

PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 451971318

Property Name: 48 Maplewood Avenue

Ownership: Private

Address: 48 MAPLEWOOD AVE

Apartment #:

ZIP: 08512

PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township			33	10

Property Photo:



Old HSI Number:

NRIS Number:

HABS/HAER Number: 55

Description:

PS&S recommends that 48 Maplewood Avenue, constructed between 1850 and 1876 and extensively altered, is a non-contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District.

The 2-story, gable-roofed, rectangular-plan, main block of this vinyl siding-clad, frame residence on a parged foundation is 5 bays wide and 2 bays deep and is fronted in the southwestern bay of the northwest elevation by a 1-story, composite-roofed, 3-sided projecting bay and backed on the southeast by a 2-story, gable-roofed, altered rear volume in 2 sections. The roofs are predominantly clad in asphalt shingle and the windows have 6/1 replacement sash with replacement shutters. A substantial, brick, interior, ridge chimney projects from the northeast bay of the main volume. The primary entrance, located in the central bay of the northwest, main elevation, includes a replaced metal door. The projecting front bay, is lighted by 3, 8/1 replacement windows. Each of the remaining bays of both floors are lighted by a single window. The southwest, side elevation is lighted by a single window on the second floor of the main block and 2 fixed windows in the rear el. The southeast, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. The northeast, side elevation is lighted by a single window on each floor of the main block and of the rear volume.

The 1-story, gable-roofed, vinyl siding-clad, frame garage is located to the northeast of the residence.

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Principal Investigator: Emily Cooperman

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Organization: Paulus, Sokolowski & Sartor

Historic maps indicate that Maplewood Avenue remained largely undeveloped until after the middle of the 19th century. Historic maps and aerial photographs indicate that this residence was constructed between 1850 and 1876. It appears in the 1876 Everts and Stewart map as the property of "L. D. Stulls." It was inventoried in the 1980 National Register Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District as dating to the third quarter of the 19th century, with "numerous alterations" and asbestos shingles. The building is detailed in the 1933 Sanborn map as a 2-story, frame, L-plan dwelling, with a main volume fronted by small, 1-story bay and backed by a 1-story secondary volume. This map also shows a 2-story secondary building at the eastern corner of the lot and a 1-story garage in multiple volumes to its south. The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the building's northeast and northwest elevations and reflects the organization shown in the Sanborn map, with asbestos shingle cladding, 2/2 double-hung windows that appear to be historic on the first floor and ca. 1930-1940 2/2 windows on the second floor, as well as a rear, shed-roofed volume in 2 sections. The 1989 Heritage Studies inventory noted a "modern flush door" and replaced 1/1 windows on the first floor. Historic aerial photographs do not clearly document the date of the removal of the front porch and recladding of the exterior, but suggest this happened in the late 1970s. Historic aerial photographs indicate that the northern secondary building was removed after 1940 and before 1957, the garage was removed between 1957 and 1969, and the present garage a major campaign of addition to the rear of the building were constructed between 1987 and 1995. Visual evidence strongly suggests that all of the current exterior cladding and window sash dates to this campaign and after.

This property is a non-contributing property in the historic district by virtue of the building's loss of integrity from extensive alterations in multiple periods, in which all historic exterior materials were replaced, historic chimneys removed, and the historic massing of the building was altered by a substantial addition that is partially visible from the public right-of-way.

Setting:

Maplewood Avenue is an approximately half-mile long primarily residential street that connects N. Main Street, to the northwest, to Route 130, to the northeast. Maplewood runs parallel to N. Main Street between Scott Ave. and Park Place, after which it turns to the northeast to form a southwest extension of Cranbury-South River Road.

**Registration
and Status
Dates:**

National Historic Landmark?: ☐

National Register: 9/18/1980

New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979

Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977

Certification of Eligibility:

SHPO Opinion:

Local Designation: 9/26/1988

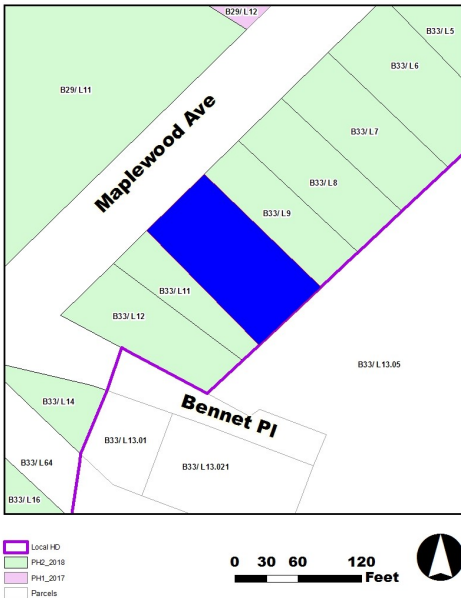
Other Designation:

Other Designation Date:

☐ Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

Location Map:



Site Map:



BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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Author:	Title:	Year:	HPO Accession #: (if applicable)
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury	1995	
(None Listed)	1933 Sanborn Map	1933	
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey	1979	
(None Listed)	1876 Everts and Stewart Map	1876	
(None Listed)	1916 Sanborn Map	1916	
(None Listed)	1850 Otley and Keily Map	1850	
Heritage Studies	Preserving Cranbury Township	1989	
Chambers, John Whiteclay II	Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present	2012	
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury, Volume II	1998	
(None Listed)	Aerial and street view photography for 1931, 1940, 1947, 1953, 1957, 1963, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1979, 1987, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2015 available at historicaerials.com and for 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016, and 2017 available through Google Earth		

Additional Information:

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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:

Date form completed: 8/17/2018

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