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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP) Property Detail Report

BA-814
Oakdene-Summerfield

Inventory Number: BA-814

Property Name: Oakdene-Summerfield

Address 1021 Greenspring Valley Road

Town Lutherville-Timonium **Zip Code**

USGS Quadrangle(s) Cockeysville

Digitized in GIS No **Number of polygons** **designation in GIS**

Mapped on mylar **Detail map code**

Within NR district **Within survey district** **Materials in vertical file**

Other

Additional Designations:

____ National Register ____ Preservation Easement ____ Determinations of Eligibility

____ Contributing Resource Determinations of Eligibility ___X___ Related Inventory Numbers

Related Inventory Numbers:

BA-814A	Oakdene-Summerfield (Horse Barn)	1021 Greenspring Valley Road
BA-814B	Oakdene-Summerfield (Carriage House)	1021 Greenspring Valley Road

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No. 0308142606 A
0308142606 B
DOE ___yes x no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Oakdene-Summerfield Horse Barn and Carriage House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 1021 Green Spring Valley Road ___ not for publication

city, town Brooklandville ___ vicinity of Councilmanic District congressional district

state Maryland county Baltimore County

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	___ occupied	x agriculture	___ museum
x building(s)	x private	x unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	___ private residence
___ site	**Public Acquisition**	**Accessible**	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	___ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	___ not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Hon. William C. & Nancy G. Trimble

street & number 1021 Green Spring Valley Road telephone no.: 823-1714

city, town Brooklandville state and zip code Maryland 21093

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. County Courts Building liber 4846

street & number 401 Bosley Avenue folio 483

city, town Towson, state Maryland 21204

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title National Register Study of Green Spring Valley

date 1979 ___ federal x state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust 100 Community Place

city, town Crownsville state Maryland 21032-2032

Condition		Check one	Check one
___ excellent	___ deteriorated	x unaltered	x original site
x good	___ ruins	___ altered	___ moved date of move _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

A. The horse barn at Oakdene-Summerfield is a long rectangular structure 75 by 30 feet, one story, ten bays long, gable-roofed and very plain in its design. The gable roofing overhangs on the east facade to shelter the entrance doors to the stalls. The stonework is assembled with considerable craftsmanship and so are the roof rafters and trussing. James T. Wollon listed the 1895-1905 barn as a product of the 1895-1905 Queen Anne period. The barn is probably the one found in the 1896 tax account of William G. Ogden. Mr. Ogden's tenant for many years was Thomas Deford, Jr., a noted sportsman, horse-owner, and Master of Fox Hounds.

B. The Oakdene-Summerfield carriage house can be dated to the autumn of 1900 by an item found in the Towson weekly newspaper. The carriage house is a gambrel-roofed structure in frame and clapboard. Each end consists of a gambrel-roofed pavilion linked by a long main block. There is a centrally located dormer on the north facade and a centrally located hay-loading door on the south at roof level on the south facade. The building is topped by two square, hip-roofed, louvered cupolas. Dimensions were given as 34 x 94 feet in the 1918 tax ledger. The style was described as Queen Anne by James T. Wollon, Jr., A.I.A., in the 1979 study of Green Spring Valley for the Valleys Planning Council.

8. Significance

Survey No. BA 814 A & B

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	___ religion
___ 1400–1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science
___ 1500–1599	X agriculture	___ economics	___ literature	___ sculpture
___ 1600–1699	X architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/humanitarian
___ 1700–1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	___ theater
X 1800–1899	___ commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	X transportation
___ 1900–	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates 1892-1900 **Builder/Architect** Charles E. Thomas, builder

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B __C __D (carriage house)
and/or
Applicable Exception: __A __B __C __D __E __F __G

Level of Significance: __national __state __local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Two splendid agricultural buildings survive at the present Oakdene estate, one a long stone barn with ten stalls, the other a turn-of-the-century carriage house in Queen Anne style. This property has been occupied since at least 1714 when it was a tobacco plantation of the Cockey family, the land survey name being "Cockey's Trust." The present outbuildings, however, date from the late 19th century when the property was a well developed country residence rather than a working farm. Some of the owners of the property were wealthy and prominent.

