

Capsule Summary  
SM-832  
21275 Foster's Neck Road  
Avenue  
Private

circa 1900

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# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-832

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 21275 Foster's Neck Drive

## 2. Location

street and number 21275 Foster's Neck Drive  not for publication

city, town Bushwood  vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name Mary Drury

street and number 21275 Fosters Neck Drive telephone N/a

city, town Bushwood state Md zip code 20618-2311

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-46, P-1

city, town Leonardtown liber EWA 651, CBG 14 folio 140, 333

## 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	
			Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	
		<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:	
			<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b> <u>0</u>	

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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

21275 Foster's Neck Road is a house and farm that is situated near the rural community of Bushwood, Maryland. Constructed to overlook the Wicomico and Potomac Rivers, the house is oriented on an east/west axis. Approached via a long farm lane that bisects flat, cultivated fields of soybean, the main house is accompanied by a non-contributing modern structure and two contributing early to mid twentieth century tobacco barns. The 54 acre property is bounded to the north by a farm, to the east and south by the road, and to the west by the Wicomico River.

The house is a circa 1900, two story, five bay, brick and frame dwelling with a one story addition. The exterior walls of the house consist of modern brick facing that probably replaced wood weatherboard. The roof, meanwhile, is covered with asphalt shingles. Two interior end chimneys project from the roof.

The primary or east elevation lies directly on axis with the main drive. On the first floor, a central door is flanked on either side by two two-over-two, double-hung sash windows. The entranceway is embellished by a two story porch with four square columns. These columns support a projecting cross gable that is accentuated by a two-over-two window with a semicircular arched crown. The second floor is pierced by five two-over-two windows. The fenestration of the wing is not visible from the road.

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.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 54 acres  
Acreage of historical setting 54 acres  
Quadrangle name Rock Point                      Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The 54 acre property is bounded to the north by a farm, to the east and south by the road, and to the west by the Wicomico River. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber EWA 651 & CBG 14, Folio 140, 333.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

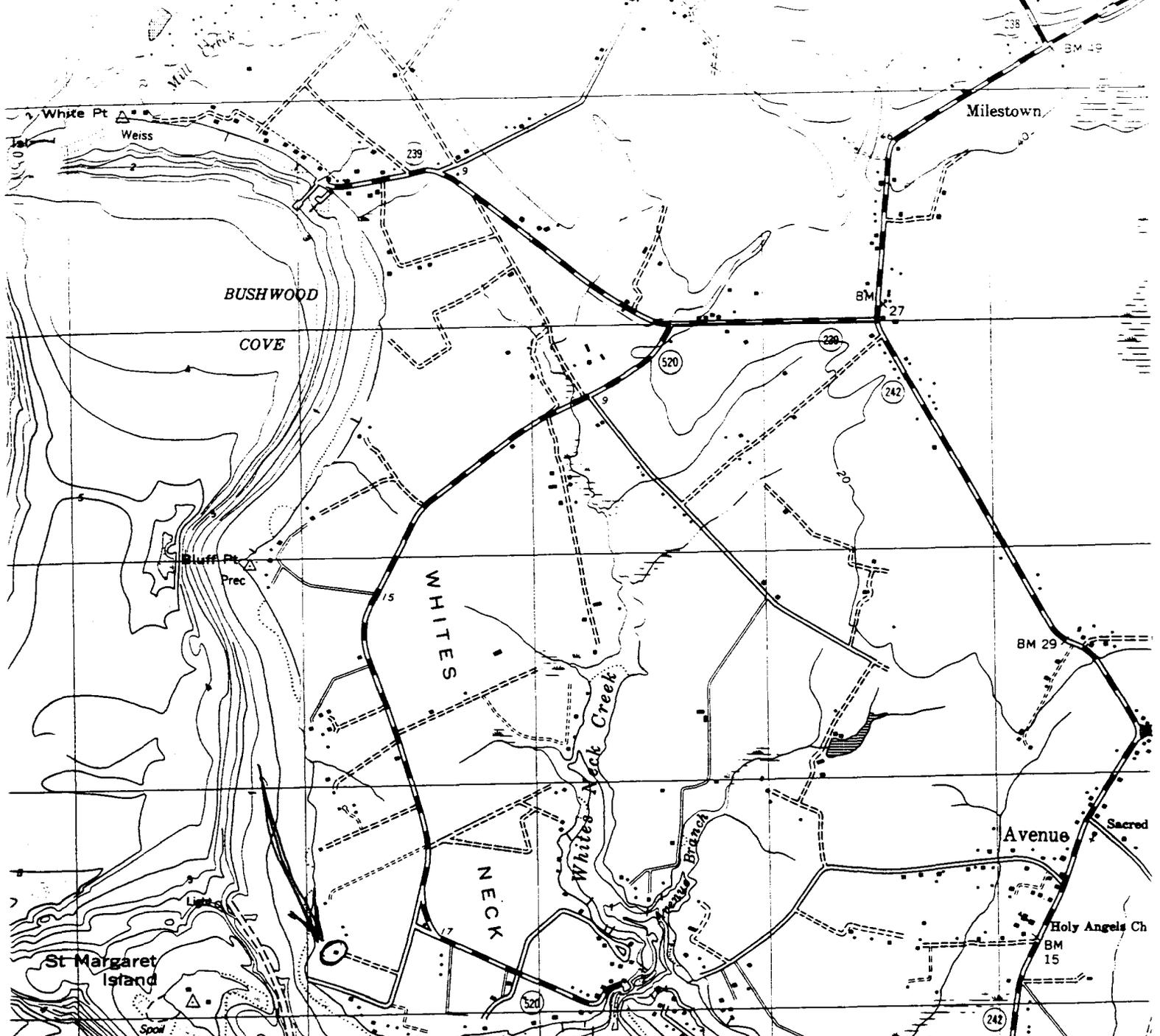
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name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

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.

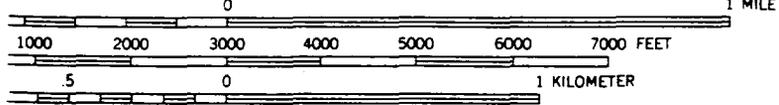
The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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100 Community Place  
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
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5660 III NE

SCALE 1:24 000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
 NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929  
 METRIC CONTOUR INTERVAL 1 METER WITH SUPPLEMENTARY  
 METRIC CONTOURS—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER  
 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE  
 MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS APPROXIMATELY 0.6 METER



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 Rock Point Quad

COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
 SURVEY DATA COMPLIES WITH INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC  
 SURVEYING (IHO) SPECIAL PUBLICATION 44 ACCURACY STANDARDS  
 OR STANDARDS USED AT THE DATE OF THE SURVEY  
 NATIONAL SURVEY DENVER, COLORADO 80225 OR RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092



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