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**The American Sesquicentennial 1776-2026
The National Historic District of Marietta, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania
The Homes of United States Street**



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John Spangler – James Caracher House
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Abstract:

Built in 1826 in the Federal architectural style (1780–1820) by John Spangler co-owner of Spangler and Haldeman Hardware. Marietta's commercial photographer John K. Miller lived in this home. Marietta tinsmith James S. Caracher, employed with Stumpf & Mueller Hardware, lived in this home while he served as Marietta's Borough Auditor and Councilman. The Reverend Harry E. Minnich lived in this house while serving Marietta's Reich's Evangelical Congregational Church.

Prologue

United States Semiquincentennial 1776-2026

One of The Signers

O storied vale of Merrimac
Rejoice through all thy shade and shine,
And from his century's sleep call back
A brave and honored son of thine.

Unveil his effigy between
The living and the dead to-day;
The fathers of the Old Thirteen
Shall witness bear as spirits may.

Unseen, unheard, his gray compeers
The shades of Lee and Jefferson,
Wise Franklin reverend with his years
And Carroll, lord of Carrollton!

Be thine henceforth a pride of place
Beyond thy namesake's over-sea,
Where scarce a stone is left to trace
The Holy House of Amesbury.

A prouder memory lingers round
The birthplace of thy true man here
Than that which haunts the refuge found
By Arthur's mythic Guinevere.

The plain deal table where he sat
And signed a nation's title-deed
Is dearer now to fame than that
Which bore the scroll of Runnymede.

Long as, on Freedom's natal morn,
Shall ring the Independence bells,
Give to thy dwellers yet unborn

The lesson which his image tells.

For in that hour of Destiny,
Which tried the men of bravest stock,
He knew the end alone must be
A free land or a traitor's block.

Among those picked and chosen men
Than his, who here first drew his breath,
No firmer fingers held the pen
Which wrote for liberty or death.

Not for their hearths and homes alone,
But for the world their work was done;
On all the winds their thought has flown
Through all the circuit of the sun.

We trace its flight by broken chains,
By songs of grateful Labor still;
To-day, in all her holy fanes,
It rings the bells of freed Brazil.

O hills that watched his boyhood's home,
O earth and air that nursed him, give,
In this memorial semblance, room
To him who shall its bronze outlive!

And thou, O Land he loved, rejoice
That in the countless years to come,
Whenever Freedom needs a voice,
These sculptured lips shall not be dumb!

John Greenleaf Whittier (1888)

As early as 8,000 BCE, Paleo-Indian populations established settlements in the region which would become present-day Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Among the most prominent Indigenous groups, the Susquehannocks flourished along the Susquehanna River, developing sophisticated agricultural systems and extensive trade networks that connected communities across the continent. Archaeological evidence demonstrates sustained human occupation along every river valley and tributary of the Swatara, Conoy, Chickies, Conestoga, Pequea, and Octorara Creeks well before European contact, underscoring the region's long-standing cultural and economic significance.

Documented contact between the Susquehannocks and Europeans began in 1616, when Étienne Brûlé (1592–1633), a French interpreter and explorer fluent in Algonquin languages, traveled south along the Susquehanna River into the Chesapeake Bay. During this journey, Brûlé explored several tributaries within what is now Lancaster County and encountered Susquehannock communities established along the river corridor. These early interactions marked the beginning of profound and lasting transformations to the region's cultural landscape.

One hundred and sixty years later, in 1776, the signing of the *Declaration of Independence* in Philadelphia signaled the emergence of a new nation. In 1812, several neighboring villages along the Susquehanna River were incorporated as the Borough of Marietta. The community's founders designated the principal thoroughfare uniting these villages as United States Street, a name symbolically linking local identity to the broader national narrative.

As the United States approaches the semiquincentennial of its founding in 2026, it is particularly fitting how the historically significant properties highlighted in this commemorative year are the residences lining the roadway formerly known as United States Street. Together, these structures embody the layered history of Indigenous presence, early European contact, and American nation-building historic preservation seeks to recognize and sustain.

As early as 8,000 BC Paleo-Indian settlements, the Susquehannocks flourished along the Susquehanna River with agricultural production and operating complex trade routes expanding throughout the continent. Every river valley and every tributary of the Swatara, Conoy, Chickies, Conestoga, Pequea, and Octorara Creeks has considerable evidence of human habitation in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania prior to European contact.¹

In 1616 Etienne Brule (1592-1633) a French expert in the Algonquin language, who lived among the Susquehanna tribe in western New York, traveled down the Susquehanna River into the Chesapeake Bay. Along the way, Brule explored the tributaries of the Susquehanna River in Lancaster County and encountered the Susquehannock tribes living along the Susquehanna River.²

In 1629 Etienne Brule partnered with the British fur trader Sir David Kirke (1597-1654) establishing trade relations between the Europeans and Susquehannock tribes. By 1680-1690 no Susquehannock villages existed in Lancaster or York Counties. There was a migration to New York to settle among the Iroquois and Seneca and a movement south to Maryland.³

In 1681 British King Charles, II (1630-1685) granted a land charter to Quaker leader William Penn (1644-1718) to repay a debt the King owed to Admiral William Penn (1621-1670). King Charles named it Pennsylvania, meaning Penn's Woods: Penn and Sylvania from the Latin *silva* which translates forest or woods. There were no Susquehannocks living in this region by the time William Penn acquired the land from King Charles, II (1630-1685).⁴

In 1701 William Penn (1644-1718) gave a patent of 3,000 acres of land along the Susquehanna River to George Beale (British). By 1703 Consumed by debt, William Penn (1644-1718) charged his land agent James Logan (1674-1751) to send him in London "bear and buck skins for they [the creditors] bear an advance" and "urge the Pennsylvania assembly to establish a propriety monopoly in the Indian trade."⁵

In 1708 James Logan invited the French Expert Indian language interpreter Peter Bezaillion (1661-1742) to establish a fur trading post where the Conoy Creek meets the Susquehanna River in Bainbridge, Pennsylvania

¹ Benowitz, Jean-Paul, Elizabethtown Advocate. "American Indians Were Major Part of Development of E-town" etownpa.com <http://etownpa.com/american-indians-major-part-development-e-town/> (accessed May 21,2019).

² Ibid.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ Ibid.

north 7.5 miles north of Marietta. By 1719 Bezaillion invited the Piscataway tribe to move from Maryland to Conoy Town. They assumed the name Canoise or corn shellers and were called the Conoy Indians.⁶

In 1717 Peter Logan did not only invite French and Indian fur traders to settle between the Conoy and Conewago Creeks along the Susquehanna River, he also sold land to the highest bidders among the Swiss-German (mostly Mennonite) Palatine farmers arriving in Pennsylvania in 1717. Simultaneously there was an influx of Ulster Scots or Scots-Irish settlers. William Penn's sons John (1700-1746), Richard (1706-1771), and Thomas (1702-1775) inherited a great deal of debt when their father died in 1718. The Penn brothers became alienated from Quaker beliefs and did not subscribe to their father's ideals for Pennsylvania.⁷

In 1717 one year before his death, William Penn reserved 16,000 acres in Lancaster County for various tribes as a reserved hunting ground. This promise by William Penn would not be kept by his sons. According to Mennonite historian the Reverend John L. Ruth, Mennonite settlers in Lancaster County anxiously paid up to four times more than the price the Penn brothers were asking for acres. Meanwhile the Scots-Irish settlers encouraged to move here by James Logan started living on the land without title. The obvious defense of one's claim to property was to construct buildings and begin to improve the land, even before it was legally acquired.⁸

In 1719 Robert Wilkins, Scotch-Irish (Ulster Scots; Anglo-Irish Presbyterians), Indian Trader, acquired 300 acres along the Susquehanna River north of Chickies Creek. In 1719 George Stewart, Scotch-Irish, was sold a tract of land east of the Robert Wilkins tract. In 1727 Robert Wilkins sold the tract of Penn land to Scotch-Irish, The Reverend James Anderson, clergy at the Donegal Presbyterian Church (1732) in Mount Joy, in East Donegal Township. Son James Anderson operated the ferry and built the Accomac Inn.⁹

In 1733 George Stewart's son and daughter-in-law, John and Ann Stewart, inherited and sold the James Anderson tract to David Cook. This tract of land was given to his son David Cook whose son, David Cook, laid out the town of New Haven. Additional acres of the Stewart tract were given to David Cook's son James.¹⁰

Peter Bezaillion built Old Peter's Road, as it is still known in parts of Lancaster County, to facilitate French and Indian fur trading linking Philadelphia to Bainbridge (1719). Bezaillion who, in partnership with the British, challenged France's control over the territory between the Appalachian Mountains and the Mississippi River, a struggle which helped precipitate the French and Indian War. The French found the Algonquin tribes their allies, while the Iroquois sided with the British. Raids of British colonists occurred on both sides.¹¹

By 1743, The Piscataway tribes had moved away from Bainbridge, migrating north along the Susquehanna River settling in Shamokin. British victories in Quebec (1759) and Montreal (1760) led to France surrendering all of New France to the British. The British took over all French forts on the frontier and became the new authoritarian power for the tribes in these regions during The French and Indian War (1755-1763).¹²

Between 1775-1783 Marietta played an important role in the American Revolution manufacturing iron and lumber, producing agricultural goods, distilling whiskey, and ferry transportation between Lancaster and York Counties over the Susquehanna River. The capitol of Continental Congress was in Lancaster City on 22 September 1777. Lancaster City was the capitol of Pennsylvania from 1799-1812. York City was the capitol of the Continental Congress from 1777-1778. The Articles of Confederation were drafted and adopted in York thus the establishing the first constituting and government for the United States of America. In 1789 Quaker leader Samuel Wright renamed Wright's Ferry as Columbia and petitioned the new U. S. Congress to make this the location of the U. S. Capitol.¹³

Marietta was established in the eighteenth century which is in contrast to some histories of the community placing the origins between 1800-1812. Marietta was settled by Scotch-Irish Presbyterians and Swiss German Mennonites which is in contrast to some histories claiming the community was settled exclusively by Scotch-

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ Ibid.

¹² Ibid.

¹³ Lloyd, Junie, YorkBlog, "How did they get across the wide Susquehanna when there were no bridges?"

<https://yorkblog.com/universal/how-did-they-get-across-the-wide-susquehanna-when-there-were-no-bridges/> (accessed May 23, 2019).

Irish Presbyterians. The Scotch-Irish Presbyterians founders focused on transportation along the Susquehanna River and Pennsylvania Canal, while the Mennonites founders initiated lumber production and related industries. Both entrepreneurial founding groups relied on transient workers.

Initially British fur traders, competing with French fur traders, established economic relations with indigenous populations along the Susquehanna River. Welsh fur trader Robert Wilkins was likely born around 1672 in Brecon, Wales,¹⁴ arrived in the Marietta area sometime before 1702, at which time he married Elizabeth Ross in Lancaster County¹⁵ Wilkins first settled along the Conestoga Creek, next to Richard Carter who settled Warwick Township. In 1718, Wilkins took up 200 acres of land along the Susquehanna River, and in 1727 he sold it to The Reverend James Anderson, primary founder of Marietta.¹⁶

The Reverend James Anderson (1678-1740), educated at Edinburgh, Scotland under the care of Principal Stirling,¹⁷ served The Donegal Presbyterian Church. Born in Scotland ordained by Irvine Presbytery, 17 November 1708 in Virginia. Anderson arrived in the Rappahannock, Virginia on 22 April 1709, before settling in New Castle, Delaware in 1717 later accepting a call to a congregation in New York City, which, at the time was worshiping in the City Hall. On 24 September 1726, he received a final call to the Donegal Presbyterian Church in Mount Joy. He was installed the last Wednesday in August 1727.¹⁸

Wilkins' neighbor, George Stewart (1683-1759), from Donegal, Ireland,¹⁹ was elected as one of the first Commissioners of Lancaster County at its formation in 1729 and elected to the Provincial Assembly in 1732 dying soon after his appointment.²⁰ After George Stewart passed, his son John Stewart (1705-1749) inherited the land and sold it to David Cook, sometimes spelled Cooke. John Stewart was married to Ann Anderson (1716-1816), the daughter of The Reverend James Anderson.²¹

David Cook (1721-1786), sometimes Cooke, was born in Lancaster County and is buried in The Donegal Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Mount Joy.²² Eventually, David Cook sold this land (purchased from John Stewart), to Jacob Heistandt Neff,²³ the middle and last name represent two prominent Mennonite families and surnames in Lancaster County and specifically the Marietta area. Jacob Heistandt Neff (1727-1798) was from Manor Township.²⁴

Marietta was founded by leaders and members of two prominent churches in Mount Joy. The Donegal Presbyterian Church (1732) and the Mount Joy Mennonite Church (1790). The Donegal Presbyterian Church was founded in 1727 with the church being built in 1732. The Reverend James Anderson (1678-1740), primary founder of Marietta, was the minister.²⁵ The Mount Joy Mennonite Church was founded in 1790, with members meeting for worship in their homes, as was the custom of the time and remains the practice of the Old Order Amish. In 1812 a log meetinghouse on land donated by Peter Delebaugh Kraybill (1784-1869).²⁶ The first minister of The Mount Joy Mennonite Church was The Reverend Jacob Hostetter Hershey (1747-1819).²⁷ Both The Reverend Jacob Hershey and Peter Kraybill are buried at the Kraybill Mennonite Cemetery in Mount Joy.²⁸

This points to the significance of the Presbyterians and Mennonites settling in Lancaster County after arriving in Philadelphia and Delaware, eventually realizing the economic significance of developing the land along the Susquehanna River associated with westward expansion of the nation. The early settlers settled in

¹⁴ WeRelate, "Robert Wilkins" [https://www.werelate.org/wiki/Person:Robert_Wilkins_\(7\)](https://www.werelate.org/wiki/Person:Robert_Wilkins_(7)), accessed May 19, 2021

¹⁵ Ibid.

¹⁶ Ibid.

¹⁷ Ibid.

¹⁸ <http://www.donegalpc.org/pdfs/CEMETERY%20INDEX.pdf>

¹⁹ Geni, "George Stewart" <https://www.geni.com/people/George-Stewart/6000000013217652542>, accessed May 19, 2021

²⁰ Ibid.

²¹ Ibid.

²² Ancestry.com Online Family Trees

²³ Ibid.

²⁴ Ibid.

²⁵ Wikipedia, "Donegal Presbyterian Church

Complex" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Donegal_Presbyterian_Church_Complex#:~:text=NRHP%20reference%20No.&text=Donegal%20Presbyterian%20Church%20Complex%20is,building%20with%20a%20gambrel%20roof, accessed May 20, 2021

²⁶ Ancestry.com Online Family Trees

²⁷ Ibid.

²⁸ Ibid.

Mount Joy and not within the dangerous flood plain of the Susquehanna River. It also demonstrates the socio-economic bias of the settlers, believing poor lives were dispensable, poor transient workers living and working along the Susquehanna River, if they lost their lives and/or livelihood from flooding or from rowdy living, there are many histories of the community documenting drunken brawling in taverns, pubs, and hotels, the lives of these transient workers were not important, while the wealthy, benefiting from commerce along the Susquehanna River and Pennsylvania Canal, lived on higher safer ground in Mount Joy.

In current day Marietta, heading west from Cherry Lane to Bridge Street, is the area formerly called Anderson Ferry Grounds. James Anderson, IV (1767-1815), who operated Anderson Ferry owned this property until April of 1813 when he sold it to Henry Share.²⁹ Mennonite mill owner Heinrich Schaerr (1763-1830) aka Henry Share and his business partners otherwise known as "Share & Company" operated the ferry while laying out and selling lots for buildings.³⁰

Heading west on Market Street (beginning at Waterford Avenue/Elbow Lane), these buildings are in James Anderson IV's (1767-1815) plan of Waterford which he laid out in 1804. Waterford ended at Cherry Lane (formerly Cherry Alley) which is the alley running along the western side of The Marietta Community House property.³¹ In 1733 George Stewart's son and daughter-in-law, John and Ann Stewart, inherited and sold the James Anderson tract to David Cook. This tract of land was given to his son David Cook whose son, David Cook, laid out the town of New Haven.³² By 1812, James Anderson and James Cook procured a charter from the Pennsylvania legislature and named their incorporated towns Marietta. The next year, 1813, Anderson's town Waterford and Cook's town New Haven were consolidated including a tract of land owned by John Myers east of Moravian Town and a tract of land owned by Benjamin Long north of Waterford.³³

Historically, several homes in the Anderson Ferry Grounds and Old Town Waterford were owned by people associated with GlaxoSmithKline a global biopharma company, located in Marietta, originally called the Lancaster County Vaccine Farm. In 1882 Dr. H. M. Alexander used the methods of British physician and scientist, Edward Jenner (1749-1823) to create a vaccine for smallpox which he manufactured and sold commercially nationwide and globally.

The work began in a chicken house adjacent to his office at 299 West Market Street. He purchased the H. McMullen Farm in the Irishtown neighborhood of Marietta located at Wasp and Biddle Streets and established the first commercial biological laboratory in the United States known as Dr. H. M. Alexander and Company and also as the Lancaster County Vaccine Farm.³⁴ By the time of the First World War, in 1916, the heirs of Dr. Alexander sold their shares of the company to the Gilliland Laboratories, Inc. During the Second World War, in 1943 Gilliland Laboratories was acquired by the American Home Products Corporation. The following year, in 1944, The American Home Products Corporation was incorporated into the Wyeth Laboratories, Inc. In 2005 Wyeth Laboratories was acquired by Britain's largest drugs maker, GlaxoSmithKline.

