

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 4531 Maybee Rd

Governmental Unit Independence Township
County Oakland

USGS Map Title Pontiac North
Area Map Independence Fire Department
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

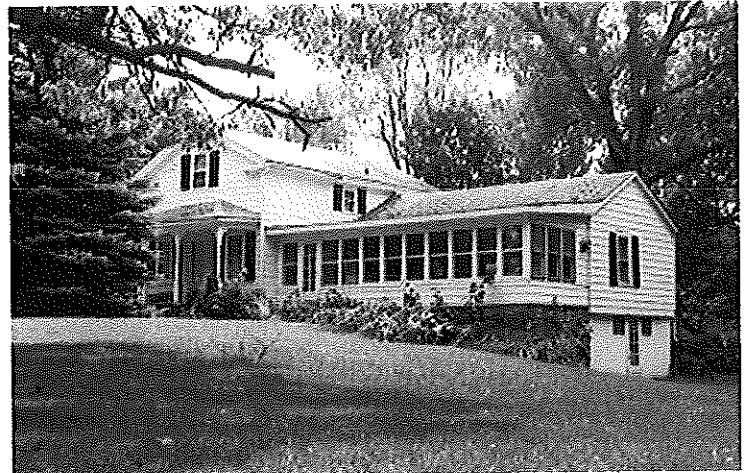
Original Usage Farmstead
Present Usage Single-family residence

Ownership Edna M. Tate

Photography
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Date of Photo 8/98

Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 25-01
Sidwell No. 08-25-427-001



32. Residence

Description Gable-front-and-wing house with a covered front porch. Anachronistic features include the decorative shutters, exterior siding and enclosed porch addition, constructed after 1939 (not included in the WPA Rural Properties Inventory).

Date of Construction house-unknown (remodeled in 1930-WPA Rural Properties Inventory);
barn-ca. 1890s (WPA rural inventory)

Condition house-good; barn-good
Integrity house-fair; barn-good

Ownership
History See Appendix B

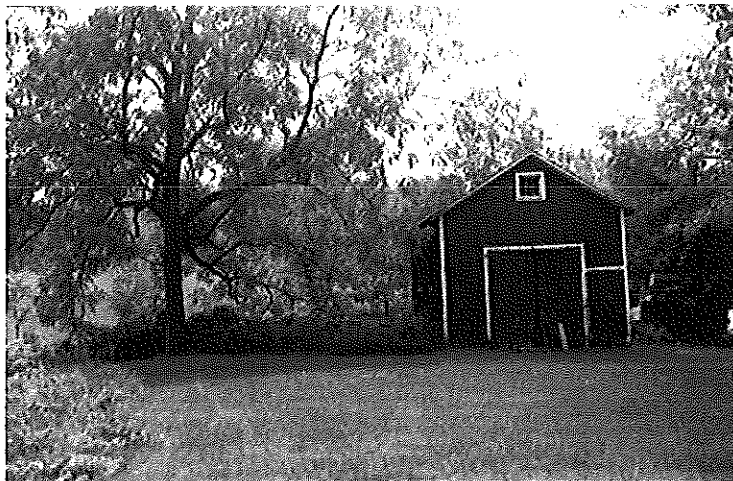
Significance Undetermined

Bibliographic Tate, Edna. Personal communication. 1/91
Reference Additional references: see Appendix A

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31. Barn

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 5331 Maybee Rd

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USGS Map Title Pontiac North
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Original Usage Church & Cemetery
Present Usage Lighthouse North Care Givers
& Cemetery

Ownership Sashabaw United Methodist Church

Photography
Roll: Frame No. 11:7 3:5
View of Photo SE W
Date of Photo 2/91 8/98

Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 35-03
Sidwell No. 08-35-126-014



7. Church

Description Gable front Greek Revival church with a new cement basement foundation and a small addition to the rear. The original steeple was replaced in 1958. Church construction began in 1856 when wood was brought in by sleigh from Lapeer and Kings Mills, Michigan. The church was built and furnished for three thousand dollars. The original chandeliers are still in use (converted from oil to gas).

Associated with the church is the Sashabaw Plains Cemetery. Although there were burials in the cemetery as early as 1836, the Sashabaw Burial Association was not formed until 1849. The association was charged with "fencing, improving, ornamenting and keeping the burying ground in proper care." In 1949 the cemetery grounds were enlarged.

Date of Construction church-1856; cemetery-1836 (first burials)
Condition church-good; cemetery-good
Integrity church-good; cemetery-good

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance The church is architecturally significant as a good example of the Greek Revival church architecture. It is also significant because it is the oldest church structure located within the township.

The cemetery is a significant landscape within the township.

Bibliographic Reference Cleveland, Mrs. Theodore Ethel Phillips Barnett, *History of United Presbyterian Church*. (Essay presented to Clarkston Pioneer Meeting, 10/28/71)

Michigan Historical Commission - Historical Register nomination form - local site No. 30.

