

**ABSTRACT**

**WA-II-138**

**1818**

**Breezy View Farm  
Hagerstown Vicinity  
private**

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**Breezy View Farm****2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**Landis and White Hall Roads**

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

 VICINITY OF **Hagerstown****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 COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

**John C. Doub**

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**6417 Pratt Avenue**

CITY, TOWN

**Baltimore**

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**Maryland 21212****5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

**Washington County Court House**Liber #: **216**Folio #: **019**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**West Washington Street**

CITY, TOWN

**Hagerstown**

STATE

**Maryland 21740****6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

**Maryland Historical Trust Survey #3020**

DATE

**Summer 1967** FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS**Maryland Historical Trust**

CITY, TOWN

**Annapolis**

STATE

**Maryland 21401**

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" 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 $\leftarrow$ 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The dairy known as Breezy View Farm is located on the north side of Landis Road just west of White Hall Road southeast of Hagerstown in Washington County, Maryland. The buildings are set on rolling farmland with the house facing east and the barn south.

The house is a large two story, seven bay stone structure utilizing roughly coursed native limestone. Set high in the south gable is a rectangular tablet in which is inscribed the date August the 6th, 1818, J. and E. M. Another series of letters at the bottom of the stone read D E L C A. Other features of the masonry include a group of three stones above each opening. The center stone is small and resembles a rough keystone. The facade of the house extends five bays from the south end and is then recessed several feet, its two more northerly bays being a double porch which is included under the main roof span. In the rear or west elevation, a door in the second bay from the south end has been filled in with stone.

Windows and doors have moderately wide frames finished with a bead at the inside edge. Their corner joints are secured with wooden pegs. Hinge pins for shutters remain in the frames. All windows at the two principal stories have nine over six pane double hung sashes. Smaller six light windows are present at the attic level.

The main entrance is centered in the projecting section of the front elevation, being located in the second bay from the south end. The door treatment is relatively elaborate among farm houses in Washington County. The door has six raised panels and is hung within matching paneled jambs. Above the door is a semicircular fanlight with ray muntins. Trimming the entire area is molded woodwork with pilasters along the sides of the opening. The entrance is sheltered by a one bay, one story pedimented porch. It is supported by pairs of thin chamfered square posts and partially enclosed with a plain balustrade. Set in the surface of the pediment is an applied molded oval panel. Other entrances, much less elaborate, are located at the first and second story levels of the double porch in the second bay from the north end. These doors, like the main entrance have six raised panels and paneled jambs. Above them are plain rectangular transoms. The double porch has small posts similar to those of the entrance porch, and is enclosed at the upper level with three rails. The area within the gable that forms the end of the porch under the roof is sheathed with random width beaded board siding.

The roof of the house is covered with standing seam sheet metal and terminates with tapered barge boards set directly against the end walls. Brick chimneys with corbels at their tops are located inside the end walls and at the interior of the house at the point where the recess occurs. These chimneys appear to have been rebuilt. Several courses of molding finish the eaves.

Immediately north of the house is a one story stone wash house or out kitchen. Near it is a square smoke house also of stone construction with a steeply pitched hipped roof. Further north of the house is a two story, three bay stone secondary dwelling which bears a date stone inscribed with the initials J. M. and the year 1853. To the west is a large stone end bank barn with what appears to be a date tablet and the characteristic vertical ventilator slit. It has a frame fore bay which may be an addition. Modern dairy barns, silos and outbuildings are also part of the complex.

The farm is part of the land grant "Resurvey on the Old Fox Deceived" and includes 151 acres. The buildings are in excellent condition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 **August 6, 1818** BUILDER/ARCHITECT  
**J. and E. M. (datestone)**

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The initials, J. M. which appear on the date stone probably stand for Jacob Middlekauff who purchased 151 acres of the "Resurvey of Old Fox Deceived" from Robert Hughes, executor for the estate of James Walling on May 2, 1812 (Y/182). The farm remained in the Middlekauff family until 1861 when Henry Landis, Jacob S. Middlekauff and Samuel S. Middlekauff, trustees sold the property to John Huffer, (IN15/60). In several transactions, the farm was passed to various members of the Huffer family until 1872 when Jonas C. Huffer sold it to William Shifler, (LBN1/569, WMcKK3/795). In 1897 Samuel E. and Frederick J. Schifler, trustees, sold the farm to Jonas C. Doub. Today it remains in the Doub family. (106/99).

**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Washington County Land Records.

Washington County Probate Records.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 151 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

**Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant**

ORGANIZATION

**Washington County Historical Sites Survey**

STREET & NUMBER

**County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street**

CITY OR TOWN

**Hagerstown**

DATE

**February 1978**

TELEPHONE

**791-3065**

STATE

**Maryland 21740**

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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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 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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FUNKSTOWN QUADRANGLE  
MARYLAND-- WASHINGTON CO.  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)  
SW/4 HAGERSTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE

5463 11 NE  
(SMITHSBURG)

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