

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: 68-82 Building Date: 1940

Building Name: 4114 Queensbury Road

Location: Hyattsville, Maryland

Private/Apartments/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description Summary

The building at 4114 Queensbury Road (Block 1, Lot 19, Nichols' Addition to Hyattsville, Resubdivision) is a two-story, three-by-four-bay, apartment building in the Art Moderne style. The building is constructed of red-brown brick and has a square plan and a shed roof. The building's north-sloping shed roof is concealed on three sides by a simple brick parapet. The main facade of the building faces south and has a centered entrance bay. The most prominent feature of the main facade is the entrance bay composed of a single wood-and-glass door with a stepped, projecting cast stone surround. Except for the entry bay, windows throughout the building are attached pairs of 1/1 double-hung replacement sash. The main entry door is undecorated except for a large, faceted oval window. Above the entry surround, there is a multi-light, metal-clad casement. Above this window is a rectangular opening light with glass blocks. Crowning the entrance bay, the parapet has a simple, stepped projection detailed in brick with stone coping.

Significance Summary

The two-story, brick apartment house at 4114 Queensbury Road in West Hyattsville is significant as an essentially intact and representative example of a mid-twentieth century, purpose-built, multi-family dwelling in Prince George's County. The building contains four flats, two per floor. Constructed in 1940, the building exhibits the straightforward massing and the simple, geometrically-inspired detailing typical of the Art Moderne style, as popularly applied to apartment buildings throughout the late 1930s and 1940s. 4114 Queensbury Road is one of a group of four similar but not identical apartment houses located near the intersection of Queensbury Road and 42nd Avenue. Tax assessment records indicate that by 1941, Herman and Yetta Rosin had built the apartment building at 4114 Queensbury Road, along with the similar buildings at 4104 and 4112 Queensbury and one around the corner at 6202 42nd Avenue.

Acreage: 5,000 sq.ft.

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4114 Queensbury Road
Hyattsville, Maryland

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Periods:

Modern Period - AD 1930-Present

Historic Period Themes:

Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Suburban

Historic Functions and Uses: Apartment Building

Design Source: unknown

Magi No.

DOE yes no

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 4114 Queensbury Road

2. Location

street & number 4114 Queensbury Road not for publicationcity, town Hyattsville vicinity of congressional district 5th

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	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 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 Frank J. Minott & Richard O.W. Rose

street & number 4114 Queensbury Road telephone no.:

city, town Hyattsville state and zip code MD 20782

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber 8349

street & number 14735 Main Street folio 693

city, town Upper Marlboro state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title N/A

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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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			

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

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The main entry door is undecorated except for a large, faceted oval window. Above the entry surround, there is a multi-light, metal-clad casement. Above this window is a rectangular opening light with glass blocks. Crowning the entrance bay, the parapet has a simple, stepped projection detailed in brick with stone coping. Projecting courses of brick wrap around the corners of the main facade above the first and second story windows. At both the first and second story attached pairs of 1/1 windows wrap around the corner of the building.

The east and west elevations of the buildings are fenestrated with widely-spaced 1/1, double-hung replacement-sash windows. On the north side of the building (to the rear) there are shallow, two-story screened sleeping porches that are slightly narrower than the building's main block. On their east and west elevations, the porches are have round-arch openings that are been filled in with rectangular replacement windows. Across the north elevation of the porches there are simple rectangular openings also filled in with replacement windows.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1940 **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.

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Land records indicate that the property on which 4114 Queensbury Road is located was originally subdivided as part of Block 1, Nichols' Addition to Hyattsville in 1891.¹ In April 1940, the northwest corner of what was then known as the intersection of West Madison and Wine avenues was resubdivided by Herman and Yetta Rosin. The Rosins had purchased a number of lots there in September 1937.² Located just to the west of the Rosin resubdivision, 4104 Queensbury Road was built on Lot 12 of Nichols' Addition as originally platted. Tax assessment records indicate that by 1941, the Rosins had built the apartment building at 4114 Queensbury Road, along with the similar buildings at 4104 and 4112 Queensbury and one around the corner at 6202 42nd Avenue.³

¹Prince George's County Land Records, Subdivision Plats, A:24.

