

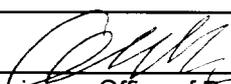
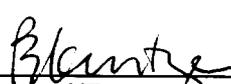
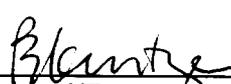
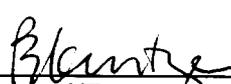
Property Address	West side U.S. 301 (Crain Highway), ¼ mile north of Acton Lane, Waldorf vicinity, Charles County
Owner Name/Address	Dreadnaught Limited Partnership, 7201 Wisconsin Ave. Suite 650, Bethesda MD 20814-4810
Year Built	early-nineteenth century, early-twentieth century, demolished circa 1995

**Description:**

Molly's Delight was previously surveyed by J. Richard Rivoire of the Design Alliance in 1994. Since the time of the previous survey, the house has been demolished. A townhouse development known as The Woods at Deer Creek has been constructed on the site of the house, and a Home Depot is being constructed on the land to the east. There are no extant buildings associated with the property.

**National Register Evaluation:**

Molly's Delight was determined not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places by the Maryland Historical Trust in August 1994.

<b>MHT CONCURRENCE:</b>			
Eligibility	<input type="checkbox"/> recommended	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not recommended	
Criteria	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D
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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date	Reviewer, NR program	Date

840013

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: Molly's Delight Survey Number: CH-342

Project: Townhouse Development Jefferson Road Agency: COE

Site visit by MHT Staff: X no \_\_\_ yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility not recommended X \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria: \_\_\_A \_\_\_B XC \_\_\_D Considerations: \_\_\_A \_\_\_B \_\_\_C \_\_\_D \_\_\_E \_\_\_F \_\_\_G \_\_\_None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)  
Molly's Delight is a frame dwelling consisting of two construction periods: early nineteenth Century and early twentieth century. The original structure measures three bays wide, rises one story in height and capped by a steep gable roof. the two exterior brick chimneys were distinguished by a large, one story pent. The early twentieth century expansion includes a two story, three bay, gabled addition with a recessed porch. The current condition of the building is quite deteriorated. The character defining chimneys and pent have collapsed, siding, windows, columns and doors have been removed. Molly's Delight no longer possesses integrity of design, materials, workmanship, feeling and association to be eligible for the National Register.

As of August 1994, the developer anticipates demolishing the building in the near future, after archeological investigations have been completed.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Inventory

