

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: *Coming* VILLAGE:
- 3. STREET LOCATION: *141 Wall Street*
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [X]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: *Kevin and Barbara Geoghan* ADDRESS: *141 Wall Street*
- 6. USE: Original: *Residential* Present: *Residential*
- 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
- 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)

See Continuation Sheet

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

(Including interior features if known):

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SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: According to Sanborn maps, built between 1900 and 1908

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES

- c.1. Porch attached to the west facade was enclosed and the building expanded at an unknown date (probably between 1979 and 1981 when tax assessment of the property increased from \$14,000 to \$32,000).
- c.2. New roofing material, date unknown.
- c.3. Between 1913 and 1921 a second floor was added to the one-story porch on the rear.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

Situated on the west side of Wall Street this house is one of various nineteenth century Queen Anne-style homes. The Queen Anne Style is very popular in this area. These houses have similar setbacks and east to west spacing.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE

This house is emblematic of the so-called "Free Classic" Queen Anne Style of architecture (see V. & L. Mc Alester, Field Guide to American Houses), which mixes the complex massing and forms of the Queen Anne Style with classical details most often associated with the Colonial Revival Style. The central hipped roof is surrounded by projecting cross gables and dormers. The main (east) facade has bay windows at both the first and second story levels and a clipped corner at the southwest edge. A two-story cantilevered bay projects from the north side while another two-story bay is incorporated into the south facade. A full-width, one-story porch with a bowed center covers the main facade. The front facing gable has a pent pediment base and there is a round arch window with a keystone, a classical element, in that gable end. Other classical features include the banded cornice, belt course, and front porch columns. The walls are clapboard with slight flare between the first and second story levels. The roof is asphalt shingle and the foundation is faced in stone.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Originally a part of Lot # 16 on Block # 48 this parcel was probably first acquired prior to 1887 by Mrs. B. W. Payne who also owned lots 14 and 15 of this block. The lot was sold for development by Frank J. Saxton and Jeannette Saxton in 1905. The first owner of the house on this site was Ellen Ready. She lived in this house with her husband, Patrick Ready, and family until his death in 1925 and later as a widow until her last days in 1945. William R. Barentheler and Elizabeth Barentheler purchased the property in 1945. Recent owners of the property were Alvah J. Dorn (1950 to 1957), and Walter and

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20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE (continued):

Thelma N. Kern (1957 to 1981). Kevin Geoghan and Barbara A. Geoghan are the current owners.

21. SOURCES:

Corning City Directories; Tax Assesment Files City Hall of Corning; Bath County Deeds; Historical Society of Corning; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of Corning, 1888, 1893, 1898, 1903, 1908, 1913, 1921, 1930; Maps of Corning 1857 and 1893.



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