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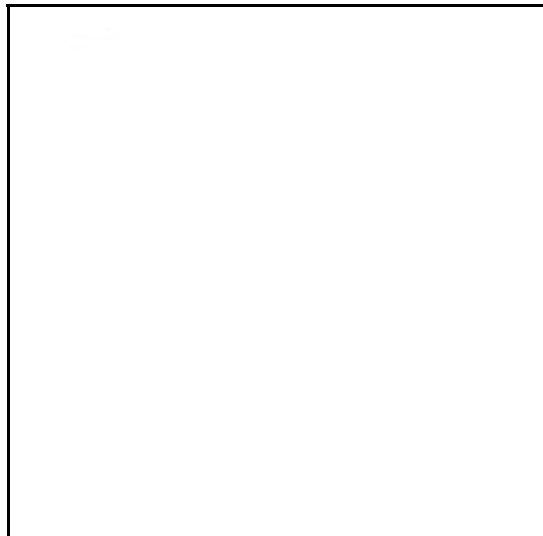
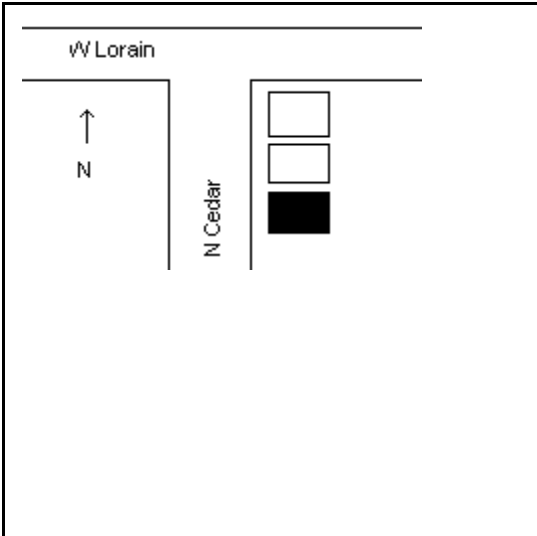
RPR Number:

1. No. LOR-02006-21		4. Present Name(s) Owen House		6-21 LOR-0200
2. County Lorain		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Owen House		
6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar		19a. Design Sources		2. County Lorain
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 900085106003		20. Contractor or Builder		
7. City or Village Oberlin		21. Building Type or Plan Upright and Wing		4. Present or Historic Name(s) Owen House
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin 17 397475 4571822 Zone Easting Northing		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling		
10. Classification: Building		23. Present Use Single Dwelling		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
11. On National Register? NO		24. Ownership Private		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known Eleanor E. Owen 61 North Cedar Oberlin, OH, 44074		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		26. Property Acreage 0.3		
16. Thematic Associations: EDUCATION Professional		27. Other Surveys		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
17. Date(s) or Period c. 1874		28. No. of Stories One and a half story		
17b. Alteration Date(s) Unknown		29. Basement? Yes		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
18. Style Class and Design No academic style - Vernacular		30. Foundation Material Unknown		
18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		31. Wall Construction Balloon/western/platform frame		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
19. Architect or Engineer		32. Roof Type Gable Roof Material Asphalt shingle		
		33. No. of Bays 3 Side Bays 6		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Aluminum or vinyl siding		
		35. Plan Shape Rectangular		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. Original/Most significant construct 17b. Substantial alteration/addition		
		37. Window Type(s) 6 over 6		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		38. Building Dimensions 18' x 62'		
		39. Endangered? NO By What?		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		40. Chimney Placement Unknown		
		41. Distance from & Frontage on Road 45'		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary) This vernacular, upright and wing house is obscured by heavy foliage. At the front (west) facade, a one-story wing at the left has a hip roof and an original door with eight lights in the upper portion of the door. Three vertical, filled panels are below the windows in the door, which has a wood stoop in front of it. In the upright portion of the house, two 6/6 original windows have shutters at both the first and second stories. A louvered vent is in the gable. The south elevation is almost completely obscured. At the north elevation, in the one-story wing, a mullioned window at the right has shutters, and another window at the left has shutters. A smaller double hung window is further to the left, as well as two more, larger double hung windows. At the far left, another door appears to be at the addition.		
		43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary) According to city directory research, residents have been living at this property since at least 1874. The first known resident was Edward J. Chatfield, a clerk and merchant. In 1883 Mrs. H. L. Stephenson was listed in the house. In the 1886/1887 directory Z. H. Cosby, a tinner, and Mrs. J. A. Cosby were listed, along with a mason named Solomon Farnsworth. Jacob Leonard Doornhein, a student of Oberlin College, and Mrs. C. Hoyt lived here in 1890. Arthur and Miss Mary E. Alford lived here in 1891. In 1894, Eugene S. Alford and Mrs. M. E. are listed with their daughter Irma. Miss Mary Alford was the only name listed at this address 1896-1900. In 1902, Alonzo Early and his wife Grace L. (nee Dickson) resided here. Alonzo was a student at the Theological Seminary in Oberlin. In 1904, continued...		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52) No outbuildings are visible, and neither is a driveway. This house is located on a quiet, residential street.		
		45. Sources of Information O-High Alumni, Internet, http://www.oberlin-high.org, Accessed January 2008.; City Directories, Oberlin Heritage Center Resource Center.; Holsworth, Pat, Oberlin Pioneer Database.; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.; Gordon, Stephen C., 'How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory,' Ohio Historical Society, Columbus. 1992.; McAlester, Virginia and Lee. 'A Field Guide to American Houses.' Alfred K. Knopf Inc. New York. 2000.; 'Alumni Register: Graduates and Former Students, Teaching and Administrative continued...		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		46. Prepared By: Elizabeth Schultz		
		47. Organization: Oberlin Heritage Center		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		48. Date Recorded: 11/30/2008		
		49. PIR Reviewer:		6. Specific Address or Location 61 North Cedar
		50. PIR Review Date:		

