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

Property/District Name: Oak Grove Survey Number: M-23-64

Project: MD 97:Gold Mine Road to Camp Bennett Agency: FHWA/SHA

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

Eligibility recommended  Eligibility not recommended

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

Based on the available information, Oak Grove appears to be eligible for the National Register under criterion C for architecture. The well-proportioned brick house is a significant Montgomery County example of the late Federal style. Constructed in 1845 for Ignatius Waters Jr., the house possesses many fine architectural details. The property may also be significant for its association with Ignatius Waters, Jr. However, the available information does not demonstrate his significance beyond establishing that he was a member of a prominent Montgomery County family. Gwen Marcus of the Montgomery County Preservation Commission believes the property is eligible.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project file, Maryland Inventory Form #23-64

Prepared by: Rita Suffness, Michael Dwyer (1975 form), Roberta Hahn (1979 form)

Elizabeth Hannold September 29, 1995  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable  
Orlando Padgett 10-2-95  
Reviewer, NR program Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
- Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
- Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
- Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
- Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
- Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
- Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
- Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
- Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
- Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
- Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
- Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
- Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
- Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
- Unknown Period (  prehistoric  historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

- Subsistence
- Settlement
- Political
- Demographic
- Religion
- Technology
- Environmental Adaption

IV. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
- Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
- Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- Government/Law
- Military
- Religion
- Social/Educational/Cultural
- Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic - Single dwelling

Known Design Source: na

## ACHS SUMMARY FORM

M:23-64  
(date entered 5-13-80)

1. Name: Oak Grove

2. Planning Area/Site Number: 23/64

3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 9  
Coord. I-17

4. Address: Route 97, Brookeville

## 5. Classification Summary

Category	<u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording	<u>M-NCPPC</u>
Ownership	<u>private</u>	Title and Date:	<u>1976 - Inventory of</u>
Public Acquisition	<u>NA</u>		<u>Historical Sites</u>
Status	<u>occupied</u>	HABS -	<u>1968</u>
Accessible	<u>no</u>	Federal	<u>x</u> State <u>x</u> County <u>x</u> Local
Present use	<u>agriculture; private residence</u>		

6. Date: c. 1850

7. Original Owner: Ignatius Waters, Jr.

## 8. Apparent Condition

a. excellent      b. unaltered      c. original site

9. Description: This is a well-proportioned common-bonded brick house which faces west. It is five-bays by two-bays, two-and-a-half stories in height with a steeply pitched "A" roof. Its proportions and balancing of solids and voids make it an elegant and appealing house. There is a cornice of brick dentils along the front roof line. The central doorway is set in a large frame that has transom and side-lights; it is covered by an elegant, flat-roofed portico that features a dentil cornice and chamfered square columns. Chimneys at both ends of the house are internal.

A lower two-and-a-half story, three-bay, brick wing extends from the southeast corner of the main house to complete the L-shaped form. This wing is identical in style to the main house. The house is set on a hill in a large grove of ancient trees. Nearby is an abandoned tenant house of simple Victorian design.

10. Significance: 204 acres were willed to Ignatius Waters, Jr. by his father in 1842, and several years later Waters constructed this lovely brick dwelling. He lived there until his death in 1870, when the property was sold to James S. Hallowell.

Hallowell, from Philadelphia, became a farmer and teacher in the Sandy Spring community. After his death in 1886, his widow and daughters lived there until the death of daughter Julia Hallowell in 1947. It was sold in 1948 to the Keisters who generally restored the house. In 1955 it was purchased by the present owner, who rents the property.

