New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Historic Preservation Office

PROPERTY REPORT

Property Name:	140 North Main Street			Owners	hip: Private
Address:	140 N Main ST		Apartment #:		ZIP: 08512
PROPERTY LOC	CATION(S):				
County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDI ESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	26.01	27

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number:

-1708055801

Property ID:

Description:

140 North Main Street is a two-and-one-half-story-tall, three-bay-wide, two-bay-deep, frame dwelling constructed circa 1945 in the Colonial Revival style. The dwelling consists of a side-gabled main block with a one-and-one-half-story, side-gable, northeast wing and a one-story, shed-roof, rear (southeast) addition (added circa 1995). Asphalt shingles cover the roof throughout. A shed-roof dormer interrupts the main block's rear roof slope and the northeast wing features two gabled dormers on the primary (northwest) slope and a full-length, shed-roof dormer on the rear slope. An exterior, brick chimney is centered on the southwest elevation of the main block. The exterior of the dwelling is clad in wood clapboard siding. Windows on the main block are generally eight-over-twelve, vinyl-sash replacement units on the first floor and eight-over-eight vinyl-sash units on the second floor, all set within wood surrounds (likely original). Operable louvered wood shutters flank most of the windows on the main block's primary, northeast, and southwest elevations. The primary elevation has symmetrical fenestration with a six-over-six vinyl window centered on the second floor. The central primary entrance contains a six-light, wood cottage door), set within a wood surround with unfluted pilasters beneath a pediment (likely original). The southwest elevation of the main block has symmetrical fenestration. The first floor is sheltered by a shed-roof porch with paired, square wood columns (likely original). The northeast elevation of the main block is partially obscured by the northeast wing features a single six-over-six window in the gable peak. The northeast wing features symmetrically placed, eight-over-eight, vinyl-sash replacement window with operable louvered wood shutters on the primary and northeast elevations on the first floor. Six-over-six, vinyl-sash replacement windows are situated in the dormers. A secondary entrance to the rear addition is located under the southwest porch, but it is obscured from the public right-of-way. The rear elevation was not visible from the public right-of-way.

A one-story-tall, one-bay-wide, frame shed, constructed sometime during the mid-twentieth century, stands approximately 30 feet east the dwelling. The front-gabled roof is clad in asphalt shingles and has overhanging eaves. Wood plank siding covers the exterior of the shed. The northwest elevation contains six-light, fixed wood window flanked by wood batten shutters (likely original). The northeast elevation is devoid of openings and the other elevations were not visible from the public right-of-way.

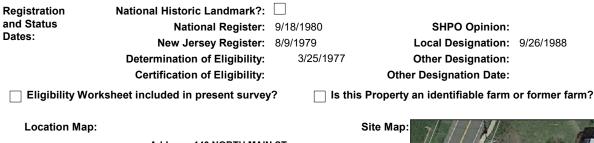
History: 140 North Main Street was constructed circa 1945 and is an example of a mid- twentieth-century, Colonial Revival-style dwelling in Cranbury. In 1941, Russell M. and Theresa Hutton purchased an approximately one-half-acre parcel on land on the east side of North Main Street and likely constructed the subject dwelling four years later (Middlesex County Clerk's Office 1941 Deed Book 1192:457; Nationwide Environmental Title Research [NETR] 1940, 1947). Russell Hutton was employed as a salesman in a grocery store (United

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States Bureau of the Census 1940, 1950). A 1957 aerial photograph depicts the subject dwelling in nearly its current form with a one- and one-half-story-tall, northeast wing and a one-story, southwest porch (NETR 1957). Sometime during the mid-twentieth century, a one-story shed was constructed behind the dwelling. The subject dwelling underwent little to no alterations between the 1960s and 1980s (NETR 1963, 1967, 1979, 1987). Around 1995, a one-story addition was added to the rear of the main block (NETR 1987, 1995, 2002). Sometime during the early twenty-first century, windows throughout the dwelling were replaced with vinyl-sash units.

Setting:

140 North Main Street is sited on a roughly rectangular-shaped parcel (Block 26.01, Lot 27) located on the southeast side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing northwest and is set back approximately 85 feet from the road. An asphalt-paved driveway extends east from Main Street and wraps behind the dwelling. Mature trees and shrubs are planted within close proximity to the dwelling. The subject dwelling is located in a residential neighborhood surrounded by properties generally dating from the mid-nineteenth to the late twentieth centuries.







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Additional Information:

Although the dwelling at 140 North Main Street was not identified in the 1980 Cranbury Historic District National Register of Historic Places nomination, it was evaluated in the 1989 Heritage Studies inventory of the district as a non-contributing (harmonious) resource (Walsh 1980; Heritage Studies 1989). Richard Grubb & Associates, Inc. recommends the subject dwelling as a non-contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District due to its date of construction. Constructed circa 1945, the dwelling falls outside of the district's period of significance.

More Research Needed? (checked=Yes)								
INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:								
Attachments Included	d: 0	Building	0	Bridge				
	0	Structure	0	Landscape				
	0	Object	0	Industry				
Historic District ?	\checkmark							
District Name:	Cranbury Historic	District						
Status:	Non Contributing							
Associated Archeological Site/Deposits?								
Conversion Problem?	Conversion 6/21/2023	Note: 1202_26	.01_27					

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