

ABSTRACT

WA-I-405

early 19th century

Fiery Farm

Glendale Farm (common)

Hagerstown Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-I-405
District 10
Map 57
Parcel 98
MAGI # 2206125335

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Fiery Farm

AND/OR COMMON

Glendale Farm

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Rench Road

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF **Hagerstown**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

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
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Howard M. Artz

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 9, Box 154

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21740

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 295

Folio #: 536

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust Survey #088

DATE

Summer 1967

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

7 DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm is located at the end of a private lane which extends in a northerly direction from Rensch Road just west of the Norfolk and Western Railroad tracks, east of the Downsville Pike, Maryland route 632 in Washington County. The house and barn are situated on an area of relatively level ground with the house facing north and the barn southeast.

The dwelling is a two story, four bay brick structure resting on low fieldstone foundations. A shed roofed frame addition is attached to the east end wall. Bricks forming the walls are laid in Flemish bond at the front elevation with common bonding using a ratio of five stretcher rows to each header course displayed in the side and rear walls. Flat arches are present above the openings.

Windows and doors are aligned with each other in the walls but are not arranged symmetrically. Three bays are placed rather closely together toward the west end of the building, the one remaining bay offset toward the east. Windows have moderately wide frames with pegged mortise and tenon joints. Most frames have hinge pins for shutters although no shutters were present when the house was photographed. The east end window of the front elevation at the first story is shorter than the others, apparently to accommodate a cellar entrance below it. Window in the front wall as well as some at other elevations have two over two pane sashes which have replaced the originals. In the rear wall a number of nine over six sashes remain.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the east end of the house and appears to be nearly centered in the front elevation. The door is relatively elaborate among Washington County farmhouse entrances. Above the door is a semi circular arched fan light flanked by fluted pilasters resembling the doric order. An unsympathetic modern entrance porch has been added. Other entrances include an opening to the cellar toward the east end of the front elevation and a door in the south wall approximately opposite the front door. This entrance treatment is plain with a door having six raised panels.

The roof is sheathed with slates and extends beyond the end walls. Inside the end walls are massive chimneys with courses of corbeling at their tops. A course of dentil molding is present beneath the eaves boxing.

North of the house is a large stone end bank barn which shows evidence of relatively recent repointing. Vertical ventilation slits pierce its end walls. High in its southwest gable is an arched top recess into which is set a wooden tablet. Presumably to record the date, the tablet as observed from the ground offered no such information.

Between the house and barn are numerous sheds and outbuildings including a brick outkitchen and a small frame structure.

The complex appears to be in fair to good condition. The farm contains 157.20 acres.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This farm has been known by two names, "The Fiery Farm" and the "Murdock Homestead." In 1799 Joseph Fiery purchased 312 acres of the land grant "Marsh Head" from Philip Earhart (L/642). The farm descended through the Fiery family until 1879 when it was purchased by John Murdock. It remained in the Murdock family until 1943. It would appear that Joseph Fiery was responsible for the construction of the buildings.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.
Washington County Probate Records.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 157.20 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

December 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

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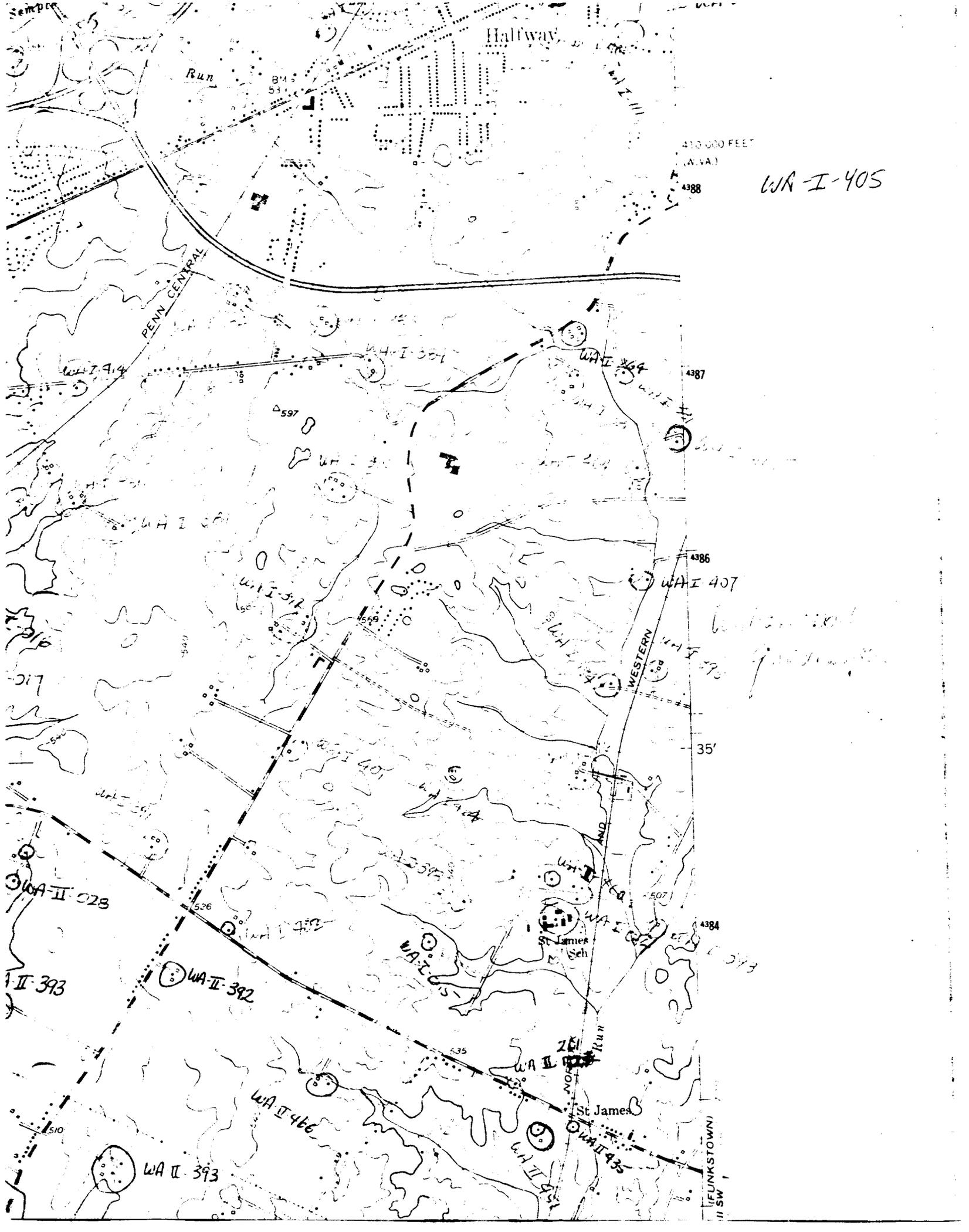
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Maryland 21740

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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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



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WA-I-405

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Stacy Sam - Glendale Farm

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Site # 205

Blindale Farm

1/1/1985

Blindale Farm - Blindale Farm

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Fairy Farm - Glendale Farm

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