

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Wisconsin
COUNTY: Waukesha
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE DEC 27 1974

1 NAME

COMMON:

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Chandler, Walter S., House

2 LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
151 West College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Waukesha

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
9th

STATE: **Wisconsin** CODE: **55** COUNTY: **Waukesha** CODE: **133**

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<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	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. J. F. Thomas (Mildred Hartman Thomas)

STREET AND NUMBER:
151 West College Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Waukesha

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5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Waukesha County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
515 West Moreland Avenue

CITY OR TOWN:
Waukesha

STATE:
Wisconsin CODE: **55**

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Wisconsin Inventory of Historic Buildings and Sites

DATE OF SURVEY: **1971** Federal State County Local

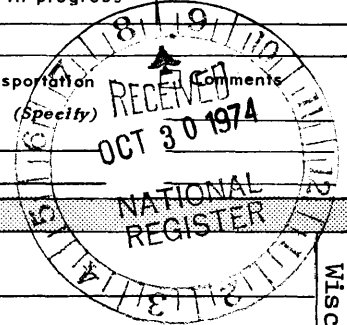
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
State Historical Society of Wisconsin

STREET AND NUMBER:
816 State Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Madison

STATE:
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This delightful Victorian Gothic house stands on a large, attractively landscaped lot on the south side of West College Avenue, south of downtown Waukesha.

It is a frame building with narrow clapboard siding and wood trim--all painted white. Plan and elevations are asymmetrical. The main block is T-shaped in plan, two and one-half stories in height, surmounted by intersecting gabled roofs that terminate in decorative bargeboards and are ornamented with iron cresting at the ridges. On the east elevation is a single story porte-cochere with a hipped roof; on the north elevation is a four story tower with little balconies at the fourth floor level and a hipped roof. On the northwest corner of the house is a single story Gothic-arched veranda that is crowned by a cupola, and on the west elevation, second story, is an oriel window. The main entrance is on the north, in the base of the tower, and is sheltered by a gabled hood on brackets. Window openings vary in shape--some are rectangular, some pointed--and a number of them have decorative wood trim. There is additional wood ornament on the tower and on the attic levels of north and east elevations.

At the rear of the house is a one story wing, a portion of which appears to be a later addition. If so, this is the lone alteration to the exterior. Changes have been made on the interior--installation of electricity, central heating, and hardwood floors--but the original partitions and fireplaces, together with much of the original woodwork and plasterwork, have survived. And the house has been carefully kept up.



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4. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1876-77

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Fanciful and picturesque, carefully preserved and maintained, the Chandler house is Waukesha County's outstanding Victorian Gothic residence. It was designed by Edward Townsend Mix, a prominent Milwaukee architect. When his home was built, Walter S. Chandler (1836-1896) was a lumber dealer. Later in his career, according to Willard Griswold, he became involved in the real estate business and also sold and distributed water from a spring on his property. In the latter regard it may be noted that the late 19th century was the heyday of Waukesha's spas-and-springs era, when the town, nicknamed "Spring City" and "Saratoga of the West," was a popular resort and its spring waters bottled and sold throughout the nation. After Chandler's death, ownership of the house passed to his widow. On her death in 1909, it was purchased by Albert C. Hartman, an executive of the T. A. Chapman department store in Milwaukee, whose daughter is the present owner.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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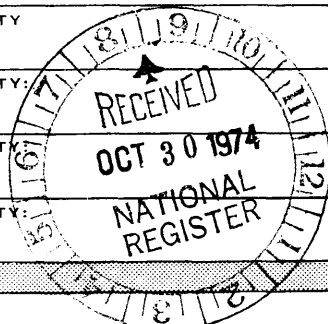
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.0 or less

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:
Mary Ellen Wietczykowski, Chairman

ORGANIZATION: Milwaukee Landmarks Commission DATE: Aug. 14, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER:
734 North Ninth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Milwaukee STATE: Wisconsin 53233 CODE: 55

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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: James Morton Smith
 Title: Director, State Historical Society of Wisconsin
 Date: Oct. 23, 1974

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

[Signature]
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 12/27/74

ATTEST:

[Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 DEC 26 1974

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CHANDLER, WALTER S., HOUSE

11. Donald N. Anderson, Asst. Director, Historic Sites & Markers Division

State Historical Society of Wisconsin

October 10, 1974

816 State Street

Madison

Wisconsin 53706

Code: 55

