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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

CHARLES S. SHULTZ HOUSE

AND/OR COMMON

SOMETIMES CALLED "EVERGREENS"

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 30 NORTH MOUNTAIN AVENUE

CITY, TOWN

MONTCLAIR

___ VICINITY OF

___ NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
11th

STATE

NEW JERSEY

CODE

34

COUNTY

ESSEX

CODE

013

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- EDUCATIONAL
- RELIGIOUS
- ENTERTAINMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- GOVERNMENT
- TRANSPORTATION
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

MARIAN SHULTZ

STREET & NUMBER

30 NORTH MOUNTAIN AVENUE

CITY, TOWN

MONTCLAIR

___ VICINITY OF

STATE
NEW JERSEY

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

ESSEX COUNTY COURT HOUSE

STREET & NUMBER

HALL OF RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

NEWARK

STATE
NEW JERSEY

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

New Jersey Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978

___ FEDERAL STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Office of Historic Preservation, 109 W. State Street

CITY, TOWN

Trenton

STATE
New Jersey

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"Evergreens" is set at the crest of a hill near the top of the first Watchung Mountain, the first Mountain range west of New York City. This location gives the home a sweeping view of the New York skyline. The grounds are beautifully landscaped with a variety of specimen trees, shrubs and ground covers.

The house is predominantly Queen Anne in style with a variety of exterior materials being used in combination. The ground level is a mixture of granite and brick. Here and there are richly carved designs and turned wooden spires as well as decoratively cut shingles. The high gables and dormers employ half timbering and stucco. The roof is covered in terra cotta tiles. Bay windows are used on the lower floors. Windows have small paned leaded glass sash above larger clear sash. The chimneys are treated importantly. The overall effect is an interesting interplay of colors and textures characteristic of this style.

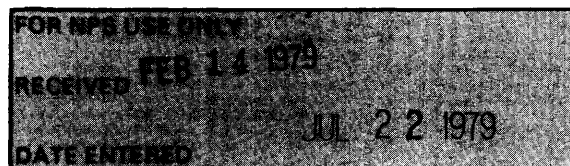
Most notable in the interior is the sense of space that flows outward from the large central entrance hall into a variety of rooms on the ground floor. They themselves are never tightly enclosed. The extraordinary carved oak panelling and carving is another important feature. Since the treasures accumulated by three generations of the family are visible throughout the interior, the eye of the observer is well fed through its twenty-odd rooms.

Of added interest is the well designed stable - carriage house now converted into an independent dwelling. A well, still functioning, is handsomely enriched by decorative wrought iron grillwork.

THE FOLLOWING ORIGINAL ARTICLES ADD TO THE OVERALL IMPORTANCE:

1. Complete Period furnishings and rugs.
2. Art collection that includes an original George Inness painting and an alabaster Taj Mahal, and 19th century oriental objects of art.
3. Original wall coverings.
4. Original finish on all interior oak woodwork.

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Description (continued)

5. 1,000 plus volume library including: a) Microscope, b) Games and Minerals, c) History, d) Encyclopedias (American, New International, and Britanica 11).
6. Delft tile around dining room fireplace.
7. Dual gas and electric lamps and most with vaseline glass shades.
8. Hand operated elevator.
9. Burglar alarm system.
10. Interior communication system.
11. Rooftop observatory with telescope.
12. Mothproof room.
13. Complete woodworking shop - many hand and electric tools.
14. Scientific apparatus including Bi and Monocular Spencer lens microscopes with many lens, objectives and eye pieces.

The main floor of the Carriage house is relatively unaltered and includes original box and loose stalls, harness and tack room and ample space for a winter and summer carriage and a sleigh (not present).

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1892 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Michel Moracin Le Brun

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mr. Charles S. Shultz was a prominent Montclair citizen whose activities included: President of the Hoboken Savings Bank, founder of the Charles S. Shultz Building Materials Company, organizer of the Montclair Trust Company, President of the New Jersey Savings Bank Assoc., The New York Building Materials Exchange, and the New York Microscopic Society.

