

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Myrtle Point House #1

2. Location

street & number Myrtle Point Road not for publicationcity, town California vicinity of congressional district 8

state Maryland county St. Mary's County

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name 347 Development Corporation

street & number 5184 Nesconset Highway telephone no.: (516) 473-3009

city, town Port Jefferson Station state and zip code New York 11776

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse liber 127

street & number folio 299

city, town Leonardtown state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title none

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. SM-378

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input 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	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Myrtle Point House #1 faces east, toward the Patuxent River. It is a five-bay framed and weatherboarded two-story single-pile house with a gable roof. The house is secured with wire nails throughout, placing its date of construction at about 1900. It is set on a molded concrete foundation that may replace the original brick foundation. The original siding has been replaced with wood shingles. Brick chimneys are built along interior partition walls so that the stacks are visible only at the ridgelines. The main entrance is sidelighted and transomed and opens into a central-passage plan. It is flanked on either side by two-over-two-light double-hung-sash windows. There is an original two-room two-story rear ell that gives the house the appearance of a T-plan structure, when approached from the west or north. The gable roof structure is covered with molded sheet metal. A prominent cornice has returns on the gable ends that create real triangular pediments on the gable-end walls. There is a front-facing gable that is centered over the central three bays of the facade. These gables are all pierced by single triangle-topped windows. A one-story hipped-roof front porch shelters all five bays of the facade. It is set on a molded concrete foundation and is supported by six turned wooden posts. There are two other additions: a one-story squarish porch set into the northwest angle created by the right angles of the main house and the rear ell, and a one-story hipped-roof enclosed porch-pantry built along the south side of the ell. On the interior: Italianate trim surrounds all windows and doors. Four-panel doors are ubiquitous. The original central-passage plan has been blocked by the placement of a modern furnace in the passage, creating a lobby-entrance plan. The east (middle) room of the rear ell has been partitioned into two spaces, and a second doorway has been punched into the new space—a bathroom—from the southeast front room. All original fireplaces have been blocked.

8. Significance

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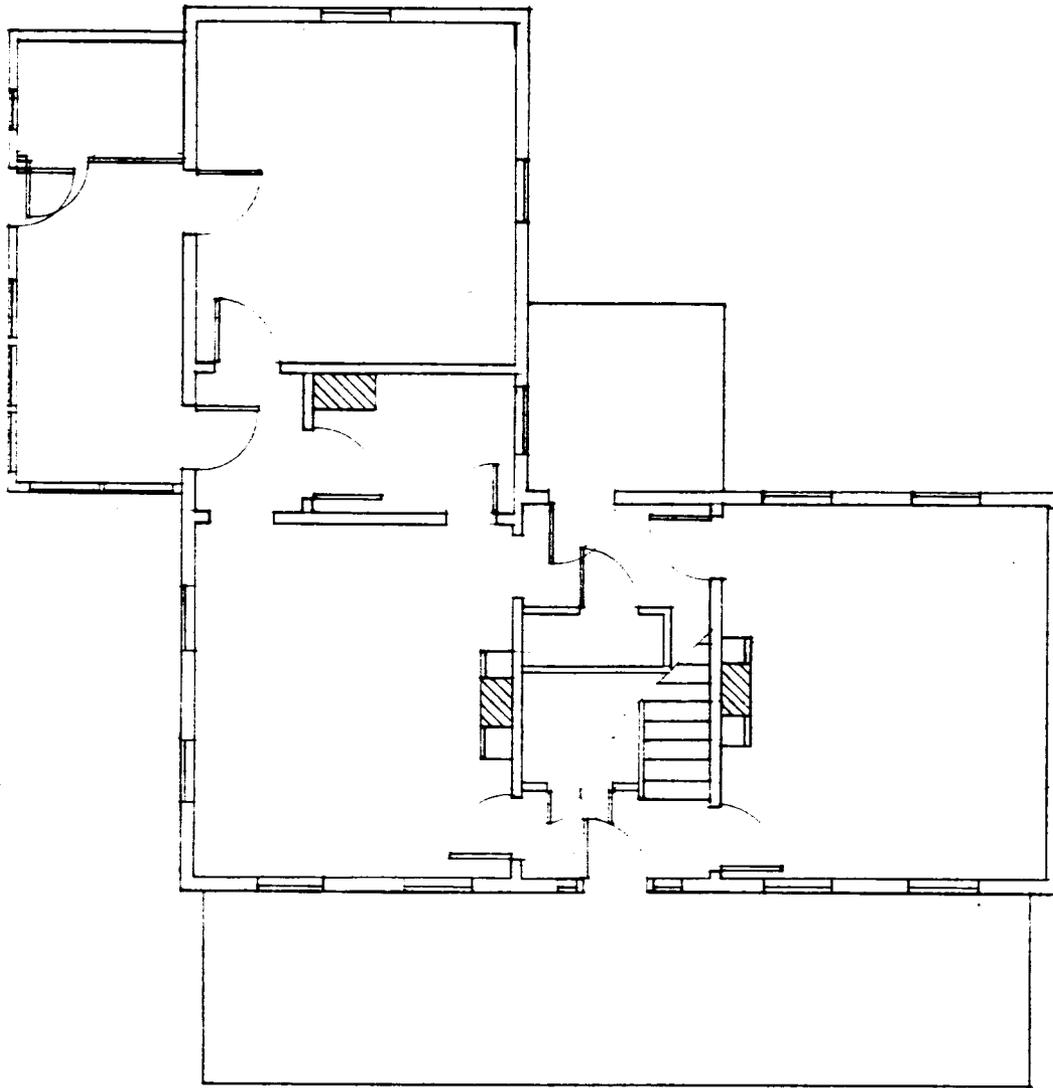
Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" 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	Builder/Architect
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check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Myrtle Point House #1 is a good example of substantial rural housing at the turn of the twentieth century. Adequate historical research should bring to light a moderate amount of information concerning the significance of the structure and its place in the history of St. Mary's County.