In 2024 GlaxoSmithKline announced an 800-million-dollar new multi-purpose facility capable of manufacturing sterile liquid vaccines with a house a state-of-the-art R&D pilot plant to manufacture medicines for clinical trials. Additionally, GSK will establish a new vaccines drug substance facility at the site, dedicated to manufacturing products based on the company's novel MAPS technology. This expansion will double the size and capacity of the Marietta site.³⁵

In 1961, The Marietta Recreation Association hosted an event called, "A Day in Marietta Homes," held on 13 May 1961, showcasing the rich variety of historic architecture and telling the stories of the historical significance of these properties. One year later, on 19 May 1962, the second annual "A Day in Marietta Homes," historic architecture house tour was held in conjunction with celebration events for the Marietta Sesquicentennial (1812-1962). Planning for the Marietta Sesquicentennial (1812-1962) started Monday 11 September 1961 with a committee.

²⁹ James C. Landis, email message, to Jean-Paul Benowitz, February 2, 2025.

³⁰ Eric J. Schubert, email message, to Jean-Paul Benowitz, February 3, 2025.

³¹ James C. Landis, email message, to Jean-Paul Benowitz, February 2, 2025.

³² Ibid.

³³ Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

³⁴ Ibid.

³⁵ <https://us.gsk.com/en-us/media/press-releases/gsk-invests-up-to-800-million-in-pennsylvania-site-largest-manufacturing-investment-in-us/>

Civically engaged residents of the Marietta Borough who organized The Marietta Sesquicentennial (1812-1962) celebration events and the two annual historic architecture house tours; chartered, on 23 June 1965, a non-profit organization named the Marietta Restoration Associates, Inc. The purpose of this grass roots community organization was "...to promote, encourage, and conduct the restoration, development, and preservation of the historical, cultural, and aesthetic aspects of the Borough of Marietta, and vicinity thereof, and to do all things necessary, proper, and incidental to the accomplishment of such purpose."

In 1965 the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster was created to "stem the rapid destruction of historic properties in Lancaster County," the Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County's mission is to "encourage and facilitate historic preservation throughout the county. The Trust has been directly involved in preserving more than three dozen important Lancaster County landmarks and has provided advice, assistance and guidance in the protection of others."

In the autumn of 1966, President Lyndon Baines Johnson (1908-1973), signed into law, on 15 October 1966, The National Historic Preservation Act to preserve historic and archeological sites in the United States through creating The National Register of Historic Places, the List of National Historic Landmarks, and State Historic Preservation Offices.

In 1966 Edward F. LaFond, Jr. was appointed the Field Curator of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Historic Sites and Properties in Harrisburg and the State Preservation Officer for the Pennsylvania Register of Historic Sites and Properties.

In December 1966 the Marietta Restoration Associates, Inc. resumed the annual historic house tour calling the event "Christmas by Candlelight" later known as "Candlelight Tours of Marietta.

In 1969, a History Major from Elizabethtown College, Carl H. Doan, Class of 1973; was taking courses about local history and historic preservation from Professor Scott T. Swank, Elizabethtown College Class of 1964, who taught at the college from 1966-1974. Professor Swank lived in Marietta, owned, and restored several historic properties in the borough.

Professor Swank secured for his student, Carl Doan, the very first college student internship working with the recently established State Historic Preservation Office, in Harrisburg, with Edward LaFond. Until he graduated from the College in 1973, Doan was conducting National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Reviews of Marietta, ten years before Marietta was listed as a National Historic District.

In the summer of 1973, the summer Carl Doan graduated from Elizabethtown College, Hurricane Agnes hit from 14 June through 6 July 1972. In the aftermath of this tropical cyclone, residents of Marietta, particularly through the leadership of the Marietta Restoration Associates, Inc. saved most of the historic properties, launched a nationally recognized historic preservation initiative which continued to sustain the local economy.

On 18 July 1978 the Borough of Marietta was designated a National Historic District. On 17 August 1984 the Marietta National Historic District was expanded. On 26 December 2005 the Chickies National Historic District established to incorporate the former lumber, iron, and steel manufacturing-built landscape and ruins adjacent to the Marietta National Historic District.

Within the Marietta National Historic District three properties are listed on the National Register of Historic Places: New Haven Counting House, 104 East Front Street, listed on 7 September 1979; the Silk Mill Condominiums, 50 North Pine Street, listed on 27 June 1980, and the Linden House, 606 East Market Street, listed on 6 January 1983.

In the spring semester 2019, Honors students enrolled in HON-PHS 201 - HNR Elizabethtown History: Campus and Community, taught by Professor Jean-Paul Benowitz conducted National Historic Preservation Act (NHPC) Section 106 Reviews documenting historic properties in the National Historic District of Marietta, Pennsylvania. On two occasions students presented their research findings: Elizabethtown College Scholarship and Creative Arts Day SCAD16 April 2019 and Marietta Day Community Festival 11 May 2019 in Marietta.

During the summer of 2019 as a Summer Scholarship, Creative Arts and Research Projects (SCARP), Honors student Kyle C. Cappucci plotted the student scholarship on an ArcGIS map, available online. This ongoing project will include: every house/building in Marietta listed on the: National Historic Register (NRHP), Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County (HPTLC), Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County Watch List, Marietta Historic District (MHD), Chickies Historic District (CHD) to be plotted on the ArcGIS maps.

To illustrate which historic properties, in the Marietta National Historic District, are plotted on the ArcGIS map, for SCARP 2019 Cappucci designed signs, 8.5x11 printed as window clings to be displayed inside a windowpane of each of the houses and properties on his inventory of historically significant properties in Marietta. These signs contain information about the history and the families with direct ties to the property.

Cappucci built on the research conducted during the spring 2019 semester and expanded the scope of the project. Cappucci utilized primary sources found in archival collections and historic collection libraries, conducted oral history interviews, worked with government documents such as deeds, tax records, and property assessment reports, consulted with professional historians in academia, state, and federal agencies, and compared primary sources to secondary sources. The repositories for sources used in his research was a mixture of print records in libraries, archives, museums, historic sites, and private collections as well as electronic and digital repositories. Cappucci worked carefully with representatives from the Marietta Restoration Associates, Inc., Marietta Historic District, Marietta Borough Council, Social Enterprise Institute at Elizabethtown College, RiverStewards and Susquehanna Riverlands.

Cappucci's research about the historical significance of Marietta, Pennsylvania, published through the ArcGIS map, contributed to the work of RiverStewards and Susquehanna Riverlands to have the Susquehanna Pennsylvania Heritage Area designated simultaneously as a National Heritage Area. The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) administers twelve (12) Pennsylvania Heritage Areas. The Pennsylvania Heritage Areas Program is a multi-region asset-based economic development program rooted in the commonwealth's rich natural, cultural, and industrial history. Heritage Areas create cross-sector partnerships enhancing a region's "sense of place" and strengthens regional economies. These partnerships create vibrant livable communities attracting private investment and housing the products and places driving Pennsylvania's tourism industry. Five of Pennsylvania's Heritage Areas share a national designation through the National Park Service. Pennsylvania has more federally designated Heritage Areas than any other state, a testament to the important role this commonwealth played in the development of the United States and globally. The Economic Impact of Pennsylvania Heritage Areas report from the Center for Rural Pennsylvania, found in 2014: Tourists spent an estimated 7.5 million days and nights in Pennsylvania's Heritage Areas, purchasing more than \$2 billion worth of goods and services; 70 percent of this spending was purely reliant on heritage-related attractions; the total contribution of heritage visitor spending to the state economy was 25,708 jobs and \$798 million in labor income.

This summer 2022 the leadership for the Susquehanna National Heritage Area just released their draft of a management plan for the Susquehanna National Heritage Area. Lancaster and York Counties were officially designated as a Susquehanna National Heritage Area and America's 55th National Heritage Area on 12 March 2019, when the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act was signed into law in Washington, D. C. The National Historic District of Marietta, PA is part of the SNHA which involves collaboration with the National Parks service for heritage interpretation, education, historic preservation, land conservation, and cultural heritage tourism. This Susquehanna National Heritage Area designation was made possible, in part, by the scholarship produced by Professor Benowitz's Public Heritage courses and the scholarship produced over four years of Elizabethtown College Summer Creative Arts and Research Program (SCARP) projects conducted by Kyle Cappucci.

This ongoing SCARP project has created a partnership between the Elizabethtown College's Honors Program and 13 community partners: The Lancaster Economic Development Company, The Lancaster County Planning Department, The Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority, The National Main Street Center, The Pennsylvania Downtown Center, The National Trust for Historic Preservation, Preservation Pennsylvania, The Trust for Historic Preservation Lancaster County, The Marietta Restoration Associates, Our Marietta, RiverStewards, Susquehanna Riverlands, Marietta Area Business Association, and the Marietta Borough.

Collectively these groups have been working together to identify, conserve, and preserve Marietta's heritage resources as a basis for retaining and enhancing strong community character and sense of place. Integrating the conservation and preservation of heritage resources in the economic development and revitalization of Marietta. Ensuring new economic development respects and complements the patterns, character, and scale of Marietta's traditional communities and rural landscapes. Promoting strong leadership, collaboration, awareness, and responsibility in the conservation of Marietta's heritage resources among the public, private, and non-profit sectors celebrating and promoting Marietta's heritage resources. This work contributes to

ensuring adequate financial resources and incentives are available to implement the Marietta's heritage preservation goals through employing a strategy developed by The National Trust for Historic Preservation (1949) called "This Place Matters!"

This Place Matters is a national campaign, created by the National Historic Preservation Trust, encouraging people to celebrate places meaningful to them and to their communities. Since 2015, participants have shared more than 10,000 photographs of themselves and their favorite places on social media using the hashtag #ThisPlaceMatters. 'This Place Matters' started in 2008 as a way for people to shine a spotlight on the historic places playing a role in their lives. Basically, it is like crowdsourcing people's personal connections to the built environment," says Jason Clement, director of community outreach at the National Trust. "And the best part -- there are zero rules. These can be places large or small, nationally significant or personally priceless, historic or maybe just old. They just have to mean something to you." The project is simple: Visit the Saving Places website to download the tool kit and print a sign. Take photos with the sign at the places mattering the most to you and share the photos with others on social media with the hashtag #ThisPlaceMatters. The virtual preservation project offers people opportunities to add their personal narratives to the history of places meaningful to them, whether those places are community churches, elementary schools, a barn on an old family farm, or the old corner. The project has a very DIY feel to it and has no long-term political or high-cost agenda, yet it encourages people to reignite those connections to places having and continuing have importance to them. Every person out there has a place meaning something to them, and "This Place Matters" provides a platform -- adapted to our changing world of social media and selfie sticks -- to preserve, remember, and share this love of these places. This campaign is not just public awareness through photography and social media. It is about telling the stories of why these places hold historical significance. Through This Place Matters, the National Historic Preservation Trust, encourages and inspires an ongoing dialogue about the importance of place and preservation.

The Borough of Marietta has a Heritage Plan and with this objective: "Integrate the conservation and preservation of heritage resources in the economic development and revitalization of the Marietta borough's varied resources. Promote historic and cultural resource conservation and preservation as an economic tool in the revitalization of Marietta and its neighborhoods. Develop additional heritage tourism opportunities as a form of economic development both sustainable and asset-based."

This Community Based Learning (CBL) project, a collaboration between the Elizabethtown College Honors Program and Marietta Borough's Our Marietta initiative utilizes an asset-based planning process through a grass roots local community action task force called "Our Marietta."

This effort endeavors both to cultivate viable working relationships among local government and business leaders, residents, community based organizations, and regional agencies to enact a plan benefiting the community and economic development future of Marietta Borough in collaboration with the Marietta Historic District, the Chiques Historic District, the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail, Marietta Restoration Associates, Inc.; RiverStewards, Inc.; Rivertownes PA USA, Inc.; and Susquehanna Heritage, Inc.

This CBL project involves the Susquehanna Riverlands Conservation Landscape initiative's objectives to revitalize the Rivertown communities of Marietta, Columbia, and Wrightsville. The Northwest Lancaster County River Trail has positioned Marietta to provide recreational opportunities, important conservation benefits, tourism, and historic preservation projects helping spur revitalization in Marietta Borough. This project will involve collaboration with the Lancaster County Planning Commission, the Lancaster County GIS Department, and the Economic Development Company of Lancaster County.

This project employs the active learning pedagogy from the National Collegiate Honors Council's City as Text™. The National Collegiate Honors Council's Signature Program "The City As Text" is where students immerse themselves in the local community exploring the culture and geography of the local neighborhood. Students are challenged to be sensitive and reflect about the human experience in the local built environment. Through City As Text Honors students explore the architectural landscape of the neighborhood, conduct research in repositories of the public record i.e. libraries or archives. Books read, images acquired, sounds heard, tastes and smells ingested, and observations all become materials contributing to the students' experience about not only how much is normally missed in an ordinary day of one's life but also how much might be seen and heard. City As Text is an active learning approach helping students regard the world as a book to be read and

to see their journey through it as a cartographer's task of charting the personal paths they take to uncover and discover the local environment around them.

This project draws heavily on research methods taught in the course HON 201 - HNR Elizabethtown History: Campus and Community (PHS 201) and the ArcGIS maps created by students in this class illustrating the history and economic development of Marietta, Pennsylvania. The major objective of this project is to contribute to Our Marietta's asset-based planning process to identify and mobilize existing as well as unrecognized resources such as physical, human, social, financial, environmental, political, cultural, and historical assets.

Kyle Cappucci gave a presentation entitled: "Putting Historic Marietta on The Map: This Place Matters!" presented: Scholarship and Creative Arts Day (SCAD) at Elizabethtown College on Tuesday 16 April 2019. Members of the Marietta Borough Council attended the presentation and invited Cappucci to give his presentation at the Marietta Borough Council meeting on Tuesday 9 July 2019. The Mayor of Marietta extended this same invitation to Cappucci, when he heard Cappucci's presentation at Marietta Day on Saturday 11 May 2019. Cappucci also presented at the Landmark Conference Landmark Research Symposium for SCARP at Elizabethtown College on Thursday 11 July 2019. Cappucci accepted an invitation to speak at a Marietta town hall forum hosted by "Our Marietta" regarding historic preservation and economic development on Wednesday 17 July 2019.

In 2021 Cappucci's SCARP project was entitled, "Ecological and Economic Revitalization Through Historic Preservation of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail in the National Historic District of Marietta, Pennsylvania." The Maryland-based Chesapeake Bay Trust awarded Marietta Borough a \$237,515 grant. The funding was used to improve a section of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail running through Marietta. Previously a gravel section of trail was replaced with porous pavement and lined with water-capturing rain gardens. The project also made the trail compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Marietta Borough secured the grant, in part, through Honors students' scholarship published online with ArcGIS maps (SCARP 2019 and 2020).

A local township engineer and historian commented on how the Elizabethtown College Honors Program's Community Based Learning/Civic Engagement ArcGIS maps have been a "very compelling way of engaging a broader audience with the beauty of built history and importance of preservation. The current proprietor of the Rail Road House and McCleary's Pub, Freddy States, is a local entrepreneur serving on the Marietta Borough Council who has a vision for economic development in Marietta in conjunction with the Lancaster County River Trail. Freddy States has made Marietta a destination for tourists. Marietta is located in Lancaster County drawing millions of visitors who contributed \$2.91 billion in tourism in 2018. For seven decades, the local tourism industry has been a major contributor to the economy of Lancaster County. The number of tourism industry direct jobs makes tourism Lancaster County's sixth largest private sector, non-farm category in the local economy. In 2018, some 8.85 million visitors came to Lancaster County, up 2.5% from the previous year.

Marietta Borough, a National Historic District, received a "Placemaking" grant from the Lancaster County Conservancy's Susquehanna Riverlands program and a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Federation. Marietta Borough leadership has created a Heritage Plan to promote and protect its historical, recreational, environmental, arts and cultural resources making it a destination location and spurring economic development. The specific goals for this project are dictated by the goals of Marietta's Placemaking Heritage Plan: Identify, conserve, and preserve Marietta's heritage resources as a basis for retaining and enhancing strong community character and a sense of place; Integrate the conservation and preservation of heritage resources in the economic development and revitalization of Marietta's various resources; Promote historic and cultural resource conservation and preservation as an economic tool in the revitalization of Marietta and its neighborhood; Develop additional heritage tourism opportunities as a form of economic development both sustainable and asset-based; Strengthen the involvement of the Marietta Borough Council in heritage conservation, and ensure it is an integral part of the municipal plan; Encourage local residents to volunteer in interpretative programs at publicly and privately operated historic and cultural venues; Build the public's awareness of heritage resources and the value of conserving and preserving these resources.

At the end of the Spring Semester 2022, Kyle Cappucci defended his Honors in the Discipline (HID) program in the School of Business Project: "Community Economic Development In the National Historic District of Marietta, Pennsylvania." Cappucci had two surveys posted in the Marietta community. One

survey was for persons patronizing local business and the second survey was for persons engaging in recreation on the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail. Both surveys illustrate why persons visit and live in Marietta. Both surveys revealed what persons who live and visit Marietta believe can contribute to the economic development of the local community. I have shared these findings with the leadership of Marietta Borough contributing to their asset-based planning process identifying and mobilizing existing as well as unrecognized resources such as physical, human, social, financial, environmental, political, cultural, and historical assets.