William B. Ogden was the owner at the time of the 1896 tax ledger, which showed him with 132½ acres on the south side of what was then called Dover Road in Green Spring Valley, adjoining the land of the late Samuel Brady. The improvements consisted of a dwelling house, stable, barn, carriage house, and other out buildings, assessed at $12,000 in all. (1)

The large barn under study was probably the one listed in the 1896 tax ledger. It was probably designed for riding, racing, and carriage horses rather than the operations of a general farm. James T. Wollon, Jr., in his 1976 study of Green Spring Valley, estimated both barn and carriage house at 1895-to-1905 in origin. (2) William B. Ogden was the owner from 1892 until his death in 1921 and probably commissioned both structures.

We are unable to supply biographical data on William B. Ogden. Starting in 1898, the property was leased to Thomas Deford who had it about two decades; the estate was spoken of as if it actually belonged to him, the Sun in 1906, for example, presenting a photograph of the "deFord house" as they spelled it. (3)

The Towson weekly paper reported the construction of a carriage house in late 1900, citing a contractor, if not an architect:

> Mr. Charles E. Thomas, contractor of Towson, is now engaged in erecting a very large carriage house on the "Oakdene" estate of Mr. Wm. B. Ogden, in Green Spring Valley. The property is under lease to Mr. Thomas Deford, Jr. (4)

Thomas Deford was involved in a family owned tannery business and in 1912 moved to Luray, Virginia, to serve as vice president of the company. Dawn F. Thomas credits Deford with naming the place Oakdene. During his tenure there, he kept a racing stable and entered his hunter Football in the Maryland Hunt Cup. He also served as Master of Fox Hounds. (5)

The 1911 tax ledger showed the acreage unchanged from 1896 and gave the improvements as a "mansion house, stable, box stalls, 3 tenants houses, and other outbuildings" worth $12,350. (6)

The 1918 tax ledger is the only one that provided dimensions; it listed the following structures in addition to a three-part dwelling:

Garage	34 x 94	$2,237
Stable	17 x 22	
Stone Stable	75 x 30	1,088

There were also four tenant houses, a club house ($428) and "6 old buildings" worth ($150). (7)

Other tax series volumes named the carriage house "Carriage and Stable" as did the 1923 ledger and "Garage and Stable" as did the 1928-1940 series. (8) During the 1920s, Mrs. Amelia L. Carroll was carried as owner, having acquired from the Ogden trustees in 1923. (9) It was Mrs. Carroll who had the boxy Greek Revival main dwelling restored to the Georgian appearance it had enjoyed before suffering a fire somewhere before 1833. Mrs. Carroll continued to use the name Oakdene selected by Mr. Ogden. The other known names for the estate were "Summerfield," used in an 1833 sale advertisement and "Anneslie" found in the 1841 tax ledger. (10) The name "Anneslie" had been used during the ownership of Frederick Harrison and he moved the name to his next residence, an Italianate villa on Dunkirk Road, in the mid-1850s. (11)

NOTES:

1. Tax Ledger, District 3, 1896, folio 287, Hall of Records, Annapolis.

2. James T. Wollon, Jr., A.I.A., "Oakdene," typescript, Havre de Grace, Maryland, January 18, 1979.

3. Sun, July 13, 1906, p. 13.

4. Baltimore County Union, Towson, October 27, 1900.

5. Dawn F. Thomas, The Green Spring Spring Valley, Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, 1978, pp. 317-318.

6. Tax Ledger, District 3, 1911, folio 657, Records Management, Rosedale.

7. Tax Ledger, District 3, 1918, folio 130, Volume M-Z.

8. Tax Ledger, District 3, 1923, folio 72; 1928-1940, folio 82. Records Management, Rosedale.

9. Baltimore County Deeds, WPC 574:1.

10. Baltimore American, July 1, 1833.

11. Assessor's Field Book, District 3, 1841, folio 48. (Hall of Records, #8245).

Dawn F. Thomas, The Green Spring Valley, Maryland Historical Society Baltimore, 1978.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 25.74

Quadrangle name Cockeysville **Quadrangle scale** 1:24,000

UTM **References** do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

See Tax Map 59, Parcel P354. Bounds three courses on Green Spring Valley Road. Bounded on west by Douglas G. Carroll tract; on south and east by property of Mrs. A.L. Carroll.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	None	**code**	**county**	None	**code**
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11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Towson **state** Maryland 21204

