



# Phase II and Phase III Archaeological Database and Inventory

Site Number: 18TA206

Site Name: Lee Haven

Prehistoric

Other name(s)

Historic

Unknown

Brief Description:

late 19th century house foundation

## Site Location and Environmental Data:

Maryland Archaeological Research Unit No. 4

SCS soil & sediment code MKA

Latitude 38.7732

Longitude -76.1227

Physiographic province Eastern Shore Coastal P

Terrestrial site

Underwater site

Elevation -20 m

Site slope 0-5%

Ethnobotany profile available

Maritime site

Site setting

-Site Setting restricted

-Lat/Long accurate to within 1 sq. mile, user may need to make slight adjustments in mapping to account for sites near state/county lines or streams

### Topography

- Floodplain
- Hilltop/bluff
- Interior flat
- Upland flat
- Ridgetop
- Terrace
- Low terrace
- High terrace
- Rockshelter/cave
- Hillslope
- Unknown
- Other

### Ownership

- Private
- Federal
- State of MD
- Regional/county/city
- Unknown

### Nearest Surface Water

Name (if any) Dixon Creek

#### Saltwater

Ocean

Estuary/tidal river

Tidewater/marsh

Spring

#### Freshwater

Stream/river

Swamp

Lake or pond

Spring

Minimum distance to water is 0 m

## Temporal & Ethnic Contextual Data:

Paleoindian site

Woodland site

Archaic site

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Early archaic

Early woodland

Middle archaic

Mid. woodland

Late archaic

Late woodland

Unknown prehistoric context

Contact period site

ca. 1820 - 1860

ca. 1630 - 1675

ca. 1860 - 1900

ca. 1675 - 1720

ca. 1900 - 1930

ca. 1720 - 1780

Post 1930

ca. 1780 - 1820

Unknown historic context

Unknown context

### Ethnic Associations (historic only)

Native American

Asian American

African American

Unknown

Anglo-American

Other

Hispanic

Y=Confirmed, P=Possible

## Site Function Contextual Data:

### Prehistoric

Multi-component

Misc. ceremonial

Village

Rock art

Hamlet

Shell midden

Base camp

STU/lithic scatter

Rockshelter/cave

Quarry/extraction

Earthen mound

Fish weir

Cairn

Production area

Burial area

Unknown

Other context

### Historic

Urban/Rural? Rural

#### Domestic

Homestead

Farmstead

Mansion

Plantation

Row/townhome

Cellar

Privy

#### Industrial

Mining-related

Quarry-related

Mill

Black/metalsmith

Furnace/forge

Other

#### Transportation

Canal-related

Road/railroad

Wharf/landing

Maritime-related

Bridge

Ford

#### Educational

Commercial

Trading post

Store

Tavern/inn

#### Military

Battlefield

Fortification

Encampment

#### Townsite

Religious

Church/mtg house

Ch support bldg

#### Burial area

Cemetery

Sepulchre

Isolated burial

#### Bldg or foundation

Possible Structure

Post-in-ground

Frame-built

Masonry

Other structure

#### Slave related

Non-domestic agri

Recreational

Midden/dump

Artifact scatter

Spring or well

Unknown

Other context

brick foundation

## Interpretive Sampling Data:

### Prehistoric context samples

Soil samples taken

Flotation samples taken

Other samples taken

### Historic context samples

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## Diagnostic Artifact Data:

Projectile Point Types		Koens-Crispin	
Clovis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Perkiomen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hardaway-Dalton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susquehana	<input type="checkbox"/>
Palmer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vernon	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kirk (notch)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Piscataway	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kirk (stem)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Calvert	<input type="checkbox"/>
Le Croy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Selby Bay	<input type="checkbox"/>
Morrow Mntn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacks Rf (notch)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guilford	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jacks Rf (pent)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brewerton	<input type="checkbox"/>	Madison/Potomac	<input type="checkbox"/>
Otter Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Levanna	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Prehistoric Sherd Types

Marcey Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Popes Creek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shepard	<input type="checkbox"/>	Keyser	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dames Qtr	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coulbourn	<input type="checkbox"/>	Townsend	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yeocomico	<input type="checkbox"/>
Selden Island	<input type="checkbox"/>	Watson	<input type="checkbox"/>	Minguannan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monongahela	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accokeek	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mockley	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sullivan Cove	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susquehannock	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wolfe Neck	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clemson Island	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shenks Ferry	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Vinette	<input type="checkbox"/>	Page	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moyaone	<input type="checkbox"/>		
				Potomac Crk	<input type="checkbox"/>		

### Historic Sherd Types

<b>Earthenware</b>		Ironstone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Staffordshire	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Stoneware</b>	
Astbury	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jackfield	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tin Glazed	<input type="checkbox"/>	English Brown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Borderware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mn Mottled	<input type="checkbox"/>	Whiteware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eng Dry-bodied	<input type="checkbox"/>
Buckley	<input type="checkbox"/>	North Devon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Porcelain</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nottingham	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creamware	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pearlware	<input type="checkbox"/>			Rhenish	<input type="checkbox"/>
						Wt Salt-glazed	<input type="checkbox"/>

All quantities exact or estimated minimal counts

## Other Artifact & Feature Types:

Prehistoric Artifacts		Other fired clay	
Flaked stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Human remain(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ground stone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Modified faunal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stone bowls	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unmod faunal	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire-cracked rock	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oyster shell	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other lithics (all)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Floral material	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ceramics (all)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Uncommon Obj.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rimsherds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Prehistoric Features

