

## CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: PG:85A-48 (PACS 1.18) Construction Date: circa 1940

Name: Thomas and Edith Swann Property

Location: 13300 Brandywine Road, T.B. Vicinity, Prince George's County

Private/Private Residence/Occupied/Good/Accessibility Restricted

### Description:

The Thomas and Edith Swann Property is a 2½-story, 3-bay side-gable vernacular residence located on the east side of Brandywine Road in the T.B. vicinity, Prince George's County. Constructed circa 1940, the property consists of a residence, a garage and an agricultural outbuilding. The residential building has a side-gable roof, a 1-story front porch and a modern rear addition. The house is of wood-frame construction with a concrete block foundation and an asphalt shingle roof. Vinyl siding covers the exterior walls, cornices and eaves. The windows are wood double-hung units, the majority of which have a 6/1 light configuration.

### Significance:

The land associated with the Thomas and Edith Swann Property was historically part of a large tract of land owned by William H. Grimes in the nineteenth century. In 1879, William Grimes sold approximately 47.5 hectares (117.4 acres) of land to J. Eli Huntt. The property known as "Woodlawn" passed to J. Eli Huntt's wife Laura, then to his daughter Mary E. Bowling. In 1917, Mary E. Bowling sold the property to Abner N. Mason. Mason sold 11.2 hectares (27.7 acres) of the tract to Waldo Ward in 1923. Later that same year, 3.6 hectares (8.94 acres) of the property were sold to Charles S. Lennon. In 1933 the property was purchased by Marion H. Hartman of Washington, D.C. In 1937, the land was sold to Thomas and Edith Swann. A house was constructed on the property shortly after the land was purchased by Thomas and Edith Swann. The property remained in the ownership of Thomas and Edith Swann until the house and 3.2 hectares (8.2 acres) of land were purchased by Leroy D. Brown in 1966. The current owners, Francis and Jane Jenkins, bought the property in 1973. The size of the parcel remains 3.2 hectares (8.2 acres).

Preparer:  
P.A.C. Spero & Company  
September 1998

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Maryland Historical Trust  
 Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form  
 MD 5 Brandywine Interchange

DOE \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

1. **Name:** (indicate preferred name)

historic Thomas and Edith Swann Property (preferred)

and/or common Jenkins Property I

2. **Location:**

street & number 13300 Brandywine Road \_\_\_ not for publication

city, town T.B. X vicinity of congressional district

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"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
—	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	

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

name Francis and Jane Jenkins

street & number 13300 Brandywine Road telephone no.:

city, town Brandywine state and zip code MD 20613

5. **Location of Legal Description**

Land Records Office of Prince George's County liber 4194

street & number Prince George's County Judicial Center folio 368

city, town Upper Marlboro state MD

6. **Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title

date \_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input 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: 3

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

The Thomas and Edith Swann Property is a 2½-story, 3-bay side-gable vernacular residence located on the east side of Brandywine Road in the T.B. vicinity, Prince George's County. Constructed circa 1940, the property consists of a residence, a garage and an agricultural outbuilding. The residential building has a side-gable roof, a 1-story front porch and a modern rear addition. Projecting from the north elevation is a narrow 1½-story side-gable section with the same pitch and cornice returns as the main roof.

The structure is of wood-frame construction with a concrete block foundation and an asphalt shingle roof. Vinyl siding covers the exterior walls, cornices and eaves. The windows are wood double-hung units, the majority of which have a 6/1 light configuration. A brick chimney with a corbelled cap is located on the south gable end of the structure. A 1-story hipped roof porch is located on the front elevation.

The 1-story hipped roof porch on the front, or west elevation has an asphalt shingle roof and is supported by four wood fluted columns on brick piers. The first story of the front elevation has an entry and two 6/1 double-hung windows. The entry consists of a wood panel door with two leaded-glass lights, flanked by 3-light side-lights. The second story has a pair of 6/1 double-hung windows on either side of a central 4/1 double-hung window. The attic level of the building has a central shed roof dormer. Within the dormer is a fixed-sash window flanked by 6-light casement windows.