Michigan Historical Commission - Historical Marker - local site No. 58

Additional references: see Appendix A

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Site No. 35-03
Sidwell No. 08-35-126-014



5. Cemetery

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 5585 Maybee Rd

Governmental Unit Independence Township
County Oakland

USGS Map Title Pontiac North
Area Map Independence Fire Department
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

Original Usage Farmstead
Present Usage Single-family residence

Ownership Eric & Allison Schulte

Photography
Roll: Frame No. 3:4
View of Photo S
Date of Photo 8/98

Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 34-01
Sidwell No. 08-34-226-001



Description Gable-front-and-wing Greek Revival house with a rubble stone foundation, and a one-story addition. Anachronistic features include the windows and the brick chimney. The house lacks the wide band of trim which typically emphasizes the cornice lines of Greek Revival homes.

Date of Construction 1837
Condition good
Integrity poor

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance Undetermined

Bibliographic Oakland County Office of Deeds
Reference Additional references: see Appendix A

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 5794 Maybee 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
Ownership
Photography
Roll: Frame No. 3:6
View of Photo E
Date of Photo 8/98
Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 27-02
Sidwell No.



Description Two-story gable-front-and-wing house with a one-story addition to the rear, a rubble stone foundation and an anachronistic enclosed front porch.

Date of Construction 1875
Condition good
Integrity good

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance Undetermined

Bibliographic
Reference See Appendix A

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address	5931 Maybee Rd	Site No. 34-03
		Sidwell No. 08-34-103-022
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	Gerald A. Wall	
Photography		
Roll: Frame No.	7:4 (back view)	
View of Photo	NW	
Date of Photo	9/98	
Surveyor/Date	D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998	
Recorder/Date	D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998	

Description Two-story rectangular house with a hip roof and a rubble stone foundation. The house has anachronistic aluminum siding. It also appears that some of the windows have been moved and/or replaced. A small enclosed porch stands on the south side of the structure.

Date of Construction 1875
Condition good
Integrity poor

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance Undetermined

Bibliographic
Reference See Appendix A

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 6091 Maybee Rd
Governmental Unit Independence Township
County Oakland
USGS Map Title Clarkston
Area Map Independence Fire Department
Street Address Map - 2/14/96
Original Usage Single-family residential
Present Usage Single-family residential
Ownership Carol Smith
Photography
Roll: Frame No. 3:8
View of Photo SW
Date of Photo 8/98
Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 33-01
Sidwell No. 08-33-226-021



Description One and one-half story Craftsman style bungalow with a concrete foundation, a rubblestone chimney and front porch supports, decorative braces under the eaves and a pair of dormer windows on the facade.

Date of Construction 1930
Condition good
Integrity good

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance This house is architecturally significant as a good example of the Craftsman style bungalow built in the early decades of the 20th century. It is also significant as an example of the stone exterior structures commonly built within the township during the 1920s & 1930s.

Bibliographic
Reference See Appendix A

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 6201 Maybee Rd

Governmental Unit Independence Township
County Oakland

USGS Map Title Clarkston
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Original Usage Farmstead
Present Usage Single-family residence

Ownership James L. Nelsen

Photography
Roll: Frame No. 6:13
View of Photo SE
Date of Photo 8/98

Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 33-02
Sidwell No. 08-33-203-001



Description Two-story T-plan house with a rubble stone foundation, a covered front porch, Carpenter Gothic barge board ornamentation in the front gable, a bay window with Italianate barge boards, and decorative window crowns. The house has anachronistic exterior siding.

Date of Construction 1894
Condition good
Integrity good

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance The house is architecturally significant because it is one of the best extant examples of the late 19th century farm houses that were built in the township, retaining many of its decorative exterior features.

Bibliographic
Reference See Appendix A

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

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Area Map Independence Fire Department
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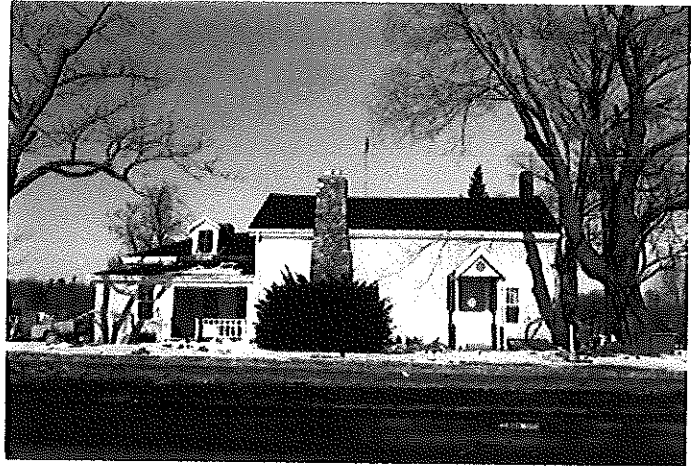
Original Usage Farmstead
Present Usage Single-family residence

Ownership Glen Underwood

Photography
Roll: Frame No. 3:2
View of Photo N
Date of Photo 1/91

Surveyor/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998
Recorder/Date D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998

Site No. 28-02
Sidwell No. 08-28-351-035



Description Two-story side-gabled Greek Revival house with a two-story addition attached to the northwest corner (prior to 1939, shown on the WPA Rural Properties Inventory). There have been many anachronistic changes to this structure including: a rubble stone chimney, a dormer window over covered porch, and the removal of typical Greek Revival facade windows.

The 1908 township plat map identifies this site as the "Maple Ridge Farm."

Date of Construction 1838
Condition good
Integrity poor

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance Undetermined

Bibliographic
Reference See Appendix A