

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON: Stone House near Bowman's Mill				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: East of Leitersburg-Smithsburg Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Leitersburg Vicinity				
STATE Maryland			COUNTY: Washington	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____		
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Mr. & Mrs. William V. Niemyer				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route # 5				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown			STATE: Maryland	
			21740	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 259/239				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Historical Trust Inventory #3085				
DATE OF SURVEY: Summer 1967 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust				
STREET AND NUMBER: 21 State Circle				
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis			STATE: Maryland	
			21401	

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>This house is located east of the Leitersburg-Smithsburg Road, about one mile south of Leitersburg in Washington County, Maryland. It is situated on gently sloping ground above the Little Antietam Creek and faces southeast.</p> <p>The structure is a two story, four bay dwelling constructed of roughly coursed local fieldstone. A one and a half story, three bay stone and frame wing extends to the southwest. The walls display no decorative masonry associated with the window and door openings. Large carefully cut quoins are present at the corners. Set in the northeast gable is a semicircular tablet which may have carried a date, although none has survived.</p> <p>Openings are spaced rather evenly in the walls although the windows toward the southwest end of the building at the front and rear elevations are set slightly apart from the other bays. Most windows display modern frames and sashes. Some, however, retain early frames joined with pegs. All windows at the first story are flanked with paneled shutters while those at the upper level have louvered shutters.</p> <p>The main entrance is located in the second bay from the south corner of the house. The door treatment is quite simple in appearance and includes a narrow transom over the door. A second entrance is located directly opposite the main door, in the northwest elevation. Other doors are located in the front and rear elevations of the wing. Access to the main entrance is gained by a concrete platform extending of the wing, covered with weatherboarding, appears to have been a double porch which was enclosed.</p> <p>The roof of the main section is of slate and extends beyond the end walls. Part of the el displays sheet metal roofing while the remainder employs slate. Boxing and simple cornice work finish the eaves. Brick chimneys with courses of decorative corbeling at their tops are located inside each gable end.</p> <p>A yard southwest of the house has been terraced and enclosed with a decorative fence. The work appears to date from about 1900.</p> <p>The interior of the main structure at the first story is divided into three major rooms and a stair area. The stair rises parallel to the front wall cutting diagonally across a window. Doors with six raised panels are employed throughout. Fireplaces are framed with simple architraves. It would appear that much of the original woodwork is intact.</p> <p>The house is in excellent condition and is located on a tract containing 101 acres. East of the house is a large frame bank barn. This complex is located east of Bowman's Mill with which this house is said to have been associated.</p>	

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6. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this house is its architecture. Constructed over the two story, four bay plan with an off center front door, the house is representative of a significant number of stone and brick dwellings in Washington County. Stone houses of this type appear to date from the closing years of the eighteenth century through the early nineteenth century. Only a few examples have been located, however, in which the stair cuts across a front elevation window as it does in this house. The interior woodwork, most of which appears to be original is of a type generally associated with the late eighteenth century in Washington County.

The earliest deed which could be found for this land is dated March 19, 1803 when Abraham Moyer sold 88 3/8 acres of the "Resurvey on Part of Burket's Lot" to John Moyer for £ 808. The property is described in the deed as being part of a tract which was patented to Christian Hyle. According to Herbert Bell's History Of Leitersburg District, John Scott in 1765 purchases 61 acres from Burkhardt, who had in 1759 secured a patent for "Neal's Bottom." In 1770 Scott's purchase was resurveyed with added land it grew to 298 acres called the "Resurvey on Part of Burkhardt's Lot." In 1773, 223 acres of Scott's resurvey came into the possession of Christian Hyle. (1) The property was acquired by the family of the present owners in 1941.

(1). Herbert C. Bell, History Of Leitersburg District.
Leitersburg, Maryland: The Author. (1908) P. 36.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bell, Herbert C. History Of The Leitersburg District, Leitersburg, Md:
The Author, 1908

Washington County Land Records.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **101 acres**

Acreage Justification:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant		DATE September 1975
ORGANIZATION Washington County Historical Sites Survey		
STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Annex		
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown	STATE Maryland	

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature

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The house is in excellent condition and is located on a tract containing 101 acres. East of the house is a large frame bank barn. This complex is located east of Bowman's Mill with which this house is said to have been associated.

