567 E. Hudson St. Columbus, OH 43211 614/298-2000

OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

RPR Number:

1. No. LOR-02028-21	4. Present Name(s)	Travis House		LOR-1 8-21
2. County Lorain	5. Historic or Othe	her Name(s) Bunker-Davison House		LOR-0202 8-21
6. Specific Address or Location 49 / 51 Groveland 6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number		19a. Design Sources	35. Plan Shape Square	2. Co Lora
		20. Contractor or Builder 21. Building Type or Plan Upright and Wing	36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. Original/Most significant construct	
900086104006 7. City or Village Oberlin		22. Original Use, if apparent Single Dwelling Multiple Dwelling	17b. Substantial alteration/addition 37. Window Type(s) Modern Replacements	.
9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oberlin 17 398182 4571099		23. Present Use Single Dwelling	6 over 6 38. Building Dimensions 31' x 52'	Travis Ho
Zone Easting Northing 10. Classification: Building 11. On National Register? NO		24. Ownership Private 25. Owner's Name & Address, if known Thomas & Sharon Travis 49 Groveland St.	39. Endangered? YES By What? Alterations	Travis House
13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO 15. Other Designation (NR or Local) 16. Thematic Associations: TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION MANUFACTURING/INDUSTRIAL		Oberlin, OH, 44074 26. Property Acreage 27. Other Surveys	40. Chimney Placement Center 41. Distance from & Frontage on Road 30'	(s)
		28. No. of Stories One and a half story 29. Basement? Yes 30. Foundation Material Stone bearing	51. Condition of Property: Good/Fair 52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependence Structure Type Garage	
` '	Alteration Date(s)	31. Wall Construction Balloon/western/platform frame	Date Historic	
No academic style - Vernacular 18a. Style of Addition or Elements(s)		32. Roof Type Gable Roof Material Asphalt shingle	Associated Activity	
19. Architect or Engineer		33. No. of Bays 6 Side Bays 4 34. Exterior Wall Material(s)	53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers Historic (OHI)	
		Aluminum or vinyl siding	Archaeological (OAI)	1

42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary)

This house is a vernacular upright and wing. The front gable at the north facade is at the center and has two 1/1 double hung windows at the first story and two 6/6 double hung windows at the second story. The gable is flanked by wings on each side, which probably represent later additions. Each wing has a porch, which has modern wood supports and balustrades. At the right-hand porch (which is 49 Groveland), a solid door faces west at the gabled portion of the house and two 1/1 double hung windows face north at the wing. At the left-hand porch (this is 51 Groveland), a solid door is in the wing at the right, and a 6/6 double hung window is to its left. The east elevation, at the far right, includes a 6/6 double hung window. The exterior chimney near the center has two 6/6 double hung windows to the left and another 6/6 double hung window at the far left corner, within a slightly shorter addition. The west elevation includes a wing with a 1/1 double hung replacement window at the left and a 6/6 double hung (original) window at the center and right. At the far right, the addition has a 1/1 double hung window.

43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary)

This house was built at least by 1874 when it appears in a city directory. The first known resident was Thaddeus Bunker, a merchant specializing in hats and gentlemen's goods. He lived in the house until at least 1887. In 1890, Fred Drake, a plumber for the Oberlin Gas Company, lived in the house along with Mrs. Ruth Sherman, a widow (Martin Joshua Sherman d. 1889). S. F. 'Frank' Herrick and his wife Mary E. (nee Griffin) lived in the house along with Mrs. Sherman in 1891 and 1894. Frank had been in the 19th Ohio Battalion during the Civil War and was later a stone mason. Mrs. Stephen Coates was also listed with the Herricks 1894-1897. Since 1896, this house has been divided into 49 and 51 Groveland. Jennie S. Coates and the Herricks resided here through 1897. From 1899-1900, continued...

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)

The detached garage is historic with a front gable and clapboard siding. A pedestrian door at the left has a window in the upper half and filled panels below. The garage car door has been replaced with an aluminum door which is wide enough for two cars. This house is located on a residential street.