A large portion of the north elevation consists of the 1½-story side-gable structure. As an original feature of the house, the 1½-story section contains the interior staircases and side-entry. Located at grade level is a 3-light basement awning window and a 3-light wood panel door. A 3-light casement window is situated between the first and second stories, while a 6/1 double-hung window is located in the gable end. The attic level of the main block has a 6/1 double-hung window.

Attached to the rear, or east elevation are an enclosed 2-story shed roof porch and a modern 1-story addition. The 2-story porch is full-width and has been enclosed on both floors with windows and vinyl siding. The structure was originally supported by concrete block piers which were in-filled with concrete block circa 1990, when the modern addition was constructed. The first story of the enclosed porch has a vinyl 6/6 double-hung window. The second story has been enclosed with six pairs of sliding metal windows. The attic level of the main house has two shed roof dormers. The first dormer has both a 4-light and a 6-light casement window, while the second dormer window opening has been filled with a metal louvered vent.

Projecting from the rear elevation is a 1-story modern addition. Constructed circa 1990, the addition has vinyl siding and a gable roof covered in asphalt shingles with four skylights. The east elevation of the addition has two vinyl 6/6 double-hung windows and a 9-light door. The east elevation has six 6/6 vinyl double-hung windows, while the gable end has six fixed-sash windows. The upper portion of the fixed-sash windows are angled to parallel the rake of the roof slope. The south elevation of the addition has three 6/6 vinyl windows, below which are three small fixed sash windows. A large wood deck is located on the north side of the addition.

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## 7. Description (Continued)

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The south elevation of the main house has an exterior brick chimney flanked by two 4/1 double-hung windows on the first story. One 4/1 double-hung window is located on the second story, while the attic level has a 6/1 double-hung window. Near the southeast corner of the building is a projecting 2-story bay with a hipped roof. The first story of the bay has a triple window of 4/1 double-hung units and the second story has a pair of 6/1 double-hung windows. The first story of the enclosed rear porch has a vinyl 6/6 double-hung window, while the second story has a pair of metal sliding windows.

Access to the interior of the building was not available.

There are two outbuildings associated with this property. The first outbuilding is a garage located north of the house. The structure, constructed circa 1940, has a front-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. The exterior walls are sheathed in German wood siding and the gable ends are covered with wood shingles. The south elevation has large wood overhead doors, the west elevation has two sliding metal windows and the east elevation has a 4-light wood panel door and two sliding metal windows.

The second outbuilding on the property is an attached cluster of 1-story side-gable agricultural buildings. Constructed circa 1940, the structure has three sections. The first, northernmost section is a wood frame wagon shed with a corrugated metal roof and vertical wood siding. The east and west elevations have double wood doors. The middle section of the building is a storage area, also with a corrugated metal roof and vertical wood siding. The east and west elevations of this section have smaller double wood doors. The third, southern section of the building is used as a workshop. The building has a modern corrugated roof, vertical wood siding and textured particle board siding. The west elevation has a 3-light wood door and a metal window, while the east elevation has a vertical wood door. The structure is located northeast of the house and east of the garage.

The Thomas and Edith Swann Property is located on the east side of Brandywine Road. The house and outbuildings are set-back approximately 150 meters (500 feet) from Brandywine Road and are accessed by a gravel driveway which extends east to the house. The setting is rural with random development. Residential properties are located to the north, east and west. Woodland and one residential property are located to the south.



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## 8. Significance (Continued)

T.B. was in danger of decline by the end of the nineteenth century. During the 1870s and 1880s, both the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad and the Southern Maryland and Point Lookout Railroad had bypassed T.B. in favor of the village of Brandywine, located two miles to the east. Businesses and other activities favored this location, and T.B. remained a small, crossroads village serving only local farmers and travelers. William G. Becker tried to develop the "Littleworth" subdivision northwest of T.B. during the 1930s, however only a few lots were ever developed. Several dwellings were constructed around the periphery of the village between 1930 and 1950. In 1927, the Governor Crain Highway, now Route 301, was constructed along a new alignment immediately east of T.B. In 1950 Maryland Route 5, which formerly followed Brandywine Road north of T.B. and Old Brandywine Road south of T.B., was moved to a new alignment immediately east of Brandywine Road. Although Route 5 did not result in extensive demolition, T.B. failed quickly after its construction (MHT, PG:85A-33).

