

HO-842, House
12400 Route 108/Clarksville Pike, Clarksville
Howard County
Ca. 1900
Private

CAPSULE SUMMARY

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Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HO-842

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic House
 other

2. Location

street and number 12400 Route 108/Clarksville Pike not for publication
 city, town Clarksville vicinity
 county Howard

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

name Antoy LLC
 street and number 6631 Baltimore National Pike telephone
 city, town Baltimore state MD zip code 21228

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse tax map and parcel: Map 34, P 35
 city, town Ellicott City liber folio

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	1	
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense		
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input type="checkbox"/> domestic		
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education		
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	1	0
		<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	
			0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" 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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The two-story frame house rests on a stone foundation facing southeast (for descriptive purposes, the front façade will be described as the east façade). The single pile house has a side gabled roof and a two-story cross gabled rear wing. The house has wood clapboard siding and an asphalt shingle roof. There is a brick interior end chimney on the south end of the side gabled section and an exterior brick end chimney on the north end. This exterior chimney is a later addition. An interior brick end chimney is also located on the west wall of the rear wing.

The front (east) façade is five bays wide with a central entry. The front door (now boarded over) is capped by a six-light transom and flanked by 3-light sidelights. On either side of the door there are two floor-to-ceiling 9/9 double hung wood windows. The second story features a three-part window in the center bay (a regular size 6/6 double hung window flanked by narrow 2/2 windows). The four other second story windows are double hung 6/6 sash. The second story openings are vertically aligned above the first story openings. The front slope of the roof features a central cross gable flanked by two gabled dormers. The cross gable is shingled and contains another three part window. On either side of the cross gable is a gabled dormer. Each dormer has cornice returns and holds an arched window. A full width front porch spans the front façade. The solid balustrade is covered with wood clapboards and six Doric columns rest on top of the balustrade and support the hipped roof.

The south side façade of the house features a three sided, two story bay window centered on the wall. The sides of the bay window hold 4/4 double hung wood windows while the center bay holds 6/6 double hung windows on each story. In front of the bay window, there is one 6/6 double hung window on each story and towards the rear of the house, behind the bay window, there are two more 6/6 windows, one on each story. The gable end of the side gabled section is pedimented and shingled and holds two half fanlights flanking the chimney stack. The west slope of the roof of the rear wing holds another dormer window. The dormer holds an arched window matching the ones on the front façade.

On the rear façade, the gabled roof of the rear wing covers the two south most bays and a nearly flat shed roof covers the single north bay. At first glance, this two story, shed roofed section on the north side of the rear wing appears to be an addition, but the stone foundation shows no evidence of a seam. The rear façade of the gabled wing and the shed roofed section has three windows across the second story, all of which are 6/6 double hung wood windows. The first story has seen several alterations and the middle bay on the first story was originally occupied by a door and an entry portico. Now that bay holds a small greenhouse-type window and the porch has been removed. The left most bay on the first story also appears to have originally held a door that has since been replaced by a 6/6 window. The right-most bay on the first story holds a small 6/6 window. The gable end of the rear wing has cornice returns and two six-light casement windows. One three-light window is located in the foundation. The rear wing does not span the full width of the side gabled section and the portion of the rear façade of that section that is visible holds one 6/6 window on each story.

The north side façade of the front, side gabled section holds two 6/6 double hung windows on the second floor vertically aligned above two more 6/6 windows on the first floor. The windows flank the exterior brick chimney that is centered on this wall. Two half fanlight windows located in the pedimented, shingled gable also flank the chimney, as do two three-light windows located in the foundation. The north elevation of the rear wing features two 6/6 windows on the second floor and a gabled dormer matching the others in the house is found on the north slope of the gabled part of the rear wing. The first story of the north façade of the wing is covered by an enclosed porch with a recent aluminum door.

