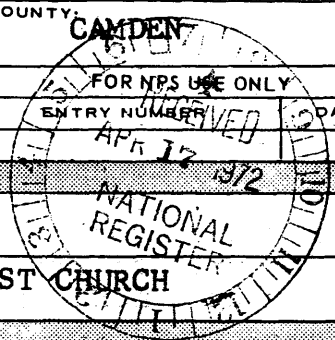


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HB 300750
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1. NAME

COMMON: THE HADDON FORTNIGHTLY CLUB HOUSE

AND/OR HISTORIC: formerly THE HADDONFIELD METHODIST CHURCH

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 301 King's Highway, East (Corner of Grove Street)

CITY OR TOWN: HADDONFIELD

STATE: NEW JERSEY	CODE: 34	COUNTY: CAMDEN	CODE: 007
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>Civic</u>
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes: Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: THE HADDON FORTNIGHTLY (Incorporated 1919)

STREET AND NUMBER: 301 King's Highway, East (Corner Grove Street)

CITY OR TOWN: HADDONFIELD STATE: NEW JERSEY CODE: 34

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: The Camden County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER: Sixth & Market Sts.

CITY OR TOWN: Camden STATE: New Jersey CODE: 34

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: New Jersey Historic Sites Inventory

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Office of Historic Sites

STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1420

CITY OR TOWN: Trenton STATE: New Jersey CODE: 34

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7. Description

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The building is an historic landmark built in 1857 as the third Methodist Church. A reproduction of its 19th century appearance is attached, showing its steeple and pedimented King's Hy. facade with high front entrance doors. This was taken from the church's 1929 publication "Methodism in Haddonfield" on their 100th Anniversary. A parsonage, still standing also, was erected next door in 1858.

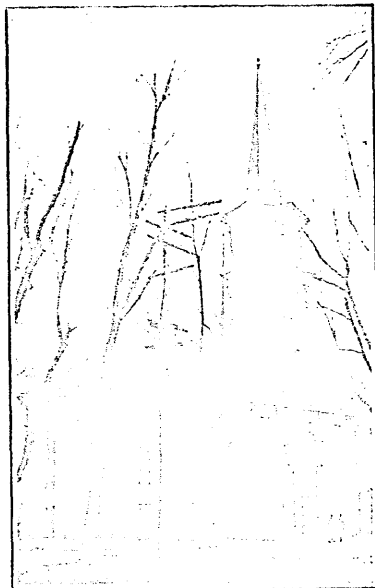
In 1930, the building, then Artisans Hall (a community center), was purchased by The Haddon Fortnightly and minor alterations made. The front was extended, supported by four large columns, the steeple removed and interior renovation done.

It still contains the large auditorium with balcony on the 2nd floor, with a stage and dressing rooms developed. A large meeting room on the first or ground floor, formerly a Sunday School room, with a small stage, tea room, well equipped kitchen with wash rooms, rest rooms, etc.

The exterior is white stucco, green shutters, painted tin roof, white trim, etc. and planted with trees and ground cover along the streets, all in beautiful condition. The interior is well appointed with venetian blinds, draperies, light paint, finished floors and colonial type lighting fixtures.

The building is equipped with modern heating and ventilating systems, electrical work of the latest containing a modern stage lighting system.

The building is in use almost daily.



THIRD M. E. CHURCH
IN HADDONFIELD

A CENTURY

By N. J. WRIGHT

A century has passed away
Since your auspicious natal day,
Since first you raised your standard
high
To Him who reigns o'er earth and sky,
The God whom we adore.

Your fathers laid foundations strong
In faith and love and holy song,
Our mothers here their children
brought.
To them the Holy Bible taught,
And worshipped God in love.

The children of these worthy sires
Have kept the sacred altar fires,
And through the years have reared
the walls
Of this great temple whose voice calls
To work with holy zeal.

Here faithful pastors long have fed
The people with the living bread,
Have led the flock through pastures
green,
Through dangers seen, at times unseen,
The quiet waters by.

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8. Significance

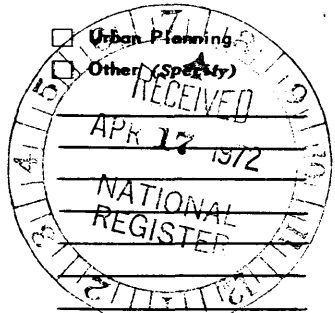
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1857 remodeled 1930

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The building now the Club House of The Haddon Fortnightly has served Haddonfield for 114 years, first as the Methodist Church, then as Artisans Hall, and, since 1930, as the home of The Haddon Fortnightly, a federated Woman's Club of more than six hundred members. The original structure was built in 1857 for the Haddonfield Methodist Church and was used by that church until 1912, when the church left it for a larger new building and the old church became Artisans Hall. In 1930, The Haddon Fortnightly purchased the building for their headquarters.

Shortly after the Civil War, about 1866, Walt Whitman gave one of his famous readings in this building. He spent the day in Haddonfield, also speaking at the Opera House and at the New Jersey Building of The Centennial, which had been moved to Haddonfield from Philadelphia. These events are documented in Whitman's biography.

As a church, this building played an important role in the life of the community and of the Methodist Church. When it changed hands in 1912, it still was a center for community life, as it was used by many organizations for their meetings as well as for community events. Under the ownership of The Haddon Fortnightly, it not only provides a place for their meetings and wide variety of activities --- the annual Antique Show, center for the annual Garden Tour, art classes, card parties--- but it also is used by several civic groups and local societies and for social affairs and wedding receptions, thus playing a very important part in the social life of this Quaker town.

The original building, though still, slightly remodeled from a church to a community and club building, retains the ground floor meeting room, a tea room and well equipped kitchen so that it is ideally suited for dinner meetings and large social functions. With its large auditorium and balcony on the upper floor and a complete stage with modern lighting equipment, the building gives the Haddonfield Plays and Players facilities for their productions and is used by dance groups, art classes and civic organizations throughout the year. With its impressive white-columned facade, this building has had so large a place in the life of Haddonfield, a town of 14,000 with no other community building, that it is too important architecturally and too useful generally not to be preserved. It is a vital part of Haddonfield.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"A HISTORY OF THE HADDON FORTNIGHTLY" 45th Anniversary
 1894/1939 published Sept. 1939 by the Club.
 "THIS IS HADDONFIELD" published 1963 by The Historical Society
 of Haddonfield.
 "METHODISM IN HADDONFIELD" published in 1929 by The Methodist
 Church on the 100th Anniversary.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY **LOT 119.56'x60' plus L/16.5'x 42.25'**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Louis Heyer Goettelmann, A.I.A., F.I.A.L.

ORGANIZATION: **Registered Architect** DATE: **Sept. 15th 1971**

STREET AND NUMBER:
483 Loucroft Road

CITY OR TOWN: **Haddonfield** STATE: **New Jersey** CODE: **34**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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 National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: *Richard J. Sullivan*
 Richard J. Sullivan

Title: Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection

Date: MAR 30 1972

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 10/26/72

ATTEST:

William J. Stewart
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: 10.19.72

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Congressional Representation

Honorable Clifford P. Case - U.S. Senator
Honorable Harrison A. Williams - U.S. Senator
Honorable Edwin B. Forsythe - Congressman
(Sixth Congressional District)

