

Memo to file

December 30, 2003

From: Peter E. Kurtze
Administrator, Evaluation and Registration

Re: M: 26-30
Donald N. Woodward Property

The property documented in the following MIHP form has not been formally evaluated for eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The comments in the text are those of the preparer of the documentation. The State Historic Preservation Officer has neither concurred nor disagreed with those comments.

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: M:26-30 (PACS 4.8) Construction Date: Circa 1930

Name: Donald N. Woodward Property

Location: 401 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, Montgomery County

Private/Private Residence/Occupied/Good/Restricted

Description:

The Donald N. Woodward Property is located on the east side of Twinbrook Parkway in Rockville, Montgomery County. The 1½-story, 4-bay Tudor Revival dwelling was constructed circa 1930.

Significance:

The Donald N. Woodward Property was originally located on a large tract of land known as Meadow Hall. John H. Smithwick bought the 132.74 hectare (328 acre) tract from the trustees of the White family in June of 1926. By December of that year, the property had been acquired by Donald N. Woodward, under whose ownership the house was constructed. The 132.74 hectare (328 acre) parcel remained intact until 1955, when 47.67 hectares (117.8 acres) were bought by the Twin Brook Development Corporation. This development company oversaw construction of the surrounding neighborhood. In 1962, the property, then measuring 0.11 hectares (0.27 acres), was sold to William C. and Diana Howarth. The current owners, Edward C. and Rachel J. Wratten, acquired the property the following year.

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

DOE ___yes ___no

1. Name: (indicate preferred name)

historic Donald N. Woodward Property (preferred)

and/or common Edward C. and Rachel J. Wratten Property

2. Location:

street & number 401 Twinbrook Parkway ___ not for publication

city, town Rockville ___ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Montgomery

3. Classification:

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment	residence
___ object	___ in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	___ government	___ religious
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:
			___ transportation	

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

name Edward C. and Rachel J. Wratten

street & number 401 Twinbrook Parkway

telephone no.:

city, town Rockville

state and zip code MD 20851

5. Location of Legal Description

Land Records Office of Montgomery County

liber 3097

street & number 50 Maryland Avenue

folio 200

city, town Rockville

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

Survey No. M:26-30 (PACS 4.8)

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

Resource Count: 1

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

The Donald N. Woodward Property is located on the east side of Twinbrook Parkway in Rockville, Montgomery County. The 1½-story, 4-bay Tudor Revival dwelling was constructed circa 1930.

The house has a rock-faced concrete-block foundation and vinyl siding on the walls. The clipped-gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles and has projecting gables on the east, south and west sides. The roof has a simple, boxed cornice. A brick chimney is located on the south (front) elevation east of the main entry. The house has 6/1 double-hung windows in plain surrounds.

On the south, or front elevation, the main entry is located in the second bay from the east. The projecting vestibule has a steeply pitched roof. The recessed, arched door has a small window and strap hinges. Two windows are located to the west of the door and one window is located to the east.

On the west elevation, a projecting gable containing a window covers the northern bay of the first story. Another window is located south of the gable on the main block. The basement below this window is exposed and contains an entry. A single window is placed in the attic gable.

On the north elevation, an entry with a half-glass door is located in the second bay from the east. A single window is located to the east of the door and a paired window is located to the west. A shed porch with turned posts and brackets shelters the entry and the paired window. Two more windows are located west of the porch. A modern, octagonal deck is located northeast of the shed porch.

On the east elevation, a projecting gable containing a window covers the northern bay of the first story. A bay window is located south of the gable on the main block. An additional window is located in the attic gable.

The vinyl siding, shed porch and decks on this house are modern, but the structure retains its original form. The house displays several elements of the Tudor Revival style, including a steeply-pitched roof, multiple gables and an arched, battèn door.

The Donald N. Woodward Property is located west of Twinbrook Parkway in a suburban residential area in the southern part of Rockville. The small lot has evergreen trees and bushes surrounding the house and a fenced area to the north and east. The Carl Sandburg School is located east of the property. The surrounding neighborhood was developed during the late 1950s.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

STATE HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM

RESOURCE NAME: Donald N. Woodward Property

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ADDRESS: 401 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, Montgomery County

8. Significance (Continued)

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1930, the Donald N. Woodward 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 not an outstanding example of the Tudor Revival style. This property lacks the details such as false half-timbering, decorative stone and brick work, and narrow casement windows that distinguish more distinctive examples of this style. Also, the application of vinyl siding has compromised the integrity of the property. 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 _____

Comments

Reviewer, OPS: _____ Date: _____

Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. M:26-30 (PACS 4.8)

See Attached

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____
Quadrangle name Rockville, 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

11. Form Prepared By

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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 purposed only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
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100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
(410) 514-7600

