

**BUILDING STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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UNIQUE SITE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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**IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 112 East Fifth Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [ ] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: John J. Mieczkowski ADDRESS: 1110 Sexton Hlwy. Rd., Painted Post
- 6. USE: Original: single-family residence Present: single-family residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes [x] no [ ]  
Interior accessible: yes [ ] no [x] Explain: private residence

**DESCRIPTION**

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard [x] b. stone [ ] c. brick [ ] d. board & batten [ ]  
e. cobblestone [ ] f. shingles [ ] g. stucco [ ] other:
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints [ ]  
b. wood frame with light members [x]  
c. masonry load bearing walls [ ]  
d. metal [ ] explain:  
e. other [ ] explain:
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent [ ] b. good [x] c. fair [ ] d. deteriorated [ ]
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site [x] b. moved [ ] if so, when?:  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): See Continuation Sheet
- 12. PHOTO:
- 13. MAP:

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
d. developers  e. deterioration   
f. other:
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
g. shop  h. gardens   
i. landscape features: See Continuation Sheet  
j. other:
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING: (Check more than one if necessary)  
a. open land  b. woodland   
c. scattered buildings   
d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
f. industrial  g. residential   
h. other:

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:

See Continuation Sheet

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:  
(Including interior features if known)

See Continuation Sheet

**SIGNIFICANCE:**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1907

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

11c. INTEGRITY: Major alterations and dates.

Several major changes have been made to this house. A second story was added to the rear (south) porch ca. 1911. Also, the porch on the detached garage was removed sometime after 1948. In 1976, a new asphalt roof was installed on the house. During 1984, the existing two-story rear porch was removed and replaced with a two-story addition extending the kitchen on the first floor and creating a closet and bathroom on the second floor. Finally, vinyl siding was installed in 1986.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:

Located on the south side of East Fifth Street, facing north, this residence is one in a group of late nineteenth- and early twentieth-century homes which are similar in scale. The setback is similar to its neighbor to the west, but is about twenty feet closer to the street than the house to the east. The setback is terraced.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-story Colonial Revival-style house contains many elements from the Queen Anne Style as well. The house has a front-facing gambrel roof with a cross gable. The front (north) facade has a one-story wood porch supported by Tuscan columns with simple railings set between them. The steps to the entrance door are covered by a triangular pediment which melds into the porch roof on either side. The frieze area of the pediment is covered in fish scale wood shingles. The front (north) facade has three bays with an entry door at center and a single window in each side bay. All of the windows have a decorative lintel with drip edge. The windows on the first story are primarily one-over-one double-hung sash. Although, the windows on the front (north) facade have a diamond-paned upper sash which is a feature of the Queen Anne Style. The main entrance door also has diamond lights. In the gambrel gable end is a double window of one-over-one double-hung sash, topped by a broken scroll pediment and set amid pilasters. Above the double window, near the gambrel peak is a small diamond paned window.

On the rear (south) facade is the two-story addition made in 1984. The addition has a simple shed roof. The foundation of the original house is cut limestone. The additions have concrete foundations. The roof is asphalt shingle.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

112 East Fifth Street was built ca. 1907 for Nathan R. Wickersham on land he purchased from Mark Tucker and Helen A. Hunt. All of this land was originally owned by Adelaide J. Harvey, who purchased the land in the 1850s. Mr. Wickersham, an executive with the Ingersoll-Rand Company in Corning, also owned the adjacent property to the west, 106 East Fifth Street, from which 112 East Fifth Street was eventually subdivided.

In 1911 the house and property were purchased by Fanny H. Ferris. Fanny's husband Frank Ferris was a noted lawyer and public servant in Corning for several decades during the first half of the twentieth century. Mrs. Ferris sold the house in 1951 following the death of her husband. Since that time there

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: (continued)

have been five owners including the current owners, John J. and Marion T. Mieckowski of Painted Post, New York.

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(SW)

