



The Preservationist



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WE HAVE BEEN CALLED UPON

Many of you ask me what The Canton Preservation Society is working on. Maybe you have read or heard about how Lake Cable shopping center's future is in jeopardy. We are here finding out the answers for you and expressing our concerns for its future. Following you will find a letter our President wrote to the President of the Lake Cable association, and it also appeared in the newspaper under letters to the editor. I have also included the history of the shopping center and other interesting information and facts. As new information is available, we will publish it in our newsletter but if you ever have questions, please feel free to contact me at our office.

Lake Cable Shopping Center

By Jackson Township Historical Society



Dueber Cable was born on February 21, 1888 and graduated from Central High School in 1904. He worked in a grocery store for about one year, then in the railway mail service for about three months. After that, he was employed by George Letherman Grain and Feed Company for eight and a half years. In 1914 he engaged in taking contracts for sewers form excavating and paving in a partnership with his brother Austin which proved a success and in 1916 incorporated their business as the Cable Company and Dueber was the treasurer and general manager.

Austin Cable was born on September 15, 1891 and graduated from Central High School. He worked in a grocery store for a year and a half. He then worked for Downs Construction Company as a bookkeeper and timekeeper for three years. They reorganized the company, and he became its secretary which he served two years. He left them and went to Buffalo New York and worked for Stabell Construction Company for a short time then returned to Canton, Ohio, and formed a partnership with his brother as the Cable Company and became the president.

They engaged in the general contracting business and later they confined their attention to excavating, grading, and steam shovel work.

In 1923 they formed a partnership and developed six hundred and forty acres of land of which two hundred and fifty acres was water which became Lake Cable.

The shopping center was built at a cost of approximately \$200,000. It was designed by Bartlett Lumber Company for Dueber and Austin Cable. The original part of the building was constructed in 1945.

Some of the material used in building the center was collected over a period of 25 years by Dueber Cable. The markings on some of the stones indicate a century or more has passed since they were cut.

It is a three-section unit with each section set off from the others by vari-directional facing. It provided for seven apartments on the second floor of the various sections with a view of the lake.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

It is hard to believe that the summer is gone, and the holidays are just around the corner. As I watch my daughters do their holiday shopping online, it got me thinking about how things have changed! I asked them, “when you do that where is the personal touch that goes into ordering online and sending it unwrapped.”

I think it is sad they will never know what it would be like to catch the bus and travel to Downtown Canton in the 60’s. The store windows were just beautiful! Stern and Mann’s, Kobacher’s, Sears and Roebuck, and what about Polsky’s big windows. All the mechanic Santa’s and reindeers that took a lot of creative workers in getting their Christmas scene together.

Oh goodness, how could I ever forget Polsky’s with the evaluator operator who would hand out little candy canes. Don’t tell anyone but that is what I wanted to do when I grew up! But by the time I turned 16, the store was gone.

Does anyone remember those big red plastic bells with the garland that hung from across the streets on Market Avenue. Oh, and the wreath with the single candle on each lamp post!

Some of us may not have gotten all the gifts children seem to get today, but the memories that we have collected during our earlier years are priceless!

Lastly, I want to mention that based on the letter to the editor in the Repository, about saving Lake Cable Shopping Center, it showed that the Canton Preservation Society supports keeping the center as is! Thank Goodness for my strong team, who searched the information that was quite informative to the readers.

Until the next time,

Therese

membership renewal

Please check the address label on this newsletter to find your renewal date. It is located at the end of your name line. Simply cut out the membership form, fill it out and mail us your payment!

WE WILL NO LONGER BE MAILING MEMBERSHIP INVOICES.

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Members and Friends,

I am pleased to announce that The Canton Preservation Resale store will be celebrating its 15th anniversary in October. Over the years we have doubled the size of the store when we added the warehouse space to the store. It is a little difficult at times when we do not have an inside opening between the two buildings but our customers don't seem to mind as they find great bargains in both areas. This summer donations were down but these last few weeks' donations have greatly improved allowing us to restock the store with fresh merchandise. Please remember to shop during October to take advantage of the deepest discounts of the year. I wish to thank all of you who donate and shop the store as our 15 years of success is because of you!

In last month's newsletter I announced the winners of the 2022 Preservation Awards, but did not include any details regarding the properties. You will find in this newsletter pictures and details of the two properties. I am sure you will find that both winners were worthy of the awards. We are pleased that both properties were nominated and that our committee found the properties to be so well taken care of along with so many original features. If you know of a property worthy of a Preservation Award please contact the office or visit our website to find the best way to nominate the property.

The fund-raising committee is working on a fall house tour along with a fund-raiser for 2024. Due to Covid-19 those activities had been put on hold. We are excited to get back to our activities and see all of our members and friends at the events.

