

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G.# 68-12-2 Building Date: 1904

Building Name: Bakersmith House

Location: 3704 Upshur Street, Brentwood, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Excellent/Inaccessible

Description

The Bakersmith House is a 2 1/2-story frame dwelling of the I-House form, with flush central cross gable on the principal south facade. The one-story hip-roof porch has Tuscan posts and plain railing. The original wood siding is covered by yellow asbestos shingle, and the roof is covered with green shingles; trim is white.

Significance

This is a good example of the I-House form, one of four surviving dwellings of this type in the oldest section of Brentwood. It was built in 1904 on Dewey Street of the Brentwood subdivision for the family of John and Wilhelmina Bakersmith. John Bakersmith ran a general merchandise market. He became very active in civic affairs, serving as the first president of the Brentwood Improvement Association in 1917, and later as a Town Councilman. His house is a noticeable reminder of the earliest buildings in the community.

Acreage: 10,000 square feet

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bakersmith House

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 3704 Upshur Street  not for publication

city, town Brentwood  vicinity of congressional district 4

state Maryland county Prince George's

## 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"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 checked="" 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 Norman Scribner

street & number 3704 Upshur Street telephone no.:

city, town Brentwood state and zip code MD 20722

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 2728

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 24

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	PG#68-12-2
<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			

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

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Bakersmith House  
Brentwood  
Prince George's County  
Washington East Quadrangle

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Wash. East



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John Bohersmith House  
3704 Upshur St.  
Brentwood, P.G. Co.

Susan L. Peake

May 1992

East facade

Block 8, lot 6

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