

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Ulysses Griffith House

and/or common Fairview Farms

2. Location

street & number 6001 Griffith Road not for publication

city, town Laytonsville vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Montgomery

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input 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 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 Jane Griffith Evans & Ulysses Griffith V

street & number 21512 Montgomery Ave. telephone no.:

city, town Leightonsville state and zip code Maryland, 20879

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Courthouse liber

street & number folio

city, town Rockville state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title M-NCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976 federal state county local

pository for survey records Park Historian's Office

city, town Rockville state Maryland

7. Description

Survey No. M:23-20

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input 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.

The mid section of the house is the oldest (now obscured by later additions), with the present main block built about 100 years ago. The old house is a story and a half, frame building, three bays wide with an enclosed porch. The chimneys rise between the two rooms and at the north end (where the base is obscured by another addition). The windows are six over six double hung sash. The main block of the house is two stories, with a three bay facade. The doorway in the east bay has a transom and sidelights and double doors with arched, moulded panels. The ground floor windows are two over four double hung sash opening to the porch floor. The other windows are two over two double hung sash. The window heads are pedimented, with moulding along the sides of the pediments. The eaves and raking cornices are bracketed. The chimney at the west end is internal.

Behind the house is a log meat house, partially in ruins. there is also a large frame barn to the west of the house.

B. Significance

Survey No. M. 23-20

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		

Specific dates: _____ Builder/Architect: _____

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 Ulysses Griffith farmhouse is significant as an example of the Victorian influenced architecture of the later nineteenth century. The house has some very attractive Victorian architectural detailing, including the bracked eaves, rounded windows in the gable ends, pedimented windows and an ornately decorated Victorian porch. The original structure, located in the middle of the present house and obscured by later additions, was built about 1830 as a tenant house.¹ The main block of the house was built by Ulysses Griffith II (son of Ulysses Griffith I, the owner of "Retirement") about 1876.² Ulysses II obtained lot #3 in the division of his father's land after his death in 1870.³ Then in 1872, Ulysses II purchased parts of tracts of land referred to as "Griffith's Chance," "Water's Discovery," etc. for \$2,315. This had been part of his father's land holdings designated for sale.⁴ His farm then totalled 289 acres. In 1879, Ulysses purchased an additional 86 acres, bringing his total acreage up to 375.⁵ The house is also significant as the home of a member of the Griffith family, who were among the earlier settlers to this area and had extensive land holdings. The Griffith family has been identified with Montgomery County since Henry Griffith I came to the area before the Revolutionary War.⁶

When Ulysses II died in 1929 he left his property to his wife, Blanche and his son, Ulysses III. Further instruction of his will stated that the farm be passed on to Ulysses IV after the death of Ulysses III.⁷ Ulysses IV, grandson of the original builder (of the main block) was later conveyed the farm on 375 acres. Ulysses IV was a farmer and the Chief Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County. He also represented the county in the House of Delegates and was one time the chairman of the Upper Montgomery County Planning Commission.⁸ The farm remains in the Griffith family to this day. It is now the property of Ulysses IV's children, Jane Griffith Evans and Ulysses Griffith V.

See Attachment Sheet A for Footnotes

¹Conversation with Jane Griffith Evans, 3/84.

²Montgomery County Commissioners Tax Assesment Books, 1871-1910.

³Equity, EBP 6/92, Montgomery County Judgement Records.

⁴Equity, EBP 6/114, " "

⁵Deed EBP 20/264, Montgomery County Land Records.

⁶Farquhar, Old Homes and History of Montgomery County, Maryland,
page 256.

⁷Will PEW 14/219, Montgomery County Register of Wills.

⁸Genealogy Files, Montgomery County Historical Society Library,
Ulysses Griffith IV.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. M:23-20

Mont. Co. Land Records
 Mont. Co. Judgement Records
 Mont. Co. Comm. Tax Asses. Bk.
 Mont. Co. Hist. Soc. Geneology Files

Farquhar, Old Homes and History of
 Mont. Co.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 375 acres

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

D

E

F

G

H

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

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Catherine Crawford

organization Mont. Co. Hist. Preservation Comm. date 8/82

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town Rockville 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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 21 State Circle
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 (301) 269-2438

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME					
COMMON:					
Fairview Farms					
AND/OR HISTORIC:					
Ulyses Griffith House					
2. LOCATION					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
6001 Griffith Road					
CITY OR TOWN:					
Laytonsville					
STATE:			COUNTY:		
Maryland			Montgomery		
3. CLASSIFICATION					
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	Public Acquisition:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied	Yes:
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> Restricted
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____	
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY					
OWNER'S NAME:					
Ulysis Griffith IV					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
6001 Griffith Road					
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:		
Laytonsville			Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:					
Montgomery County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN:					
Rockville			STATE:		
			Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):					
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS					
TITLE OF SURVEY:					
None					
DATE OF SURVEY:					
<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local					
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN:					
			STATE:		

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The back section of the house is the oldest part, with the present main block about 100 years old. The old house is a story and a half, frame building that had a three bay facade (now partly obscured by a closed-in porch). The chimneys rose between the two rooms and at the north end (where the base is obscured by another addition). Windows are 6/6 double hung sash. The main block is two stories, with a three bay facade. The doorway in the east bay has transom and sidelights and double doors with arched, moulded panels. The ground floor windows are 2/4 double hung sash opening to the porch floor. The other windows are 2/2 double hung sash. Window heads are pedimented, with a moulding along the sides of the pediments. The eaves and raking cornices are bracketed. The chimney at the west end is internal.</p> <p>Behind the house is a log meat house, partially ruined. There is a large frame barn west of the house.</p>	

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. 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 checked="" 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

The house was built by Ulyses Griffith II, sone of the owner of "Retirement" and descendent of Henry Griffith.

