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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property


historic name Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon Fraternity
other names/site Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building (use for publication)

2. Location

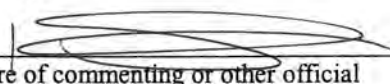
street & number 242 High Street not for publication N/A
city or town Middletown vicinity N/A
state Connecticut code CT county Middlesex code 007 zip code 06457

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally . (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)


Signature of certifying official _____ Date 7.14.09
Karen Senich, State Historic Preservation Officer, Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)


Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date 7.14.09
CCT / SHPO
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building

Name of Property

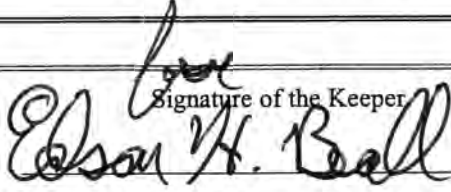
Middlesex, CT

County and State

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register.
- See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register
- See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper


Date of Action
 11.4.09

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
	buildings
	sites
	structures
	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL/clubhouse/meeting hall
DOMESTIC/institutional housing

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

SOCIAL/clubhouse/meeting hall
DOMESTIC/institutional housing

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE VICTORIAN/Richardsonian Romanesque
LATE 19TH CENTURY REVIVALS/Jacobethan

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation granite/sandstone
 walls brick
 roof slate
 other walls: stucco
 other terra cotta

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Middletown, Middlesex County, CT

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The Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, designed in the Richardsonian Romanesque and Jacobethan Revival styles, was completed in 1893. It is sited on a sloping landscaped lot at the southeast corner of High and College streets, directly across from the main campus of Wesleyan University. Hedges set off the property from the sidewalk and there is a large parking lot below the building at the rear of the property.

An imposing, load-bearing brick structure with a tower at the northeast (rear) corner, the Psi Upsilon Building rests on a high, rusticated granite foundation with a watertable (Photographs 1, 2, 3). Steep intersecting slate roofs display half timbering in the gable peaks. Yellow Pompeian brick walls are set off by contrasting terra cotta and rusticated brownstone sills, lintels and a belt course; the latter material is also used for the chimney base on the north elevation. Most of the window openings have segmental arches with a double, brick-header course and brownstone sills. Other masonry details include slightly darker brick or stone quoining to delineate outside corners, or to frame doors and windows. Two-story, half timbered walls enclose the former porch at the rear of the building.

The projecting façade pavilion, which contains the main entrance, is flanked by pilasters with brownstone capitals and finials. A finial caps the gable peak, which is embellished with foliated terra cotta tiles and strap work enclosed in a triangular frame (Photographs 4, 5). The entranceway, with its double-leaf, wood paneled doors and large fanlight, is sheltered within a compound Roman arch of brownstone, with a partial terra cotta surround. It is surmounted by a tripartite brownstone plaque with the fraternity emblem and relevant dates.

The north elevation features a loggia with brownstone pillars at the first-floor level. The pillars consist of stacked, rusticated stone discs, with cushion capitals incised with stylized leaf patterns (Photographs 6, 7). Angled header brick forms a narrow decorative belt course above the brownstone lintel. Ironwork railings between the pillars are curved to match the leading edge of the loggia floor. Similar pillars of rock-face granite support the rear addition (Photograph 8). Smoother stones at the top and just above the base are flared to serve as capitals and water tables, respectively.

The four-story stair tower, which is capped by a conical slate roof, has a single dormitory room on the top floor, illuminated by two large round eyebrow windows with exterior grills. The fenestration on the lower floors is staggered to light the circular staircase. The original wooden stairs were replaced with steel in 1983 to meet safety codes. The exterior brick walls are detailed with decorative vertical strips of darker header brick that run from the watertable to the roofline.

Starting in 1916, the original leaded sash was gradually replaced with conventional multi- or single-pane wood sash. Historic photographs show that the replacement process continued for at least 60 years; some leaded windows were still in place on the façade in 1983. Today, most of fenestration consists of metal-framed, double-glazed operable casements with fixed transoms. The only remaining group of original windows is located on the south elevation above the main stairway landing.