11. Researcher and date researched: Roberta Hahn-7/79

Michael Dwyer  
Architectural Description

12. Compiler: Eileen McGuckian

13. Date Compiled: 9/79

14. Designation  
Approval       

15. Acreage: 208.054 acres

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC **Oak Grove**

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER **Route 97**

CITY, TOWN **Brookeville**  VICINITY OF **Gold Mine Road** **8** CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
 STATE **Maryland** COUNTY **Montgomery**

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME **Helen Zinder** Telephone #: **Unlisted Telephone**

STREET & NUMBER **2901 Normanstone Drive, N.W.**

CITY, TOWN **Washington, D.C.** VICINITY OF STATE, zip code **20008**

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. **Montgomery County Courthouse** Liber #: **2054**  
 Folio #: **271**

STREET & NUMBER  
 CITY, TOWN **Rockville** STATE **Maryland** **20850**

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE **M-NCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites and HABS 1968**

DATE **1976**  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS **Park Historian's Office**

CITY, TOWN **Rockville** STATE **Maryland** **20855**

M:23-64

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

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

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

M:23-64

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	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

When Ignatius Waters died in 1842 his tremendous land holdings included over 1,200 acres which were divided amongst his children. A plat drawn up for that division<sup>1</sup> shows the 20<sup>4</sup> acre section, known as lot 2, which went to his son, Ignatius Waters, Jr., in 1847. At that time a very modest dwelling known as 'the Cottage' is shown to have existed. This situation did not last long, and by the time of the 1857 Tax Assessment,<sup>2</sup> Ignatius Waters was assessed the large amount of \$4,000 for an improvement on his property.

Upon his death in 1870, his estate was sued for debts and a sale of his property was ordered.<sup>3</sup> The handbill for the sale describes the property as 20<sup>4</sup> acres, <sup>4</sup>5 heavily timbered, 20 miles from Washington, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile from Brookeville, 'convenient to first-class seminaries - male and female - in a neighborhood proverbial for its healthfulness and the sociability and intelligence of its citizens... improved with a fine, large and substantial brick house with good cellar and basement rooms....'<sup>4</sup> with barn and other appropriate farm buildings and an orchard. The property was sold to James S. Hallowell for \$13,500.<sup>5</sup>

James Hallowell, of Philadelphia, was a teacher and farmer for many years in the Sandy Spring community. Upon his death in 1886 his widow, Margaret Stabler Hallowell, was forced to put the land up for sale<sup>6</sup> to satisfy the other heirs, but she managed to retain all of the property. At the time the land and house were described as in 1870, with the additional information that the house contained eleven rooms. Two daughters of James and Margaret Hallowell, Julia, born in 1863, and Florence, born in 1862, shared Oak Grove until Florence's death, after which Julia remained there alone until her death in 1947. It was sold by her heirs in 1948 to Richard and Pearle Keisters<sup>7</sup> who generally restored the house. In 1955 it was purchased by its present owner, Helen Zinder, who rents the property.

FOOTNOTES:

1. Montgomery County Equity Records, Case STS 3/299 #117, (1851).
2. Montgomery County Tax Assessment Records, (1857).
3. Equity Records, Op. Cit., Equity Case EBP 82, #235, (1870).
4. Ibid., copy from Montgomery County Sentinel, June 1871.
5. Land Records of Montgomery County, Md. EBP 10/175 (July 1872).
6. Equity Records, Op. Cit., Equity Case 651.
7. Land Records, Op. Cit., 1300/58 (August 1949).

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Montgomery County Equity, Assessment, Land, and Orphan's Court Records.  
 Farquhar, Roger B., Old Homes and History of Montgomery County, Md.,  
 Judd & Detweiler, Washington, D.C. (1962), p. 233.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 208.054 acres

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

Roberta Hahn

Michael Dwyer

Architectural Description

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

July 1979

STREET & NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 257-1438~~

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AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY, TOWN

Brookeville

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

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
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- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
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- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

(rented-owner is Helen Zinder)

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Bethesda

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

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STATE

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION** EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE** UNALTERED  
 ALTERED**CHECK ONE** ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This is a well-proportioned, brick house of five bays on its main (west) facade. The central doorway is covered by an elegant, flat-roofed portico that features a dentil cornice and chamfered square columns. The door itself is set in a large frame that has transom and side-lights. Over each of the 6/6 windows is a painted, flat-brick arch and the windows rest on stone sills. Chimneys are internal at both ends of the house. There are two dormers on the slate roof. A lower brick wing extends from the SE corner of the main house to complete the L-shaped form. This wing is identical in style to the main house. Nearby is an abandoned tenant house of simple Victorian design.