Mound(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Storage/trash pit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Burial(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shell midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ossuary	<input type="checkbox"/>
Postholes/molds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
House pattern(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Palisade(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hearth(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Lithic reduc area	<input type="checkbox"/>		

### Lithic Material

Jasper	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fer quartzite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sil sandstone	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chert	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chalcedony	<input type="checkbox"/>	European flint	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rhyolite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ironstone	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basalt	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quartz	<input type="checkbox"/>	Argilite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quartzite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Steatite	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Sandstone	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Dated features present at site

Historic Artifacts		Tobacco related	
Pottery (all)	3	Activity item(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Glass (all)	2	Human remain(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Architectural	8	Faunal material	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Furniture		Misc. kitchen	16
Arms	1	Floral material	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clothing		Misc.	4
Personal items		Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Historic Features

Const feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Privy/outhouse	<input type="checkbox"/>	Depression/mound	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Well/cistern	<input type="checkbox"/>	Burial(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cellar hole/cellar	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trash pit/dump	<input type="checkbox"/>	Railroad bed	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Hearth/chimney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sheet midden	<input type="checkbox"/>	Earthworks	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Postholes/molds	<input type="checkbox"/>	Planting feature	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mill raceway	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Paling ditch/fence	<input type="checkbox"/>	Road/walkway	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wheel pit	<input type="checkbox"/>		

All quantities exact or estimated minimal counts

## Radiocarbon Data:

Sample 1:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 2:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 3:  +/-  years BP Reliability

Sample 4:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 5:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 6:  +/-  years BP Reliability

Sample 7:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 8:  +/-  years BP Reliability  Sample 9:  +/-  years BP Reliability

Additional radiocarbon results available



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## External Samples/Data:

Collection curated at

Additional raw data may be available online

## Summary Description:

The Lee Haven Site (18TA206) consists of the brick foundation of a mid-late 19th century structure. The site is located on the floodplain of Dixon Creek, near the town of Easton in Talbot County. Soils at the site are Nassawango silt loams and Mattapex silt loams. The foundation represents the remains of the Lee Haven Quarter (MIHP # T-355), a dwelling dated roughly to the Civil War period. The dwelling was moved to Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michael's, Maryland and was reconstructed.

The Lee Haven dwelling was a small two-storey building approximately 4.876 m<sup>2</sup> (16 ft<sup>2</sup>) and standing on a brick foundation. In the center of the 'A' roof was a well-built chimney with a cap composed of 4 corbelled brick courses. The exterior walls were covered with vertical boards and battens, and were punctuated by several six-pane casements. The interior of the dwelling had at some point been remodeled with a narrow board floor, a sheet rock ceiling and an enclosure around the stair to the second storey. A fireplace with its opening facing east was located in the center of the ground floor, suggesting that there were originally two rooms on that level. From evidence upstairs, it appeared that the joists and ceiling were originally exposed and whitewashed. The second storey was divided into two rooms by rough-sawn boards at the head of the steep stairs.

At the request of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, archeological investigation was undertaken within the remaining foundation of the Lee Haven Quarter following removal of the structure. Archeologists from the Maryland Historical Trust and Salisbury State College conducted work at the site in late 1982. The Phase II evaluation included the excavation of a single 1x2 meter test square placed within the foundation with the long axis parallel to the east-west running foundation walls. The surface of the square was taken down in natural layers and all excavated soils were screened through 1/4" mesh hardware cloth.

The interior of the foundation was filled with a mixture of beach sand, construction/demolition debris, and scattered patches of oyster shell. Level 1A consisted of a loose sandy silt layer that contained recent 20th century artifacts to a depth of 14 cm below datum. A dark rectangular stain was encountered at the base of Level 1A that was thought to be a hearth area. Level 1B proved to be a relatively loose sand fill that abutted a brick chimney base that stood to a height of 5 brick courses. The loose sand appeared to have been the same material that was found throughout the foundation interior, either intentionally deposited or accumulated naturally after both the foundation and the chimney base had been built.

The dark rectangular stain proved to be part of a 'C' shaped chimney base oriented towards the east, and filled with a mixture of ash, brick, and pieces of mortar (Level 2A). The central chimney was built using the same methods as the foundation walls and begins from the same level. It is therefore likely that the chimney base was constructed at the same time as the rest of the foundation. An intact mortar surface (Level 2B) was encountered 10 cm below the mixed fill layer. The mortar surface, which was surrounded by a single course of unmortared brick, was determined to be a hearth used early in the occupation of the building. Below Level 2B and down to the lowest course of the fireplace base was an additional level of ash, brick, and pieces of mortar (Level 2C). Level 2C and the lowest brick course sat on top of the natural subsoil. The foundation on the ends of the north and south walls was demolished when beams were inserted under the building for moving. Shallow trenches formed where the lifting beams were inserted.

Only a handful of artifacts were collected from the foundation interior during the Phase II study. There were 8 architectural items including unidentified 6 nails and 2 window glass shards. There were 19 kitchen-related items including 3 undecorated whiteware sherds, 1 corroded spoon bowl and handle, 5 animal bone fragments, and 10 oyster shell fragments. There were 4 miscellaneous items, all unidentified metal objects. The single arms-related item was a shotgun shell casing.

The Lee Haven Site (18TA206) represents one of the earliest frame dwellings still extant in Talbot County, Maryland. The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michael's, Maryland reconstructed the original structure. The reconstructed Lee Haven Quarter is located behind the 'Oystering on the Chesapeake' exhibit on the museum grounds. Following the archeological investigations, the remnant foundation was destroyed by the then current land owner.

## External Reference Codes (Library ID Numbers):

Site Files (18TA206 SF)