As shown in Exhibit A, the interior plan of the first floor consists of three large rooms, which are finished with plaster walls, wood floors, built-in oak benches and paneled wainscot. Wide openings between the rooms and to the main

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stairwell are framed by paneled pilasters that support an entablature with basket-arched spandrels. The present appearance of much of the first floor dates from the 1916 remodeling. At that time the woodwork was refinished and two fireplace surrounds were rebuilt.¹ The original dark oak varnish still remains in the small anteroom at the southwest corner² and on the upper floors. A comparison of a c. 1915 photograph of the entrance hall prior to the remodeling (Exhibit B) to Photograph 9 reveals the extent of the changes to this room. The coal stove and stack in the center of the room were removed and a new fireplace surround and chimney breast of oak were installed. Note that the paneling of this chimney breast was designed to match the existing brownstone plaque above the front door.

The main staircase on the south side of this room was not changed (Photographs 10, 11). As it does today, paneled oak wainscot steps up the south wall of the stair well, matched on the north wall by paneled shelves. At the landing, the shelves give way to a balustrade with drops and square paneled newels. Wainscot continues along the landing and up the outside north wall to the second floor hallway, now fitted with fire-rated glass and metal partitions with doors.

The other remodeled fireplace is set within a large paneled recess on the north wall (Photograph 12). The enframing of the firebox here is identical to one in the entrance hall. A simple mantel board is supported by end brackets. Raised panels above the mantel take notice of various fraternal award programs.

A mezzanine at the north end of the dining hall extends into the room (Photograph 13). This projecting section is detailed with large wooden corbels, wood paneling, and a colonnade with arched spandrels. The glazed multipaned doors below provide access to the loggia, located under the rest of the mezzanine.

The upper floors are mainly reserved for dormitory space and there is a chapter meeting room in the northwest corner of the third floor. The adjacent library was taken from the stage area of the chapter room during the 1916 remodeling. At that time faux half timbering was installed on the gabled ceiling of the latter room, but the original dark woodwork, furniture, and light fixtures remain in place.³

¹ Although accounts of the remodeling suggest that the rest of the dark wood paneling and casework was actually replaced, it is more likely that it was just refinished to match the new oak fireplace surrounds.

² Additional lavatory space under the stairs is accessed from this room.

³ At the request of the fraternity no photographs were taken of this private space.

Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building

Name of Property

Middlesex, CT

County and State

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

EDUCATION

Period of Significance

1843-1950

Significant Dates

1891-1893; 1916; 1950

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Colin C. Wilson, architect, London, England

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon; Wesleyan University Archives

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Statement of Significance

A major architectural contributor to "Fraternity Row" at Wesleyan University, the Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building is distinguished by a well-proportioned, eclectic design that skillfully utilizes polychrome masonry to integrate the Richardsonian Romanesque and Jacobethan Revival styles. A commanding presence in this historic campus neighborhood since 1893, this well-preserved building set a high architectural standard for all the private institutional fraternity housing that followed. In addition, the Xi chapter of Psi Upsilon derives considerable historical significance as an exemplar of the role of the fraternity system in the development of post-secondary education in the United States.

Historical Background and Significance

The fraternity movement evolved from the colonial literary and debating societies established at American colleges in the eighteenth century. They included Phi Beta Kappa, founded in 1776 on the eve of the American Revolution at the College of William and Mary in Virginia. The premier academic honor society on many campuses today, PBK established the custom of using Greek letters to name college fraternities and sororities in the United States.

Undergraduate fraternities originated at Union College in Schenectady, New York, with the founding of Kappa Alpha in 1825, soon followed by Sigma Phi and Delta Phi in 1827. Psi Upsilon was established at most major colleges and universities by mid-century. In addition to Xi chapter founded at Wesleyan in 1843, there were new chapters at New York University, Harvard, Yale, Brown, Amherst, Dartmouth, Columbia, Hamilton, and Bowdoin. The so-called Mystical Associations, such as Delphian at Union, Skull and Bones at Yale, and the Mystical Seven at Wesleyan also flourished in this period. Although some college administrators were ambivalent about the value of the "undemocratic" fraternity system, which came under fire for its secret rituals and/or alleged connections with Freemasonry, itself a target of populist rhetoric,⁴ fraternities were a major presence on most college campuses by the end of the century. In fact, in 1903, an astonishing 90 percent of the 322 students at Wesleyan were members of one of the seven fraternities there (six national and one local).

A leader in the national fraternity movement, Psi Upsilon was well established by 1900. With 11,000 members in 23 chapters it was the first to promote fraternal ties between chapters by sponsoring national conventions and by publishing and distributing books to members and alumni, including a national history, a song book, and a magazine. Among its many distinguished alumni were two presidents, Chester Arthur and William Howard Taft, and more recently, cabinet secretary, William Cohen, and supreme court justice, John Paul Stevens.

