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Principal Residence:

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Mailing Address:

21533 DAVIS MILL RD

Deed Reference:

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**Location & Structure Information** 

**Premises Address** 

10715 BRINK RD GERMANTOWN 20876

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Legal Description

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Map Grid **Parcel Sub District** Subdivision Section **Block** Lot Group Plat No: P999 Plat Ref: FV22 80 1 Town Special Tax Areas **Ad Valorem Tax Class** 42 **Primary Structure Built Enclosed Area Property Land Area County Use** 1930 1,680 SF 119.37 AC 812 **Basement Stories Exterior** Type

Value Information

Base Value **Phase-in Assessments** As Of As Of Value As Of PREFERENTIAL LAND VALUE 01/01/2004 07/01/2003 07/01/2004 INCLUDED IN LAND VALUE Land: 117,550 157,550 Improvements: 63,030 97,120 180,580 254,670 205,276 Total: 180,580 **Preferential Land:** 32,550 32,550 32,550 32,550

Transfer Information

Seller: FLORA E CASE ET AL Date: 06/26/1998 Price: \$674,719 IMPROVED ARMS-LENGTH Type: Deed1: /15984/ 389 Deed2: Seller: J RUSSELL & E M SIBLEY ET AL Date: Price: \$0 05/06/1997 Type: NOT ARMS-LENGTH Deed1: /14853/ 145 Deed2: Seller: J RUSSELL & E M SIBLEY ET AL Date: 02/09/1994 Price: Deed1: /12308/ 766 NOT ARMS-LENGTH Type: Deed2:

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**Special Tax Areas** 

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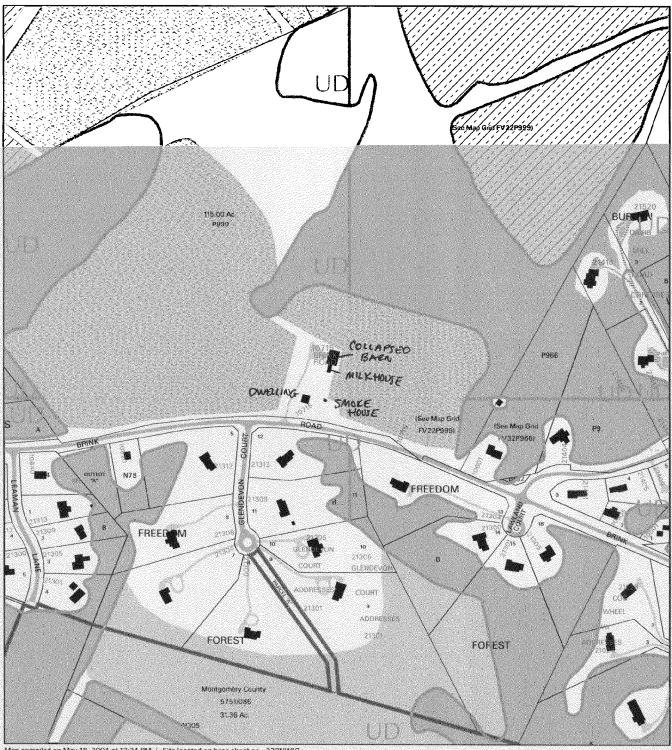
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### **BENSON-SIBLEY HOUSE (14/50)**



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2. Location						
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3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing a	addresses of all	owners	)	
name	Farm Dev	elopment Coop LLC				
street and number	21533 Da	vis Mill Rd			telephone	
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7. Description		Inventory No. 14-50
Condition		
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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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10. Geographical Data						
Acreage of surveyed property _ Acreage of historical setting _ Quadrangle name _	119.37 acres	Quadrangle scale:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Pre	pared by	
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organization	M-NCPPC	date July 2004
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city or town	Silver Spring	state MD

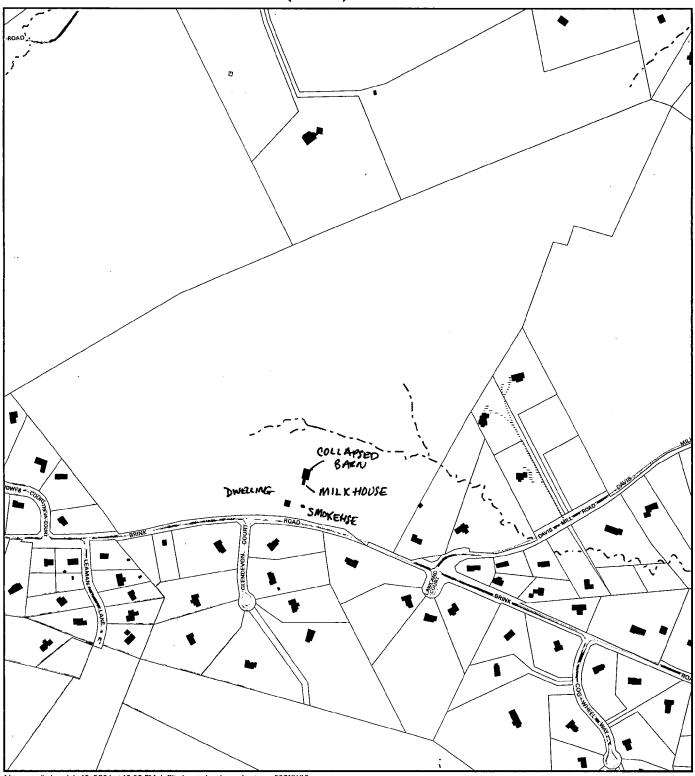
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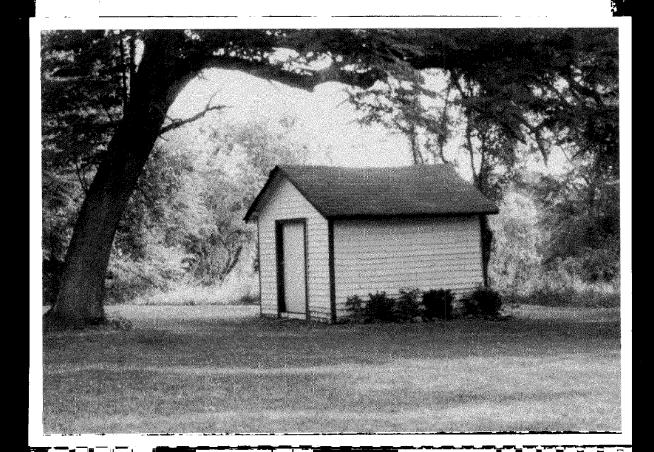




