# Home of Lott Carey in Charles City becomes historic site

The Charles City County birthsite of Lott Carey, the first black American missionary to Africa, has been named to the Virginia Landmarks register and is expected to be placed in the National Register of Historic Places very soon.

Robert A. Carter, historian with the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission, said he expects the national designation within a month.

Born a slave in 1780, Carey taught himself to read and write by memorizing Bible verses. He bought his freedom in 1813 with extra money he had been allowed to keep as a tobacco warehouse supervisor.

He became an ordained Baptist minister and went to Africa where he felt he could establish his worth without regard to his race, and where he could help other blacks.

Carey was one of the founders of Liberia and worked to keep the colony going. He died in a gunpower exploison in 1829.

In nominating the site for the national register, the Virginia commission gave the following "statement of significance":

For more than a century and a half the black community of Charles City County has recognized this typical late 18th - century dwelling as the birthplace of Lott Carey, the first black American missionary to Africa and one of the founding fathers of Liberia.

At the time of Carey's birth in 1780 the house served as the plantation residence of Carey's master John Bowry. That fact suggests that Carey more likely was born in slave quarters adjoining the house rather than in the Bowry residence itself. However, no document exists to support such an inference and no structure resembling late 18th - century slave quarters remains on the property. What does survive is a strong local oral tradition that continues to identify the house as Carey's birthplace.

As the only visible remnant of the plantation on which Carey was born and lived, the house and its simple rural setting have become the major focal point of local sentiment toward Carey and his remarkable achievements. Equally significant is the site's representation of the important contribution of black Virginians to the Commonwealth in the early national period.

Born a slave in Charles City County during the American Revolution, Lott Carey apparently lived on John Bowry's plantation until 1804 when his master hired him out to the merchant - owner of a Shockoe Valley tobacco warehouse in Richmond. In this urban context he had a much wider field for personal and economic initative than he had known in the Virginia countryside.

Under the leadership of Baptist preacher John Courtney, Carey publicly declared himself a Christian in 1807, was baptized, and became a member of the white First Baptist Church of Richmond. Soon after his conversion, Carey taught himself to read and write by memorizing verses of the New Testament.

Promotion, to supervisor of tobacco hands in the warehouse accompanied his spiritual awakening. For his speed and accuracy in dispatching hogsheads of tobacco from Richmond, Carey was awarded frequent bonuses as well as the privilege of selling waste tobacco for his own profit.

Accumulating $850, Carey used this savings to purchase freedom for himself and for his children in 1813. (his wife had died some time before). That same year, after long and diligent study, Carey finally qualified for the Baptist ministry.

As an ordained Baptist minister, Carey became interested in the missionary effort both of the African Missionary Society, which he and a colleague named Collin Teague helped form in Richmond in 1815, and of the American Colonization Society, which succeeded in planting a small colony of free blacks on the west coast of Africa in 1819.

With support from the American Baptist Board of Foreign Missions, Carey, Teague and a small band of Virginia Free blacks sailed from Norfolk for the Liberian coast in 1821.

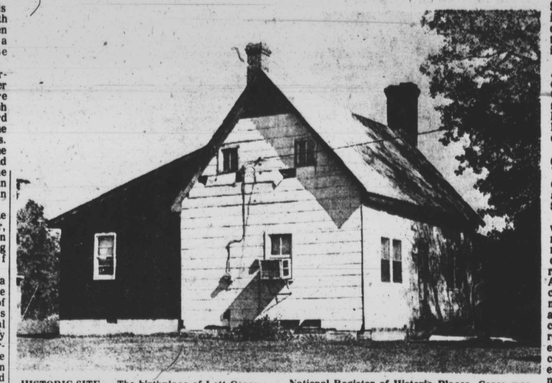
Prior to his departure Carey had purchased a "small place" in eastern Henrico County and enjoyed an income of $700 a year.

When asked why he would leave a community in which he was respected and led a comfortable life, he replied: "I am an African, and in this country, however meritorious my conduct, and respectable my character, I cannot receive the credit due to either. I wish to go to a country where I shall be estimated by my merits, not by my complexion, and I feel bound to labor for my suffering race."