Most private colleges benefited from their association with Greek letter societies. At Wesleyan, where denominational identity peaked about 1890, the fraternity system tended to accelerate the transition from a Methodist seminary to a well-rounded liberal arts college. With a greater emphasis on academic professionalism on the part of the faculty, along with the contributions of fraternities and their alumni to scholarship and sports, Wesleyan attracted more students from urban communities and prestigious preparatory schools. For undergraduates, inter-fraternity rivalries for academic honors raised standards for the entire student body; Xi chapter often took more prizes than all the rest combined. Graduates still entered the ministry, but the majority now became doctors, lawyers, engineers, and businessmen.

⁴ A few did have explicit ties to the Masons, including three fraternities founded at Miami University in Ohio in 1827, most others, including Psi Upsilon, had no official connection to that movement.

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These more cosmopolitan professionals, who came to dominate alumni groups in New York City and Boston, hoped to promote a more masculine image for Wesleyan through an organized intercollegiate sports program. Although they may have disagreed with their Methodist brethren on the issue of women's rights to a higher education,⁵ both found the concept of "robust Christianity" fully compatible with religious doctrine. Alumni underwrote the cost of professional coaching and contributed to the building of a new modern gymnasium in 1894, followed by a new athletic field four years later. Similar programs took place at most New England colleges in this period. With success on the playing field, inter-collegiate athletic contests, once just covered in the college newspaper, were reported in the *New York Tribune* and other urban dailies, which did much to raise public awareness and reshape Wesleyan's identity.

Virtually every sports team at Wesleyan was managed and/or captained by Psi Upsilon members. One Psi Upsilon member of the New York Alumni Club, himself a former captain of two teams, was prompted to applaud the sports program as a counterbalance to the "feminizing" influence of coeducation. Sports continued to be an important part of college life, as underscored by the fact that Frank Nicholson, dean of the college, was a charter member and secretary/treasurer of the NCAA (1909-1939).

Fraternity alumni also were responsible for new chapter houses at Wesleyan, which did much to relieve a student housing shortage. Previously, most undergraduates, including Psi Upsilon members, had boarded in private homes off campus until the 1870s, when the first Psi Upsilon fraternity house was built on Broad Street. Starting in 1893 with Psi Upsilon's new chapter house, in little more than a decade a second generation of fraternity houses was erected, a major contribution to a more modern campus. They mainly were sponsored and financed by wealthy fraternity alumni, who often incorporated for this purpose. As was the case at many of Wesleyan's sister institutions, in their role as stepping stones to the male dominated urban club society that flourished at the turn of the century, these chapter houses introduced mainly middle-class undergraduates to the amenities of upper-class life. Although only 50 percent of all students could be accommodated, it was estimated that chapter housing saved the college some \$200,000 in dormitory construction,⁶ thereby freeing up institutional funds for the expansion of the academic infrastructure.

Architectural Significance

Many of the chapter houses at Wesleyan were designed by well-known New York architects. Among them were Raymond Almirall (Chi Psi, 1904), the designer of the Brooklyn Public Library; Charles Rich (Alpha Delta Phi, 1905), who also designed Bryant Park, an artists' facility in New York, as well as the Scott Laboratory on campus, and most notably, Henry Bacon, best known for the Lincoln Memorial, who designed a classical building for Eclectic, the local fraternity on High Street. Psi Upsilon was a notable exception. Although Carrere and Hastings of New York (architects for the New York Public Library) submitted plans for the building in 1890, a young, unknown English architect, Colin C. Wilson, was selected, largely upon the recommendation of the London-based alumni member who underwrote most of the \$40,000 cost of the project.

⁵ Like most Methodist institutions of the day it was nominally coeducational (1872 to 1911), but the number of female students never exceeded ten percent.

⁶ Bradford Raymond, college president from 1889 to 1908. Cited in David Potts, *Wesleyan University, 1831-1910: Collegiate Enterprise in New England* (Yale University Press; New Haven and London, 1992), p. 200.

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Although nothing is known about Wilson's later career, his Psi Upsilon fraternity building was a triumph. Touted as the "model fraternity clubhouse,"⁷ its bold design set a high standard for all the chapter houses that followed. Even though most of them tended to reflect "metropolitan tastes and values,"⁸ none approached the level of style or sophistication of this building. Only one example, the half timbered c. 1910 Beta Theta Pi House at 184 High Street, employs any similar early English Revival features. As for the rest, with the exception of a fraternity that took over an existing Greek Revival (the 1841 Edward Augustus Russell Houses at 318 High Street, they all were designed in fairly traditional Neo-Classical or Colonial Revival styles.