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	ca. 1900	Architect/Builder	unknown
Construction dates	ca. 1900		

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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The Colonial Revival style was a dominant style for domestic construction between 1880 and 1955. As the name suggests, the Colonial Revival is defined by a renewed interest in the historical architecture of the eastern seaboard, and its stylistic elements borrow heavily from the Georgian and Federal architecture of the late 18th and early 19th centuries. There are a variety of variations on the style defined by the number of stories, roof form, and the presence or absence of a front porch. Generally speaking, Colonial Revival houses have a symmetrical façade, an accentuated front door with a transom and sidelights and/or a decorative portico, and windows with double hung sash, most commonly in a 6/6 or 9/9 configuration. Other common decorative features include Palladian windows, classical details like columned porticos or porches, pedimented entrances and dormers, and cornices featuring dentils or modillions. Colonial Revival houses are usually built on a more grand scale than the original historical forms on which they are based, and their details are also similarly oversized.

This particular Colonial Revival house exhibits several details characteristic to the style including the use of Palladian windows, the accentuated front door with a transom and sidelights, the use of classical columns to support the full width front porch, the double hung 6/6 windows with very large panes of glass, and the multiple dormers with arched windows.

The house is a fairly bold statement of a popular architectural style and it is sited very close to the road at an important cross roads. Even in 1860, the intersection of Clarksville Pike and what has become Ten Oaks Road was heavily populated – several stores, a post office, and a hotel, as well as multiple residences are located at the intersection which was the center of Clarksville at the time. The 1878 map of Howard County indicates that the small town of Clarksville continued to be well populated 18 years later with several stores and residences lining the road. Even at the turn of the century, around when this house was probably built, this cross roads town probably remained a small community with houses and small stores intermingled along the Clarksville Pike. In 2004, however, there is nothing left of the late 19th or early 20th century landscape of the town, except for one vacant house. The construction of Route 32 and its recent widening not only physically destroyed part of the old Clarksville Pike, but contributed greatly to the increased traffic and demand for retail uses like gas stations and convenience stores along the road. The old Colonial Revival is now owned by an investment company and will probably be torn down soon to make way for another gas station or 7-Eleven. Until it does, it remains the sole reminder of the houses and stores that used to line the streets of this formerly small town.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property .75

Acreage of historical setting .5

Quadrangle name Clarksville

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax map 34, parcel 35.

11. Form Prepared By

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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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Crownsville MD 21032
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Continuation Sheet