Liber Folio
259/239

October 12, 1950

Grantors: Amos E. Bowman & Nora B. Bowman

Grantees: William V. Niemyer & Rachel E. Niemyer

*Parcel 1: "Resurvey On Burkitt's Lot, "Resurvey On Deceit,"
"Burkett's Establishment" 75 3/8 acres.

Parcel 2: 12 7/10 perches, a portion of an old farm road.

Parcel 3: "Resurvey on Part of Burkhart's Lot," conveyed to
Christian Hyple, February 8, 1790. 24 acres 12 perches.

Liber Folio
217/86

November 3, 1941

Grantors; Charles C. Spencer & Florence M. Spencer

Grantees: Amos E. Bowman & Nora B. Bowman

Parcel 1: 75 3/8 acre

Parcel 2: 12 7/10 perches

Liber Folio
134/184

June 15, 1910

Grantors: Catherine E. Martin, unmarried & Emanuel Martin

Grantees: Charles C. Spencer & Florence M. Spencer

Parcel 1: "The Resurvey On Burkett's Lot," "Resurvey On Deceit,"
"Burkett's Establishment," 75 3/8 acres.

Parcel 2; 12 7/10 square perches. Part of an old farm road.

Liber Folio
93/496

June 5, 1889

Grantor; Catherine E. Martin

Grantee: Emanuel Martin

\$3,986.25. An undivided 1/2 interest

"Resurvey On Burkhart's Lot," "Resurvey On Deceit" part of
Burkhart's Establishment."

132 7/8 acres.

Liber Folio
93/203

March 25, 1889

Grantors: Samuel Martin & Joseph Martin, Trustees.

Grantee: Catherine Martin

Equity Case # 3912 Samuel Martin et al vs. Henry Martin et al.

Liber Folio
IN7/711

April 8, 1853

Grantors: Andrew Shank & Ann Shank

Grantee: David M. Dietrich

\$9,301.25. 132 7/8 acres.

Liber Folio
IN7/710

March 3^d, 1853

Grantor: John Shank, executor of Andrew Shank Sr.

Grantee: Andrew W. Shank

@ \$50 per acre

1. Part of the "Resurvey on Burkett's Lot". 78 1/8 acres.

2. 6 1/8 acre conveyed by Henry Walter to John Moyer, April 5, 1803

3. Part of "Resurvey on Deceit" 30 3/4 acres conveyed by John Barr
to John Moyer, April 21, 1801 114 1/4 acres.

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Liber Folio
FF/104

March 25, 1821

Grantor: John Moyer

Grantee: Abraham Shank

@ \$56 per acre

1. Part of the "Resurvey on Burkhart's Lot" conveyed by Abraham Moyer to John Moyer. 88 3/8, March 9, 1803 . Actually Containing 78 1/8 acre
2. 6 1/2 acre
3. "Resurvey on Deceit," 30a. 3/4 but containg no more than 30 acres. 114 3/4

Liber Folio
P/93

March 19, 1803

Grantor: Abraham Moyer

Grantee: John Moyer

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"Resurvey on Part of Burkett's Lot patented to a certain Christian Hycle

88 3/8 acres.



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Stone house near Bowman's
Mill

