

HO-846, House
9569 North Laurel Road, Laurel
Howard County
Ca. 1891
Private

CAPSULE SUMMARY

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Maryland Historical Trust

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. HO-846

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic House

other

2. Location

street and number 9569 North Laurel Road not for publication

city, town Laurel vicinity

county Howard

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

name Cheryl A. Ladow

street and number 9569 North Laurel Road telephone

city, town Laurel state MD zip code 20723

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Howard County Courthouse tax map and parcel: Map 50, P309

city, town Ellicott City liber 3876 folio 296

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	
<input type="checkbox"/>	district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<input type="checkbox"/> Contributing	<input type="checkbox"/> Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/>	site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/>	object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
			<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 0 Total
			<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown		
			<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use		
			<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:		
					Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
					0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input 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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The house has a cross-gabled roof with a square tower in the ell between the two sections, so that the front (south) façade consists of the front gabled section, the tower, and a small portion of the side gabled section. The front façade is four bays wide with two bays in the front gabled section on the left, one bay in the tower, and one bay in the side gabled section behind the tower. The front entrance is located on the first story of the tower and features a glazed front door flanked by glazed sidelights. To the left of the door, the first story of the front gabled section is concealed behind an enclosed porch that features two small 4/4 windows on the front façade. To the right of the door, on the south façade of the side gabled section behind the tower there is another door. The four windows across the second story are all 2/2 double hung wood sash. There are paired one light casement windows in the gable of the front gabled section which is also accented by decorative verge boards and eave brackets. The tower also features another 2/2 double hung window in the third story. A finely detailed front porch spans the south façades of the front gabled section and the tower and wraps around the east façade of the tower to abut the side gabled section. The wood floored porch rests on brick piers and the hipped roof is supported by turned supports. The portion of the porch across the front gabled section has been enclosed but the rest of the porch features a sawn balustrade and frieze in a ladder-like formation.

The east façade of the tower is blank on the first and second stories but features another 2/2 window in the third story. The east façade of the side gabled section features one 2/2 window on each story, vertically aligned, and paired one light windows in the gable. A single story wing on the rear of the side gabled section has two 2/2 windows and there is another porch on the rear of this wing.

The west end of the side gabled section projects slightly beyond the west wall of the front gabled section and features one 2/2 double hung window on each story of its north and south walls in addition to the west wall. Paired one light casement windows are found in the gable. There are also vertically aligned 2/2 double hung windows on the west façade of the front gabled section, one on each story in front of the side gabled section and one on each story behind it.

The rear façade and the interior were not accessible for this survey.

This house is in excellent condition and is an important remaining example of the early development of the North Laurel subdivision. The similarity in form between this house and HO-799 and HO-847, the only other two Queen Anne dwellings in North Laurel, is striking.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input 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 checked="" 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. 1891 **Architect/Builder** unknown

Construction dates ca. 1891

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 subdivision of North Laurel was first platted in 1891 and revised in 1893. George W. Cissel, who owned the 103 acres on which the subdivision was created, entered into an agreement with a company called Gordon and Brothers to survey and subdivide his land. Gordon and Brothers did just that, producing a plat that delineated 12 different blocks each containing between 30 and 50 individual lots. According to the original plat, what is now known as North Laurel Road was originally called Gorman Avenue and the lot that the house at 9569 is located on is larger than most of the other lots in the subdivision. One of the most striking things about the plat of North Laurel is that despite the extensive number of lots created, very few seem to have been built upon in the 1890s. Only three Queen Anne houses stand today in the neighborhood which is dominated by mid 20th century domestic architecture. Deed research may illuminate who built this charming home and when they did so, but it seems very likely that the house was constructed shortly after the subdivision was created, ca. 1891.

Whoever it was built for, the house at 9569 North Laurel Road is an important intact example of a ca. 1890 Queen Anne dwelling. The wrap around porch with its sawn balustrade and frieze and turned supports, the decorative verge boards in the front gable and the eave brackets, and the tower with flared eaves inset into the ell of the cross gabled form, are all representative of the Queen Anne style, and it is significant that all of these elements still exist and have not been covered or replaced with modern materials. It is also significant that the house is sited in a late 19th century subdivision. The rise of the Queen Anne style in architecture and the rise of the subdivision in community planning often went hand in hand as the two emphasized the inherent goodness in nature, home and family versus the evil influences of work and cities. Queen Anne style houses were also often built using a balloon framing technique and mass machine manufactured decorative details which allowed houses to be built quickly from stock components, and reduced the level of skill necessary on the part of the builder. The use of stock decorative components and pattern books for house plans explains why the three surviving Queen Anne houses in North Laurel all have, or probably had, identical plans and very similar decorative details. The modern subdivisions of today have their roots in the Queen Anne subdivisions of the late 19th century, and the house at 9569 North Laurel Road and the North Laurel subdivision as a whole are significant reminders of the historic nature of this 'modern' trend.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 0.5

Acreage of historical setting 0.5

Quadrangle name Laurel

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax map 50, parcel 309.