More akin to an urban townhouse than an institutional dwelling, Colin Wilson's Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building celebrates two of the major styles of the late Victorian period. Employing brownstone and granite from local quarries just across the Connecticut River in Portland, and brick imported from Perth Amboy, New Jersey, his design is a study in contrasts. Although this quality is most obvious in the half-timbered and stuccoed gable peaks, the skillful interplay of texture and color in the composition of the façade pavilion is more subtle. There rather delicate yellow brick walls are a foil for the rugged brownstone masonry and intricate terra cotta work that dramatizes the entranceway, itself a bold expression of the Richardsonian Romanesque.

Perhaps Wilson's most remarkable achievement was the ability to successfully integrate an institutional dormitory with 18 suites and a dining hall seating 70 (the size of a small hotel), into an existing residential neighborhood that contained many of Middletown's most significant historic houses. Various devices were employed to maintain the existing rhythm of this fashionable streetscape and to project the illusion of residential scale. Chief among them is the proportional scaling of the principal elevations, which also take advantage of the slope of the lot to reduce the apparent size of the structure. While the rusticated stone masonry that demarcates the lower levels makes the foundation a key design element and serves to anchor the building well below street grade, the gradual refinement of materials on the upper elevations also does much to diminish the actual mass and scale of the structure.

⁷ Potts, n 72, p. 194.

⁸ Potts, p. 189.

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Name of Property

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County and State

10. Geographical Data

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UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By:

name/title Jan Cunningham, National Register Consultant

organization Cunningham Preservation Associates, LLC date 02/2009

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city or town Middletown state CT zip code 06457

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Harrington Literary Society, c/o Undergraduate Historian

street & number P.O. Box 2458 telephone (505) 363 9702

city or town Middletown state CT zip code 06457

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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_North_American_fraternities_and_sororities

10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundaries of the nominated property are described in the Middletown Land Records in volume 116, page 344 in a deed dated April 2, 1888.

Boundary Justification:

The nominated property is the above described lot, the boundaries of which have remained the same since it was purchased by Psi Upsilon in 1888.

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List of Photographs

Photographer: Cunningham Preservation Associates

Dates: 08/08 – 12/08 Negatives on File: CCC&T

1. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Façade, camera facing E
2. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, North Elevation, camera facing SE
3. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Rear and North Elevations, camera facing SW
4. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Main Entrance, camera facing SE
5. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Façade Gable, camera facing E
6. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, North Elevation (lower half), camera facing SE
7. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Loggia, North Elevation, camera facing SE
8. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Pillars, Rear elevation, camera facing NW
9. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Entrance Hall, camera facing SE
10. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Main Staircase (up from 1st floor), camera facing SW
11. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Main Staircase (up from landing), camera facing SE
12. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Fireplace, North Wall, camera facing NW
13. Psi Upsilon Fraternity Building, Mezzanine in Dining Hall, camera facing NE

