Mr. Matthew Clingerman and Mr. Joseph O'Toole have been given notice that they have received a Historic Home Award from the Landmark Society of Western New York. The award is for outstanding stewardship of their home at 412 East Avenue. They purchased the property in 2003 and rehabilitated the 1860 Italian Villa and carriage house to their historic appearance via extensive research, historic photographs and sheer tenacity. The four-unit house was returned to its single-family configuration. Original architectural parts were located and assembled, while the missing front porch was completely rebuilt. The carriage house, in near collapse, was stabilized and restored. The Landmark Society called this 18-year transformation a remarkable achievement.