MYRTLE POINT HOUSE #1

TOWN POINT VICINITY, ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

RECORDED 8-7-86 BY CAMILLE WEBB AND GLEN FERGUSON

Myrtle Point House#1
St. Mary's County, Maryland
Camille Wells

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Recorded August 7, 1986
with Glyn Furguson.

This five-bay framed and weatherboarded I-house faces east onto the Patuxent River.

It is set on a molded concrete foundation. The original siding has been replaced with wood shingles.

Chimneys are constructed of brick and are set along interior walls so that they appear on the exterior only at the ridge line.

The main doorway is sidelighted and transomed. It is flanked by two-over-two double-hung-sash windows.

Cornice returns create real triangular pediments on the gable-end walls. There is a front-facing gable centered over the central three bays of the facade.

A one-story hipped-roof porch is set on a poured concrete foundation and supported on turned wooden posts.

There is an original ^{two-story} two-room two-bay/rear ell that gives the house the appearance of a T-plan when approached from the west or north.

The roof structure has a ridgeboard and is covered with molded sheetmetal.

The original staircase is a closed-stringer design. Italianate trim is used on window and door surrounds throughout, and 4-panel doors are ubiquitous.

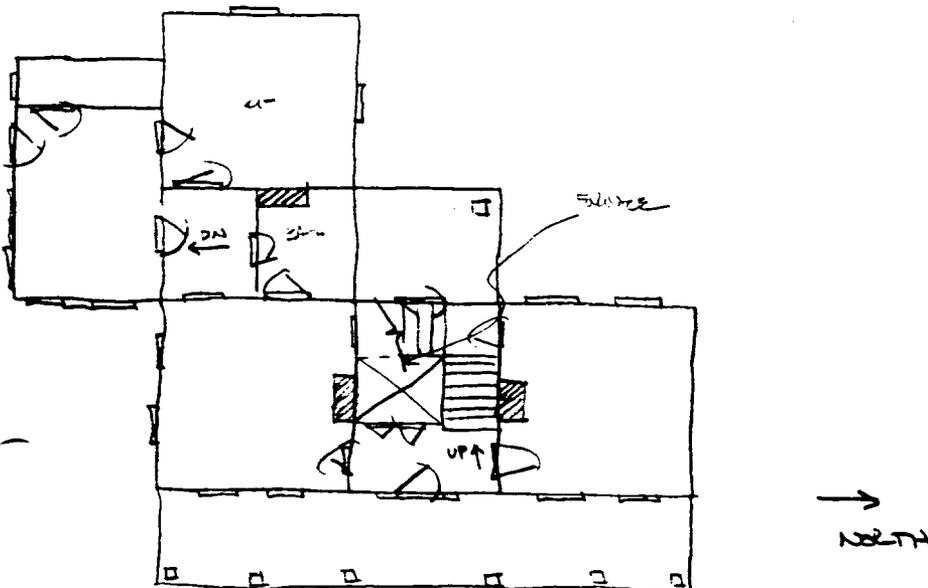
There are two additions: a one-story squarish porch set into the angle of the main house and the ell, and a one-story enclosed porch-pantry built along the south side of the ell.

The front-facing gable and the two side gables of the main block of the house are lit by triangular-topped windows.

Wire nails are used throughout.

Recorded for:

Dennis Pogue, Archaeologist
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St. Leonard, Maryland
20685





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Town Point vicinity, St. Mary's County, Md.

Camille Wells, Photographer

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View from the southeast.



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View from the west.



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Stair detail.



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Detail of second-story balusters.



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