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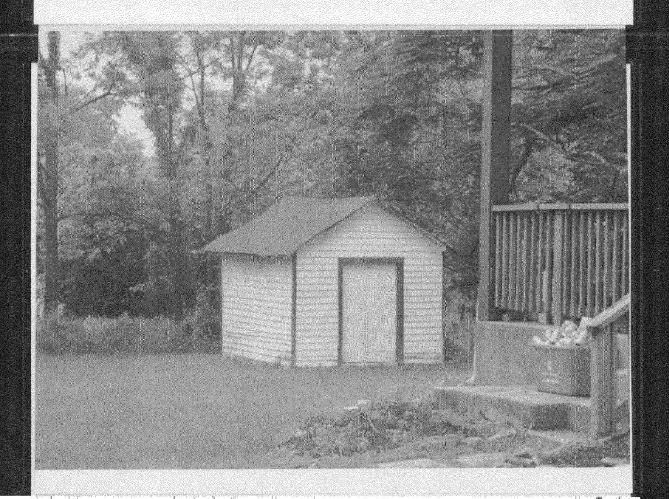


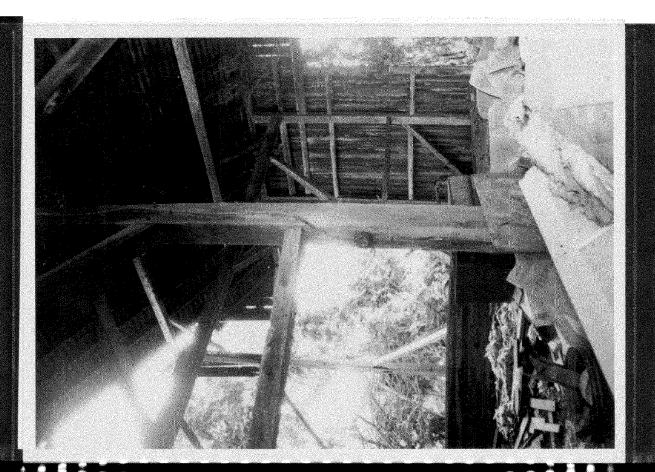
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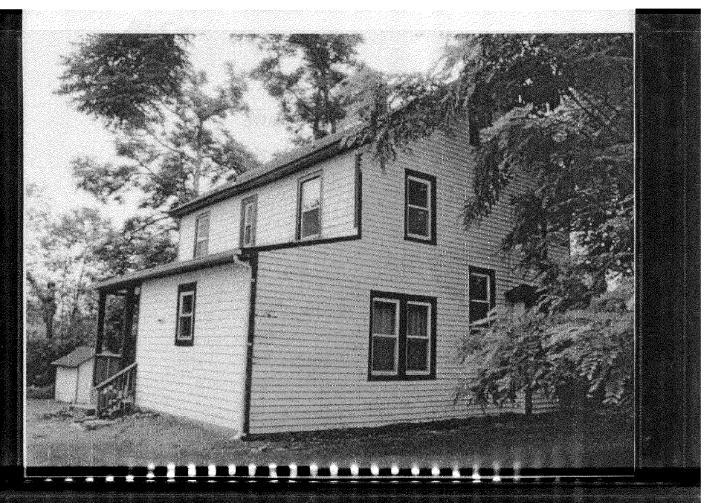
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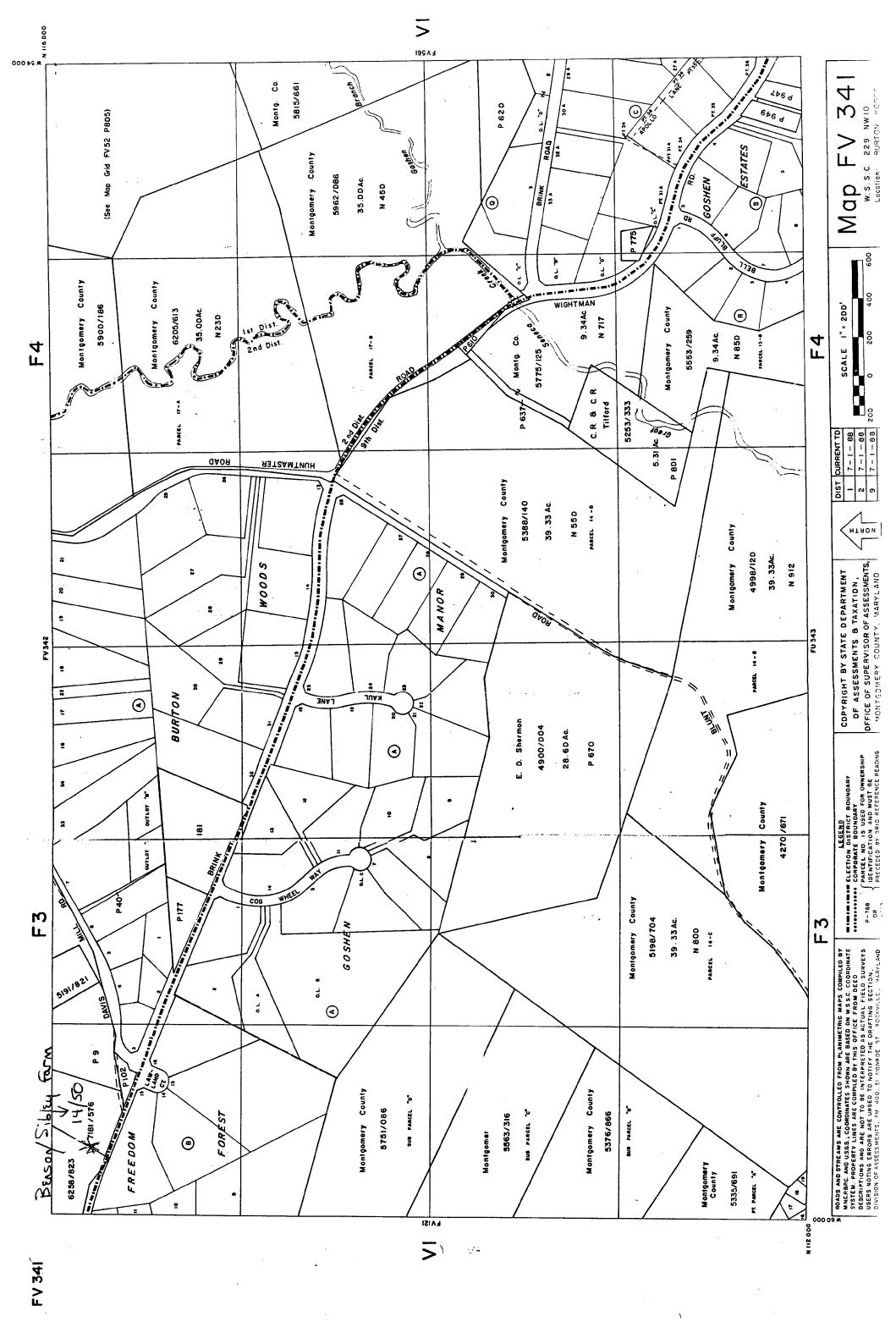


