

CAPSULE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey No.: PG:85A-49 (PACS 1.19) Construction Date: Circa 1935

Name: Charles and Grace Potter Property

Location: 13216 Brandywine Road, T.B. Vicinity, Prince George's County

Private/Private Residence/Occupied/Good/Accessibility Restricted

Description:

The Charles and Grace Potter Property is a 2-story, 2-bay Four-square located in the T.B. vicinity, Prince George's County. The property is situated along a gravel lane which extends east from Brandywine Road. Constructed circa 1935, the property consists of a residence and two outbuildings. The residence is a vernacular building inspired by the Four-square movement with a broad hipped roof, paired windows and a hipped roof front porch. The structure is of wood-frame construction with a parged concrete block foundation, asbestos shingle exterior walls and an asphalt shingle roof. The windows are wood 6/1 double-hung units and exterior brick chimneys with corbelled caps are located on the east (rear) and north elevations.

—Both front and rear porches have been enclosed.

Significance:

The land associated with the Charles and Grace Potter Property was historically part of a large tract of land owned by William H. Grimes in the late nineteenth century. In 1879, William H. Grimes sold approximately 47.5 hectares (117.4 acres) of land to J. Eli Hunt. The property known as "Woodlawn" passed to J. Eli Hunt's wife Laura, then to his daughter Mary E. Bowling. In 1917, Mary E. Bowling sold the property to Abner N. Mason. Mason sold 37.1 hectares (91.7 acres) of land to Charles and Grace Potter in 1932. A house was constructed on the property by Charles and Grace Potter circa 1935. The property, including an additional .4 hectares (1 acre) sold to the Potters by Harry Lusby in 1931, was purchased by William and Winnie Satterwhite in 1945. The property was reduced in size to 12.8 hectares (31.6 acres) when sold in 1947 to Edward and Florence Cockrum. Potomac and Electric Power Company bought the house and 5.8 hectares (14.4 acres) of the land in 1975. In 1977, the current owners Francis and Jane Jenkins bought the property. The current size of the property is .9 hectares (2.22 acres).

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September 1998

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

DOE ___yes ___no

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

historic Charles and Grace Potter Property (preferred)

and/or common Jenkins Property II

2. **Location:**

street & number 13216 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 4901

street & number Prince George's County Judicial Center folio 70

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 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			

Resource Count: 3

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 1-story hipped roof porch on the front, or west elevation has an asphalt shingle roof and is supported by two tapered wood posts on brick piers. The porch has been enclosed with asbestos shingle siding and two 3-part sliding metal windows. The main entrance to the house is located on the south elevation of the porch. The entrance is a vinyl 6-panel door flanked by 3-light side-light windows. The second story of the front elevation has two pairs of 6/1 double-hung windows.

The north elevation has two sliding metal windows on the basement level. An exterior brick chimney is flanked by 6/1 double-hung windows on both the first and second stories. The first story also has a pair of 6/1 double-hung windows and the second story has a single 6/1 double-hung window.

The rear, or east elevation has an enclosed shed roof porch supported by concrete block piers. The porch is covered with asbestos shingles and has an asphalt shingle roof. The east elevation has a single-light wood door and two windows. The first window is 6/1 double-hung and the second is 2/2 double-hung with horizontally-divided lights. The north elevation of the porch has no fenestration, while the south elevation has a pair of 1/1 double-hung windows. The first story of the house has a 6/1 double-hung window. The second story has two 6/1 double-hung windows.

The south elevation has a central single-light wood panel door at grade level. The first story has a single 6/1 double-hung window and a pair of 6/1 double-hung windows. A 6/1 double-hung window is located between the first and second stories, and the second story has two 6/1 double-hung windows.

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7. Description (Continued)

Access to the interior of the building was not available.

There are two outbuildings associated with this property. Both outbuildings appear to date to the early twentieth century, however they were most likely moved to this location after 1985. The structures do not appear on the USGS Quadrangle map of this region and the buildings are on modern foundations. The first outbuilding is a workshop located south of the house. Constructed circa 1935, it is of wood-frame construction on a concrete block foundation. It has a side-gable roof covered with asphalt shingles and the exterior walls are sheathed in German wood siding. The north elevation has a 9-light vinyl door and two 6/6 vinyl double-hung windows. An opening for a third window has been enclosed with wood siding. The west gable end has a 9-light vinyl door and a 6/6 vinyl double-hung window. The attic level of the west gable end has a single 6/6 vinyl double-hung window. The east gable end has a window in-filled with wood siding on the first story and a single 6/6 vinyl double-hung window on the attic level.