Prepared by: Design Alliance, Rick Rivoire

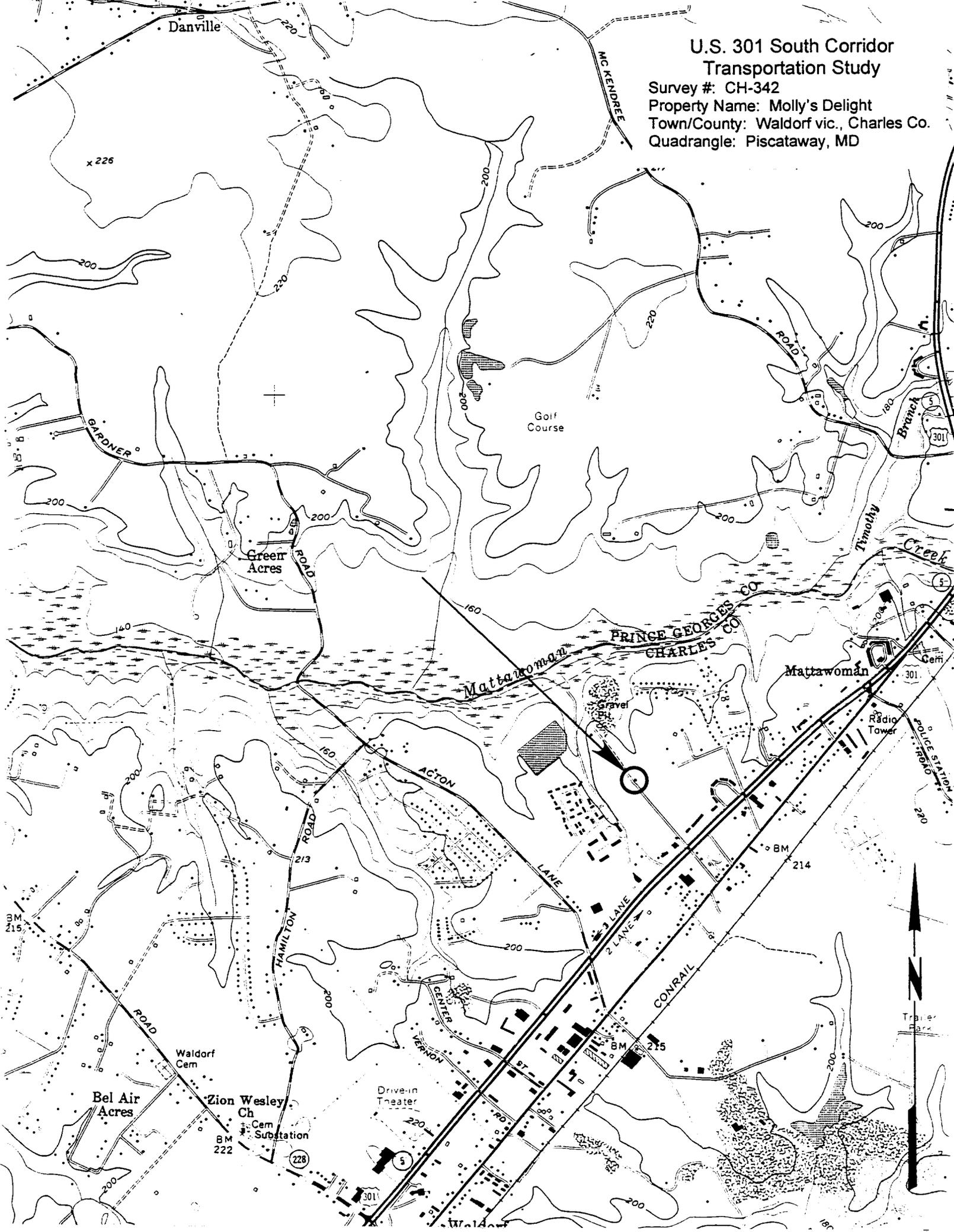
Lauren L. Bowlin 18 August 1994  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence: X yes \_\_\_ no \_\_\_ not applicable  
B. Anderson 9/22/94  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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U.S. 301 South Corridor  
Transportation Study

Survey #: CH-342  
Property Name: Molly's Delight  
Town/County: Waldorf vic., Charles Co.  
Quadrangle: Piscataway, MD





- 1) CH-342
- 2) Molly's Delight,
- 3) Charles Co, MD
- 4) Julie Darsie
- 5) 1-99
- 6) MD SHPO
- 7) site of house - View SW
- 8) 1 of 2



- 1) CH-342
- 2) Molly's Delight
- 3) Charles Co, MD
- 4) Julie Darsie
- 5) 1-99
- 6) MD SHPO
- 7) land east of house - view SE
- 8) 2 of 2

**ADDENDUM**

Molly's Delight  
CH-342  
Charles County, MD  
Waldorf vic.  
K.G. Smith, October 1998

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8. Statement of Significance  
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The early 19th Century dwelling known as Molly's Delight burned down in 1994.