11. Form Prepared By

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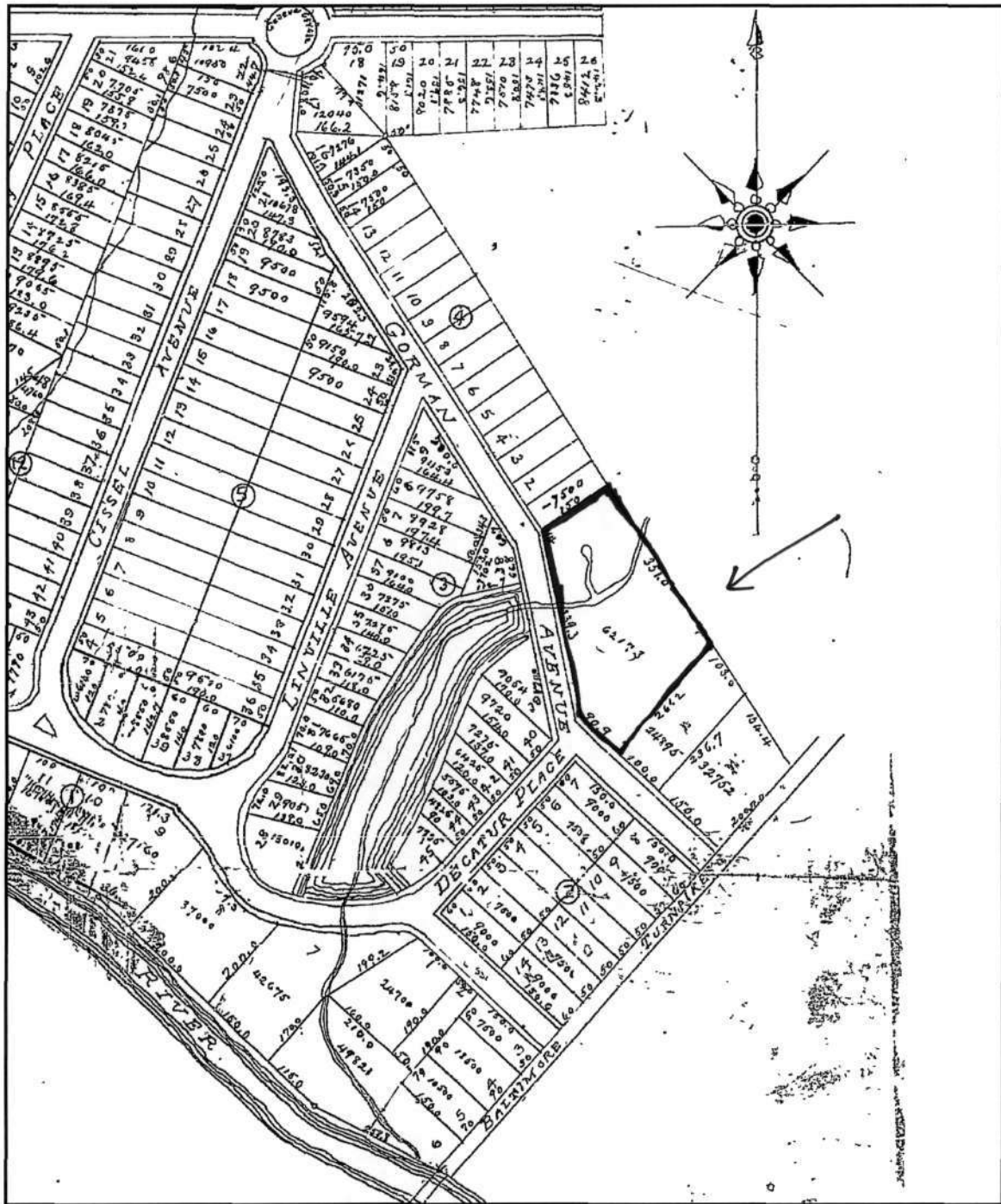
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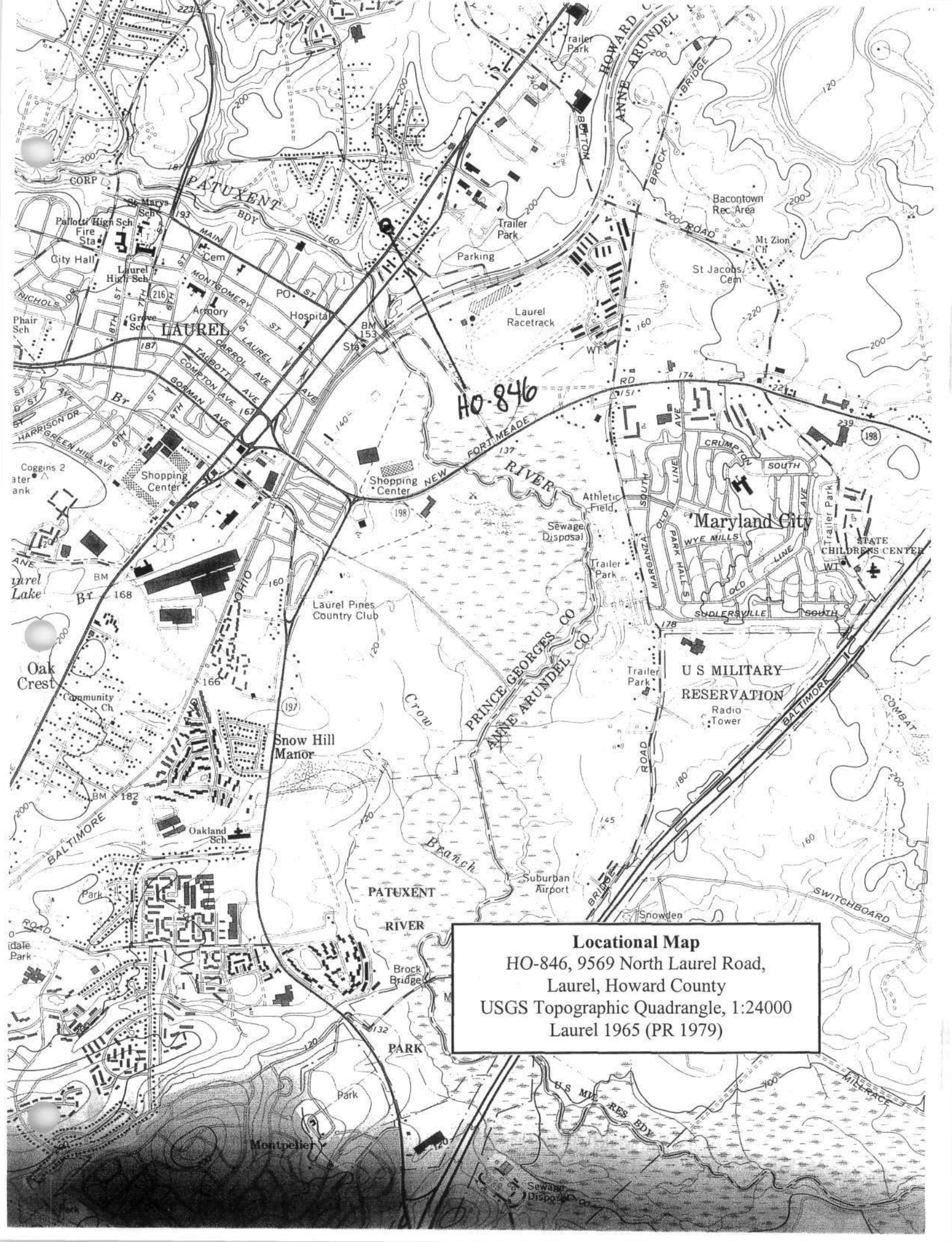
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Plat of North Laurel. Originally filed in the Howard County Land Records Liber 57, Folio 569, revised plat filed in Liber 60, Folio 643. Removed from the land records and filed in the Plat Books in the Howard County Land Records office, Plat Book 3, Folio 53.