In the summer of 2022, student Eric Schubert engaged in a Summer Creative Arts and Research Program (SCARP) project entitled: "Launching A National Historic Preservation Trust 'This Place Matters' Campaign Supporting Marietta, Pennsylvania's 'Placemaking Heritage Plan,' Through The National Honors Collegiate Council's 'Place As Text.'" Using the toolkit provided by the National Historic Preservation Trust, Schubert collaborated with the leadership on the Marietta Borough and Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's historian and archeologist in designing a plan for launching a social media campaign for Marietta. Schubert's context for this campaign was recognizing the resilience of the people of Marietta in the fifty years since Hurricane Agnes. Schubert secured funding from local businesses to underwrite the cost of printing and mailing a poster, foldable, with instructions on how to post This Place Matters selfies on social media. These posters were mailed out to residents in the Marietta National Historic District prior to the first public event introducing the This Place Matters Campaign. The This Place Matters campaign for Marietta was rolled out at the Marietta Community House, as part of their "Town Talks" programming where Schubert presented: "This Place Matters: Historic Preservation & Economic Development in Marietta." Schubert's presentation provided the local community with the necessary context for launching the This Place Matters Campaign for Marietta while simultaneously contributing to a wider community series of events recognizing the resilience of the Marietta community in the 50 years since Hurricane Agnes. Schubert presented at the 13th Annual Landmark Conference Undergraduate Research Symposium at Moravian University, his poster presentation was entitled: "Launching A National Historic Preservation Trust 'This Place Matters' Campaign Supporting Marietta, Pennsylvania's 'Placemaking Heritage Plan,' Through The National Honors Collegiate Council's 'Place As Text.'"

Cappucci and Schubert joined Professor Benowitz in presenting at the 56th Annual Conference of the National Collegiate Honors Council in Orlando, Florida 27-31 2022; about their experiential learning, civic engagement, and their SCARP projects related to earning the Certificate in Public Heritage Studies. The theme of the conference was "Reimagine Honors: Past, Present, Future.," Cappucci and Schubert's presentation was entitled, "Honors Community-Based Learning Uninterrupted: Pandemic Possibilities." At the conference, NCHC released a monograph entitled, Place, Text, Community: City As Text in the Twentieth Century. Professor Benowitz authored the chapter entitled, "Transforming Community Based Learning Through City As Text" in Part 3: "Designing City As Text Integrative Learning Experiences." In his chapter Professor Benowitz discusses how he has integrated the NCHC pedagogy City As Text into the field work required in courses for the Public Heritage Studies Certificate.

2022 marked the Marietta Restoration Associates' 56th Annual "Marietta Candlelight Tour of Homes." The Marietta Restoration Associates invited Elizabethtown College students, earning the Certificate in Public Heritage Studies (most of whom are in the Honors Program) to present their scholarship about historic preservation in Marietta at this event on Sunday 4 December 2022. More than 1,000 visitors toured the Union Meeting House (1818) where students gave poster presentations and shared their ArcGIS maps illustrating historic preservation efforts in Marietta.

On Sunday 16 April 2023, Honors students, enrolled in Professor Benowitz's course Elizabethtown History: Campus and Community, showcased their Civically Engaged Research project, launching a National Trust for Historic Preservation "This Place Matters" campaign, for the National Historic District of Marietta, Pennsylvania. The event called "Fifty Years Since Hurricane Agnes (1972-2022) This Place Matters! National Trust for Historic Preservation: Celebrating Historic Preservation & Economic Development in Marietta" was held in the Marietta Community House.

Employing the National Honors Collegiate Council's pedagogy "Place as Text,"TM Honors students engaged in fourteen weeks conducting field work examining, interpreting, recording the architecture of historically significant properties in Marietta. Students delved into historic records conducting meticulous archival research using primary and secondary sources and government records. As part of the NCHC Place as

Text experience, students conducted numerous oral history interviews with the owners of historically significant properties assigned to them as the focus of their course project.

Using the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Process, students authored thorough reports about the architecture, biographical narrative of all the property owners over a course of more than 200 years, the historical context and significance of the property and the property owners and documented the resilience of a river community's history of addressing flooding, re-building, historic preservation, and economic development.

June 14-July 6, 1972, Hurricane Agnes devastated Marietta. Based on federal, state, and local legislation for historic preservation, passed just before Hurricane Agnes, Marietta was well positioned to re-build after Agnes and set the example, nationally, for historic preservation and economic development. The students told this story through poster board presentations entitled, "Fifty Years of Preservation and Perseverance in Marietta, Pennsylvania: The Aftermath of Hurricane Agnes (1972-2022)."

Every summer Elizabethtown College sponsors student and faculty research collaboration projects through a program called the Summer Scholarship Creative Arts and Research Program. Since 2019, for four consecutive summers, Kyle Cappucci, Elizabethtown College Class of 2022 and Eric Schubert, Elizabethtown College Class of 2023; were involved with SCARP projects building the foundation for launching a National Trust for Historic Preservation "This Place Matters" campaign, for the National Historic District of Marietta.

Through their research, scholarship, and leadership they established a partnership with Elizabethtown College's Honors program and Public Heritage Studies program with thirteen community partners: The Lancaster Economic Development Company, The Lancaster County Planning Department, The Lancaster County Redevelopment Authority, The National Main Street Center, The Pennsylvania Downtown Center, The National Trust for Historic Preservation, Preservation Pennsylvania, The Trust for Historic Preservation Lancaster County, The Marietta Restoration Associates, Our Marietta, River Stewards, Susquehanna Riverlands, Marietta Area Business Association, and the Marietta Borough.

This partnership has been working together for (1) identifying, conserving, and preserving Marietta's heritage resources (2) retaining and enhancing strong community character and sense of place (3) integrating the conservation and preservation of heritage resources in Marietta's economic development and revitalization (4) ensuring new economic development respecting and complementing the patterns, character, and scale of Marietta's traditional communities and rural landscapes (5) promoting strong leadership, collaboration, awareness, and responsibility in conserving Marietta's heritage resources among the public, private, and non-profit sectors (6) celebrating and promoting Marietta's heritage resources.

This work contributes to ensuring adequate financial resources and incentives are available for implementing Marietta's heritage preservation goals. The Elizabethtown College Public Heritage Studies program works with Marietta Borough in implementing their "Placemaking Heritage Plan." Placemaking is a people-centered approach to the planning process, design and management of public spaces. Put simply, it makes people feel good about where they live, work or play.

The concepts behind placemaking originated in the 1960s, when activist Jane Jacobs (1916-2006), in her book, The Death and Life of Great American Cities (1961), offered groundbreaking ideas about designing communities catering to people. Jane Jacobs' work focused on the importance of lively neighborhoods and inviting public spaces. The term came into use in the 1970s by landscape architects, architects, and urban planners to describe the process of creating squares, plazas, parks, streets and waterfronts attracting people because these places are pleasurable or interesting. The work continues through the Jane Jacobs Center for the Living City which serves as a model for the Civically Engaged Research and Community Based Learning projects of Honors students enrolled in Public Heritage Studies courses at Elizabethtown College.

As part of this event, a civic engagement information fair was hosted by representatives from Marietta Restoration Associates, Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County, Main Street Program (Pennsylvania Downtown Center), Lancaster County Planning Department, and the Susquehanna National Heritage Area at Columbia Crossing.

At this event on Sunday Cappucci and Schubert gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Fifty Years Since Hurricane Agnes (1972-2022) This Place Matters! National Trust for Historic Preservation: Celebrating Historic Preservation & Economic Development in Marietta." In this presentation Marietta Mayor Rebecca Carroll Baltozer spoke about Marietta Restoration Associates and 50 years of historic preservation in Marietta. Historic preservationist architect Daniel Gagliano, representing The Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster

County, spoke about 50 years of historic preservation in Lancaster County. PennDOT Architectural Historian Jeremy Ammerman spoke about 50 years of historic preservation in Pennsylvania. Carl Doan Elizabethtown College Class of 1973 spoke about his time as a history major at Elizabethtown College in the 1960s when President Lyndon Johnson passed national legislation for historic preservation and how, when, he was a student he conducted fieldwork, research, photography, writing documenting historically significant properties in Marietta in the months just prior to Hurricane Agnes. Marietta Borough Council Vice President and Chair of Public Works, Freddy States spoke about past, present, and future historic preservation, and economic development projects for Marietta. Professor Benowitz spoke about the history of Marietta and the history of historic preservation and asset based economic development.

This is one of twenty reports presented as a poster presentation, accompanied by an ArcGIS map, entitled “The American Sesquicentennial 1776-2026: The National Historic District of Marietta, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania: The Homes of United States Street” by Honors students enrolled in the course Elizabethtown History: Campus and Community, at Elizabethtown College for Scholarship and Creative Arts Day on Tuesday 21 April 2026.

Jean-Paul Benowitz
Elizabethtown College Director of Public Heritage Studies
12 January 2026

Property Details:

Two story residence, exterior walls frame plywood, roofing material metal preformed, open slab porch, slab porch with roof, heating cooling system forced air furnace, fuel type oil, hooked up to electric with public water, gas, and sewer, total number of rooms 6, 3 bedrooms and 1 full bath.³⁶

Deed Search:

In 1821, the house was built by John Spangler and Samuel Bailey, who then sold it to Rachel M. Sutton in 1890.³⁷ Sutton then sold the house to John K. Miller, Helen R. Miller, and Hellen R. Miller in 1890.³⁸ Then, also in 1890, the house was sold to James S. Caracher and Annie Caracher.³⁹ In 1927, the property was sold to James Sterrett Caracher.⁴⁰ By 1957, Ray M. Caracher was added onto a deed with James Sterrett Caracher.⁴¹ Harry E. Minnich, Jr. and Louise F. Minnich bought the house from the Caracher family in 1979.⁴² In 1987, Robert and Marilyn Porter bought the house.⁴³ They then sold the property to Beatrice E. McCorkel in 1988.⁴⁴ In 1997, the house was bought by Hilton S. Anderton.⁴⁵ From there, Hilton Anderton, Marguerite Angerman, Jonathon Anderton, and

³⁶ “Lancaster County Property Tax Inquiry,” Lancaster County, last modified January 22, 2026, <https://lancasterpa.devnetwedge.com/parcel/view/4203965300000/2024#PropertyCharacteristics>

³⁷ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

³⁸ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book, Vol. 13, 127. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

³⁹ Ibid.

⁴⁰ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book S, Vol. 28, 312. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁴¹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book N, Vol. 45, 375. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁴² United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book Y, Vol. 77, 371. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁴³ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 3269615. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁴⁴ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 3326018. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁴⁵ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 4038811.

Kevon Anderton owned the house in 1999.⁴⁶ The Anderton family then willed the house to Marguerite Angerman in 2010.⁴⁷ In 2017, Scott M. Angerman and Carol S. Mokofsky owned the property.⁴⁸ This house was then owned by Eric and Jennifer Miller in 2022, which are now the current owners of the property.⁴⁹

Architectural Style:

According to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission's Pennsylvania Architectural Field Guide, the architectural style of this property is Federal.

Federal Style 1780 -1820

The Federal style is also known as the Adam style, after the Adam brothers, British architects who developed this style in England. It is really a refinement of the Georgian style, which was popular in the years preceding the Federal style. Like the Georgian style, the Federal style is designed around center hall floor plan, or side hall for narrow row houses. The Federal style has many of the same elements of the Georgian style - symmetry, classical details and a side gabled roof - yet it is different in its ornamentation and sophistication. Federal details are more delicate, slender and finely drawn than their Georgian counterparts and may feature swags, garlands and urns. Also, more formal elements were introduced in the Federal style, such as the front door fanlight window, sometimes with flanking sidelights, and more elaborate door surrounds and porticos. The Federal style is also known for dramatic windows, three-part or Palladian windows with curved arches. Another outstanding - yet less common - Federal feature is the use of curving or polygonal window projections. The Federal style became popular throughout the colonies after the American Revolution and was dominant until about 1820, when it was supplanted by the Greek or Classical Revival Style. The easiest way to identify a Federal style building from a Georgian one is to look for the elliptical fan light over the front door or the Palladian windows - not that those design features do not appear in later styles as well. The Federal house in Pennsylvania is usually a brick two or three story building.⁵⁰

Identifiable Features: Symmetrical form and fenestration, Elliptical fan light over paneled front door, Side lights, flanking front door, Classical details, similar to the Georgian style, but more delicate in size and scale, Flat lintels over windows, often with bull's eye corners, Cornice with decorative moldings, often dentils, Low pitched side-gable or hipped roof, Double hung windows with thin muntins separating the panes (6 panes over 6 most common), Decorative front door crown or entry porch, Tripart or Palladian window, Curving or polygonal projections.⁵¹

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⁴⁶ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 4251925.

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⁴⁷ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 5852209.

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⁴⁸ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 6318040.

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⁴⁹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 6673995.

<https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

⁵⁰ Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission, "Federal," *Pennsylvania Architectural Field Guide*, accessed February 13, 2026,

<https://www.phmc.state.pa.us/portal/communities/architecture/styles/federal.html>.

⁵¹ Ibid.



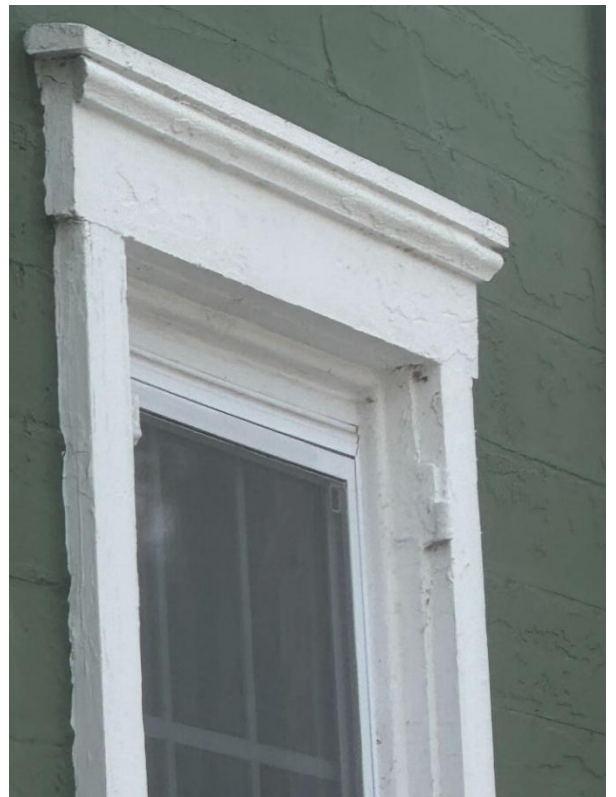
On the front side of the house there is one six panel door with a white flanked side, which is common in the Federal Style. The other thing evident of this style is the decorative front-door entry overhang, which is supported by detailed triangles.



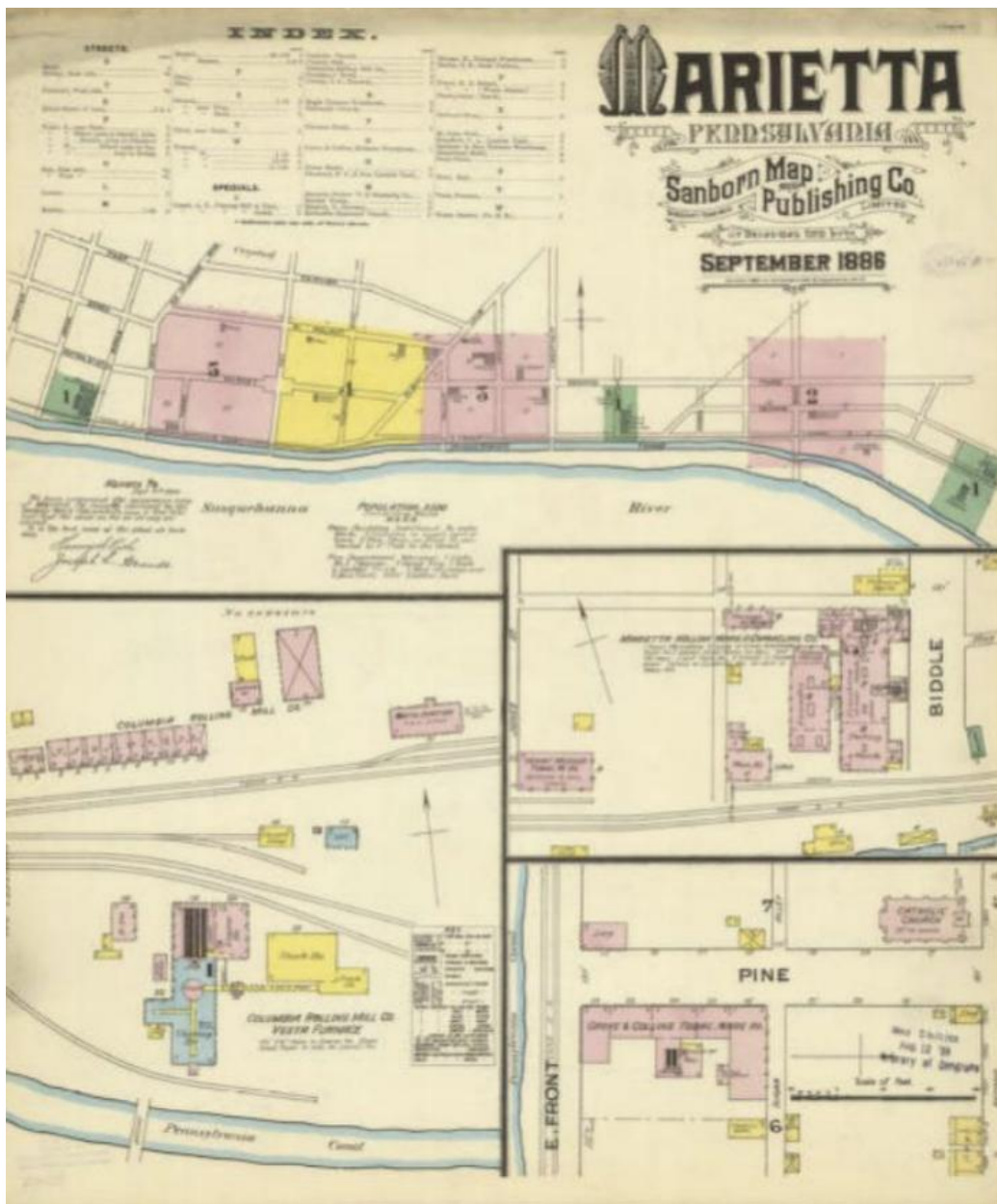
The left photo is a close-up on the detail and construction on the front-door entry overhang. The photo on the right is a close-up on the rectangular fan light above the front door. The overhang above the door also has a hipped roof, which exemplifies the style of this house. The main roof on the house is hipped as well.