A garage, the second outbuilding on the property, is located south of the house and workshop. The garage, constructed circa 1910, has a corrugated metal hipped roof, vertical wood siding and a concrete slab foundation. The west elevation has two modern overhead doors, the south elevation has two metal storm windows and the north elevation has a single metal storm window.

To the north of the house is the site of a former building. All that remains of the building is a portion of a brick chimney.

The Charles and Grace Potter Property is located along a gravel access lane which extends east from Brandywine Road. The house and outbuildings are located approximately 75 meters (250 feet) west of MD 5 (Branch Avenue). The property's setting is rural with high-tension power lines and towers to the south and residential properties to the north and west.

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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 residence on the Charles and Grace Potter Property is an example of a Four-square. The Four-square house was popular in both suburban and rural areas of the United States from the late 1890s into the 1920s. Four-square dwellings are usually 2- to 2½-stories tall with a simple square or rectangular plan, low-pitched, hipped roof, and a front entrance, usually off-centered, which served as the focal point of the facade. They also commonly featured dormers on all planes the roof and a wide 1-story front porch. Inside are usually four roughly equal-sized rooms on each floor, with a side stairway. Exterior wall surfaces were generally clad in clapboards or wood shingles, with some brick examples. In vernacular examples, the Four-square often featured hipped dormers, a 1-story, full-width front porch, and double-hung sash windows.

The development of the Four-square house was part of a stylistic movement known as "Rectilinear" which represented a reaction against the ornate Queen Anne style of the late 1880s. It was part of the same movement which produced the Colonial Revival style which returned to the symmetry of Georgian and Federal designs, and the Prairie School which stressed horizontal lines and intersecting, perpendicular planes. Four-square homes contain features of both the Colonial Revival and Prairie styles but the style developed independently from them (Wells 1987, 51). Like Colonial Revival houses, Four-square homes emphasize geometric forms, and like Prairie houses, they have low-pitched roofs and windows that feature multi-light sash. Yet the Four-square houses also differ from these other styles in significant ways. Unlike Colonial Revival houses, Four-squares do not contain historical features such as Palladian windows, fanlights, and ornamented bracketing. They also often have off-center entrances. Designers of Four-squares rejected the Prairie School emphasis on horizontal lines and irregular forms.

From the architectural avant-garde, the Four-square form moved to popular builder's magazines, beginning in 1895 when published drawings of such houses began appearing. Companies such as Montgomery Ward and Sears Roebuck included Four-square variations among the designs for which they offered complete, pre-cut materials shipped ready for assembly (Wells 1987, 53).

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National Register Evaluation:

Constructed circa 1935, the Charles and Grace Potter 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 enclosure of the front and rear porches. 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 X

Comments Want would like to have more info on the chimney & what was once there.

Reviewer, OPS: [Signature] Date: 12/8/98
Reviewer, NR Program: [Signature] Date: 12/18/98