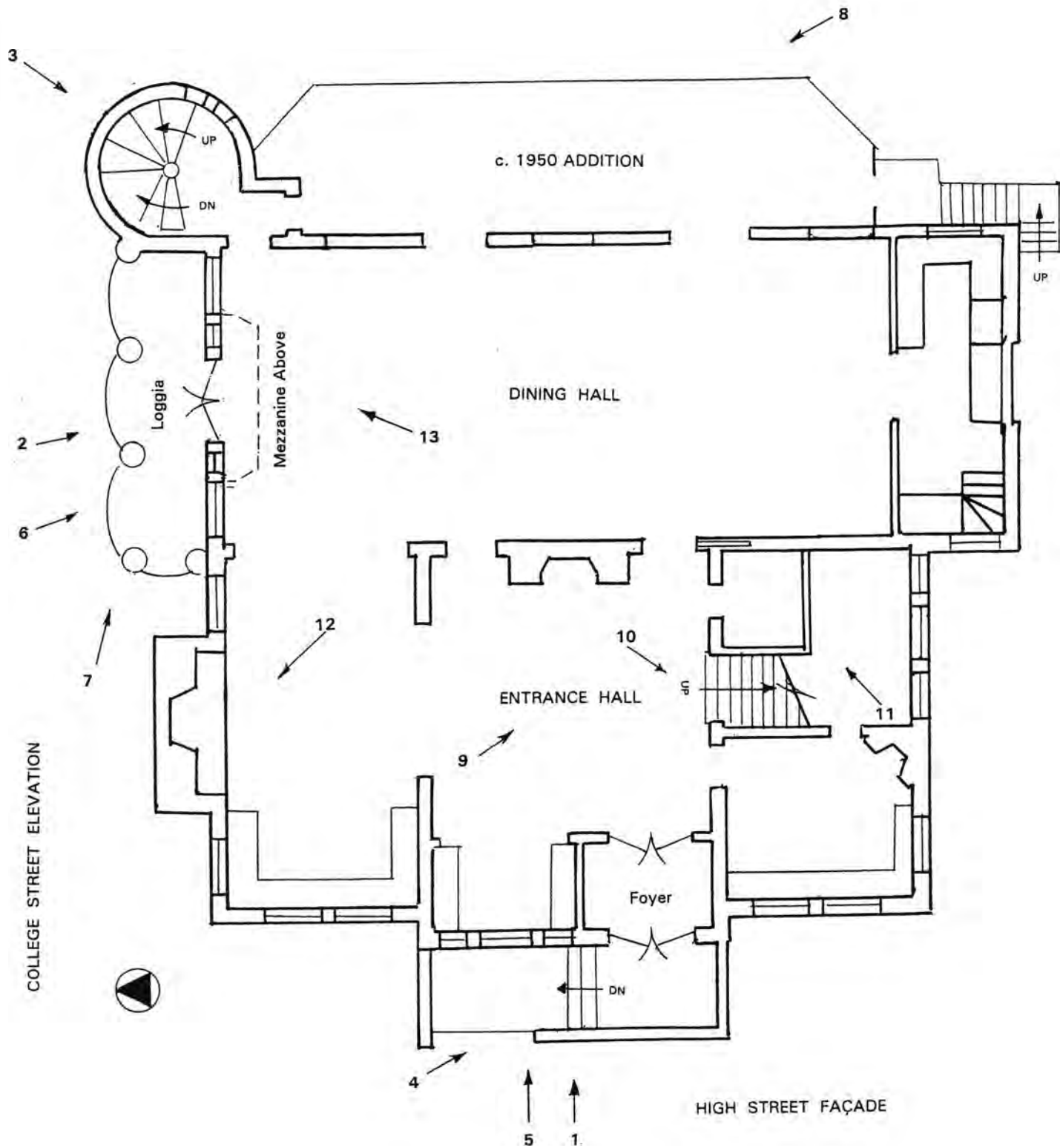


EXHIBIT A - FIRST FLOOR PLAN

**Psi Upsilon Fraternity
242 High Street
Middletown, CT**

Approximate Scale: 3/32" = 1'
Numbered Arrows: Photograph Views

Sketch Plan (1983): Jeter, Cook & Jepson, Architects
Amended by Cunningham Preservation Assoc., LLC, 12/08



EXHIBIT B – Entrance Hall, c. 1915

Courtesy of Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon Fraternity

**Psi Upsilon Fraternity
242 High Street
Middletown, CT**

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Xi Chapter, Psi Upsilon Fraternity

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: CONNECTICUT, Middlesex

DATE RECEIVED: 9/25/09 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 10/09/09
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 10/24/09 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 11/08/09
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 09000870

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 11.4.09 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Entered in
The National Register
of
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RECOM./CRITERIA _____

REVIEWER _____ DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.





