Sincerely

Joseph C. Engel, Executive Director

Lake Cable Shopping Center

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The basic construction was steel and stone with natural wood finish including wood spouting. The shingles all are hand-cut of Oregon redwood.

The original part housed a service station, sporting goods, appliance store, and barbershop. The next section contained a supermarket, hardware, drug store, and confectionery. Available space existed for a dress shop or gift shop and beauty parlor.

Garage space for six cars is included with the building for the apartment tenants. Sun decks were constructed above the garage. Three storage rooms were provided off of a hallway in the rear of the building for the shops use.

The covered walkway in the front of the building between the parking area and the building is 8 to 9 feet wide and is composed of flagstone and old mill grandstones up to 80 inches in diameter. The 61 grindstones are from the South Amherst, Ohio area. Curbing and other stones were obtained in Youngstown, Akron, and Canton and from county bridge and building foundations, including old barns.

The walkway is lighted by 27 artistic copper lamps. The main lamp posts to light the drive-in area are old Canton hitching posts dating from the horse and buggy era.

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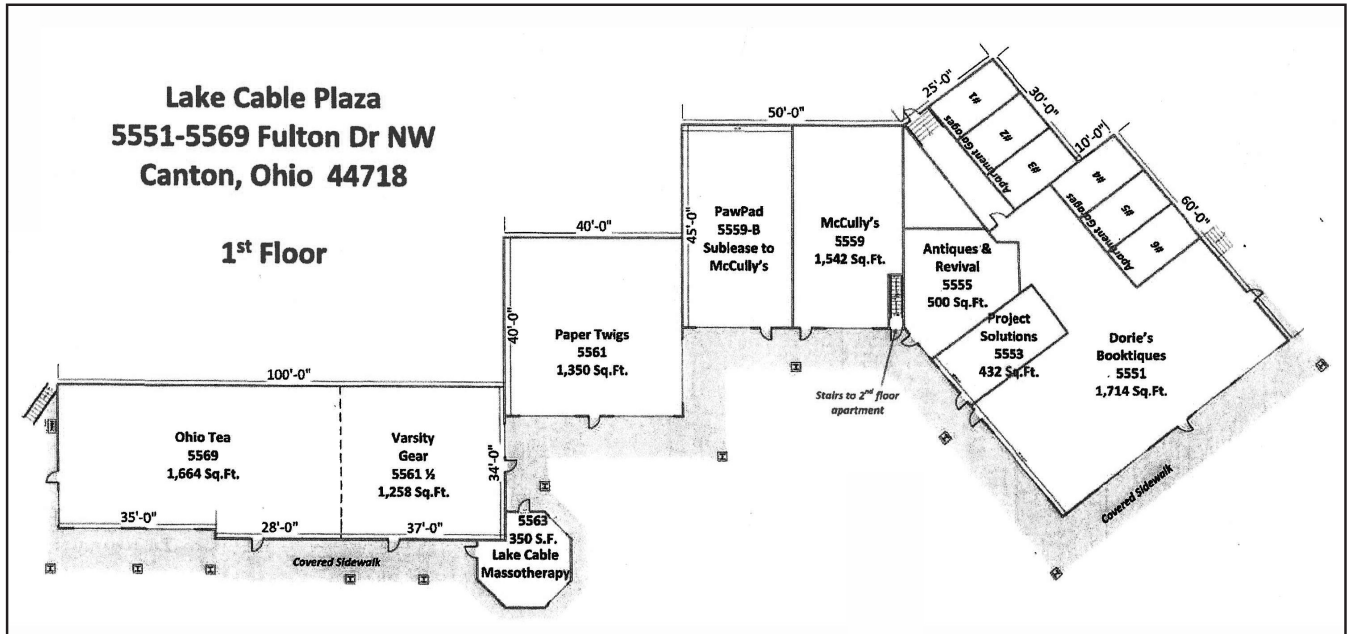
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Lake Cable Shopping Center



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Bob Wynkoop, President
 Lake Cable Recreation Association
 5725 Fulton Road NW
 Canton, Ohio 44718

Dear Mr. Wynkoop,

Our significant structures are an integral part of our historic fabric in this community. They tell the story of each of us, for we all have a part in our history. In light of this, we encourage the Lake Cable Recreation Association to continue to be the guardians of the Lake Cable Shopping Center complex, for now and for future generations.

As you know, the first section of the shopping center was built in 1945 and the second section was completed in 1951. As we researched the shopping center, we were impressed that many of the materials used to build the shopping center were collected over a 25-year period by an original owner, Mr. Dueber Cable. The building and its covered walkway are pieces of history. The stones used in construction of the building include stones indicating they were cut over a century of more ago. The covered walkway in front of the building was built with grinding stones from the south Amherst, Ohio area. Curbing and other stones were obtained from Canton and surrounding areas, including old county bridge and barn foundations. In addition, the main lamp posts to light the drive-in area are old Canton hitching posts dating back to the horse and buggy era. So much of our area's history is located right here, in this one special shopping area of the Lake Cable complex.