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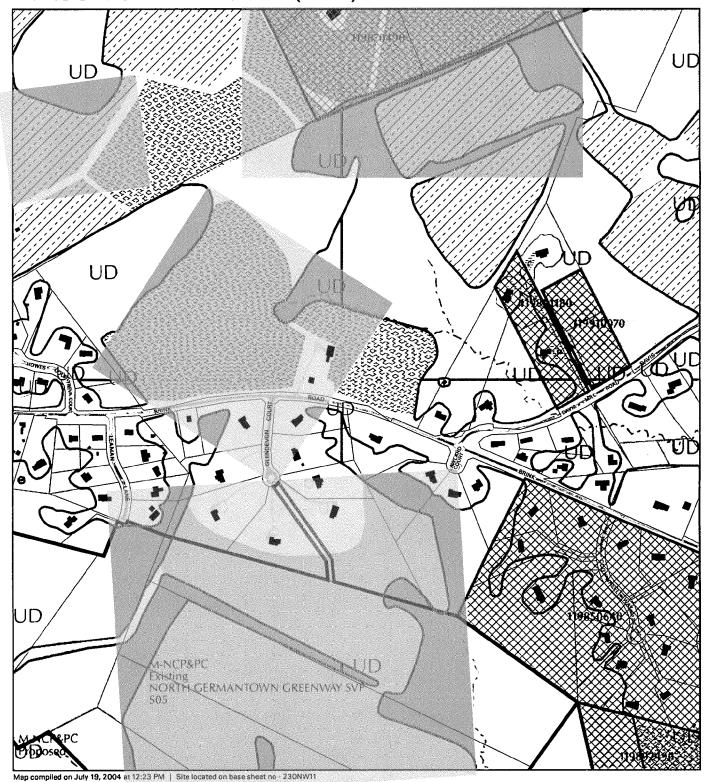
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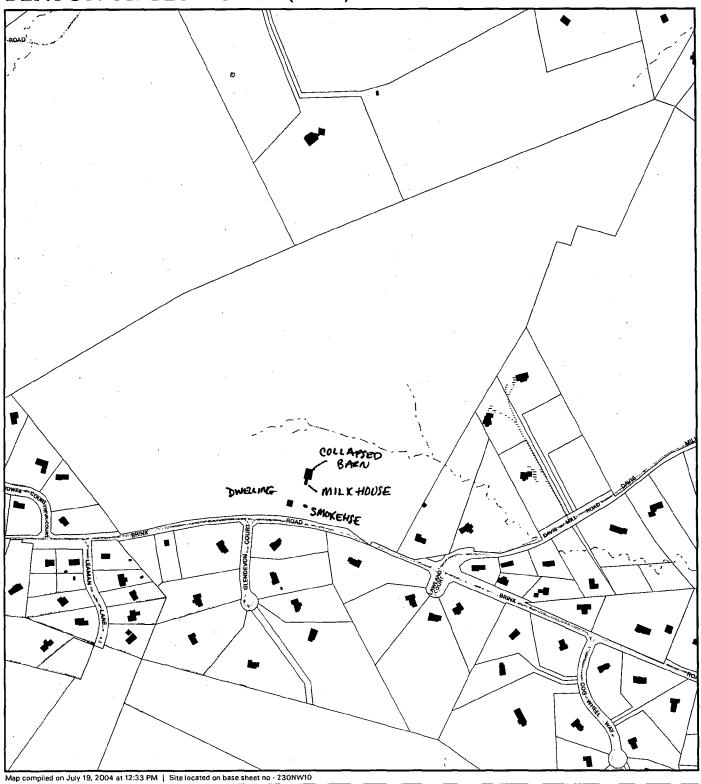
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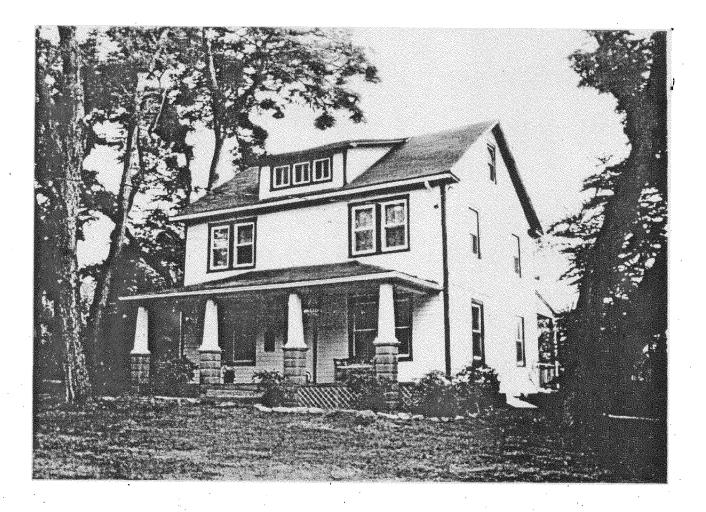