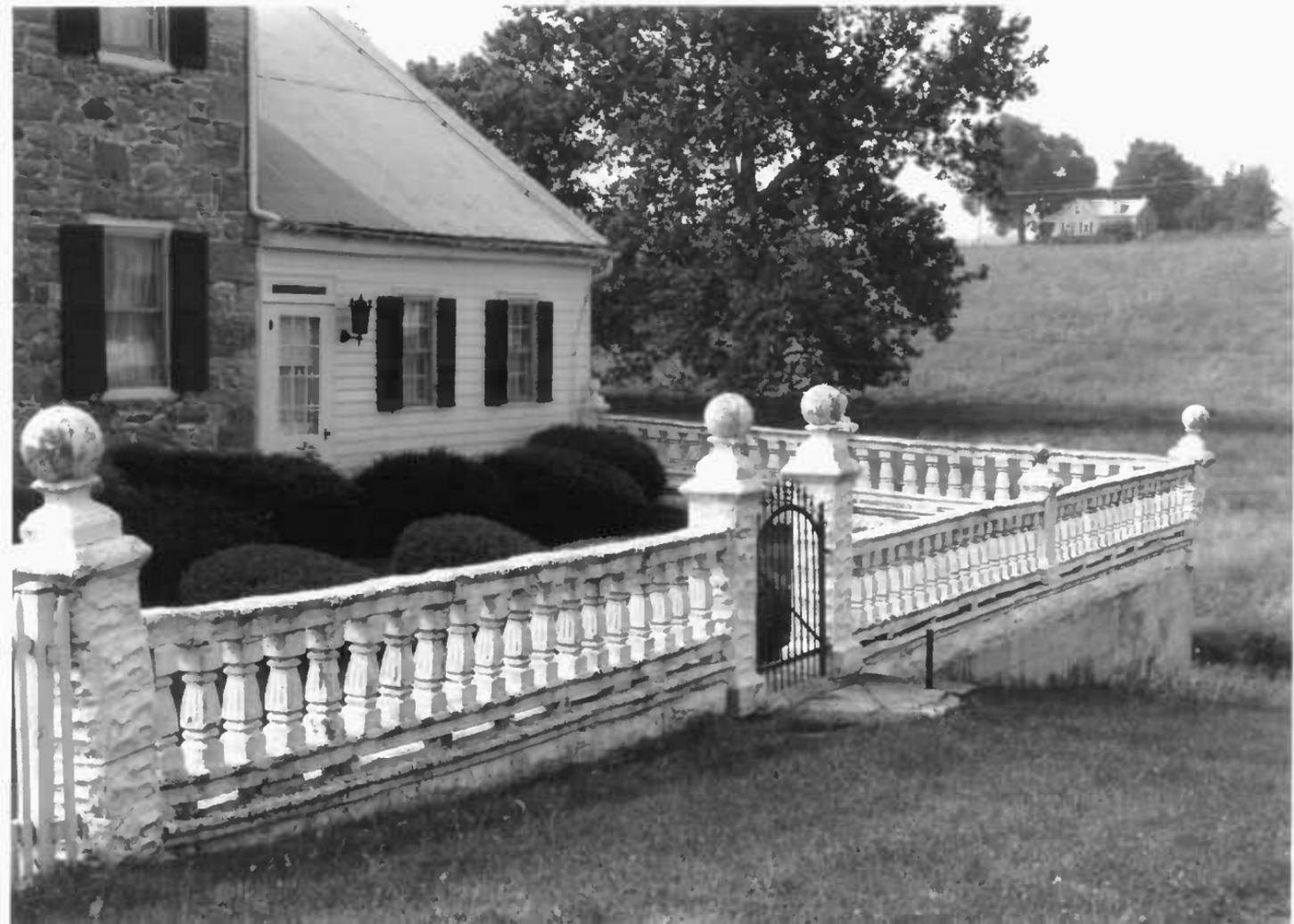
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Stone house near Bowman's

Mill

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Stone house near Bowman's Mill

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W. H. H. H.



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Stone house near Bowman's
Mill

House near Bowman's Mill

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21706 Leitersburg - Smithsburg Road

R Reuss

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North



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Stone house near Bowman's
Mill

House near Bowman's Mill

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21706 Grimesburg - on the - on Road

R Reuss

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Northwest



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Stone house near Bowman's
Mill-Barn

House near Bowman's Mill (Barn)

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21/10/93 - 21/10/93 - Saw - 1st time

R. Roush

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Southwest



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Stone house near Bowman's

Mill

Barn

Stone near Bowman's Mill (Barn)

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Single 1/2 in. x 9 - Smith's

2. Russell

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Stone house near Bowman's

Mill

Horse Stable

House near Bowman's Mill Stable

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Stone house near Bowman's
Mill
Springhouse

House near Bowman's Mill (Springhouse)

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Article Letterhead on envelope

D. Gauss

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Northwest



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Stone house near Bowman's

Mill

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Stone house near Bowman's

Mill

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Mill

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Stone house near Bowman's Mill

2 Rows

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