

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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

historic Hagerstown Charity School

and/or common Hagerstown Day Nursery

2. Location

street & number 102 East Washington Street N/A not for publication

city, town Hagerstown N/A vicinity of congressional district Sixth

state Maryland code 24 county Washington code 043

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>Nursery</u>

4. Owner of Property

name Hagerstown Day Nursery, Inc. c/o Mrs. Mason Hendrickson, President of the Board

street & number 137 S. Prospect Street

city, town Hagerstown vicinity of state Maryland 21740

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Washington County Court House

street & number West Washington Street

city, town Hagerstown state Maryland 21740

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Maryland Historical Trust
title Historic Sites Survey

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1980 federal state county local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust, 21 State Circle

city, town Annapolis state Maryland

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

FOR DESCRIPTION SUMMARY SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #1

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Hagerstown Day Nursery is a two story, three bay painted brick structure dating from the second quarter of the 19th century. It is situated at the northeast corner of the intersection of East Washington and North Locust Streets in Hagerstown, Washington County, Maryland. The front of the building faces south onto East Washington Street.

The masonry walls display flemish bonding at the front elevation. Flat arches of brick are located above the openings. An unusual feature of the front of the house is the central bay which projects from the main facade the width of one brick. Brick parapets finish the gable walls. A three bay ell, apparently built at two times, extends to the rear.

Windows at the first story are smaller than those at the second story level. Those at the lower level have twelve over eight pane sashes while upper sashes have twelve over twelve panes. This is an unusually late use of this type of window. The central front second story window is flanked by narrow sidelights with three lights per sash. At the rear portion of the building nine over six and nine over nine light sashes are used at the first and second floors respectively.

The main entrance is located in the central bay of the front elevation. The door has had its upper panels replaced with a large glass pane. The entrance is topped with a five light transom. A second entrance to the rear wing opens off Locust Street. Three other doors are located on the east and north elevations.

Chimneys are located inside the end walls and at the interior of the ell. Asphalt shingles are the present roof covering.

The interior of the Day Nursery is divided into five rooms at the first floor with a central entrance hall. A 20th century partition now closes off part of the hallway. Most of the original interior woodwork and hardware remains. Woodwork is quite simple but typical of the 1840s period. It consists of plain architraves with undecorated corner blocks.

The main fireplace located in the east room is original with a plastered firebox and a mantelpiece with simplified Greek Revival stylistic influences. Also in the east room is a staircase rising from the northeast corner of the house. It has been enclosed and is now entered directly from outside from a door in the north wall.

Most doors throughout the first story retain original carpenter or carpenter-type locks dating from the second quarter of the 19th century. Doors have six low relief panels.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #1.

8. Significance

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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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	1840s	Builder/Architect	unknown
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Statement of Significance (in one paragraph) Applicable Criteria: A and C

SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the Hagerstown Day Nursery Building, erected in the 1840s as the Hagerstown Charity School, derives from three sources. First, as a structure executed in a simplified Neoclassical manner, the building embodies characteristics of the type of architecture constructed in Hagerstown in the mid-19th century. Notable among these features are Federal proportions in scale, the use of symmetrical and corner block decoration on the interior, Flemish bond facade, and flat arches over the windows. The building also contains design elements not commonly found in contemporary Hagerstown buildings. These elements are the three bay symmetrical facade, use of the tripartite window and parapetted end walls, and a projecting center bay on the facade. Second, the building acquires significance as having been erected as a school for underprivileged children and was used for such purpose until about 1907. Third, additional significance is achieved from association with the social and humanitarian concerns of the group for which the building was erected and those of the present owners. The Hagerstown Charity School was founded by the Hagerstown Female Society which in addition to being concerned with schooling underprivileged children was also concerned with feeding and clothing them. The building continues as a child care facility as a nursery which was founded in and has occupied the structure since 1907.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

The Hagerstown Day Nursery grew out of the Hagerstown Female Society for the Instruction of Poor Children which was established in 1818 when it began a charity school. Originally the school was located on Antietam Street in Hagerstown, but in 1841 according to the Society's minutes, the County Commissioners set aside money for construction of a school to be begun within the next three years. Thus the building represents a facility and organization dedicated to educational pursuits for underprivileged children. It has seen continuous use as a child care facility since it was built.