The front of the house is flat green-painted wood, and the left and right sides of the house are green-painted German Siding. The two sides of the house are conjoined via a corner post, to make the sides flush and clean. Usually, German Siding and corner posts are associated with the Federal Style.



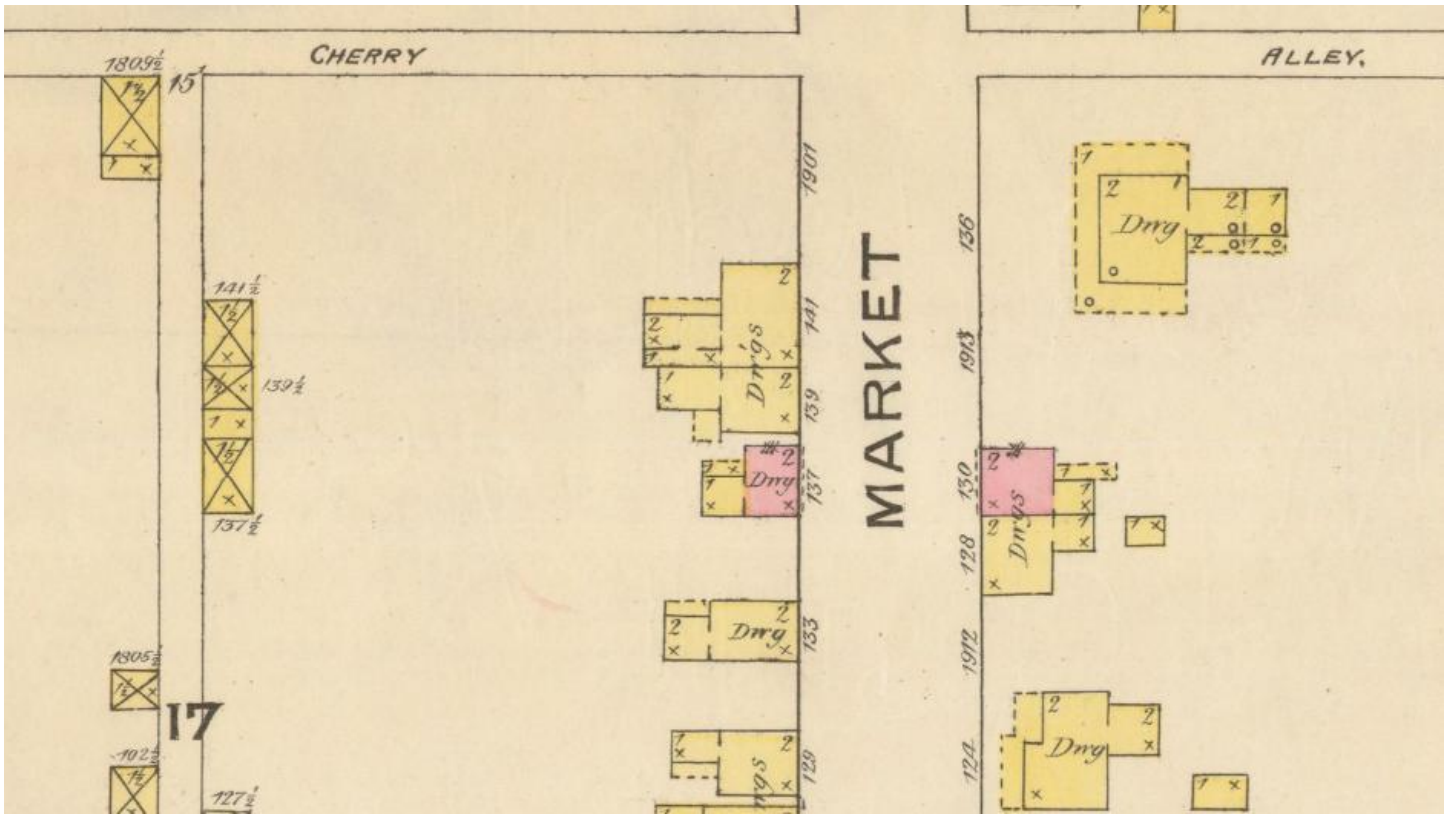
This house has five total windows on the front side. Three of the windows are on the upper part of the house, and the other two are located on the first floor. The upper windows are six over six pane windows, which is typical of Federal Style architecture. Each of the windows is also surrounded by a white decorative molding.

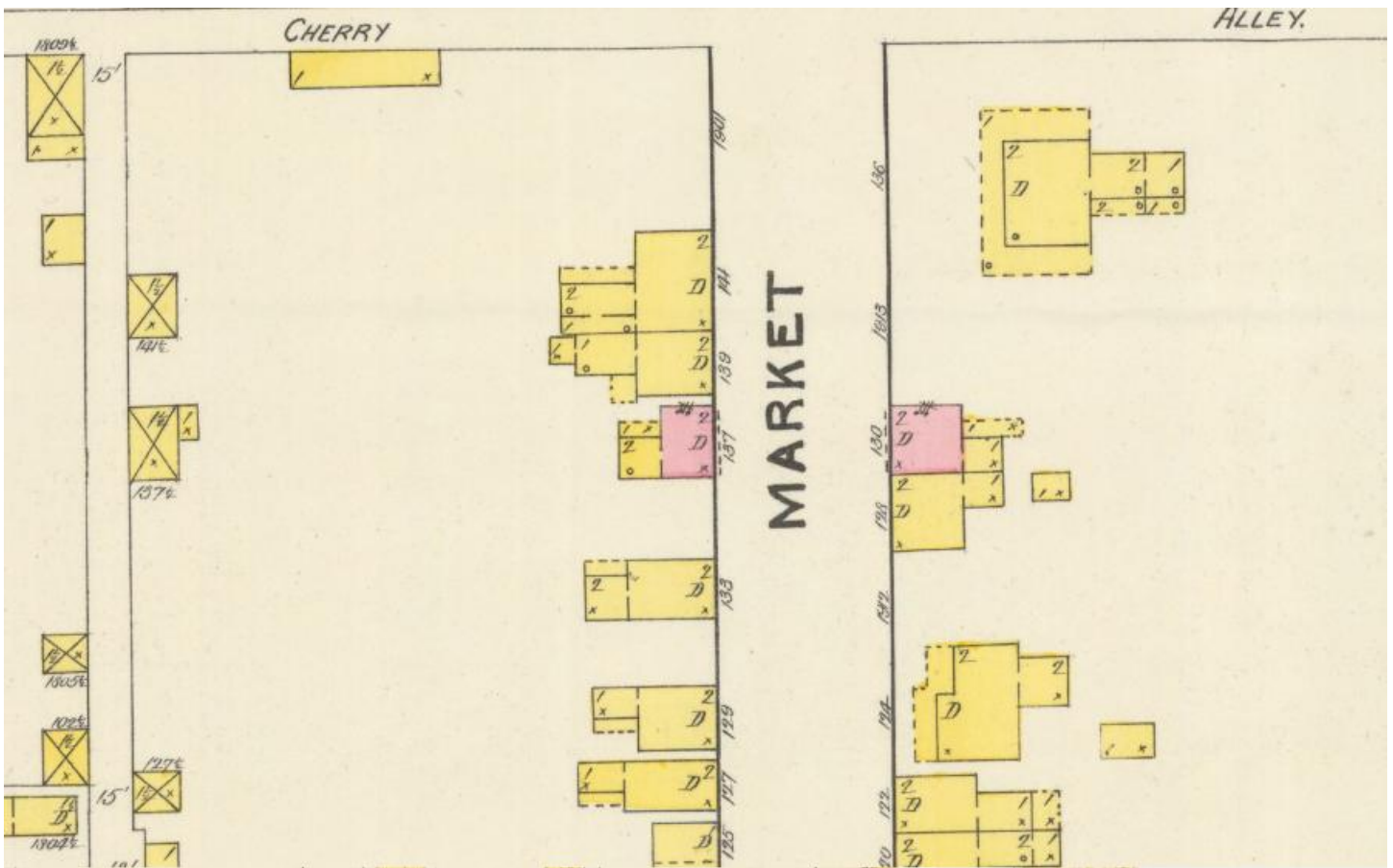


Sanborn Maps are named for civil engineer and surveyor Daniel Alfred Sanborn (1827-1883) founder of the Sanborn Map Company (1866-1996). Sanborn maps are detailed maps of U. S. cities and towns originally created for insurance companies to assess liability in urbanized area of the U. S. after the Civil War (1861-1865). The Homestead Act (1862), transcontinental railroad construction (1863-1869), the Second Industrial Revolution (1870-1914), and massive European immigration to the U. S. (1882-1914) all fostered increased population, urbanization, and a heightened demand for mapping. Sanborn maps are valuable for documenting changes in the built environment of American cities over many decades. Sanborn maps include outlines of each building and 13 “Pennsylvania Architectural Field Guide,” Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, last modified August 26, 2015, <http://www.phmc.state.pa.us/portal/communities/architecture/index.html>. 11 outbuilding; the location of windows, doors, fire walls, and porches; as well as the composition of building materials including the framing, flooring, and roofing materials; indicating building uses, sometimes even particular room uses; house and block numbers; street names, street and sidewalk widths, property boundaries; natural features such as rivers and canals; railroad corridors and the names of most public buildings, churches, and businesses. Sanborn maps are primarily found in the archives of special collections of historical libraries, town halls, and academic libraries. Sanborn maps facilitate historical research through the study of urban growth and decline patterns as well as

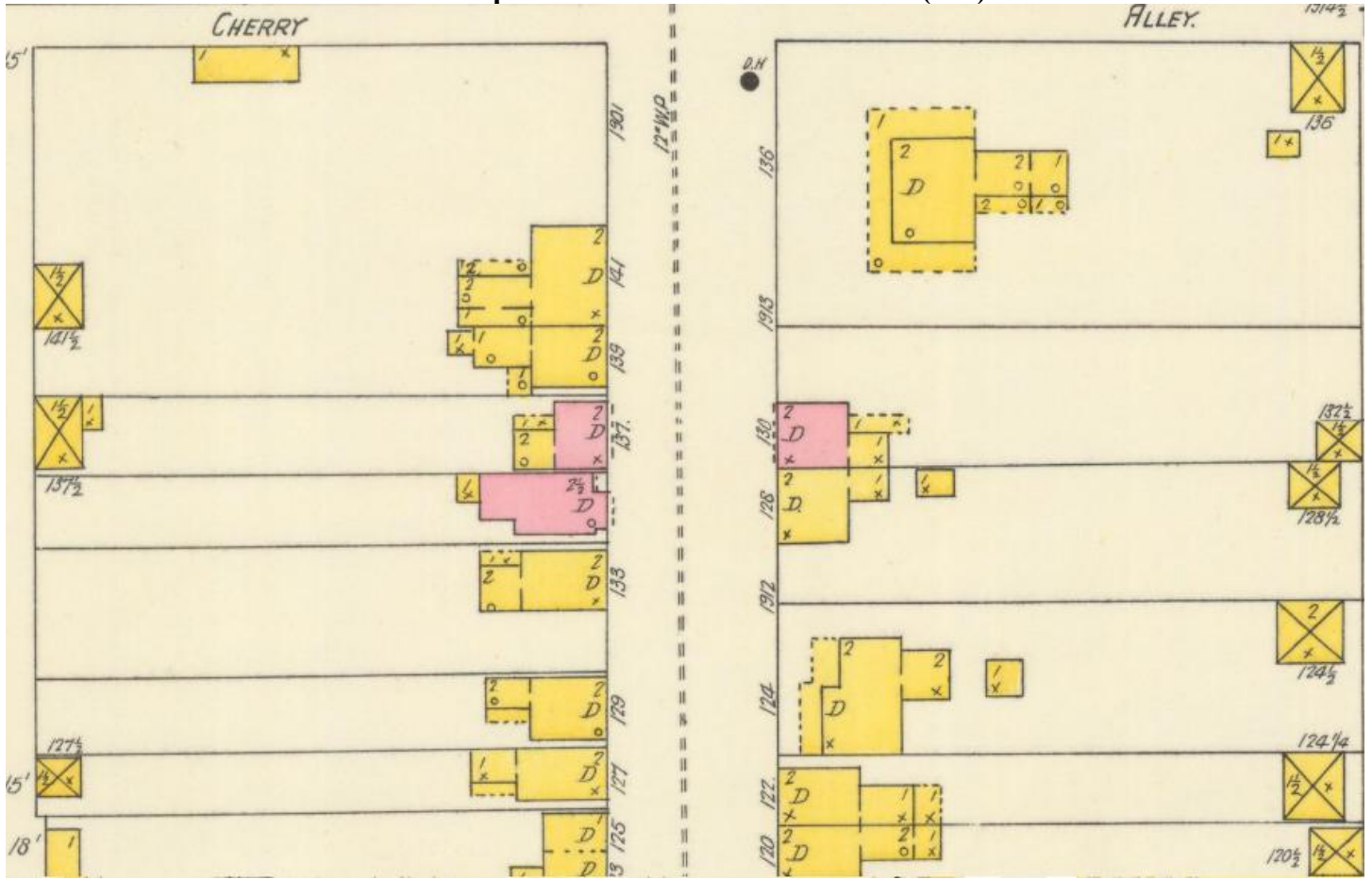
researching the evolution of specific buildings, sites, and districts. Historic preservationists use Sanborn maps for understanding the significance of historical buildings, the historic use of buildings, and building materials in conservation and rehabilitation efforts as well as locating residences and workplaces of historically significant past residents and local community leaders and also to study the patterns of growth and migration of populations. Students in this class use Sanborn maps to trace the evolution of the historically significant property assigned to them as well as illustrate the growth of Marietta.