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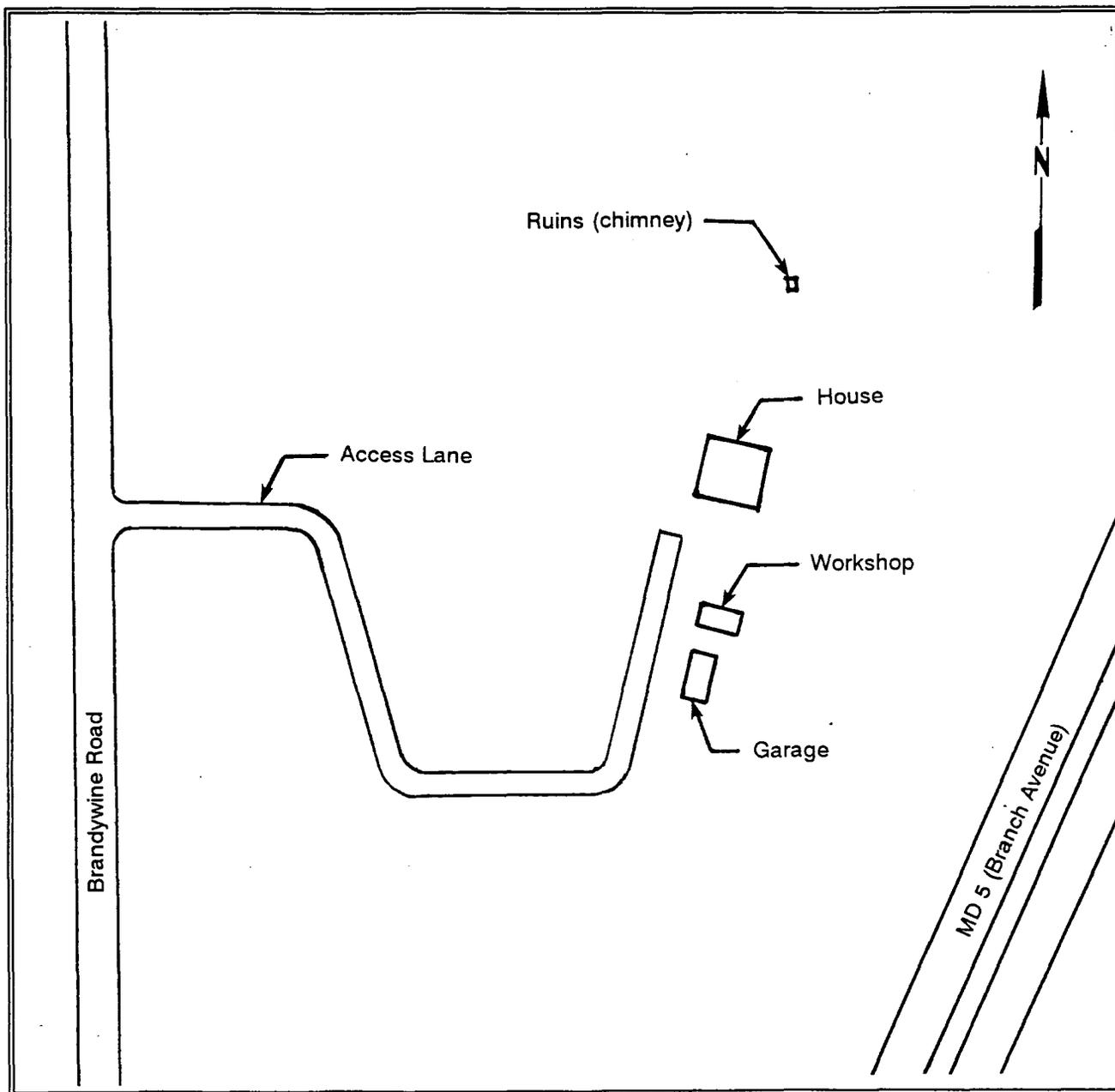
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10. Geographical Data (Continued)

Resource Sketch Map:



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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 and 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):

