This house is an example of a Craftsman Front Dormer Bungalow, which has had some alterations. The exterior of the house is covered in wood clapboard siding in the lower portion, with a stringcourse separating it from the wood shingles of the upper level. The main facade appears to have been altered; the porch has no roof and a brick foundation that appears to be new. A modern, stick style balustrade decorates the porch, and a six-panel door is continued...

According to city directories, this house was built between 1916-1928, although the property card dates it to 1900 (this is probably inaccurate). The original owner was Silas P. Buchs who lived here until 1934. The city directory shows Silas was a painter, had a wife named Margaret and three children: Wilbur S, Allen C, and Wilma M. (1930 Census). In 1935, Misses Rosa M. and Elizabeth Buchs lived here. Elizabeth was the older sister of Rosa (their parents were Peter and Elizabeth (Siegfried) continued...

A detached two-car garage with pyramidal roof and additional storage roof attached to the east side is located behind the house. The car doors are decorated with a cursive “W.” The house is in good condition, and is surrounded by other houses in stable condition on a busy street.
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4. Present Name(s) Buchs House
5. Historic or Other Name(s) Buchs House

51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair
52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

53. Affiliated OAI Site Numbers

Door Selection: Single centered
Door Position: Flush
Orientation: Lateral axis with lateral smaller extension
Symmetry: Bilateral asymmetry

FOR OHPO USE:
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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

Located at the center of the elevation, with an entablature above it. Two casement windows are located left of the door, and a large, fixed window is located to the right with four-panel sidelights. The dormer contains four casement windows and knee-braces below the eaves. Exposed rafters are also located below the roof. The west elevation has a butterfly roof, a result of the two-story addition at the rear of the house. The addition matches the style of the house, and has only a pair of nine-over-one windows at the first story. The original part of the house contains two nine-over-one windows at the middle and right sides of the first story. A fixed, multi-panel window is located at the left side. At the second story, the left and right sides feature four-over-one windows, with a pair of six-over-one windows near the center. The east elevation features an addition to the right, indicated by a different foundation (concrete, rather than ashlar). Two fixed, nine-panel windows are located at the first story. An octagonal window is located at the story and contains nine lights. The original portion of the house, located to the left, has an exterior chimney and two nine-over-one windows at the right of the second story. At the left side of the second story is a four-over-one window. The first story has a nine-over-one window right of the chimney and another left of the chimney. The rear (north) elevation contains a door with a gable hood at the addition, with two nine-panel fixed windows at the second story, and a new deck attached to the rear. At the second story, four windows are located at he left. A projecting bay contains three windows, the center being the largest, flanked by nine-over-one windows.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Buchs, but it is unknown how (or if) they were related to the Silas Buchs family (Holsworth). By 1937, Reverend H. Duwe and his wife, Pauline moved in and lived here for two years. The 1939 city directory identifies Henry “Hank” E. Wessell as the owner. Hank and his wife, Joy T. started Welcome Nursing Home, which their sons continued to run after the parents’ retirement. The two sons, Dale Earl and Don Henry lived here, until Dale moved and Don remained with his wife. Don’s wife was Theo M. and they had four daughters: Jill, Kelly, Heidi & Megan, two of whom continue to run Welcome Nursing Home (Surovy).

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

45. Sources (Con't)

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