

# HO-685

## **Architectural Survey File**

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**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT  
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: 10945 Johns Hopkins Road Survey Number: HO-685

Tax Parcel#: 126

Project: Maryland 216/29 Project Planning Study Agency: MDOT-SHA

Site visit by MHT Staff:  no  yes Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Eligibility recommended \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility **not** recommended  X

Criteria:  A  B  C  D Considerations:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The house at 10945 Johns Hopkins Road is not eligible due to the fact that it does not meet National Register Criteria A, B, C, or D. Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the dwelling and events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A) or the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). Although the building provides an example of the vernacular Gothic Revival style, it is neither unusual nor distinguished; it does not represent the work of a master or display high artistic merit (Criterion C). There is no evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, the property is not National Register-eligible.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form  
and Maryland 29/216 Project Planning Report

Prepared by: Tracerics, 5420 Western Ave., Chevy Chase, MD 20815 November 1997

Concur - Alex Bruden Date 2/10/98  
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

NR program concurrence:  yes  no  not applicable

B. Bruden Date 3/31/99  
Reviewer, NR Program

*July*

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**  
10945 Johns Hopkins Road  
Howard County, Maryland  
(HO-685)

The late nineteenth century house at 10945 Johns Hopkins Road has been substantially modernized; only its Gothic Revival form, a 2-1/2-story, T-shaped house with a central cross gable pierced by a lancet window, remains intact. The foundation of the house has been parged. The wood frame walls have been clad in vinyl siding, and a new brick exterior end chimney laid in stretcher bond has been constructed at the southeast elevation. Metal sash windows have replaced the original wood windows. A one-story one-bay portico with aluminum Tuscan columns has been erected at the centrally-placed entrance. Asphalt shingles cover the cross gable roof.

The property associated with 10945 Johns Hopkins Road was owned by the Scaggs family until 1894, when it was sold to the Harding family. The house may have been constructed by the Scaggs family, or upon the acquisition of the land by the Harding family in 1897. Four years after the Hardings bought the land, they in turn sold it to the Trustees of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Howard County. This church, located in Fulton, along Scaggsville Road west of Columbia Pike claimed many prominent Scaggsville families like the Wessels, the Renns, and the Iagers, as parishioners at the turn of the century. In 1954, the Church sold the property to the Buch family. In 1994, the property passed from ownership by individuals in the Buch family to ownership by the family company, Buch Family Ltd.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Inventory No. HO-685

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1. Name of Property

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historic name \_\_\_\_\_  
common/other name \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Location

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street & number 10945 Johns Hopkins Rd. not for publication \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Clarksville vicinity \_\_\_\_\_ state Maryland code MD  
county Howard code 027 zip code 21029

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing		
<u>2</u>		<u>5</u>		buildings
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		sites
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		structures
<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		objects
<u>2</u>		<u>5</u>		Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Listing \_\_\_\_\_  
No X

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6. Function or Use  
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)  
Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)  
Cat: COMMERCE/TRADE Sub: Business  
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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)  
Vernacular Gothic Revival  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Materials (Enter categories from instructions)  
foundation Solid: Parged  
roof Gable: Asphalt Shingles  
walls Wood Frame: Vinyl Siding  
other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Period of Significance 1890-present  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates 1890-1900  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation Undefined  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder Unknown  
\_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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9. Major Bibliographical References  
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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Howard County Land Records, Recorder of Deeds, Howard County, Ellicott City, Maryland.

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10. Geographical Data  
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Acreage of Property 6.08 acres

**Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)**

The property at 10945 Johns Hopkins Road is designated as Parcel 126 as indicated on Map 46, Grid 4.

**Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)**

The property at 10945 Johns Hopkins Road has historically been associated with Parcel 126 since the building's construction in the late 19th century.

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11. Form Prepared By  
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name/title Andrea Bakewell Lowery, Architectural Historian  
organization Traceries date November 6, 1997  
street & number 5420 Western Ave. telephone (301)656-5283  
city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815

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12. Property Owner  
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name Buch Family Ltd. Partnership  
street & number 12730 Triadelphia Road telephone 410/571-6044  
city or town Ellicott City state MD zip code 21043  
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10945 Johns Hopkins Rd.  
name of property  
Howard County, MD  
county and state

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The house at 10945 Johns Hopkins Road was surveyed from public property, and therefore not all elevations or outbuildings could be documented at this time.

The late nineteenth century house has been substantially modernized; only its Gothic Revival form, a 2-1/2-story, T-shaped house with a central cross gable pierced by a lancet window, remains intact. The foundation of the house has been parged. The wood frame walls have been clad in vinyl siding, and a new brick exterior end chimney laid in stretcher bond has been constructed at the southeast elevation. Metal sash windows have replaced the original wood windows. A one-story one-bay portico with aluminum Tuscan columns has been erected at the centrally-placed entrance. Asphalt shingles cover the cross gable roof.