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(1961) pp. 233, 234.

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STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

8/15/75

STREET & NUMBER

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TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

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Moore. Milton Bancroft, her husband, died in 1947, in his eighty-second year. He had been a member of the faculty of Swarthmore College when Margaret was a student there.

Milton Bancroft was one of the more talented artists of his time. A student of the Beaux Arts, he maintained a studio in Paris for two years. He then had a studio in New York for several years, and retired in 1919 to Norwood, where he maintained a roomy studio over a garage. He painted portraits of many prominent personages, and was commissioned to paint several large murals in some of the monumental buildings at both the Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893, and the Panama Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915.

Mrs. Bancroft died in June 1956 and her bachelor son John continues to live in the handsome old brick manor house with its wealth of memories of happier and more prosperous days.

Other children of Joseph and Anna Moore were Joseph, Jr., who married Estelle Tyson of Baltimore and remained on Pen-y Bryn, an ad-

joining farm; Mary L. who became the wife of Joseph Tilton, a New York business man, and lived there; Thomas L., who went to Richmond, Virginia, was twice married and was very successful in the milling business; and George H. and Frederick P. Moore, who were associated for years in the brokerage business in New York.

Walls of the house are of large irregular brick, no doubt made nearby, and are laid in Flemish bond with wide joints. Viewed from the front, the house has a center hall through it to the driveway in the rear; there is a double parlor on the left with two fireplaces. To the right are a dining room, pantry, and kitchen. On the main part of the second floor, are four bedrooms and a bath. Just to the right of the house, on the east end, there is one of the finest mazes of dwarf English box to be seen anywhere in this part of the country. It was there when the Moores came in 1867, and its height today is about ten feet.

## Oak Grove

A HALF-MILE east of the highway from Olney to Brookeville, approached by a winding driveway through a dense forest of hardwood trees, stands the massive brick house shown on page 234.

The land of the Oak Grove farm was owned by the Waters family for over a century. In May, 1763, according to an old deed still in possession of a descendant, William Waters was granted by Edward Lloyd, Receiver General, and Charles Carroll some lots of land between the older grants of "Brothers Content" and "Charles and Benjamin." The great seal of the State of Maryland was affixed to the instrument which was signed by Horatio Sharpe, Lieutenant Governor and Chief of the Land Office. With these lots (a direct grant) and others he had previously bought, William Waters acquired one thousand acres, including Oak Grove.

William Waters married Mary Harris of Prince George's in 1747, and their son, Ignatius Waters, was born in 1773. When he died and

his estate was settled in 1842, the Oak Grove farm was bequeathed to his son, Ignatius, Jr.

Ignatius Waters, Jr., was born in 1813 at Belmont. In 1836 he married Mary Dorsey Sollers. Beginning housekeeping in a modest way, the couple lived in a log cabin that had a huge fireplace and was located on his parental estate near the present site of the brick manor house at Oak Grove. After Ignatius, Jr., inherited the two hundred and four acre farm in the settlement of his father's estate, he built the brick house in 1848. His wife also received a large inheritance from property in Frederick County which went into the cost of the mansion.

The children of Ignatius, Jr., and Mary D. Waters were F. Dorsey Waters, who died while young; Ida, who never married; Fannie, who married Mr. Larned of New York; and a son, T. Sollers Waters, who became a prominent dentist in Baltimore, and who is credited with some important improvement in dentures.

Ignatius Waters, Jr., seems to have been a rather quiet, home-loving farmer. After his



NO. 83 D-9 IGNATIUS WALTERS, JR. 1848  
BRICK

death in 1872, the old home was purchased by James Shoemaker Hallowell, a member of the well-known Philadelphia family. He was a nephew of the eminent teacher-scientist, Benjamin Hallowell of Alexandria. James and his brother Caleb taught in the Alexandria school of their Uncles for a few years until 1846, when they left rather suddenly. James taught in the public schools in Montgomery County until the Civil War, when he and Caleb operated a school at Fulford near Sandy Spring. He married Margaret Stabler of Harewood, the oldest daughter of Edward Stabler, the noted engraver.

