

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes
no

Property Name: 12127 Falls Road Inventory Number: M: 29-68
 Address: 12127 Falls Road Historic district: yes no
 City: Potomac Zip Code: 20854 County: Montgomery
 USGS Quadrangle(s): Rockville
 Property Owner: Tin-Yuan David & Hui-Ming Liu Lee Tax Account ID Number: 00126491
 Tax Map Parcel Number(s): blkC lot51 Tax Map Number: FQ62
 Project: Falls Road Hiker/Biker Trail Agency: Montgomery Co Dept of Public Works & Tr
 Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.
 Preparer's Name: Sarah Traum Date Prepared: 3/14/2005
 Documentation is presented in: Montgomery County Historical Society
 Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended
 Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
 Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
 Name of the District/Property: _____
 Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: yes no Listed: yes no
 Site visit by MHT Staf yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This property consists of a two-story brick dwelling. The core of this house measures three bays wide and two bays deep. The exterior is six-course common-bond brick, and the side-gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Two clapboard-clad dormers are found on the front (west) slope of the roof. The windows are vinyl one-over-one, double-hung sash with rowlock sills and soldier lintels. A simple gabled entry porch shelters the door centered on the front (west) façade of the core. A formerly exterior, now interior, chimney is located on the north gable of the core. A two-story addition abuts the north gable end of the historic core. This addition shares some of the same details as the historic core, including the six-course common bond exterior finish, windows with rowlock sills, and a side-gabled asphalt shingle roof. This addition also features other window types including a large octagonal window on the second floor of the north elevation, and a bay window on the first floor of the west elevation.

An asphalt drive leads into the property from Falls Road and mature trees and shrubs dot the property. A row of evergreens forms a screen along Falls Road.

Through the mid-twentieth century, the area around the south portion of Falls Road in Montgomery County, where this property is located, was focused on agriculture, with many small farms along the road. At the south end of Falls Road is the crossroads

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community of Potomac (formerly Offutt's Crossroads). This community grew up in the early nineteenth century to serve the needs of local residents. Beginning in the mid-twentieth century, many of the small farms along Falls Road were purchased for subdivision for new housing developments (Sween and Offutt 1999:171).

According to assessment records, this property was built in 1932. The first map evidence for this structure is the 1944 Rockville, MD.-VA. quadrangle (USGS 1944). Real estate atlases from 1949 and 1959 show the property as "Cedar Farm," including 88 and 15 acres, respectively. Both atlases also show two frame outbuildings to the east of the house (Klinge 1949, 1959).

This property is not recommended eligible for listing in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Places and the National Register of Historic Places because it lacks integrity of design and setting. The original design of the house has been altered by the large addition to the north elevation. The setting of the house has changed from that of a small farm to one of suburban development. Cul-de-sacs with tract homes now occupy the land that was shown as part of "Cedar Farm" in the real estate atlases.

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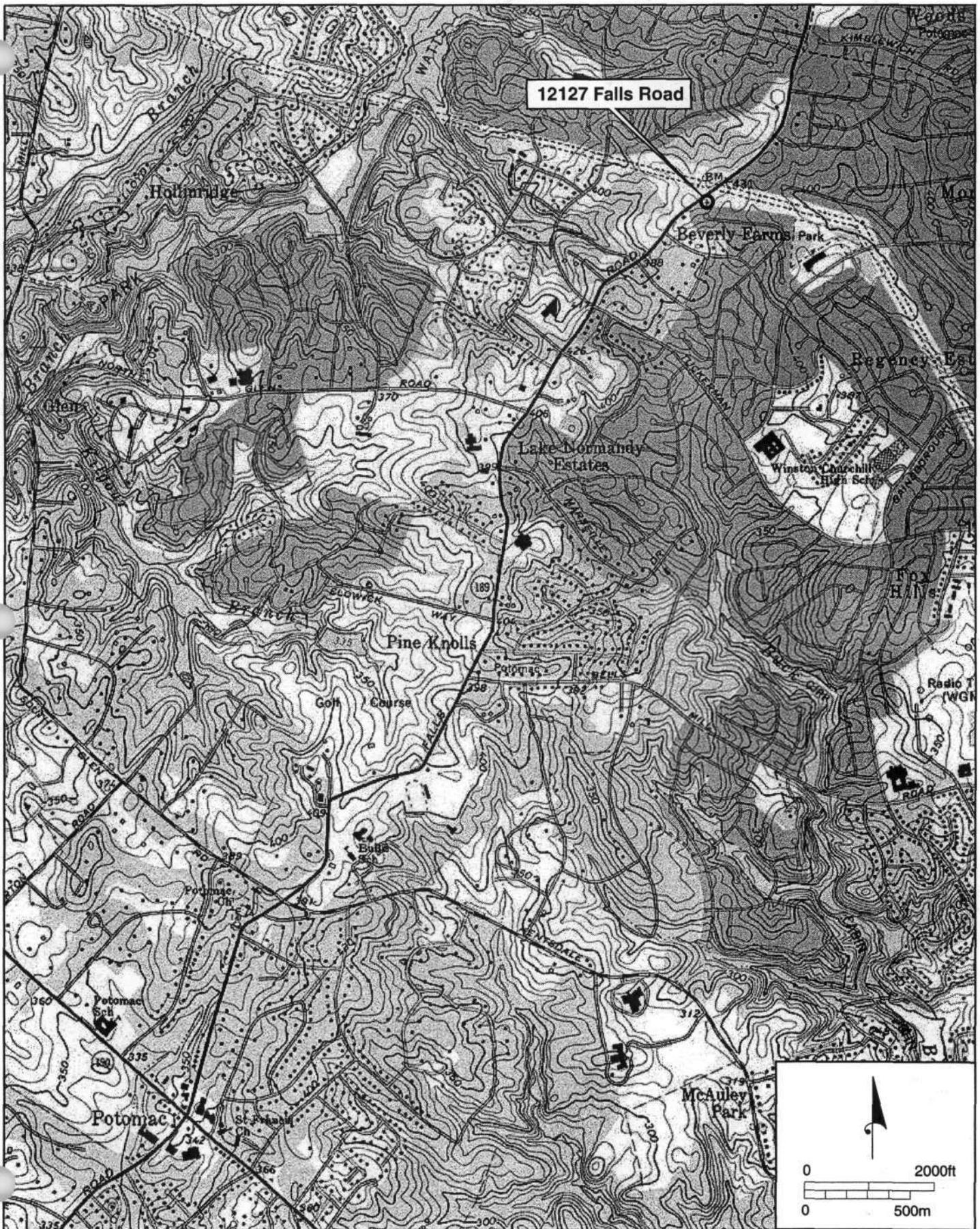
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Detail of USGS Rockville, MD VA. 7.5-minute quadrangle. Reston, VA: USGS, 1984.
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