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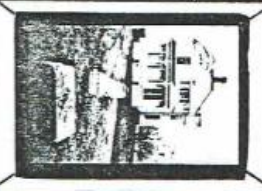
1. No. ERI-1619	4. Present Name(s) <p style="text-align: center;">Johnson Residence</p>																														
2. County ERIE	5. Other Name(s) <p style="text-align: center;">Otto Brown Residence</p>																														
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.																															
6. Specific Location West side of Division St., 300' north of village ceme- tary	16. Thematic Category manufacturing, agriculture	28. No. of Stories 2 1/2																													
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island	17. Date(s) or Period <p style="text-align: center;">1892</p>	29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>																													
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 	18. Style or Design Queen Anne	30. Foundation Material limestone ashlar																													
9. U.T.M. Reference <table border="1" style="width:100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td>7</td><td>2</td><td>5</td><td>5</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>0</td><td>0</td> <td>4</td><td>6</td><td>0</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>3</td><td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="7">Eastings</td> <td colspan="7">Northings</td> </tr> </table>	7	2	5	5	7	8	0	0	4	6	0	7	8	3	0	Eastings							Northings							19. Architect or Engineer <p style="text-align: center;">-</p>	31. Wall Construction wood frame
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10. Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	20. Contractor or Builder Charles Dodge	32. Roof Type & Material gabled truncat hip/slate																													
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	21. Original Use, if apparent Residence	33. No. of Bays Front <input type="checkbox"/> Side <input type="checkbox"/>																													
12. Is it Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	22. Present Use Residence	34. Wall Treatment beveled siding																													
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	35. Plan Shape irregu																													
14. District Potent'? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Mr. & Mrs. B. Johnson 19360 Witty Rd., Elmore,	36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>																													
15. Name of Established District <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>	25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	37. Condition Interior excellent Exterior excellent																													
16. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) Chimneys display corbelling and notched V-shaped trough runs above the overhanging eave. Windows are mostly either double hung 1/1 or multipaned colored glass Queen Anne style with straight hoodmolds above first floor windows. A one story bay window in a south side gable-ended pavillion features a bracketed cornice. In addition to end boards, trimboards include a narrow	26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape: KI Hist Survey	38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>																													
17. History and Significance This residence is an excellent example of high Queen Anne architecture and is one of the best preserved residences on the island, with no major additions or alterations visible. Otto Brown was a major figure in the island's wine making industry, working for a number of years as a foreman at the Kelley Island Wine Company, then in 1879 acquiring his own winery. Later,	27. Other Surveys in Which Included <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>	39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>																													
18. Description of Environment and Outbuildings In 1874 Jacob Rush owned the land that is now occupied by the Otto Brown house. At that time there were two houses located on this property, and the surrounding land was planted in vineyards. It is most likely that one	40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	41. Distance from and Frontage on Road <p style="text-align: center;">60 ft.</p>																													
19. Sources of Information Aldrich, History of Erie County, Ohio (1889) What 1903, Hayes Presidential Center Sandusky Register: Newspaper articles, Frohman Collect. Hayes Presidential Center	42. Prepared by Kevin Pape Kyle Johannsen	43. Organization K.I. Planning Commis																													
44. Date 8/85	49. Revision Date(s)																														

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50. House Type No. _____
 Code No. Name

51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s)

Code No. Type

Corn Crib or Shed Smoke House Privy
 Silo Spring House
 Summer Kitchen or Ice House Carriage House

Other Granary

52. Archaeological Site on Property?

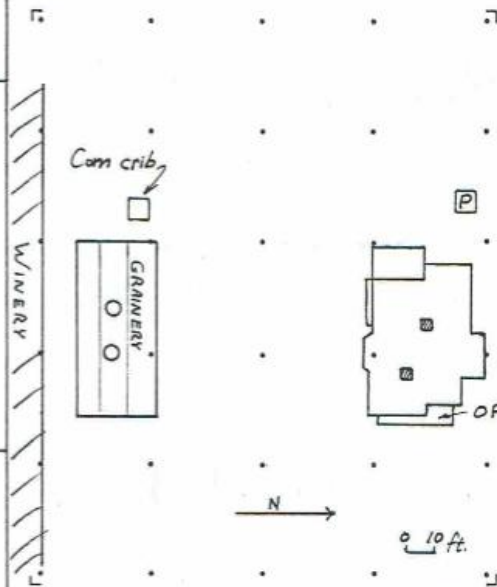
Yes
 No

Basis for Information

Owner Collection
 Above Ground Earthworks or Mound
 Cultural Materials Noted OAI No. _____



53. Farmstead Plan



54. Photo

Roll No. 14 Picture No(s) 7-9

42. (Cont'd)

frieze board, continuous first floor lintel, and a molded water table. Gable-end bays display bargeboard gable ornament, notched siding under gables, colored glass Queen Anne or pointed arch gable windows, and a belt course with either projecting sawtooth or dentil design. Several gabled wall dormers protrude above the roofline in the rear (westerly) half of the residence. Front balcony includes an elliptically framed tripartite stained glass window group, turned columns and pilasters and a tiny balustrade. Below the balcony the front double doors are topped by transom lights of colored glass. The open front porch features lattice bracketed columns and pilasters, balustrade, upper wood ornament and pedimented entry with finial, while a side porch displays bracketed columns, balustrade, upper wood ornament and a transom light over the outside door.

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in 1887 he merged his wine and grape growing business with those of other islanders to form the Sweet Valley Wine Company, which became the second largest winery on Kelleys Island. Brown served as general manager of Sweet Valley for a number of years before leaving it around the turn of the century to form the short-lived Union Wine Company. This home remained in the Brown family (with Mr. & Mrs. Sherman Brown) until it was sold in 1984.

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of the early houses belonged to Jacob Rush and the other was the Otto Brown homestead. After the houses were torn down, the kitchen from one of them was used as a shed which is no longer standing. The house sits on a lot which is greatly reduced from the size of the original parcel. Now located outside the property boundary is a 52x28' granary and corn crib. The granary has a central raised gable flanked by shed roofed sections.

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The roof is corrugated metal and the south half of the structure is poured concrete, while the north half is constructed of butted horizontal planks. It rests on a concrete foundation. The ruins of the Sweet Valley Winery are 12' south of the granary. To the rear of the house is a "three seater" privy with a gabled slate roof. In front of the house, near the street is a limestone carriage mounting block. The house is located in the region called Sweet Valley and near the island cemetery.

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1874 Atlas Map, Erie County
Turt Bcker
Oral Hist: Molly Erne Yascovits

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