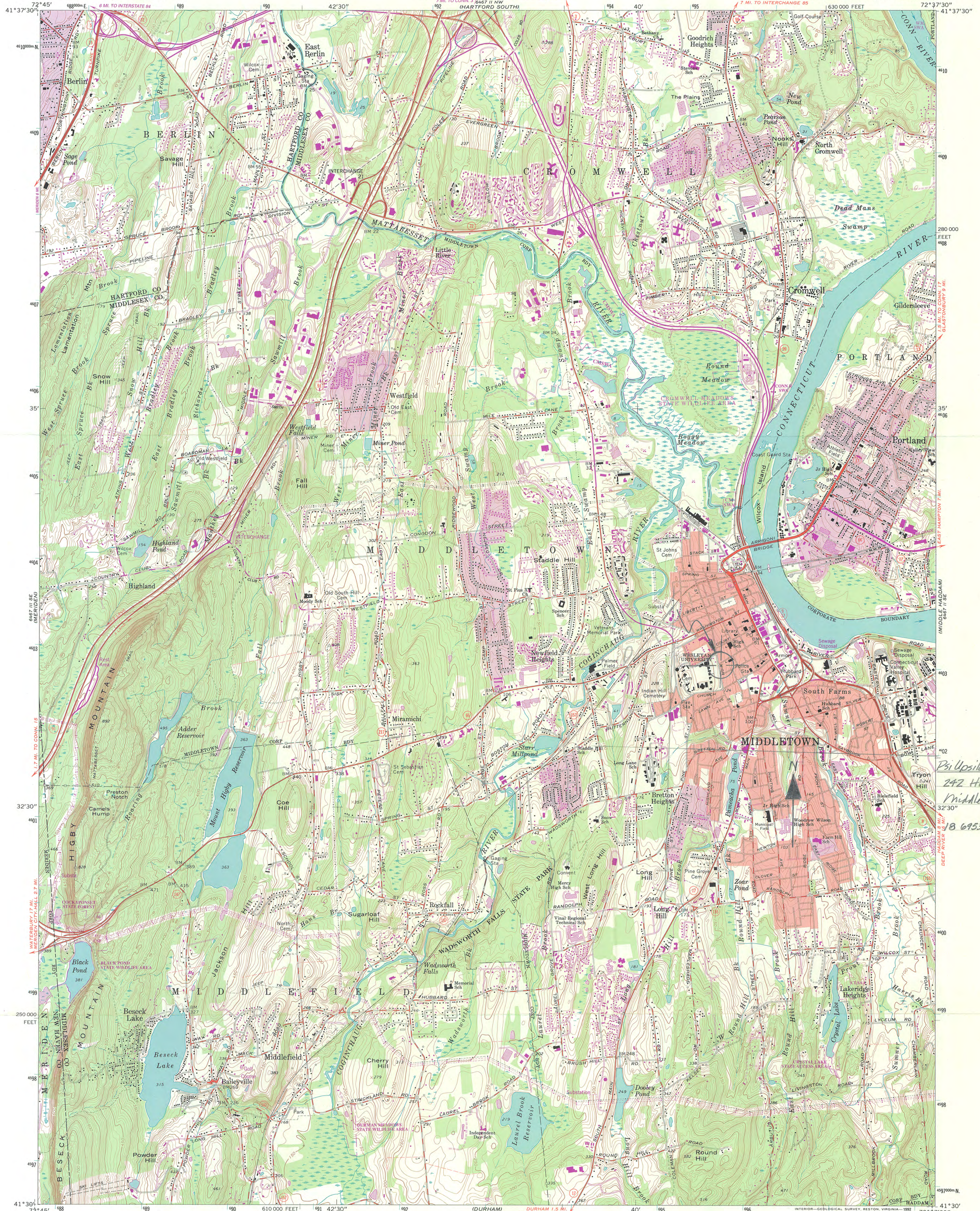






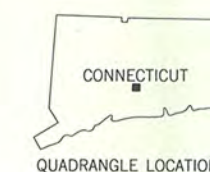
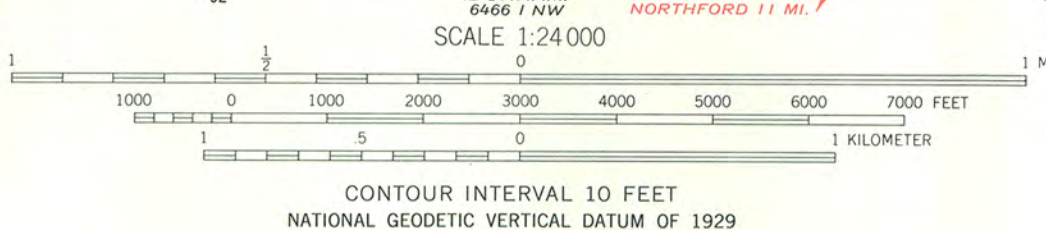
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intersections are given in USGS Bulletin 1875
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generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
There may be private inholdings within the boundaries of
the National or State reservations shown on this map

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Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

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TO: J. Paul Loether, Chief
National Register of Historic Places

FROM: Stacey Vairo, National Register Coordinator

SUBJECT: National Register Nomination

The following materials are submitted on this 21 day of September
2008, for nomination of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, Middletown
Connecticut

to the National Register of Historic Places:

- Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form
- Multiple Property Nomination form
- Photographs
- Original USGS maps
- Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)
- Pieces of correspondence
- Other negatives

COMMENTS:

- Please insure that this nomination is reviewed
- This property has been certified under 36 CFR 67
- The enclosed owner objections do _____ do not _____
constitute a majority of property owners.
- Other: _____