²Prince George's County Land Records, 483:94; Subdivision Plats 7:77.

³Prince George's County Tax Assessments, E.D.# 16, 1937-1945.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See Notes, See Item #8

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 5,000 sq ft

Quadrangle name Washington East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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	Zone	Easting	Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Lot 19, Block 1, Nichols Addition to Hyattsville (Resubdivision)

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Howard S. BERger, Architectural Historian		
organization	Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission		
street & number	14741 Gov. Oden Bowie Drive	date	June 1993
city or town	Upper Marlboro	telephone	(301) 952-3520
		state	Maryland 20772

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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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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STATE HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM
Statement of Significance (continued)

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In 1961, 4114 Queensbury Road was sold by Herman Rosin's widow, then remarried. Since that time the property has changed hands a number of times. The current owners, Frank J. Minott and Richard O.W. Rose, purchased the property in 1992.⁴ -

⁴Prince George's County Land Records, 8349:693.

Chain of Title

4114 Queensbury Road

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8349:693
8 June 1992
Deed

Olivio and Barbara E. Green to Frank J. Minott and Richard O.W. Rose. Grantors convey Lot 19 in Block 1, Nichols Addition to Hyattsville (resubdivision). Plat recorded 7:77. Same obtained from Wee G. Jung and Barbara S. Jung, 20 December 1984, 6051:464.

6051:464
20 December 1984
Deed

Wee G. Jung and Barbara S. Jung to Olivio and Barbara E. Green. Grantors convey Lot 19 in Block 1. Same obtained from Barton L. Breighner and Gordon D. Breighner, 19 November 1982, 5608:504.

5608:504
19 November 1982
Deed

Barton L. Breighner and Gordon D. Breighner to Wee G. Jung and Barbara S. Jung. Grantors convey Lot 19 in Block 1. Same obtained from Robert L. and Margaret L. Chiarizia, 25 January 1980, 5220:894.

5220:894
25 January 1980
Deed

Robert L. and Margaret L. Chiarizia to Barton L. Breighner and Gordon D. Breighner. Grantors convey Lot 19 in Block 1. Same obtained from Albert H. and Barbara Davis, 20 January 1965, 3099:269.

3099:269
20 January 1965
Deed

Albert H. and Barbara Davis to Robert L. and Margaret L. Chiarizia. Grantors convey Lot 19 in Block 1. Same obtained from Louis and Bessie Storch and Harry J. and Miriam Gross, 9 September 1963, 2869:193.

2869:193
9 September 1963
Deed

Louis and Bessie Storch and Harry J. and Miriam Gross. Grantors convey Lot 19 (and Lots 12, 20 and 21) in Block 1. Same obtained from Yetta Rosin Seigel, 26 July 1961, 2586:379.

2586:379
26 July 1961
Deed

Yetta Rosin Seigel, widow Herman Rosin, to Louis Storch and Harry J. Gross. Grantor conveys Lot 19 (and Lots 12, 20 and 21) in Block 1. Same obtained from A. Gladys and Charles J. O'Lare, 9 September 1937, 483:94.

483:94
9 September 1937
Deed

A. Gladys O'Lare to Yetta and Herman Rosin. Grantor conveys Lots 6,7,8 in Block 1. Same obtained from John M. and Pauline Kuhns, 12 December 1934, 407:55.

407:55
12 December 1934
Deed

John M. and Pauline Kuhns to A. Gladys O'Lare.
Grantors convey Lots 6,7,8, in Block 1. Same
obtained by Will from Charles R. Kuhns, 1933,
#5253.

#5253
1933
Will

Charles R. Kuhns to John M. Kuhns and A. Gladys
O'Lare. Grantors conveys Lots 6,7,8 (and
others) in Block 1. Same obtained from
Franc[e]s M. Nichols, 2 October 1919, 147:232.

147:232
2 October 1919
Deed

Franc[e]s M. Nichols to Charles R. Kuhns, et ux.
Grantor conveys Lots 6,7, and 8 in Block 1 of
grantor's subdivision of Nichols Addition to
Hyattsville. To clear title, this deed is made.

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Hyattsville

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Washington East





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4114 Queensbury Road, Hyattsville
Prince George's County, Maryland

Howard S. Berger

January 1993

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