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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:
Single off center

Door Position:
Flush

Orientation:
Gable dominant with lateral smaller extension

Symmetry:
Bilateral symmetry

Report Associated With Project:

NADB #:



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42. *Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)*

43. *History and Significance (Con't)*

Miss Mary Alford was listed at this address once more. The next known occupant was Mrs. E. E. Dilliman in 1908 and then C. H. Dubley in 1910. In 1916 Alfred M. Huycke resided here with his wife Ida. Alfred M. was a publishing agent and a commercial traveler. The next known occupants were Frank L. and Augusta Repke in 1920. Frank was a carpenter. From 1927 to 1937 Mrs. Mabel Alnette Brown (nee Denis) was listed at this address. Mabel was the wife of Ernest Edward Brown and worked as a secretary at the Conservatory of Music at Oberlin College and the Registrar's office. From 1939 to 1942 Frederick Wallace Bentley was listed here with his wife Elizabeth (nee Leland). Frederick W. was an attorney, Oberlin's Justice of the Peace, and later a lawyer in Cleveland. Elizabeth was an employee at the Carnegie Library at Oberlin College. From 1943 to 1948, Jasper Vernon Hill was listed as a resident at this address. Jasper was a clerk for Whitney & Son, proprietor of a clothing store, and a real estate broker. His wife Minerva E. (nee Bacon, d. 1946) was a charter member of the Nancy Squire Chapter of the DAR in Oberlin, but was not listed in the directory. The next known residents were Llewelyn A. and Eleanor E. Owen in 1956. Llewelyn was a professor at Oberlin's Graduate School of Theology and died in 1973. Eleanor was a children's librarian from 1945 through the 1980s. Eleanor E. is still the current owner. Note: A newspaper article published in 2003 claimed that this house had been moved sometime in its early history, prior to 1899. Residency was consistent back to at least 1891 and if the house was in fact moved it was likely before that time.

44. *Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)*

45. *Sources (Con't)*

Staff, (1833-1960).' Oberlin College, 1961.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, <http://www.loraincounty.com/auditor/index.shtml>, Accessed 2008; 'Moving? Consider the House, Too,' Oberlin News-Tribune, 1 July 2003.