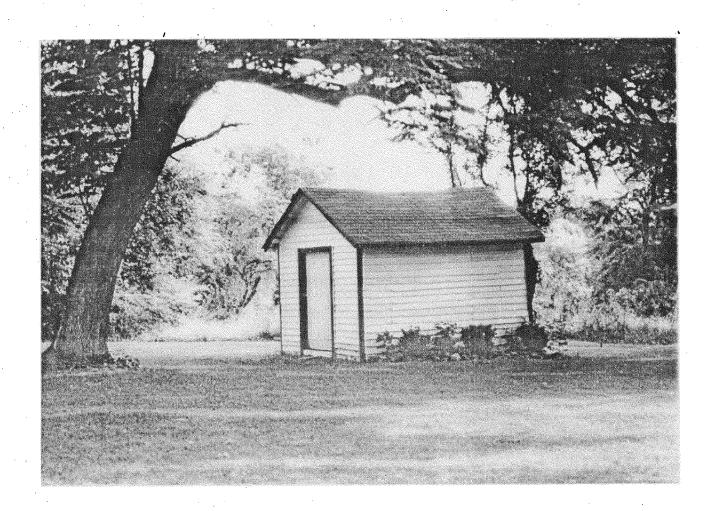
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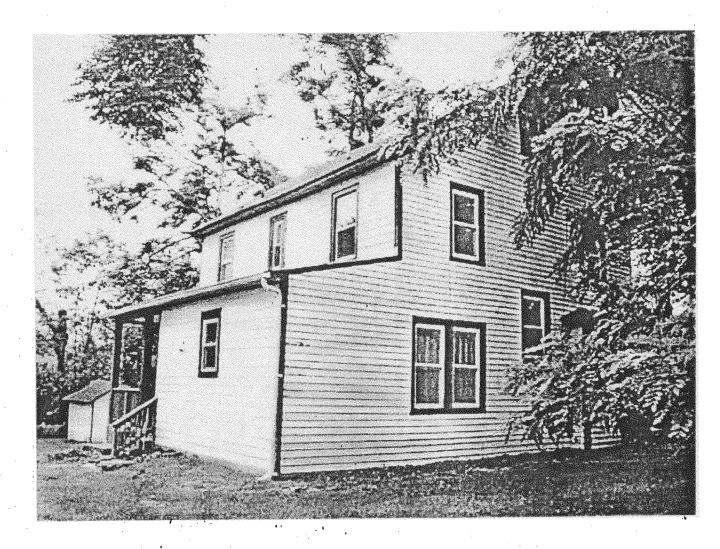
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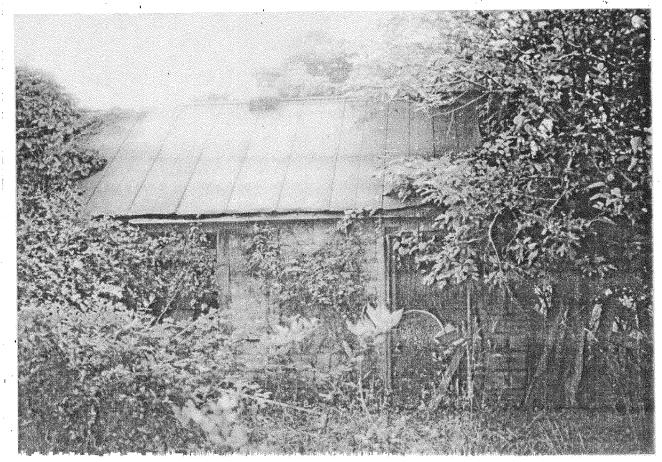
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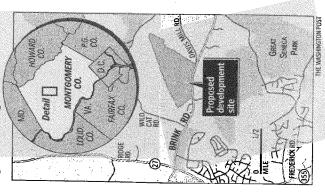
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## 'Church Park' Development Proposed

