

The old "Frizzell's Tavern" was built circa 1810-1820 when Nimrod and Ann Frizzell built a larger home for their family; it was their second in the area. Included behind it's long rectangular brick shell were living quarters, a tavern, and a small general store. The Tavern was a haven for traveller's on the road between Baltimore and towns west of it. The five-bay front, two-bay side varied brick bond structure was also an important overnight rest area for guests between Westminster and Taneytown.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC "Frizell's Tavern"

AND/OR COMMON still known as the former "Frizell's Tavern"

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 1916 Old Taneytown Road (MD 832)

CITY, TOWN Frizellburg VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2

STATE Maryland COUNTY Carroll

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input 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 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 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 Mr and Mrs William B. Dock (Lucille) Telephone #: 876-3839

STREET & NUMBER 1916 Old Taneytown Road

CITY, TOWN Frizellburg VICINITY OF Maryland STATE, zip code 21157

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Carroll County Office Bldg. Liber #: 599

STREET & NUMBER 225 North Center Street Folio #: 457

CITY, TOWN Westminster STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CARR-145

**CONDITION**

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED

DATE Circa 1810-1820

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

The former "Frizell's Tavern" is a five-bay front, two-bay side, two story building, with attic and basement. It faces south/west towards New Windsor and Union Bridge. It sits five to six yards from the Old Taneytown Pike in the town of Frizellburg. Maryland Route 97 runs parallel to this pike and connects Westminster and Taneytown. The old tavern is surrounded by old trees and a moderately built up town.

The uncoursed stone foundation supports brick walls of either American or running bond. The house is capped with a gable roof, covered with wood shingles and over that a standing seam cover. The north/west and south/east ends each have an interior, central, single chimney, with corbelled caps.

The south/west front is five-bays, with a running bond brick wall structure. The windows are plainly trimmed, double-hung sash, with a top row of headers - 6/6 panes. The first story has three central, symmetrically placed doors, each with different patterns of panelling and panes. The western most door was the entrance to the tavern, the central one to the central hall, and the easternmost to the living quarters. The open porch which accomodates this story has a flat roof with standing seam, a brick and stone walk and six column supports. These wood supports are thickly covered with plaster and white wash.

The second story has a central window, probably once a second story entrance or porch door.

The north/east back has an American bond brick pattern and four bays asymmetrically placed. Windows are 6/6 with plain trim, wood lintel and top row of headers. The first story has a protruding, enclosed porch, capped with a shed roof, also with standing seams. Windows are 6/6 with plain trim; as are doors. The wall structure is wood siding.

The northwest and southeast side walls are two-bay, with 2/2 attic windows, with plain trim, lintels and header row.

The southeast end is running bond; the northeast, American bond with a portion covered with simulated brick cover. Underneath is an unexplainable wood exterior wall.

**INTERIOR-** The central front door leads to a central hall with an opening, side stairway. The stairs, beyond the first run reach a small landing that accomodates two more runs leading in different directions to the six room, second floor.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| <input type="checkbox"/> PERIOD      | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING     | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC    | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION           | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499   | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE            | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS              | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599   | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE           | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION              | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699   | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                    | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING            | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799   | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE               | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899   | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS         | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-       |   | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |   |  |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

On the road towards Western Maryland, "Frizell's Tavern" was one of the few along the way that accomodated travellers. It lay on the road that linked the bustling Baltimore area, and the rural towns west if it.

On April 17, 1814, Nimrod Frizell married Ann Fischer Frizell, both 21, and moved in the area. He built a home and opened a blacksmith's shop. A short while later he built another house, this one large enough to house his family as well as serve an an inn and a small general store. The Frizell family became so active in local affairs that the settlement which was first settled by one Daniel Smith before 1800, became know as "Frizzells". The name was formerly changed to Frizelburg later, which was by then unanimously accepted, locally.

The tavern served traffic mainly between Westminster and Taneytown. This road is said to have been made of 2" x 10" x 14' planks, placed crossways on heavy beams or timbers as supports in the soft dirt of the highway.

The tavern stands today verysimilar to what it was in the early 1800's save for very few alterations.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Manahan, John E. "The Manahan Family" (1750-1950) and allied families of...  
 Sunday Sun Magazine -Nov. 26, 1961

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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 Maryland COUNTY Carroll

STATE COUNTY

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CITY OR TOWN Westminster

STATE Maryland

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Dock House - "Fozell's Tavern"

Oct. - 78

Can. - 145

corner - S/E side, N/E back

Foot E.



Dock House - "Frizzell's Tavern"

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S/W elevator

Fred E.



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corner - S/W front, S/E side  
- Fred E.