

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

- 1. Name Garrett Park Chapel (Garrett Park Town Hall)
- 2. Planning Area/Site Number 30/13 3. MNCPPC Atlas Reference Map 21 D-2
- 4. Address 10814 Kenilworth Avenue, Garrett Park

5. Classification Summary

Category building
 Ownership public
 Public Acquisition NA
 Status occupied
 Accessible yes: restricted
 Present use government
 Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC Federal State X County X Local

(Title and date: Inventory of Historical Sites - 1976)

- 6. Date 1897 7. Original Owner: Trustees, Board of Managers, Garrett Park Chapel
- 8. Apparent Condition
 - a. good c. original site
 - b. altered

9. Description: This four bay by four bay, one and a half story frame community meeting house faces southeast. The town hall has clapboarded and shingled exterior walls. It is an irregularly massed structure: two gable ends are visible on the southeast elevation. Both are boxed and the east is pedimented. A bell tower surmounts the building. It has a pyramidal roof and its walls are shingled. A one story northwest addition expands the Town Hall's meeting facilities.

10. Significance: This Chapel has been a focal point of Garrett Park since this "ideal suburb" was planned by Henry Copp, to be easily accessible by the Metropolitan Branch, to downtown Washington, D.C. (Garrett Park, was, in fact, named after the president of the B&O Railroad).
 The Protestant Episcopal Church Committee of Garrett Park purchased a lot in 1896, planning to name it St. James Protestant Episcopal Church, but a number of residents petitioned for a nondemoninational chapel. The petition resulted in the formation of the Garrett Park Chapel with a Board of Managers formed by articles of agreement between the P.E. Church Committee and representatives of the organizers of the proposed Union Chapel.

Over the years, the Chapel has been improved for use as a church, Sunday School, and general meeting hall. In 1925 the Garrett Park Citizens Association was formed at the Chapel.

In 1953 the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Washington authorized the sale of the Chapel to the Vestry of Christ Church Parish of Kensington. It was bought by the Town of Garrett Park in 1968 for use as a town hall.

- Date researched and researcher 6/78-Barry Bogage Candy Reed
Arch. Description
- 12. Compiler Gail Rothrock 13. Date Compiled 2/79 14. Designation Approval
- 15. Acreage 1/4 acre

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

M: 30/13/3 (part of
Garrett Park
H.D.)

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Garrett Park Chapel

AND/OR COMMON
Garrett Park Town Hall

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 10814 Kenilworth Avenue 8th

CITY, TOWN Garrett Park VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE Maryland COUNTY Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | PRESENT USE |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM |
| <input checked="" 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 | 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 checked="" 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 Town of Garrett Park Telephone #: 948-9872

STREET & NUMBER
10814 Kenilworth Avenue

CITY, TOWN Garrett Park VICINITY OF STATE, zip code
Maryland 20766

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 3767
Folio #: 244

STREET & NUMBER
Rockville

CITY, TOWN STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE M-NCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites

DATE 1976 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Park Historian's Office

CITY, TOWN STATE
Rockville Maryland 20855

7 DESCRIPTION

M:30-13-3

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This four bay by four bay, one and a half story frame community house faces southeast on Kenilworth Avenue.

Built on fieldstone and cinderblock foundations, the Town Hall has white clapboards and shingles. The building is irregularly massed and has been added to on the northwest elevation. The southeast (front) door is recessed and is contained within a pedimented gable end. Two fieldstone steps lead up to the wide wooden paneled door. Southwest of the front door is a projecting gabled section. It has a triple window which contrasts with the blank clapboarded wall northeast of the front door. Above the door is a bell tower. Set on a square base, the shingled tower has an opening which is surmounted by a pyramidal roof with black asbestos shingles and a decorative spindle at the peak.

There are six over six double hung windows throughout this building. On the southeast elevation three windows are grouped to form a single composition. At the peak of the southeast gable there is a round window. This design is repeated in the peak of the northeast gable.