Landowner Aris Mardirossian related schools on 119 acres religious institutions and is proposing to build four of Montgomery County's agricultural preserve.



debate over the limits of religious freedom and raised questions about the influence of campaign complex of churches in the middle agricultural preserve has provoked A proposal to develop a megaof Montgomery County's prized donations in an election year.

stores, is the principal in a compa-Aris Mardirossian, a local enrepreneur whose family built a fortune on 6-Twelve convenience ny that owns 119 acres off Brink Road in Germantown. The area is zoned for 25-acre lots to preserve Montgomery's dwindling farmland and open space

## **Church-State Debate** Rural Montgomery's

sian's cause was council member Isiah Leggett (D-At Large). Project Raises Legal, Political Issues Washington Post Staff Fried | 02

Mardiros-

turning the sprawling pasture into what some are calling a "church park" that would be home to four yet-to-be-named religious institu-But Mardirossian has proposed tions and ancillary schools.

That Mardirossian is a major campaign contributor to County Council members hasn't escaped the notice of furious neighbors who worry that the churches would attract heavy traffic and ruin their environmentally sensitive rural ha-

ber of the Greater Goshen Civic ect their judgment or their opin-"It's caused a lot of concern out here," said Charles Tilford, a mem-Association. "One is worried that the campaign contributions will af-

which would have delayed what be completed next December,

council President Steven A. Sil-

verman (D-At Large) called a

'very, very controversial vote"

until after this fall's elections.

Leggett, who has received substantial support from Mar-

dirossian, argued that the landnow because of the nature of owner has a right to an answer

The county, he said, has

his proposal.

ject might not be able to move for-The matter came to a head at members debated whether to exproval, council staff said, the proyesterday's council meeting when tend water and sewer connections to the property. Without that apward as proposed.

from other applicants. So long gious institutions differently for religious institutions in the area the cost, he said, the county's Mardirossian's attorney did not long history of treating reliey D. Abrams wrote that the need as religious institutions pick up current policy gives them the nections on land that otherwise said, should be addressed at a right to water and sewer conwould not get them. Traffic and environmental concerns, he later stage in the planning apreturn phone messages yesterday. But in a letter to the council, Stanhas been exacerbated by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, "which caused attendance ... to multiply." "this is not an isolated farming community but an area in the Abrams argued, path of development." Moreover,

mise that won his colleagues over: Although the council-did Leggett offered a comproquest yesterday, it asked that the policy review be expedited so it can take action on the matnot grant Mardirossian's reter before recessing in August. County Executive Douglas

M. Duncan (D) and the coun-

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mended deferring action until after the county completes a re-

view of its water and sewer policy that governs private and

Leggett said he acted to correct Leggett's advocacy has irked neighbors such as Tilford.'But an injustice.

Duncan has received cam-

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dirossian, but the landowner al-Duncan's nemesis on the coun-

"People say we're advancing but I think that's wrong. He has this for him—that's not so. I'm trying to prevent unreasonable People don't want to vote on and endless delays," he said this because it's controversial a right to this right now." .

cil, Blair G. Ewing (D-At Large), who had been con-

templating a run against Dun-The review was expected to

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Montgomery has a history of treating religious institutions use, based on religious protecmore leniently than other applicants when it comes to land into every zone. In addition, tions offered by the U.S. Constitution. Such institutions are, for example, allowed by fight federal law prohibits governments from applying "land use regulation in a manner that imposes a substantial burden on the religious exercise of a person, including a religious assembly or institution."

But U.S. Supreme Court aden. Whether the county has nections is "a very complicated cases on the subject are murky, said council attorney Michael o extend water and sewer conssue.... I haven't reached a and the federal law is untested conclusion."

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Erikson. "He's saying, "We don't know who the churches To council member Nancy Dacek (R-Upcounty), that may violate the spirit of the county,'s policies. "We've never before had anyone try to do 'church fu-tures,' said her aide Peggy are, but just trust me and give me a water and change."

that the land be used only for church-related purposes. The To allay that concern, March rossian suggested the county grant approval on the condition proposal has mixed appeal for Wade Butler, a nearby orchard set a bad precedent but also becultural preserve "handcuff owner. He worries that it will ieves land-use laws in the agrifarmers" who want to sell their and for top dollar.

