

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: M:23-147 (PACS 4.14) Construction Date: Circa 1900

Name: John and Annie Ray Property

Location: 15526 Georgia Avenue, Norbeck, Montgomery County

Private/Vacant/Unoccupied/Fair/Yes:restricted

Description:

The house on the John and Annie Ray Property is a 2-story, 3-bay vernacular residence on the west side of Georgia Avenue in the Norbeck vicinity, Montgomery County. Constructed circa 1900, the main section of the building has a side-gable roof with a center-gable. Attached to the rear of the building are several additions. The building is of wood-frame construction with a parged stone foundation and wood shingle siding. The front roof slope is covered with asphalt shingles, while the rear roof slope and the roof of the additions are covered with standing seam metal. All of the windows have been enclosed with plywood. The entrance is located on the south gable end rather than the front elevation. Also on the south gable end is a modern exterior brick chimney. Attached to the rear elevation are two 2-story shed roof additions and a 1-story shed roof addition. One of the 2-story additions has a garage on the first story and an enclosed porch on the second story.

Significance:

The house on the John and Annie Ray Property was constructed by John and Annie Ray circa 1900. The house and a .2 hectare (.5 acre) lot were sold to Elizabeth E. Early in 1909. According to the deed, the land conveyed was the, "property upon which John P. Ray and Annie I. Ray, his wife, now reside." The property was sold to Lindsey and Emma Beach in 1927. In 1950, the property was sold to the current owners, Merald and Maurine Hoag. Maurine Hoag died in 1986, leaving her interest in the property to her husband, Merald Hoag. Historic maps and quadrangle maps show a building at this location as early as 1910.

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form
Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term Congestion Relief

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic John and Annie Ray Property (preferred)

and/or common Merald E. Hoag Property

2. Location:

street & number 15526 Georgia Avenue N/A not for publication

city, town Norbeck ___ vicinity of congressional district

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"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> private
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other:
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	vacant

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

name Merald E. Hoag Property

street & number 14607 Kelmscot Drive telephone no.:

city, town Silver Spring state and zip code MD 20906

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County liber 13228

street & number Montgomery County Judicial Center folio 361

city, town Rockville state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

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 of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Resource Count: 4

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

The house on the John and Annie Ray Property is a 2-story, 3-bay vernacular residence on the west side of Georgia Avenue in Norbeck, Montgomery County. Constructed circa 1900, the main section of the building has a side-gable roof with a center-gable. Attached to the rear of the building are several additions. The building is of wood-frame construction with a parged stone foundation and wood shingle siding. The front roof slope is covered with asphalt shingles, while the rear roof slope and the roof of the additions are covered with standing seam metal. All of the windows have been enclosed with plywood. The entrance is located on the south gable end rather than the front elevation. Also on the south gable end is a modern exterior brick chimney. Attached to the rear elevation are two 2-story shed roof additions and a 1-story shed roof addition. One of the 2-story additions has a garage on the first story and an enclosed porch on the second story.

The front elevation has three windows on the both the first and second stories. The second story windows have louvered wood shutters. The center-gable has a segmental arch window with wood shutters.

The south elevation has a wood door on the first story, and windows with shutters on the second story and attic level. The attic level window is a segmental arch window. The south elevation of the 1-story rear addition has a band of four windows. The other additions have an enclosed garage entrance on the first story, while the second story has an enclosed porch and a single window.

The rear elevation of the main section has a window with wood shutters on the second story. The first story of the rear additions has two pairs of windows, with an enclosed door and two windows on the second story.

The north elevation has a window on each level of the main section. The second story window has wood shutters, while the attic level window has a segmental arch top sash. The rear additions have a pair of windows and a single window on the first story. The second story has three windows.

There are three outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a garage, with a standing-seam metal front-gable roof. Constructed circa 1920, it is of wood-frame construction with wood siding and has two open garage bays on the east elevation. The structure is located to the west of the house.

The second outbuilding, shed #1, is located adjacent to the garage. Constructed circa 1920, shed #1 is a 1-story wood-frame structure with a standing-seam metal roof. The south elevation has a garage bay and the north elevation has a wood casement window. The west elevation has several casement windows.

