

MICHAEL'S HOUSE

AL-VI-B-079
Near Route 36, Gilmore
ca. 1859

The Michael's House was constructed in the 1850's as a private home for the forman of the Koontz Mine which was located nearby. Architecturally, the house is an almost perfect example of the carpenter gothic cottage style. Of special interest is the ornate barge board located on the southeast facade.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Michael's House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Warnick Road

CITY, TOWN

Gilmore

X 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

Percy R. Michaels

Telephone #: 463-2043

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

Lonaconing

X VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21539

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 262

Folio #: 241

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

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1859

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Michael's House is an almost classic example of the English movement of the Gothic Revival Style during the Victorian era.¹ The house is a carpenters gothic version of the cottage style and a color lithograph can be found in John Riddell's Architectural Disiqns for Model Country Residences (1864)². The house is believed to have been built circa 1857 as a private home for a forman of the mines in nearby Koontz.³ The house is a very fashionable structure considering its location and cultural setting in the coal producing area of George's Creek. This particular house is in sharp contrast to basic shelters of private and company houses that are generally associated with the mining communities.

1 John Maass, The Victorian Home in America, (Hawthorne Books, Inc., 1972) "The Gothic Mood"
 2 Ibid pp. 44
 3 Interview, Percy Michaels, Owner, February 7, 1977

DATE: February 8, 1977

DEGREEING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Michael's HouseLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Warnick Road, Gilmore, MarylandDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: SoutheastNAME OF OWNER: Percy R. Michaels 463-2043ADDRESS: Route 1Lonaconing, Maryland 21539STORIES: 1() 2(¹/₂X) 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(X) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: 1 story kitchen wing

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) "T"

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (X) 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
 (X) Other: Coverings Insul Brick

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS PlainFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, HIGH, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2(X) 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other(X) Cornice
 3/1 on rear with
 pegged (X) nailed() wide () narrow () mitred () pediment (X)

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: Two
 HARDWARE: original(X) replaced()
 PAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
 Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) Brackets, barge board
 original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,
 Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, LANGSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, CORNERS #
 MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced(X)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip(X) gable() Cross gable

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(X) STONE() CORBELLED(X) original(X) replaced (X)
 LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end(X) Outside end() Central() Interior ()
 Cement Block

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

COMMENTS:

Use - Private Home
 Significance - Miner's dwelling
 Date Constructed - 1857
 Condition - Fair

Savage River
STATE FOREST

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Michael's House
Warrick Rd., Gilmore

USGS Longconing Quad

1:24,000

1974 Revised

075
Carlos
1965
1902

Sluab
WESTERN
Creek

Woodland

Squirrel Neck

Klondike
(Lodg Sta)

AI-VI-B-034
AI-VI-B-035

Substation

AI-VI-B-036

AI-VI-B-043

AI-VI-B-044

AI-VI-B-046

AI-VI-B-047

AI-VI-B-048

AI-VI-B-049

AI-VI-B-045

AI-VI-B-071

AI-VI-B-035

AI-VI-B-067

AI-VI-B-072

AI-VI-B-074

AI-VI-B-069

AI-VI-B-068

AI-VI-B-073

AI-VI-B-079

AI-VI-B-042

AI-VI-B-075

AI-VI-B-080

AI-VI-B-088

AI-VI-B-095

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AI-VI-B-101

AI-VI-B-093

AI-VI-B-081

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AI-VI-B-097

AI-VI-B-089

AI-VI-B-098

AI-VI-B-087

AI-VI-B-099

Longconing

WESTERN

MARYLAND

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183

200

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Michael's House
Warrick Rd.
Gilmore

2/8/77

John Nelson
South



A1-VI-B-079

Michael's House

Warnick Rd.

Gilmer

218177

John Nelsan

North