SEE INST R UCTIONS

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		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreeage Justification:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Christopher Owens, Park Historian		DATE: 8 Nov 74
ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC		
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 _____



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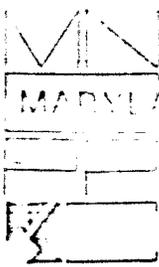
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated April 8, 1987

ACTION TAKEN

The following sites will be removed from the Locational Atlas.

- | | | |
|--------|--------|----------|
| 23/1 | 23/28 | 23/96 |
| 23/2 | 23/32 | 23/98 |
| 23/3 | 23/43 | |
| 23/4 | 23/44 | *23/98-3 |
| *23/5 | *23/50 | 23/99 |
| | | 23/107-2 |
| 23/10 | 23/52 | *23/110 |
| *23/14 | 23/55 | 23/113 |
| 23/16 | 23/56 | 23/114 |
| 23/20 | 23/59 | |
| 23/22 | 23/61 | |
| 23/25 | 23/74 | 23/116 |
| | 23/88 | 23/117 |



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated 5/27/82 and 7/6/82

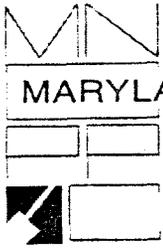
ACTION TAKEN

5/27/82.....Notice of Public Hearing
Proposed Removal of Sites from the "Locational
Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery
County"

7/6/82..... Planning Board voted to confirm the
Historic Preservation Commission's recommendation
not to keep these sites on the Locational Atlas
and not to place them on the Master Plan.

M: 10/11	M: 18/1	M: 22/24
M: 12/26	M: 18/9	M: 23/20
M: 13/15	M: 19/8	M: 24/12
M: 13/16	M: 19/18	M: 25/1
M: 13/28	M: 19/20	M: 26/21
M: 14/15	M: 20/6	M: 27/7
M: 14/18	M: 20/27	M: 28/26
M: 14/31	M: 21/4	M: 30/3
M: 14/40	M: 22/18	M: 30/7
M: 14/48	M: 22/21	M: 30/9E
M: 17/55	M: 22/23	

M: 23/20



THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION
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MEMORANDUM

March 21, 1986

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

TO: Richard Ferrara, Director
Department of Housing and Community Development
John L. Menke, Director
Department of Environmental Protection
✓ J. Rodney Little, Director
State Historic Preservation Office
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

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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APPENDIX A

SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR REGULATION UNDER THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 24A OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE

The following sites have been reviewed by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission and were found not to merit designation of the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. If not included in the Master Plan, these resources may be removed from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County. If removed from the Locational Atlas, the sites will no longer be governed by the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance. The sites will, however, remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory.

The following sites were found by the Preservation Commission to be too greatly altered from the period of their architectural or historical significance or not to meet Ordinance criteria for designation.

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
15/31	Tyson House (Mrs. W. Chandlee House)	18600 Brooke Rd., Ashton
13/32	Brinklow Store & Post Office	18930 New Hampshire Ave. Brinklow
15/40	Rawlings Mill House	1820 Tucker Lane, Ashton
15/44	Pat Cuff House	1515 Ednor Rd., Ednor
15/48	Chimney Ruins	Oak Hill Rd.-North of Rt. 198, Spencerville
15/51	Drayton	16000 Oak Hill Road, Silver Spring
15/57	Murphy Ford Log House	16500 Block of Batson Rd., Spencerville
15/70	Harriet Lea House	18900 New Hampshire Ave., Brinklow
23/1	Gaither/Gray House	24241 Hipsley Mill Rd., Gaithersburg
23/2	Leamon/Faucett House	24405 Hipsley Mill Road, Gaithersburg
23/3	Dennis Thomas House	24501 Hipsley Mill Road, Laytonsville

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<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
23/4	Griffith-Hawkins House (Windcrest Farm)	6630 Damascus Road, Laytonsville
23/10	William Belt House	23511 Howard Chapel Rd, Brookeville
23/16	Elisha Riggs House	5210 Damascus Road, Laytonsville
23/20	Ulysses Griffith House	6001 Griffith Road, Laytonsville
23/22	Crow's Content	6410 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/25	Walter Magruder House	6201 Olney-Laytonsville Road, Laytonsville
23/28	E.R. Griffith House	6121 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/32	Worthington Tenant House	4201 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/43	Frank Brown House	22015 Georgia Avenue, Brookeville
23/44	Bushrod Gartrell House	22000 Georgia Avenue, Brookeville
23/52	Fletcher Veitch Farmhouse	5211 Brookeville Road, Laytonsville
23/55	Spring Garden	4700 Brookeville Road, Brookeville
23/56	Melwood (Captain Strain House)	19715 Zion Rd., Olney
23/59	Locust Hill	4415 Brookeville Road, Brookeville
23/61	Locust Grove II	3415 Brookeville Road Brookeville
23/73	Gittings Ha Ha	21030 New Hampshire Ave., Brookeville
23/74	Log Tenant House	21020 New Hampshire Avenue, Brookeville
23/88	George Stabler Farmhouse	101 Haviland Mill Road, Brinklow



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NAME *ULYSSES GRIFFITH HOUSE*

LOCATION *GRIFFITH Rd. LAYTONSVILLE, Md.*

FACADE *SE*

PHOTO TAKEN *11/8/74 MOWYER*



#23-20

NAME ULYSSES GRIFFITH BARN

LOCATION GRIFFITH Rd LAYTONSVILLE, Md

FACADE SE

PHOTO TAKEN 11/8/74 MAWYER