

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes \_\_\_  
no \_\_\_

Property Name: Brick House, Near Leitersburg Inventory Number: WA-I-156  
 Address: 22527 Ringgold Pike City: Hagerstown Zip Code: 21742  
 County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Smithsburg, MD-PA  
 Owner: Daniel J. Martin Is the property being evaluated a district? \_\_\_yes  
 Tax Parcel Number: 21 Tax Map Number: 26 Tax Account ID Number: 09-006168  
 Project: Ringgold Wireless Facility Agency: FCC  
 Site visit by MHT Staff: X no \_\_\_yes Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is the property located within a historic district? \_\_\_yes X no

*If the property is within a district* District Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 NR-listed district \_\_\_yes Eligible district \_\_\_yes District Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no Non-contributing but eligible in another context \_\_\_

*If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)*  
 Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible X yes \_\_\_no

Criteria: X A \_\_\_B X C \_\_\_D Considerations: \_\_\_A \_\_\_B \_\_\_C \_\_\_D \_\_\_E \_\_\_F \_\_\_G \_\_\_None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: MIHP form completed by Paula Stoner (1975).

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

This property is a farmstead located west of Ringgold on the south side of Ringgold Pike (MD 418). The farmstead consists of two houses (one brick, one log), barns, silos, and other agricultural outbuildings on 98.52 acres.

**Brick House**

This building is a side gable 2.5-story house that may be structurally of log construction (MIHP form, 1975). There is a shed roof porch on the southern façade and a gable portico on the north façade in which there is painted a date of 1859. The northern façade is an asymmetrical six bays and the side (west) is two bays. The house's symmetry suggests that it may have been built in two blocks: the western portion first and the eastern at a later date. The north and west walls are clad by a whitewashed brick veneer and the southern façade (rear) is clad by horizontal wood siding. There are star-headed wall anchors in the north and west walls. There are two brick interior gable end chimneys and the windows in this building are 2/2 double-hung wood sash and there are 4-light casement windows in the attic story. The roof is clad by slate shingles and there are metal snow guards.

Prepared by: David S. Rotenstein, Ph.D.

Date Prepared: July 2002

<b>MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW</b>	
Eligibility recommended <u>X</u>	Eligibility not recommended ___
Criteria: <u>X</u> A ___B <u>X</u> C ___D	Considerations: ___A ___B ___C ___D ___E ___F ___G ___None
Comments: <u>No info provided to support evaluation of potential RHD.</u>	
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>8/15/02</u> Date
<u>[Signature]</u> Reviewer, NR Program	<u>8/9/02</u> Date

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**Log House**

This building is located in the rear (south) of the brick house. It is a rectangular side gable building with an exterior gable end brick chimney with a stone fire firebox. The building is clad by horizontal wood siding and the roof is clad by corrugated metal. The windows are 1/1 double hung sash and there is a single wood panel door in the building's west side.

**Barns**

There are several barns on this farmstead. An earlier (19<sup>th</sup> century) side gable bank barn (stone basement foundation, wood frame) is located south of the house; immediately north of this barn is a 20<sup>th</sup> century Wisconsin dairy barn constructed on a concrete block basement foundation with a standing seam metal gambrel roof and hay hood. There also are several silos attached to the dairy barn.

This property appears to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as a significant surviving example of early Washington County vernacular architecture. Both houses are characteristic of late 18<sup>th</sup> and early nineteenth century German farmsteads in the region and the farm maintains its historical continuity. This property appears to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its association with regional agricultural practices and its ties to important ethnic groups (Germans) significant in the region's development. The property also appears to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C for its architecture. The property furthermore may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places individually as a rural historic landscape and may be a contributing element to a larger rural historic landscape district.

# MERLIN Online Map

## Real Property

WA Property Map 27



WA Property Map 26



## Historic Sites

WA MD Inventory of Historic Properties 1999

WA-VI-047, WA-VI-019...

