

Capsule Summary  
SM-584  
Hayden Garage  
Laurel Grove  
Private

c. late-1930's

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**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-584

Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

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

historic

and/or common Hayden Garage (pref.) Laurel Grove Used Auto Cars Garage

**2. Location**

0.1 mile S of the int. of Route 235 & Morganza-Laurel Grove Road, on the W side of Rt 235  
street & number  not for publication

city, town Laurel Grove  vicinity of congressional district 6

state Maryland county St. Mary's TM-14, P-64

**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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: storage

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

name Harry R. Alvey

street & number 26985 Three Notch Road telephone no.: 301-475-4662

city, town Mechanicsville state and zip code Maryland 20659

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse liber EWA 1134

street & number folio 441

city, town Leonardtown state Maryland

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

Repository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. SM-584

<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	
<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.

Contributing Resource Count: 1

The Hayden Garage is located on the south side of Route 235 approximately 1.0 mile north of the intersection of Route 235 and Loveville Road (Route 247). The garage is oriented on a southwest/northeast axis and is situated only fifteen feet from the road. It is bounded on the northeast and southwest by single family residences and a field to the northwest.

The Hayden Garage is a one-story, rusticated concrete block building with a gambrel, raised-seam metal roof that is pierced by three interior brick chimney flues. Initially constructed in 1939, the rear section of the garage was erected using similar concrete block in 1946.

The northeast or primary elevation is pierced by a twelve light window and a three panel, four light door. At the southern corner of the elevation several metal sheets cover a section of the front that was damaged when a car crashed into it. This section featured a garage door. Four boarded over window panes mark the location of the door.

The northwest elevation is pierced by three, six-over-six, double-hung sash windows, three window openings that have been boarded-up, and a door. A pair of seams mark the location of a garage opening that was closed up probably during the 1946 addition. Another seam in the enclosed cornice and wall marks the transition between the original front section and rear addition.

The southwest elevation is pierced by a six-over-six window, a boarded up window, and a northwesterly sliding, wood garage door.

The southeast elevation is pierced by four boarded-up windows, a wood door, and a pair of swinging garage doors with a one light transom above. This elevation also features a seam in the enclosed cornice and wall that marks the transition between the original building and the addition. Near the southwestern corner of the building are a series of six concrete columns of descending height that extend from the ground to about three feet high. Used as a car ramp and support, the columns no longer feature top supports for the car and are free standing from the building.

The interior is divided into two spaces--a large workroom and an office. The office was not accessible at the time of the visit. The workroom, however, is distinguished by a poured concrete floor, walls of the same rusticated concrete block, and an exposed structural system for the roof. A section of the original rear wall survives roughly at the middle of the building. This wall serves as the support for a steel I-beam that carries the weight of the roof. The I-beam supports a series of trusses composed of three struts that extend from the I-beam to the roof rafters. While the building features a gambrel roof, the framing does not feature any purlins as the rafter sets are merely lapped against each other to create the change in roof pitch. An interior brick chimney stack covered with cement contains the numerals "1901." According to Nellie Hayden, however, the garage was built by her husband's father Joseph L. Hayden. The building is currently used for storage and a restoration is planned.

# 8. Significance

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"/> 1400–1499	<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
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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 checked="" 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	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. SM-584

Interview. Harry R. Alvey, April, 1997.

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property .7983 acres

Quadrangle name Mechanicsville, Md

Quadrangle scale 1:24 000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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F	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Same as per deed description.

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

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization St. Mary's County Dept. of Planning and Zoning date 5-19-97

street & number 22740 Washington Street telephone 301-475-4662

city or town Leonardtown state Maryland

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.

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SM-584, Hayden Garage  
St. Mary's County  
8.1 Significance

Chain-of-Title

(All deeds are located at the Land Records Office, St. Mary's County Courthouse, Leonardtown, Maryland unless otherwise noted.)

Reference: Liber EWA 1134, Folio 441

Grantee: Harry R. Alvey

Grantor: William Roger and Stacy Lynn Alvey

Date: February 28, 1997

Notes: The property consists of .7983 acres. It was surveyed by Robert E. Trautman on February 3, 1997.

Reference: Liber MRB 512, Folio 487

Grantee: William Roger and Stacy Lynn Alvey

Grantor: Joseph L. Hayden III and Sherry A. Hayden

Date: December 28, 1989

Reference: Liber MRB 409, Folio 83

Grantee: Joseph L. Hayden III and Sherry A. Hayden

Grantor: Mary V. Hayden

Date: April 28, 1988

Notes: On March 2, 1965, Joseph L. Hayden, Sr. died leaving the 1 1/2 acre property to his widow Mary.

Reference: Liber JMM 9, Folio 287

Grantee: Joseph L. and Mary V. Hayden

Grantor: Annie E. McGinley

Date: August 30, 1935

Reference: Liber JFF 10, Folio 89

Grantee: Annie E. McGinley

Grantor: John N. Graves--administrator of Susan Bond's estate

Date: April 9, 1887

Notes: As a result of an equity case #622 NE between John Graves and John W. Bond, the land called Lot #1 containing 11 1/4 acres, is sold to Annie McGinley. No previous deed is listed.

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St. Mary's County  
Maryland Comprehensive State Historic Preservation Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period:

Break with the Past, 1930-present

Historic Period Theme:

Architecture  
Commercial

Resource Type

Category:

Building

Historic Environment:

Rural

Historic Function and Use:

Automobile Repair and Blacksmith Shop

Known Design Source:

None



12'30" 151 LOVEVILLE 1.5 MI. 152 (LEONARDTOWN) 153 0.8 MI. TO MD. 5 154 40'  
 LEONARDTOWN T. 3 MI. 5660 1 SW

SCALE 1:24 000

**MECHANICSVILLE, MI**  
 NW/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANG  
 N3822.5-W7637.5/7.5  
 1953  
 PHOTOREVISED 1974  
 AMS 5660 1 NW-SERIES V833



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Hayden Garage

St. Mary's County

Kirk Ranzetta

May 1997

MD SHPO

W & N elevations

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Mid EHO

F + N elevations

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