The southeast gable roof and the northwest flat roof have black asbestos shingles. There is one interior smokestack. There are many oak trees on the southeast section of the lot.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

| PERIOD | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
|---|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES 1897

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Henry Copp, a Washington attorney, planned his "ideal suburb" along the Metropolitan Branch of the B&O Railroad in the mid-1880's. He formed the Metropolitan Investment and Building Company in 1886 to buy land and promote the growth of a community so easily accessible by railroad to Washington, D.C.¹ (The twelve mile ride to the B&O station on New Jersey Avenue took 30 minutes and cost 50¢ round trip.)² This company bought a 157 acre tract of land, part of the land called "Dan", from Henry L. Cranford in 1886.³ In 1891 the land was divided and William D. Castle bought lot 4 of section 50 of the subdivision of Garrett Park⁴ (named after Robert W. Garrett,⁵ President of the B&O Railroad), the lot where the Garrett Park Chapel would be built.

The P.E. Church Committee of Garrett Park purchased lot 4 of section 50 in 1896, planning to name it St. James Protestant Episcopal Church⁶. A number of residents of Garrett Park petitioned "for a nondenominational chapel as too few families of any one denomination lived in Garrett Park to support a church."⁷ This petition was answered in 1897 by formation of a Board of Managers of the Garrett Park Chapel according to Articles of Agreement between the P.E. Church Committee and the "representatives of the organizers of the proposed Union Chapel."⁸ Three trustees were selected, one from each group subscribing to the Articles of Agreement and a third to be chosen by the former two, to hold the deed in trust for the use of the Board of Managers.

Over the years the Chapel has been improved for use as a church, Sunday school, and general meeting hall. In 1915 electricity was installed; in 1922 an extension was added to provide a kitchen and storage area.¹⁰ In 1925, the Garrett Park Citizens Association was formed at the chapel.

The Bishop of the P.E. Diocese of Washington held the authority for extending the agreement "under the terms of which the Chapel is being held and maintained as a community center." He extended this agreement until 1952 when new trustees were appointed, as all the previous trustees had died.¹¹ In 1953 the Bishop authorized the sale of the Chapel to the Vestry of Christ Church Parish of Kensington,¹² who immediately sold it to the Potomac Conference Corporation of Seventh Day Adventists.¹³ The Town of Garrett Park purchased the Chapel in 1968 for use as a town hall.¹⁴

FOOTNOTES: (See Attachment Sheet A)

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Land Records of Montgomery County, Md.

Equity Case Records

Garrett Park: A History of the Town from its Beginning to 1970,
Town of Garrett Park, 1974

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1/4 acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Lot 4 in Section 50 of Garrett Park

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

| STATE | COUNTY |
|-------|--------|
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

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|---|---|
| NAME / TITLE Barry Bogage | Candy Reed Architectural Description |
| ORGANIZATION Sugarloaf Regional Trails | DATE June 1978 |
| STREET & NUMBER Box 87 | TELEPHONE 926-4510 |
| CITY OR TOWN Dickerson | STATE Maryland 20753 |

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The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438~~

SUGARLOAF REGIONAL TRAILS
Box 87, Stronghold
Dickerson, Md. 20753
(301) 926-4510

Attachment Sheet A

Garrett Park Chapel (Garrett Park Town Hall)

FOOTNOTES:

1. Garrett Park: A History of the Town from its Beginnings to 1970,
Town of Garrett Park, 1974, p.1
2. Ibid
3. Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland, JA 4/121
4. Ibid, JA 29/373
5. Garrett Park, op.cit.,p. 1
6. Land Records, op.cit., JA 55/266
7. Garrett Park, op.cit., p.66
8. Land Records, op.cit., JA 58/203
9. Ibid, JA 58/201
10. Garrett Park, op.cit., p. 60
11. Equity Case #16313
12. Land Records, op.cit., 1786/286
13. Ibid, 1786/299
14. Ibid, 3767/244