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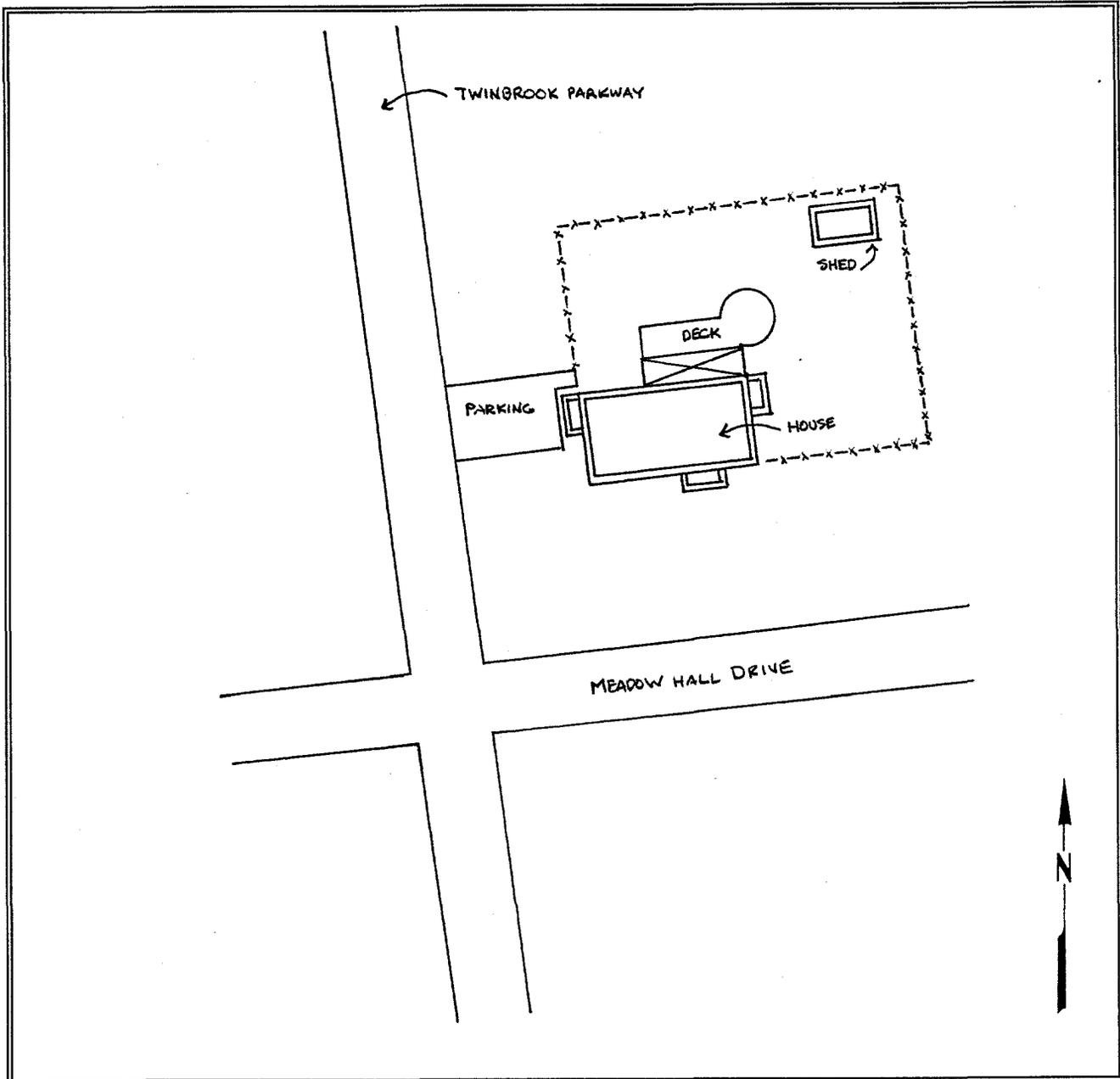
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

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 Theme (s):

Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present

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

Montgomery-Prince George's Short-term
Congestion Relief
Town/County Rockville/Montgomery
Quad Rockville, MD
Survey No. M:26-30 (PACS 4.8)
Property Name Donald N. Woodward Property





1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co. Md

4 Julie Davis

5 5/99

6 Md SHPO

7 FRONT (SOUTH) ELEVATION

8 1/10

2080271 N N 33



1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODBROOK PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co. Md.

4 John Dawie

5 1998

6 Md. SHPO

7 SOUTH WEST CORNER

8 2/10

2080271 NEN 32



1 M:26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 Julie Dancer

5 5/98

6 Md SHPL

7 WEST ELEVATION

8 3/10

2080221 NNN22



1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 Julie Danse

5 5/98

6 Md SHPO

7 NORTHWEST CORNER

2080271 N N N 22

8 4/10



1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co. Md

4 Julie Dansee

5 5198

6 Md JAPU

SITING N 120080L

7 NORTH ELEVATION

8 5/10



1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD'S PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co. Md

4 Julie Davis

5 5/98

6 Md STATE

7 NORTHEAST CORNER

8 6/10

605 N N 1200 80L



- 1 MI 26-30
- 2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY
- 3 MONTGOMERY Co. Md
- 4 JULIE DAVIS
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md SHPO
- 7 EAST ELEVATION
- 8 7/10

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- 1 M: 26-30
- 2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY
- 3 Montgomery Co Md
- 4 Julie Darsie
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md SHPO
- 7 SOUTHEAST CORNER
- 8 8/10

SEE N N 1230 90L



1 M: 26-30

2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY

3 Montgomery Co Md

4 Julie Dawson

5 5/48

6 Md APD

STATION 1,000 902

7 SHED, VIEW FROM NORTHEAST

8 9/10



- 1 M: 26-30
- 2 DONALD N. WOODWARD PROPERTY
- 3 Montgomery Co. Md
- 4 Julie Davis
- 5 5/98
- 6 Md. SHED
- 7 SHED, VIEW FROM SOUTHWEST STNN 1230-12
- 8 10/10