National Register of Historic Places 2000

Historic Register

## Base Maps

Smithsburg NW 3.75' CIR  
04/20/1994



Smithsburg SW 3.75' CIR  
04/20/1994



Smithsburg SE 3.75' CIR  
04/07/1993

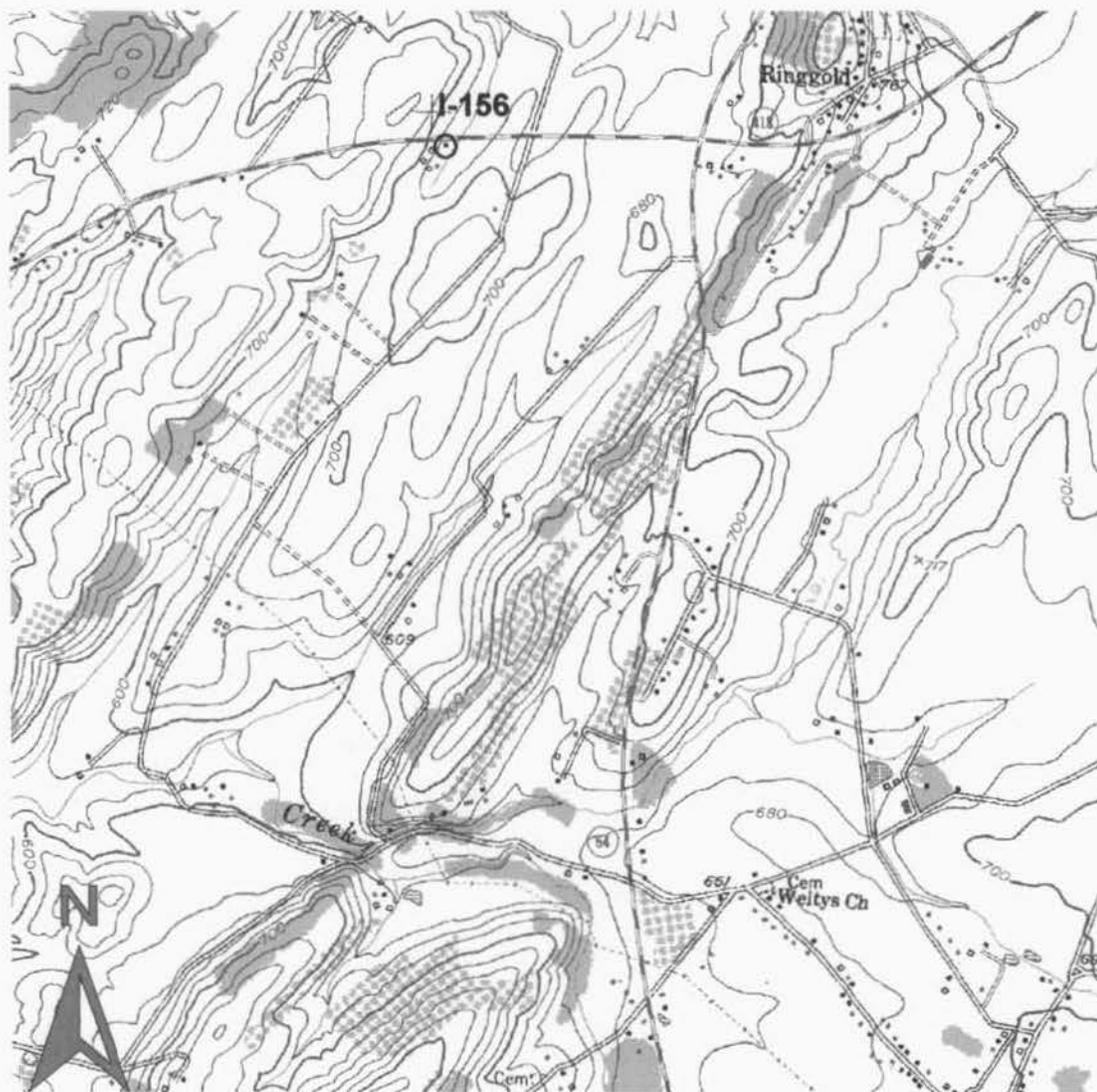


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Coordinates at center of image in Maryland State Plane, NAD 1983 meters  
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*Proposed NRHP Boundary  
WA-I-156*