This house is located at the end of a long gravel road, Old Columbia Road, which runs parallel to Columbia Pike south of Johns Hopkins Road. Set on a crest, the house is screened from Columbia Pike by a row of evergreens. The remaining borders of the property, to the northeast, northwest, and southwest, are wooded.

**EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:**

The northeast elevation, the facade of the house, is three bays wide and expresses the 2-1/2-story height of the dwelling. At the first story, a central door opening is filled with a replacement single-leaf, panel-and-light metal door and flanked by 6/6 metal sash windows. Each of the three bays of the second story is marked with a single 6/6 metal sash window. The upper half story is pierced by a metal lancet window in the cross gable. A one-story, one-bay portico with aluminum Tuscan-style columns emphasizes the main entrance to the house.

The southeast elevation reveals the T-shaped plan of the building. The gable end wall at this elevation is devoid of openings and is marked only by an exterior end brick chimney. The rear ell however, is marked at the first story by a flush metal door with lights and two 6/6 metal sash windows. The upper story of the ell is marked by two 6/6 metal sash windows. A one-story porch with a shed roof has been erected east of the ell.

The remaining elevations were not visible from public property.

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**OUTBUILDINGS:**

A number of outbuildings are located to the rear of the house. These include a front gable frame garage that dates from the 1920s or 1930s. To the east of the garage are at least three sheds, both metal and frame, that appear to be non-historic. To the west of the garage is a large, vinyl-clad, shed roof warehouse that dates from the late 1980s or early 1990s and a metal-clad, shed roof shed that dates from the 1970s.

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This house is set on property that was originally a part of the Scaggs Farm (HO-269). In the 1820s or 1830s Charles Scaggs left Scotland and settled in rural Maryland. By 1834 he had begun to acquire land in the area known as Hell's Corner along Columbia Turnpike. By 1875 the Scaggs property totaled more than 400 acres. This property was the subject of a dispute between the heirs of Alfred Scaggs. The 1878 G.M. Hopkins map of the 6th District of Howard County illustrates a residence and property of 412 acres belonging to A. Scaggs Heirs at what is now the corner of U.S. Route 29 (Columbia Pike) and Johns Hopkins Road. The residence indicated on the map is the Scaggs Farm at 10909 Johns Hopkins Road, the first of four houses built by the Scaggs family on this property along Columbia Pike.

In early 1887, Clifton Scaggs opened a post office at the southwest corner of Scaggsville Road and Columbia Pike. By the late 19th century, the area had become widely known as Scaggsville in recognition of one of its most prominent families, replacing the area's earlier name, Hell's Corner.

The property associated with 10945 Johns Hopkins Road was owned by the Scaggs family until 1894, when it was sold to the Harding family. The house may have been constructed by the Scaggs family, or upon the acquisition of the land by the Harding family in 1897. Four years after the Hardings bought the land, they in turn sold it to the Trustees of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Howard County. This church, located in Fulton, along Scaggsville Road west of Columbia Pike claimed many prominent Scaggsville families like the Wessels, the Renns, and the Iagers, as parishioners at the turn of the century. In 1954, the Church sold the property to the Buch family. In 1994, the property passed from ownership by individuals in the Buch family to ownership by the family company, Buch Family Ltd.

The house, although substantially updated, presents a typical example of the vernacular Gothic Revival style, as adapted by rural Marylanders. This style, which gained popularity as a "rural" style, was often used in the construction of farmhouses and dwellings in agricultural communities across America at the turn of the 20th century. This house -- a 2-1/2-story, T-shaped house with the center bay of the symmetrical facade emphasized by a central-passage entry, a centered front gable, and a lancet window in the gable -- is typical of the Gothic Revival style.

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**HISTORIC CONTEXT:**

**Geographic Organization:** Piedmont

**Chronological/Development Period (s):**

Industrial/ Urban Dominance (1870-1930)

Modern Period (1930-present)

**Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):**

Architecture, Landscape, and Community  
Planning

**RESOURCE TYPE(S)**

**Category:** Building

**Historic Environment:** Rural

**Historic Function (s):** DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

**Known Design Source:** Unknown

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**Chain of Title:**

By the time of his death in 1875 Alfred Scaggs had acquired from various purchases the 207-plus acres conveyed in the deed below and an additional 193 acres, for a total of 400 contiguous acres.

