

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: New Jersey
COUNTY: Camden
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ENTRY DATE JUN 5 1974

1. NAME

COMMON:
Greenfield Hall

AND/OR HISTORIC:
The Gill House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
343 Kings Highway East

CITY OR TOWN:
Haddonfield

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
First District

STATE:
New Jersey

CODE:
34

COUNTY:
Camden

CODE:
007

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> 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"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input 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 type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

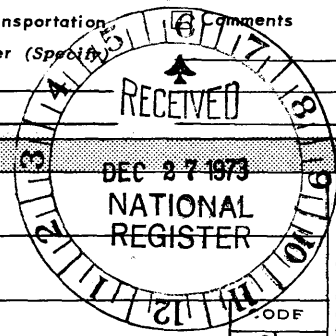
OWNER'S NAME:
Historical Society of Haddonfield

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343 Kings Highway East

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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Camden County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
Court House Square

CITY OR TOWN:
Camden

STATE:
New Jersey

CODE:
34

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Building Survey NJ 403

DATE OF SURVEY: 1941 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:
Washington

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE:
D. C.

CODE:
11

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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

Greenfield Hall, the former Gill House, is a stately red brick two and one half story building located on the main street of Haddonfield. It is surrounded by boxwoods, trees and a flower garden. The main section of the house was built in 1841. The small wing on the east end of the house was built in 1747.

Exterior:

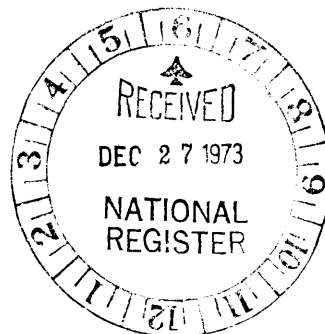
It is all brick construction. There is a slate roof with four corner chimneys and a wood balustrade. There are five bays, symmetrically placed, with center double doors. The windows are six over six sash with panelled shutters. There are marble steps and wrought iron railings leading to the main entrance. The rear kitchen wing is a one story frame with standing seam tin roof. There are brick steps with wrought iron railings leading to a flagstone terrace. The east wing is six over six sash and two bayed. There are panelled shutters. The basement entrance is in the rear off the main section of the house.

Interior:

The smaller wing on the east side has one small room on each floor. The main section contains a through center hall with a large open staircase. There are two large high ceiling rooms on each side with a frame wing on the northeast and containing a kitchen. A small laundry is off the kitchen. There are two wash-rooms on the first floor.

There is interior classical trim in the main high ceiling rooms with pilasters and architrave detail at the doors and the windows. Inside vestibule doors have lattice work following the Chinese Chippendale design. There are very large fireplaces and an exceptionally fine one in the Keeping Room. There are also panelled doors, silver plated hardware and brass door locks. There are fireplaces in every room with original "King of Prussia" Pennsylvania marble mantels. All the doors, trim, floors etc. are original and kept in exceptional condition.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" 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)

1747, 1841

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <u>settlement</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

SETTLEMENT:

This structure is one of the more important buildings in Haddonfield. Part of the land on which this house stands was given to John Gill in 1725 by Elizabeth Haddon Estaugh and her husband, thought to be distantly related to John Gill and very closely associated with him.

John Gill, who came to America around 1711, owned this land and a large tract of land several miles to the South. It is believed that a small crude cabin once existed on this property and remains of it still could be seen as late as 1897. Over several years, John Gill purchased 87 acres of land surrounding his original tract. He practiced law in the Haddonfield area doing an exceptional amount of work for the Estaugh family after the death of Elizabeth and her husband.

Around 1747 John Gill deeded the property in Haddonfield to John Gill II who had recently married. Shortly thereafter he built the small two bay section of the house that is now a portion of the present structure. He, too, was an attorney and handled the Estaugh Estate.

It is interesting to note that in each of the early generations of Gills in America there was only one son in each generation. He was consistently named John and inherited the family property. When John Gill IV became owner in 1841 he remodeled the existing portion of the house and built the new house.

MILITARY:

Haddonfield was exposed several times to activities of the Revolutionary War. The incident involving the Gill House occurred in October of 1777. In order to secure Philadelphia, free control of the Delaware was necessary for the British. Consequently, under the command of Count Donop, 1,200 Hessians were sent to attack Fort Mercer at Red Bank. These troops crossed the Delaware and landed at Cooper's Ferry on October 21, 1777. That same evening they marched to Haddonfield. There the troops camped in the fields of the Gill House and the surrounding property. The engagement proved to be costly and the troops were forced to retreat to Haddon-

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"This is Haddonfield The Historical Society of Haddonfield, 1963.
 A Historical Sketch of Greenfield Hall Historical Society of Haddonfield.
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 Inventory of Historic Sites Delaware Valley Regional Planning Comm., 1970.
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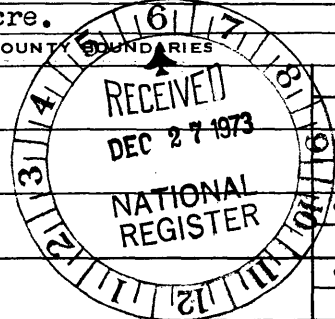
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		39° 54' 25 "	75° 02 ' 30"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "		2"	1' 40 "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than one acre.

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: Staff of Historic Sites; Louis H. Goettelmann, A.I.A., F.A.I.A.

ORGANIZATION: Department of Environmental Protection, Historic Sites DATE: June 18, 1973

STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1420

CITY OR TOWN: Trenton STATE: New Jersey CODE: 34

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

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: Richard J. Sullivan
 Title: Commissioner, Department of Environmental Protection
 Date: September 6, 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Ernest Allen Connolly
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
 Associate Director
 Professional Services

Date: JUN 5 1974

ATTEST:
Charles R. Herring
 Acting Keeper of The National Register
 Date: 6-4-74

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8. Significance (cont.)

field. The English eventually gained control of the Delaware but in so doing they suffered tremendous losses.

CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATION

Clifford P. Case, Senator
Harrison A. Williams, Senator
John E. Hunt, First District

