

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: **-697720150**

**Property Name:** 6 Maplewood Avenue **Ownership:** Private  
**Address:** 6 MAPLEWOOD AVE **Apartment #:** **ZIP:** 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township			33	30

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:** **NRIS Number:** **HABS/HAER Number:** 83

### Description:

PS&S recommends that the residence at 6 Maplewood Avenue, built between 1850 and 1876, is a contributing property in the Cranbury Historic District. The garage on the property, built before 1940, contributes to the property.

The 2-story, rectangular-plan, gable-roofed, clapboard-clad, main volume on a parged foundation of this frame dwelling is 5 bays wide and 2 bays deep and is fronted on the northwest by a 1-story, partial-width, composite-roofed porch and backed on the southeast by a 2-story, shed-roofed rear volume. The roofs are predominantly clad in asphalt shingle. The windows throughout contain 4/4 historic wood sash with thin horizontal muntins, and louvered wood shutters. Two interior brick chimneys project from the outer bays of the gable ridge. The front porch is accessed by a straight wood stair and includes historicized, jigsaw-cut posts and brackets, with additional, perpendicular brackets supporting the roof eave. The residence is accessed through a historic door, paneled door with extended octagonal toplights in the central bay of the main elevation. The door is topped by a historic, 2-light transom. Each of the remaining bays include a window on each floor. The southwest, side elevation includes a window in each bay except the east bay of the first floor. The rear volume includes a bank of replaced, 2/4-wood sash windows on the first floor and a single window on the second floor. The southeast, rear elevation is not visible from the public right-of-way. The northeast, side elevation includes a window on each floor of the west bay and a window on each floor of the rear volume. Both side elevations include 2 louvered vents under the gable peak.

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The 1-story, gable-roofed, vertical board-sided garage is located to the southeast of the residence.

Historic maps show that the residence at 6 Maplewood Avenue was built between 1850 and 1876. Homeowners report that the residence was constructed circa 1868. The inventory included in the 1980 National Register Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District identified the building as dating to the 3rd quarter of the 19th century and as being clad in asbestos shingle. The building is documented in the 1916 Sanborn map as 2-story, rectangular plan, shingle-roofed dwelling with a 1-story, partial-width, centered, slate or metal-roofed front porch and a 1-story, full-width, slate or metal-roofed rear volume. The 1974 photographic inventory of Cranbury historic buildings in the collection of the Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society shows the building's northeast and northwestern elevations, including the existing window sash and the front porch as enclosed. The 1989 Heritage Studies inventory noted the enclosed porch. Historic aerial photographs indicate a renovation campaign between 1987 and 2002 added a second story above the rear el, replaced the previously enclosed front porch, and added historicized, decorative details. A 1-story, 2-bay, gable-roofed, frame garage was constructed between 1933 and 1940.

This property is a contributing property in the historic district because it retains integrity and such character-defining historic features as the massing of its historic main volume and front porch, historic chimneys, historic front door and door surround, and historic window sash and front door.

**Setting:**

Maplewood Avenue is an approximately half-mile long primarily residential street that connects N. Main Street, to the northwest, to Route 130, to the northeast. Maplewood runs parallel to N. Main Street between Scott Ave. and Park Place, after which it turns to the northeast to form a southwest extension of Cranbury-South River Road.

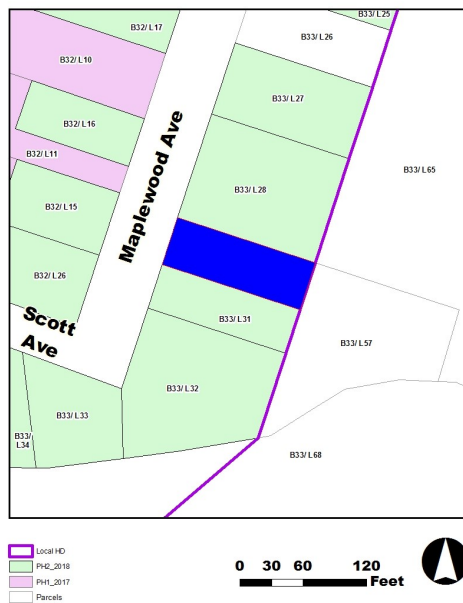
**Registration and Status Dates:**

**National Historic Landmark?:**   
**National Register:** 9/18/1980  
**New Jersey Register:** 8/9/1979  
**Determination of Eligibility:** 3/25/1977  
**Certification of Eligibility:**

**SHPO Opinion:**  
**Local Designation:** 9/26/1988  
**Other Designation:**  
**Other Designation Date:**

Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?  Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

**Location Map:**



**Site Map:**



**BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

Author:	Title:	Year:	HPO Accession #:
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex	1979	(if applicable)

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Heritage Studies	Preserving Cranbury Township	1989
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury	1995
Brennan, Peggy and Frank J. Jr.	Images of America: Cranbury, Volume II	1998
Chambers, John Whiteclay II	Cranbury: A New Jersey Town from the Colonial Era to the Present	2012
(None Listed)	1933 Sanborn Map	1933
(None Listed)	1916 Sanborn Map	1916
(None Listed)	Aerial and street view photography for 1931, 1940, 1947, 1953, 1957, 1963, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1979, 1987, 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2015 available at <a href="http://historicaerials.com">historicaerials.com</a> and for 1995, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016, and 2017 available through Google Earth	
(None Listed)	1876 Everts and Stewart Map	1876
(None Listed)	1850 Otley and Keily Map	1850

**Additional Information:**

1202\_33\_30 / 2STY - SFD / 1885

More Research Needed?  (checked=Yes)

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**INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:**

**Attachments Included:**

0 Building	0 Bridge
0 Structure	0 Landscape
0 Object	0 Industry

Historic District ?

District Name: Cranbury Historic District

Status: Contributing

Associated Archeological Site/Deposits?

(known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly)

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Conversion Problem?  ConversionNote:

Date form completed: 8/17/2018

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## **Revisions from the Homeowner of 6 Maplewood Avenue**

November 24, 2025

Original statement on page 2 of the 6 Maplewood Avenue property report:

“Historic aerial photographs indicate a renovation campaign between 1987 and 2002 added a second story above the rear elevation, replaced the previously enclosed front porch, and added historicized, decorative details.”

Revisions:

A second story shed roof addition across the back of the house was likely added when the garage was built between 1933-1940.

Historic aerial photographs indicate a renovation campaign between 1987 and 2002 which removed asbestos shingle siding exposing original clapboard, opened the previously enclosed front porch, added hand-made fretwork porch posts and historical shutters, replaced the original back entry door with a bank of windows, rebuilt the chimneys and obtained a historical plaque.