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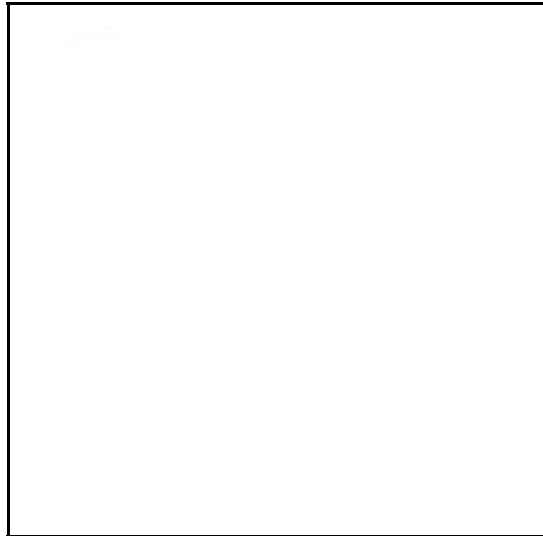
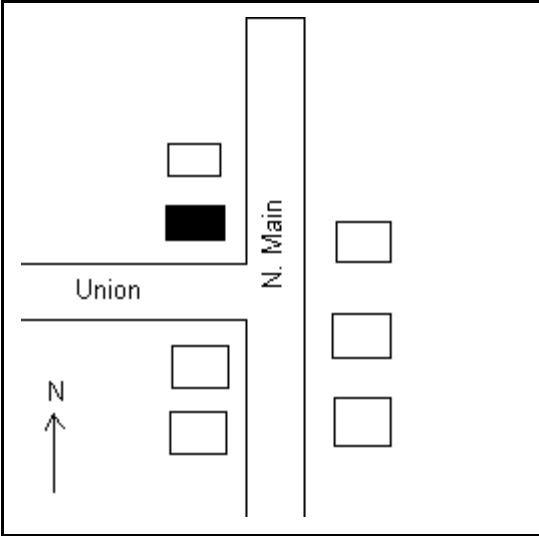
1. No. LOR-02088-21		4. Present Name(s) rental property		8-21 LOR-0208	2. County Lorain
2. County Lorain		5. Historic or Other Name(s) Shaffstall House			
6. Specific Address or Location 244 North Main		19a. Design Sources		35. Plan Shape Rectangular	
6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number 0900075109031		20. Contractor or Builder		36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. Original/Most significant construct	
7. City or Village Oberlin		21. Building Type or Plan Other House Type		17b.	
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin 17 398071 4572591 Zone Easting Northing		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling Multiple Dwelling		37. Window Type(s) 1 over 1 Other	
10. Classification: Building		23. Present Use RESIDENTIAL/DOMESTIC		38. Building Dimensions 28' x 56'	
11. On National Register? NO		24. Ownership Private		39. Endangered? NO By What?	
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO		25. Owner's Name & Address, if known Jerrold & Barbara Manns 8 Southwood Dr. Norwalk, OH, 44857		40. Chimney Placement Center	
15. Other Designation (NR or Local)		26. Property Acreage unknown		41. Distance from & Frontage on Road 30'	
16. Thematic Associations: Auto Telephone/Telegraph Social/Fraternal Organizations		27. Other Surveys		51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair	
17. Date(s) or Period ca. 1920-1927		28. No. of Stories One and a half story		52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies Structure Type	
17b. Alteration Date(s)		29. Basement? Yes		Date	
18. Style Class and Design No academic style - Vernacular		30. Foundation Material Stone bearing		Associated Activity	
Element Other		31. Wall Construction Balloon/western/platform frame		53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers Historic (OHI)	
18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s) Element		32. Roof Type Hip Roof Material Asphalt shingle		Archaeological (OAI)	
19. Architect or Engineer		33. No. of Bays 3 Side Bays 5			
		34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Clapboard or weatherboard			
42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)					
<p>This Folk Victorian house is distinguished by a front gablet and side gables. The full front porch (east), with a partial hip roof, is supported by four simple Tuscan columns. Below each column, stone block foundations support the porch; running the length of the porch between the columns and stone is a wooden horizontal strip. The columns are connected by half-walls, topped by a tablet, of the same beveled siding as the rest of the house. Beneath the porch, between the stone columns and centered stone steps, is vertical wooden lath. Flanked by flat pilasters & topped with a flat entablature, the front door is located in the center, and contains a large oval window, with a decorative vine molding carved at each corner. At the right a 1/1 double hung window has a simple architrave. At left, projecting out from the wall is a larger 1/1 double hung window with an architrave. The hip roof of the porch is topped by a front-facing gablet with one small rectangular fixed window. The north elevation contains three 1/1 double hung windows with architraves in the first story, the one at the left larger than the other two. Above is a large gable dormer with a pair of 1/1 continued...</p>					
43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)					
<p>According to city directory research, this house was built in the mid-1920s. The first resident identified in city directories was Arthur J. Shaffstall in 1927. He married Florence A. (nee Pember) in 1888. Arthur and Florence had three daughters, Vallie Dell (b. 1889), Vira Bell (b. 1894), and Vivian Mae (b. 1907). Arthur J. Shaffstall worked for the Oberlin Motor Co. and purchased People's Grocery on March 13, 1924. He had previously been a carriage painter, bowling alley proprietor, and an auto painter. He died in 1929 and was buried in Oberlin's Westwood Cemetery. Florence A. was a hospital employee, launderer and an active member of the Ohio Rebekah Assembly, which stemmed from her involvement in the Women's Association of First Church. She was also buried in Westwood Cemetery, continued...</p>					
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)					
<p>This house is located on a state road that receives a large amount of traffic.</p>					
45. Sources of Information					
<p>Oberlin Heritage Center Resource Center, City Directories, Oberlin Phone Books, Master Genealogist, and Past Perfect collections program; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.loraincounty.com/auditorindex.shtml, Accessed 2009; Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, Oberlin, Ohio; 'Vine Rebekah Lodge Holds Installation,' Oberlin New-Tribune, 2/13/1941, p. 1; 'Arthur J. Shaffstall buys People's Grocery,' Oberlin News-Tribune, 3/13/1924, p. 2; 'Vallie Shaffstall Marries continued...</p>					
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49. PIR Reviewer:				50. PIR Review Date:	

