

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: 94 East Third Street
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
5. PRESENT OWNER: Michael L. and Melinda Mendison ADDRESS: Same as above
6. USE: Original: Private Residence Present: Private 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[] b. stone[] c. brick[] d. board & batten[]
e. cobblestone[] f. shingles[] g. stucco[] other: board siding
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[X] b. good[] 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[X] 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:
j. other:

16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING: (Check more than one if necessary)
a. open land[] b. woodland[]
c. scattered buildings[X]
d. densely built-up[] e. commercial[]
f. industrial[] g. residential[X]
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: 1989

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

See Continuation Sheet

21. SOURCES:

See Continuation Sheet

22. THEME:

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

No alterations have been made to this house since its construction in 1989. The house is located on the site of a Queen Anne building dated to the 1890s which burned down in 1986.

15i. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:

There are no outbuildings on the property.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

The house is consistent with its neighbors in size and setback. It is inconsistent in age in comparison with other houses on the street, being of very recent construction.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This two-story house is built in the Modern Shed Style, as defined in the McAlesters' A Field Guide to American Houses. The style, according to the McAlesters, "originated in the early 1960s as an outgrowth of the designs...of Charles Moore and Robert Venturi." The house features elements characteristic of this style, including multiple gabled and shed roof forms, multiple massing, and board siding used vertically and diagonally.

The north (main) facade is organized under a low-pitched gable roof sloping eastward, with the roof ridge placed off-center. There is an engaged column made of poured concrete with an uncoursed stone veneer centered in the facade. Between the engaged column and the northeast corner there are two sets of a trio of windows, one on each story. The entrance door is placed on the first story level of the engaged column at center. The uncoursed stone veneer of the column is continued adjacent to the column, covering the western half of the facade. A full-length single-pane window with a wooden surround is placed near the northwest corner of the facade.

The east facade features a one-story projecting bay covering the north half of the facade. An exterior poured concrete chimney with an uncoursed stone veneer rises off-center on this projecting bay, punctuating the overhanging eave of the roof. There are three full-length single-pane windows on the facade. The main feature on the west facade is a projecting gabled wall, with sliding glass doors in the reentrant angle formed by the projecting wall. Two square awning windows are placed on the second story level.

The south facade is dominated by a projecting bay placed off-center toward the southeast corner of the facade. The bay, extended from the south wall, is protected by a shed roof that is an extension of the main roof form. The bay echoes the pattern of fenestration on the northeast half of the north facade. There are a trio of windows on the second story level. An enclosed wooden deck occupies the reentrant angles in the ell's formed by the projecting gabled wall on the east facade and the projecting bay on the south facade.

The house sits on a poured concrete foundation, and is clad with board siding. The structure has an asphalt roof.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The house at 94 East Third Street is constructed on Lots 7 & 8 of Block 51, as laid out in the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning.

The house exists on land belonging to Kathleen and Russell Steves, who bought the parcel in 1966 from Alfred G. Hood, a local resident. The house that stood on the lot, built in the style of a Queen Anne Cottage dating to the 1890s, burnt down in 1986. The vacant lot was redeveloped, and a house rebuilt on the premises, in 1989, by Walsh, a resident of Corning. The property was then sold to Gordon A. and George J. Hakes, Jr., in 1986, by Kathleen Steves. Ted Sample acquired the property in 1988, selling the house to the current owner in 1991.

21. SOURCES:

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ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS: (To be attached later)