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DATA SHEET

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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

****** Barclay Farm House

AND/OR COMMON

Barclay Farmstead

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
Barclay Land

NE of Haddonfield near pt of I-295 & NJ 78

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

~~Cherry Hill~~

VICINITY OF Haddonfield

6th

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

New Jersey

Camden

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

COMMERCIAL

EDUCATIONAL

ENTERTAINMENT

GOVERNMENT

INDUSTRIAL

MILITARY

MUSEUM

PARK

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

RELIGIOUS

SCIENTIFIC

TRANSPORTATION

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Township of Cherry Hill

STREET & NUMBER

820 Mercer Street

CITY, TOWN

Cherry Hill

VICINITY OF

STATE

New Jersey

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk's Office - Camden County Court House

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Camden

STATE

New Jersey

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Barclay Farm Survey & New Jersey Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1974-5

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Labor and Industry Bldg.

CITY, TOWN

Trenton

STATE

New Jersey

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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

The Barclay Farm House is of two and one-half stories and five bays. The front facade is Flemish bond, while the remaining walls are laid in common bond. The front and rear elevations have exceptionally fine molded brick cornices. The foundation is coursed rubble. The roof is a gable roof with the ridge running parallel to the front. There are three gabled dormer windows (the central one is not original) with arched heads on the front and one dormer of the same description on the rear. The windows on all floors are double hung. The first floor has 9 over 9 lights followed by 6 over 9 and 6 over 6 going up. Windows on the first floor have exterior shutters. There is a semicircular fanlight over the front door.

The building plan is a rectangle with a central hall. On the west side is a double parlor; the east side contains the kitchen, and originally the kitchen porch, which has been enclosed.

The double parlor doors are particularly imposing separating the two spaces. One of the pair of matching wood mantels remains. Both parlors have panelled closets and symmetrically molded trim with corner blocks. The main stairs are open string, consisting of two flights with an intermediate landing. They have two square ballusters on each tread. Newel posts are turned and terminate with a pendant where exposed.

The kitchen contains a large cooking fireplace with pintles for a crane. The remains of a bake over are visible, but it has been removed. The original kitchen was modified, the kitchen porch was enclosed, a chimney was installed for a kitchen stove, and a service stair added between the first and second floors.

The three major chambers on the second floor have fireplaces and closets containing peg rails. All doors off the central hall have six panels. A rear hall connects the service stair to the kitchen and to the attic stair which is enclosed by a beaded board partition.

The third or attic floor is fully furnished. There are four rooms with a fireplace in the east chamber. Peg rails in both large chambers on this floor are identical to peg rails in the closets on the first and second floors.

The house sits on a rise in the presently undeveloped municipal park of over 30 acres. There are other nineteenth century outbuildings surrounding the farm house. Plans call for the restoration of the house to its 1830's appearance.

A twentieth century barn on the property was recently documented and razed to avoid problems of vandalism. The late 19th century spring house remains near the house.

A map of the property is attached delineating the boundaries.

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	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	(local history)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Barclay Farm House is an outstanding example of a wealthy gentlemen's farm house in the late Federal Style. It was probably built by Joseph W. Cooper who acquired the property in 1826.

The plan incorporates a very unusual kitchen porch, entered through a large stilted arch within the rectangle of the building. Usually found in Tidewater Maryland and Virginia houses, this form is rarely found as far north as New Jersey. Very few changes have been made to the house, leaving most of the original fabric intact.

The present property contains 32 acres and is part of an original 100 acre survey located on the North Branch of Cooper's Creek taken up by John Kay in 1684. The property was added to and passed through four generations of the Kay family to Samuel Kay who, in 1816, sold the plot containing 168 acres to John Thorn.

The original Indian trail known as the Cooper Creek Road that led from Tuckerton to Cooper's Point (Camden) passed through the Kay property. Because of the location near the Creek and the Trail, the Kay house was used as a Meeting House by the Society of Friends from 1685 to 1707, when another home was also adopted. Until 1721 when a separate meeting house was erected, the Kay house alternated as the meeting place for local Quakers. The Kays were the first settlers in the area now known as Cherry Hill.

In 1825, the Thorns lost the property. It was sold as sherrif's sale and acquired by Joseph W. Cooper. Cooper was the owner of the Cooper's ancestral home "Pyne Point" in Camden which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The property passed to Charles Barclay through intermarriage with the Coopers. The present house was built during the ownership of Joseph W. Cooper. Archaeological surveys are incomplete at this writing but the older Kay house may be located near the present building. The farm house remained in the Barclay family until 1974 when the Township of Cherry Hill acquired the property. The property is one of the last surviving farms in a rapidly expanding urban area.

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3. Camden, New Jersey County Clerk's Office, Deeds.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA¹⁴

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 18 acres *1 acre Graham (13.73)*

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 50,033,0 4,416,770
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Address

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
New Jersey	34	Camden	007
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE Revised: George A. Chidley IV, Research Historian
 David C. Munn, Historical Editor, New Jersey State Library

ORGANIZATION Office of Historic Preservation
 Representing Barclay Farm Restoration Committee

DATE 1978
 1976

STREET & NUMBER 109 West State Street
 412 Yale Avenue

TELEPHONE 292-2024

CITY OR TOWN Trenton
 Cherry Hill

STATE N.J. 08625
 New Jersey 08002

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

David J. Boudin

TITLE Commissioner, Dept. of Environmental Protection

DATE June 30, 1976

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

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE 1-26-78
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 DATE 1-24-78

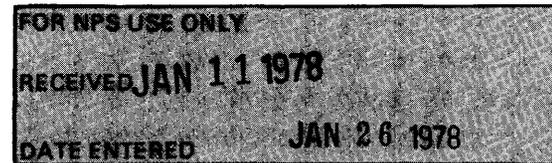
ATTEST:

Charles A. ...

