

Dear Barry,

Your prints and the accompanying CD ROM arrived today, and I thank you very much for them. If I may, I would like to take your offer of keeping the prints for our files, but I will mail back the CD.

I very much appreciate your taking the trouble to document the alteration to the roof design.

Sad to say, the change is worse than it might have been. The photos that were taken when the roof boards were exposed reveal that the only original roof sheathing boards on that side of the building were those at each gable end; the rest of the sheathing is new, as I could see from within the attic. Alteration of the raking cornices caused the only surviving original roof boards to be removed from the building, to be replaced by the new boards that project beyond the original rake boards.

The design of the new raking cornices, with applied fascia boards, is unprecedented except for a similar detail that was sometimes used in the period before 1725 or so.

Thank you so much for drawing our attention to Trinity Church's website, <http://www.churchyardcemetery.org> . I'm copying Christine Fonda Rankie on this message so that she can enjoy perusing this rich and professionally designed presentation.

Again, thank you. I deeply regret that we didn't learn about the proposed roof alteration before time and money were spent on it.

Sincerely,

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