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National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Historic Name: Columbus Tuttle House (Photograph 23)
Common Name: Same
Location: 610 N. Main Street
Date of Construction: 1890
Architect: Unknow
Builder: Daniel Wadsworth

Classification:
Category: Building
Ownership: Stanley S. Roland, M.D. - Private
610 N. Main Street
Lapeer, Michigan 48446
Public Acquisition: N/A
Status: Occupied
Accessible: Yes: Restricted
Present Use: Private Residence; Other: Doctor's office

Description:
Condition: Excellent
Altered
Original Site

The Columbus Tuttle House, which stands on a raised stone foundation with arched cellar windows, illustrates elements of Queen Anne styling. The profusion of gables in the irregularly massed frame structure are ornamented with sunburst panels, decorative shingling, fanlights, and stepped windows. A slight jetty projects between the first and second floor levels while dentils and frieze with diamond designs add interest to the eavesline. The windows come in many sizes and shapes, are often grouped, and occasionally employ colored glass in their small panes and bulls-eyes on their wooden surrounds. Small panels of wood with diamonds or sunbursts are fixed beneath some of the windows. The porch was enclosed circa 1905 and is located at the intersection of the front projecting bay and front facade; its detailing includes bands of windows with transoms of small colored panes. Modern alterations to the well-maintained 1890 structure are limited to the general updating of building systems and construction of a garage. In 1948, conversion to doctor's offices required additional interior partitioning on the first floor; it remains in use today as a doctor's office and private residence.

Significance:
Period: 1800-1899
Areas of Significance: Architecture, industry, politics

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The importance of the Columbus Tuttle House stems primarily from its associations with a man who was influential in the industrial development of Lapeer. Tuttle established a planing mill in Lapeer before 1860 and, by continuing to develop and expand the establishment well into the twentieth century, witnessed three important eras of Lapeer's growth. The early Tuttle planing mill served a strictly local market but took full advantage of the fledging lumbering activities in Lapeer County. By horse-drawn cart and wagon, Tuttle supplied to county residents the simple planed wood they needed for their earliest homes and businesses. With the arrival of the railroads in the 1870s, Tuttle's business expanded at a boom-time pace as new markets came within reach through the ever-expanding network of rail lines. As lumber's heyday drew to a close in the 1880s and metal-based industries slowly grew to be the basis of Lapeer's economy, Tuttle retooled accordingly and began to produce finished and ornamental wood products. With this transition, Tuttle continued to serve Lapeer's residents and have an impact on the appearance of his community. While his life was focused on business, Tuttle, like many of his contemporaries, attended to his civic responsibilities. Serving as an early Trustee for the village and then becoming one of the first aldermen when the city was incorporated in 1869, Tuttle played a role in the exciting development of Lapeer as a railroad town and county seat. He also made time to lay plans for a new residence that would better reflect his growing wealth and community standing. Using a piece of property that he had purchased and on which he had built a home soon after his arrival in 1853, Tuttle redeveloped the site in 1890. Daniel Wadsworth of Lapeer served as the "master mechanic" to construct the house for Tuttle and his second wife, Linda, and built for the couple a residence of conservative Queen Anne styling that well fit the successful industrialist and probably utilized the products of his business. Frank R. Cutting was the next occupant of the home and, like Tuttle, established his wealth through a local lumber business. Today, the home remains in intact condition and, because of its elegant yet conservation Queen Anne styling, stands as an important feature of Lapeer's residential streetscape.

Bibliography:

Ellis, Pioneer Families, page 26, 129, 131
Lapeer County Democrat: 3-26-1890, page 8; 4-23-1890, page 1; 6-11-1890, page 8; 8-13-1890, page 8
Page, County History of Lapeer

Geographical Data:

Acreage: less than one acre
Quadrangle Name: Lapeer
Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000
UTM Reference: 17/311170/4769310

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

Lots 4, 5 and the west 32 feet of the south 20 feet of Lot 7, and the west half of the north 30 feet of Lot 7, and the west 32 feet of Lot 6 in Block 38 of the northwest quarter in the original plat of the City of Lapeer. This is all the property associated with the house.

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

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Name Lapeer Multiple Resource Area
State Lapeer County, MICHIGAN

Cover 7/26/85

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

1. Armstrong, Joseph, House

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Patrick Andrews 7/26/85

Attest

2. Dutton, James B., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melores Byers 7/26/85

Attest

3. Hart, Rodney G., House

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4. Hevener, John and Julia, House

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National Register

for Keeper

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Attest

5. Hungerford, Robert A., House

Substantive Review

Determined Eligible

for Keeper

Eligible Patrick Andrews 7/26/85

DOE/OWNER OBJECTION

Attest

6. Lee, John and Rosetta, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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Attest

7. Perry, Warren, House

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National Register

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Attest

8. Piety Hill Historic District

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Patrick Andrews 7/26/85

Attest

9. Tomlinson, Samuel J., House

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10. Tuttle, Columbus, House

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Attest

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Tuttle, Columbus, House (Lapeer MRA)
Lapeer County
MICHIGAN

Working No. JUN 14 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 7/11/85 — 7/29/85
Action: ACCEPT 7-26-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed |

Check one

- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

PHOTO: TURTLE HOUSE

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PHOTOGRAPH 23 of 27

Columbus Tuttle House
(610 North Main)
Lapeer, Lapeer County, Michigan

Photographer: J. Meyer
July 1982 - camera facing northeast

Negative: Michigan History Division
208 N. Capitol, Lansing, Michigan

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card sent 1/2/85

December 20, 1984

Dr. Martha M. Bigelow
State Historic Preservation Officer
Bureau of History
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, Michigan 48918
Attn: Kathryn B. Eckert

JAN 02 1985

Dear Dr. Bigelow:

I concur in listing my property, the Columbus Tuttle House, 610 North Main, Lapeer, Michigan in the National Register of Historic Places.

I most appreciate your kindness.

Sincerely,

Stanley S. Roland

Stanley S. Roland, D.O.

SSR/mab