CONTINUATION/AMENDMENT SHEET

Historic Preservation Certification Application

~~Chevy House~~

Property Name

10912 Montrose Avenue

Property Address

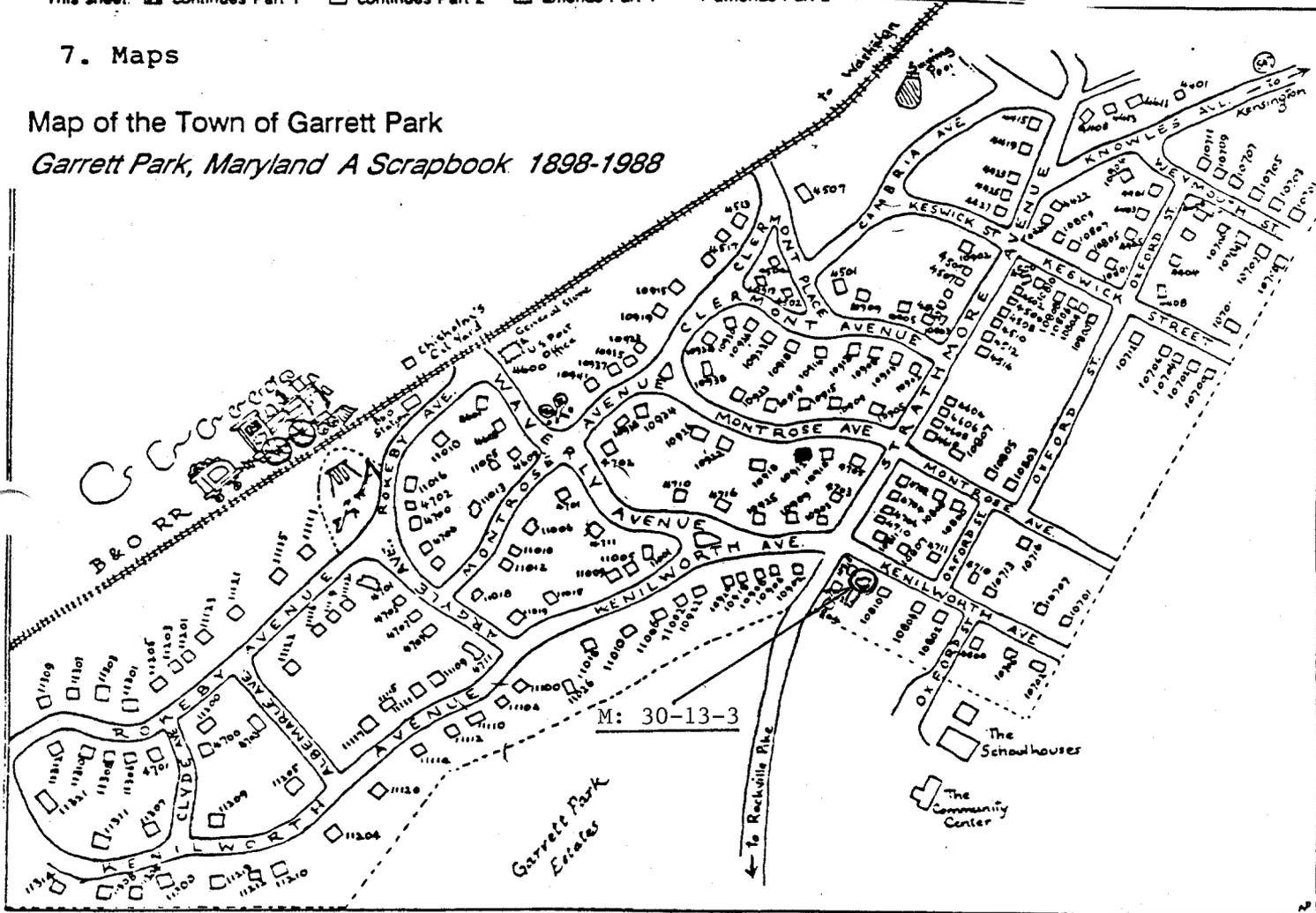
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7. Maps