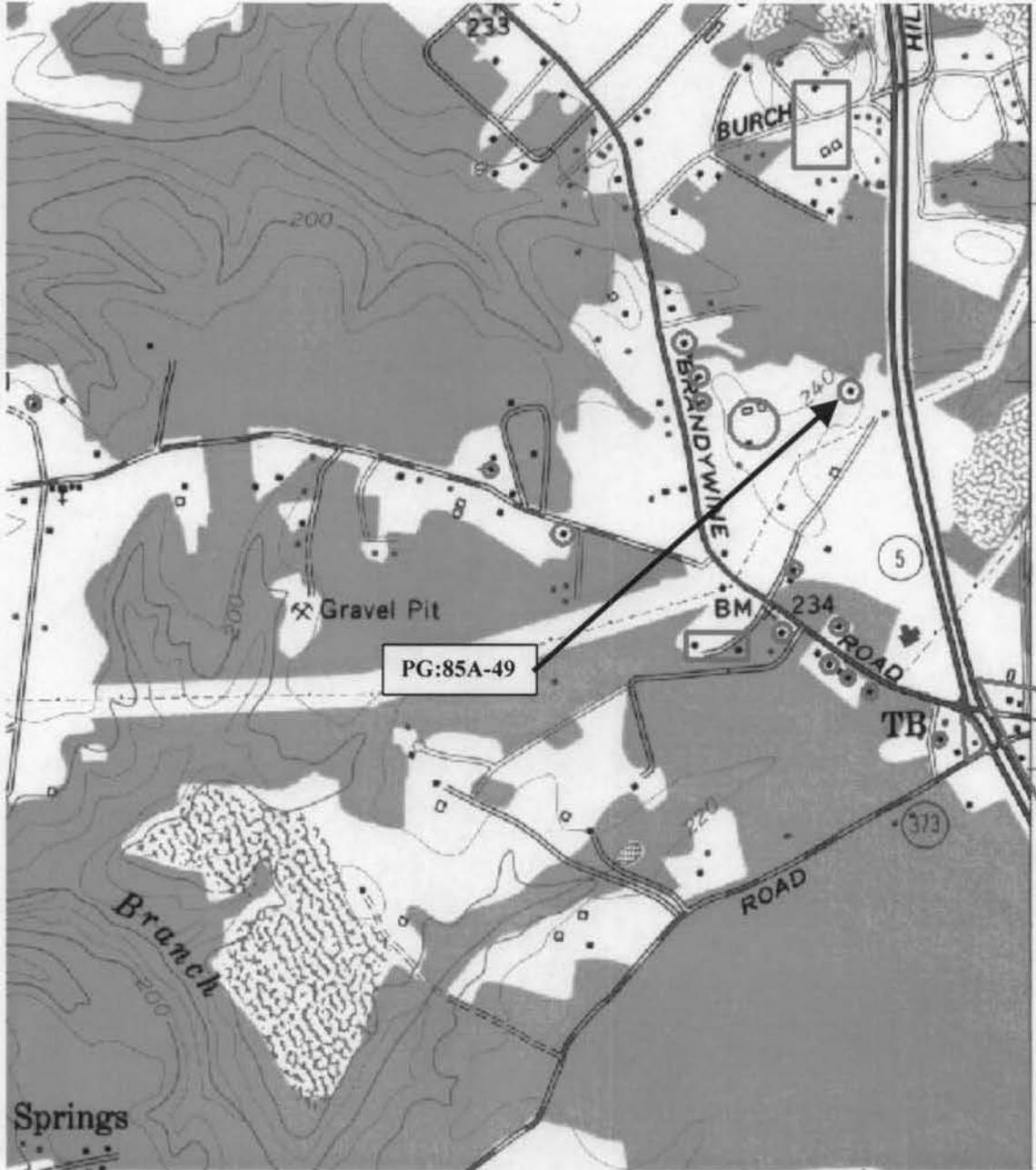
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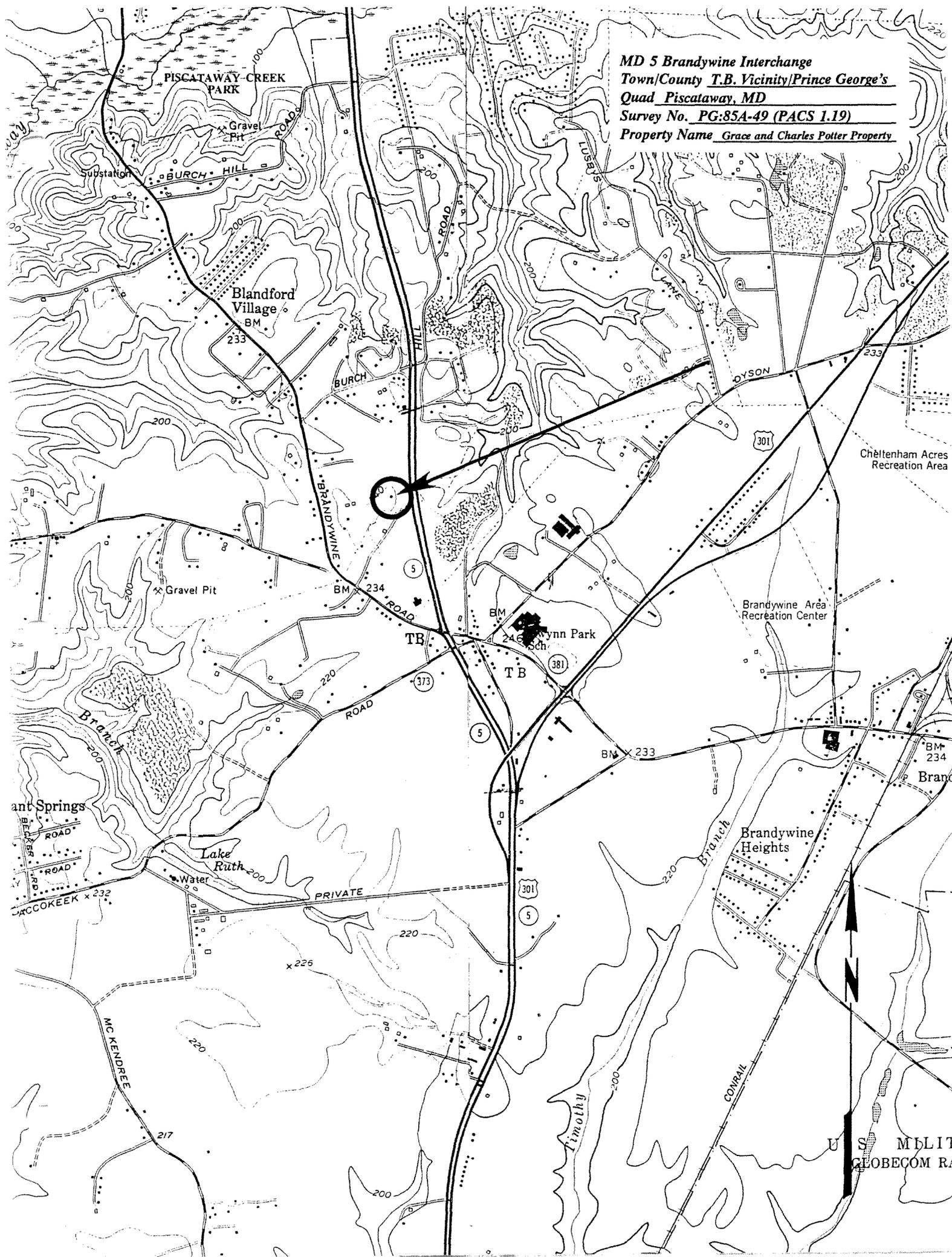
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(Jenkins Property II)
13216 Brandywine Road (MD 381)
Piscataway quadrangle



