

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

NR Eligible: yes   
no

Property Name: Shady Side Farm Inventory Number: T-106

Address: 31316 Matthewstown Road City: Easton Zip Code: 21601

County: Talbot USGS Topographic Map: Fowling Creek

Owner: Laurence Ewing

Tax Parcel Number: 22 Tax Map Number: 26 Tax Account ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Project: Matthews Tower Agency: FCC

Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended  Eligibility not recommended

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Is the property located within a historic district?  no  yes Name of district: \_\_\_\_\_

Is district listed?  no  yes Determined eligible?  no  yes District Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Completed MIHP form.

**Description of Property and Eligibility Determination:** *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Shady Side Farm is a brick saltbox house constructed in ca. 1759. The property was completely described in a Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form completed in 1977. The building's integrity has been compromised through additions and alterations that reduce its integrity (materials, design, workmanship). The property has been further altered by the replacement of historic agricultural outbuildings by modern metal-clad buildings and the construction of an airplane landing strip by the current owner.

Prepared by: Dr. David Rotenstein/Historian

Date Prepared: 6/2001

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Eligibility recommended <input type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility not recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: _____	
_____ Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	_____ Date
_____ Reviewer, NR program	_____ Date

*JMS*



**Proposed Tower Site**

**T-106 : MIHP Number**





T-106  
ShadySide Farm  
Talbot Co., MD  
David Rotenstein

June 2001

MD SHPO

House: S/E Elevations  
Showing additions

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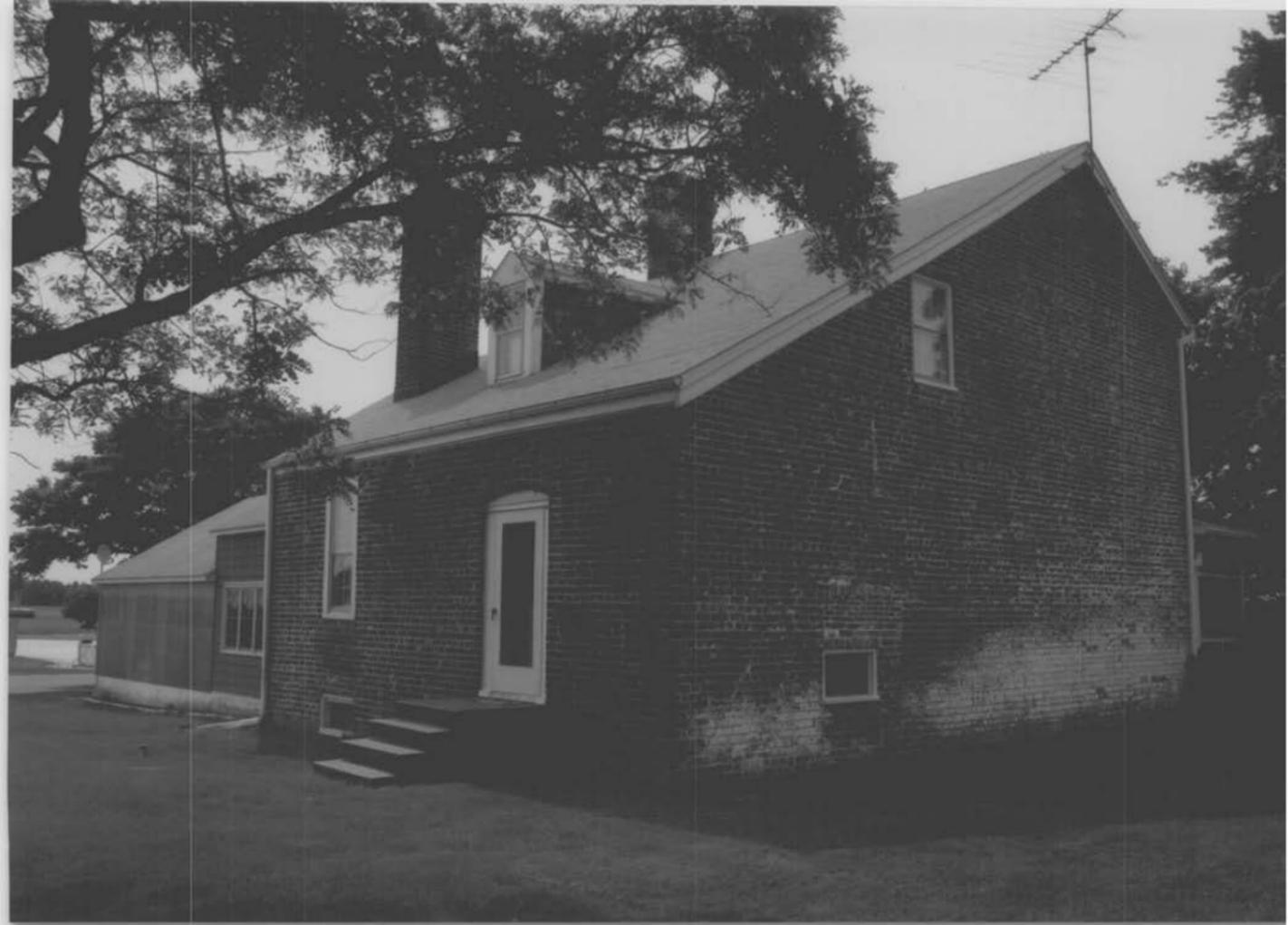
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MD SHPO

