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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

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HISTORIC

Part of Long Meadows Enlarged

AND/OR COMMON

PARADISE MANOR (Preferred)

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Map Hagerstown, Md

2550 Paradise Drive

__NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Sixth

STATE

Maryland

CODE

024

COUNTY

Washington

CODE

043

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

ACCESSIBLE

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Amos C. Baer

STREET & NUMBER

2550 Paradise Drive

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

__ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland 21740

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house, known as Paradise Manor, is located at 2550 Paradise Drive, just east of Paradise Church Road north of Hagerstown in Washington County, Maryland. The house is situated on an area of level ground and faces south. Although the property now contains less than an acre of land, the house was once the main dwelling on a farm containing 207 acres. The western boundary of this farm was the present Paradise Church Road while its southern border was Long Meadow Road.

The dwelling is a two story, six bay brick structure painted white with black trim. Its two easternmost bays are recessed in a double porch which is included under the main roof span. The walls rest on low field-stone foundations. The western four bays of the front elevation display Flemish bond brickwork while in other areas American or common bond is used. Decorative masonry work includes flat arches above the window and door openings.

Windows and doors appear to be aligned with each other in the walls. All sash are held within narrow frames. Those at the first story level have nine-over-six pane double hung sash while the second story windows, set well below the roof plate, have six-over-six sash. Most lower story windows are flanked with pairs of three panel shutters while louvered shutters are used above.

The main entrance is located in the second bay from the west end of the front elevation. Above the six panel door is a transom. The entrance is sheltered by a modern one bay porch. Other doors are located in the second bay from the east end of the house at the first and second story levels of the double porch and in the rear or north elevation.

The roof of the house is covered with sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls. Large brick chimneys are located inside the west end wall and west of the interior brick wall which crosses the house at the point where the recessed area begins. A third chimney, smaller in size, is located inside the east end wall.

The main entrance of Paradise Manor opens into a stair room or hall which runs parallel to the front wall. The curved stair is supported by the inside wall of the hall. Behind this stair room is the parlor with doors and windows having symmetrically molded trim with decorated corner blocks. The fireplace opening is flanked with Doric colonnettes. East of the parlor and stair hall are two more rooms each with a fireplace. These rooms display woodwork which is not as elaborate as that found in the west end of the house. One large room, a kitchen, is contained in the eastern portion of the house which has the double porch. All interior doors at the first story level have six low relief panels and retain what appear to be original carpenter locks.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES *1812, 1818 (?)*

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This two story, six bay brick farmhouse, its outbuildings and barn, are significant for their architecture as a 19th century farm group. The complex is also important as part of the "Long Meadows" and "Long Meadows Enlarged" tracts, part of an early and very large plantation in Washington County which was owned by a series of prominent people.

The exact construction date for this house is not known. Interior and exterior woodwork and construction detail suggest that it may have been built during the second quarter of the 19th century. Houses with recessed double porches along part of the front elevation form a major architectural group among 19th century buildings in Washington County.

Substantial structures must have been present on this farm as early as 1812 when Dr. Richard Pindell sold the 207 acre property to Samuel Brand for \$4140. (Y/217). On May 29, 1818, Samuel Brand sold the farm to Daniel Middlekauff for \$15,500, also a high price suggesting that improvements were present. (CC/803). The farm remained in the Middlekauff family, being conveyed to Daniel Middlekauff, Jr. in January of 1840. (UU/774). Adam Baer of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, ancestor of the present owner, purchased the farm, still containing 207 acres, from Daniel Middlekauff, Jr. on March 31, 1869. (WmCKK1/365). The farm remained in the Baer family until 1928 when it was purchased by Samuel J. and Maggie S. Diller. (107/221, 138/428, 154/585, 179/678). In 1947 it was acquired by Irvin S. and Ruth M. Martin (240/435), who in turn sold it to Paradise Homes Corporation. (391/165). In 1964 the present owner purchased the parcel containing the house.

Long Meadows was one of the earliest land grants in Western Maryland. The original tract containing 550 acres was surveyed for Thomas Cresap in 1739. In 1746 Daniel Dulaney, Maryland speculator and Revolutionary period attorney, acquired the land. Under Dulaney's ownership, Long Meadows Enlarged was patented and the tract was expanded to 2131 acres. In 1763 Col. Henry Boquet, known for his role in the French and Indian War in western Pennsylvania, purchased Long Meadows Enlarged and extended its size to 4163 acres. In June of 1765 at Boquet's death, the Long Meadows tract was inherited by Col. Frederick Haldimand. In 1773 Haldimand sold Long Meadows to Joseph Sprigg of Prince George's County. After the Revolution, Sprigg sold off large parts of his holdings. Thirteen hundred acres containing the original Long Meadow tract was purchased by Samuel Hughes who operated several iron producing concerns in Maryland

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 2/3 acres

UTM REFERENCES

A	1 8	2 6 8 ⁴²⁰ 3 7 0	4 3 9 7 4 2 0	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

njm

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

September 1976

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 W. Washington St.

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown,

STATE

Maryland 21740

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

John N. Pearce 7/26/77
 SHPO

TITLE

DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

W. H. Smith
Wassoune Cole

DATE 3/21/78
 DATE 3.15.78

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DESCRIPTION (continued)

Immediately northeast of the house is a one story board and batten out kitchen. North of the house and not at present included in the same property is a large frame bank barn.

The house and the other structures are in excellent condition. The property contains approximately 1 2/3 acres (Washington County Deeds 412/043; 620/125,127).

*Barn not in nomination paper
see 2/25/76*

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (continued)

and Pennsylvania. In 1789 Hughes sold the 1300 acre tract to Thomas Hart. Hart, who became the father-in-law of Henry Clay and the uncle of Thomas Hart Benton, was also the father-in-law of Doctor Richard Pindell who owned this farm. Pindell served in the Revolution and is said to have been living about three miles from Hagerstown in 1791. In 1814 Pindell moved to Kentucky and became Henry Clay's physician.

Further information on the history of the Long Meadows tract may be found in the National Register nomination form for Long Meadows.