This two-story home is classified as vernacular and contains a moderately pitched hipped roof. A door located off-center is on the front elevation. A single, one-over-one double hung window is located to the left while a bay window is on the right. The bay window contains three, one-over-one double hung windows and a decorative cornice top. Concrete steps lead up to the four-post covered porch that has a small pediment on the roof. A balustrade continued.

43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

This house was built about 1897 and its first residents were probably HJ Jones and his wife MA. By 1899, JA McGeagh & his daughter Anna M were living here (City Directory). Galbreath owned coal, timber & insurance businesses in Oberlin (Oberlin News 7/06). James McKelley, an attorney AA Galbreath (whose office was at 57 S Main), his wife Asher, & daughter Anna M were living here (City Directory). Galbreath owned coal, timber & insurance businesses in Oberlin (Oberlin News 7/06). James McKelley, a continued...

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)

This is home is located on N. Main St. and is the third house south of where Union St. intersects in N. Main St. A one-car detached garage is located behind the house and contains a gable roof. The house is in good condition and is surrounded by other well-maintained homes.

45. Sources of Information

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.loraincountycontinued...
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51. Condition of Property:  Good/Fair

52. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Garage

Door Selection:  Single off center
Door Position:  Recessed
Orientation:  Gable with two story same height
Symmetry:  Bilateral asymmetry

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

is located on the bottom and a small one runs along the top under the roof. A window is located in the second story above the front door. A projected gabled section is located on the front facade. The projected gabled section contains two small one-over-one windows in the top part, then two large ones underneath them and then the bay window. Another projected gable section is located on the south elevation and contains two small windows at top, then three side-by-side, one-over-one and then a door that is accessed from the ground. Several more windows are situated on the south elevation. Two chimneys are on the house, one in the center of the ridgeline and another one on the north elevation. Five one-over-one double hung windows are situated past the chimney on the north elevation, two on top and three on bottom. Two windows are positioned in the rock-faced stone foundation, which indicates a basement. Vinyl siding seems to be an alteration, most likely from wood. The roof appears to have slate shingles.

43. History and Significance (Con't)

farmer from Russia Township who had moved into town in 1903, was living here with his wife Mary C, son Otto, and Paul Wood in 1907. They stayed through at least 1910 (City Directory, Holsworth). Burt L Ward, a dairy farmer and milkman was living here in 1916, the same year he was fined $25 for unnecessary Sunday hoeing (Oberlin News 10/06, 7/16, City Directory). Arthur H West, a merchant, laborer, carpenter, and owner of a harness repair store lived here with his wife Della from about 1927 to 1942 (2/13). After Arthur's death, Della stayed on until at least 1961. Leola Loper, a launderer, was living here in 1956, perhaps as a renter. By 1961, Della was living with some other West's: Theo A, a postmaster, TA, and Barbara (City Directory). In 1970, the City Directory listed the house as vacant but the West family may have continued to own it because from 1983-1991 Ralph J West is listed in the phone book as the resident and in 1992 the house was transferred to Dora West's name. Dora rented out a room for OC students during the 1998-99 school year.

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

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