Carey began his missionary work by founding the Providence Baptist Church of Monrovia upon his arrival. He also brought the Christian message to Africa by establishing native schools in the interior. Throughout his ministry Carey worked equally hard to make the struggling colony of Liberia a going concern.

In 1822 he bravely defended the exposed settlement on Cape Montserado against an attack by 1,500 native tribesmen who were threatening to terminate the colony. The self - educated minister also served as the colony's principal physician, there being no other medical assistance available.

Carey for a time lost confidence in the management of the American Colonization Society, and vigorously opposed its policy of withholding rations from colonists who challenged its authority. However he later willingly served as the society's vice agent and acting governor in Monrovia and there is little question he was instrumental in preserving the small colony intact through the difficult years of early settlement.



HISTORIC SITE — The birthplace of Lott Carey, the slave who became the first black American missionary to Africa, has been named to the National Register of Historic Places. Carey was born in 1780. The house is in Charles City County, about five miles west of the courthouse.

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STATE OF MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED PROPOSALS for the following will be received by the State Highway Administration at its offices, 300 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201 until 12 noon on the 22nd day of July 1980 at which time the pieces they will be publicly opened and read. PREQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS NOT REQUIRED. ON FEDERAL AID PROJECTS, the Maryland State Highway Administration, in accordance with the Standard Department of Transportation Title VI Assurances, Item 2, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. Also, the bidder's attention is called to the Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive order 11246) which is a part of the contract proposal.

It is a goal of the Maryland Department of Transportation that minority business enterprise participate in ten percent (10 percent) of the total value of prime contracts in excess of $100,000. Toward this end all bidders shall sign the Minority Business Affirmative Action Certification included in the contract proposal.

FEDERAL AID PROJECT
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
CONTRACT NO. AA-262-501-572; FAPNO. BH-I-695-6(217)125-1-695-6(218)25

COST OF PLANS - $30.00 PROJECT CLASSIFICATION - G

Replacement of bridge decks on the exterior portions of the superstructures and rehabilitation of the bridge decks in the median areas for dual Bridges No. 2001 on I-695 (Baltimore Beltway) over the Patapsco River and Hammonds Ferry Road including widening the southbound bridge 12' for the proposed deceleration lane. The twenty-six span bridge is 1,348 ft. long and the southbound bridge widening is 88' long with existing roadway widths N.B.R. 36' S.B.R. varies 56' to 61', and proposed roadway width: N.B.R. 57', S.B.R. - varies, widened width of 57' to 69'. Project includes approach roadway work and reconstruction of 0.09 mile of Hammonds Ferry Road.

Minimum wage rates for this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in the Bid Proposal.

A "Pre-Bidding Informational Conference" will be conducted at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, July 9, 1980 at the Traffic Division Hearing Room, 350 South Hammonds Ferry Road, Glen Burnie, Maryland.

STATE HIGHWAY PROJECTS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY - CONTRACT NO. M-200-501-381
COST OF PLANS - $80.00 PROJECT CLASSIFICATION - A

Traffic Signalization on Md. 124 at Railroad St. and at Summitt Ave. All materials to be furnished and installed by contractor. K COST OF PLANS - $30.00 PROJECT CLASSIFICATION - A

Construction of a Traffic Signal - Md. 202 and 62nd Avenue.

Minimum wage rates for the above projects have been predetermined as required by law and as set forth in the Bid Proposal.

The above SHA project are designated as a "Small Business Set Aside Contract" pursuant to Article 41, Section 231G-2 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Bids must be made upon the blank proposal from which, with specifications and plans, will be furnished by the Administration upon application and cash payment noted. NO REFUND FOR RETURN OF SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS.

In accordance with Article 41, Section 231 M-2, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, no bid, performance or payment bonds are required for bids less than $25,000.

However, bids $25,000 and above will not be considered unless accompanied by a Certified Check, a Cashier's Check or a Treasurer's Check drawn upon a bank or Bid Bond payable to the State of Maryland, in the amount as set forth in the proposal form, as required by Transportation Article, Section 8-614, Annotated Code of Maryland. In addition, a Bid Letter from Surety must accompany the Proposal guaranteeing that Payment and Performance Bonds will be furnished if the Contractor is determined to be the successful bidder. The successful bidder will be required to give bond and comply with the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland respecting Contracts.

