

Capsule Summary
SM-803
24085 Whispering Hickory Lane
Hollywood
Private

circa 1900

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Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-803

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other House near 24085 Whispering Hickory Lane

2. Location

street and number near 24805 Whispering Hickory Lane __ not for publication

city, town Hollywood x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name James E. Wathen, Jr.

street and number PO Box 636 telephone N/a

city, town Hollywood state Md zip code 20636-0636

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-26, P-364

city, town Leonardtown liber EWA 1204 folio 293

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 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	1	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	_____	_____
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	1	_____
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	_____	_____
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory 0	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		

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.

Flanked by modern residential dwellings in a small rural subdivision is the house near 24085 Whispering Hickory Lane in the rural community of Hollywood, Maryland. Situated in on a one acre lot, the house is oriented on an east/west axis and lies only a few feet from the lane. A number of junked cars, a boat, and a camper litter the yard immediately to the east and south of the house. The house is largely divorced from its original agricultural surroundings by the current environment that surrounds it. The property is bounded by residential lots to the north, west, and south while the lane passes to the east.

The house, erected circa 1900, is a three bay, two-story, center passage, single-pile, frame dwelling with a gable roof and rear two story ell. The exterior walls is covered with wood weatherboard while the roof is sheathed with decorative pressed metal shingles. The eaves and cornice are both enclosed.

The first floor fenestration of the house's primary or east elevation, consists of an elaborate doorway flanked by sidelights. A paired set of six-over-six, double-hung sash windows lies on either side of the main door. The second floor is pierced by a central pair of six-over-six windows flanked on either side by six-over-six windows. The attic is lit by a two-over-two window distinguished by a triangular shaped crown. This bay is framed within a cross gable that extends from the roof. The cross gable is further accentuated by cornice returns. A broad unpainted scar extends the full length of the elevation indicating that the first floor was once shaded by porch. The porch, however, has been removed.

The south elevation is only partially visible but it includes the gable end of the main block and side-gable of the rear ell. The main block is pierced on the first and second floor by a six-over-six window. A six-over six window is visible on the first and second floor. The second floor also contains a smaller more modern window.

No other elevations were observed.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input 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 1 acre
Acreage of historical setting 1 acre
Quadrangle name Hollywood Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded by residential lots to the north, west, and south while the lane passes to the east. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber EWA 1204, Folio 293.

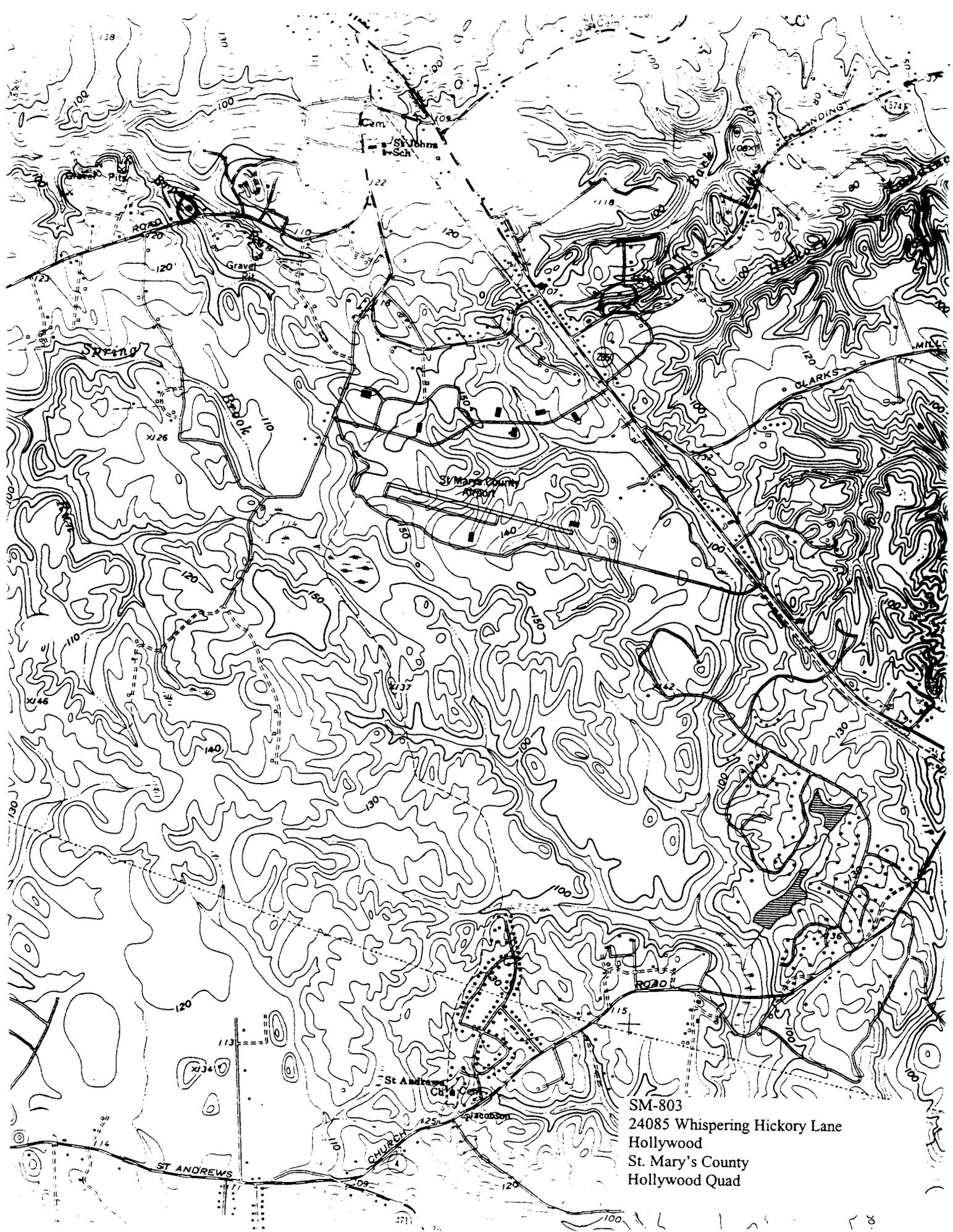
11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
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city or town	Leonardtwn	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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Hollywood Quad



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24085 Whispering Hickory Lane

Rocky

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Looking NW

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