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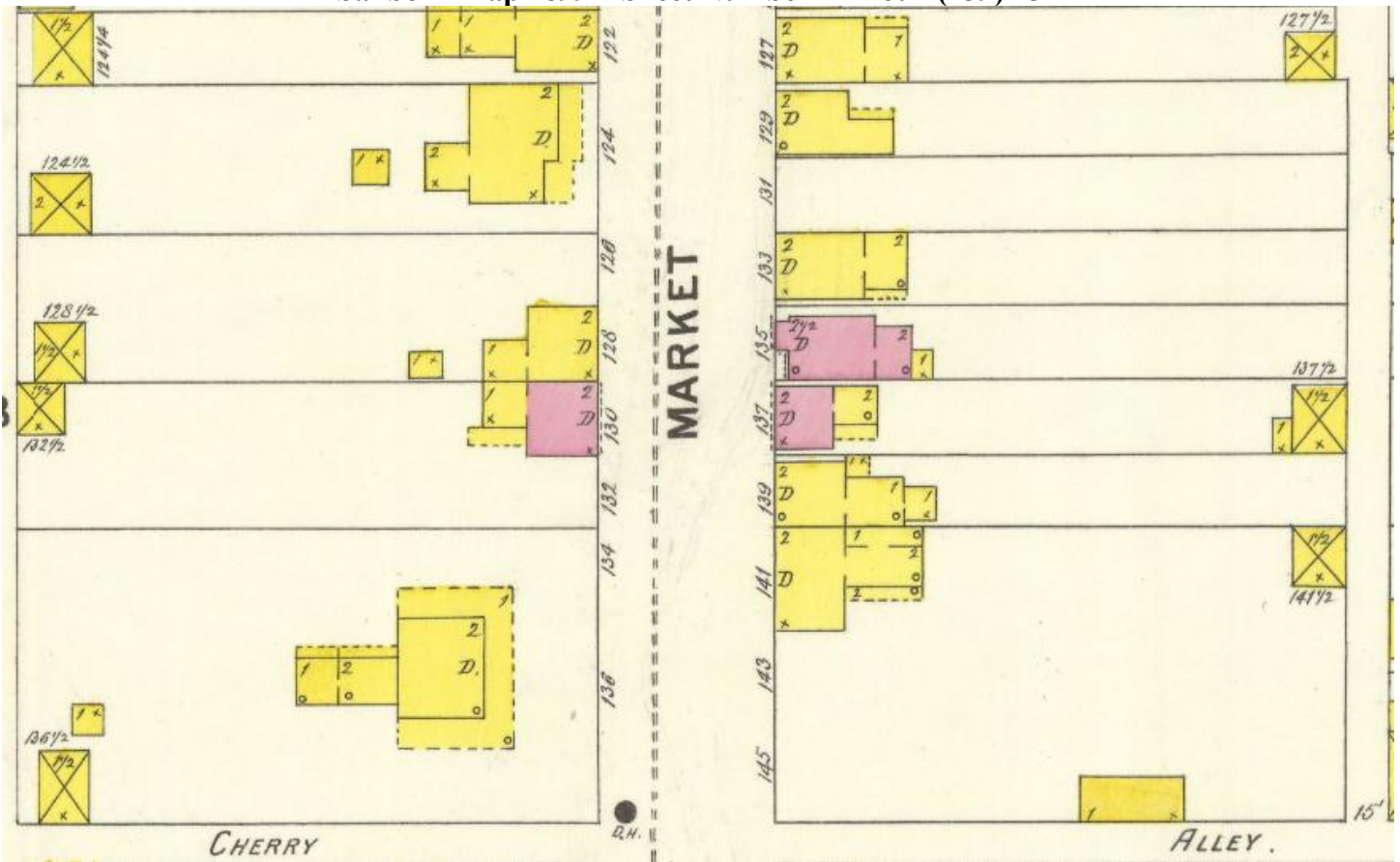




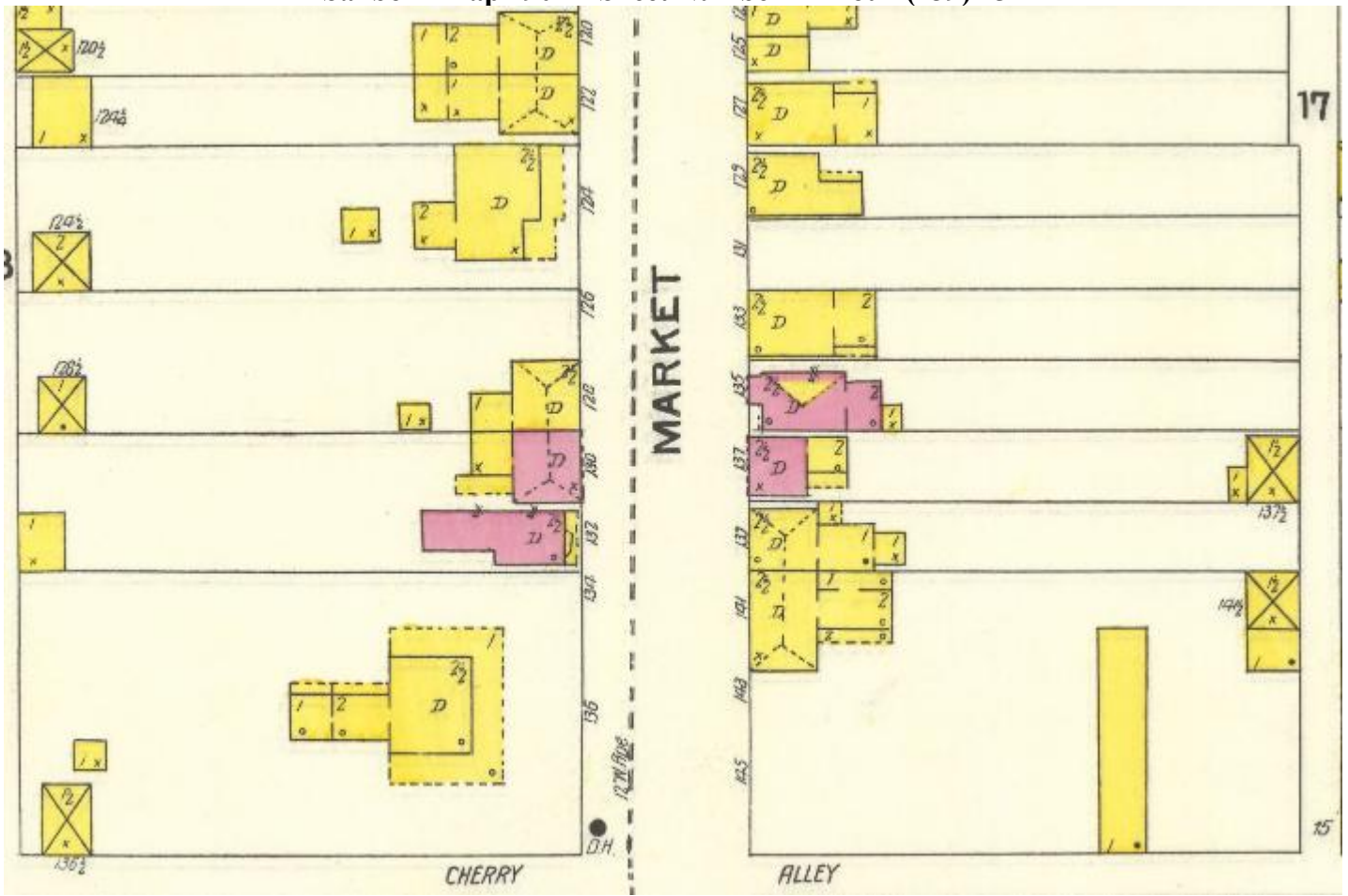
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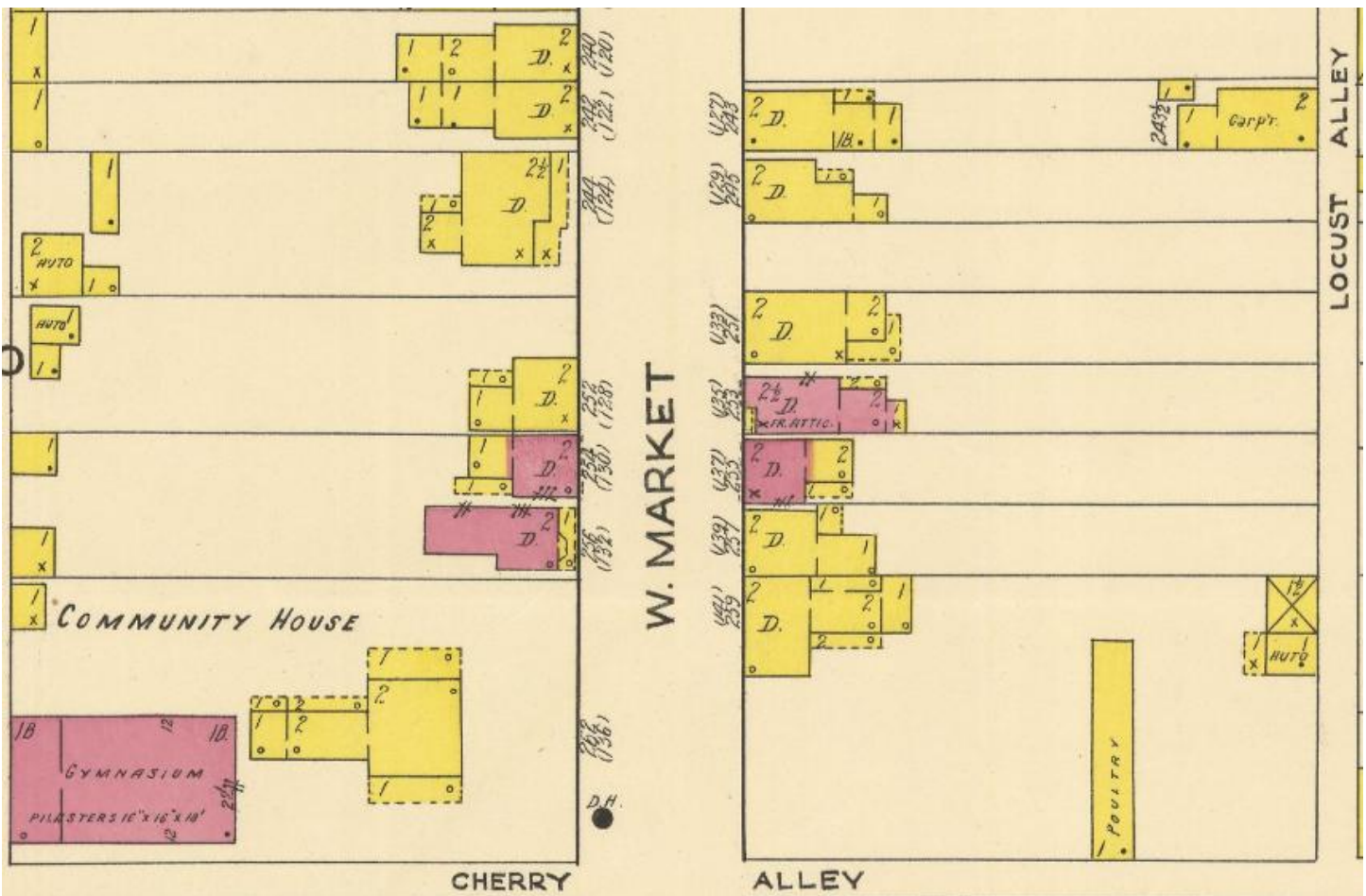
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History of Marietta, Pennsylvania

*Founding Families of Marietta*⁵²

Marietta was established in the eighteenth century which is in contrast to some histories of the community placing the origins between 1800-1812. Marietta was settled by Scotch-Irish Presbyterians and Swiss German Mennonites which is in contrast to some histories claiming the community was settled exclusively by Scotch-Irish Presbyterians. The Scotch-Irish Presbyterians founders focused on transportation along the Susquehanna River and Pennsylvania Canal, while the Mennonites founders initiated lumber production and related industries. Both entrepreneurial founding groups relied on transient workers.

Initially British fur traders, competing with French fur traders, established economic relations with indigenous populations along the Susquehanna River. Welsh fur trader Robert Wilkins was likely born around 1672 in Brecon, Wales,⁵³ arrived in the Marietta area sometime before 1702, at which time he married Elizabeth Ross in Lancaster County.⁵⁴ Wilkins first settled along the Conestoga Creek, next to Richard Carter who settled

⁵² This section of the property report was authored by Eric J. Schubert, Elizabethtown College Class of 2023, History and Political Science major, Founder and Genealogist of ES Genealogy, for a presentation by students in this class, entitled "Marietta, Pennsylvania's Historic Homes On Front Street: Transportation, Trade, Triumph, and Tragedy Along The Susquehanna River and the Pennsylvania Canal" at Elizabethtown College for Scholarship and Creative Arts Day Tuesday 20 April 2021.

⁵³ WeRelate, "Robert Wilkins" [https://www.werelate.org/wiki/Person:Robert_Wilkins_\(7\)](https://www.werelate.org/wiki/Person:Robert_Wilkins_(7)), accessed May 19, 2021

⁵⁴ Ibid.

Warwick Township. In 1718, Wilkins took up 200 acres of land along the Susquehanna River, and in 1727 he sold it to The Reverend James Anderson, primary founder of Marietta.⁵⁵

The Reverend James Anderson (1678-1740), educated at Edinburgh, Scotland under the care of Principal Stirling,⁵⁶ served The Donegal Presbyterian Church. Born in Scotland ordained by Irvine Presbytery, 17 November 1708 in Virginia. Anderson arrived in the Rappahannock, Virginia on 22 April 1709, before settling in New Castle, Delaware in 1717 later accepting a call to a congregation in New York City, which, at the time was worshipping in the City Hall. On 24 September 1726, he received a final call to the Donegal Presbyterian Church in Mount Joy. He was installed the last Wednesday in August 1727.⁵⁷

Wilkins' neighbor, George Stewart (1683-1759), from Donegal, Ireland,⁵⁸ was elected as one of the first Commissioners of Lancaster County at its formation in 1729 and elected to the Provincial Assembly in 1732 dying soon after his appointment.⁵⁹ After George Stewart passed, his son John Stewart (1705-1749) inherited the land and sold it to David Cook, sometimes spelled Cooke. John Stewart was married to Ann Anderson (1716-1816), the daughter of The Reverend James Anderson.⁶⁰

David Cook (1721-1786), sometimes Cooke, was born in Lancaster County and is buried in The Donegal Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Mount Joy.⁶¹ Eventually, David Cook sold this land (purchased from John Stewart), to Jacob Heistandt Neff,⁶² the middle and last name represent two prominent Mennonite families and surnames in Lancaster County and specifically the Marietta area. Jacob Heistandt Neff (1727-1798) was from Manor Township.⁶³

Marietta was founded by leaders and members of two prominent churches in Mount Joy. The Donegal Presbyterian Church (1732) and the Mount Joy Mennonite Church (1790). The Donegal Presbyterian Church was founded in 1727 with the church being built in 1732. The Reverend James Anderson (1678-1740), primary founder of Marietta, was the minister.⁶⁴ The Mount Joy Mennonite Church was founded in 1790, with members meeting for worship in their homes, as was the custom of the time and remains the practice of the Old Order Amish. In 1812 a log meetinghouse on land donated by Peter Delebaugh Kraybill (1784-1869).⁶⁵ The first minister of The Mount Joy Mennonite Church was The Reverend Jacob Hostetter Hershey (1747-1819).⁶⁶ Both The Reverend Jacob Hershey and Peter Kraybill are buried at the Kraybill Mennonite Cemetery in Mount Joy.⁶⁷

This points to the significance of the Presbyterians and Mennonites settling in Lancaster County after arriving in Philadelphia and Delaware, eventually realizing the economic significance of developing the land along the Susquehanna River associated with westward expansion of the nation. The early settlers settled in Mount Joy and not within the dangerous flood plain of the Susquehanna River. It also demonstrates the socio-economic bias of the settlers, believing poor lives were dispensable, poor transient workers living and working along the Susquehanna River, if they lost their lives and/or livelihood from flooding or from rowdy living, there are many histories of the community documenting drunken brawling in taverns, pubs, and hotels, the lives of these transient workers were not important, while the wealthy, benefiting from commerce along the Susquehanna River and Pennsylvania Canal, lived on higher safer ground in Mount Joy.

⁵⁵ Ibid.

⁵⁶ Ibid.

⁵⁷ <http://www.donegalpc.org/pdfs/CEMETERY%20INDEX.pdf>

⁵⁸ Geni, "George Stewart" <https://www.geni.com/people/George-Stewart/6000000013217652542>, accessed May 19, 2021

⁵⁹ Ibid.

⁶⁰ Ibid.

⁶¹ Ancestry.com Online Family Trees

⁶² Ibid.

⁶³ Ibid.

⁶⁴ Wikipedia, "Donegal Presbyterian Church

Complex" https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Donegal_Presbyterian_Church_Complex#:~:text=NRHP%20reference%20No.&text=Donegal%20Presbyterian%20Church%20Complex%20is,building%20with%20a%20gambrel%20roof, accessed May 20, 2021

⁶⁵ Ancestry.com Online Family Trees

⁶⁶ Ibid.

⁶⁷ Ibid.

The next time you are on the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail (2007) in Marietta, imagine the path of the Pennsylvania Canal (1824-1900) running parallel to the Susquehanna River. Take a moment to consider Nebuchadnezzar, the great ruler of Babylon in 500 B. C., remaking a canal which is believed to have first been dug more than a thousand years earlier. The Nebuchadnezzar Royal Canal connected the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers.⁶⁸ Imagine China's Grand Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, 1,000 miles long connecting Hangzhou and Tientsin, built in 500 B. C. Reflecting on how there are more than 26,000 miles of canal in all parts of the world, suddenly Marietta feels much older and more connected to the world than it seems today.⁶⁹

When you walk around Marietta and you come across the Duffy-Rottmund House (1863) on Market Street, formerly Irishtown, think about Colonel James Duffy (1818-1888) as a boy, growing up along the Susquehanna River, working on the log rafts as a draftsman until earning the rank of pilot and making a successful career in river transportation.⁷⁰ In 1846 he traveled through Europe making a study of canals and returning to Marietta he fulfilled his goal of making the Pennsylvania Canal through Marietta a major corridor for transporting coal. By 1848 Colonel Duffy established a line of boats for transporting coal from Pottsville to New York, in the interests of the Schuylkill Navigation Company.⁷¹

When you think about Marietta and the Pennsylvania Canal remember it was based on a model established in 1639 when Mother Brook, the first canal was built connecting the Charles and Neponset Rivers in Dedham, Massachusetts.⁷² From the beginning, Americans accepted waterways as the best method of traveling, or for moving goods from one place to another.⁷³ Construction on the Pennsylvania Canal started in 1824, it was a system of canals, dams, locks, tow paths, aqueducts, viaducts, tunnels, and bridges facilitating shipment of heavy bulk goods between Philadelphia (1682) and Pittsburgh (1758). The Pennsylvania Canal System developed in response to the growing markets in the Northwest Territory reached by the Ohio River through connecting the Susquehanna, Juniata, Conemaugh, Kiskiminetas, and Allegheny Rivers.⁷⁴ When finished in 1834 the trip from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh, via the Main Line of Public Works (1826), could be made in three to five days. By 1830, more than 4,000 miles of canals in New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Ohio, and Indiana were started or planned between 1825 and 1845.⁷⁵

The wonder of it all was the fact there were no American engineers at the time, and neither was there any excavating machinery. With no more than the ingenuity of local surveyors and such simple tools as shovels and wheelbarrows, these artificial rivers were cut through the most difficult countryside.⁷⁶ The equally amazing thing is how the canals are still functioning. Today we find modern railroads using ancient canal beds for their own track beds. Sometimes we drive through a high-walled section of farmland which was first a canal way before it became a highway. We might have thought a ditch running parallel to a railroad was for drainage. Actually it was once a canal; the present railway tracks are built on what was once the tow path. Or we might come upon some lofty bridge piers across a river where there is no roadway: we would hardly suspect they once held a wooden aqueduct and canal way, carrying it and the canal traffic high across the roaring river below.⁷⁷

The Pennsylvania Canal was not the only waterway serving the local economy of Marietta. In 1797 the Conewago Canal began carrying riverboats around the Conewago Falls on the Susquehanna River near York Haven.⁷⁸ The Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal, built between 1836-1840, connected Wrightsville (1811) with Havre de Grace, Maryland (1785). The Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal facilitated transportation of lumber,

⁶⁸ A. T. Olmstead, *History of the Persian Empire* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1948), 50.

