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325 Main Street  
Reisterstown, Maryland

Private

325 MAIN STREET is a carefully designed house in the picturesque Queen Anne style, ca. 1895, closely related in style, time and setting to its neighbors, 337 and 357 Main Street (q.v.).

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC **Slade House**

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER **325 Main Street**

**6th**

CITY, TOWN

**Reisterstown**

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**Baltimore County**

STATE

**Maryland**

COUNTY

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

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME **George B. Johns**

Telephone #: **833-3294**

STREET & NUMBER **325 Main Street**

CITY, TOWN

**Reisterstown, Maryland** — VICINITY OF

STATE **21136** zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. **Baltimore County Courthouse**

Liber #: **4873**

Folio #: **625**

STREET & NUMBER **Towson**

CITY, TOWN

**Maryland**

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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**7 DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITION**

EXCELLENT       DETERIORATED  
 GOOD             RUINS  
 FAIR               UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

UNALTERED ?  
 ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

325 MAIN STREET is a large picturesque frame house of the Queen Anne period, dating from ca. 1895, two storeys in height with a steep hipped roof. It is closely related in style, time and setting to its neighbors, 337 and 357 Main Street (q.v.). The interior of 325 was not accessible for inspection.

Set back from the street across a wide lawn, the house faces the street to the west. A one storey porch extends around the north, west and south sides, its hipped roof supported by turned columns. A projecting gable shelters the steps in front of the principal entrance near the north end of the west front. The south half of the west front is a projecting bay, terminating in a steep gable in the attic storey. The east half of the north side also projects with a gable in the attic storey. Windows generally are 1/1, with louvred blinds. Doubled windows are in the second storey of the projecting bay and double casements each with twenty lights are in the attic gables. Massive brick chimneys rise near the peaks of the roof. Exterior walls are sheathed with plain weatherboards; vertical and horizontal boards suggest half-timbering in the attic gables.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) <b>local history</b>
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In 1884, Dr William Godwin purchased 15 acres of land from Andrew Banks. (WMI 141/518). Several years later, in 1893, Godwin sold part of this tract for \$550. (LMB 198/559). The buyer was Dr. Harry M. Slade. Dr Slade carried on the practice of medicine in Reisterstown for 52 years. He was born at My Lady's Manor in 1862. From 1901 until his death he was the public health officer for the Fourth District; and from 1912 until 1924, he served as public health officer for Baltimore County. He began the practice of medicine in Reisterstown in 1884, and often went to his patients over execrable roads by horse and buggy. In 1934, the community honored one of their most beloved residents with a large and distinguished gathering of Baltimore County citizens at a testimonial held at Franklin High School. (Obituary in an unidentified Reisterstown newspaper, April 17, 1936)

In 1894, a year after he had purchased the land from Godwin, Dr. Slade purchased some more land from Martha A. Wagner. (LMB 205/554) Together, these two purchases make up the present property. Slade built himself the handsome house which still stands here today.

In 1898, Harry M. Slade deeded the property to William A. Slade. (NBM 236/536). This was his father. Harry M. Slade then leased the property from William A. and Belinda Slade. (NBM 236/538) and the lease ran for 99 years with an annual ground rent of \$120. The leasehold was, in 1936, vested in Elizabeth L. Slade, Dr Slade's widow. (JPC 31/345 Wills)

In 1950, the Slade children, William H.L. Slade, Elizabeth L. Cockey and husband Charles C; Margaret Slade Bates and J. Whitney Bates; and Harry M. Slade (jr) gave fee simple title to the property to Elizabeth L. Slade. At this point the leasehold was extinguished. (TBS 1834/454).

In the same year, 1950, Elizabeth Slade sold the property to George H. Steuart, Jr and wife. (TBS 1833/435)

In 1968, George H. Steuart, Jr and his wife, Virginia sold the property to the present owners. (OTC 4873/625).

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Land Records Baltimore County CourtHouse, Towson, Md  
Unidentified newspaper article on Slade funeral 4/17/1936. Housed  
in the Reisterstown Room, Reisterstown Public Library

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_ ? \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY OR TOWN Reisterstown

STATE Md

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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