Smithsburg, MD-PA Quadrangle



J. A. I - 156

Bank house near Lohrman

Washington Co., MD

C. S. Rosenstein

July 1912

MD 5410

House: North facade

view to north

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WPA-10-153

Front House near Soldiersburg,  
Washington Co., MD  
D.S. Probstman

July 2002  
MD E1002

House: Rear (South)  
Façade: View to  
New Market

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Art-I-156

Frank Cove near Leifersburg

Washington Co. MD

D.S. Waterston

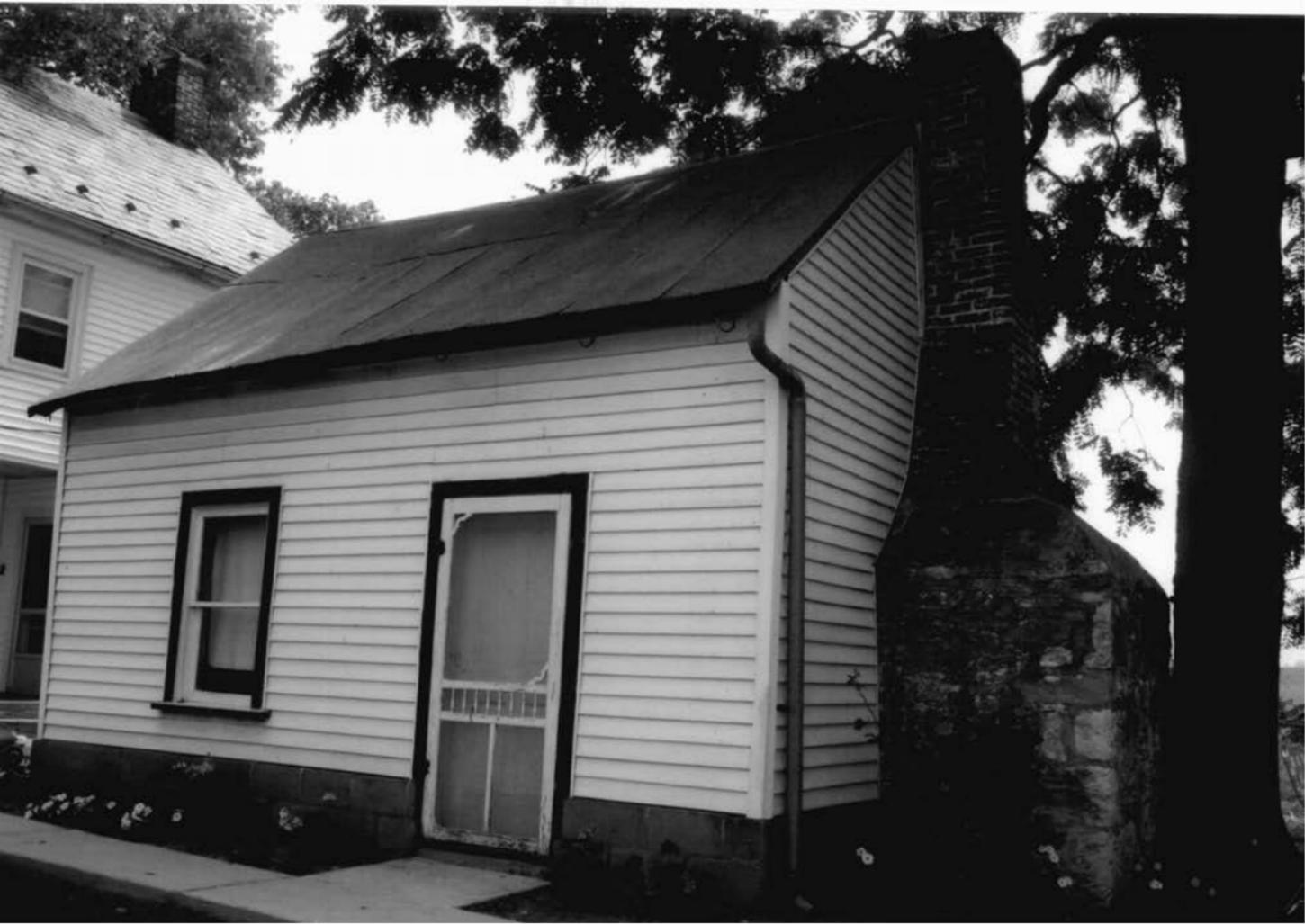
July 2002

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Houses and ground

view to north

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Lot 2 - 156  
Brick House near Leavenworth,  
Washington Co., N.Y.

2000 sq ft  
1000 sq ft

Subdivided into  
lots of brick house  
1000 to 1000

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July 10 1876

Park House near Leidschendam

Washington Conn. U.S.

P.S. Colchester

July 10 1876

July 10 1876

Madison Valley Conn.

View to Sea

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
 for the  
 NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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**1. NAME**

COMMON: Brick House, Near Leitersburg

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: (Leitersburg Ringgold Road)  
 South of Md. Route 418, West of Charles Mill Road

CITY OR TOWN: Leitersburg Vicinity

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Washington

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____
			<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: Ernest R. Grove & Frank N. McKee

STREET AND NUMBER: Springfield Farm

CITY OR TOWN: Williamsport STATE: Maryland

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 591/647

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> Unclassified		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is part of a complex of buildings formerly known as Air View Farms, located south of Maryland Route 418, the Leitersburg-Ringgold Road and west of the Charles Mill Road, near Leitersburg in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on low ground and faces north.

The structure is a two story, six bay brick dwelling painted white with dark green trim. The walls are set on very low fieldstone foundations. Bricks are laid in all stretcher bond, possibly serving as sheathing for an inner log structure. This is suggested by the numerous tie rods which reinforce the walls. A small one story, one bay extension is attached to the north gable end. Flat arches of brick are present over the openings. The date 1859 is carved on the gable of the entrance porch.