⁶⁹ Joseph Needham, *Science and Civilization in China* v. 4, p 3 (Taipei: Caves Books, 1986), 307.

⁷⁰ H. M. J. Klein, *Lancaster County Pennsylvania: A History* v. iv (New York: Lewis Historical Publishing Company, Inc., 1924), 406.

⁷¹ *Biographical Annals of Lancaster County Pennsylvania* (Lancaster, PA: J. H. Beers & Company, 1903), 299.

⁷² Electa Kane Tritsch, *Building Dedham* (Dedham, MA: Dedham Historical Society, 1986), 14.

⁷³ Eric Sloane, *Our Vanishing Landscape* (New York: Funk & Wagnalls, 1955), 50.

⁷⁴ William H. Shank, *Indian Trails to Super Highways* (York, PA: American Canal & Transportation Center, 1988), 42; Robert McCullough, *The Pennsylvania Main Line Canal* (York, PA: American Canal and Transportation Center, 1973).

⁷⁵ *Ibid.*, 43.

⁷⁶ Sloane, 52.

⁷⁷ *Ibid.*, 53.

⁷⁸ Robert J. Kapsch *Canals* (New York: W. W. Norton and Company, 2004), 13-14; William Young, *Account of the Conewago Canal On the River Susquehanna* (Philadelphia: Whitehall Press, 1798).

coal, and raw materials from Marietta (1719) and Columbia (1724) to the Port of Baltimore (1729).⁷⁹ This is the reason why the economy in Marietta was built on lumber, coal, whiskey, and transportation.⁸⁰

The origins of the Pennsylvania Canal date back to 1690 when William Penn proposed building a canal connecting Philadelphia with the Susquehanna River. It took 102 years until in 1792, as an initiative of the Washington administration (1789-1797), the Union Canal, was completed in 1828. Running eighty-two miles, the Union Canal connected Middletown (1755) on the Susquehanna River to Reading (1748) on the Schuylkill River.⁸¹ By 1834 the Main Line of Public Works, composed of interlocking canals, was transporting passengers and freight across 1,243 miles. Incrementally the canals system was integrated into and eventually replaced by the rail roads. In 1859, one hundred and sixty-nine years after William Penn's canal proposal, all canals owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania were sold. The Pennsylvania Rail Road (1846) formed the Pennsylvania Canal Company and continued to use canals for freight transportation. The canal business, however, declined steadily in the last quarter of the nineteenth century, and most Pennsylvania canals no longer functioned after 1900.⁸²

The last canal boat to enter Marietta was in August of 1900. Captain Morris Nagle piloted a canal boat carrying coal from Nanticoke (1800) in Luzerne County. Captain Nagle docked the boat at Gay Street. The boat was dismantled and buried beneath the railroad bed when the Pennsylvania Rail Road was installed over the canal tow path.⁸³ In Marietta, along the Pennsylvania Canal boats were drawn by mules guided along the tow path parallel to Front Street.⁸⁴ A double canal boat could handle up to 250 tons of freight with a single mule team on the tow path.⁸⁵ In the winter the canal was drained to minimize damage from ice blocks and in the spring flooding (good for river transportation) washed out sections of the canal.⁸⁶ The last log raft to float down the Susquehanna River to Marietta landed on 12 April 1911.⁸⁷ Thus in the transition from the nineteenth to the twentieth centuries, transportation along the Susquehanna River and the Pennsylvania Canal were entirely replaced by the rail road network, changing the physical landscape of Marietta and the culture as well.

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As early as 8,000 BC Paleo-Indian settlements, the Susquehannocks flourished along the Susquehanna River with agricultural production and operating complex trade routes expanding throughout the continent. Every river valley and every tributary of the Swatara, Conoy, Chickies, Conestoga, Pequea, and Octorara Creeks has considerable evidence of human habitation in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania prior to European contact.⁸⁹

In 1616 Etienne Brule (1592-1633) a French expert in the Algonquin language, who lived among the Susquehanna tribe in western New York, traveled down the Susquehanna River into the Chesapeake Bay. Along the way, Brule explored the tributaries of the Susquehanna River in Lancaster County and encountered the Susquehannock tribes living along the Susquehanna River.⁹⁰

⁷⁹ James Weston Livingood, *The Philadelphia –Baltimore Trade Rivalry, 1780-1860* (Philadelphia: Ayer Publishing, 1970), 43-45; Theodorick Bland, *Report by The Maryland Commissioners On A Proposed Canal from Baltimore to Conewago* (Baltimore: F. Lucas, 1823).

⁸⁰ *Marietta Sesquicentennial: 1812-1962 Souvenir Booklet* (Marietta, PA: n.p.), 15.

⁸¹ Dean M. Aungst, *The Two Canals of Lebanon County* (Lebanon, PA: Lebanon County Historical Society, 1968), 9; John C. Clark, *The Union Canal Company of Pennsylvania* (Philadelphia: John C. Clark Printer, 1853).

⁸² William H. Shank, *The Amazing Pennsylvania Canals* (York, PA: American Canal & Transportation Center, 1986), 49-51; Matthew Carey, *Pennsylvania Canals* (Philadelphia: n.p., 1828).

⁸³ *Marietta Sesquicentennial: 1812-1962 Souvenir Booklet* (Marietta, PA: n.p.), 14.

⁸⁴ Frederic H. Abendschein, *Colombia, Marietta, and Wrightsville: Images of America* (Charleston, S. C.: 2009), 100.

⁸⁵ Shank, 44.

⁸⁶ Abendschein, 100.

⁸⁷ *Ibid.* 16.

⁸⁸ This section of the property report was authored by Kyle C. Cappucci, Elizabethtown College Class of 2022 as a research paper entitled, "Marietta Pennsylvania Historic District & The Susquehanna National Heritage Area Designation ArcGIS Story Map" presented at the Landmark Conference Thursday 11 July 2019 as part of the college's Summer Scholarship, Creative Arts, and Research Projects (SCARP) program. It has been inserted here to give the reader context for the remainder of the report.

⁸⁹ Benowitz, Jean-Paul, *Elizabethtown Advocate*. "American Indians Were Major Part of Development of E-town" etownpa.com <http://etownpa.com/american-indians-major-part-development-e-town/> (accessed May 21, 2019).

⁹⁰ *Ibid.*

In 1629 Etienne Brule partnered with the British fur trader Sir David Kirke (1597-1654) establishing trade relations between the Europeans and Susquehannock tribes. By 1680-1690 no Susquehannock villages existed in Lancaster or York Counties. There was a migration to New York to settle among the Iroquois and Seneca and a movement south to Maryland.⁹¹

In 1681 British King Charles, II (1630-1685) granted a land charter to Quaker leader William Penn (1644-1718) to repay a debt the King owed to Admiral William Penn (1621-1670). King Charles named it Pennsylvania, meaning Penn's Woods: Penn and Sylvania from the Latin *silva* which translates forest or woods. There were no Susquehannocks living in this region by the time William Penn acquired the land from King Charles, II (1630-1685).⁹²

In 1701 William Penn (1644-1718) gave a patent of 3,000 acres of land along the Susquehanna River to George Beale (British). By 1703 Consumed by debt, William Penn (1644-1718) charged his land agent James Logan (1674-1751) to send him in London "bear and buck skins for they [the creditors] bear an advance" and "urge the Pennsylvania assembly to establish a propriety monopoly in the Indian trade."⁹³

In 1708 James Logan invited the French Expert Indian language interpreter Peter Bezaillion (1661-1742) to establish a fur trading post where the Conoy Creek meets the Susquehanna River in Bainbridge, Pennsylvania north 7.5 miles north of Marietta. By 1719 Bezaillion invited the Piscataway tribe to move from Maryland to Conoy Town. They assumed the name Canoise or corn shellers and were called the Conoy Indians.⁹⁴

In 1717 Peter Logan did not only invite French and Indian fur traders to settle between the Conoy and Conewago Creeks along the Susquehanna River, he also sold land to the highest bidders among the Swiss-German (mostly Mennonite) Palatine farmers arriving in Pennsylvania in 1717. Simultaneously there was an influx of Ulster Scots or Scots-Irish settlers. William Penn's sons John (1700-1746), Richard (1706-1771), and Thomas (1702-1775) inherited a great deal of debt when their father died in 1718. The Penn brothers became alienated from Quaker beliefs and did not subscribe to their father's ideals for Pennsylvania.⁹⁵

In 1717 one year before his death, William Penn reserved 16,000 acres in Lancaster County for various tribes as a reserved hunting ground. This promise by William Penn would not be kept by his sons. According to Mennonite historian the Reverend John L. Ruth, Mennonite settlers in Lancaster County anxiously paid up to four times more than the price the Penn brothers were asking for acres. Meanwhile the Scots-Irish settlers encouraged to move here by James Logan started living on the land without title. The obvious defense of one's claim to property was to construct buildings and begin to improve the land, even before it was legally acquired.⁹⁶

In 1719 Robert Wilkins, Scotch-Irish (Ulster Scots; Anglo-Irish Presbyterians), Indian Trader, acquired 300 acres along the Susquehanna River north of Chickies Creek. In 1719 George Stewart, Scotch-Irish, was sold a tract of land east of the Robert Wilkins tract. In 1727 Robert Wilkins sold the tract of Penn land to Scotch-Irish, The Reverend James Anderson, clergy at the Donegal Presbyterian Church (1732) in Mount Joy, in East Donegal Township. Son James Anderson operated the ferry and built the Accomac Inn.⁹⁷

In 1733, George Stewart's son and daughter-in-law, John and Ann Stewart, inherited and sold the James Anderson tract to David Cook. This tract of land was given to his son David Cook whose son, David Cook, laid out the town of New Haven. Additional acres of the Stewart tract were given to David Cook's son James.⁹⁸

Peter Bezaillion built Old Peter's Road, as it is still known in parts of Lancaster County, to facilitate French and Indian fur trading linking Philadelphia to Bainbridge (1719). Bezaillion who, in partnership with the British, challenged France's control over the territory between the Appalachian Mountains and the Mississippi River, a struggle which helped precipitate the French and Indian War. The French found the Algonquin tribes their allies, while the Iroquois sided with the British. Raids of British colonists occurred on both sides.⁹⁹

⁹¹ Ibid.

⁹² Ibid.

⁹³ Ibid.

⁹⁴ Ibid.

⁹⁵ Ibid.

⁹⁶ Ibid.

⁹⁷ Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

⁹⁸ Ibid.

⁹⁹ Ibid.

By 1743, The Piscataway tribes had moved away from Bainbridge, migrating north along the Susquehanna River settling in Shamokin. British victories in Quebec (1759) and Montreal (1760) led to France surrendering all of New France to the British. The British took over all French forts on the frontier and became the new authoritarian power for the tribes in these regions during The French and Indian War (1755-1763).¹⁰⁰

Between 1775-1783 Marietta played an important role in the American Revolution manufacturing iron and lumber, producing agricultural goods, distilling whiskey, and ferry transportation between Lancaster and York Counties over the Susquehanna River. The capitol of Continental Congress was in Lancaster City on 22 September 1777. Lancaster City was the capitol of Pennsylvania from 1799-1812. York City was the capitol of the Continental Congress from 1777-1778. The Articles of Confederation were drafted and adopted in York thus the establishing the first constituting and government for the United States of America. In 1789 Quaker leader Samuel Wright renamed Wright's Ferry as Columbia and petitioned the new U. S. Congress to make this the location of the U. S. Capitol.¹⁰¹

In 1804, the third generation of Anderson, grandson James Anderson, laid out the town of Waterford. By 1812, James Anderson and James Cook procured a charter from the Pennsylvania legislature and named their incorporated towns Marietta. The next year, 1813, Anderson's town Waterford and Cook's town New Haven were consolidated including a tract of land owned by John Myers east of Moravian Town and a tract of land owned by Benjamin Long north of Waterford.¹⁰²

In the same year, 1813 John Pedan, James Mehaffey, and Colonel James Duffy purchased 161 acres west of the Anderson tract and laid out Irishtown. The founders named each north-south street after U. S. naval heroes: Biddle, Jones, Decatur, Bainbridge, Morris, Hull, and Porter. The east-west streets named for American sea vessels: Essex, United States, Wasp, and Constitution. United States Street would become Market Street when all the towns were incorporated into the borough of Marietta.¹⁰³

The next year, 1814, the Cassels sell the Neff tract to Jacob Grosh who laid out Moravian Town, known locally as Bungletown. By this time the major industry in Marietta was lumber. By 1814 there were nine lumber merchants in Marietta. Planing mills, lumberyards, carpentry shops, and allied businesses were the backbone of the local economy. Marietta was a waypoint for shipping lumber, bundled into rafts, downriver. In 1807 Henry Cassel established a lumber business on the corner of Third and Bank Streets. In 1848 Henry Cassel was joined by his son A. N. Cassel who in 1872 built a planing mill associated with the business. In 1850 B. F. Hiestand & Sons Planing Mill was established on the Susquehanna River below Chickes Rock with the lumber offices located on the corner of Bank and Second Streets. In 1945 the Hiestand lumber properties were deeded to the Paul W. Zimmerman Foundries Company manufacturing brass, bronze, and aluminum castings. In 1954 Zimmerman Foundries Company, was acquired by the Donegal Manufacturing Corporation, later called Donegal Steel Foundry Company which manufactured carbon, low alloy and stainless steel castings primarily for tanks for the U. S. Army during the Korean War (1950-1953).¹⁰⁴

During 1812-1814, The Columbia-Wrightsville covered bridge constructed over the Susquehanna River, at the time considered the longest covered bridge in the world. Greatly enhances the economy for Marietta. Between 1812-1815 the War of 1812 between the U. S. and Great Britain began over alleged British violations of American shipping rights, such as impressment, the forcing of American merchant sailors to serve on British ships. American forces unsuccessfully invaded Canada and the British retaliated by burning down Washington, D. C. Within weeks U. S. Forces repulsed sea and land invasions of the British at the Port of Baltimore, particularly Fort McHenry. The war ended with victory for the United States at the Battle of New Orleans. Two companies from Marietta marched to Maryland in defense of Baltimore. One of the companies was called the Marietta Grays commanded by Jacob Grosh.¹⁰⁵

¹⁰⁰ Ibid.

¹⁰¹ Lloyd, Junie, YorkBlog, "How did they get across the wide Susquehanna when there were no bridges?" <https://yorkblog.com/universal/how-did-they-get-across-the-wide-susquehanna-when-there-were-no-bridges/> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹⁰² Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

¹⁰³ Ibid.

¹⁰⁴ Ibid.

¹⁰⁵ Ibid.

In 1817 James Anderson built a road over Chickies Mountain, the Old Columbia Pike, linking Columbia, Pennsylvania, formerly Wright's Ferry, (1726) 3.6 miles south of Marietta. Anderson was preparing for the state legislature to build a bridge across the Susquehanna River connecting Marietta to York, Pennsylvania (1741). James Anderson operated a ferry across the Susquehanna River. Two miles north Mennonite Christian Winiker operated a ferry known as Vinegar Ferry.¹⁰⁶

The Economic Panic of 1819 was the first major peacetime financial crisis in the U. S. following the collapse of the economy in the transition from a colonial commercial status with Europe toward an independent economy. The downturn was driven by global market adjustments in the aftermath of the Napoleonic Wars, its severity was compounded by excessive speculation in public lands. The Pennsylvania legislature did not build a bridge between Marietta and York. James Anderson lost most of his money building the Columbia Pike.¹⁰⁷

Between 1826-1840 construction of the Pennsylvania Canal system to connect Philadelphia (1682) to Pittsburgh (1669) commenced. The Pennsylvania Rail Road (1846) eventually purchased the Pennsylvania Canal from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.¹⁰⁸

In 1855 Eagle Furnace, anthracite iron furnace, opened. The iron industry in Marietta was dominated by Henry Musselman, Henry Miller Watts of Carlisle, and his father-in-law Dr. Peter Shoenberger, of Pittsburgh. The local iron industry was managed by Watts' son Ethelbert Watts (1846–1919) a U. S. diplomat who played important roles in the Spanish American War, Russo Japanese War, & WW I. These iron plants produced pig iron, sold under the brand name Vesta, transported on the Pennsylvania Canal and later by the railroad. In 1917 the iron plants, known as the Susquehanna Iron Company, sold the furnaces to E. J. Lavino who produced ferromanganese, used for high grade steel, during WW I. The manganese ores came from all over the world & the ferromanganese product was shipped to Youngstown, Ohio, Coatesville, and Pittsburgh. The production of iron ceased in the 1920s and the furnace was dismantled between 1928 and 1934.¹⁰⁹

Between 1861-1865, during the American Civil War Marietta played a role in the Battle of Gettysburg 1-3 July 1863. Women from Marietta organized to prepare linen bandages and baked two wagonloads of bread dispatched to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania (1806) 45 miles west of Marietta. Marietta was protected from an invasion of Confederate troops because on 28 June 1863 Union forces burned the Columbia-Wrightsville covered bridge to prevent an advance of Confederate troops approaching from Wrightsville, York County. The Pennsylvania Rail Road used the bridge piers to support a rail bridge crossing the river from 1868-1896 when it was destroyed by the Cedar Keys Hurricane. In 1810 David Muma built a stone house which David Cassel (1774-1855) turned into a hotel in 1823 called the Perry House Hotel named for War of 1812 Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry (1785-1819). Perry House was a stronghold for Confederate sympathizers of Marietta where Copperheads and Unionists engaged in hostile political debates.¹¹⁰

In the post-Civil War years, by 1876 The Marietta Holloware and Enameling Company was established, by Colonel James Duffy among others, producing hollow castings such as toilet bowls, lavatory basins, cast iron cookware, ink pots for stencils, glue pots, teakettles, and cookware including sauce pans, and skillets.¹¹¹

In 1882 Dr. H. M. Alexander used the methods of British physician and scientist, Edward Jenner (1749-1823) to create a vaccine for smallpox which he manufactured and sold commercially nationwide and globally. The work began in a chicken house adjacent to his office at 299 West Market Street. He purchased the H. McMullen Farm in the Irishtown neighborhood of Marietta located at Wasp and Biddle Streets and established the first commercial biological laboratory in the United States known as Dr. H. M. Alexander and Company and also as the Lancaster County Vaccine Farm.¹¹²

By the time of the First World War, in 1916, the heirs of Dr. Alexander sold their shares of the company to the Gilliland Laboratories, Inc. During the Second World War, in 1943 Gilliland Laboratories was acquired by

¹⁰⁶ Ibid.