The Administrator reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

M. S. CALTRIDER
State Highway Administrator
Date June 24, 1980

ORDER NO. E-690

LEGAL NOTICE

On May 28 and June 4, 1980, the Housing Authority of Baltimore City advertised for Turnkey Proposals for two categories of proposals to be submitted to the Authority on July 7, 1980. Due to funding limitations, Category II has been reduced from 150 units to 125 units. Time for receipt of proposals is hereby extended to 4:30 p.m. on July 21, 1980. Proposals will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on July 23, 1980, at the office of the Authority at 222 East Saratoga Street.

M. J. BRODIE, Executive Director
Housing Authority of Baltimore City

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FEDERAL AID PROJECTS
MONTGOMERY COUNTY — CONTRACT NO. M-401 151 372 FAP No. 1 - 270-7 (86) 71
Bids Opened — July 22, 1980
COST OF PLANS — $5.00
PROJECT CLASSIFICATION — A

Photogrammetric Mapping for approximately 7.200 acres in the vicinity of I 270 from MD. Rte. 118 to I 270 Y (Spur). Mapping to be compiled at a scale of one inch equals one hundred feet (1" equals 100') with contours at two (2) foot intervals. The SHA will furnish existing one inch equals five hundred feet (1" equals 500') aerial photography negatives exposed with a six(6) inch focal length lens, and all horizontal and vertical ground control surveys.

COST OF PLANS — $14.77
PROJECT CLASSIFICATION — B

Replacement of deck for Bridge No. 17006 on U.S. Rte. 50 over Kent Narrows. The bridge is 660' plus long which includes nine approach spans at 58' and two farming spans at 59' with two 28' plus clear roadways, two 4' sidewalks and a median barrier.

Minimum wage rates for the above project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in the Bid Proposal.

A "Pre - Bidding Information Conference" will be conducted at 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, July 16, 1980 at the SHA District Office, Old American Legion Building, Morgnec Rd. — MD Rte. 291, Chester Town, Maryland 21620.

STATE HIGHWAY PROJECT
NATIONWIDE - SUPPLEMENTARY INSPECTION ENGINEER SERVICES
Bids Opened — August 5, 1980
COST OF PROPOSAL — FREE (May be obtained from the Division of Materials and Research, 707 West Joppa Road, Brooklandville, Maryland 21022, telephone (301) 321-3538.)

To provide additional inspection forces for work basically outside the limits of the State of Maryland. Inspection, testing and - or sampling of structural steel shapes and other materials used in highway construction contracts.

Bids must be made upon the blank proposal form which, with specifications and plans, will be furnished by the Administration upon application and cash payment noted. NO REFUND FOR RETURN OF SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS.

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M. S. CALTRIDER
State Highway Administrator
Date July 1, 1980

ORDER NO. E-913

LEGAL NOTICES

"INVITATION FOR BIDS"

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City will receive sealed bids in duplication for Contract MS 1615A, ground "gas" and water piping Hickouts, Westport, MD2 13 until 2:00 p.m. EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME on Aug. 12, 1980 at the office of the Chief, Finance and Accounting, Room 675, Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202, at which time and place, all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Proposal forms of contract documents, including plans, if any, and Technical Specifications, are on file, and may be examined at the office of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, Construction and Buildings Inspection, Room 210, Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Md., 21202. Copies may be obtained upon registering of the Contractor and deposit of a check payable to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City in the amount of fifteen dollars ($15.00), which amount will not be refunded. CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. For this amount, the successful bidder shall receive three (3) sets of complete documents.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, U.S. Government Bonds, or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and a surety company in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid shall be submitted with each bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory performance and payment bonds, each in the amount of 100 percent for contracts under $2,000.00.

Attention is called to the fact that payrolls must be filed with the Housing Authority and not less than the prevailing salaries and wages as set forth in the Specifications must be paid on this project. The Contractor must insure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, creed, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The successful bidder may be required to prepare and submit an Affirmative Action Program regarding the employment of minority job applicants. Details are set forth in the Contract Documents under 41 CFR 60 4.2 (d) "Notice of Requirements for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)" and 41 CFR 60 4.3(a) "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (executive Order 11246)". In addition, prior to the signing of a contract, he must submit a preliminary statement of work force needs, where known. Where not known, this information must be supplied prior to the signing of any contract between the contractor and his subcontractors.