The windows are spaced in groups of three at each level of the front elevation. Upper story windows are noticeably smaller than those at the main story level. Narrow window frames finished with a beaded edge hold two over two pane double hung sashes. Most windows are flanked by pairs of louvered shutters. Windows at the rear elevation occur in an double porch which appears to have been enclosed during the late nineteenth century.

The main entrance is located in the third bay from the west end of the front or north elevation. The entrance is treated simply and includes a narrow transom. The door has four panels with a glazed three light opening at its top. Sheltering the door is a gable roofed entrance porch trimmed with a scalloped barge board and matching trim. Other entrances are located at the rear elevation.

The slate roof extends beyond the end walls of the house. Eaves trim is simple consisting of a plain strip of moulding. Brick chimneys with courses of corbels at their tops are present inside each gable end.

Immediately south of the house is a one story log structure constructed of hewn logs joined at the corners with V notching. A large dairy barn is located nearby.

The property contains 100.1 acres.

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**6. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1859 (Date on entrance porch)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Music	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Dated 1859 it is important as a documented example of mid-nineteenth century domestic architecture in Washington County. However, it appears that most of the visible structure is actually brick veneer covering an earlier log dwelling. Log was used extensively as a building material in the Cumberland Valley from the earliest days of settlement to well into the nineteenth century. Many log structures remain in use today covered by various forms of siding or bricks.

In 1859, the property was owned by the Garver family as indicated on a Washington County map printed in that year.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Taggart, Thomas Map Of Washington County, Md.,  
 Hagerstown: L. McKee and C. J. Roberts, 1859

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 100.1 acres

Acreage Justification:

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**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
 Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION: Washington County Historical Sites Survey      DATE: August, 1975

STREET AND NUMBER:  
 Court House Annex

CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown      STATE: Maryland

**12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)**

Significance of this property is:

National       State       Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_





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