House: S/E Elevations.  
Enclosed porch, original  
block Detail.

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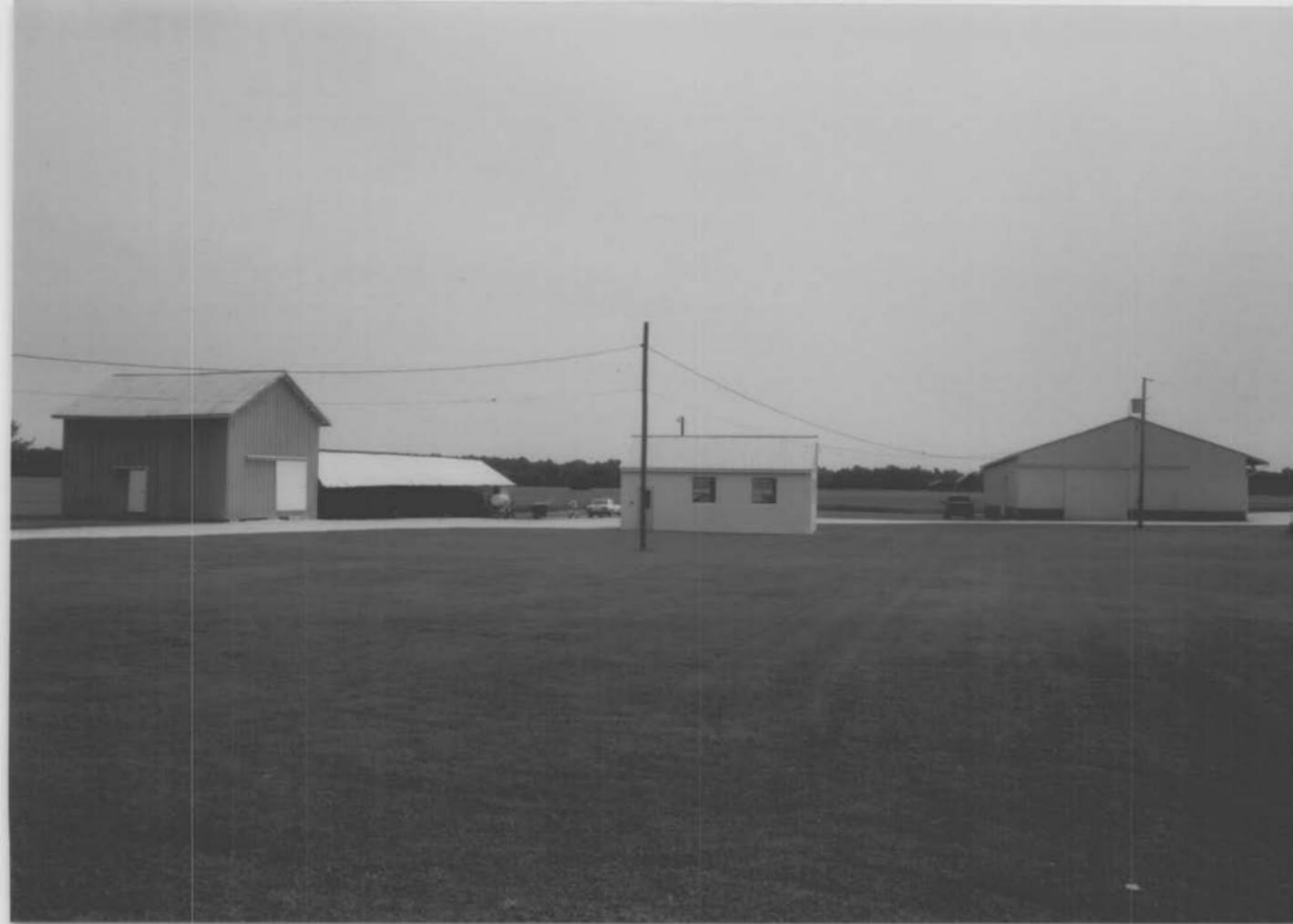
House: Rear/Side  
(w/N) Elevations

