

HO-820

Charles and Gertrude Russell House
9533 North Laurel Road
Laurel vicinity

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Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HO-820

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Charles & Gertrude Russell House
 other _____

2. Location

street and number 9533 North Laurel Road _____ not for publication
 city, town Laurel X vicinity
 county Howard

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

name Harmony Builders, Inc.
 street and number 4228 Columbia Road telephone 410-461-0833
 city, town Ellicott City state MD zip code 21042

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 50, 425
 city, town Ellicott City liber 11182 folio 207

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report
- Other _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
			Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> government		
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care		
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry		
		<input type="checkbox"/> landscape		
		<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture		
		<input type="checkbox"/> religion		
		<input type="checkbox"/> social		
		<input type="checkbox"/> transportation		
		<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress		
		<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
		<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
			<u>0</u>	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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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On the southwest elevation the first story has a center door that has two lights over four panels. The wood door is new. There is a one-over-one sash to each side. There is a three-bay, one-story porch with a concrete deck on brick piers, iron posts and railings, and a beaded-edge-and-center board soffit. The roof has a shed-roofed dormer with paired one-over-one sash. There is an interior brick chimney northwest of the dormer and a boxed cornice. On the northwest elevation, the basement has two three-light sash. The first story has two one-over-one double-hung sash. There is a shed-roofed addition on the northeast elevation, set to the north, and it has no openings on the northwest or the southeast elevations. This addition has a small one-light sash on the northeast. The first story of the northeast elevation has a one-over-one sash in both the east and center bays, and a door with one light over three lying panels set between the center and the north bays. The shed addition is in the north bay. There is a one-story, one-bay porch set over the door, and its details match those of the front porch on the southwest elevation. The southeast elevation has two three-light sash in the basement. In the center of this elevation is a gable-roofed projecting entranceway with a door that has nine lights above one lying panel over two panels. This door is of wood, and the entranceway has an asphalt shingle roof with open eaves, and has aluminum siding. The first story of the southeast elevation has two one-over-one sash.

The interior has two rooms across the front that are divided by a stairway and wall, with three rooms across the back half of the house. There is 2 1/4-inch pine flooring that runs southwest-northeast throughout the house. The architrave has a broad, shallow ogee backband and a beaded interior edge, and is modern trim work. The baseboard has an ogee on top. Baseboard heating replaces original radiators. The wood windows are hung on sash cords, and the doors are hollow core. The entrance leads into the south room, with the stairway at the northwest end of the room. The stair has a closed stringer with a square newel and rectangular balusters. There is a moulded handrail, with all of the woodwork being painted. Beneath the stairway is a modern door leading to the cellar stairs. The north room is a kitchen, with a bathroom in the shed wing, and all of these fixtures are modern. There are no significant features in the other rooms. There is a cellar under the northwest half of the house, and it has a poured concrete foundation. There is circular-sawn dimensional 2 by 8s for the joists, with cross bridging that is fastened with wire nails. The attic is finished with carpet and linoleum. There is a bathroom to the northeast that is probably original and has a five-lying-panel door on butt hinges with ball finials. The bathroom has yellow tile with black trim, but only the bathtub is old. The rest of the attic was originally open on the southeast with a railing on the southeast side of the stairway; a wall and door have now been added here. To the northwest of the stairway is a closet.

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shingles that are stained brown, a gable roof with asphalt shingles, and a southwest-northeast ridge, and a CMU foundation. The roof has open eaves. The southwest elevation has a pair of large doors made of T1-11 siding, and they are hung on T hinges. The southeast elevation has a six-light sash with head-cut trim. The northeast and northwest elevations have no openings. The building is of 2 by 4 constructions with board sheathing on the walls and roof. All of this is wire-nailed. The roof framing has braces between the studs and rafters, and they are toe-nailed to both of them. Every other rafter has this brace, and there are tie beams nailed across the top of the studs and braces.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

N/A

Architect/Builder

N/A

Construction dates

c. 1946

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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Notes:

1. Howard County Land Records, plat JHO 57-569. Baltimore Sun, 27 October 1893, p. 6.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 7,492 sq. ft.

