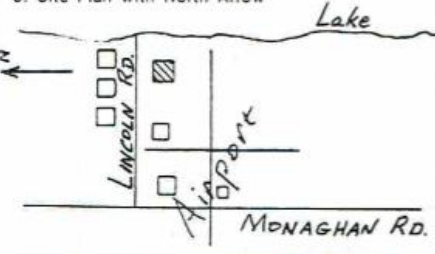




OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. I.D. Number ERI-1636		4. Present Name(s) Don and Donna Nowalk Residence	
2. County ERIE		5. Other Name(s) Titus/Pringnitz House	
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.			
6. Specific Location South side of Lincoln Rd., 1st house west of lake, 600 across from Stokes Hse.		16. Thematic Category Ethnic Agriculture, industry	28. No. of Stories 1 1/2
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island, Ohio		17. Date(s) or Period c. 1865	29. Basement? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Folk Victorian	30. Foundation Material Limestone rubble
9. U.T.M. Reference 17 359820 4607080		19. Architect or Engineer	31. Wall Construction Wood frame
10. Site Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>		20. Contractor or Builder	32. Roof Type & Material Gable/asph. shingle
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence	33. No. of Bays Front Side
12. Is it Eligible? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence	34. Wall Treatment Asbestos sheet.
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 Square
14. District Potential? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Don Nowalk Box 105, Kelleys Isl. Ohio	36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>
15. Name of Established District N/A		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	37. Condition Interior Exc. Exterior Exc.
42. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) This cross-gabled vernacular building features Italianate window and door detailing. The main entrance is in the front gable and brick chimneys are located at the gable intersection and on the gable slope (corbelled); a third brick chimney is located in the center of the rear addition. Shuttered windows are all 2/2 and framed with pedimental lintels detailed by elaborate scrolls. Asbestos		26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape; KI.Hist.Survey	38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
43. History and Significance Henry Pringnitz, Prussian born immigrant built this house c1865. Born in 1837, he and his widowed mother and sister settled first in Napoleon, Ohio, c1859. The next year he came to Kelleys Island to ply his trade of blacksmithing with fellow smith, William Becker (ERI-1635), and four years later he purchased 13 acres of land adjacent to Becker's and built this home in		27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A	39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings The house lies on a large plot of level, mowed land, open to the lake which bounds it on the east. Vestiges of the runs and cages of the old fox farm are still visible in scrub to the west. A large, 24x30' frame barn and lean-to lie to the south east with apple trees in the foreground.		46. Prepared by Kate Boker & Kevin Pape	40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
45. Sources of Information Census Records Donna Nowak 1874, 1896 Atlas Maps of Kelleys Island Fr. R. Bauman S.R. Ju.1, 1926 Lydia Bechtel Aldrich, History of Erie Co., O., 1899 Ted. Blatt 1887 Tax Bk.; Gen'l Index to Deeds, Erie Co. Ellier Hughes		47. Organization KI Planning Commis	41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 40' (2.02ac)
		48. Date R/RZ	49. Revision Date(s)



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 Carriage House
 Summer Kitchen or Ice House

Other _____

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. 21 Picture No(s) 4-6

42. (Cont'd)

shingles obscure other trim elements, however, frieze boards are visible beneath gables. The front porch consists of a gabled roof supported by chamfered columns set on replacement base of concrete blocks. It is detailed with milled hanging frieze panels. The front door is paneled and glazed, and features iron grill work with central medallion over the window. There is an enclosed porch on the east side. The side entrance into a rear, board-and-batten wing is covered with a shed roof set upon turned columns and balustrades.

43. (Cont'd.)

1866. Here he brought his new wife, Marry Elling, and raised 6 children. The house was enlarged in 1886 to meet the needs of his growing family. Of these children Sarah (born 1872) married Henry Trieschman, Jr., and lived with him on Woodford Rd. (ERI-1747). Henry carried on the Trieschman meat market after his father's death. Emma (born 1866) married William Titus, grand son of early quarry owner, John Titus (ERI-1670), and lived with him in the Pringnitz homestead with her brother, Herbert. William worked first as a lime kiln operator for the North Quarry and later as a teamster for the Dock Co. (ERI-1628). Albert (born 1876) was a locomotive engineer for the quarry. Herbert (born 1883) was a popular island resident. Many faceted and good humored, he served as village constable, a pillar of the German Reformed Church, farmer, butcher, and blacksmith, using the Bauman smithy on Division St. (see ERI-1580). In the 1930's he operated a silver fox farm with Frank Nowalk adjacent to this farm to the west. At Herbert's death, Frank bought the fox farm, and later the house c1950's. Born on the island in 1894, Frank was the son of Peter and Mary Nowak who had emigrated from Austrio-Hungary in 1881. He was a quarry worker first in Amherst, Ohio, then on Kelleys Island c1900. They made their home on the north end of Division St. (razed by the State c1930 for park land). Frank's son, Don, now lives in the home with his wife, Donna, and is owner-operator of The Casino (ERI-1561).