

## INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

**Address** 7300 Holcomb Rd

**Governmental Unit** Independence Township  
**County** Oakland

**USGS Map Title** Clarkston  
**Area Map** Independence Fire Department  
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

**Original Usage** Farmstead  
**Present Usage** Single-family residence

**Ownership** Michael Mosharo

**Photography**  
**Roll: Frame No.** 1:1  
**View of Photo** NE  
**Date of Photo** 1/91

**Surveyor/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998  
**Recorder/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 27, 1998

**Site No.** 20-03  
**Sidwell No.** 08-20-101-001



**Description** Rectangular plan house with a stone foundation. Anachronistic elements include decorative shutters and a window dormer. A photo ca. 1890 indicated a covered front porch.

**Date of Construction** 1865 (township tax records), 1918 (WPA Rural Properties Inventory-probably an remodel date)  
**Condition** fair  
**Integrity** poor

**Ownership**  
**History** See Appendix B

**Significance** Undetermined

**Bibliographic** Radcliff, Jennifer (ed.). Heritage: A Pictorial History of Independence Township and the Village of Clarkston.  
**Reference** Clarkston, Michigan; Clarkston Community Historical Society: 1976.

Additional references: see Appendix A

## INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

**Address** 7755 Holcomb Rd

**Governmental Unit** Independence Township  
**County** Oakland

**USGS Map Title** Ortonville  
**Area Map** Independence Fire Department  
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

**Original Usage** Farmstead

**Present Usage** Single-family residence

**Ownership** James A. O'Neill

**Photography**  
**Roll: Frame No.** 12:4  
**View of Photo** W  
**Date of Photo** 2/91

**Surveyor/ Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998  
**Recorder/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 27, 1998

**Site No.** 18-04  
**Sidwell No.** 08-18-376-004



**Description** Two-story neoclassical house with a front portico recessed under the front roof. The 1991 survey indicated that there was one large barn with a gambrel roof and two smaller barns with gable roofs located to the west of the house. These structures were not observed from the road during the 1998 survey.

**Date of Construction** 1903 (township tax records); barns-ca.1920 (1991 survey-reference unknown)  
**Condition** house-good; barns-unknown  
**Integrity** house-good; barns-unknown

**Ownership**  
**History** See Appendix B

**Significance** The house is architecturally significant as a good example of the neoclassical style of house built within the township during the early 1900s.

The property is also potentially significant as the site of one of Henry Ford's experimental farm. This information was obtained from Richard Powe, a resident of the township. Further investigation would be necessary to confirm this information.

**Bibliographic** Powe, Richard. Personal communication. September 1998.

Additional references: see Appendix A