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Quad Piscataway, MD
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Property Name Grace and Charles Potter Property



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1. 751 35A-119

2. Charles and Linda Keller Property

3. Prince George's Co., MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland SHPO

7. 3216 University Rd Blvd, P.O. Box 1000, Prince Georges, MD

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2. Charles and Grace Potter Property

3. Prince George's Co, MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland SHPD

7. 13216 Browning Wood Road, NE corner, view SW

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2. Charles and Gince Potter Property

3. Frank George's car MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Mary's car

7. 3216 Brandywine Road, SE corner View NW

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2. Charles and Grace Potter Property

3. Prince George's Co, MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1972

6. Maryland State

7. 13216 Brandywine Rd, workshop, view NE

8. G O E



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2. Charles and Anne Potter Property
3. Prince George's Co, MD
Township: 11 381*81 NNN 1 102
4. Tim Tamburino
5. September 1998
6. Maryland SH-0
7. 13216 Brandywine Rd, workshop, view SW
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1. PG: 85A - 49

2. Charles and Grace Potter Property

3. Prince George's Co. MD

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1978

6. Maryland SHPO

7. 13216 Brandywine Rd, GARAGE, Vicinity SW

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2. Charles and Grace Potter Property

3. Prince George's Co., MD

Township: 13 381*81 N N N 1 -142

4. Tim Tom'ouck O

5. September 1978

6. Maryland State

7. 7321/2 Green Spring Road, Green Spring, Prince Georges NE

8. 7/10/81



1. PG: 85A-49

2. Charles and GRACE POTTER PROPERTY

3. FORDS Garage's Car 12

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4. Tim Tamburino

5. September 1998

6. Maryland State

7. 13216 Brandywine Road, building ruins (downing)
View NE.

8. 8 or 8