Additionally the building reflects social and humanitarian concerns for its association with the Hagerstown Female Society. This organization consisted of a group of dedicated ladies who gave time, and collected funds for support and maintenance of an educational facility for poor children. In addition to providing schooling, they also saw that the children were properly clothed and fed.

9. Major Bibliographical Reference

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Minutes of the Hagerstown Female Society and the Hagerstown Day Nursery, Hagerstown, Maryland.
Washington County Land Records, Courthouse, Hagerstown, Maryland.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property Less than one acre

Quadrangle name Hagerstown, Maryland

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

B

Zone		Easting				Northing								

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is rectangular in shape with 41 feet along East Washington Street and 130 feet along North Locust Street.
The property is a town lot.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Paula Stoner Reed, Architectural Historian

organization Preservation Associates, Inc. date February 1980

street & number P. O. Box 202 telephone (301) 432-5466

city or town Sharpsburg, state Maryland 21782

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature [Signature] 11-9-82

title STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER date

For HCRS use only
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.
Keeper of the National Register
Chief of Registration

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(DESCRIPTION, continued)

The room in the far north end of the extension was a kitchen. It retains its large service fireplace, built in cupboard and a back stairway to the second floor.

The house appears to be in generally good condition. The house and its accompanying lot are included in this nomination, fronting 41 feet on East Washington Street and 130 feet on North Locust Street.

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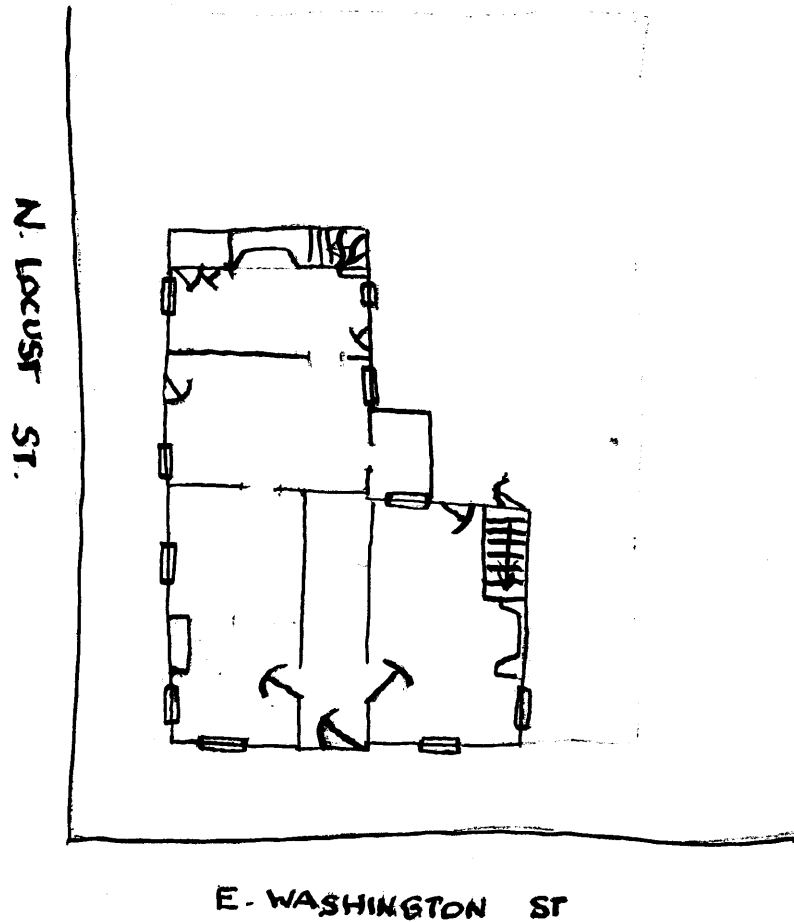
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(SIGNIFICANCE, continued)

The Hagerstown Day Nursery, the present owner of the building was established in 1907, after the public school system was developed to allow for education of poor children. The Hagerstown Charity School was modified at that time to the day nursery. It continues to be a viable community institution.



HAGERSTOWN DAY NURSERY, HAGERSTOWN, WASHINGTON CO, MD

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