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The Homeplace
Frederick
Private

Circa 1840

"The Homeplace", a two and a half story stone and log structure was built in the 1840's by John W. Burton. It remained in the Burton family until 1845 when it was purchased by Oliver D. Lease. The Sheetenhelm family who are primarily associated with the structure purchased the property in 1874. It remained in the Sheetenhelm family until 1977.

The structure was built in two separate sections. The original section was constructed of coursed rubble stone with stone quoins on the east and west ends of the wing. The second wing constructed of log covered with asbestos siding, was constructed at a later date. The principal facade of the structure is five bays wide with main entrances in the first and fourth bays. Occupying the remaining bays are original 6/6 windows crowned by plain wooden lintels in the stone section. A standing seam tin roof covers the structure. A five bay entrance porch spans the facade of the structure supported by plain wooden columns and covered by a standing seam tin roof.

The Homeplace is significant as an early structure in the McKaig area. The significance of the house also rests with its association with the Sheetenhelm family who have lived in the area since 1790.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC "The Sheetenhelm Homeplace"

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

South Side of Gas House Pike - McKaig

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

M 69/P 16

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" 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. Clarence E. Kitchen

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 1036

Folio #: 399

STREET & NUMBER

North Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"The Homeplace", a two and a half story stone and log structure, is situated on the south side of Gas House Pike facing east.

The structure was built in two separate sections, the oldest section being the stone section. The principal facade of the structure is five bays wide. Occupying the first and fourth bays of the structure are the main entrances which consist of replacement doors set in recessed doorways. Occupying the remaining bays are original 6/6 windows crowned by plain wooden lintels in the stone section of the residence.

A five bay entrance porch spans the facade of the structure. It is supported by plain wooden columns and covered by a standing seam tin roof. Beneath the roof is a plain boxed cornice.

The entire structure is covered by a standing seam tin roof. A single central chimney rises from the structure. The structure rests on a stone rubble foundation.

The stone section of the structure is constructed of coursed rubble stone with stone quoins on the east and west sides of the southern wing. The log section of the structure is covered with asbestos siding. A one story frame addition extends from the rear of the stone structure.

A frame bank barn is found to the north of the house facing southwest. The foundations are composed of coursed quarried stone. The structure is covered by a standing seam tin roof.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Homeplace, a two and a half story stone and log structure was constructed in the 1840's by John W. Burton. The property remained in the Burton family until 1845.¹ The property passed through a number of owners until it was bought by Oliver D. Lease in 1865.² Oliver Lease, the son of Daniel and Catharine Sheetenhelm Lease, was born on the family farm in 1839 and settled on the Homeplace after his marriage.³ The property remained in the Lease family until 1874 when it was purchased by George William Sheetenhelm.⁴ The property remained in the Sheetenhelm family until 1977.

The Homeplace is a significant structure in the McKaig area due to its connections with the Sheetenhelm family, a family that has lived in the immediate area since 1790. The home is an example of rural architecture built in wings to accommodate the needs of a growing family and life-style.

¹Frederick County Land Records, Liber W.B. 1; Folio 450.

²Ibid., Liber J.W.L.C. 3; Folio 170.

³T.J.C. Williams, History of Frederick County Maryland, (1910; rpt. Baltimore: Regional Publishing Company, 1967) Vol. page 1109.

⁴Frederick County Land Records, Liber T.G. 2; Folio 675.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Frederick County Land Records

Williams, T.J.C., History of Frederick County Maryland, 1910; rpt. Baltimore: Regional Publishing Company, 1967), Vol. p. 1109.

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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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Deborah Sheetenhelm, Intern

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ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

9/19/79

STREET & NUMBER

12 East Church St., Winchester Hall

TELEPHONE

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

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



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"The Homoplace"

3/3 Gas Horse
Pike

northeast
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The Homestead

315 Gas House

Pike

South Uteration

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