Our memories and lives are woven around the places where we made those memories. One of the roles of The Canton Preservation Society is to evaluate and advocate for the importance of saving our significant buildings. This iconic building and its history are part of us. It carries our history in its stonework and character of Lake Cable, as constructed and envisioned by its own founders, and takes it with us into the future. The Canton Preservation Society respectfully asks that The Lake Cable Recreation Association keep our history, past and future, alive by keeping the Lake Cable Shopping Center.

Respectfully,

Therese Schneider, President, The Canton Preservation Society
 cc: Canton Repository

Historic Preservation Award

At our annual meeting each year The Canton Preservation Society presents its Preservation Award which honors noteworthy preservation projects in the greater Canton area which have recently been completed. These awards are an opportunity for the Society to recognize the efforts of property owners and the often heroic work they perform in preserving the historic and architectural resources in our area. The awards also encourage historic preservation and acknowledge that good preservation can be found in the restoration of the most modest residence to the grandest mansion. Award categories are as follows.

Private Residence: This category is for structures owned by an individual or a family and used primarily as a residence.

Commercial Property: All types of commercial properties are included, including rental properties, industrial facilities, etc.

Adaptive Use: This category is for structures that although meeting our guidelines have been modified for a use differing from the original.

You can find more information about these awards on our website along with the application. Please find following the two residential property awards that were awarded at our 2022 annual meeting, the Slusser house and the Meyer cottage.

1345 South Park Ave. NW, Meyers Lake Ohio 44708

Resident: Mr. & Mrs. William Grosskopf ~ Original Resident: Ed. J. Meyer

Known as the "Meyer Cottage" built by Edward J. Meyer, grandson of Andrew Meyer, sometime between early 1880's and the mid 1890's along with the LAKEVIEW HOTEL. Cottage originally used by Mr. Meyer in summers and the later by a Mr. Slicker who bought the hotel from Mr. Meyer. Edward J. Meyer was the first developer and proprietor of Lakeview Park-later to become Meyers Lake Park.



The Slusser House, The Slusser Tavern

Information obtained from Jim Moraghan



The Slusser property which sits on parcels 17179, 17176 and 17175, Plat book 9 page 112 was recorded in 1811 according to Stark County Auditor. The original farmhouse portion was built between 1840 and 1883. Around 1894-1914 the front portion had probably been added including the Victorian trim over the windows. Doors and window hardware were produced around 1875,



which can be found throughout the house. Further research by Richard and Mary Mani, owners, 1982 to 2000, had a plaque made and installed on the house stating The Slusser House, circa 1880.

The original property up until 1950 consisted of the present 3 parcels and parcels 17171 and 17170 which would have extended the property to Fulton Road NW. This is why the front of the house faces Fulton and the two parcels were sold in 1950 because of financial hardship.

The dwelling has direct ties with one of our first settlers, Peter Slusser Sr, who arrived in 1805, from Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania with three grown sons, Phillip Jr, Peter and John. He helped organize the village, then built Canton's

first gristmill and sawmill on East Nimishillen Creek. The original part of the house was built by Phillip Slusser Jr., as a residence and tavern, the first of its kind in the township, exact date unknown. The front section, Victorian style, was added in the 1890's. Touches of grandeur remain in paneled doors and handsome woodwork, which undoubtedly came from the Slusser Mill and contributed by Phillip's brother John, to an expert cabinetmaker. One of the owners was Peter Johnson who opened a small store, which you can see wall repairs behind the refrigerator in the kitchen that a door was present and the back door to the house at one time



was a half door where the Indians would come off the Nimishillen to the store to obtain food. Still in evidence are basement beams with hand saw marks and pegged with wooden pegs; wrought iron and hand hammered cut nails are seen throughout the house. There are also blown glass windows, sand-case brick interior chimneys, pine floors and paneled doors. After many ups and downs, the property came into the hands of its present owners, who appreciates the historic value of the house and importance of proper care.

The house is 3073 square feet with 2 1/2 floors, 4 bedrooms, one full bath and one-half bath. Downstairs is the living room and dining room, with pocket doors separating them, for privacy in earlier days of entertaining guests and the keeping room for men only, kitchen and office (general store), full basement, maid's quarters with winding stairs into the kitchen, formal grand foyer and large formal staircase leading to second floor. There are three fireplaces (not working). All original woodwork and hardwood floors throughout the entire house.

