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WHITE HOUSE AT CHARLOTTE HALL

CIRCA 1795

Charlotte Hall

This handsome 1½-story brick house was the first schoolhouse erected at Charlotte Hall. A contract was signed between Aquila King, builder, and the Board of Trustees of the school for the construction of the building at a cost of "745 pounds current money." The original contract is dated 1793, although actual construction did not begin until several years later.

The house is five bays in length at the west facade and has a single chimney enclosed within the gable walls of the gambrel roof. There is a molded water table, segmentally arched window and door heads, and a modillioned cornice. The first floor contains two rooms separated by a central hall.

This property has been included on the National Register of Historic Places, U.S. Department of the Interior, as part of the Charlotte Hall Historic District.

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON:
White House at Charlotte Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Charlotte Hall,

STATE: Maryland CODE: COUNTY: St. Mary's CODE:

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
		Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Charlotte Hall School Owned and governed by the Board of Trustees

STREET AND NUMBER:
of the school.

CITY OR TOWN: Charlotte Hall STATE: Maryland, 20622 CODE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis, Md. STATE: Maryland CODE:

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 320 total, campus 30

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

STATE:
COUNTY:
ENTRY NUMBER
DATE
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Old White House is exceptionally well preserved due to its location on the Charlotte Hall School campus and the care given it by the school officials since it was built in 1803. It is a very handsome brick building with gambrel roof with three narrow dormers on each side. The two large chimneys have an unusual expanded top.

The original floors are of wide pine boards, and the old colonial brass door locks and hardware still remain.

See the attached contract of 1803 for a full description of the old building.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The Old White House was built on the campus of Charlotte Hall Military Academy in 1803. It was used many years for educational purposes, and is currently used as a meeting place for the Board of Trustees, The Washington and Stonewall Society, and as a faculty residence.

Many famous Americans have met in this building. Among them are:

Roger Brooke Taney, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. Member, Board of Trustees.

Right Rev. Thomas J. Clagett, first Episcopal Bishop consecrated in the country.

George Watterson, first Librarian of Congress, alumnus.

Edward Bates, alumnus, Lincoln's Attorney General.

Hon. Daniel Jenifer, Bd. of Trustees, Minister to Austria.

Admiral R. T. Semmes, alumnus, Bd. of Trustees, Admiral in Confederate Navy, author, attorney.

Md. Gov. Robert Bowie, Bd. of Trustees.

Md. Gov. James Thomas, Bd. of Trustees

Md. Gov Albert C. Ritchee, Bd. of Trustees.

Hon. John M. S. Causin, alumnus.

Hon. Richard Thomas, alumnus

Hon James S. Weems, alumnus

Hon Barnes Compton, Alumnus

Hon. W. F. Chesley, alumnus

In 1874, forty members of Congress, alumni of Charlotte Hall, returned for the 100th anniversary.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Charlotte Hall School archives

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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CORNER	LATITUDE			LATITUDE		LONGITUDE
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **Robert B. Woodside, II, archivist** *Robert B. Woodside II*

ORGANIZATION: **Charlotte Hall School** *& Robert E. J. Pogue* DATE: **April 6, 1971**

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: **Charlotte Hall** STATE: **Maryland, 20622** CODE:

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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

1. NAME

COMMON: White House at Charlotte Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: La Plata Newmarket Road (MD 6)

CITY OR TOWN: Charlotte Hall

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: St. Mary's

3. CLASSIFICATION

Table with 4 columns: CATEGORY (Check One), OWNERSHIP, STATUS, ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. Includes checkboxes for District, Building, Site, Structure, Object, Public, Private, Both, etc.

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) table with checkboxes for Agricultural, Commercial, Educational, Entertainment, Government, Industrial, Military, Museum, Park, Private Residence, Religious, Scientific, Transportation, Other (Specify), and Comments.

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: St. Mary's County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: Washington Street and Courthouse Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Leonardtown STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

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7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	<div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unclered </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <div style="text-align: center; margin-bottom: 5px;">(Check One)</div> <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Original Site </div> </div>
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The White House at Charlotte Hall is a 1/2-story brick house, three bays long by two bays wide. It has a gambrel roof with two dormers. The house has been painted white.</p>	

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input 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 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

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New Veterans Home (1982)

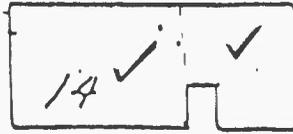
aka Alumni Hall

Gymnasium Keech Hall
(1922) (c.1935)

site of old
Administration Bldg.
(1927-1982)

New Academic
Bldg. (1971)

17



Thomas House

12 ✓

11

c.1950
brick
house

10

4-gable
house
(private)

ormitory
(1960)

18

16 ✓

Academic
Bldg. (1897)
aka Old Classroom
Bldg.

(SM-86)

White
House (1803)

15

13

Dent Memorial
Chapel (1884)

Chelsey House (c. 1800, private)

← OLD ROUTE 5 →

TO NEW RTE 5

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SM-207
PRINCIPAL'S HOUSE
(Headmaster's house)

4

2-story
frame house
(c. 1880)

SM-253

6

19th C.
frame house
(semi-private)

7 ✓

Mattingly
House

I.R.S.
Bldg.

8 ✓

Davis
House

9 ✓

SM-50
Briscoe
House
(c.1825,
private)

Youth Services
(private ?)

2

3

c.1960
brick house

CHARLOTTE HALL

3/6/84 KEK

Briscoe
tenant house

SM-86
98-WS



The White House

SM-86

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SM-86

White House at Charlotte Hall

St. Mary's County, Md

Kirk Kanzeffa

Md SHPO

Nov/99

N+W elevations

1 of 2



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White House at Charlotte Hall

St Mary's County, Md

Kirk Ranze

Md SHPO

Nov/99

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