In 1892 Shultz engaged the architect, Michel Moracin Le Brun (1856-1913), a junior member of the architectural offices of Napoleon Le Brun & Sons, a leading New York architectural firm, to build "Evergreens". The firm designed many projects in New York City, including the Home Life Insurance Company, Church of the Epiphany, Church of St. Mary the Virgin, and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Building in Madison Square. The later is considered the firm's outstanding achievement. Michel and his brother, Pierre, both assisted their father in preparing the plans for this building. The firm also produced a number of municipal building designs including the old New York City Education Building at Park Avenue and 59th Street. The Shultz House is one of their few residential commissions. Michel Le Brun was a resident of Montclair from 1896 until his death in 1913. His home was located on South Mountain Avenue just down the road from "Evergreens".

The construction was completed in 1896 and from that date to this the Shultz family has made it their home. The architectural drawings, correspondence and contracts with most of the contractors still exist. Photograph taken in 1897 attest to the fact that the interior and exterior of this unique time capsule are relatively unchanged. "Evergreens" represents a fascinating look into an important era.

As Montclair developed into a thriving suburban community, its buildings reflected the growth and interests of the residents filling in the orchards, farms and wilderness with villas, cottages, and mansions. In 1678 Newark settlers obtained the land from the foot to the top of the mountain

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Original Architectural Drawings
2. Original Crafts Contracts
3. Original Photographs
4. Correspondence between M. Shultz and Montclair Historical Society

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2.75

QUADRANGLE NAME Orange QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 5655010 45191000
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The nominated property occupies city block 1401, lot 2 and is approximately 200 X 553 feet in size.

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 / TITLE Ronald C. Perez, President;
 Dennis A. Mylan, President

DATE June 2, 1978

ORGANIZATION Montclair Historical Society
 Northern N.J. Chapter, Victorian Society in America

STREET & NUMBER P.O. Box 322, TELEPHONE (201) 744-1796

CITY OR TOWN Montclair, STATE New Jersey 07042

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE X LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

Deputy

[Signature]

9-15-78

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Environmental Protection DATE

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Bill Labovich
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

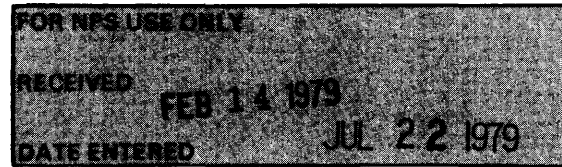
ATTEST: *Lynn J. Becker*
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE July 22, 1979

DATE July 18, 1979

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Significance (continued)

from the Leni Lenape Indians for 3 coats, 2 guns, 13 barrels of rum. By 1705 a road ran from Newark to the Mountain coming down what is now Belleville Avenue, Glen Ridge Avenue, and Church Street (Old Road) turning north on Valley Road and then turning West on Claremont Avenue passing "Evergreens". Montclair population increased with construction of the Newark Pompton Turnpike (Now Bloomfield Avenue) in 1811, the opening of the Morris Canal in 1832 and the beginning of the railroad service from Newark in 1856. Montclair's population in 1868 was 2,000. The Greenwood Lakes and Jersey City line was completed in 1873 and 1900 the population had increased to 13,962. Montclair had become a place for summer vacationers and a bedroom community for New York City.

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Addendum:

The Shultz House is a fine example of Queen Anne style architecture with a reliance upon Tudor half-timbering on the exterior. Designed by noted architect Michel Moracin LeBrun this is perhaps the best example of Queen Anne in Essex County and is the only known LeBrun work in New Jersey.

The remarkable intact state of preservation of the Shultz House, particularly on the interior, makes this one of the most pristine examples of late 19th century high style architecture in the state. Notable features, all original, include the finished woodwork, tile, wallpaper, furnishings, library, dual gas and electric fixtures, rooftop observatory, and complete woodworking shop provide an exceptional perspective into the late 19th - early 20th century.