Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	27 North Holcomb Road				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-326-028				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.736650	Long: -83.422530			
Ownership	Private ☒	Public-Local ☐	Public-State ☐	Public-Federal ☐	Multiple ☐

Property Type

(Insert primary photograph below.)

Building ☒ select sub-type below Commercial ☐ Residential ☒ Industrial ☐ Other ☐	Structure ☐ Object ☐



Architectural Information

Construction Date	c 1863	
Architectural Style	Gothic Revival	
Building Form	Irregular	
Roof Form	Front Gable	
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles	
Exterior Wall Materials	Wood & Aluminum	
Foundation Materials	Fieldstone & Cement Block	
Window Materials	Wood & Vinyl	
Window Type	Double Hung	
Outbuildings	Yes ☒	No ☐
Number/Type:	1/Garage	

Eligibility

Individually Eligible	Criterion A ☐	Criterion B ☐	Criterion C ☐	Criterion D ☐
Criteria Considerations:	a. ☐ b. ☐ c. ☐ d. ☐ e. ☐ f. ☐ g. ☐			
Component of a Historic District	Contributing to a district ☒	Non-contributing to a district ☐	Historic District Name:	Clarkston Historic District
Not Eligible ☐				

Area(s) of Significance	Architectural Significance						
Period(s) of Significance	1832-1970						
Integrity – Does the property possess integrity in all or some of the 7 aspects?							
Location ☒	Design ☒	Materials ☒	Workmanship ☒	Setting ☐	Feeling ☐	Association ☐	
General Integrity:	Intact ☒	Altered ☐	Moved ☐	Date(s):			
Historic Name	None						
Current/Common Name	McGraw Michael and Monica						
Historic/Original Owner	Ackerson, M. S.						
Historic Building Use	Single Family						
Current Building Use	Singel Family						
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown						
Builder/Contractor	Unknown						

Survey Date	September 30, 2023	Recorded By	Nancy Moon	Agency Report #	

For SHPO Use Only	SHPO Concurrence?: Y / N	Date:

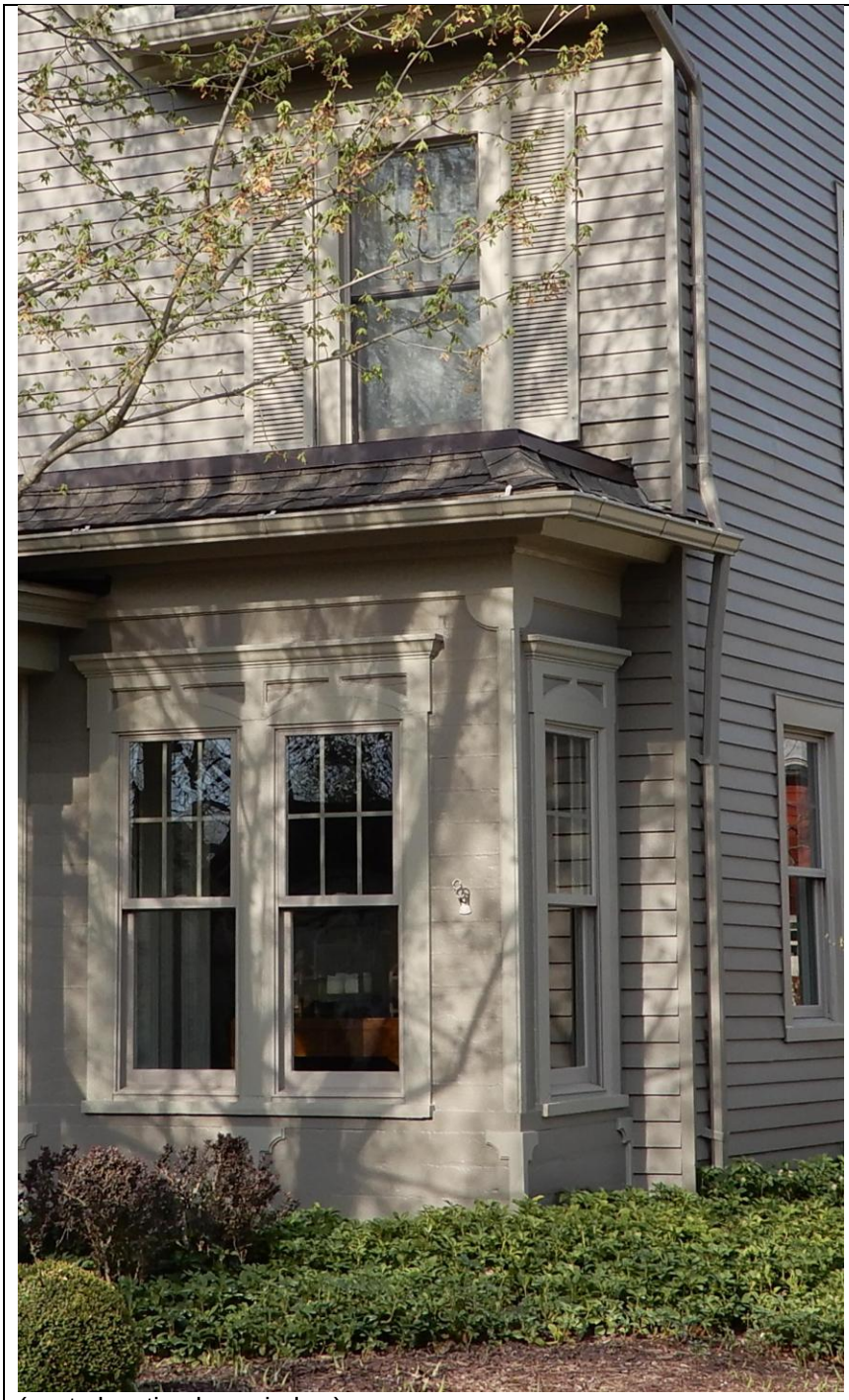
Narrative Architectural Description

Provide a detailed description of the property, including all character defining features and any accessory resources.

This gothic revival structure sits on the west side of North Holcomb Street with its steeply pitched center gable and single story nearly full-width front porch. The front porch extends three-fourths across the east elevation starting at the south end with its low-pitched roof and six simple Doric columns. Two steps lead from the front walkway to the cement porch flooring to the entrance to the house with its solid wood door with three vertical windows directly above a wooden shelf with dentils in the top one third. On the south side of the doorway is a pair of six over one double hung windows.



(east elevation)


(east elevation bay window)

On the north end of the structure (outside the porch) is a box bay with a pair of double hung six over one windows with a decorative hood mold (pediment) with a single six over one double hung window on each end (i.e. facing north and south). This bay has a hipped shingled roof with a six over one double hung window with shutters directly above on the second floor. There are two more similar windows on the second floor evenly spaced across the east elevation.



(south elevation)

The south elevation has a prominent brick chimney with a six over one double hung vertically aligned window on each floor. Bushes cover the view to the west side of the chimney but there is no window on the second floor. The chimney extends from the ground, through the side gable peak to a few feet above the roof.



(north elevation)


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The north elevation of the original structure has a six over one double hung window in the middle of the second floor and two similar windows evenly spaced on the first floor. There is a two-story extension on the west elevation, but the roofline is a few feet below the roofline of the original house. The second floor of this extension has two double hung six over one windows. Near the intersection of the addition and the original structure on the first floor is a grouping of three casement windows with nine panes each (three by three). Visible from the north elevation is a open patio roof with a round column most likely covering a patio on the west elevation.

The west elevation could not be seen /photographed from the street.

History of the Resource

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. This is required for all intensive level surveys and designation and recommended for other identification efforts.

The 1872 Village of Clarkston map has a building footprint at 27 North Holcomb Street with the owner identified as M. S. Ackerson. By 1877, the ownership was Leman Allen who owned the general store (previously owned by Esidore Jossman at the intersection of Main and Washington Streets). The property remained with the Allen family until the early 1950s when Charles Torr purchased the house. Charles and Vera Torr lived in the house for more than forty years. During this time the front porch was enclosed, and artificial siding was installed over the original wood clapboard siding.



(1989 northeast elevation)



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In the 1990s Monica Ward and Tom Zukowski purchased the home. They demolished the front porch and attempted to erect a porch more fitting for a gothic revival style house. Tom was a board member of the Clarkston Community Historical Society.



(1993 southeast elevation)



(1993 northeast elevation)

In 2002, the owners Monica and Mike McGraw constructed a second story on an earlier addition on the west elevation. The addition used solid-wood windows with aluminum cladding, that matched the look of the original windows on the front (east elevation) of the house. Aluminum siding and trim and asphalt shingles were used to match the original portion of the house. Monica was a junior high school principal in the Clarkston school system. Mike was a high school teacher in Clawson. Mike served as a commissioner of the Planning Commission.

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the property's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under at least one of the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. <u>This is required for all properties</u>.

This Gothic Revival structure has gone through a few changes and additions, but the house retains many of its original features. As a result, it continues to be a contributing resource to the Clarkston Historic District. The work on the front porch attempted to return the façade to a more original appearance.

References

List references used to research and evaluate the individual property.

(1) 1872 map of Clarkston, *Atlas of Oakland County;*
(2) Research done using the grant funding obtained by Mollie Lynch, Library Director 1991 – 2005 and researched by Susan K. Basinger;
(3) *Home Tour Clarkston Scamp Silver Anniversary Edition 1983-2007;*
(4) Old photos from Cara Catallo;

(5) *Clarkston News 2006 May 31 article "SCAMP Home Tours";*
(6) Clarkston Historic District Certificate of Appropriateness dated October 22, 2022 for 27 North Holcomb Street;
(7) *Clarkston News 2011 April 13 article "Development plan 90 N. Main goes to city council" by Trevor Keiser;*
(8) *Clarkston News 2010 August 18 article "No new millage vote for Clarkston Police" by Trevor Keiser.*