45. Sources of Information

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47. Organization: Oberlin Heritage Center

48. Date Recorded: 11/30/2008

50. PIR Review Date:

Specific Address or Location
 49 / 51 Groveland

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8. Site Plan with North Arrow	54. Farmstead Plan :		
		Door Selection: Two doors symmetrical	
Groveland Les & Balletin Company of the Company of	 N ↑	Door Position: Flush	
		Orientation: Gable dominant with multiple smaller lateral extension	
		Symmetry:	
Report Associated With Project: NADB #:		Bilateral symmetry	





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42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)

43. History and Significance (Con't)

Mahlon D. Harding resided here with his wife Sarah Maude. Mahlon was a grocery clerk and they had one daughter named Marie (b. 1897). From 1902 through 1910, Frederick L. Williamson was listed at this address. Fred L. was a railroad laborer and married Julia A. Their son Dwight L. (b. 1880) was also listed in 1902 as a tinner with Watson & Thompson. Fred and Julia had another son Floyd (b. 1879) and two daughters named Lettie M. (b. 1881) and Lena E. (b. 1891). In 1904 and 1908, Dwight's wife Lula L. was also listed here. In 1910, Carroll Pope Broadwell, the husband of Lena E. Williamson, lived here. Carroll P. was a mail carrier, auto salesman, postal clerk, painter, and started his own taxi service. They had one son named Wayne (b. 1909). From 1916-1920 Everett E. Johnson resided here. Everett E. was registered during WWI, was a railroad agent, baggage master, and married a woman named Ethel. Their two daughters were named Josephine L. (b. 1913) and Eveline I. (b. 1914). A retired Mrs. Mary C. Clark was listed here during 1916. In 1920 Shirley Jackson also lived here with his wife Anna C. and their two children Howard Elbert (b. 1915) and Eleanor Grace (b. 1918). Shirley E. was an agent for the American Express Company and manager at the Railway Express. It is unclear who resided here from 1921-1928. During 1929, Mrs. Mary Mills and her three children lived here along with Mrs. Ira Mills. In 1933 Harold M. Lathrop was listed with his wife Kathryn Anna through 1936. Harold was a carpenter, interior decorator, and painter. They had one daughter named Wilma Jean. Arthur Dewey was also listed during 1933 with his wife Lura (Laura) and their three children. Arthur was a painter, machine operator, and road worker. In 1937 Howard Cole lived here with his wife Gertrude. Howard was an employee at a steel plant and Oberlin laundry, as well as a fireman. Gertrude worked for the Oberlin Dry Cleaning business. William T. Bell, his wife Genevieve, and their child resided here in 1937 also. William T. was a plasterer. In 1939, John J. Pietch and his wife Alice Mildred were the only family living here. John J. was a carpenter and they had one son named Robert. The next known resident was Ernest Green in 1941 and 1942. Ernest Ray Green was a taxi driver who married a woman named Mildred and they had one child. Jack Marmont Carter also lived here in 1942 with his wife Dorothy and their three children. Jack worked in a factory in Elyria. Mrs. Mary E. Vanderlip resided here from 1943 through1948. Mary E. was the widow of F. E. Vanderlip and worked on hand crafts. Ruth W. Vanderlip, a musician and composer, was also listed during 1948. George N. Bennet and his wife Violet lived here in 1948 as well. They had three children and George worked in the store room for the Bendix WAAB Company. From 1956-1989, Robert Davison resided here. Robert's wife was Agnes May (nee Smith), they had one child, and he was an employee of General Industries. Philip M. Webb, an employee of American Brake Shoe, also lived here during 1956. In 1961, Mrs. Mary A. Blakely and her three children resided at this address. In 1970, David L. Payne was listed here as well. It is unknown who has resided here since 1989, but the current owners are Sharon and Thomas Travis. This home was recently put up for sale.

44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)

45. Sources (Con't)

Staff, (1833-1960).' Oberlin College, 1961.; Lorain County Court House, Auditor Property Record, Internet, http://www.loraincounty.com/auditor/index.shtml, Accessed 2008.