Map of the Town of Garrett Park

Garrett Park, Maryland A Scrapbook 1898-1988



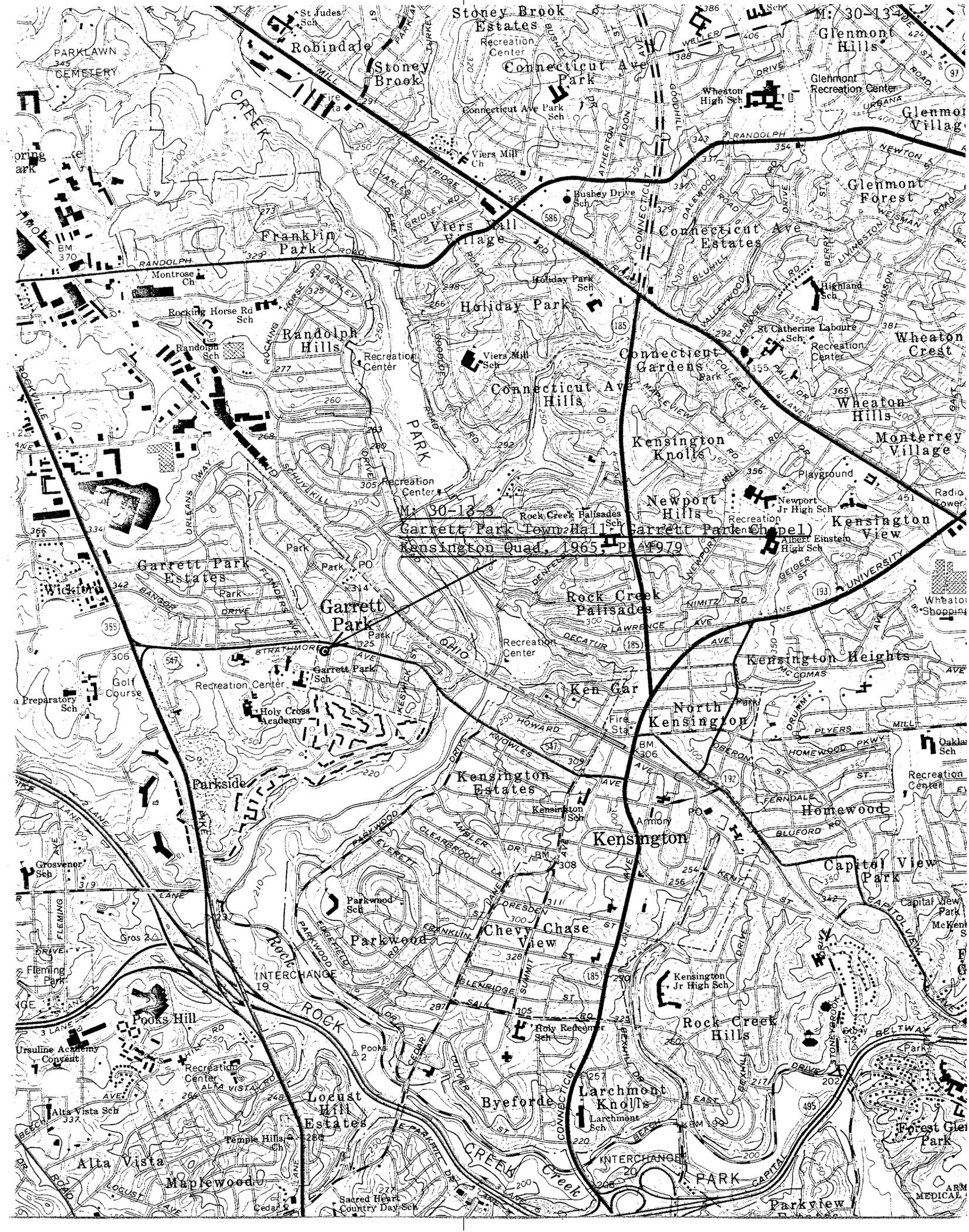
Name James J. Wagner Signature _____ Date _____
 Street 3915 Baltimore Street City Kensington
 State Maryland Zip 20895 Daytime Telephone Number 703-875-9240

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- The National Park Service has determined that these project amendments meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation."
- The National Park Service has determined that these project amendments do not meet the Secretary of the Interior's "Standards for Rehabilitation."

Date _____ National Park Service Authorized Signature _____ National Park Service Office/Telephone No. _____

See Attachments





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