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10. Geographical Data  
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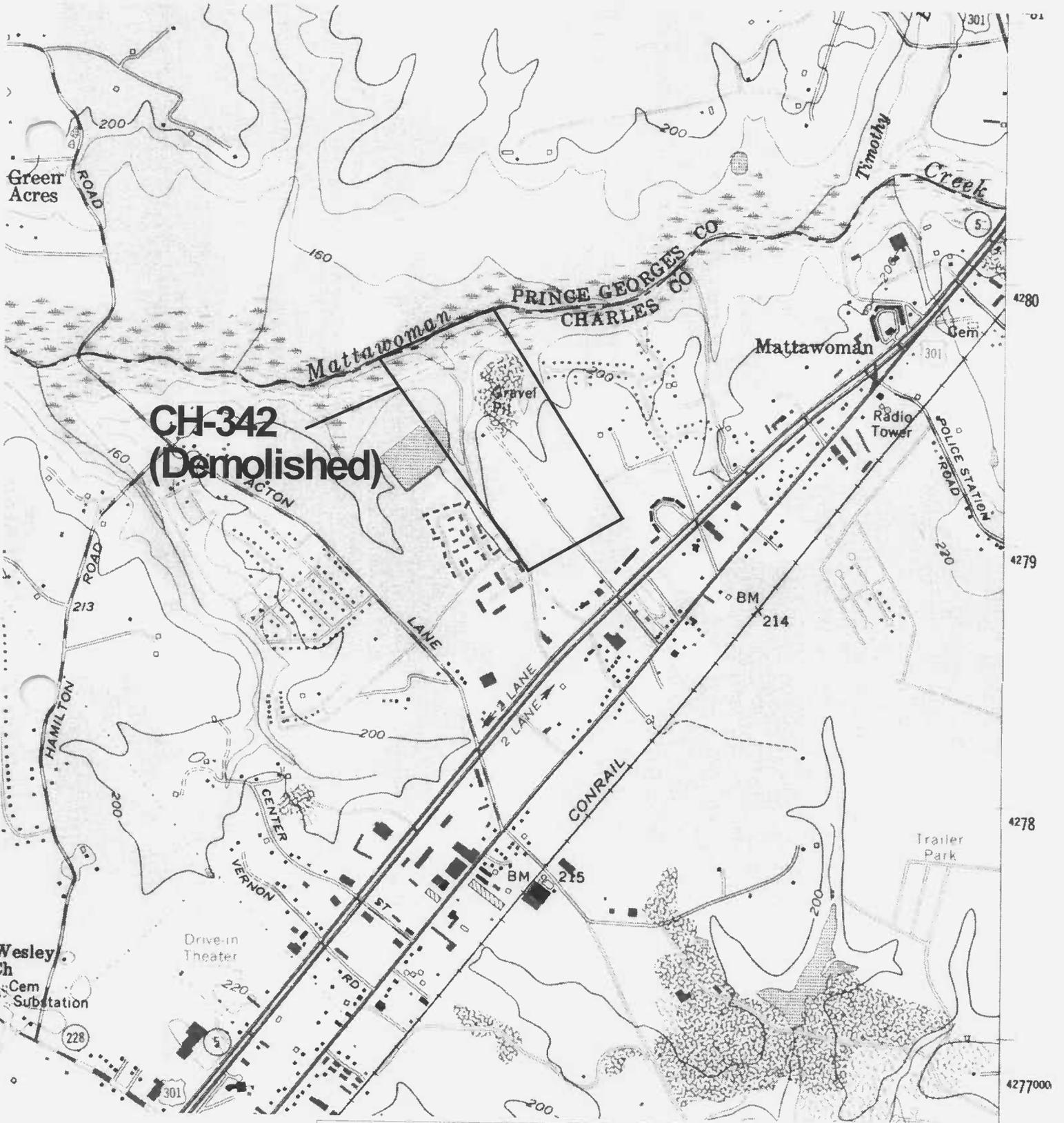
Acreage of Property 67 acres

**Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)**

The Molly's Delight site is located on Parcel 457 on Map 8 on the Charles County Property Map.