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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:
Single centered

Door Position:
Flush

Orientation:
Gable end axis

Symmetry:
Bilateral symmetry

Report Associated With Project:

NADB #:



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

double hung windows with architraves. To the right is a one-story section with a shed roof and shiplap siding that contains an historic garage door. The south elevation features two 1/1 double hung windows flanking a bay window with a pyramidal top and three 1/1 double hung windows with architraves. The upper story gable contains a pair of 1/1 double hung windows. At left, there is a small corner porch with a spindle post support and modern iron railing. The porch leads to a back door with a long, multi-light window. Set back in this elevation is the garage addition.

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in 1964. Their daughter Vallie married Jacob Moser and Vira married Irving E. Hopkins. Their youngest daughter Vivian graduated Oberlin High School in 1926 and continued to reside in the house through 1980, according to city directories and phone books. She was the sole resident of the house as of 1948. She retired in 1970 after 40 years of working as chief telephone operator for GTE Northern Ohio Telephone Co. She was also a member of First United Methodist Church in Oberlin, St. Clair Rebekah Lodge in Elyria, and the Lorain County Animal Protective League. She died about twenty years after vacating the house and was buried in Westwood Cemetery in 2002. After Arthur J. Shaffstall's death, the family may have started renting out rooms, while still living in the house. Frances and Mary Alter also resided in the house from 1933 to 1935. Frances was a teacher at Oberlin High School. In 1942, Harold Thompson and his wife Dorothy lived in the house with a child for one year. Harold was an employee for the Railway Express. Frank Zalenski, an engineer for Oberlin College, and his wife Lois lived in the house in 1948. The only known occupants since 1980 were: Sarah Olken (c. 1991); S. D. Peterson (c. 1994), and Laren Rusin (c. 1999). The current owner is not a resident.

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

45. Sources (Con't)

Jacob Moser,' Oberlin News-Tribune, 11/19/1907, p.5; 'Vira Shaffstall Marries Irving E. Hopkins,' Oberlin News-Tribune, 6/21/1911, p. 5; 'Vivian Mae Shaffstall,' The Morning Journal, Lorain, 5/11/2002.