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Old Evans House  
Frostburg

c. 1870

The Old Evans House is situated on Bowery Street in Frostburg. The original owner, Mr. Evans, was foreman of the local brick yard which was also located on Bowery Street. It is a large, practical building whose only condescension to elegance is the houndstooth frieze which runs just below the roof line on the original structure. Unfortunately, sight lines of the original structure have been marred by 20th century additions.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Old Evan's House

AND/OR COMMON

Hen House Restaurant

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

65 Bowery Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Roy L. Warn

Telephone #: 689-9005

STREET & NUMBER

65 Bowery Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 307

Folio #: 171

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 type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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 Old Evans House is located at 65 Bowery Street in Frostburg, Allegany County on the northwest side of the street at the intersection of Stoyer Street.

The structure basically consists of a two story, three bays wide "L" shaped block. Additions for the purpose of a dining room, bar, and kitchen have been made on the front and northeastern side of the house. The additions are one story with a hip roof on the front addition and a simple shed roof on the side. The wall construction of the house features a wooden frame covered with weatherboard supported by a low roughly cut stone foundation with plain water table. The construction of the additions for the restaurant include a frame, covered by asbestos and vinyl siding on the front southeast side of the structure and cement block walls on the rear northern section. The gable roof of the main block which features a soffit, and frieze with houndstooth trim, is covered by replaced asphalt shingles as well as the shed roof of the addition. Windows in the house are double hung wooden sashes with plain trim and two-over-two lights. Windows in the commercial addition are double hung, one-over-one lights in the dining room and large sliding windows in the kitchen. The main entrance of the structure was originally on the front southeast side and was covered by an end porch which has now been replaced by the dining room. Entrances used presently are for both the restaurant and residence and are located on the rear, northwest, face of the addition and north east side, and are plain. One original brick chimney is located in the interior of the structure and several vents are presently jutting from the kitchen of the addition.

The building is structurally sound and has been somewhat altered, but restoration is certainly possible.

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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"/> 100-1499	<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 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** Mid to late 19th century      **BUILDER/ARCHITECT**

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Old Evans House was erected between the mid to late nineteenth century for the original owner Mr. Evans. Mr. Evans was a foreman of a brick yard that formerly was located along Bowery Street, and the house was one of the first to be built on the street. Although the date of construction is unknown, the estimated time period in which it was built is based upon the years in operation of the brick yard. The house is one of several located in Frostburg with the same style architecture and it retains much of its original external appearance other than that of the additions. The house is in need of repair and the opportunity for restoration is excellent in that the main block has the original features. The house is a good example of the large and practical style of architecture once commonly found in Allegany County among the upper middle class.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 168' x 65' Approx.

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

65 Bowery Street

Boundary Lines Southeast &amp; Northwest 168' Lines Southwest &amp; Northeast 65'

## LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

4/21/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Frostburg

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.

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

INVENTORY NO. A1-011-A-021

Liber - 307

Folio - 171

DATE: 4/15/76

168' x 65

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Hen House Restaurant Old Euan's House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 65 Bowery St

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Southeast

NAME OF OWNER: Roy L Warn

ADDRESS: 65 Bowery St

Frostburg, MD 21532

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

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Addition of kitchen + Dining Room for Restaurant

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular) on East side  
L-Shaped

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 Asbestos Biding on Addition

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS Plain

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE Addition - Cement Block

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2() 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( )  
Plain trim pegged( ) nailed( ) wide( ) narrow( ) mitred( ) pediment( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: Southeast, Northwest + North

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced()  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards Plain Verticle Board

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) Hounds Tooth Trim  
original() replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze,  
Architrave

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

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip( ) gable( ) of Addition

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK() STONE( ) CORNBRED( ) original() replaced( )  
LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior ()

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

COMMENTS:  
Use - Residence + Restaurant  
Significance - Arch.  
Date Constructed - mid to late 19th  
Condition - Fair

Key points regarding interior architecture.

1. Floor plan

No through hall--How many rooms long and deep? *12 Rooms*  
Where is stairway? Straight or winding?  
*Central*

With through hall--Rooms on both sides? How many?

Rooms on one side only? How many?

Is stair in through hall?

Open or enclosed? Straight--one run. Straight--landing

How many? Curved.

If not in hall, where is stair?

2. Wall finish: plaster, paneled, board partition  
Note presence of chair rail, cornice, etc.

3. Fireplaces: How many? | Parallel to walls or diagonal in corner?

Mantels: wood--mouldings, pilasters, columns  
masonry--marble(what color? ), brick

3. Doors: on the inside of exterior doors, note the presence of applied flush boards and their direction (diagonal, vertical, horizontal). In general are doors paneled or ledge or other?

4. Door and window trim: plain, architrave; fluted, reeded; pilasters

5. Kitchen: Where is original if extant or known (marked by very large fireplace)? Separate building; wing to principal dwelling; within principal dwelling? On which floor of any of the above?





Evan's House

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West



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East