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12. Property Owner  
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name Dreadnaught Ltd. Partnership  
street & number 7201 Wisconsin Ave. telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Bethesda state MD zip code 20814  
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**CH-342  
(Demolished)**



**Molly's Delight (demolished)  
Charles County, MD**

**CH-342**

**PISCATAWAY, MD QUAD**

CHAS-342  
MOLLY'S DELIGHT  
Vicinity of Waldorf  
Private

Early 19th century

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The present 111 acre property is part of what was in 1844 a 731 acre farm that encompassed such early tracts as Duke's Delight, Ford's Adventure, Acton's Adventure, Aberdeen and Timberland. The portion of the property on which the house is located was patented by Henry Hardy as Molly's Delight in 1768. In 1837 it was part of the estate of John Boone and for at least twenty years was involved in a settlement between his heirs. In an 1840 appraisal, the property was described as "very poor" farmland that with existing improvements was "not worth more than \$4.50 per acre."

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CHAS-342

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY #0103425304

1 NAME

HISTORIC

MOLLY'S DELIGHT

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

On Jefferson Road, West side of U. S. Rte. 301, approx. 1/4 mile north of Acton Lane

CITY, TOWN

Waldorf

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1st

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Charles

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

Verdie M. Jefferson

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Molly's Delight

CITY, TOWN

Waldorf

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20601

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Charles County Courthouse

Liber #: 84

Folio #: 1

STREET & NUMBER

Charles Street (P. O. Box B)

CITY, TOWN

La Plata

STATE

Maryland 20646

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>
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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

A dilapidated, two-part frame house, Molly's Delight gives the appearance of complete abandonment, but in fact continues to be occupied by its owner of the past 34 years.

Like the Trinity Lake House (CHAS-294), Molly's Delight began as a modest, two room, one story plus attic dwelling to which was later added a two story wing, the roof of the addition running at a right angle to that of the original house.

The oldest part of Molly's Delight appears to date from the first quarter of the nineteenth century. The principal facade is on the east side and is three bays wide, having a transomed door occupying the third bay from the south end and two windows. The doorway frames a later door and the transome has also been replaced by a single pane; both windows are now boarded over. On the west side of the house there is a door positioned near the south end of this elevation with an adjacent window that is approximately centered. Both of these openings are also covered over. On the front slope of the gable roof are two very odd looking semi-circular windows that are undoubtedly of twentieth century date. Both have been boarded over. There are no windows on the opposite side. The house is built on low brick foundation walls. The exterior is sheathed with lapped clapboards and the roof with composition shingles. Some of the clapboards have fallen from the walls, revealing the morticed and tenoned framing and brick nogging beneath. The present exterior appearance of the house is extremely plain, devoid of even standard trim to decorate the windows, doors and cornices.

The surviving original features that today provide the remnants of Molly's Delight a degree of distinction are its two end chimneys and brick pent, the latter the largest and most unusual example of its type in Charles County. Of the two chimneys only the southeast chimney served two fireplaces and consequently is somewhat broader in width than its companion. It has brick tiled shoulders just below the rake board of the roof and a flush stack. The other chimney also has a flush stack but only one tiled shoulder.

Both inside side walls of the chimney bases extend within the pent. The pent is unusually wide (usually they are only as wide as the space between the chimneys permit) and extends out from the end of the house about twelve feet. Both of the chimneys and the pent are of common bond brick construction. A single small window is located in both side walls of the pent and the roof is sheathed with tin. The masonry of the chimneys and pent is in an advanced state of deterioration and has been cemented over in various places. Each of the chimney stacks has been torn down to the level of roof line.

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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1. & 2. Court Proceedings, August 1844. Survey description and proceedings of litigation. Charles County Land Records, La Plata, Maryland.
  3. WMA #57, folio 212. Charles County Land Records, La Plata, Maryland.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Molly's Delight is located on an 80 acre tract of land indentified as Parcel 457, Map 8, Charles County Tax Maps (revised January 1976.)

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

J. Richard Rivoire, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Charles County Planning Department

DATE

August 1978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Charles County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

645-6537

CITY OR TOWN

La Plata

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.

