

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ___
no ___

Property Name: Chevy Chase Lake Apartments Inventory Number: M:35-141
 Address: Chevy Chase Lake Drive and Manor Road City: Chevy Chase Zip Code: 28815
 County: Montgomery USGS Topographic Map: Washington West
 Owner: Multiple Is the property being evaluated a district? ___ yes
 Tax Parcel Number: 5 Tax Map Number: HN53 Tax Account ID Number: 07-00419647
 Project: Purple Line, Bethesda to Silver Spring Segment Agency: Maryland Transit Administration
 Site visit by MHT staff: X no ___ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
 Is the property is located within a historic district? ___ yes X no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
 NR-listed district ___ yes Eligible district ___ yes Name of District: _____
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ___ yes ___ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ___ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ___ yes X no

Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None
 Documentation on the property/district is presented in:
 1941 Atlas of Montgomery County, Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*
 The Chevy Chase Lake Apartments are of the garden apartment type and date to circa 1950. A 1950 Sanborn Map shows the apartments on Manor Road and Chevy Chase Lake Drive in their current configuration, including being bisected by the former Georgetown Branch of the B & O Railroad.

The apartments were built on the former site of Chevy Chase Lake, a recreation area on a man-made lake that was associated with the early development of Chevy Chase. The amusement park at the site was closed and the lake drained in 1937. After World War II, the Chevy Chase garden apartments were constructed to accommodate the desperate need for housing.

Garden apartments developed as a popular housing type in the 1920s. In the five years following World War II, garden apartments were commonly built, but after 1951, garden apartment construction nearly stopped. The garden apartment complex, according to Paula Spero in her study of suburbs was "often a planned community of several apartment buildings containing multiple units, within a landscaped or organized setting."

The Chevy Chase Apartment complex consists of four groupings of units on the south side of the railroad line and four on the north side. The buildings are two stories with brick facing and have both gabled and gambrel roofs. The front façade of each

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Eligibility recommended ___	Eligibility not recommended <u>X</u>
Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D	Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G ___ None
MHT Comments	
<u>Andrew Lewis</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>11/07/02</u> Date
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, NR Program	<u>1/7/03</u> Date

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Building focuses on the main entrance. Each entrance is delineated by Colonial Revival Style features such as a pediments (segmental, broken, and arched). Other classical features include quoins, pedimented cross gables with dentils and Palladian windows. The property includes green space in front of some units and in-between others. Paved parking lots also separate the units. It appears that some of the paved parking areas may have formerly been greenspace, part of the original complex's "garden" design.

The Chevy Chase Lake Apartments are typical of the Post World War II garden apartments built in Montgomery County. The complex is not eligible for the NRHP because it does not meet the significance assessment criteria outlined by Spero in the suburban development context study. The garden apartment is common in the Montgomery landscape and the Chevy Chase units lack important historic association in the development of this form or of the Chevy Chase area. In addition, it appears that the complex has lost some of its character-defining landscape features through conversion of areas into parking lots.

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Date Prepared: 9/3/2002



Chevy Chase Lake Apartments, Manor Road and Chevy Chase Lake Drive M:35-141
Washington West, USGS Quadrangle

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Chevy Chase Lake Apartments
3601, 3609, 3701, and 3709 Chevy Chase Drive
Chevy Chase
Washington West Quadrangle





M 30 1992

Chevy Chase Lake App's

Chevy Chase Lake and Margaret Slater, Chevy Chase

Montgomery Co, MD

Margaret Slater PBSD

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Chevy Chase Lake Drive Units, view north

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Cherry Chase Lake Apt's

Cherry Chase Lake + mana Drive, Cherry Chase

Montgomery Co, MD

Slater, PBAD

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MS SHPO

Cherry Chase Lake units, view N

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Cherry Chase Lake Apts

Cherry Chase Lake and Meadow Dr, Cherry Chase

Princess Anne Co, MD

Margaret Slater, PRGD

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and SHVP

Cherry Chase

3 of 8 Lake Dr. units. (see 11)



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Chase Chase Lake Apartments, Cherry Chase
Cherry Chase Lake and Manda Drive)
Montgomery Co. MD

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Cherry Chase Lake Dr. Units, District

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Cherry Chase Lake Apts

Cherry Chase Lake and Manor Drive, Cherry Chase

Montgomery Co, MD

Slater, PBD

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MD SUPD

Detail of entrance, view N

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Cherry Chase Lake Apts
Cherry Chase Lake and roads Dr, Cherry Chase

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End unit, view N

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Chevy Chase Lake Apts

Chevy Chase Lake and Manor Dr., Chevy Chase

Montgomery Co., MD

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Manor Dr. unit, view west

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Cherry Chase Lake Apts

Cherry Chase Lake and Marina Dr. Cherry Chase
Montgomery Co, MD

Slater, PC 20

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map 2/02

Marina Dr. Unit, view S.

300' S

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

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Property/District Name: (3601, 3609, 3701, 3709) 3719 Chevy Chase Lake Drive, Chevy Chase Lake Apartments, Chevy Chase, MD.
Survey Number: _____

Project: Montgomery County Dept. Housing & Community Affairs Agency: _____

Site visit by MHT Staff: no yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended _____ Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F
 G None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The property known as the Chevy Chase Lake Apts., 3719 Chevy Chase Lake Drive, Chevy Chase, MD, is not located within the boundaries of an historic district and does not meet the criteria for individual listing on the National Register.

The three buildings comprising the complex were built prior to 1948 and were built in the Colonial Revival style. The subdivision of the massing of the complex into three separate blocks and the use of Colonial Revival detailing was designed to give the complex a residential scale and appearance. The use of Colonial Revival detailing was popular on the earliest garden apartments developed prior to World War II and remained so on complexes developed after the War.

The complex lacks the architectural distinction necessary to qualify it for listing on the National Register under Criterion C. Based upon the information provided, the property is not associated with persons or events significant to our past, and thus does not qualify under Criteria A or B.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance Files
Prepared by: Ray Goodrow

Ray M. Goodrow 5/27/98
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: yes no not applicable

John A. Furtz 5/28/98
Reviewer, NR program Date

John

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment Suburban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/ Multi-Family Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Front View - 1st quadrant
& Side View



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Cherry Chase Lake Apts.

Front View - 2nd Quadrant



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Chung Chae Lake Apt.

~~Room~~ + Side View - 3rd Bldg