

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. ERI-1748		4. Present Name(s) Paul Mielke Residence	
2. County ERIE		5. Other Name(s) Addison Kelley Tenant House/Reuben Becker House	
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.			
6. Specific Location South side of Woodford Rd. 1500 ft. west of Monagan Rd.		16. Thematic Category Agriculture	28. No. of Stories 1 1/2
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island, Ohio		17. Date(s) or Period c.1860's	29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Site Plan with North Arrow		18. Style or Design Vernacular	30. Foundation Material Lm stone rubble
		19. Architect or Engineer -	31. Wall Construction course limestone rubble
		20. Contractor or Builder -	32. Roof Type & Material Gable/asph shingle
9. U.T.M. Reference 17358680 4606050		21. Original Use, if apparent Residence	33. No. of Bays Front 3 Side 2
10. Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use Residence	34. Wall Treatment Stucco
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	35. Plan Shape Rectang
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	14. District Potent'l? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Paul Mielke 3209 Columbus Ave. Sandusky, 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 _____ Exterior Good
42. Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) This massed plan, side-gabled house has a central brick chimney and a gable end brick chimney. The overhanging eaves are set-off by a narrow frieze board. The front door is positioned slightly off-center and features a transom light set into the lintel. Windows are 6/6 and, like the door, have flush lintels and plain lug sills. Beneath the stucco facade, corner stones are dressed and		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 The lot on which this house stands was purchased from Addison Kelley by John B. Rickert c.1860. The house was probably built by Mr. Kelley as it is similar in style and material of construction (stucco over stone), as other houses built by the Kelleys in this period. Also, the tax valuation is comparable to that of ERI-1745, a house very similar to this one and		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 sits on a small mound of approximately 3 feet, sloping to the south and east. To the rear and west side is cedar scrub. The remains of an old orchard lies to the west and part of an apple orchard to the east. The large yard is level and mowed. There is a sawn limestone slab walkway		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
45. Sources of Information Census Records Court Records, 1857-1920 F.Hamilton Collection, Hayes Presidential Center Charles Martin Oral Hist.,		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road 70' / 100'	
		46. Prepared by Kevin Pape & Betty Pape	
		47. Organization KI Planning Commis	
		48. Date 8/85	49. Revision Date(s)

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Reuben Becker House



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. 5 Picture No(s). 14, 15

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may have been set as quoins. A hipped wing, attached to the east and south walls displays the same materials and construction techniques as the main section. However, one room has been removed, creating a recessed porch which reveals a blocked, segmented arch opening into the gable wall at floor level. Cellar windows are also segmentally arched.

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known to have been built by Addison Kelley c.1860. Although John Rickert held the property until the mid 1880's, there is no census data for him possibly indicating that it was used for rental property. One source indicated that John Hauser lived here, and this is substantiated by the 1880 Census listing the Hausers renting in this vicinity. John was then farming and his son, Frank, working for the Kelley Island Wine Co. (For more information on this family see ERI-1604.)* Soon after this period, Henry Trieschman bought the lot, housing some of his slaughterhouse workers here. (See ERI-1573) In 1916 the property went to George Becker and his wife, Emma Trieschman Becker. George operated a large dairy farm across the road (ERI-1746). C. 1930 he gave the house to his son, Reuben as a wedding present. Reuben's wife, Elsie, was a young German girl who had come to the island reportedly to visit the George Schardts (ERI-1731), stayed to work for the Beckers and thus met Reuben. They lived in the stone house until the death of Mr. Becker c.1939 when they moved back to the big house with Emma Becker. Reuben and Elsie continued to run the dairy farm after the death of the senior Beckers, but when Reuben was killed in a tractor accident in 1946, Elsie soon gave up the farm and left the island. *Frederick and Julia Martin rented here c1898, and their daughter, Harriet, was born here. (See ERI-1688)

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leading from both back doors to the southwest edge of the lot probably to a former privy.