¹⁰⁷ Revolvly. "Panic of 1819" revolvly.com <https://www.revolvly.com/page/Panic-of-1819> (accessed May 21, 2019).

¹⁰⁸ Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission. "Pennsylvania Canals- 1846" phmc.state.pa.us www.phmc.state.pa.us/portal/communities/documents/1776-1865/pennsylvania-canals.html (accessed May 21, 2019).

¹⁰⁹ Rivertownes. "The Furnaces of Rivertownes" [rivertownes.org http://www.rivertownes.org/Features/Furnaces/Marietta.htm](http://www.rivertownes.org/Features/Furnaces/Marietta.htm) (accessed May 21, 2019).

¹¹⁰ Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

¹¹¹ Ibid.

¹¹² Ibid.

the American Home Products Corporation. The following year, in 1944, The American Home Products Corporation was incorporated into the Wyeth Laboratories, Inc. In 2005 Wyeth Laboratories was acquired by Britain's largest drugs maker, GlaxoSmithKline.

In 1889 Donegal Mutual Insurance Company, formerly Donegal and Conoy Mutual Fire Insurance Company, established on West Market Street in Marietta. During 1960-1961 Donegal built their national headquarters in Colonial Revival style campus on River Road Pennsylvania Route 441 (PA 441).¹¹³

In 1893 The Columbia and Donegal Electric Railway (C&D), later purchased by The Pennsylvania Traction Company which was acquired by the Conestoga Traction Company (1899) was chartered to build a trolley car line connecting the four miles between Columbia and Marietta and building the Chickies Rock Park. The wooden cars, painted bright blue with yellow trim, were purchased from J. G. Brill Car Company (1868-1954) Philadelphia and the electric lines were installed by Westinghouse Electric Company (1886) Pittsburgh. Trolley tickets were purchased at the Libhart Drug Store.¹¹⁴

During 1917-1918 the United States declared war on Germany on 6 April 1917 more than two and a half years after the start of the First World War. Before entering the war, the U. S. remained neutral although it was an important supplier to Great Britain and the Allied Powers. The U. S. made its major contributions supplying raw material for the war effort. The U. S. military established the Marietta Holding and Reconsignment Point along the Susquehanna River. The primary mission was to receive and store Quartermaster, Ordnance, Medical, Engineer, and Signal Corps supplies until east coast ports were in a position to receive and ship materials overseas.¹¹⁵

During the Second World War, in 1941 the U. S. military expanded the Marietta Holding and Reconsignment Point to accommodate supplying the Lend Lease Act. In March 1941 Lend Lease was enacted distributing food, oil, warships, warplanes, and weaponry. In December 1941, four days after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor and the United States, the U. S. Congress declared war against the Japanese Empire. Nazi Germany declared war against the U. S. in response to what was claimed to be a series of provocations by the United States when it was still officially neutral during the Second World War. The United States declared war on Germany.¹¹⁶

During this time, 1942-1945 there was an expansion of the Marietta Holding and Reconsignment Point which is officially designated as the Marietta Transportation Corps Depot. The depot encompassed over eight million square feet, over 400 acres, and employed more than 800 civilians in addition to military personnel.¹¹⁷

In 1947 Machinecraft, Inc. was established manufacturing automatic food shaping machines for mass production of hamburgers and French fries. The hydraulic valves for the first two air craft carriers built during the Second World War were designed and manufactured by Machinecraft. This technology allowed planes to be kept on an even keel during take-off and landing on the decks of the ships.¹¹⁸

In 1952 Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation built a natural gas compressor two miles west of the Marietta Air Force Station. This compressor station moves natural gas destined for markets in Philadelphia and New York.¹¹⁹

Between 1953-1955 the Transportation Material Command was established at the Marietta Transportation Corps Depot with the mission of supply control, cataloging, procurement, mobilization planning, and standardization and production engineering. In 1955 Marietta Transportation Corps Depot was transferred from the U. S. Army to the U. S. Air Force which created air station with the primary functions of receipt, storage, shipment, and disposal of Air Force material and equipment.¹²⁰

¹¹³ Landis, John C., *Candlelight Tours of Marietta 1966 to 2015* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, Inc, 2015).

¹¹⁴ Marietta Sesquicentennial Souvenir Booklet, (Marietta, PA: August 4, 1962).

¹¹⁵ Ibid.

¹¹⁶ Ibid.

¹¹⁷ Ibid.

¹¹⁸ Ibid.

¹¹⁹ American Oil & Gas Historical Society. *Big Inch Pipelines of WWII* aoghs.org <https://aoghs.org/petroleum-in-war/oil-pipelines/> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²⁰ Wardlow, Chester, Center of Military History. "The Transportation Corps: Responsibilities, Organization, and Operations" [historyhttps://history.army.mil/html/books/010/10-19/CMH_Pub_10-19.pdf](https://history.army.mil/html/books/010/10-19/CMH_Pub_10-19.pdf) (accessed May 23, 2019).

In 1955 the United States Aluminum Corporation of Pennsylvania USALCO is established. Rectangular twenty-five pound “ingots” smelted from scrap aluminum were produced to make castings for automotive automatic transmissions, pistons, aluminum fry pans, and products for national defense purposes.¹²¹

In May 1957, New Jersey Shell Casting Corporation was organized and operated until 1961 as a shell molding foundry. The corporation existed under the laws of the State of New Jersey from 1957 to 1979 because Joe Nagy lived in New Jersey at the time of incorporation. In May 1957, the original one room block building on South Decatur Street in Marietta, PA was rented from the U.S. Expansion Bolt Company. On December 9, 1965, New Jersey Shell Casting Corporation purchased the block building from the U.S. Expansion Bolt Company. The original size of the building was 2,700 square feet. Due to the growing needs of the business, the foundry has been expanded over the years and currently houses over 18,000 square feet under roof. In 1962, the business was converted to a non-ferrous brass, bronze and aluminum green sand-molding foundry and remains as such today.¹²²

In the 1970s, a large part of the Marietta Transportation Corps Depot became the Armstrong World Industries Ceiling Manufacturing Plant. Currently part of the Marietta Transportation Corps Depot is owned by the General Services Administration (GSA). The GSA portion of the site is used for the storage of a variety of ores including manganese, chrome, beryl, zinc, and lead in the form of ingots. Access to both portions of the site is restricted by perimeter fencing which has either locked gates or is guarded. The current property owners are: AWI (302.4 acres); GSA (67.5 acres); AAAA Enterprises, Inc. (39.9 acres); PADOT (23.27 acres); Richard C. Yunginger (36.40 acres); and Frederick W. Bushong et ux (9.6 acres).¹²³

This property is a superfund site which means the federal government, through the Environmental Protection Agency, has identified parties responsible for hazardous substances releases to the environment and has either compelled them to clean up the sites or it may undertake the cleanup on its own using the Superfund (a trust fund) and costs recovered from polluters by referring to the U. S. Department of Justice.¹²⁴ Sites managed under this program are referred to as “Superfund” sites established as the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980. The EPA identifies sites such as Marietta Transportation Corps Depot because they pose or had once posed a potential risk to human health and/or the environment due to contamination by one or more hazardous wastes. Marietta Transportation Corps Depot is currently registered as an Active superfund site by the EPA. However, it is not on the NPL (National Priorities List), which means the EPA does not consider it one of the nation's most hazardous waste sites.¹²⁵

Established in 1970, Lawn Equipment Parts Company (LEPCO) is a family-owned and operated wholesale distributor of quality outdoor power equipment, parts, and accessories. Originally, LEPCO operated as an after-market parts distributor to independent lawn equipment dealers. Today, we handle nine major brands of power equipment and continue to supply aftermarket parts to over 1,300 dealers in the northeast region. Over the years, LEPCO has continued to grow, becoming one of the preferred distributors in the industry. Maintaining their reputation for outstanding customer service to its dealers continues to be their everyday focus. LEPCO’s continued goal is to provide quality products and services to groups of independent dealers who, in turn, can provide a higher level of service and support to the end-users for all the brands represented. They sell exclusively to retail dealers in Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania.¹²⁶

In 1981, Rich Kushner opened Swedish Motors at 7 North Decatur Street, advertising that his employees had a unique knowledge of Swedish cars and foreign parts. His niche was more than enough to preoccupy his technicians, some of whom have been with Rich since their service doors opened. Today, Swedish Motors offers the same reliable auto service while also selling and restoring preowned and vintage vehicles.¹²⁷

¹²¹ USALCO, “About Us” usalco.com <https://www.usalco.com/company/history/> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²² New Jersey Shell Casting Corporation. “Our History” njshell.com <http://njshell.com/history.htm> (accessed May 29, 2019).

¹²³ ProPublica. “Marietta Air Force Station” projects.propublica.org <https://projects.propublica.org/bombs/installation/PA39799F1509009799> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²⁴ Wikipedia. “Superfund” Wikipedia.org <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Superfund> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²⁵ GovInfo. “Hazardous Waste: Information on Potential Superfund Sites” govinfo.gov <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/GAOREPORTS-RCED-99-22/html/GAOREPORTS-RCED-99-22.htm> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²⁶ LEPCO. “About Us” lepco.com <http://lepco.com/about-us/> (accessed June 13, 2019)

¹²⁷ Swedish Motors. “About Us” swedishmotors.com <http://www.swedishmotors.com/about-swedish-motors> (accessed May 29, 2019).

Jagtrux, Inc, a contract/common carrier for tractor trailer transportation was incorporated in 1982 by Jim Germak. In 1998 Jagtrux, Inc. purchased an abandoned locomotive repair shop in Marietta, originally built in 1942, and completely renovated the building. Eventually Jagtrux acquired surrounding property and expanded into a seventy-five-acre facility with a full-service shop, cross dock facilities, and secure trailer storage lots. Germak established a strong relationship with Armstrong World Industries becoming a Core Carrier for Armstrong's facilities in Marietta.¹²⁸

B.N. Excavating is a second-generation family business, specializing in residential, commercial and agricultural excavating services. Bob Nafziger started the company in 1986, after working as an employee for an excavating company in the area for over 15 years. Bob started the company with a single backhoe, dump truck and track loader and steadily built relationships with area contractors to build the business. Today, B.N. Excavating has grown from a small, one-man operation to a trusted leader in the excavating industry throughout Lancaster County and beyond. Headquartered in Marietta, PA, the company is now home to an experienced team of full-time excavators and a diverse line of professional excavation equipment that can meet the excavating needs of small businesses, home owners and agricultural operations.¹²⁹

R & T Mechanical, Inc. was founded in 1987. R & T Mechanical is a contracting company which provides services including plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and other similar work. R & T is in the East Donegal Industrial Park along with several other companies and organizations including Hess Auctioneers, LLC, Jaxtrux, Inc, Vanguard Modular Building Systems., LLC, and Hiltz Propane.

Founded by Matt Hiltz, a mechanical engineer who has many years of experience in the propane industry, Hiltz Propane Systems is family-owned and operated and comprised of a dedicated crew of propane installation and repair professionals. Specializing in complete turnkey propane system design and installation services, Matt and his dedicated crew bring extensive experience to the table in the areas of LPG system design, engineering, plant connection, fitting and maintenance services.¹³⁰

Established in 1998, Vanguard Modular Building Systems, LLC acquired Schiavi Leasing Corp., the predominate modular builder and regional supplier of modular classrooms in Maine since 1986, as a wholly owned subsidiary. Vanguard successfully expanded on Schiavi's already extensive modular construction capabilities to include distinctively engineered and designed multi-story permanent modular buildings, while retaining the requirements for temporary modular space of all sizes and configurations. Vanguard's experienced modular sales and construction management teams are in offices throughout the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, enabling us to effectively serve more than 20 states. They provide construction management services and quality temporary and permanent modular buildings to the education, commercial, construction, healthcare, oil and gas, government, and religious markets.¹³¹

Hess Auctioneers, LLC began operations in June 2007 when John Hess (Hess Auction Group), Phil and Roger Garber (GFI Transport), and Jim Germak (Jagtrux), recognized a need for public truck, trailer and equipment auction and consignment auction in the Mid-Atlantic region. Since the company is conveniently located close to Harrisburg, Lancaster and York, the current site is convenient, secure and allows consignors to bring their equipment to the site in advance of the auctions, so buyers can preview the inventory.¹³²

Lancaster Recumbent opened in December 2014, and today, the shop has over 75 different types of recumbent cycles – and continues to grow. The shop moved to a new location at 103 West Market Street in March 2018 – a larger space (for more cycles) located a block and a half off the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail in Marietta, PA. Lancaster Recumbent offers rides for all of life's cycles, new and used semi-recumbent and recumbent cycles, offers personal customizations and adaptations to meet your specific needs. Lastly, they offer repairs and

¹²⁸Jagtrux. "Our Story" jagtrux.com <http://jagtrux.com/dotnetnuke/AboutUs/OurStory.aspx> (accessed May 23, 2019).

¹²⁹B.N. Excavating. "About Us" bnexcavating.com <https://www.bnexcavating.com/about-us.php> (accessed May 29, 2019).

¹³⁰Hiltz Propane Systems. "About Us" hiltzpropanesystems.com <https://www.hiltzpropanesystems.com/about-us/> (accessed June 13, 2019)

¹³¹Vanguard Modular Building Systems. "Vanguard History" vanguardmodular.com <https://vanguardmodular.com/vanguard-history/> (accessed June 13, 2019).

¹³²Hess Auctioneers. "About Us" hessauctioneers.com <https://www.hessauctioneers.com/about-us/> (accessed May 29, 2019).

maintenance for practically anything with wheels – from recumbent to traditional upright cycles³⁴ from strollers to wheelchairs and walkers.¹³³

In September 2017, after seven, sometimes controversial, years in the making, Pennsylvania's first large-scale commercial soybean-processing facility was opened at 1609 River Road in Conoy Township. Perdue Agribusiness's new \$60 Million soybean-processing plant has been long touted by Perdue as a boon to farmers from Lancaster County and the region, saving them transportation costs. The plant has received strong endorsement from local agriculture and business groups.¹³⁴ The state gave Perdue an \$8.75 million grant to build the plant in Pennsylvania. With processed water coming from the adjacent Lancaster County Waste-To-Energy Facility on the same campus, as well as steam, Perdue AgriBusiness said the plant is the most environmentally friendly soybean plant in the country. Perdue said the facility would have the lowest rate of hexane emissions of any soybean-processing plant in the United States. The plant will process soybeans and turn them into soymeal for livestock and dairy farms. The plant has 35 permanent employees. Perdue said its construction generated 150 jobs and the plant will spawn 500 jobs in crop production and transportation. Gov. Tom Wolf said, "This plant is a game changer for farmers in Pennsylvania, opening new lanes of supply, new markets, and new opportunities in the commonwealth's agricultural economy."¹³⁵

Texas Eastern Pipeline (TETCo) is a major natural gas pipeline which brings gas from the Gulf of Mexico coast in Texas and Louisiana up through Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania to deliver gas in the New York City area. It is one of the largest pipeline systems in the United States. It is owned by Enbridge. Enbridge connects people to the energy they need to help fuel their quality of life. In the United States alone, more than two million miles of pipelines deliver petroleum and natural gas products. Every year, Enbridge invests in the latest technology and training to meet the high environmental and safety standards our neighbors expect, and to keep pipelines the safest, most efficient and most reliable way to move energy resources.¹³⁶ Marietta has its own Compressor Station off River Road and has a direct connection to this major national phenomenon.

¹³³ Lancaster Recumbent. "About Us" [lancasterrecumbent.com](https://lancasterrecumbent.com/about-us/) <https://lancasterrecumbent.com/about-us/> (accessed May 29, 2019).