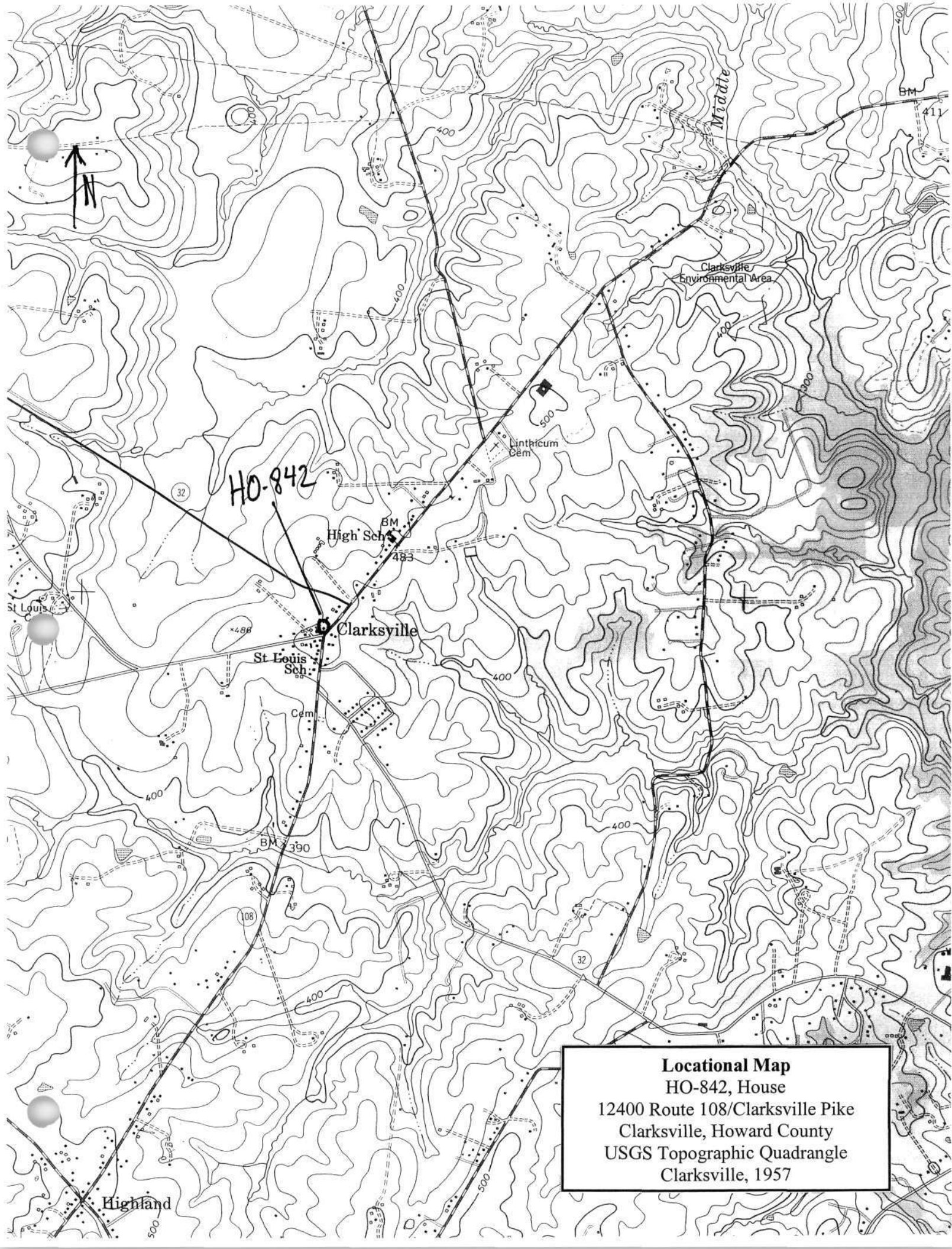
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Clarksville
Environmental Area

High Sch

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Clarksville

St Louis
Sch

Cem

BM 390

108

32

Highland

Locational Map
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12400 Route 108/Clarksville Pike
Clarksville, Howard County
USGS Topographic Quadrangle
Clarksville, 1957



CLARKSVILLE DENTAL GROUP 854-2880

HO-842

House, 12400 Route 108/Clarksville Pike

Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

Negative at MDSHPO 28 21+01 NNNNN 064

Front (east) facade

1/9



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Negative at MDSTPD

27 21+00 NNNNN 064

East elevation

2/9

A black and white photograph of a two-story building with a prominent sign. The building features a gabled roof with three arched dormer windows. The sign is mounted on a horizontal beam above a porch supported by four columns. The porch has a dark, possibly damaged roof. The building's siding is horizontal, and the windows have dark shutters. The overall appearance is that of an older, possibly neglected structure.

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38 21+00 NNNNN 064

Negative at MDSTPO

Front facade

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CLARKVILLE DENTAL GROUP 864-2880

HO-842

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Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

31 21+01 NNNNN 064

Negative at MDSHPD

Front (east) elevation

4/9



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House, Route 108 / Clarksville Pike, 12400

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32 21+00 NNNNN 064

Negative at MDSHPO

South elevation

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House, Route 108/Clarksville Pike, 12400

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Kristin Hill, 3/04

Negative at MDSHPo

Rear (west) elevation

6/9



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Negative at MDSHPO 33 21+00 NNNNN 064

detail of closed doorways + removed portico on
west (rear) facade

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Negative at MDSAPO

36 21+01 NNNNN 064

North facade

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No. 842

House, Route 108/Clarksville Pike, 12400

Howard County, Maryland

35 21+00 NNNNN 064

Kristin Hill, 3/04

Negative at MDSHP

NE elevation

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