

ABSTRACT

WA-I-253

1801

Rush Run Farm

Maugansville Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-I-253
District 13
Map 24
Parcel 520
2202405304

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Rush Run Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Maugansville Road

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Maugansville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

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
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Orville E. Martin

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 4

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 391
Folio #: 554

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust Survey # 4096

DATE

Summer 1967

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located on a private lane which extends in a westerly direction from Maugansville Road about one half mile south of Maugansville in Washington County, Maryland.

The house, a two story, five bay structure of coursed fieldstones stands on an area of level ground and faces east. At the second story level a corner stone located at the north end of the front elevation is inscribed with the initials ?CS and the date 1801. An inspection of the walls revealed rather uniformly cut stones at the front elevation punctuated by larger triangular stones set between the second story windows. Flat arches with keystone-like blocks are present over the windows of the front elevation. The rear and side walls have less decorative trim.

Windows appear to have been spaced rather uniformly in the walls. They retain their original wide frames joined at the corners with wooden pegs and trimmed with quarter round molding. All windows have hinge pins set in their frames indicating that shutters were present at one time. Two over two pane sashes replace the original windows.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the front elevation. It displays framing similar to that of the windows. A high transom is present above the door. A one story porch with a low hipped roof spans the front elevation. It is supported by round pillars. A n er shed roof porch shelters part of the north wall.

The roof is covered with modern asphalt shingles and terminates beyond the end walls of the house. Wide brick chimneys are located inside the end walls. The eaves are finished with boxing trimmed with courses of molding.

Just north of the house is a large metal windmill. Also north of the house is a large frame bank barn with louvered ventilators along with other structures for agricultural use.

The buildings are in excellent condition and stand on a tract containing 89.71 acres.

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	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" 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 Dated: C.S. 1801

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The farm upon which these buildings stand was part of a larger tract purchased by John Schnebely from Philip Jacob Miller in 1795 and in other transactions (I/360). The purchases included parts of the land grants, "Kellers Discovery," "Prickley Ash Bottom" and the "Resurvey on Ash Swamp." In 1797 John Schnebely had his lands, containing 296 acres, resurveyed to form "Ashton Hall" (patent volume 2, page 229). In 1830 or 38 Henry Schnebely, executor for the late John Schnebely sold the farm to John Horst of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania (TT/343). In 1865, John Horst and his wife sold part of the farm to Samuel Horst, "reserving that part of the dwelling house on the north side of the passage from the cellar to the garrett with privilege of using the entries and stairs for passing and repassing with free access to any of the springs and one third part of the garden...".

The farm remained in Horst ownership until 1899 when it was purchased by the family of the present owner. (110/181, 189/480).

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.
 Washington County Patent Records.
 Washington County Probate Records.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 89.71 acres

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

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

February 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

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 Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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Rush Run Farm
From south



WA-1-253

Rush Run Farm

From east

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1/20/50

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WA-1-253

Rush Run Farm

Barn-from southeast

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WA-1-253

Rush Run Farm

From west



WA-1-253
Rush Run Farm
From north

1958 - 1959

1959 - 1960

1960 - 1961

1961 - 1962

1962 - 1963



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Nov. 1944

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M. L. Paul

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