family, the home was built by Jacob Allnutt, son of prosperous Laytonsville landowner, John Allnutt.
- The recommended setting notes that none of the out-buildings are of any particular historic significance.

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Milton II or  
Muncaster/Winslow Farm

15512 White Willow Lane

- Site of a farmstead historically associated with the Robertsons and Muncasters, prominent County families closely linked with the early settlement and development of the Rock Creek Valley.
- Through much of the 20th century, the home of prosperous Washington area businessman W.R. Winslow, owner of the Winslow Paint and Hardware chain, who was active and influential in County agricultural organizations.
- Loss of the second manor house associated with the farmstead leaves the site architecturally represented by the only remaining outbuilding -- a fieldstone smokehouse situated on a 57,315 sq. ft. lot which constitutes the environmental setting for the site.



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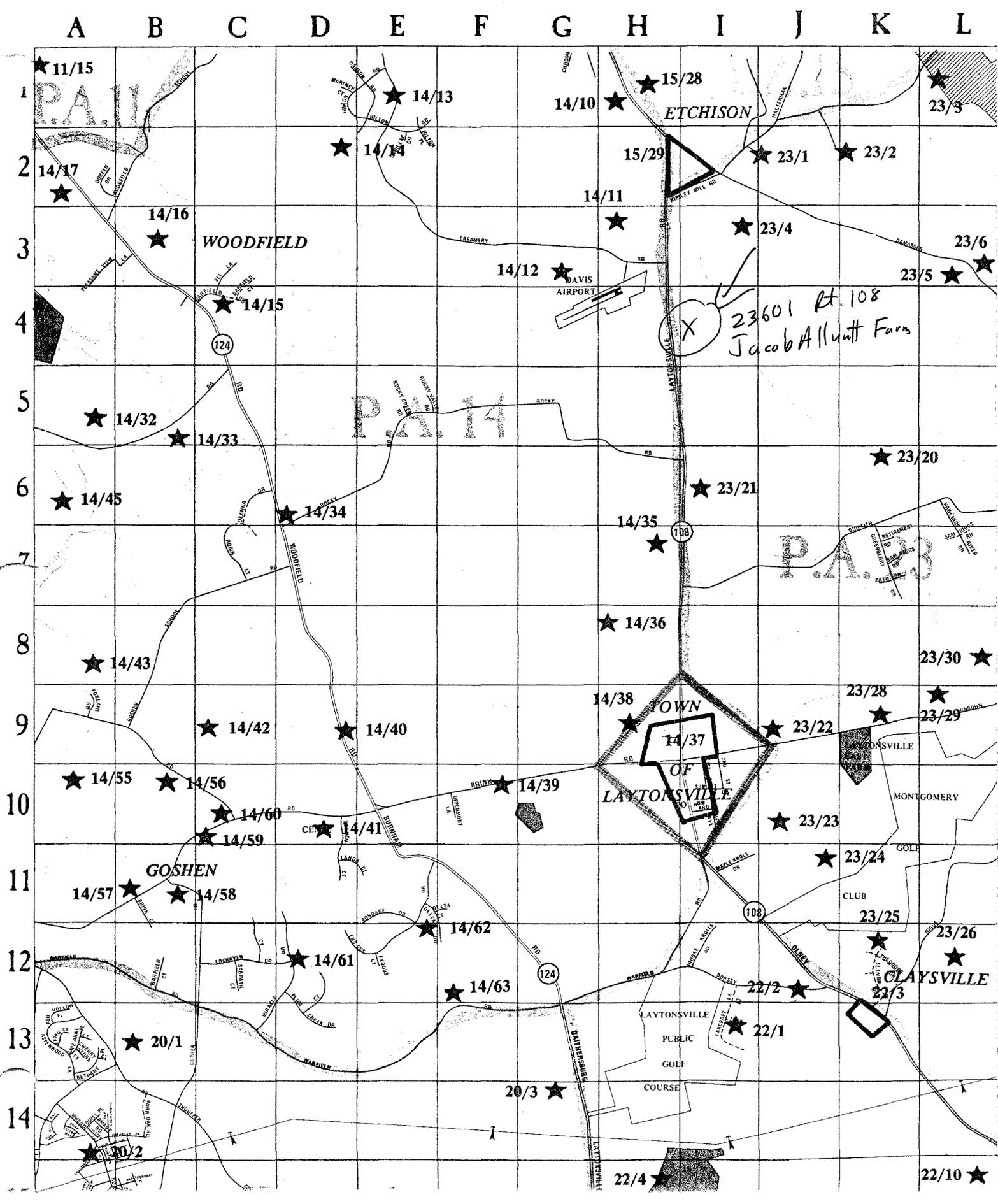
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated June 10, 1986

ACTION TAKEN

The purpose of this Final Draft Amendment is to designate the following sites on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation thereby extending to them the protection of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code.

- M: 15/67.....Maiden's Fancy
- M: 23/19.....Retirement
- M: 23/33.....Bleakwood
- M: 23/82.....Grafton Holland Farm (Sunnymeade Farm)
- M: 23/103.....John D. Berry House
- M: 23/123.....Jacob Allnutt Farm



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**Jennifer K. Cosham**  
**March 7, 2004**  
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