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The third outbuilding, Shed #2 is located northwest of the house and other outbuildings. The building, constructed circa 1900, has a shed roof covered with metal. The building has wood siding and double wood doors on the south elevation.

The property is located on the west side of Georgia Avenue, with commercial property to the south and a modern residential development under construction to the north and west. The property was converted from a residence to an automotive parts storage yard. The property is currently vacant.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archaeology-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 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communication	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

Specific dates Circa 1900 Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exceptions: 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.

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The John and Annie Ray Property is located in Norbeck. The nineteenth century community of Norbeck was composed of two separate but related communities; Mount Pleasant, the African-American settlement established by freed slaves on Muncaster Mill Road, and a white commercial crossroads settlement at the intersection of Norbeck Road and Georgia Avenue. The community also extended along Norbeck and Bradford Roads, east of the crossroads. The African-American settlement was oriented around the community church and school, while the white settlement centered around the post office, general store, and blacksmith shop. While remnants of both communities still exist, the environment in which they developed has been greatly altered over time.

The community at the crossroads was established in the decade following the Civil War, when increased agricultural prosperity and an increased population created a greater demand in the area for goods and services. In addition to the growth of the local farm community, the area grew as a result of its location at the intersection of two of the oldest roads in the county, the Baltimore Road (Route 28/Norbeck Road) and the Washington-Brookeville Turnpike (Route 97/Georgia Avenue).

The years following emancipation brought reconstruction of society in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. While many African-Americans moved out of the Counties, especially into the District of Columbia, others formed communities centered around a place of worship, such as Mount Pleasant near Norbeck in Montgomery County (M-NCPPC 1993: 13).

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Mount Pleasant was founded circa 1866, by freed slaves of A.B. Wadsworth, an area farmer. The community was located on Muncaster Mill Road, on land donated or sold to freed African-Americans by Wadsworth. Mount Pleasant became a distinct, yet integral part of Norbeck, with most of its residents employed on surrounding farms (State Highway Administration & Maryland Historical Trust 1977).

The house on the John and Annie Ray Property is a vernacular residence with a center-gable. Built between 1870 and 1910, the characteristic feature of the 1½ or 2½-story center-gable vernacular residence is the side-gable roof with a centered-gable inspired by Gothic Revival roof forms. At first, the center-gable was steeply pitched like its Gothic counterpart, but soon widened to function as a dormer (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, 178). The house has three to five-stories, symmetrical bays, with a central entrance and a room arrangement of two rooms on the first story and either two or four rooms on the second story. The porches are typically full-width and reflect the stylistic trends and woodworking capabilities at the time of construction. Early porches are supported by plain, square posts, while later porches are supported by posts, brackets and delicate scrollwork. Center-gable cottages constructed in the twentieth century are reflect the Colonial revival style. Palladian and three-part windows replaced Victorian-style windows, cornice returns and boxed cornices were added and a portico was substituted for the full-width porch (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, 178).

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National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1900, the John and Annie Ray Property is not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The property is not eligible under Criterion A, as research conducted indicates no association with any historic events or trends significant in the development of national, state, or local history. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. It is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is a common building type which lacks architectural and material integrity. Asphalt shingles have replaced part of the standing-seam metal roof, the windows have been boarded over, and at least three additions were constructed on the rear elevation, including a garage. The setting of the property has been altered by its use as an auto parts salvage yard. Much of the ground has been paved with concrete and covered with debris. In addition, the outbuildings are in poor condition, a used-car lot is located immediately to the south and an entrance to a modern residential development is located adjacent to the house. Finally, the structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility Not Recommended X

Comments _____

Reviewer, OPS: [Signature] Date: 8/20/99
Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature] Date: 8/30/99

[Signature]