December 18, 1884 J. Harwood Watkins and Jno. G. Rogers, trustees in the case of Mary Scaggs et al v. Mary M. Turner et al, to Isaac Scaggs Conveying Lots 3 and 4, 107 acres, 3 roods, and 29 square perches and 100 acres, 3 roods and 22 square perches respectively

The children of Mary and Alfred Scaggs v. the children of Elizabeth Turner, daughter of Alfred Scaggs and wife of John J. Turner after Alfred Scaggs died intestate in 1875, leaving 400 acres of contiguous land, purchased from different parties

Following Alfred's death, both Elizabeth and John J. Turner died intestate, prompting their children to try to claim some of the property of Alfred Scaggs. The land was sold according to a decree of August 29, 1884

Case 873: Mary A. Scaggs (widow of Alfred), and her **children** and their spouses: **Robert E.** and Anne Matilda Scaggs, **George A.** and Sarah Scaggs, **Isaac** and Georgianna Scaggs, **Charles D.** Scaggs, **Mary A. Rebecca** and Smith Thompson Pearl, and **Caroline V.** Burton

v.

The **children** of Elizabeth and John Turner and their spouses and others: **Mary M.** Turner, **Ida E.** and Walter Benbty (?), **Elizabeth L.** and Clarence Bond, Robert E. Turner, John G. Rogers, Henry E. Woolton, C. Aultman and Co., and Isabella N. and James Peters

Equity Records of Howard County

Liber LJW 10 Folio 523

Land Records of Howard County

Liber LJW 48 Folio 630

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August 6, 1887	Isaac and Georgianna Scaggs to Mary A. Rebecca Pearl \$3864 for same land conveyed to Scaggs in 1884 Land Records of Howard County Liber LJW 52 Folio 535
May 10, 1894	Mary A. Rebecca Pearl to James T. Harding \$322.50 for 21.5 acres, part of previous land with buildings and improvements Land Records of Howard County Liber JHO 62 Folio 133
December 8, 1897	Samuel R. and Annie C. Harding, Basil W. and Martha N. Harding, and Andrew J. aand Clara L. Harding (heirs of James T. Harding, deceased) to Joseph D. Harding \$500 for 21.5 acres Land Records of Howard County Liber 69 Folio 375
December 23, 1901	Joseph D. and Lottie M. Harding to Herman Wessel, Ignatius Grauel, Frederick W. Iager, and George W. Renn, Trustees of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Howard County \$450 fpr 11 13/16 acres, part of previous property Land Records of Howard County Liber JHO 74 Folio 561
June 29, 1936	Geroge W. Renn and Frederick W. Iager, sole surviving trustees of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Howard County to the Trustees of St. Paul's Evangelical Church of Fulton, MD The church, also known as St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Fulton, MD and the Protestant Reformed and Lutheran Church of Fulton, MD, was organized in 1870 Conveyed 11 13/16 acres Land Records of Howard County Liber BMJr. 154 Folio 398

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June 30, 1954	Trustees of St. Paul's Evangelical Church of Fulton, MD to James R. and Annie Catherine Buch \$16,750 for 11 13/16 acres, save land deeded to the Maryland State Roads Commission as described in Liber MWB 226, Folio 596 and Liber MWB 226, Folio 598 Land Records of Howard County Liber 258 Folio 396
March 9, 1990	James R. Buch, Sr. and Annie Catherine Buch to James R. Buch, Jr. and Frances M. Buch \$2,300,000 for 7.8317 acres, part of previous property Land Records of Howard County Liber CMP 2141 Folio 421
March 16, 1994	Annie C. Buch (sole surviving tenent as James R. Buch, Jr. was deceased) to Buch Family Ltd. Partnership No consideration, part of previous property Land Records of Howard County Liber MDR 3192 Folio 394

10945 Johns Hopkins  
Clarksville, Howard County, MD

RESOURCE  
SKETCH MAP

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several sheds not visible from public property



Garage



shed

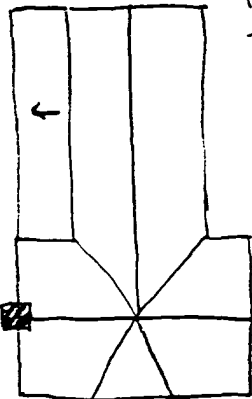
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warehouse



No access to  
property

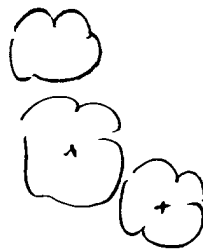
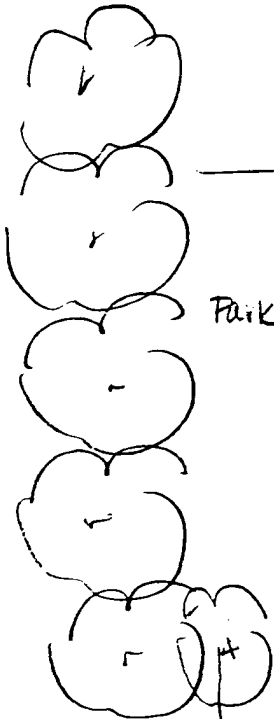
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Parking



