

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 160980960

Property Name: 113 North Main Street
Address: 113 N Main ST

Ownership: Private
Apartment #:
ZIP: 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	25	28

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number:

Description:

113 North Main Street is a two-and-one-half-story-tall, three-bay-wide, two-bay-deep, frame dwelling built circa 1910. The dwelling consists of a pyramidal-roof main block with a two-story-tall, two-bay-deep, gable-roof, rear (northwest) addition (added circa 1995). An interior brick chimney rises from the northeast roof slope of the main block. A small, front-gabled dormer is located above the northeast bay of the primary (southeast) elevation and contains a louvered vent. The roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in vinyl siding. Windows throughout are one-over-one, vinyl-sash replacement units, set into vinyl surrounds and flanked by inoperable, vinyl louvered shutters on the primary and southwest elevations of the main block. The primary elevation has asymmetrical fenestration with a full-width, hipped-roof porch with wood Doric columns and a wood balustrade (possibly original) that shelters the first floor (possibly original). The primary entrance is situated in the southwest bay and contains a glazed metal storm door and a wood door with a large rectangular light. Beside the primary entrance, there is a semi-hexagonal projecting bay with three windows. The side (northeast and southwest) elevations feature typical windows, flanked by shutters on the southwest elevation. A secondary entrance, containing a glazed metal storm door, is situated in the northeast bay of the rear addition, and is accessed by wood steps. The rear (northwest) elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. The main block stands on a rusticated cast-stone foundation, while the rear addition stands on a concrete foundation.

A one-story-tall, one-bay-wide, frame, circa-1910 garage stands approximately 40 feet northwest of the dwelling. The front-gabled roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles and the exterior is clad in vinyl siding. The primary (southeast) elevation features a single metal roll-top door.

History: 113 North Main Street is an example of an early twentieth-century, vernacular dwelling in Cranbury. The main block of the subject dwelling stylistically dates to circa 1910 and appears to have been originally constructed in a foursquare plan. The subject dwelling, along with the neighboring dwelling at 115 North Main Street, were built on a roughly one-acre parcel of land purchased by Elizabeth Dye in 1909 (Middlesex County Clerk's Office [MCCO] Deed Book 443:203). In 1917, Elizabeth's son, David Dye, purchased the roughly one-acre parcel that included the subject dwelling and the dwelling at 115 North Main Street from his mother's estate (MCCO 1917 Deed Book 605:279). It is unclear whether Elizabeth or David Dye ever lived in the subject dwelling, and it is possible that the subject dwelling was rented by tenants during the period between about 1910 and 1920. In 1921, Minnie Peterson purchased the one-acre parcel that included the subject dwelling and the dwelling at 115 North Main Street from David Dye and his wife, Nellie (MCCO 1921 Deed Book 712:9). The 1930 federal census lists Minnie Peterson and her husband, Jeremiah, a house painter, as residents of North Main Street in Cranbury;

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Research (NETR)

Nationwide Environmental Title Research (NETR)	Historic Aerial Photograph. Electronic Document, http://www.historicaerials.com , accessed May 2023.	1995
Nationwide Environmental Title Research (NETR)	Historic Aerial Photograph. Electronic Document, http://www.historicaerials.com , accessed May 2023.	2002
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection	NJ-GeoWeb. Electronic Document, https://www.nj.gov/dep/gis/geoweb splash.htm , accessed May 2023.	1930
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination Form for the Cranbury Historic District, Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey. On file, New Jersey Historic Preservation Office, Trenton, New Jersey.	1980
United States Bureau of the Census	Population Schedule, Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey.	1930

Additional Information:

The dwelling at 113 North Main Street was identified in the 1980 Cranbury Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination and evaluated as a contributing resource in the 1989 Heritage Studies inventory of the district (Walsh 1980; Heritage Studies 1989). Richard Grubb & Associates, Inc. recommends 113 North Main Street as a non-contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District due to its low integrity of materials, design, and workmanship. The circa-1995 addition on the rear of the dwelling distorts the building's original massing.

More Research Needed? ☐ (checked=Yes)

INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:

Attachments Included:

0 Building	0 Bridge
0 Structure	0 Landscape
0 Object	0 Industry

Historic District ? ☒

District Name: Cranbury Historic District

Status: Non Contributing

Associated Archeological Site/Deposits? ☐

(known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly)

Conversion Problem? ☐ ConversionNote: 1202_25_28

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