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. M:23-147(PACS 4.14)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Kensington, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state code county code

state code county code

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state Maryland

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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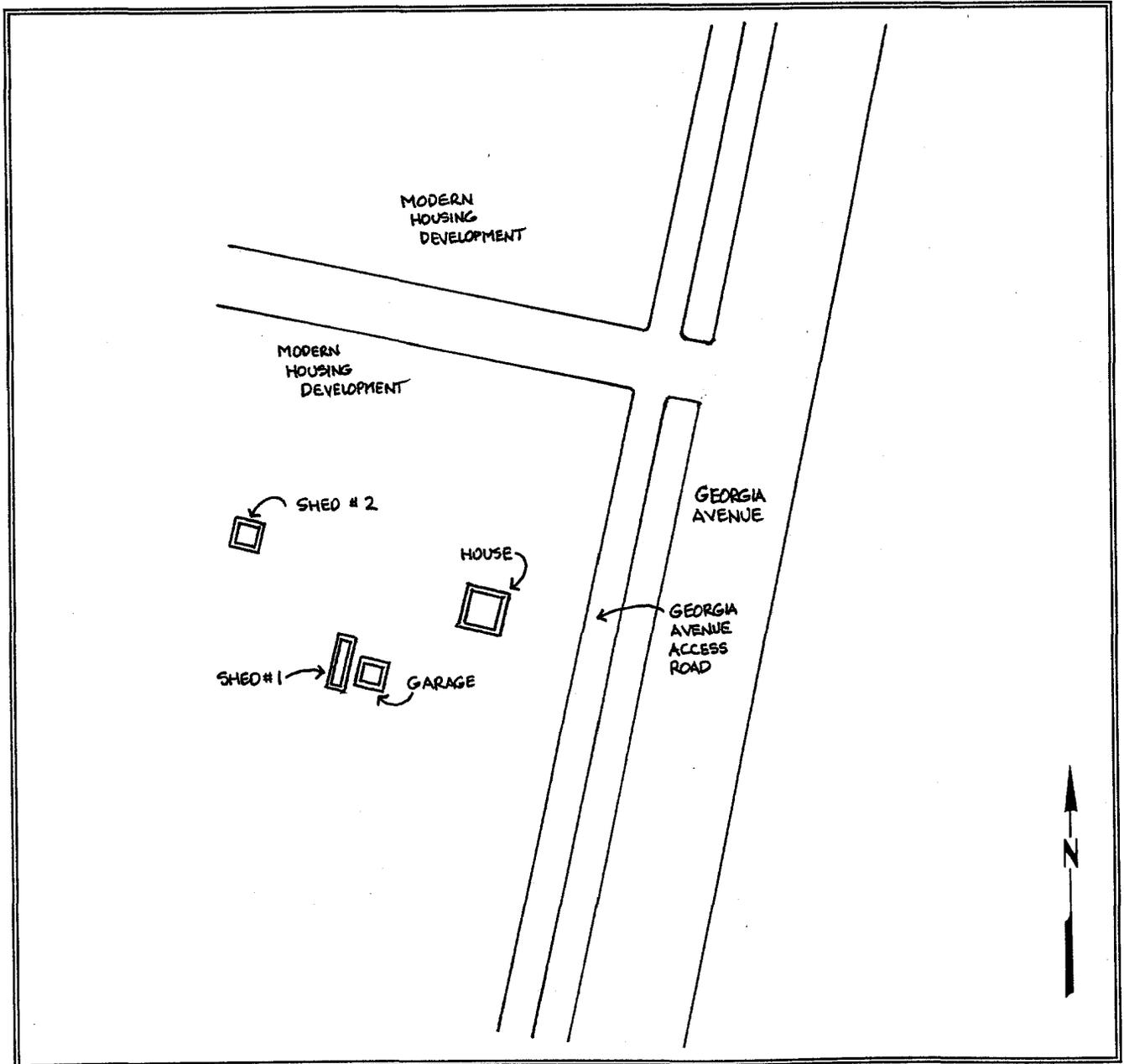
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Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