James Hallowell's residence of more than twenty-five years in the community endeared him to his neighbors and friends. He died at Clifton Springs, New York, in July, 1886, where he had gone to regain his health.

The children of James S. and Margaret S. Hallowell numbered six, James S., Jr., stayed on the farm which he operated after the death of his father. He never married. There were four daughters. Annie Stabler Hallowell, born in 1849, was married in October, 1882, at Oak Grove to William Riggs of Pleasant Hill, and lived at the latter place during her life. Florence Hallowell, another daughter born near Ashton in 1861, spent her entire life in the Sandy Spring neighborhood, and died in April, 1927. The fourth daughter of James was Miss Julia Hallowell, who lived alone in the big brick house at Oak Grove for many years after the death of her sister, Florence, who had shared

the place so long. She was a collector of antique furniture and a shrewd judge of such pieces which filled the house at the time of settlement of her estate. At an advanced age she drove herself around the neighborhood in an automobile, her horse-and-buggy conveyance having been discarded.

William Clarence Riggs, a son of Remus and Catharine Adams Riggs, spent his life as farmer on the large Pleasant Hill farm (ancestral home of the Riggs family), that he inherited from his father who died in 1867. He had attended the Benjamin Hallowell School in Alexandria. He and Annie H. Riggs had two children to grow to maturity. Florence Maegill Riggs, born at Pleasant Hill, July, 1883, married Charles E. Carpenter of Philadelphia in November, 1909. When Julia Hallowell died in 1947, Florence R. Carpenter inherited Oak Grove from her aunt. William C. Riggs died suddenly in an accident near Rockville in September, 1906. His widow died in January, 1930, and lies buried in the Friends Cemetery in Sandy Spring. William C. Riggs was the last member of that prominent Montgomery County family to own Pleasant Hill and to be buried there in the family lot where so many of the family were interred.

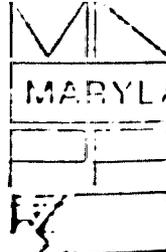
After Mrs. Carpenter inherited the Oak Grove farm, she made occasional visits to the big brick house to administer the estate of Julia Hallowell, on which place she kept a farmer. In 1949, Mrs. Carpenter sold the homestead to Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Keister of Washington. During their ownership, they cut away many of the trees which obscured the house, planted shrubbery, and surfaced the half-mile long driveway. They also beautified the old house.

In 1958, the Keisters sold the old Hallowell home, to the Hanina Zinders, of Bethesda. They are not occupying the house, which is rented to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fessenden, and family.

There are two entrances to the house. To the left is the parlor which with the living room has a fireplace. The second entrance opens into the rear hall which is an extension of the front hall.

On the second floor, the large bedrooms on each side of the hall have fireplaces, and in the rear wing there are two bedrooms and a bath.

THE



MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

5707 George Washington Parkway • Suit 5100 • Landover, Maryland 20785

M:23-64

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated January 15, 1987

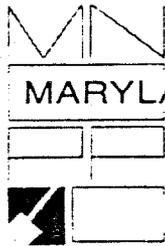
ACTION TAKEN

AMENDMENT TO THE  
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

The purpose of this amendment is to designate the following sites on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation thereby extending to them the protection of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code.

M: 15/55	Spencer Carr House
M: 23/12	Royer/Brooks (Greendale)
M: 23/64	Oak Grove
M: 23/107-1	Hyatt/Jones House
M: 23/118	Amersley
M: 27/2	Milton II or Muncaster/Winslow Farm
M: 28/17	Llewellyn Fields
M: 28/19	Pleasant View Farm

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Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Melissa C. Banach, Coordinator  
Community Planning North *MCB*

SUBJECT: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for  
Historic Preservation: Northern and Eastern  
Montgomery County Resources

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I am pleased to transmit to you this Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation: Northern and Eastern Montgomery County Resources.

This document contains the recommendations of the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission on approximately 80 historic sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring, Aspen Hill, and Burtonsville areas of the County.