The house on the Thomas and Edith Swann Property is an example of vernacular residence with early twentieth century architectural influences such as the Colonial Revival style and Bungalow form. Between 1870 and 1940 vernacular residences were typically built for Americans of modest means. Vernacular residences are characterized by simple ornamentation and mass-produced components, such as door frames, moldings, sash and window units, and porch decoration. The development of post-Civil War machinery capable of producing large amounts of standardized housing elements, such as those found in vernacular residences, contributed greatly to the development of the modern American housing industry. Designs for vernacular residences were obtained from popular magazines, such as House Beautiful, or carpenter's and builder's journals, such as American Builder. A variety of front-gable, side-gable, cross-gable and hipped roof frame vernacular residences were developed in the early- to mid-twentieth century. Front-gable and hipped roof vernacular residences are primarily 1- to 1½-stories tall, 3-bays wide and several rooms deep. Side-gable and cross-gable structures are usually 1- to 2½-stories tall, are typically 2- to 3-bays in width and vary from 1- to 3-rooms deep. They usually include a porch covered with a shed roof. Porches are supported by posts often containing machine-produced Victorian ornamentation. Vernacular residences often have features extracted from other styles. Depending on the fashionable style of the time, the residence can have Queen Anne, Bungalow, Colonial Revival or Tudor Revival influences (Gottfried and Jennings 1988, viii-xv).

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8. Significance (Continued)

National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1940, the Thomas and Edith Swann 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 a ubiquitous building type which lacks architectural significance. The property is common of mid-twentieth century residences that integrated simplified elements of popular styles into basic building configurations. The house is not a significant example of mid-twentieth century design. In addition, the material and design integrity of the building have been compromised by alterations such as the construction of the rear addition and deck, enclosure of the rear 2-story porch and application of vinyl siding. 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comments _____	
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Reviewer, OPS: <u>Oliver</u>	Date: <u>12/8/98</u>
Reviewer, NR Program: <u>Bruntz</u>	Date: <u>12/8/98</u>

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References Survey No. PG:85A-48(PACS1.18)

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name Piscataway, MD Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

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

state                    code    county    code

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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state Maryland

