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BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. _____
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): Ruth's Day Care
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 38 East Second Street
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Michael Neff ADDRESS: 38 East Second Street, Corning, NY
Present: Residence and day care center
- 6. USE: Original: Single family residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes [X] No []
Interior accessible: Yes [] No [X] Explain: Private residence with business run in home.
Partially

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 [X]
b. wood frame with light members [X]
c. masonry load bearing walls []
d. metal (explain)
e. other
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent [] b. good [] c. fair [X] 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 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)

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. 1870

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

^{where?} This two-story Italianate ^{-style residence} was constructed ca. 1870, and had a small one-story ^{addition} by 1888. This was replaced by the current one-story rear ^{addition} ca. 1900. The top of this flat-roofed addition can be accessed by a modern ^{constructed} treated-wood stairway ^{to the second floor} for ~~second floor~~ access at the rear. The porch has been ~~considerably~~ altered by the enclosure of the balustrades and skirting.

(south?)
What about the new door on the west facade? The windows next to it look like a relocated one, too!

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This house ^{is set on} ~~has~~ a gently sloping lot, and ^{situated} ~~is set~~ so that there is a large sideyard on the west side of the house. There ~~is a set of concrete steps which lead from the porch to the sidewalk level, and another set of steps leading from the sidewalk level to the street.~~

what about the interrelationship of this building to its surroundings?

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

The house at 38 East Second Street is a ca. 1870 Italianate ^(south?) ^{-style} hipped-roof home with a ^{one-story} rear addition. ^A full-width front porch ^{has been} altered by the introduction of ^{enclosed} balustrades, ^{also has a hipped roof} and porch skirt. The foundation of the house is paired fieldstone. The cleopboard exterior is intact, as are the ^{curved} wood window ^{crowns}. The original windows have been replaced with one-over-one double-hung sash, but retain the earlier decorative size variations. The second-story window openings are ^{smaller} than those on the first story of the front facade. There is also a decorative multi-paned fixed window on the ^{western} facade. Modern replacement doors appear at the front and side entrances. There is also a small entry porch at the rear southeast corner of the building.

look like wooden pediments.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The house at 38 East Second Street was probably built by Thomas Kennedy after his purchase of the lot in 1866. Kennedy was listed in 1868

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20. HISTORICAL (continued):

city directories as being employed as a freight agent in the 1870s, and ^{as} a foreman at the New York Central Railroad freight house in subsequent directories. His family ~~was to occupy~~ ^{occupied} the house until the 1950s. A rental apartment was introduced into the building at that time, and since then owners have generally had at least one rental occupant in the rear portion of the house. Currently, the building has been adapted to function as an in-house day care center while continuing to serve as a residence.

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