

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

Ohio Historic Preservation Office
567 E. Hudson St.
Columbus, OH 43211
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1. No. LOR-1772-21		2. County Lorain		4. Present Name(s)		1. No. LOR-1772-21
3. Location of Negatives O.H.I.O. Resource Cen						
Roll No. 4		Picture No.(s) 14, 15		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Kenney House		2. County Lorain
6. Specific Address or Location 10 South Prospect Street		16. Thematic Associations: Temperance, General Mixed Farm, Health Care		28. No. of Stories Two story		
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 0900-084-107-025		17. Date(s) or Period 1867		17b. Alteration Date(s)		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
7. City or Village If Rural, Township & Vicinity Oberlin		18. Style or Design Italianate,		High Style Yes Elements		
8. Site Plan with North Arrow		18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		29. Basement? Yes		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
		19. Architect or Engineer		30. Foundation Material Stone bearing		
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin		19a. Design Sources		31. Wall Construction Brick bearing		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
17 397123 4571624 Zone Easting Northing		20. Contractor or Builder		32. Roof Type Cross gable Roof Material Asphalt shingle		
10. Classification: Building		21. Building Type or Plan Gabled Ell		33. No. of Bays 2 Side Bays 3		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
11. On National Register?		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling, , ,		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Double stretcher Flemish bond		
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist?		23. Present Use Apartment House, ,		35. Plan Shape L-shaped		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		24. Ownership Private		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition Altered Moved		
		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known		37. Window Type(s) 4 over 4,		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
		26. Property Acreage unknown		38. Building Dimensions unknown		
		27. Other Surveys		39. Endangered? By What?		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
				40. Chimney Placement Unknown		
				41. Distance from & Frontage on Road Approx. 30'		4. Present or Historic Name(s)
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)						6. Specific Address or Location 10 South Prospect Street
<p>This is a good example of a brick Italianate Gabled Ell house in Oberlin. The front-facing gable is located at the left side and it contains a projecting bay at the first story, made from wood. The bay features four-over-four windows with molded wood panels below & wood arches above. Its flat roof has brackets and a Greek key pattern below. The second story has a narrow pair of arched, four-over-four windows. The exterior bricks follow the arch continued...</p>						
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)						6. Specific Address or Location 10 South Prospect Street
<p>John T. Kenney built this house in 1867 on what local historian Dick Lothrop reports to be the highest point of land in Oberlin (Blodgett 101). He was a prosperous farmer from Brighton, Ohio, and his wife Olive was the daughter of Oberlin-Wellington Rescue participant Lorin Wadsworth (Blodgett 101). John Kenney and his family lived in this house for over 50 years. The last member of the Kenney family to reside here was Miss Mary Kenney, a schoolteacher. In 1942, one of her boarders was Susan continued...</p>						
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)						6. Specific Address or Location 10 South Prospect Street
<p>The house is in good condition, and is at the southwest corner of South Professor and West College streets. Other homes and rental properties surround the building.</p>						
45. Sources of Information						6. Specific Address or Location 10 South Prospect Street
<p>Blodgett, Geoffrey, 'Oberlin Architecture, College and Town: A Guide to Social History,' Oberlin College, 1985.; City Directories, O.H.I.O Resource Center.; Holsworth, Pat, Oberlin Pioneer Database.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.lorainc continued...</p>						
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51. Condition of Property: **Excellent**

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

Door Selection: **Single off center**

Door Position: **Flush**

Orientation: **Gable with two story same height**

Symmetry: **Bilateral asymmetry**

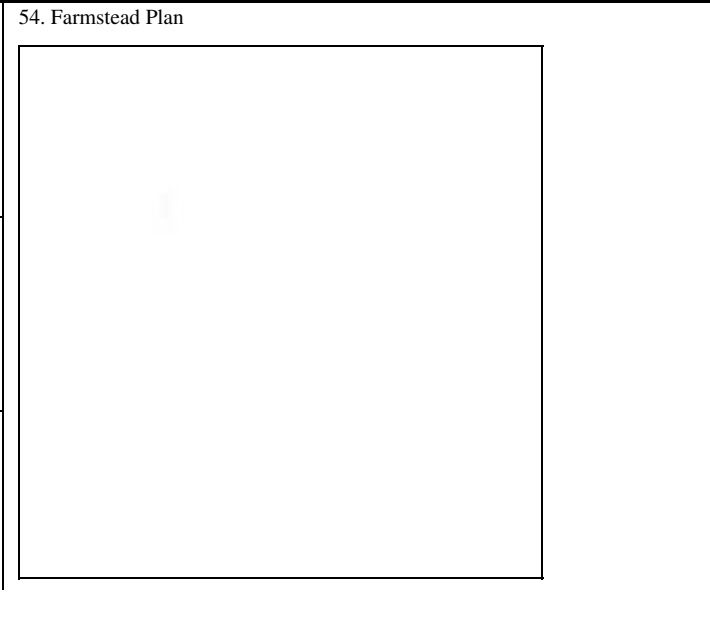
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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

of the windows. The home' s wide, overhanging eaves have carved, scrolling brackets. At the right side of the elevation, the porch wraps to the north elevation. The supports have chamfered edges scrollwork between each support, below the roof. Two tall windows are located at the porch, which have closed shutters hiding them. The exterior bricks follow the flat arches of these windows. Above the porch, the second story features a pair of narrow, arched four-over-four windows, with shutters on their exterior ends. The windows of this house have stone sills. The south elevation has three windows at the first story and two at the center and right side of the second story; all are six-over-six with flat arches. The exterior brick follows the arches, and the windows have stone sills. A bricked-in, square window is located at the right side of the second story. Brackets are visible below the roof' s eaves. At the north elevation, a gable end is located at the left side. A pair of arched windows matches those above the porch on the main facade. A window with closed shutters is located at the left side of the first story and a door is to the right. Both the door and window have flat arches. Four six-over-six windows with flat arches are featured in the wing, which extends to the right; they have flat arches and shutters. The addition is indicated by its lack of brackets below the roof. At this elevation, the basement windows have arches.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Fidelite Hinman, the longtime president of the Women' s Christian Temperance Union chapter in Oberlin (City Directories). In 1956 Saul R. Gilford, a director of medical instrumentation for the Colson company lived here (City Directory). He opened his own firm in 1959, Gilford Instrument Laboratories, in the Oberlin Industrial Park. He practiced affirmative action hiring long before it became public policy, and received Oberlin College' s Distinguished Community Service Award in 1977 (Blodgett 223). In the 1961 directory, the resident was Floyd. H. Putnam, who was the manager of Prestige Homes.

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

45. Sources (Con't)

county.com/auditor/index.shtml, Accessed 2003.; 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 Staff, (1833-1960),' Oberlin College, 1961.

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