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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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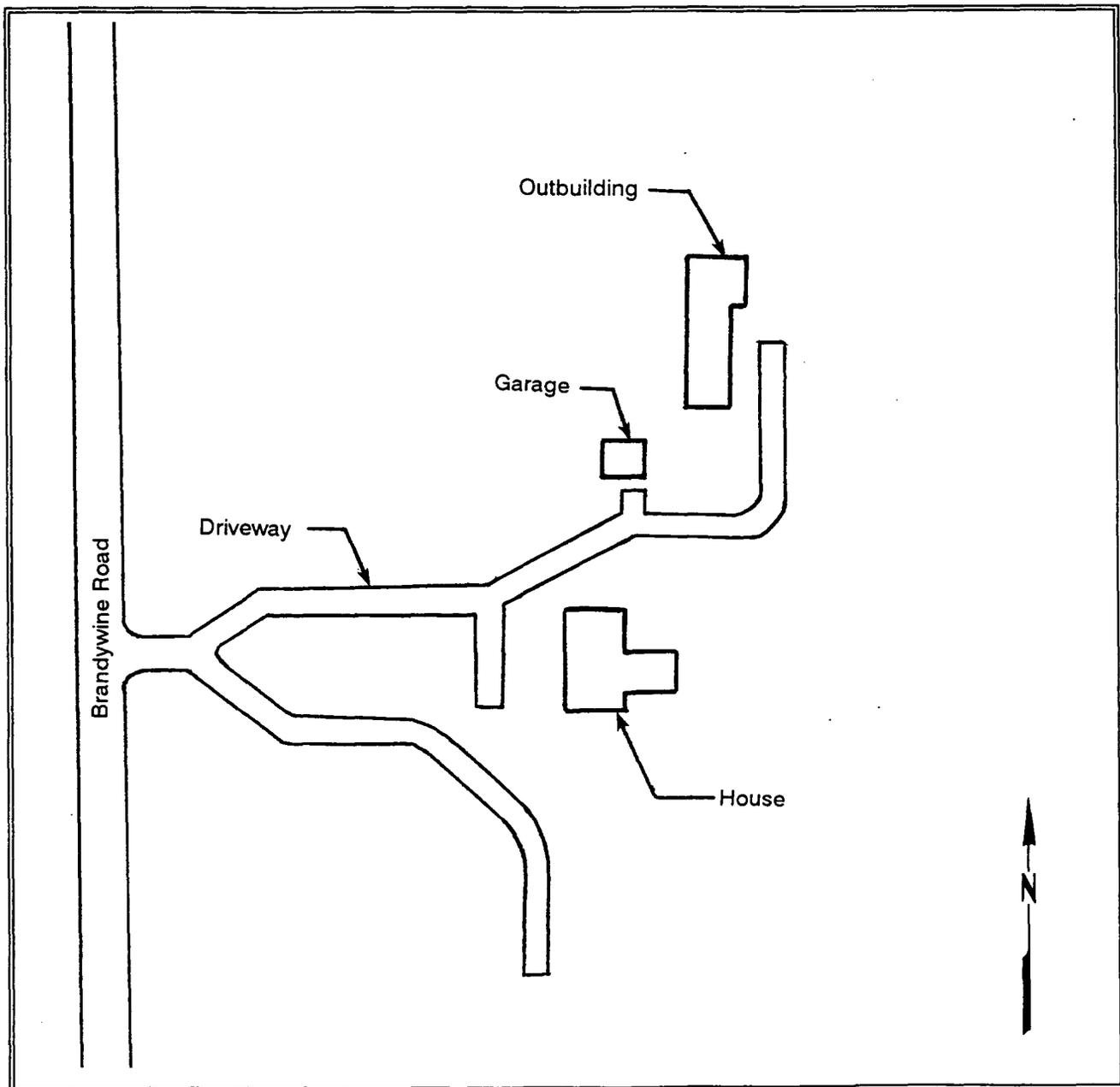
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Resource Sketch Map:



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Maryland Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan Data Sheet

Historic Context:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Modern Period (A.D. 1930-Present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Agriculture, Architecture

RESOURCE TYPE:

Category (see Section 3 of survey form):

Building

Historic Environment (urban, suburban, village, or rural):

Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

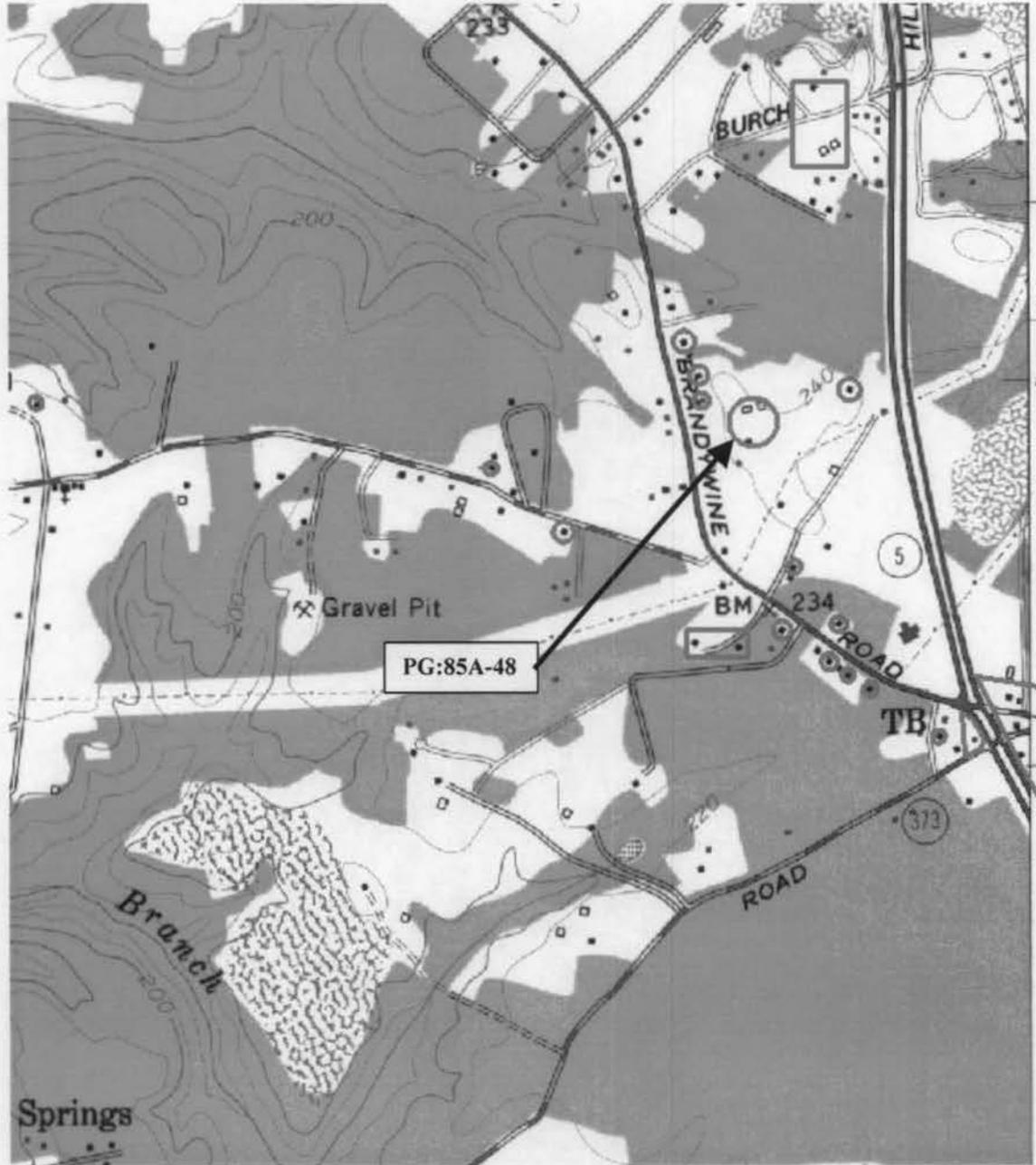
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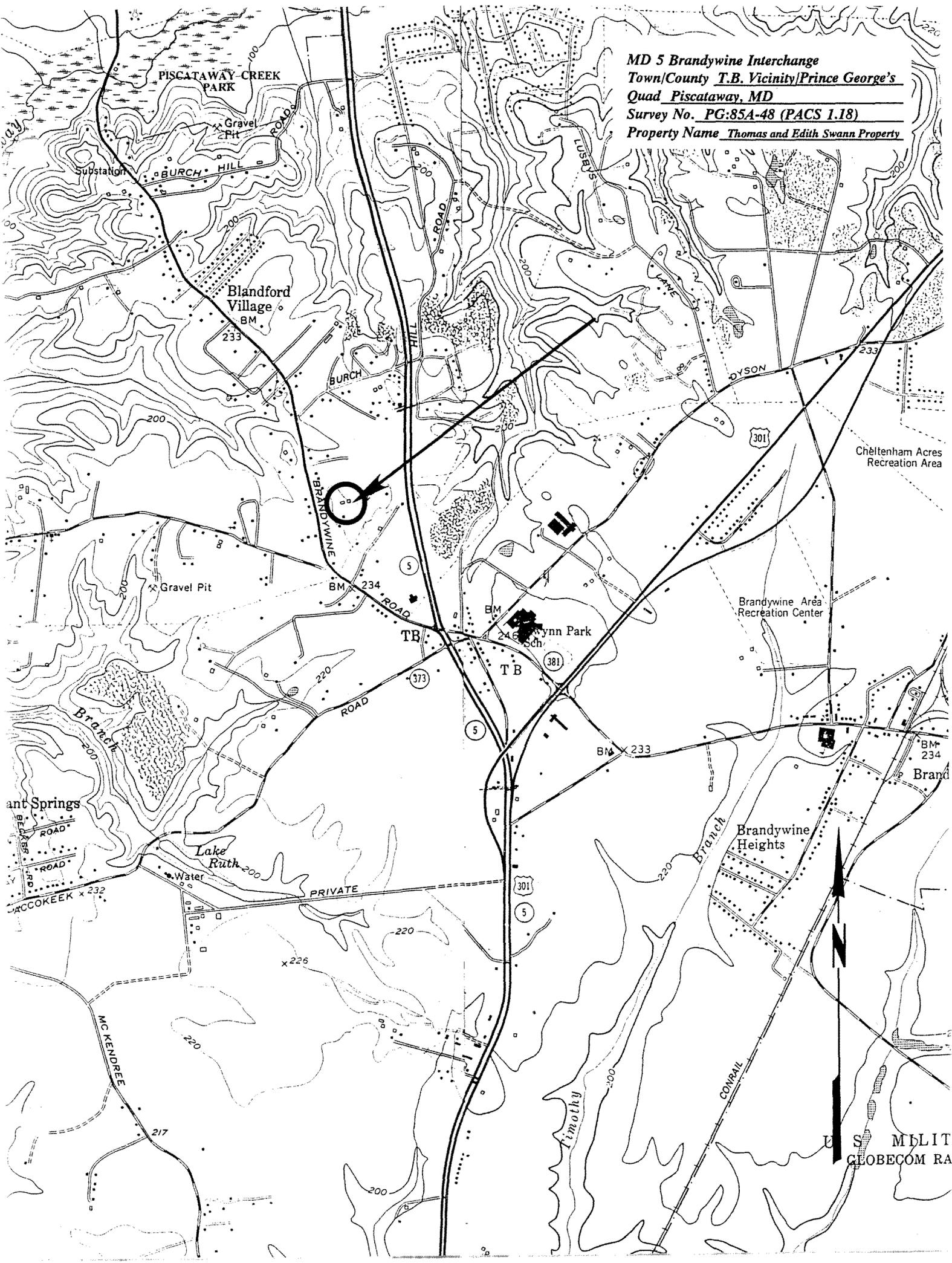
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Thomas & Edith Swann Property  
(Jenkins Property I)  
13300 Brandywine Road (MD 381)  
Piscataway quadrangle



