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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Georgia	
COUNTY: Clarke	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	4/26/72

1. NAME

COMMON:
Garden Club of Georgia Museum - Headquarters House, Founder's

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Memorial Garden.

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Lumpkin Street, University of Georgia campus.

CITY OR TOWN:
Athens

STATE Georgia	CODE 13	COUNTY: Clarke	CODE 059
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
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"/> Public Acquisition: Private <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
Regents of the University System of Georgia

STREET AND NUMBER:
244 Washington Street, S.W.

CITY OR TOWN:
Atlanta

STATE: Georgia	CODE 13
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Clarke County Courthouse, Deed Book B, pages 83 and 87

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Athens

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **2 1/2**

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Athens Historic Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: **1968** Federal State County Local

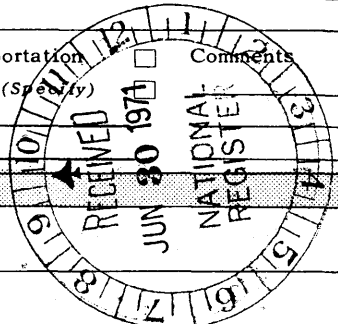
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Special Collections Division, University of Georgia Library

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* a small complex of gardens and buildings

7. DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

1959

Sitting high above Lumpkin Street on the campus of the University of Georgia is a house, complete with out-buildings, now known as the Garden Club of Georgia Museum - Headquarters House. Originally constructed in 1857 as a home for university professors, the house is now leased by the Garden Club of Georgia from the University and was dedicated as its State Headquarters in 1963. Subsequently, the Garden Club of Georgia restored the main house, furnished it with period furnishings, and now operates it as a house museum open to the public without charge. Initial construction in 1857 included the house, a kitchen building, and a smokehouse. As originally constructed, the house consisted of two stories with two rooms and a central hall on each floor. Soon after, a 20 by 40 foot room was added to the rear at the end of the hall. Later additions included two small one-story wings, one of clapboard and one of brick on the sides of the main structure. With exception of the one clapboard wing, all other construction is of red brick. The main house, kitchen building, and smokehouse enclose a space which has been developed as a courtyard as a part of the two and one-half acre Founder's Memorial Garden developed as a living memorial to the twelve founders of the first garden club in America. (The Ladies' Garden Club, founded in Athens in 1891, was America's first garden club.) The garden is actually a series of gardens including a formal boxwood garden, a gravel terrace garden, a sunken formal garden enclosed with a serpentine wall, and several informal gardens as a display of plant materials of Georgia's Piedmont Area. As a part of the garden development, there is a belgian block court at the entrance of the main house.

Exteriors: (1) Main House - a low-pitched gable roof with a simple cornice crowns the major two-story portion of this red brick structure. An interior chimney punctuates the roof at the two gable ends of the house. The one-story addition at the rear has a chimney at the end. All windows are shuttered and are twelve-over-twelve. The simplicity of the front facade is relieved by a one-story gabled porch which is ornamented with cast-iron columns and a ballustrade with twin staircases which sweep out from both sides of the porch. The trabeated doorway opening features the typical Greek Revival treatment with sidelights and those above the door. (2) Out-buildings. The kitchen and smokehouse buildings are of red brick with low-pitched gable roofs. The kitchen building has two doorways leading into two inter-connecting rooms. Interior chimneys are located at the gable ends of the roof. Windows are six-over-six. The smokehouse has a door opening onto the courtyard and on the rear facade, a bay window of later addition.

Interiors: (1) Main House. The entrance hallway features a simple, yet beautiful, stairway to the upper floor. A sitting room and dining room are located on either side of the hall. The rear of the hall features a doorway, matching the main entrance and complete with sidelights and those above, which

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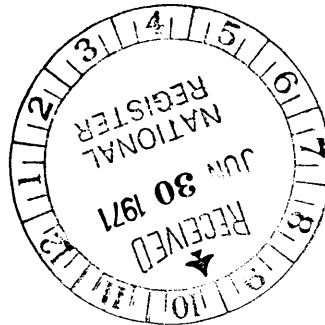
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7. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

opens into the 20 by 40 foot ballroom. Two windows are located on the sides of the room with the fireplace as focal point at the far end. The small upstairs balcony-like hall provides access to two bedrooms, each with a fireplace. All floors are heart pine. (2) Kitchen building. This building is divided into two rooms, each with its own fireplace and simple mantle. Due to the large opening, the kitchen room is easily identified. The second room was used as a summer dining room. Brick floors and stark white plaster over brick walls symbolize the utilitarian nature of this structure.

(3) Smokehouse. The smokehouse has been converted from its original use to that of a memorial to the founders of the first garden club. This small one room structure has brick floors and white plastered walls. A bay window with window seat below has been added for light and provides a view of the formal box garden.



8. SIGNIFICANCE

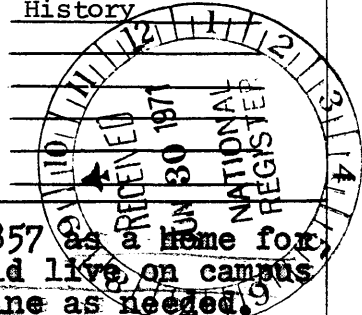
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1857**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| Aboriginal | Education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Political | <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric | Engineering | Religion/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic | Industry | losophy | <input type="checkbox"/> | Architecture | |
| Agriculture | Invention | Science | <input type="checkbox"/> | History | |
| Art | Landscape | Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Commerce | Architecture <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Social/Human- | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Communications | Literature | itarian | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Conservation | Military | Theater | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | Music | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |



STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

When the University built this house in 1857 as a home for professors, it was expected that teachers would live on campus to monitor student activity and apply discipline as needed. Special inducements were offered professors to board students in this house, thereby assuring the maximum direction of the student's activities. With the development of the University, these policies changed, as did the use of this building. Through the years, the house was used for a dining hall, offices, and classrooms. Later, it was selected for a home by Miss Mary Lyndon, the first Dean of Women of the University when women were granted admittance to the University. After Miss Lyndon's death, the structure was used as the chapter house of Phi Mu Sorority, the first sorority established at the University, and, in turn, became the location of the Department of Landscape Architecture. In 1939, Dr. Hubert B. Owens, then Head of the Dept. of Landscape Architecture, suggested the development of the Founder's Memorial Garden as a cooperative project between the Garden Club of Georgia and the University in honor of the founders of the first garden club. When the Dept. of Landscape Architecture moved from the house in 1956, the Student Placement Office occupied the structure. Needing a state headquarters, the Garden Club of Georgia obtained the use of the kitchen building and restored it for that use in 1959. Soon, the Garden Club was able to acquire use of the main house in 1961 and selected Mr. Edward Wade of Augusta as restoration architect. Dedicated in 1963, the house is now decorated and furnished with choice antiques which reflect the period of the structure. Founder's Memorial Garden, developed 1939-1946, together with the Garden Club of Georgia Museum-Headquarter's House, is now recognized nationally and internationally, not only as a memorial to the birth of the garden club movement, but to the culture which made that birth possible.

The garden, the house, and outbuildings are all adjacent to Old North Campus and together constitute part of the historic fabric of the college campus. Each day hundreds of students pass through this complex and thus receive a glimpse of an orderly environment with continuity from the earliest days of the college. Thus in a symbolic sense the house and its grounds do "monitor student activity and apply discipline as needed."

William R. Mitchell, Jr.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Anderson, Mrs. James T. and Tate, Mrs. Susan B., State Headquarters Restoration. Mimeographed notes prepared for the Garden Club of Georgia, Athens, 1968.
 Marsh, Kenneth F. and Blanch, Athens: Georgia's Columned City. Ashville: The Biltmore Press, 1964.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

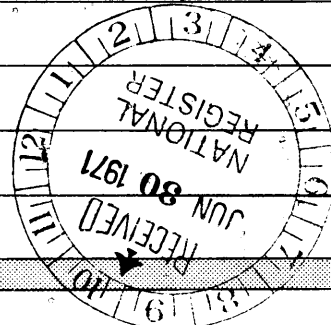
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NE	33° 57' 19"	83° 22' 31"				
SE	33° 57' 13"	83° 22' 31"				
SW	33° 57' 13"	83° 22' 35"				

NO USE
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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:
 John C. Waters, President

ORGANIZATION: Athens-Clarke Heritage Foundation

DATE: June 2, 1971

STREET AND NUMBER:
 P.O. Box 5671

CITY OR TOWN: Athens

STATE: Georgia

CODE: 13

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 Mary Gregory Jewett

Title State Liaison Officer

Date June 23, 1971

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

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

Date 4/26/72

ATTEST:
William H. Huntly
 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

Form 10-301
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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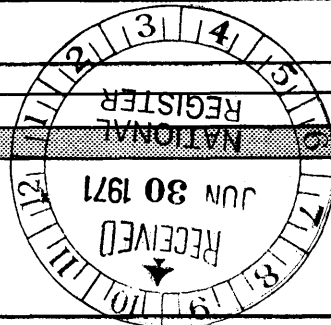
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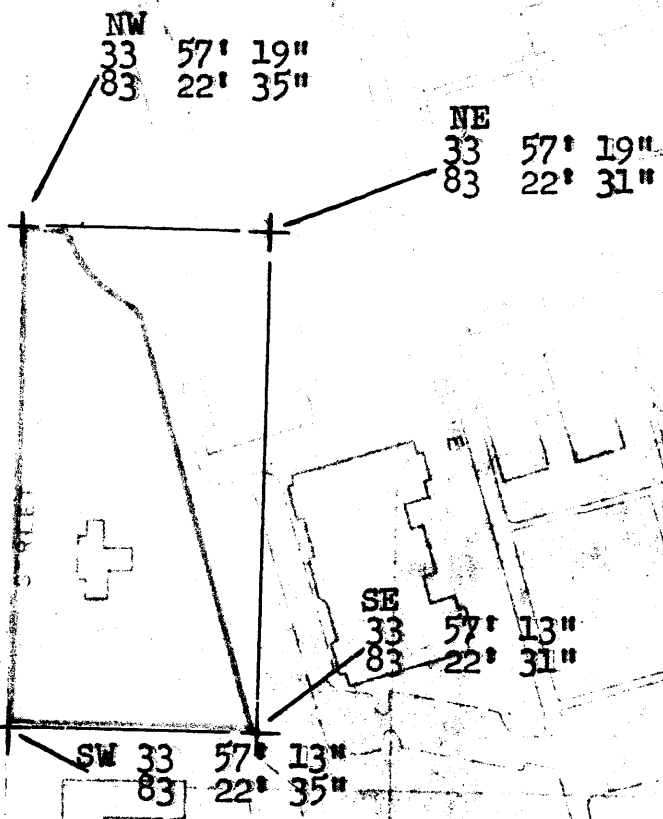
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4. REQUIREMENTS

- TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS
1. Property boundaries where required.
 2. North arrow.
 3. Latitude and longitude reference.





Garden Club of Georgia Museum-Headquarters House, Founder's Memorial Garden, University of Georgia Campus, Athens.

Map furnished by Athens-Clarke County Planning Commission
 Scale: 1" per 200'