

Capsule Summary
SM-793
43237 Fairgrounds Road
Leonardtown vicinity
Private

circa 1900

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Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-793

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 43237 Fairgrounds Road

2. Location

street and number 43237 Fairgrounds Road ___ not for publication

city, town Leonardtown x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name William D. Abell

street and number 43237 Fairgrounds Road telephone N/a

city, town Leonardtown state Md zip code 20650-3524

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-41, P-44

city, town Leonardtown liber CBG 21 folio 255

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count		
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	6	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	6	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
				Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
				0	

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

Lying on the east side of Fairgrounds Road just south of its intersection with St. Andrews Church Road is the house at 43237 Fairgrounds Road. Oriented on a west/east axis, the dwelling is situated on a 23.39 acre tract that is largely cultivated. A linear arrangement of six agricultural outbuildings extend to the east of the house. These contributing buildings include a tobacco barn, stripping shed, two storage sheds and an equipment shed. The property is bounded to the west by Fairgrounds Road, to the north by St. Andrews Church Road and to the east and south by wooded and residential lots.

The house, constructed circa 1910, is a two story, four bay, single-pile, frame dwelling with a one story rear ell. The exterior is sheathed with asbestos shingles while the roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Two interior end chimneys protrude from the roof as does a cross gable that projects from the house's west side. The rear ell features a single interior end chimney.

The primary or west side of the house features four bays on the first floor. Unlike most dwellings erected during the period, the fenestration consists of two doors separated by two, two-over-two, double-hung sash windows. This fenestration indicates the interior does not feature a center passage plan but rather a two room plan. All of these bays are sheltered by a screened in porch decorated by scroll sawn brackets. The second floor is pierced by four, two-over-two windows.

No other elevations were investigated.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 23.39 acres
Acreage of historical setting 23.39 acres
Quadrangle name Hollywood

Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the west by Fairgrounds Road, to the north by St. Andrews Church Road and to the east and south by wooded and residential lots. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber CBG 21, Folio 255.

11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

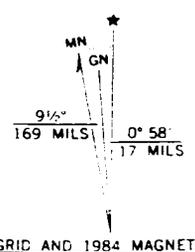
The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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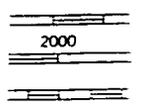
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 Leonardtown
 St. Mary's County
 Hollywood Quad

SCALE



CONTOUR IN
 METERS
 DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS
 THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
 SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE
 MEAN RANGE OF TIDE

UTM GRID AND 1984 MAGNETIC NORTH



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43237 Fairgrounds Rd

St Mary's Community

1/27/1971

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Looking SE

Left