



## 7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Located at the end of a short road leading west from Shore Acres Road the Hersch-Arnold house stands on a slight rise above College Parkway. A small, simple, two-story frame structure, the house has one section dating from about 1800-1825. Another section was built in the early 1900's.

The principal, 2 story, block of the house consists of these two parts. It is one room deep, and four, irregularly spaced, bays long. ~~There is~~ a brick chimney at each end of the continuous, moderately pitched, A-roof. The roof has wood shingles under a layer of asphalt shingles. The walls have been covered with unpainted wood shingle over horizontal, lapped siding. A one story, open, shed roofed porch extends across the front (south) elevation. A one story, shed-roofed addition was attached to the north side of the house in about 1960. It covers the west half of the north wall and provides a back porch and a small room off of the kitchen.

The three bays at the east end of the house comprise the earlier structure. The plan consists of one room, served by a large, exterior chimney at its east end; and a cross hall, containing the front and rear entrances and the stair. The second floor plan is similar, with one large room at the east end of the house and one tiny room above the south end of the hall. The attic steps are located between the landing and this room. This section of the house has some interesting details. The first floor windows have 9/6 pane sashes. The steep, narrow, closed string stair has a small, turned, newel post, square balusters and a molded hand-rail. The steps wind up to the second floor with out a landing and then continue up to the attic, enclosed in panelling. The floors, doors, windows and plaster all appear to be original. The mantel piece on the first floor is wooden, and of a plain and very common mid-19th century style. The door, window and base molds are also plain, one edge of each piece has a simple bead. The fireplace on the second floor has been plastered over and the mantel removed. In the attic, the original west end wall has been removed making the space continuous from one end of the present house to the other, and clearly showing the difference in construction from the first section to the early 20th century addition.

The addition, believed by the owner to have been built in about 1905, contains the large kitchen on the first floor and two small rooms on the second. The kitchen is served by a single flue stove chimney in the west end wall of the house.

None of the out buildings connected with the house remain but the locations of two hand-dug wells are visible and there is a gravestone to the north west of the house bearing the name John Arnold (b. 1783, d. 1857). Several large English boxwoods are growing in the yard.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

**PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <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)**

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

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|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abariginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Palitical      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | lasaphy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transpartation | _____                                    |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The house belonged in the 19th century to the Arnold family. It appears on the 1878 county map as owned by Thomas Arnold. He is listed in the Atlas as a farmer, born in Anne Arundel County in 1825, and owning 475 acres in 1878.<sup>1</sup> Edgar F. Arnold, whose relation to Thomas is not specified, owned the nearby Arnold's Store, for which the present community was named. The Hersch family acquired the house and 90 acres in 1912. It is still owned by a descendant.<sup>2</sup>

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- <sup>1</sup>Hopkins, GM., Atlas of Anne Arundel County, Maryland  
320 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, 1878
- <sup>2</sup>Conversation with Mrs. George W. Schriefer, 6/20/75

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORINATES 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	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
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SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: *2 acres*

Acreege Justification:

*(Empty space for justification)*

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
**Amy Hiatt**

ORGANIZATION: **Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning**      DATE: **July 1975**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**Arundel Center**

CITY OR TOWN: **Annapolis**      STATE: **Maryland**

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

Significance of this property is:

National       State       Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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AA  
135

(map 16)

aa-19-x-2  
Hersch - Arnold House  
South-east corner :

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135

(map 16)

aa-19-X-a

Hersch-Arnold House

South elevation

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AA  
135

aa - 19-X - a (map 16)

Hersch Leonard House  
South-west corner

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A.A.  
135

aa - 19-X-a (map 16)

Hersch-Arnold House  
north elevation

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