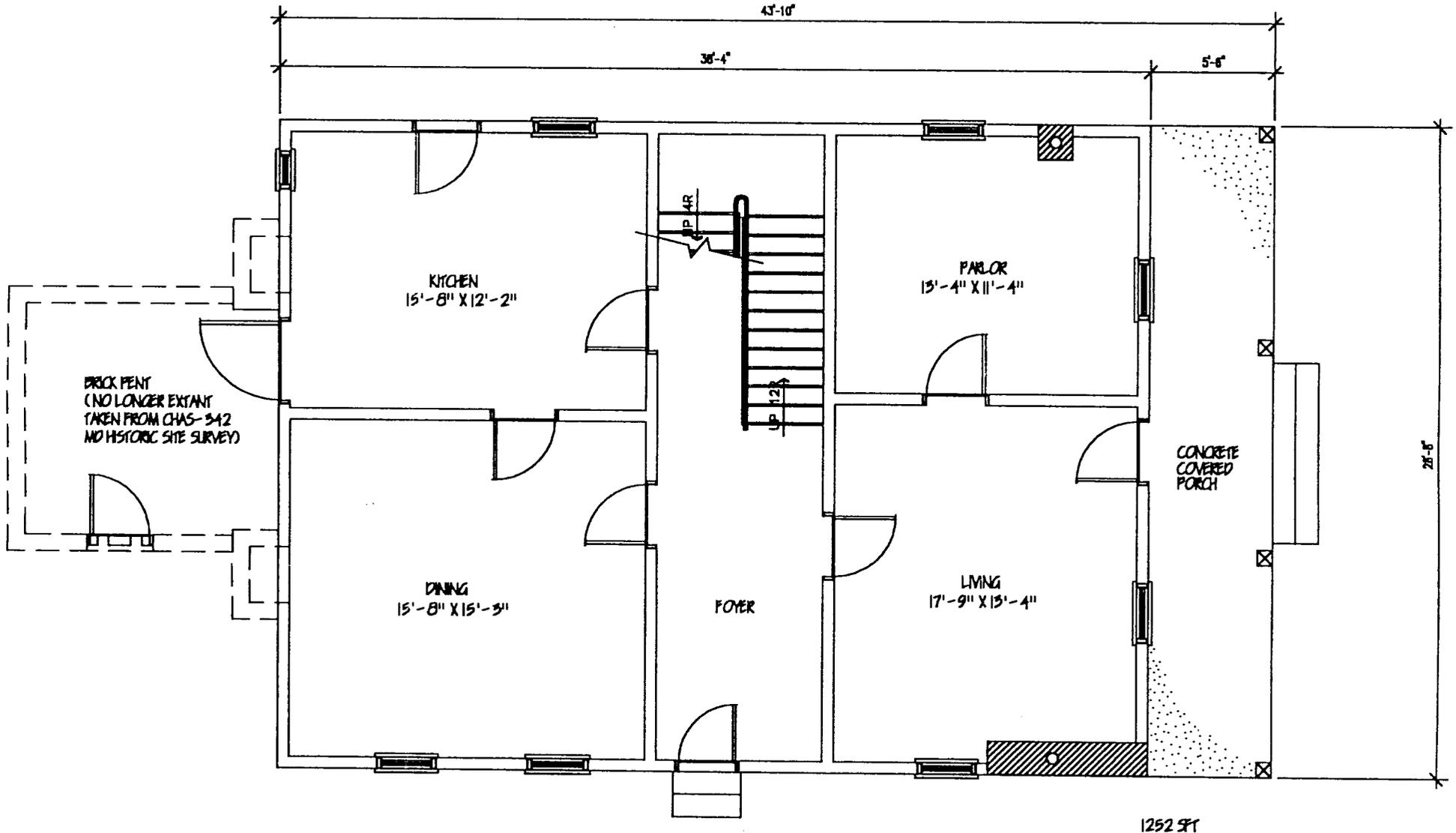
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

Continuation of #7 (Description)--MOLLY'S DELIGHT  
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In the late nineteenth or early twentieth century a two story addition was built at the north end of the original house. The addition, which is in better repair than the older part, is of interest for its first floor recessed porch extending the full width of the north side. This elevation has a centered first floor door and two flanking windows and three second floor windows above. Both ends of the wing are one bay wide at the first floor and two on the second. In the east gable are two narrow louvered vents. At each end of the roof ridge is a single stove chimney.

