

QA-410  
Price School  
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Quasi-public

circa 1896

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**  
 HISTORIC Price School  
 AND/OR COMMON (since 1956) Price Community Center

**2 LOCATION**  
 STREET & NUMBER West side of Rabbit Hill Road  
 CITY, TOWN Price VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1st  
 STATE Maryland COUNTY Queen Anne's

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: <u>community hall</u>

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**  
 NAME Price Community Club, Inc. Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 STREET & NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, TOWN Price VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ STATE, zip code Maryland 21656

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**  
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Queen Anne's County Courthouse  
 STREET & NUMBER Courthouse Square  
 CITY, TOWN Centreville STATE Maryland 21617

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING 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 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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Price School is located on the west side of Rabbit Hill Road approximately 1/4 mile north of Maryland Route 405 in Price, Maryland.

This frame school building is 63 feet long and 36 feet deep, with a smaller one story lean-to across part of the rear facade. It is constructed in the form of a modified "H", with a central section connecting two flanking cross wings. These are oriented on an axis perpendicular to the road so the gables face the front facade, flanking the centrally located entrance. The building was constructed circa 1896-1913, and is representative of the Colonial Revival style in school architecture.

The front facade, facing southeast to Rabbit Hill Road, is composed of a recessed center section flanked by the projecting gables of the cross wings. The double entrance doors are set off by an arched semi-circular fanlight above and by flanking half-columns that support a wide frieze and projecting cornice. The two cross wings project 12 inches in front of the center section. On the south projecting gable, there are three 6/6 windows on the first floor and a modified three-part Venetian

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## CONTINUATION SHEET

## 7.1 DESCRIPTION

window centered in the upper gable. On the north projecting gable, there is a door in the right bay with two 6/6 windows to the left and a Venetian window above. The northeast and southwest walls of the building are identical, with banks of seven 6/6 windows to light the classrooms. A low one-story lean-to extends across the majority of the rear facade, providing additional space for bathrooms and a kitchen. A large brick chimney at the south end of this facade serves as a furnace flue. The entire building is covered with wood shingle siding and an asphalt shingle roof. The foundation is brick; the eaves are boxed in and trimmed with complex crown and bed molds. The cornice returns at the corners and is carried up the gable eaves.

When the school was converted to a community center, the interior walls were removed, creating one large room. A light partition was constructed near the northeast end of the building to create a large kitchen for community suppers.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

7/21/80

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

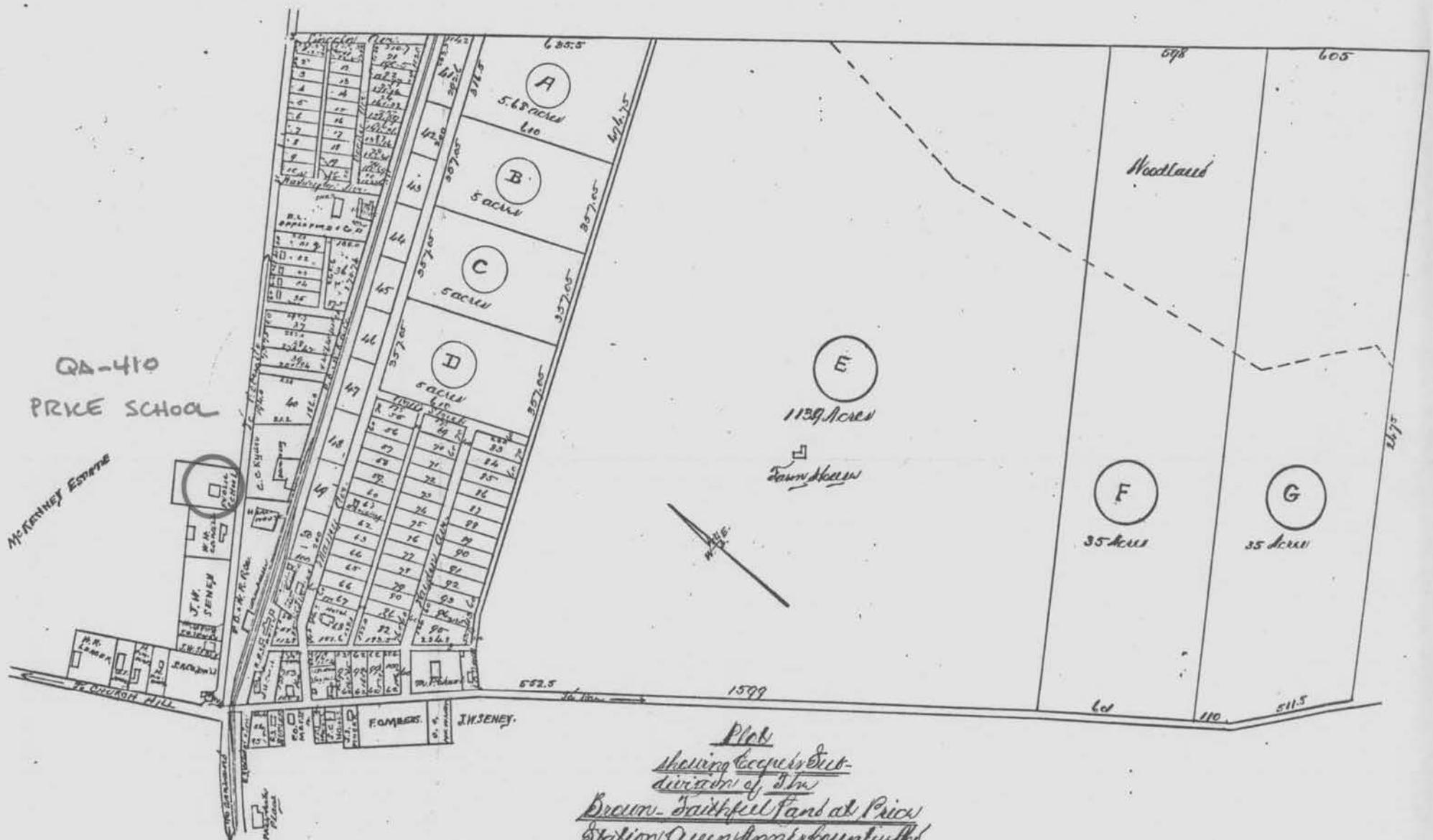
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Field Notebook QA-XVI; Recorded May 23, 1980.

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  
(301) 267-1438



QA-410  
PRICE SCHOOL

McKerney Esplanade

FENCHURCH HILL

Plan  
showing exact  
division of the  
Brown-Saithfel Land at Price  
Station Queensland County, Qld.

Scale 1 inch = 120 feet. May 16 1913. J. E. Schreyer, Civil Engineer

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Mary McCarthy  
Spring/Summer 2003  
Digital color photo on file at MHT





QA-410 Price School  
Price, Maryland  
Orlando Ridout V 1980  
Front facade from Southeast



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Price School

Price, Maryland

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Rear facade from West