10945

wooded

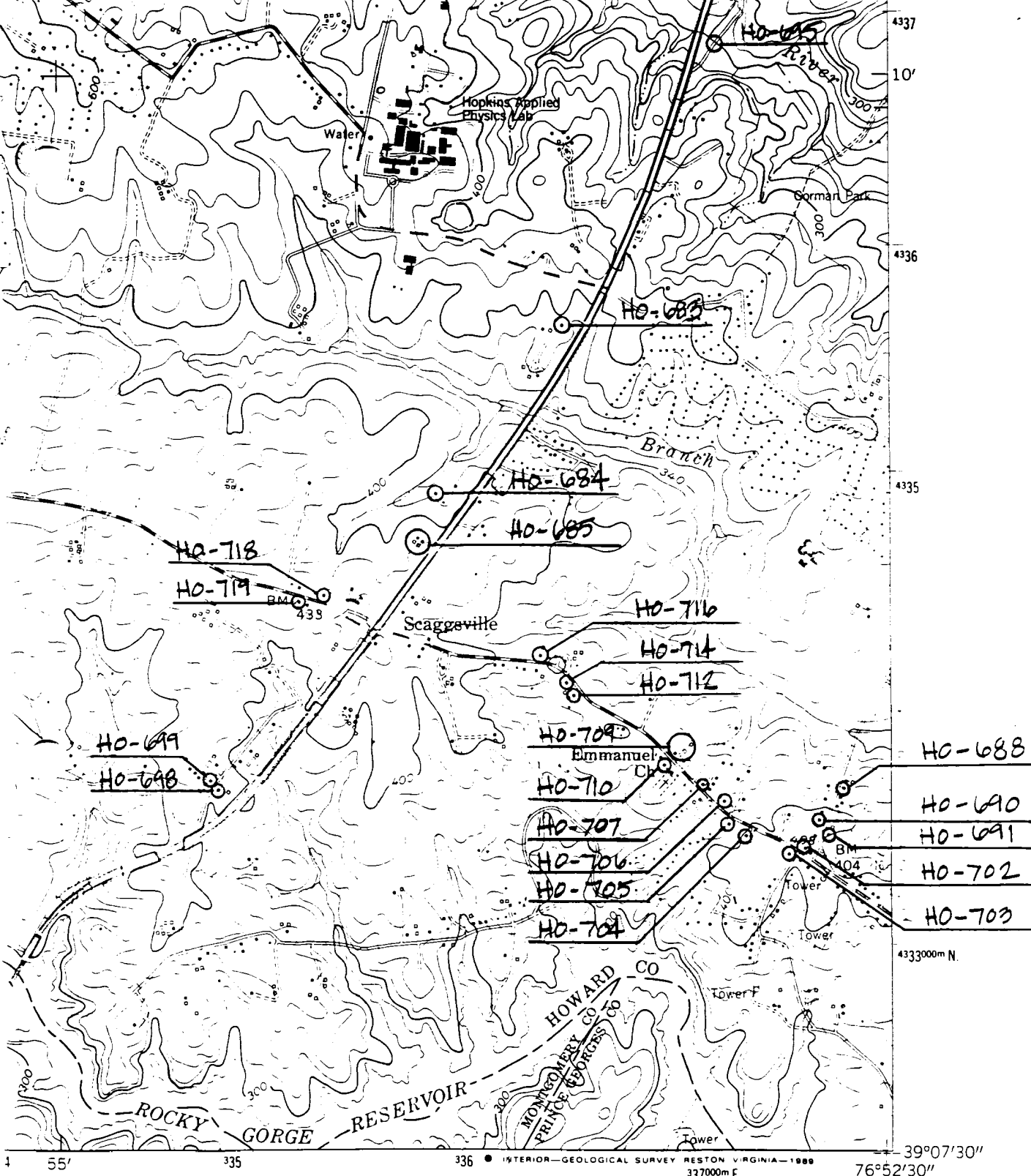


Rte. 29



wooded

Buch Family



1/4 MILE

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty		Light-duty	
Medium-duty		Unimproved dirt	
U. S. Route		State Route	

(LAUREL) 5662 III SE



**CLARKSVILLE, MD.**  
 NW/4 LAUREL 15' QUADRANGLE  
 39076-B8-TF-024  
 1957  
 PHOTOREVISED 1979  
 DMA 5662 III NW-SERIES V833

To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983  
 move the projection lines 8 meters south and  
 26 meters west as shown by dashed corner ticks



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House, NE Elevation

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shed: waverouse, looking W

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