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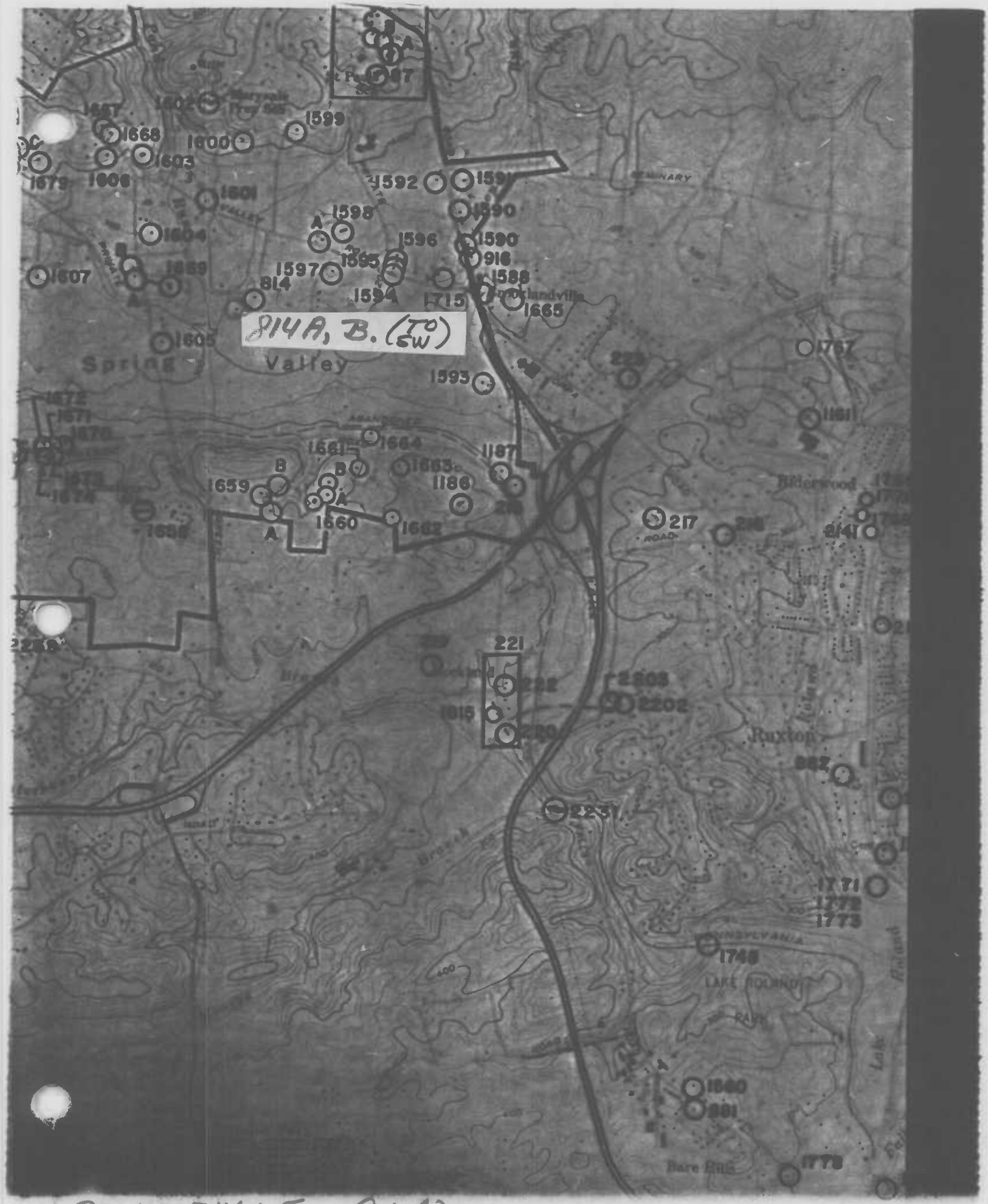

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Oakdene formerly Summerfield
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South facade from SE

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Main facade (north) in north light

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Center hall stairway from south

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East parlor of main block (from west)

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Dining room fireplace (from east)

Oakdene formerly Summerfield
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Office of Planning and Zoning
Over mantel, west end of hall

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Dining room fireplace (from east)

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