"It could open up opportunities for us," he said. "But if him, then you need to be pre-pared to do it for all of us." you're prepared to do it for



# Downtown Wheaton plans OK'

A preliminary plan for one of the first major redevelopment projects in the Wheaton Central Business District was approved with slight modifications Thursday by the Montgomery County Planning Board.

The Wheaton Forest project will provide 250 apartments in a four-story, 75-foot high building along Georgia Avenue by the Bozzuto Development Company, and 75 town-houses along Amherst Avenue by Eakin Youngentob Associates.

The site runs along Georgia Avenue, Prichard Road and Amherst

The next step is recordation of plats, which create the lots on which the structures will be built, followed by obtaining a building permit, according to Senior Planner Richard

The ruling was a major step forward for the redevelopment of Wheaton, said Wheaton Redevelopment Director Doug Wrenn.

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"It was a big day for Wheaton,"
Wrenn said. "People spoke in support. Nobody spoke in opposition."

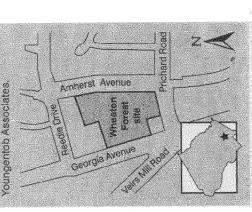
The recommendation by the Transportation Planning staff to limit the plan to the existing retail/office building of about 87,800 square feet was removed by the

Pfanning Board. In addition to 250 apartments and 75 townhouses, the plan includes a health club and a 400-space parking garage.

## Wheaton Forest plan

egislators back off

The Montgomery County Planning Board approved a preliminary plan with conditions for the Wheaton Forest tract near the Wheaton Triangle area between Georgia and Amherst avenues. Plans call for 250 apartments to be built by the Bozzuto Development Company and 75 townhouses to be developed by Eakin Youngentob Associates.



Source MANCPPC Matthew A. Nickols/The Gazette

Drotecting ICC land
WHENTON GAZETE
Forehand says state
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Staff Writer

ANNAPOLIS — Legislators were backing away last week from plans to introduce a bill aimed at preventing the Montgomery County Council and future governors from selling, transferring or rezoning land slated for the Intercounty Connector.

Sen. Jennie M. Forehand (D-Dist. 17) of Rockville said Thursday that she has decided not to introduce the bill after talking to ICC backers County Executive Douglas M. Duncan (D), Council President Steven A. Silverman (D-At large) of Silver Spring and Councilman Michael L. Subin (D-At large) of Gaithersburg.

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"We decided it might be premature to introduce it this year," she said.

Forchand said she was going to introduce the bill in part because her colleagues around the state were saying that the Gaithersburg-to-Laurel highway is not just a Montgomery County issue and should not be left in the hands of the County Council.

Forehand said that if the next County Council tries to do anything with the right of way, "The General Assembly would have time to take action to prevent it," she said.

if Montgomery Chamber of Commerce President Richard N. Parsons and lobbyist David L. Winstead do not want him to. The worry is that putting in the bill now could galvanize opposition to the ICC, he said. But he said the threat of the bill was good because it would force Montgomery. County Council members to say where they stand on the right-of-way issue in this fall's election

campaign.
Silverman had told The Gazette
that the bill violated an informal
agreement with the legislature not
to take any action on the right of
way until after the election.

"I think [Forehand] understands, as many of us do, that the bill would have been a rerun of the debate from two years ago." he said. "That's not going to be particularly productive."

Silverman also said the state should not be dictating the council's land-use decisions.

Include decisions.

ICC opponents also weighed in.

"This bill should have never been proffered in the first place," said Greg Smith of Sustainable

Montgomery.

He said Giannetti's comments smacked of "pure politics. It's disturbing that he's taking his cues so closely from the Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Trade."

Giannetti faces a tough re-election fight. He is one of four incumbents fighting for three slots as a result of legislative redistricting. A separate, nonbinding joint resolution urging the governor to restart the ICC environmental study has the backing of a majority of the General Assembly.

13B) of Laurel said he is leaning

against introducing his version of the bill into the House, and will not

Del. John A. Giannetti Jr. (D-Dist.

#### 14/50 Benson-Sibley House

Early 20<sup>th</sup> century house with clapboard siding. Replacement windows and doors. Battered porch columns with panel faced concrete block piers and egg and dart capitals. Bank barn with stone foundation and vertical siding. Milk house, connected by breezeway, of concrete block that's rusticated and smooth faced. Behind house is outbuilding that appears to be a smokehouse. Tobacco house no longer standing.

Late 19<sup>th</sup> century farm of J W Benson. In the 20<sup>th</sup> century owned by Sibleys. Property of 119 acres owned by a development company.