MD 5 Brandywine Interchange  
Town/County T.B. Vicinity/Prince George's  
Quad Piscataway, MD  
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2. THOMAS AND EDITH SWANN PROPERTY

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4. Tim TAMBLETINO

5. September 1993

6. Maryland SUEO

7. 13300 Brandwine Rd, Hill Corner, View 52

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2. Thomas and Edith Susan Kennedy

3. Prince George's Co. MD

Towson/No! 13 400\*81 N N N 3 452

4. Tin Towson, MD

5. September 1998

6. Maryland 2420

7. 13301 Brongwyn Road, NE Corner, View SW

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2. Thomas and Edith Swann Property

3. Prince George's Co. MD

Township: 14 400\*81 HHH 4 562

4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland State

7. 13300 Evansville Road, Near (East) elevator, view W

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2. Thomas and Edith Swann Property

3. King George's Co. MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland SUPO

7. 13300 Brandywine Rd. SE Corner, View MD

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2. Thomas and Edith Swann Property

3. Prince George's Co. MD

Township: 16 400\*81 H N N 3 252

4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland State

7. 13300 Branchville Road, South Elevation, View 4

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3. Prince George's Co. MD

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4. Tim. Tassoulianos

5. September 1978

6. Maryland State

7. 3300, Maryland State, SEFA SE, 1.243 SW

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3. Prince George's Co. - 12

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7. 13300 Evansgwiner Road, Antebellum complex, view NE