Acreage of historical setting ?

Quadrangle name Laurel

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of all of the property on tax map 50, p. 425, which encompasses all of the historic structures.

11. Form Prepared By

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date 10/31/2008

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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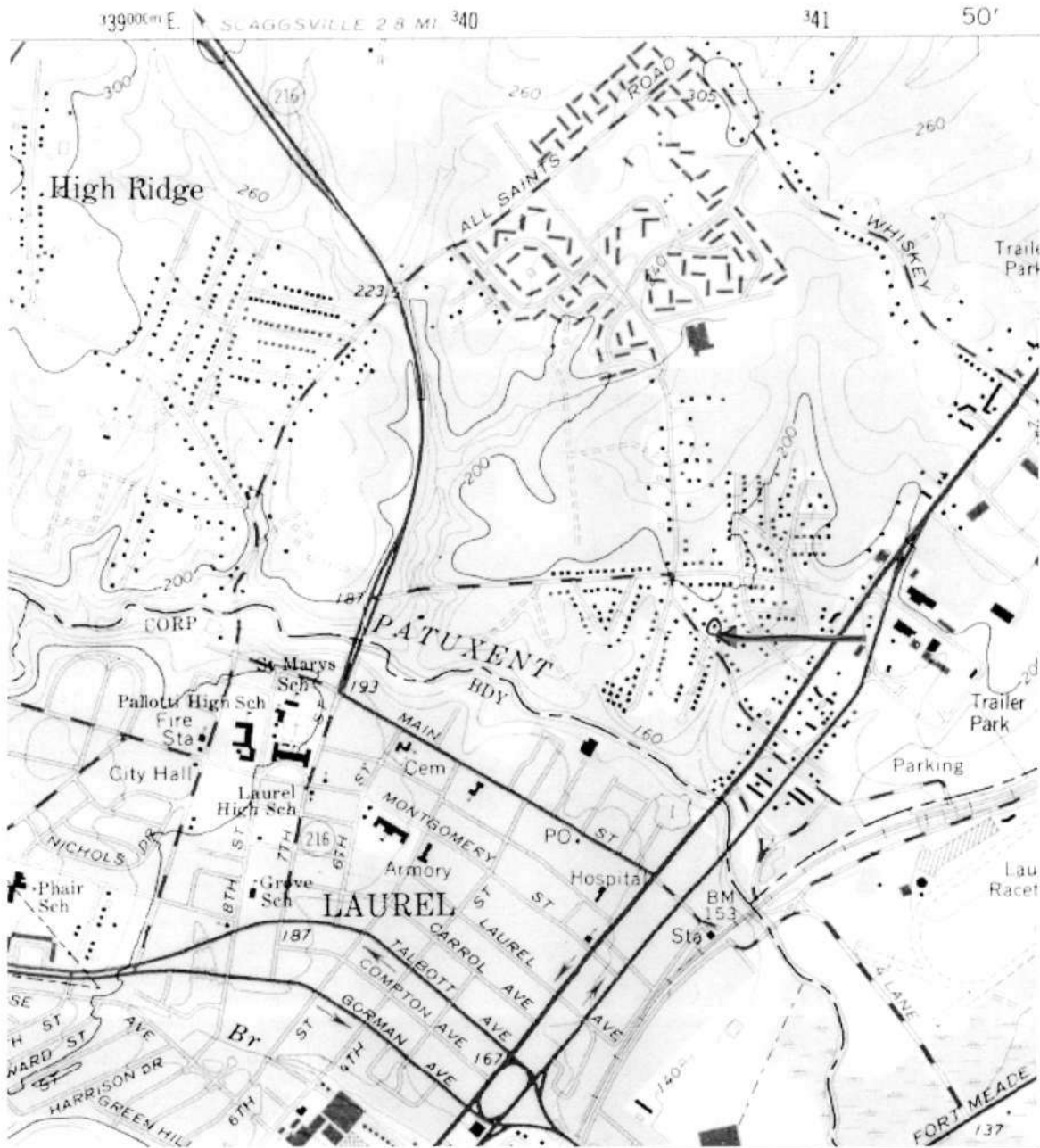
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 9533 N. Laurel Road
 CHAIN OF TITLE