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GROUND FLOOR PLAN

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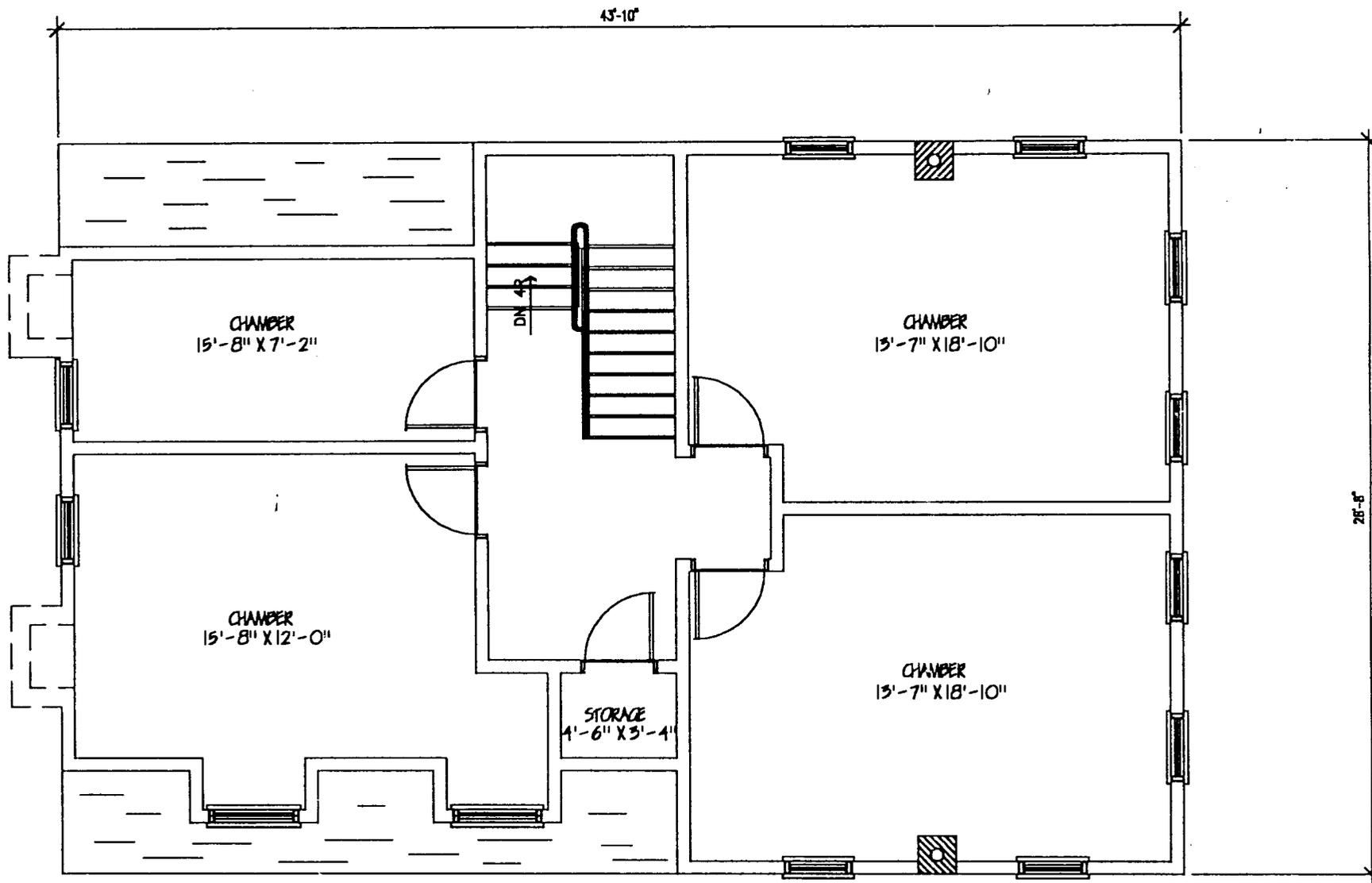