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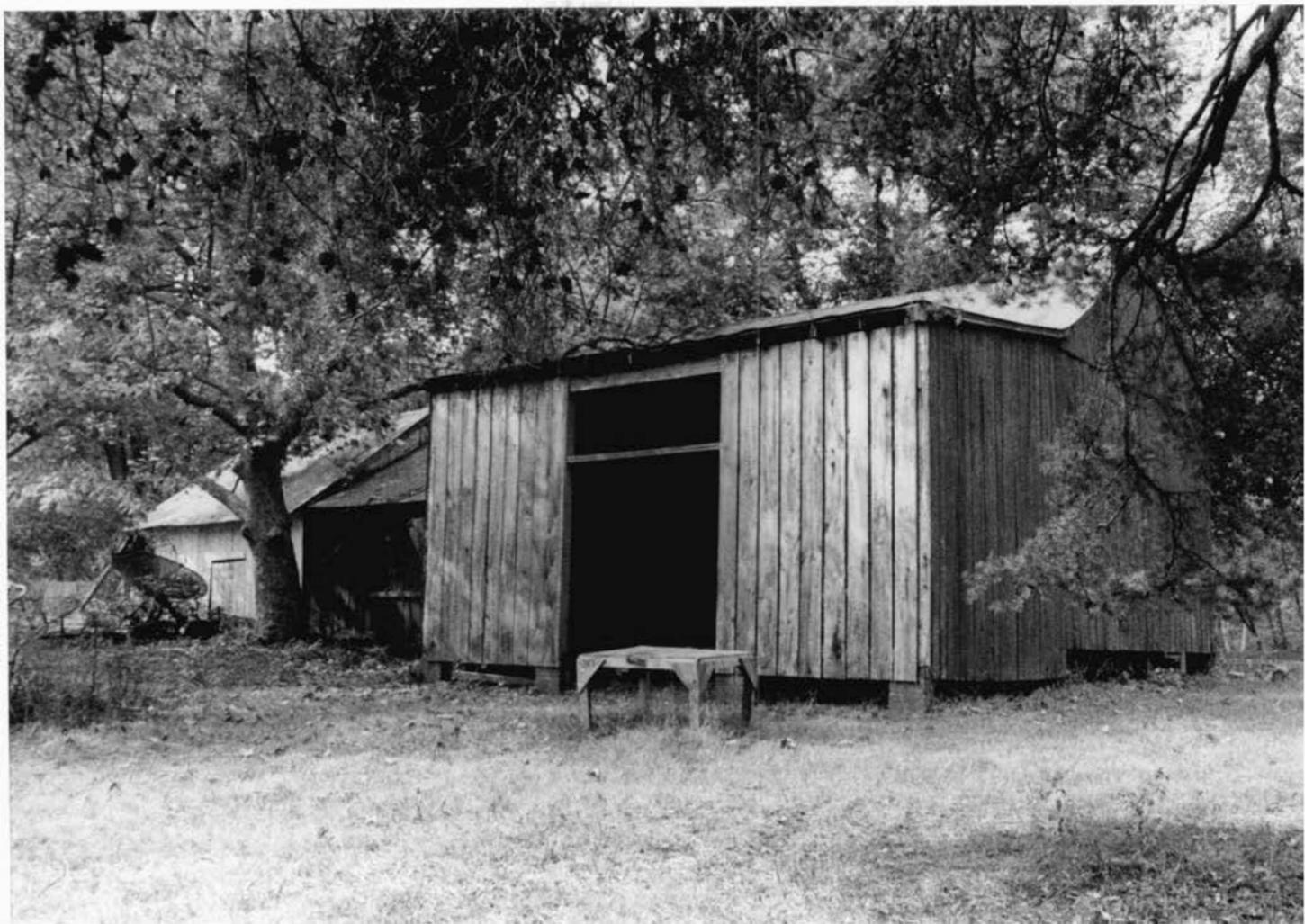
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3. Prince George's Co., MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland SHED

7. 13300 Branchville Road, Outbuilding Complex, View SW

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