#### SYCAMORE HOLLOW on WILDCAT CREEK

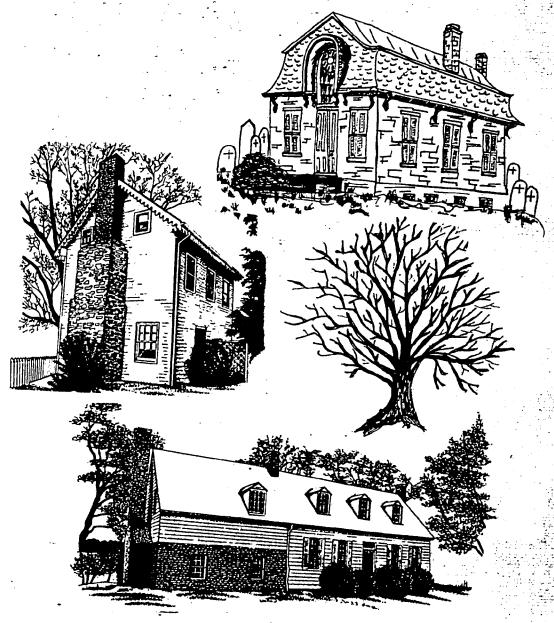
In 1650, Robert Brooke came to St. Mary's County. He sailed from England in his own ship to settle a royal land grant titled "Della Brooke", bringing with him his family and servants. This land grant was of enormous proportions. Three generations later, James Brooke came to what is now Montgomery County in 1723. His son received a land grant of 15,000 acres which extended from Sandy Spring to Germantown. This portion, including what we know today as "Sycamore Hollow," was later sold by Gerard Brooke to a Dorsey, perhaps Patuxent John, his son (Sam?), or Grandson Henry (sometimes referred to as Harry) Woodward Dorsey of Anne Arundel County, about 1814-1816. Earlier in 1798, Henry (Harry) Woodward Dorsey of Anne Arundel County purchased 385 and 1/2 acres of Resurvey on Benjamin Square and Lodowicks Range from Richard Ridgely. The Dorsey line is Henry (Harry) Woodward Dorsey who also inherited "Dorsey's Search," "Sam's Lot," and "Pleasant Valley," from his father (or Grandfather) known as "Patuxent John", Captain of Militia in 1742 in Maryland. Patuxent John was married to Eleanor Woodward. Prior to him there was an Edward Dorsey, then Capt. John Dorsey of Baltimore County, who was a Justice for Anne Arundel County, 1694-1697. Edward Dorsey who settled in Anne Arundel County probably came from "Hockley in the Hole" in Warwickshire, England about 1650 or earlier. Parts of these land grants have stood in St. Mary's, Prince Georges, Frederick, and finally Montgomery County.

Henry Woodward Dorsey's first wife was Mary Macubbin whom he married on February 21, 1786. She was the daughter of Zachariah Macubbin. After her death, Henry married Rachel Magruder Cooke. Henry and Rachel had a son named Harry Woodward Dorsey who married Sarah Ann Waters in 1829. She was the daughter of Ignatius and Elizabeth Dorsey Waters. When she died, he married her sister Susan Maria Waters in 1844. Susan's half sister-in-law Harriet Woodward Dorsey, married Sam Blunt in 1818. In 1852 Susan and Harriet worked together on a quilt which is called the "Woodbourne" quilt. This quilt has been displayed at various museums, including the DAR Constitution Hall in Washington D.C. "Woodbourne" is the name of the historical home built by Sam Blunt.

Prior to James Brooke's arrival in 1723, there were a few squatter's and hunter's cabins scattered in the area. On the property which was to become "Sycamore Hollow" sat a log cabin with a balcony. A huge fireplace, large enough to burn logs up to five feet long, dominated the lower level. In 1720, an addition was built on to the small cabin which included the area of the modern kitchen, a second floor bed chamber, and a third floor bed chamber. In 1740 another addition was built which included an area for a dining room,

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a bed chamber, and slave quarters for the house slaves. The slave cubicles were removed in 1953. About 1800, the next addition was built that was the largest and tallest portion of the house. The hall opens to all three floors; the great room, two second floor bed chambers, and a third floor bed chamber. Lightning was said to have struck this section, which burned, and was rebuilt around 1840. "The stairs in this section are unsupported and boast walnut handrails and chestnut ballisters. Dolphin scrolls grace the side of each riser. moldings, window, Fine curved a and а curved door On the curve of the stairs, between the first and individuality."\* second floors, were two curved niches painted with scenes of the French Alps by a primitive painter named LeBlanc. It was said that he was homesick for his beloved mountains and painted the identical scenes in other homes as far away as Brunswick, Maryland.

After the lightning fire occurred, only one candelabrum remained. This was made up of seventy two parts and was hand threaded. Each part had to be numbered when removed for cleaning. The paneling in the great room was of Honduras Mahogany and the floors of walnut, one and one half inches thick. Medallions in the ceiling lent elegance to both the great room and the lower hall.

Before Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burton purchased this property in the 1950's, Mrs. Burton said it was referred to as "Long Meadows" and was owned by a man named Hinkly.

"In 1960, the lines of the early, one room deep, Maryland telescope house were altered as unobtrusively as possible. A rear wing was added to give utility to the twentieth century way of life."\* This wing included a glassed porch, powder room, laundry, work room, storage area, and garage. A staircase that had originally been part of "Thomas Delight," a 1670 Thomas Dashiell property on Maryland's Eastern Shore, was removed and numbered piece by piece. It was transported to "Sycamore Hollow", reassembled and put in place as the staircase leading to the balcony in the original part of the house, the hunter's cabin. It was hand carved by an indentured craftsman.

Lightning again took its toll in 1968 when the entire third floor of the tallest addition was devastated by fire, smoke, and water.

In the early 1980's a large addition was added as a wing to the back of the house. It is one great room with a fireplace and open ceiling, two stories high with a large skylight.