McAlester, Virginia and Lee. A FIELD GUIDE TO AMERICAN HOUSES. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2000.



East Section of the Plat of North Laurel, Revised
 Drawn 1893 (Plat Book 3, Folio 53)
 Showing location of HO-846
 House, 9569 North Laurel Road
 (formerly Gorman Avenue)
 Laurel, Howard County



Locational Map
HO-846, 9569 North Laurel Road,
Laurel, Howard County
USGS Topographic Quadrangle, 1:24000
Laurel 1965 (PR 1979)



HO-896

9569 North Laurel Road

Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

Negative at MOSTPO

SE elevation

1/5

14 21+01 NNNNN 158



HO-846

9569 North Laurel Road

Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

Negative at MDH&P

13 21+01 NNNNN 158

SE elevation, detail

2/5



HO-846

9569 North Laurel Road

Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

08 21+01 NNNNN 158

Negative at MOSHPO

Front, south, elevation

3/5



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HO.846

9569 North Laurel Road

Howard County, Maryland

Knstik Hill, 3/04

Negative at MDSHOO

10 21+00 NNNNN 150

West elevation

4/5



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9509 North Laurel Road

Howard County, Maryland

Kristin Hill, 3/04

11 21+00 NNNNN 158

Negative at MDSHPD

SW elevation

5/5