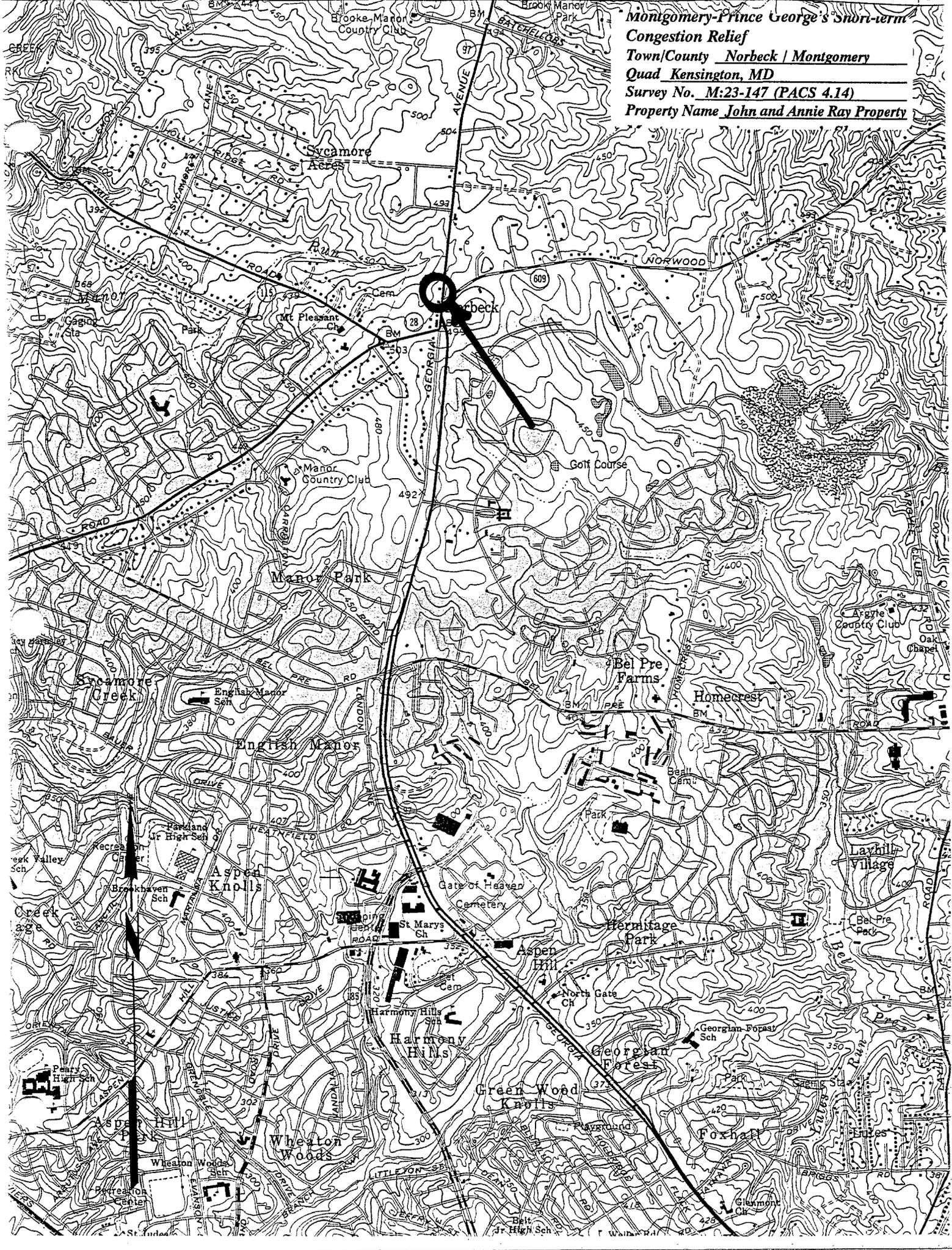
Private Residence

Known Design Source (write none if unknown):

None

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May 1998

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Town/County Norbeck / Montgomery
Quad Kensington, MD
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OR OWNER

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John and Annie Ray PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBORRINO

4-98

MARYLAND SHPO

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FRONT ELEVATION

V12



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JOHN AND ANNIE RAY PROPERTY

MONTGOMERY Co., MD

TIM TAMBURRINO

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MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTHEAST CORNER

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MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTH ELEVATION

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SOUTHWEST CORNER

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MARYLAND SHPO

REAR ELEVATION

5/12



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MARYLAND SHPO

NORTH WEST CORNER

6112



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MARYLAND SHPO

NORTH ELEVATION

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MARYLAND SHPO

NORTHEAST CORNER

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MARYLAND SHPO

SHED #1 AND GARAGE, VIEW FROM WEST

9/12



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MARYLAND SHPO

SHED #1 AND GARAGE, VIEW FROM SOUTH

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MARYLAND SHIPS

SHED #2, VIEW FROM WEST

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MARYLAND SHPO

SHED #2, VIEW FROM NORTHEAST

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