

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**  
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FOR OFFICE USE \_\_\_\_\_  
 UNIQUE SITE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
 SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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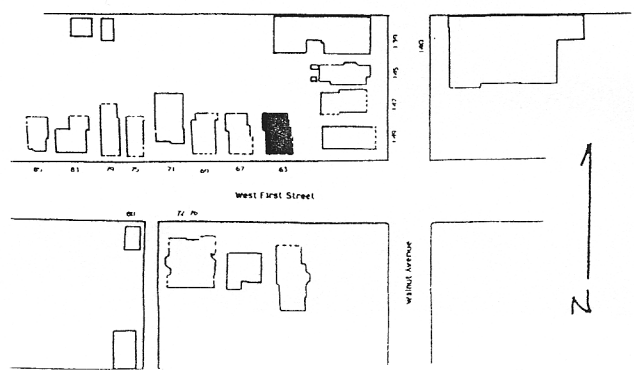
**IDENTIFICATION**

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 63 West First Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [ ] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: James Felli & J. Gaile ADDRESS: 5 Highland Drive, Corning  
Present: 3 Family Residence
- 6. USE: Original: Residence  
Exterior visible from public road: Yes [x] No [ ]
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: 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
- 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):

12. PHOTO: 13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
d. developers  e. deterioration   
f. other:
15. RELATED OUT BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY: a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
g. shop  h. gardens   
i. landscape features  
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:  
(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

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

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**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1888-1893.

ARCHITECT: Unknown.

BUILDER: Unknown

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

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11. INTEGRITY:

Built between 1888 and 1893 the structure was substantially enlarged on the north end ca. 1903. Originally known as 4501 West First Street and, in 1903, as 60 West First Street, the structure has had few obvious additions since that later date although the front section of the porch was removed after 1948. There are no outbuildings.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This side of West First Street in the block to the northwest of Courthouse Park is characterized by a scattering of houses on the parcels. The setbacks along this north side of West First Street are relatively consistent. In addition, while there is a similarity in form of many of the buildings on this block, the styling and materials are different enough so as to minimize the coherency of the block as a whole. Only one of the buildings on this side of the street dates from 1857 or earlier, unlike the other side of West First Street. Finally, there is a church in this row of residences that further adds to the feeling that this varied enclave of structures is like a small neighborhood, separate from the park to the southeast and the commercial areas to the north and east. The hilly terrain further serves to isolate this neighborhood from its surroundings.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-and-a-half-story Queen Anne Style house has a hipped roof with a projecting front gable facing West First Street. Most of its exterior is covered with clapboard siding but the gable ends are clad with staggered wood shingles that create a wave pattern. The windows are unique in that they are eight-, twelve-, or thirty-over-one double-hung sash which is only found in one other house in this block of West First Street.

The steeply pitched roof is covered with composition shingle roofing and there is a fanlight window in the front gable end. There are projecting two-story bays on the south and west sides of the house.

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## 20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

This house was built for Richard Malady, conductor for the Fall Brook Railroad company, between 1888 and 1893. He had previously lived at 25 Second Street prior to the purchase of this land and the construction of this house. It, too, was originally part of the Thomas Johnson estate. Johnson was a New York State Supreme Court justice who lived at the present location of 147 Walnut Street, the former Erlacher home and property.

Malady lived at this location until after the start of the twentieth century.

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