

CLARK HOUSE

AL-VI-B-077  
Buskirk Hollow Road, Gilmore  
ca. 1860

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Clark House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Buskirk Hollow Road

CITY, TOWN

Gillmore

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**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

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Clark

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Lonaconing

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21539

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 358

Folio #: 585

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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

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

The Clark House is located on the south side of Buskirk Hollow Road approximately 150 yards from intersection with Route 36 in Gilmore, Allegany County.

The Clark House is a two story, six bay wide rectangular block with two shed-roofed additions on the northwest and southeast sides. The house is a frame structure that has been covered with asphalt shingles and rests on a low stone foundation. Windows on the first floor are double hung, pegged, wooden sash frames with six over six lights while those on the second floor are single sashes with three over three lights. Two main entrances are located on the northeast facade and feature replaced doors and hardware. The roof is gabled and covered with replaced asphalt roofing material. The main facade is dominated by a four bay wide, shed-roof end porch. An original corbeled brick chimney is located in the interior of the building.

The Clark House is in poor condition but nevertheless retains much of its original fabric and appearance.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**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 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 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In all probability the Clark House was built by the Midland Mining Company to house two miners and their families. The house is an example of what is known as a "block" or a two family dwelling. As such, it is a two story dwelling with a shed kitchen at each end. There were no cellars but the houses were set on low stone foundations. The frame was constructed of timbers mortised and tenoned together with horizontal white-washed weather-board on the exterior. Inside, rooms were plastered and painted. In 1856, a building such as the Clark House would have cost approximately \$400 to construct.<sup>1</sup>

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1 Harvey, Katherine A., The Best Dressed Miners (Ithaca, N.Y.: Cornell University Press, 1969) p. 83

**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland  
 Harvey, Katherine A., The Best Dressed Miners (Ithaca, N.Y.; Cornell  
 University Press, 1969)

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .33 acre

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

John Nelson & Joan Baldwin

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

1/17/77

STREET & NUMBER

57 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale.

STATE

Maryland

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

INVENTORY NO. A1-V1-B-077

358/585

DATE: Jan. 6, 1977

.33 Acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Clark house

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: Gilmors - Baskin Hollow Rd

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Northeast

NAME OF OWNER: Mr. + Mrs. Earl Clark

ADDRESS: Gilmors, Md. # None

Leanawing, MD 21539

STORIES: 1( ) 2() 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6() 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: ~~two~~ two shed roof additions kitchen each end

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- LOG
- Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PIASTERS, OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( <sup>3/3</sup>)  
pegged () nailed( ) wide ( ) narrow () mitred ( ) pediment ( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced()

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards  
panels w/ window

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)

original() replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: CABLE FRONT, CABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, LANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, TORMERS #

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip( ) gable( ) 2 porch

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK() STONE( ) CORNERED( ) original() replaced()

LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end() Central( ) Interior ()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

- Use - Residence
- Significance - arch.
- Date Constructed -
- Condition - poor



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AI-VI-B-059

AI-VI-B-053

AI-VI-B-056

AI-VI-B-055

AI-VI-B-031

AI-VI-B-030

AI-VI-B-037

VI-B-033

AI-VI-B-032

AI-VI-B-052

AI-VI-B-001

AI-VI-B-050

AI-VI-B-051

AI-VI-B-054

AI-VI-B-063

AI-VI-B-060

AI-VI-B-038

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Clark House  
Buskirk Hollow Rd  
USGS Lonocixing Quad  
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FIGURE 33

CLARK HOUSE

(AL-VI-B-077)

1/17/77 - John Nelson, Joan Baldwin



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Clark House

Buskirk Hollows Road

Gilmer

1/6/77

John Nelson

North East



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CLARK HOUSE  
BUSKIRK HOLLOW ROAD  
GILMERE  
1/6/77  
JOHN NELSON  
SOUTHEAST

FIGURE 33.