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Shady Side Farm  
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MD SHAD

Modern Agricultural  
outbuildings. View from  
Side yard of house to the  
East.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Shady Side Farm House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Md. Rt. 328 at N. corner of intersection with Three Bridges Branch Rd.

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Easton

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

First

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Talbot

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

\_\_\_DISTRICT

BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_STRUCTURE

\_\_\_SITE

\_\_\_OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

\_\_\_PUBLIC

PRIVATE

\_\_\_BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

\_\_\_IN PROCESS

\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

OCCUPIED

\_\_\_UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

\_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED

NO

**PRESENT USE**

AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_MILITARY

\_\_\_MUSEUM

\_\_\_PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Laurence Ewing

Telephone #: 822-2221

STREET & NUMBER

R.D. 3, Box 669

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

Easton

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

Maryland 21601

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Talbot County Courthouse

Liber #: 296

Folio #: 145

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Easton

Maryland 21601

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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		

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Shady Side Farm is located on Rt. 328 at the corner of Three Bridges Branch Road northeast of Easton and across the road from White Marshes.

The building is composed of a three bay long, two story brick structure with a two bay long, two story wing to the east and still another three bay, one story wing of 19th century date. Beyond the smallest section is a carport. The 19th and 20th century additions are of little importance architecturally, however, the old brick house is extraordinary.

Like the neighboring White Marshes, there is a dated brick on the back chimney - 1759. The building form is unlike any other existing house in Talbot County. The facade is two full stories and the rear is one story with dormer above. The facade is laid in Flemish bond and has a belt course between stories. The door is located in the westernmost bay which is close to the corner of the house.

The remainder of the house is laid in English bond. On the asymmetrical gable is a small window in the basement, where there was formerly an entrance, and a 6/6 sash window on the second story. Seams in the wall suggest there was an earlier wing on the west, or a wing was proposed when the house was built. On the north side is a door and window with a dormer above in the long slope of the cat-slide roof.

Within the east gable are two chimneys, one rising from the apex of the roof while one rises from near the dormer on the back slope. On the gable end which is visible south of the middle wing are small windows on both stories. Like the back door there are segmental arches above them. A more recent bulkhead is located at ground level. Across the entire facade is a one story screened porch.

Inside, the old house has a plan similar to Harrington, Somerset County. There is an entrance hall with living room on the east and stair hall to the north. East of the stair hall is the dining room. The dining room retains original fielded paneling across part of the fireplace wall. The stair is the original close string stair with paneled spandrel, turned balusters and bold hand-rail.

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# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input 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 1759

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Shady Side Farmhouse is a very unusual dwelling dating from the mid-18th century. It retains most of its exterior fabric and the stair and one room of paneling within. The subsequent additions are of little architectural merit but they do indicate that farmers of the 19th century were continuing to build telescoping wings well into the century. The form of the building is similar to White Hall mentioned in H.C. Forman's, Old Buildings, Gardens and Furniture of Tidewater Maryland. Other buildings to resemble the form include, Comegy's House and White Swan Tavern, both in Kent County.

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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

Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

April, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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Beaverdam

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Shady Side Farm House  
Wye Mills Easton Road (MD 662), Easton  
Fowling Creek quad. 1944, PR 1974

Matthews

BM 53

Landing Strip

328

5761.1 SE (EASTON)

4296

EASTON 4.4 MI.

47'30"

4293

Kings

Creek

Kingston Landing

RIVER

X 70

60

59

BM 49

60

X 57

X 51

X 59

40

52

40

20

20

45

36

8

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30X

X 52



.12 x 1.58

50%

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S.E.

M. Bowne

12/70



Shady Side Farm

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W. elev.

M. Bournne 12/70