It was a sad day for the Goshen community and present owners the Burtons, when the home fell victim once again to fire. This time it was in 1988 and caused by faulty wiring in a kitchen range overhead fan. The distruction was devastating, heavily damaging much of this home, including the fine antiques lovingly collected over the years. Mrs. Burton is a world renowned rug hooker and designer. Many of her priceless rugs were also badly damaged or destroyed. Through sheer

determination and large support given the Burtons by neighbors, family, and friends, they were able to restore their home, and remaining antiques. To do this they moved a large mobile home onto the property so they could oversee the restoration. The paintings in the curved niches on the staircase were restored by a local painter, Joan Leydon. Two years later, the Burtons were once again entertaining friends and family at Sycamore Hollow. The house is 105 feet long and has seventeen different levels, including the two attics and basement.

This home today is magnificent, and stands as a proud reminder of the rich history of Goshen and its people.



Photo by Richard F. Boggs

Sycamore Hollow

circ. 1973

#### Sycamore Hollow on Wildcat Creek

Waters Family History, MCHS

\* Sycamore Hollow on Wildcat Creek, Montgomery County Maryland, Mary Burton

History of Early Water Mills in Montgomery County Md., Eleanor Cook MCHS

Mary Burton oral history

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#### MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARK & PLANNING

# THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

October 5, 2001

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Joe Davis

Malcolm Shaneman

Development Review Division

FROM:

Gwen Wright, Historic Preservation Coordinator

Robin D. Ziek, Historic Preservation Planner

Historic Preservation Section

SUBJECT:

Review of Subdivision Plans - DRC meeting October 9, 2001

We have reviewed the following subdivision plans and found them not to involve any identified historic resources:

#1-02015	Linthicum East Property
#1-02019	Lots 1-3, Payne Farm {Locational Atlas #25/12 – <b>REMOVED</b> from Atlas]
#1-02020	Chevy Chase Lake (east) Parcels A&B Phase I
#1-02021	Chevy Chase Lake (east) Parcels A&B Phase 2
#1-02023	Westchester
#1-02018	Evangelical Formosan Church of Washington
#1-02017	Henderson Corner, Parcel E
#7-02011	Woodlawn Property
#7-02013	Han Property
#8-02002	Residences at Rosedale

The following projects involve historic resources:

#1-02016 Brink Road Property. The property is the Benson-Sibley Farm, Locational Atlas resource #14/50.

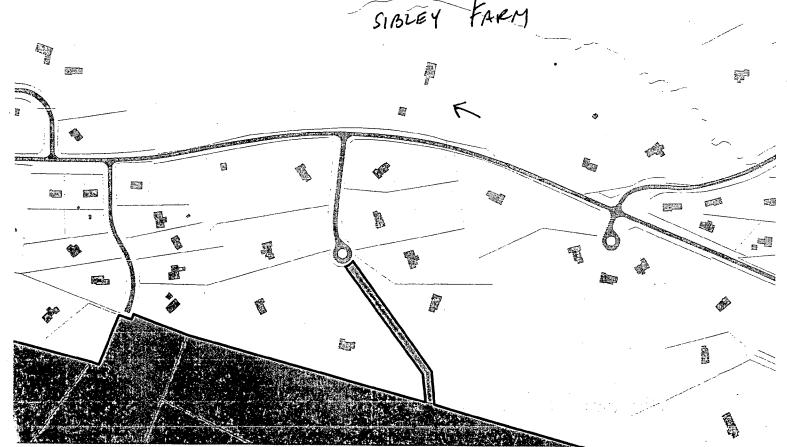
#7-02012 Dungan Property. This is adjacent to the Cashell (J.H.) Farm Master Plan site #22/25. Development should be planned to avoid impact on the historic site.

**\*\*Springview.** This is adjacent to **Harewood**, *Master Plan* Site #28/35. The proposed acquisition of most of the west portion of the development for park land should help protect the historic character of the property.

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BENSON-SIBLEY FARM



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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

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LOCATIONAL ATLAS HISTORICAL SURVEY OF 400 RESOURCES SURVEY FORM ROBINSON & ASSOCIATES, SUMMER 1989

PRINCIPAL BUILDING					OUTE	BUILDINGS:
HISTORIC NAME:					<u>X</u> Y	TESNO
COMMON NAME: Bens	son/Sibley F	'arm				
ADDRESS: 10715 Bri	nk Road					÷
SITE NUMBER: 14/50 A	ATLAS MAP: 7	ATLAS COO	RDINATI	ES: I-10	TAX	MAP: FV341
	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	FAIR	POOR	N/A	UNKNOWN
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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE				<b>†</b>		
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<sup>\*</sup>Integrity is defined as the maintenance of original features and/or lack of substantial alteration to the resource.

#### Category Explanation:

- L Outstanding resource architecturally and/or historically. Most resources in Category I either maintain the highest level of integrity or are invaluable as ruinous evidence of former significant structures. Should be evaluated immediately for Master Plan designation.
- II. Very good resource architecturally and/or historically. Most resources in Category II maintain their basic integrity. Should be evaluated promptly for Master Plan designation.
- III. Good resource architecturally and/or historically. Some resources in Category III have a diminished level of integrity. Should be evaluated for Master Plan designation, but with lower priority.
- IV. Marginal resource. Falls into one or more of the following categories: 1) severely deteriorated, 2) heavily altered, 3) architectural character not strong, 4) historical significance not apparent, 5) only typical of a large number of comparable resources. Lowest priority for evaluation for Master Plan designation.
- V. Resource which is either demolished or which could not be located based on information given on survey form. Remove demolished structures from Locational Atlas and, if after further study the resources not located to date cannot be located, remove from Locational Atlas.
- VI. Resource was inaccessible at time of survey.