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SECOND FLOOR PLAN

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MD IND. 8/9/94 - CH 342 MARYS DELIGHT



Art by Dale Umboltz

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In a telephone interview, Davis said, "This endorsement tells me that the members of the Charles County Sheriff's Office believe I have the capability to be their sheriff. It definitely boosts my campaign."

Gartland said he anticipated the vote and said, "I'm not bitter about this. I don't want to give the impression that I think the forum was wrong. But the bottom line is the electorate makes the final

watch, the detectives and alcohol enforcement.

"Patrol officers believe we should have more officers in the street ... spending more money on patrol. We are becoming more involved in crime prevention, drug prevention and programs such as the Drug Abuse Resistance Education, or DARE, officers. This reduces the demand for the patrol officers," he said.

When asked if he knows who voted against him, Gartland said some of those include officers

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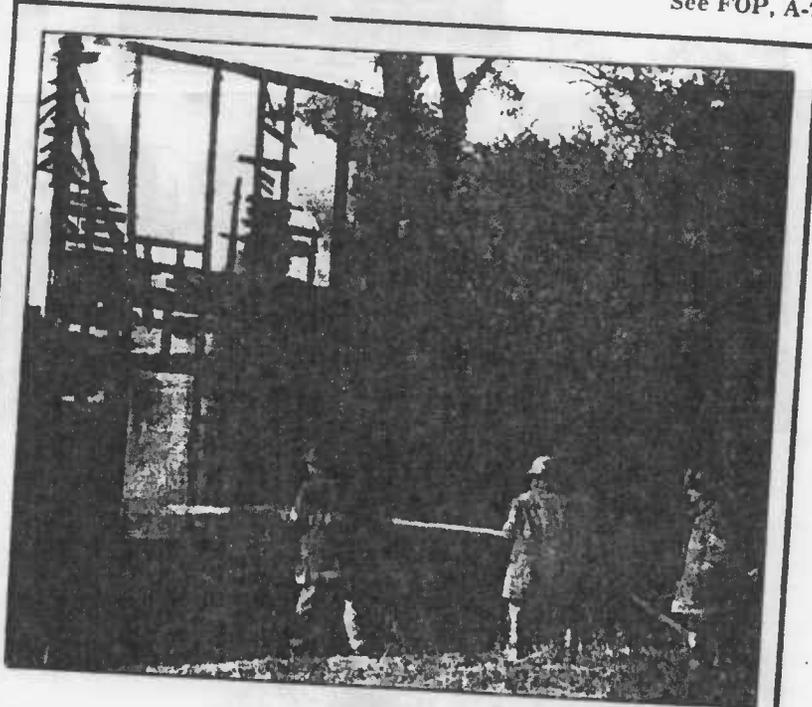


Photo by Kimberly A. Crowley

# Arson suspected in fire

About 30 firefighters from Waldorf, La Plata, Brandywine, Clinton and Baden fire departments responded to a fire at an abandoned house behind the Heidelberg Motel in Waldorf Monday afternoon. According to Capt. Clark Embrey of the Waldorf Volunteer Fire Department, the fire was under control within 15 minutes. A group of about six boys were seen when firefighters arrived and were being questioned by the state fire marshal at the scene. A spokesman for the fire marshal's office confirmed the boys were suspects in the arson fire.





1 MILE

6000 7000 FEET

1 KILOMETER

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty ————— Light-duty - - - - -  
 Medium-duty ————— Unimproved dirt - - - - -

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 State Route (circle symbol)

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