

Record No. _____

NOV 4 1986
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INVENTORY FORM FOR NOMINATED PROPERTIES

Name of Property: Trapp Filling Station

Owner: Michael & Liesel Andrae Date: 5/1986

Address: 252-256 West Capitol Drive

Owner's address: 252-256 West Capitol Drive

City: Hartland

County: Waukesha

***160 NRHP Certification**

(a) _____ (b) _____

(c) _____ (d) _____

165 NRHP Certification Date

(a) _____ (b) _____

(c) _____ (d) _____

***170 Thematic or Multiple Resource Nomination Name**

Historic Resources of Hartland

180 NRHP List Name Trapp Filling Station

***200 Level of Significance** local

***190 District Classification** _____

***210 Applicable Criteria** (C) Architecture

***215 Criteria Considerations**

***220 Area of Significance**

Architecture

230 Period of Significance 1922

60 Verbal Boundary Description Lot 76, Assessor's Plat Number Two, Village of Hartland, Wisconsin

70 USGS Quad Map Hartland

80 UTM Coordinates (Format: 99/999999/9999999)
16 / 390080 / 4772920

85 Listed Acreage less than one

340 Review Board Date 7/18/86 , 10/24/86

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One Building

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LOCATION

* 10 County Waukesha

20 City or Village Hartland

30 Civil Town -

35 Unincorp. Community _____

40 Location 252-256 West Capitol Drive
 Town-Range-Section (Format: 9999W-99)
 50 _____

55 Quarter Sections (Format: NW-NW) _____

60 Verbal Boundary Description Lot 76
Assessor's Plat No. 2, Village
of Hartland

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PROGRAM REVIEW

250 Tax No. _____ Compliance No. _____

* 270 A or D Grant _____

275 Covenant/Easement Dates _____

* 320 Ownership Private

* 330 Lead Agency Wisconsin Historic Preservation Di

335 Local Agency SEWRPC

SURVEY

90 Photo Codes 107-27

100 Survey Map Hartland Intensive Survey

110 Map Code 107-27

120 Reconnaissance Surveyor Schockley

130 Reconnaissance Survey Date 1979

* 140 Intensive Survey Name Hartland Intensive Survey

150 Intensive Surveyor Miller/Vogel

152 Surveyor Affiliation _____

155 Intensive Survey FY 1985

* 235 Survey Eval. eligible

* 237 Survey District Classification -

* 240 Survey Level of Significance local

* 243 Survey Evaluation Criteria _____

245 Proposed District _____

280 NHL Date _____

290 HABS No. _____ 300 HAER No. _____

* 305 Local Designation (date) _____

320 Local District _____

315 Associated Archeological Site(s) _____

315 _____

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Number

Street

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Address 252-256 West Capitol Drive

ARCHITECTURE

450 Construction Date [source] 1922 (Tax Records)

460 Date(s) of Alterations/Additions [source] _____

460 _____ - _____

480 Builder [source] _____ - _____

* 490 Designer Type (a) _____ - _____

490 (b) _____ (c) _____

500 Designer Name [source] (a) _____

500 (b) _____ (c) _____

* 510 Style or Form Tudor Revival

510 _____

* 520 Building, Structure, Object or SiteType

520 house & garage

* 530 Wall Material stone veneer, stucco & wood.

* 532 Trim Material _____ wood

* 535 Foundation Material stone-unspecified.

* 537 Roof Material asphalt shingles

* 540 Interior Visited no

* 550 Structural System [source] _____

* 560 Plan Configuration _____ - _____

* 570 Number of Stories two

* 580 Roof Shape multi-gabled

590 Additional Description _____

590 _____

590 _____

590 _____

* 620 Condition _____

650 Related Buildings _____

650 _____

650 _____

HISTORY

430 Current Name Residence

435 Current Function residence

440 Historic Names [source] Trapp Filling Station

440 _____

440 _____

660 Assoc. Individuals [source] (a) _____

660 (b) _____

665 Dates Assoc. [source] (a) _____

665 (b) _____

670 Assoc. Events [source] (a) _____

670 _____

670 (b) _____

670 _____

675 Dates of Events [source] (a) _____

675 (b) _____

680 Historic Functions [source] (a) residence

680 (b) service station (commercial)

685 Dates of Functions [source] (a) 1922-

685 (b) _____

* 687 Cultural Affiliation _____

688 Cultural Subgroup _____

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HISTORICAL BACKGROUNDHISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

For a number of years the residence on the property was occupied by Julius Trapp and his sister Millie Trapp, who may or may not have been the original builders. When the elderly couple died the property was inherited by the August Trapp (1869-1957) family, who lived in an adjacent property. August's son Cornelius was responsible for the transformation of the property as it became his and his new bride's home in the early 1920s. Cornelius Trapp was the first to operate the filling station on the site and the first to put the property to commercial use.

Although the station was located on the major highway into the community, its location was obviously not prominent enough to succeed in sales. The site was soon used by others, twice as a grocery store by the Elmer Hornburg family and the Ferdi Dombroski family. More recently it has seen use as a handcraft outlet store and a health food market. Members of the Trapp family remained residents of the upper residential areas even when changing commercial agents operated out of the lower area.

Interview: Jane Gilbert
628 E. Capitol Drive
7/29.1986.

DESCRIPTION

Located at 252-256 West Capitol Drive in the Village of Hartland, the Trapp Filling Station is a two-story, Tudor Revival structure with a stone foundation and lower story, and an upper level clad in stucco and half-timbering.

Built originally as a single family home, in the 1920s major alterations were performed to turn the property into a combined filling station and residence for the owners. The simple gabled-ell structure at the top of the embankment was connected to a lower storefront and garage space clad in local Lannon stone.

The residential space features stucco siding in a tan color tone with false half-timbering marking the window bays and corner strips. Topped by a multi-gabled roof, the house has two over one double hung windows. A boxed bay stands at the western portion of the front facade. Through a free-standing round arch of stone at the west end of the building is a flight of stairs leading to the main entrance to the living quarters. The entry is marked by a small gables overhang.

A concrete patio area is to the rear.

At ground level along W. Capitol Drive the facade features a garage opening at the eastern most side with a doorway leading to the entrance into the former office directly to the left. The walls of the garage have been plastered to match the office section.

The second floor apartment is leased seperately from the retail space at present and features a remodeled kitchen, plastered walls and dark wood trim.

ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SIGNIFICANCE

The Trapp Filling Station is architecturally significant as a fine local example of the Tudor Revival style applied to commercial architecture, and as an unusual building type mixing residential use with early automobile servicing.

It is one of three Tudor Revival commercial properties being nominated to the National Register in Hartland. The Sign of the Willows (122 E Capitol Drive, 1923) is an uncommon representation of Tudor Revival, suggestive of a hunting lodge, and the White Elm Nursery (621 West Capitol Drive, 1928) designed by the prominent Milwaukee architectural firm of Eschweiler & Eschweiler, is a scholarly example. The Trapp Filling Station is a more vernacular interpretation of the Tudor Revival and retains excellent integrity. As a combination gas station and residence, the Trapp Station is an unusual building type, clearly representing the growing impact of the 20th century "automobile age" on the building forms common to small communities such as Hartland.

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