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY
VITO J. MANGANO
Director
Construction and
Buildings Inspection

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The Housing Authority of Baltimore City will receive sealed bids in duplication for MS 1669C, Replacement of Exterior Underground and Interior Above Ground and Water Piping Phase II, MD 2 11, Cherry Hill, Modernization until 2:00 p.m. EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME on AUG 12 1980, at the office of the Chief, Finance and Accounting, Room 675, Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga St., Baltimore, Maryland, 21202, at which time and place, all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Sale of 3.2 acres
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The City of Baltimore is seeking proposals from qualified industrial firms to undertake an expansion or relocation project at Crossroads Industrial Park located in Southwest Baltimore near Dukeland Street and Wilmarco Avenue.

The building site available is 3.2 acres served by all public utilities except gas. The site will be conveyed at $40,000 per acre for a total purchase price of $128,000.

The following criteria will be considered for this project:

1. the size and quality of the building;
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3. date of earliest construction start;
4. method of financing purchase of land and construction of building; and
5. expression of interest should take the form of a letter of intent, accompanied by a refundable $5,000 deposit, to be submitted on or before the close of business on Tuesday, July 15, 1980.

All correspondence should be directed to: Bernard L. Berkowitz, Acting President, Baltimore Economic Development Corp., 36 S. Charles Street, Suite 2400, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

Interested parties may obtain information concerning this property from Sylvan Goldstein, BEDCO, 301-837-9305.

AN INTERESTING OPPORTUNITY

The Department of Housing and Community Development is receiving proposals on a property known as the Orchard Street Church, located between Druid Hill and Pennsylvania Avenues. The property is in the Orchard-Biddle Urban Renewal Area and is identified as Lots Nos. 1B and 1CR.

Several structures comprise the property. They include the Orchard Street Church structure, Sunday School and several recently rehabilitated row houses. The Orchard Street Church and Sunday School are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and are to be rehabilitated. The first and second floors of the Church structure are to be rehabilitated as a museum encompassing the history of the Church and Black Culture in Baltimore.

The third floor of the Church and remainder of the buildings can be rehabilitated as housing for general occupancy.

Some financial assistance for rehabilitation of the museum portion of the Church is available.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
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396-4942

This offering is of a very short duration. All interested Developers should contact the above number immediately. Proposals are due by July 21, 1980.

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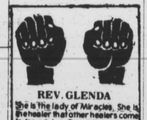

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Proof positive that being in the army has its lighter side, and women are being accepted on standard teams. Petite Leticia Johnstone tugs on the rope as 14 competitors from the 24th Transportation Battalion competes against the 110th Transportation company. It happened at Ft. Eustis, Va. Er . . . ah . . . Spotlite sadly relates that Leticia's team lost the championship.

Behind these dark glasses is the top musician according to the "NYC Jazz" magazine, which held a poll of thousands of its readers. Topping the list was pianist Cecil Taylor, now dubbed Musician of the Year.

One of the winning photos in the 14 - 18 age group category was this one entitled "I Dare You," which w on a $50 Kodak gift certificate in the Boys' Club Photo Contest. It was posed and shot by Stacy Roberts, 15, Waterloo, Iowa.

Just a reminder that summer camp season is upon us. Lee Hill of Roanoke, Va. takes aim at a target during the Hunton Y's summer day camp program at Camp Fincastle. Nine - year - old Lee must know something. Spotlite wonders how he hits the target with his eyes closed.

Frank Hazel, left, is quality control manager at the Schlitz Brewing Company can plant in Oak Creek, Wis. He checks on two of his employees Gene Franecki (center) and Betty Peterson. Hazel received the Black Achievers Award last year. The three are checking lifeless cans... alas, Spotline moans, they are all empty.

This could be called a "sign of the times," as an unemployed auto worker in Michigan files for benefits earlier this month. The automobile industry has been one of the hardest hit during the current recessionary spiral, resulting in massive unemployment.

Just a reminder that perhaps you are luckier than you thought. Suppose you owned this car which erupted into flames after two trees fell during high winds which hit the Washington area earlier last month. Firemen extinguish the flames — fortunately the car was unoccupied. Spotlite cringes at the thoughts of the owner when he saw the damage.