

History
"Manadier Sanitarium"

This house was built in the late 19th century, probably as a residence for the Gaines family, upon whose property the community of Gainesville was established. The patriarch Thomas Gaines, a Welsh immigrant, owned large amounts of land in the area when the Manassas Gap Railroad, chartered in 1850, was constructed. Gaines allegedly gave the railroad a right-of-way through his property on condition that all passenger trains ^{would} stop at a designated place which would thereafter be called Gainesville.

The old Gaines homestead site was described in the 1941 WPA guide. At that time, all that remained of the Gaines Home, which had been destroyed by fire, were an old chimney and some boxwood bushes. This house and the family ~~Gaines~~ cemetery where Thomas Gaines, who died in 1856, was buried were located off Linton Hall Road. In 1976, according to an article in a local newspaper, the foundation of the home could still be found.

The Baines House which later became known (for a short time) as Manadier Sanitarium is just north of Bainesville, near the intersection of S.R. 55 and Catharpin Road. This house was allegedly built near a racetrack maintained by the Baineses, which in the 1880s was considered the second best racetrack in Virginia. The house probably descended to Miss Somerville Baines who in

1883 donated land for the Bainesville Methodist Church. The church (see separate ^{survey form}) was erected beside the Baines family cemetery between 1883 and 1886.

Miss Baines conveyed the house and about 34 acres to Margaret H. M. Mayan sometime before 1908. In 1908, Mrs. Mayan donated the property to Manadier (or "Maynadier") Sanitarium, a charitable and benevolent association established to conduct a "sanitarium for white persons" on the land of Mrs. Mayan. The sanitarium was associated with Saint Paul's Episcopal Church in Haymarket. In 1908, the trustees of Manadier Sanitarium

were William M. Jordan, C.E. Keyser,
George B. Tyler, Macon Cave,
and N.T. De Pauw. Rev. Cary Gamble,
Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was ex-officio
chairman.

According to the
arrangement, the title to the property would
revert to the Protestant Episcopal Educational
Society should Manadier Sanitarium
fail to use it as a sanitarium.

In any case, the property could never
be used as a place for "gaming or gaming devices"
or as a place for the "manufacture
or sale of intoxicating liquors."

Manadier Sanitarium existed
only on paper. Eventually the
corporation failed, the ownership of the property
was returned to Margaret Mayan,
and in 1914 the property
was sold to Wade C. Payne. Wade

C. Payne was a Haymarket physician
during the early-to-mid-20th century.

During the 1950s, the property was owned
by Paul and Edyth Richman, who
willed it to Roger B. Richman and

Paulette B. Richman. The present owners
acquired the property, now totaling
about 19 acres, in 1959.