PRESERVATION AWARDS

- 1978 Stark County Historical Society for its restoration of the McKinley Monument-public structure
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Vogelgasang, 2316 Tuscarawas St., West-private residence
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Ellis, 1320 Cleveland Avenue, NW, business structure
- 1985 Robert Leach Mellett Bldg., West Tusc.
Robert Gastman, The McKinley Center (McKinley Senior High School)
Mr. & Mrs. Valerios Capaldi, 1911 Herbruck Home, 4905 West Tusc., Canton
- 1988 First Awards Issued Trinity Lutheran Church, 415 W. Tusc. St., Canton
Central Trust Bank (Chase) for Lobby, 4905 W. Tuscarawas St., Canton
- 1989 Thomas Kimmins, Esq., 27-29 Erie St., Massillon
- 1991 Jan & Tom Murphy – Barber Whitticar House, 519 Cleveland Ave. S.
- 1990 Stephen & Christine Kelleher-Kettering Home, Fulton Dr, Jackson Twp.
Canton Art Institute/Publication/Historic-Architecture in Canton, 1805-1940
- 1998 Louis & Darlene Sherman/Martin Sherman House Market Ave. N., Canton
- 1999 No properties worthy of award
- 2000 City of Canton Downtown Streetscape
Prosper & Kathy Alteiri, 927 Mahoning Rd., Canton
- 2001 Eddie Bealer & Joseph Engel-Tudor Rose, 2210 Market Ave. North, Canton
- 2002 Terry Thomas-Peter Shears Restaurant 427 Tusc. St. E., Canton
Mildred Bech, Cleveland Ave @ 6th St. South
- 2003 Dr. & Mrs Craig Balloon, 2411 Cleveland Ave. NW Canton
Allen & Christine Schulman-Carnegie Bldg. 236 3rd St. SW, Canton
- 2004 Mary Regula/First Ladies Library, 200 Market N. , Canton
Steve Coon/Northmark Bldg. 200 Market N., Canton
- 2005 Bill Weaver, 1882, 107 4th St NW, Massillon
- 2006 Nona & Dennis Harbart, 1901 Queen Anne Victorian built by Mayor Wise Family, 54 Pine St. S., Massillon
- 2007 Kathy & Randy Heckert/Hambilton House, 2716 Market Ave. N, B&B, Canton
Frank Sowers home built by Furbey Electric family on Culver St. NW, Canton
DeHoff Realty - Hoover House S. Main N., Canton - Michael King Studio 5 Art Center on 4th St., Canton
Vicki Owen- Steve Merry /Shepler School House, Schepler Church SW, Canton
Jim Bower-Stark Comm. Foundation for 1891 St. Edwards Hotel, 400 Market Ave. N., Canton
- 2008 Audrey Yoho, 1912 Georgian Colonial, 925 Raff Rd. SW Canton
Rosemary Rubin, 1892 George Cook House Victorian Prof. Bldg., 1435 N. Market, Canton
- 2009 Bill Theis-Metropolitan Centre 601 Cleve. Ave., Canton
Wm. & Lorraine Murphy- 2615 Brentwood Rd. NW, Canton
- 2010 Tim Belden/Joseph Saxton gallery of Photography- 520 Cleveland Ave. NW., Canton
ICAN, Virginia & Eileen Apts 12th St. NW, Canton
- 2011 The Gervais Vineyard, 1700 55th St. NE. N. Canton
The Hart Mansion Restaurant, 411 N. Main St., Minerva
The McDowell/Buck House, 6000 Market N., Canton
- 2012 Carol David Hoffman, 2814 West Dale Ave. NW, Canton
Dr. Alberto Domingo, 3100 Parkway Dr., Canton
- 2013 Kathy & David Waltz, 519 Cleveland Ave. S., Canton
Tim & Sue Timken
- 2014 Paul Vannest, The Beardsley House, 505 Shorb Ave. NW, Canton
John Laughlin East Lake Victoria, 1743 N. Market, Canton
Phyllis Rustifo 1830's Greek Revival, 9036 Kent Ave. NE, Canton
United Rolls Inc./ Whemco Inc., 1400 Grace Ave. NE, Canton
- 2015 No Awards
- 2016 Marsh House, 325 15th St. NW, Canton
Mike King Apts., 512 5th St. NW, Canton
- 2017 Eugene Minnifield Funeral Home, 1342 Cleveland Ave. NW, Canton
- 2018 Jim & JoAnn Ekey, Twin Oak, 924 Raff Road SW, Canton
George Simmons, 2130 Market Ave. North, Canton,
John Mulligan & Ken Jones, 334 5th Street SW, Canton,
- 2019 Doug Wechter, 1811 Ezra Pepple House, 730 Portage Ave. NW, North Canton
David DeChiara, Commercial Building, 2430 4th Street NW, Canton
- 2020/21 No award, due to Covid-19
- 2022 Jim and Karen Morganhan, The Slusser House/Tavern, 1404 15th Street NW, Canton, 1840-1883
William and Catharine Grosskopf-original Myers Lake home, 1345 South Park NW, Canton, Match Stick Style, 1880-1890's



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