The Montgomery County Planning Board will hold a public hearing on this Preliminary Draft Amendment on Monday, April 21, 1986, at 7:30 P.M., in the Auditorium of the Montgomery Regional Office at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Should you have any questions concerning this specific Preliminary Draft Amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart at 495-4565.

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PRELIMINARY DRAFT

AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED AND ADOPTED  
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

NORTHERN AND EASTERN  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCES

Including sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring,  
Aspen Hill, Norbeck and Burtonsville Areas

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An amendment to the 1980 Olney Master Plan, 1980 Sandy Spring/  
Ashton Special Study Plan, 1970 Aspen Hill Master Plan, and the  
1981 Eastern Montgomery County Master Plan; being also an  
amendment to the General Plan for the Physical Development of the  
Maryland-Washington Regional District and to the Master Plan of  
Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

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IMPLEMENTATION

Once designated on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation, any substantial changes to the exterior of a resource or its environmental setting must be reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission and a historic area work permit issued. The Ordinance also empowers the County's Department of Environmental Protection and the Historic Preservation Commission to prevent the demolition of historic buildings through neglect.

It is the intent of the Master Plan and Ordinance to provide a rational system for evaluating, protecting and enhancing Montgomery County's heritage for the benefit of present and future residents. The accompanying challenge is to weave protection for this heritage into the County's planning program so as to maximize community support for preservation and minimize infringement on private property rights.

THE AMENDMENT

The purpose of this Preliminary Draft Amendment is to consider the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations that the following sites be designated on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and protected under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. A copy of the Ordinance is provided in Appendix B of this document.

*(NOTE: Unless otherwise specified in the Preservation Commission's nomination, the recommended environmental setting for each site is the entire parcel on which the resource is located as of the date it is designated on the Master Plan as defined in Section 24A-2 of the County's Preservation Ordinance. Where additional buildings of historical or architectural importance are associated with a site, these buildings are noted in the nomination as being part of the recommended setting.)*

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
15/55	Spencer/Carr House	2420 Spencerville
-	Dating from 1855 with a rear section added in the 1870's, this three-story house is distinguished by three over three windows on the third floor and a one-story porch with bracketed pillars on the front facade.	
-	Significant as an example of the "Spencerville style", a local style characterized by a special grouping of architectural detail most notably half windows on the third story extending into the boxed cornice and roof line.	

- L-shaped dwelling consists of a wing built in 1869 and a 1906 section which replaced the original 1860 structure on the site. The building sequence results in a striking example of transitional architecture with one wing in the Gothic Revival style, the other typical, turn-of-the-century rural vernacular architecture.
- Included in the recommended setting is a fine collection of outbuildings, several of stone, several of board and batton.

23/58      Gustavus Jones Farm                      4112 Brookeville Road

- Circa 1852 -- Simple log dwelling expanded by another log section and finally by a substantial frame addition in the 1890's.
- Excellent example of rural vernacular architecture reflective of the increasing prosperity of its middle-class owner.
- The recommended environmental setting of approximately 15 acres includes a log smokehouse, a fine collection of farm buildings, and the Jones family cemetery with stones dating from 1853.

23/63      Longwood                                      2900 Dubarry Lane

- Built in 1817, this large, two and one-half story, white brick house features a two-story pillared portico and distinctive inverted U chimney caps on the four interior end chimneys.
- Home of Thomas Moore, distinguished scholar, inventor, civil engineer and friend of Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. Also associated with the Brooke family, prominent early settlers of the Olney area.
- Served in the 20th century as the Longwood Preparatory School for boys started in 1946.

23/64      Oak Grove                                      19201 Georgia Avenue

- Circa 1850 -- Well proportioned, late Federal style, common bonded brick house.
- Work of a master builder as evidenced by the detailing in the window sills and lintels and in the cornice of brick dentils along the front roof line.
- The recommended environmental setting of approximately 5 acres should be equi-distant around the house to preserve its integrity.



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NAME OAK GROVE

LOCATION Rt. 97 BROOKVILLE, MD

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