GRANTOR/HOME	GRANTEE/HOME	DATE	LIBER/ FOLIO	INSTRU- MENT	CONSIDER- -ATION	ACREAGE	NOTES
Joyce E. Hayes/MD	Harmony Builders/MD Corp	3.28.2008	11182-207	Deed - fee simple	\$200,000	?	Lots 8 and 9 Block 4, Plat Book 3-53 & JHO 57-569
Verna B. Mills/?	Joyce E. Hayes/?	2.28.1995	MDR 3448-180	Deed - fee simple	\$116,000	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9
Duston Builders, Inc./MD Corp	James F. & Verna B. Mills/?	1.15.1970	CMP 525-236	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9
E. LaVerla Reese, exec. of Rachel A. Clark/?	Duston Builders, Inc./?	3.21.1966	WHH 451-397	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9
Charles H. & Gertrude Russell (H/W)/?	Irving R. & Rachel A. Clark (H/W)/?	1.3.1954	MWB 257-121	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9
Charles H. Stanley, Inc./MD Corp	Charles H. & Gertrude Russell (H/W)/P.G. Co.	7.5.1946	BM, Jr. 191-99	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9 Mortgage for \$5,400 191-100
Charles H. & Elizabeth C. Earwaker (H/W)/Howard	Charles H. Stanley, Inc./MD Corp.	3.15.1946	BM, Jr. 188-597	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9 Mortgage for \$3,000 188-598
Harry R. Warner, widower/Howard	Charles H. & Elizabeth E. Earwaker (H/W)/Balto. Co.	8.5.1935	BM, Jr. 152-249	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	Each lot 50' x 150'	Lots 7, 8 and 9 on Gorman Ave. in Gordon Brothers Subdivision
Guy C. Warner, unmarried/Howard	Harry R. Warner/?	6.13.1927	HBN 130-510	Deed - fee simple	\$5.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9
Charles E. Milbrook/ unmarried/Balto. City	Guy C. Warner/Howard	5.13.1920	HBN 110-180	Deed - fee simple	\$10.00	150' x 150'	Lots 7, 8 and 9
Ruben D. Rogers Edward T. Jones, trustees	Charles E. Milbrook/ Howard	3.10.1920	HBN 109-482	Deed - ?	\$1,800	?	Mortgage for \$1,026.60 in 109-484 Circuit Court 12.22.1919 CEM v Ethel Gertrude Milbrook Sold 1.20.1920 Lots 7, 8 and 9
Eugene C. Duffy & wf. Eleanor L/Washington DC	Charles E. Milbrook & wf. Gertrude	4.10.1914	WWLC 97-82	Deed - ?	\$5.00	?	Lots 7, 8 and 9 Mortgage of \$750 in 97-83 Insure the buildings on property

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Rowena Duffy Theresa M. Perkins Eugene Callan Duffy C. Hugh Duffy Kids of Owen Duffy	Eugene Callan Duffy	3.19.1914	WWLC 96-537	Deed -	\$10.00	? lots & 3-1/4 A	Owen Duffy d. 2.17.1913 Dozens of lots in North Laurel
Rowena R. Duffy/Newark Theresa M. Perkins/Deland C. Hugh Duffy & wf. Margaret/Chevy Chase All heirs of Margaret S. Duffy/Washington DC	E. Callan Duffy/ Washington DC	3.25.1914	WWLC 97-80	Deed - ?	\$10.00	?	MSD d. intestate 4.1.1907 Husband Owen d. 2.17.1913 Lot 9

STATES
OF THE INTERIOR
GENERAL SURVEY



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Howard County, Maryland
Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log

Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

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House, northwest and southwest elevations

HO-0820_20080522_02
House, southeast and northeast elevations

HO-0820_20080522_03
House, south room view northwest to stairs

HO-0820_20080522_04
Garage, southwest and southeast elevations



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House, northwest and southwest elevations

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House, southeast and northeast elevations

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