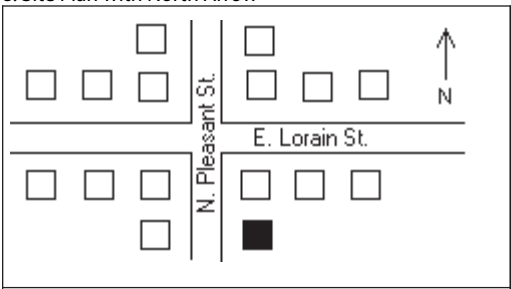


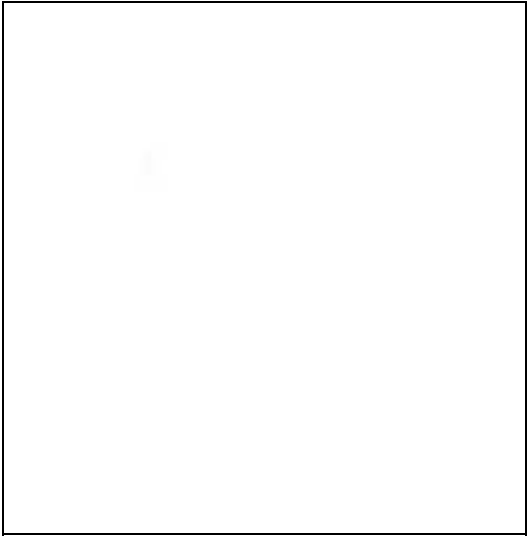
OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

Ohio Historic Preservation Office
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1. No. LOR-1853-21		2. County Lorain		4. Present Name(s)		1. No. LOR-1853-21
3. Location of Negatives O.H.I.O.						
Roll No. 6		Picture No.(s) 2,3		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Hovey-Foster House		2. County Lorain
6. Specific Address or Location 73/75 N. Pleasant Street		16. Thematic Associations: Public Safety, Governmental Administration, Colleg		28. No. of Stories Two story		
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 0900086600001		17. Date(s) or Period c. 1874-1877		17b. Alteration Date(s) ca. 1980-2000		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
7. City or Village Oberlin		18. Style or Design Greek Revival,		29. Basement? Yes		
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s) High Style Elements		30. Foundation Material Stone bearing		
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin 17 398304 4572057 Zone Easting Northing		19. Architect or Engineer		31. Wall Construction Balloon frame/western frame/pla		
10. Classification: Building		19a. Design Sources		32. Roof Type Cross gable Roof Material Asphalt shingle		
11. On National Register?		20. Contractor or Builder		33. No. of Bays 5 Side Bays 3		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist?		21. Building Type or Plan Upright and Wing		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Aluminum or vinyl siding		
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling, , ,		35. Plan Shape Rectangular		
		23. Present Use Multiple Dwelling, , ,		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Yes Altered Yes Moved		
		24. Ownership Private		37. Window Type(s) 1 over 1,		
		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known		38. Building Dimensions 56' x 57'		
		26. Property Acreage approx. .9		39. Endangered? By What?		
		27. Other Surveys		40. Chimney Placement Gable end, exterior		
				41. Distance from & Frontage on Road Dist: 40' & Frontage: 116'		
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)						6. Specific Address or Location 73/75 N. Pleasant Street
<p>This two-story house resembles the Greek Revival style. The main body of the house appears to be fashioned in a side hallway plan, as most Greek Revival houses were constructed this way. After several alterations, the once side hallway house became an upright and wing. It seems that the south section was added to the main portion later on since it abruptly hits a window on the right side of the main body. The characteristics of the Greek Revival continued...</p>						
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)						
<p>The first known residents, Frank Hovey, his wife Mary Etta, moved in between 1874 & 1877. They had two children, Lena C & Harry W. Frank was a farmer, an ice dealer, painter and paper-hanger, and later ran a plumbing business with his son. He also had a career in public service: in 1879 he was made chief engineer of the fire department, in 1880 he was appointed chief village engineer, he was elected to city council in 1887, & in 1897 the mayor named him warden. In 1898, Lena, a graduate of continued...</p>						
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)						
<p>The house is located on the east side of N. Pleasant and it is the second home in from the corner of the East Lorain St. A three-car, detached garage with a gabled roof is located at the rear of the property. The house is in fair condition.</p>						
45. Sources of Information						
<p>City Directories, O.H.I.O Resource Center.; Gordon, Stephen C, 'How to Complete the Ohio Historic Inventory,' Ohio Historical Society, Columbus, 1992.; Holsworth, Pat, Oberlin Pioneer Database.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.loraincounty continued...</p>						

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51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair	54. Farmstead Plan 
52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies Garage	
53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers	
Door Selection: Two doors asymmetrical	
Door Position: Recessed	
Orientation: Gable with two story same height	
Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry	
FOR OHPO USE:	
49. Revised By:	
50a. Date Revised:	
50b. Reviewed by:	
RPR Number:	

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

architecture can be seen in the adornment above the front door and windows in the main body. All of the windows are one-over-one double hung and are trimmed with wood moldings (surrounds). Triangular pediments rest above the windows at top while a hood is over the window in the bottom left. The front door is recessed back and contains a six-over-six window on the top portion. The door is adorned with a Greek Revival post and lintel arrangement. The gable end on the front elevation has cornice returns on the ends. The newer, different foundation material indicates an addition located on the north side. It appears to be a porch with a screen door that faces the street. The siding appears to be vinyl; most likely an alteration from the wood siding that appears on a detached garage. A chimney is located on the gable end of the south elevation. When looking at the right elevation, a one story section extends out, most likely another addition to the house.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Oberlin Conservatory, married Frank Foster. The couple remained in this house until their deaths. Frank Foster was a clerk at Johnson Dry Goods Store & later foreman at the Oberlin Water Works. Etta died in 1928, but Frank Hovey continued to lived here until his death in 1937. Frank Foster died the next year, but Lena, who became the house's owner, stayed until her death in 1950. In 1941, Harry Hovey, a plumber & foreman at OC, moved back in. Paul Gilbert & Harold Evans Hovey (cousins?), both factory workers, lived here in 1942 (Holsworth, City Directory). Paul was a fighter pilot in WWII, serving in China, Burma, & India (O-High Alumni). Leroy Schramm, another factory worker, also lived here that year with his wife Bernadine, a doctor's assistant. Harry continued to lived here with his wife Leona through 1956. By 1961, two married OC students & their wives were living here: Lawrence G & Jean N Landers & Neil M & Virginia L White. In 1970 the house was listed as a duplex. Daniel R Cleverdan, another student, was listed in 71 & 71 1/2 was listed as vacant (City Directory). By 1986, Joseph C & Elizabeth G Orbek were apparently the owners. The duplex numbers changed to 73 and 75. The 1989 Oberlin phonebook lists Joseph C Orbek & Associates Contracting Co. at 75 N. Pleasant.

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

45. Sources (Con't)

y.com/auditor/index.shtml, Accessed 2004.; Oberlin College Archives, Internet, http://www.oberlin.edu/archive/WWW_files/controller_i.html, Accessed 2004.; 'Oberlin, Wakeman, Wellington Phone Book: 1989.' GTE North Inc., 1989.; McAlester, Virginia and Lee, 'A Field Guide to American Houses,' Alfred K. Knopf Inc., New York, 2000.; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.

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