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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The Barclay farmhouse was built circa 1828 during the late Federal/middle Greek transition period. A description of the house is as follows.

Exterior

The farmhouse is a 2 1/2 story brick, five bay, structure with a Flemish bond front facade (all other facades are common bond) and molded brick cornicing. This house rests upon a coursed rubble foundation and is surmounted by an asphalt covered gable roof. A pair of brick, bridged, chimneys are located in the gable ends. There are four gabled dormers (three front and one rear) each containing a 6 over 6, double hung, round arch sash. The central dormer front facade was added at a later date.

All windows are double hung sashes. Those on the first floor are 9 over 9; on the second, 6 over 9; and the remaining windows are 6 over 6.

Entrance is made through a brick round arch doorway inset by an eight panel door with central bead. This in turn is surmounted by a semi-circular fanlight.

Interior

The dwelling's massing is that of a rectangular block with centrally located entrance. On plan, the farmhouse contains double parlors in the eastern section and a large kitchen in the western.

An open string stair with single landing, turned newel posts, square balusters, cyma handrails, is located in the central hall.

Located in each of the two parlors are particularly fine doric mantels with colonettes, base and cap, paneled frieze, incised pilasters and bedmolded shelf. Also adjoining the above fireplaces are two (one in each parlor) paneled closets. The two parlors are separated by paneled double doors.

All trim in the house, except that of the kitchen, is symmetrically molded with incised corner blocks at the pertinent junctures. Medium width pine floor boards are throughout the farmhouse.

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The kitchen contains a large cooking fireplace with simple mantel and pintles for a crane. Shadows of a one time beehive bake oven are still visible. This portion has undergone modification in the following forms; a service stair to the second and third floor, and a chimney for a kitchen stove.

The second floor at present contains three large rooms, two to the east and one to the west. Each contains a fireplace and paneled closet with peg rails. All doors of the central hall have 6 panels. Located to the rear of the west bedroom, enclosed by a beaded board partition, is a rear stair hall containing the service stair.

The attic is finished and contains 4 rooms, each with fixtures similar to those on the second floor.

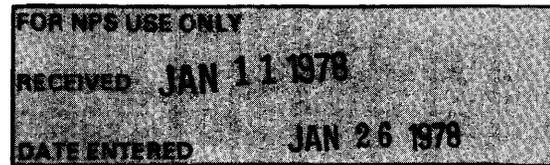
Setting

Barclay farmhouse sets on a rise in a presently undeveloped municipal park of over 30 acres. There is only one outbuilding (19th century) remaining on the property. It once served as a spring house. A 20th century barn was recently demolished to prevent vandalism.

A map of the property is attached delineating the boundaries.

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The Barclay farmhouse is of local significance for the following reasons. Architecturally the farmhouse is a fine surviving example of the late Federal, middle Greek transition style of the period. Furthermore, this dwelling is associated with two of the area's most prominent farming families and, thus, the local history of Camden County.

Architecture

The Barclay farmhouse, erected c. 1828, stands as a fine example of the late Federal, middle Greek transition style architecture in Cherry Hill Township and surrounding areas. It exemplifies the way in which wealthier farming families glorified otherwise simple dwellings with Federal and Greek styling details. Notable exterior features include: Flemish bond front facade; molded brick cornice; brick round arch doorway inset by an eight panel entry door with central bead surmounted in turn by a fanlight; a pair of gable end, brick, bridged, chimneys. The interiors of the Barclay farmhouse are among the most noteworthy of its type in Camden County. Interior features include: open string stair with turned newel posts, square ballusters and cyma handrails; symmetrically molded trim with incised corner blocks; doric mantel containing colonette, base and cap, paneled frieze, incised pilaster and bedmolded shelf.

This dwelling, although in a state of disrepair, retains most of its original fabric intact.

Local History

A correlation exists between the Barclay farm owners and the early development of the area now known as Cherry Hill. The farm was originally part of a 100 acre plot located on the North Branch of Cooper's Creek, purchased by John Kay in 1684. Cooper's Creek Road (originally an Indian trail) passed through the Kay property on its way from Tuckerton to Cooper's Point (Camden). Because of its location, the Kay farm was the site chosen by the Society of Friends as a meeting place from 1685 to 1707. At this point another house was used in conjunction with the Kay farm to meet the requirements of a growing congregation. It wasn't until 1721 that a separate meeting house was erected.

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The Kay family is generally felt to be one of the first settling families in the area (settling in 1684). This property remained in the family for four generations until it was sold by Samuel Kay, in 1816, to one John Thorn. The parcel had at this time grown from 100 acres to 168 acres.

In 1825 the Thorn family lost possession of the property, through a sheriff's sale, to Joseph W. Cooper. At this time Cooper also owned "Pyne Point", his ancestral home located in Camden. Joseph Cooper, who owned and operated Cooper's Ferry in the City of Camden, was also prominent because of his large property holdings and land speculation in the county.

The property passed to Charles Barclay through his intermarriage with the Cooper family. In 1974 the Township of Cherry Hill acquired the property from the Barclay family.

The present farmhouse was built c. 1828 during the ownership of Joseph W. Cooper. This farmhouse with its property is one of the last surviving farms in a rapidly expanding urban area.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Begin at intersection of Barklay Road with driveway of property. Proceed due west for 600 ft., thence due south to Cooper's Creek. Thence generally northeast along Cooper's Creek to a point 160 feet east of the great bend in the creek, thence due north to Barklay Road. Thence west to intersection with driveway.

UTM's

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A.	E 500 220	N 4417 090
B.	E 500 220	N 4416 720
C.	E 500 000	N 4416 880

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