¹³⁴ Lancaster Online. "After long fight, Perdue to open \$60M soybean-processing plant Monday in Conoy Township" [lancasteronline.com](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/after-long-fight-perdue-to-open-m-soybean-processing-plant/article_a709d652-9f98-11e7-88a9-238ddeda959e.html) https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/after-long-fight-perdue-to-open-m-soybean-processing-plant/article_a709d652-9f98-11e7-88a9-238ddeda959e.html (accessed May 29, 2019).

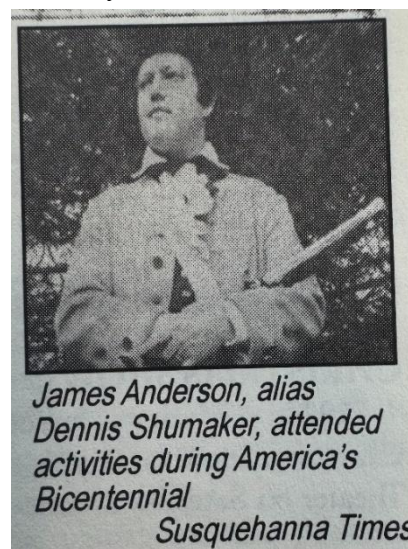
¹³⁵ Lancaster Online. "10 facts about the new \$60M Perdue soybean plant in Conoy Township opening today" [lancasteronline.com](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/facts-about-the-new-m-perdue-soybean-plant-in-conoy/article_a062b1b8-a216-11e7-8cac-d7d57ce2f935.html) https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/facts-about-the-new-m-perdue-soybean-plant-in-conoy/article_a062b1b8-a216-11e7-8cac-d7d57ce2f935.html (accessed May 29, 2019).

¹³⁶ Wikipedia. "Texas Eastern Transmission Pipeline" [wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas_Eastern_Transmission_Pipeline) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas_Eastern_Transmission_Pipeline (accessed June 13, 2019)

Biographical Significance & Historic Purpose of Property

Long before the development of houses upon distinct pieces of land, North America was inhabited by the French from Quebec in 1608.¹³⁷ One French explorer named, Etienne Brule was assigned to explore all the rivers and tributaries within the continent of North America. During this exploration, he traveled on the Susquehanna River and essentially discovers the land, which is now present-day Marietta.¹³⁸ After about a century, James Anderson I settles himself on the land, which then becomes Marietta. The land upon which this house sits, was first owned by the Anderson family, more specifically, James Anderson IV (1767 – 1815)¹³⁹ and his wife Mary Anderson.¹⁴⁰ James Anderson IV is known to have laid out the town of Waterford, which in the present day, is now the west end of Marietta.¹⁴¹ After a few years, another nearby neighboring town owned by a man named David Cook agreed to combine his town with James Anderson IV's town.¹⁴² Both Cook and Anderson IV realized they could make one larger town if they combined each of their individual towns. By 1812, the two men agreed to fully combine their towns, so they did this by procuring an official charter from the United States Legislature.¹⁴³ The two men also came up with the name for this newly created town. They decided to combine a piece of each of their wives' names, to come up with the name to begin with. Mary was Anderson IV's wife, and Henrietta was Cook's wife. As a side note, Mary is also known to have a famous lemon sugar cookie recipe.¹⁴⁴ Essentially, they took the names, Mary and Henrietta, and combined them to become Marietta.¹⁴⁵ Today, James Anderson IV is considered one of the founders of Marietta. Unknown to many, James Anderson IV was the first regular pastor of the Donegal Presbyterian Church.¹⁴⁶ He was also the first to erect a school house, named the Bell School House, in 1811,¹⁴⁷ had a horse named Old Iron Sides,¹⁴⁸ and he was a State Legislator in 1776, 1778, 1779, and 1780.¹⁴⁹

The house on 272 West Front Street is known to be built by James Anderson IV, so it is possible for this house to have been built by him as well.¹⁵⁰ James Anderson IV listed Mary, his wife, as an Executrix to this house,¹⁵¹ and together they had a daughter named Mary Prince and a son named Joseph Anderson.¹⁵² His son is known to have played a prominent role in developing Anderson's Ferry.¹⁵³ James Anderson IV is also the great grandson to the James Anderson I. James Anderson I had multiple children named James, Joseph, Margaret, Benjamin, Eliza, David, and Sarah.¹⁵⁴ Anderson I originally bought the land, which was 305 acres, from a Scotch-Irish trader named Peter Allen in 1718.¹⁵⁵ By 1727, James Anderson I and another man named William Wilkins



¹³⁷ Jean-Paul Benowitz, "History of Lancaster County and City, Pennsylvania," presentation, Honors Elizabethtown History, Elizabethtown College, February 26, 2026.

¹³⁸ Ibid.

¹³⁹ "Anderson-79594," *WikiTree*, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Anderson-79594>.

¹⁴⁰ "Marietta History," *Marietta Restoration* (Marietta, PA), accessed February 17, 2026,

<https://www.marietta restoration.org/history.html>.

¹⁴¹ Ibid.

¹⁴² Ibid.

¹⁴³ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 13.

¹⁴⁴ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), April 28, 1976, image 20, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1976-04-28/ed-1/seq-20/#words=Anderson's+Mary>.

¹⁴⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 13.

¹⁴⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 12.

¹⁴⁷ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 781.

¹⁴⁸ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 897.

¹⁴⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 479.

¹⁵⁰ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 824.

¹⁵¹ "Historical *1816 Marietta, PA Land Doc, Mary..." listing, *WorthPoint*, accessed February 17, 2026,

<https://www.worthpoint.com/worthopedia/historical-1816-marietta-pa-land-doc-mary>.

¹⁵² "Anderson-79594," *WikiTree*, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Anderson-79594>.

¹⁵³ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 14.

¹⁵⁴ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 15.

¹⁵⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 7.

traded farms. Once this was finalized, he immediately moved to his new plot of land.¹⁵⁶ In the following years,²⁶ his daughter married John Stewart.¹⁵⁷ After living on the land for forty years, James Anderson IV eventually sells the land upon which this house sits to Benjamin Long. Over multiple years, Benjamin Long then disputes with James Anderson IV as to who founded Marietta.¹⁵⁸ Although, many people in the future still consider James Anderson IV the founder, and they even created a play¹⁵⁹ and had a portrayal of him during the Bicentennial Ball.^{160; 161}

As was said previously, Benjamin Long (1787-1859)¹⁶² bought the house, and the land, from James Anderson IV and Mary Anderson.¹⁶³ He proceeded to live in the house for eight years. Benjamin Long was the son to Herman and Ann Hershey Long, and his dad was a large landholder.¹⁶⁴ Benjamin Long is known to have laid out some of the plots within the borough of Marietta for some houses to eventually be built.¹⁶⁵ It is believed he bought around fifteen to twenty acres from James Anderson IV to lay out those numerous lots.¹⁶⁶ He was a local miller and an inn keeper,¹⁶⁷ and he was involved in the Marietta and Susquehanna Trading Company. This company was one of the first banks in Lancaster County.¹⁶⁸ Long also used to own, to some degree, the upper floors of the Market House on Market Square.¹⁶⁹ After a few years, the Market House was getting sold, and the appraisal of the Market House was \$117.00 for him and \$104.00 for the Borough.¹⁷⁰ Moreover, the house on 160 West Market Street was possibly erected for the marriage between Benjamin and Mary Hershey Long.¹⁷¹ Once this house was built and they moved in, they sold this specific house on 257 West Market Street to William (1779-1853)¹⁷² and his wife, Mary F. Jenkins.^{173; 174} William Jenkins is believed to have been an ironmaster within Marietta.¹⁷⁵ Both William and his wife, Mary Jenkins, lived in this home for approximately two months, while they were building another home somewhere else. This other home they built in 1828, and lived in, is believed to have been bought by James Buchannon, fifteenth president of the United States, in 1848.¹⁷⁶ As a fun fact, the

¹⁵⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 11.

¹⁵⁷ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 12.

¹⁵⁸ "Marietta History," *Marietta Restoration* (Marietta, PA), accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.marietta restoration.org/history.html>.

¹⁵⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 165.

¹⁶⁰ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 457.

¹⁶¹ Ibid.

¹⁶² "2012 Pictorial Review," *Marietta Restoration*, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.marietta restoration.org/2012-pictorial-review.html>.

¹⁶³ Rebecca Li, "Benjamin Long Tippling House, Marietta & Susquehanna Trading Company: 160 West Market Street, Marietta, Pennsylvania," (unpublished student paper, Elizabethtown College Honors History 201, April 30, 2019), accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.etown.edu/programs/honors/files/Benjamin%20Long%20Tippling%20House%20Marietta%20and%20Susquehanna%20Trading%20Company.pdf>.

¹⁶⁴ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 22.

¹⁶⁵ *Marietta Register* (Marietta, PA), October 7, 1865, image 3, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1865-10-07/ed-1/seq-3/#words=Benjamin+Long>.

¹⁶⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 22.

¹⁶⁷ "2012 Pictorial Review," *Marietta Restoration*, accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.marietta restoration.org/2012-pictorial-review.html>.

¹⁶⁸ Rebecca Li, "Benjamin Long Tippling House, Marietta & Susquehanna Trading Company: 160 West Market Street, Marietta, Pennsylvania," (unpublished student paper, Elizabethtown College Honors History 201, April 30, 2019), accessed February 17, 2026, <https://www.etown.edu/programs/honors/files/Benjamin%20Long%20Tippling%20House%20Marietta%20and%20Susquehanna%20Trading%20Company.pdf>.

¹⁶⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 90.

¹⁷⁰ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 91.

¹⁷¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 840.

¹⁷² "Wheatland," *American Aristocracy*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://americanaristocracy.com/houses/wheatland>.

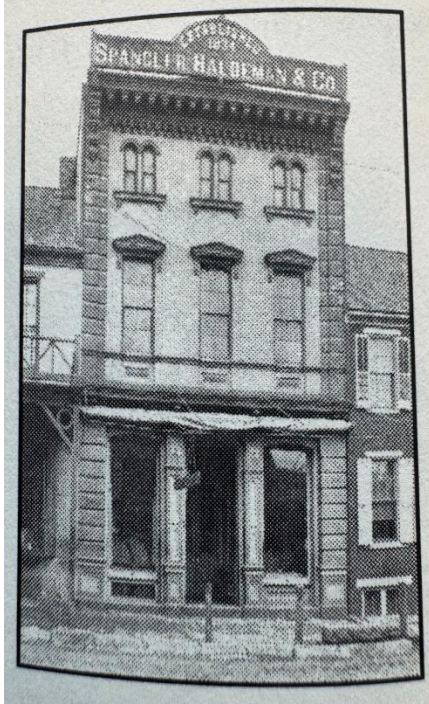
¹⁷³ "Wheatland," *American Aristocracy*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://americanaristocracy.com/houses/wheatland>.

¹⁷⁴ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

¹⁷⁵ George E. Thomas, "'Wheatland,' William Jenkins/James Buchanan House," *SAH Archipedia*, eds. Gabrielle Esperdy and Karen Kingsley, [Lancaster, PA], accessed February 16, 2026, <https://sah-archipedia.org/buildings/PA-02-LA26>.

¹⁷⁶ "The Front (North Façade) of Wheatland," *Historical Marker Database* (HMdb.org), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.hmdb.org/m.asp?m=212983>.

Hamilton theater in Lancaster was built for James Buchanon.¹⁷⁷ Before moving to this new house, they sold the 257 West Market Street house to Samuel Bailey and John Spangler (1780-1841).^{178; 179}



Samuel Bailey is known to be the first postmaster in the first post office in Marietta.¹⁸⁰ He is also known for having a flag rope stretched from his residence, 257 West Market Street, to another person's residence.¹⁸¹ John Spangler lived with Samuel Bailey for numerous years until he left the house to him. Spangler owned a hardware business,¹⁸² which sold heating lamps,¹⁸³ guns and equipment for guns,¹⁸⁴ stoves, coal shovels,¹⁸⁵ window shades,¹⁸⁶ and numerous other things. In a newspaper from April 15, 1865, it mentions he was a successor to David Roth.¹⁸⁷ The Mariettian Newspaper Office was located between Spangler's shop and Rich and Patterson's shop.¹⁸⁸ Once the business got bigger, Spangler even had to build a structure on 1 Mulberry Street to store salt.¹⁸⁹ Even more interestingly, his business became one of the oldest businesses in Marietta. In 1984, the business turned 150 years old. Even though it turned this old, it did go through many different changes throughout the years.¹⁹⁰

Before owning a business, John Spangler was a carpenter and lumber inspector. Most of the lumber he inspected was sent down the Susquehanna River.¹⁹¹ He also married Anna Bar Spangler (1788-1877) in 1812. Anna lived to be the age of ninety.¹⁹² Both John and Anna Spangler had multiple kids.¹⁹³ Their kids' names were



¹⁷⁷ Jean-Paul Benowitz, "History of Lancaster County and City, Pennsylvania," presentation, Honors Elizabethtown History, Elizabethtown College, March 10, 2026.

¹⁷⁸ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 661.

¹⁷⁹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

¹⁸⁰ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 217.

¹⁸¹ *Marietta Register* (Marietta, PA), October 6, 1860, image 3, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080883/1860-10-06/ed-1/seq-3/#words=Bailey+Samuel>.

¹⁸² "Spangler Store Front," in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 696.

¹⁸³ *The Mariettian* (Marietta, PA), September 3, 1864, image 1, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1864-09-03/ed-1/seq-1/#words=John+Spangler's>

¹⁸⁴ *The Mariettian* (Marietta, PA), February 18, 1865, image 1, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1865-02-18/ed-1/seq-1/#words=JOHN+SPANGLER's>.

¹⁸⁵ *The Mariettian* (Marietta, PA), November 10, 1866, image 4, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1866-11-10/ed-1/seq-4/#words=John+JOHN+SPANGLER+SPANGLER's+Spangler's>.

¹⁸⁶ *The Mariettian* (Marietta, PA), October 15, 1864, image 1, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1864-10-15/ed-1/seq-1/#words=JOHN+SPANGLER's>.

¹⁸⁷ *The Mariettian* (Marietta, PA), April 15, 1865, image 1, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn88080881/1865-04-15/ed-1/seq-1/#words=John+Spangler>.

¹⁸⁸ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 260.

¹⁸⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 847.

¹⁹⁰ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 377.

¹⁹¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 136.

¹⁹² Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 47.

¹⁹³ "The Spangler Family," 1920, in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 661.

William, Barr, Curvier, Anna, and Charles.¹⁹⁴ John Spangler was also the mayor of Marietta in 1824 and 1826.¹⁹⁵ He is ultimately remembered, even after all these years, by having a pew named after him within the English United Presbyterian Church. He is honored because he was one of the earliest responsible townsmen in Marietta.¹⁹⁶ After living in the home for forty-five years, he sold the 257 West Market Street House to Rachel M. Sutton (1820-1892).^{197; 198}

Rachel M. Sutton lived in the house for four years.¹⁹⁹ At some point in time, she was widowed,²⁰⁰ and her occupation was within the Keeping House.²⁰¹ Later on in her life, at the age of 72, she died in Los Angeles, California.²⁰² After those four years, she sold the house to John K. Miller (1857-1945)^{203; 204} and Helen R. Miller (1856-1943),²⁰⁵ his wife.^{206; 207} Together, John and Helen had two sons named John and George, and one daughter named Pearl.²⁰⁸ John K. Miller worked as a photographer in Marietta around 1900.²⁰⁹ In fact, he worked as a commercial photographer for numerous years.²¹⁰ In a June fourth, 1975 edition of a newspaper, some of his photographs of the town's flooding are shown.²¹¹ After some time, he opened up and operated a photography studio for several years.²¹² Before being a photographer, he was in the 5th Regiment, 8th County USMC, France during World War I.²¹³ After the time of his photography studio, he owned a confectionary and ice cream parlor.²¹⁴ At the same time, he was a member on the original board of directors,²¹⁵ and he was an assistant grammar school principal.²¹⁶ During his life time, he was one of the wealthier citizens in Marietta.²¹⁷

¹⁹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁹⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 480.

¹⁹⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 365.

¹⁹⁷ Record for Rachel M. Sutton, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:MWFY-VXC), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MWFY-VXC?lang=en>.

¹⁹⁸ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

¹⁹⁹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book, Vol. 13, 127. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁰⁰ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁰¹ Ibid.

²⁰² "Obituary," *The Philadelphia Inquirer* (Philadelphia, PA), December 7, 1999, p. 26, accessed March 13, 2026, Newspapers.com, <https://www.newspapers.com/article/the-inquirer-obituary/193291657/>.

²⁰³ Record for John K. Miller, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:MG7M-X13), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MG7M-X13?lang=en>.

²⁰⁴ "John K. Miller," *Find-A-Grave*, memorial no. 233653450, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/233653450/john-k-miller>.

²⁰⁵ "Helen R. Miller," *Find-A-Grave*, memorial no. 215182728, accessed February 16, 2026, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/215182728/helen_r-miller.

²⁰⁶ Record for Helen R. Miller, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:MG7M-X13), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MG7M-X13?lang=en>.

²⁰⁷ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book 22, 86. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁰⁸ Record for Helen R. Miller, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:MG7M-X13), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MG7M-X13?lang=en>.

²⁰⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 146.

²¹⁰ Ibid.

²¹¹ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), June 4, 1975, image 11, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077568/1975-06-04/ed-1/seq-11/#words=John+K+Miller>.

²¹² "John K. Miller," *Find-A-Grave*, memorial no. 233653450, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/233653450/john-k-miller>.

²¹³ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 498.

²¹⁴ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 673.

²¹⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 84.

²¹⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 792.

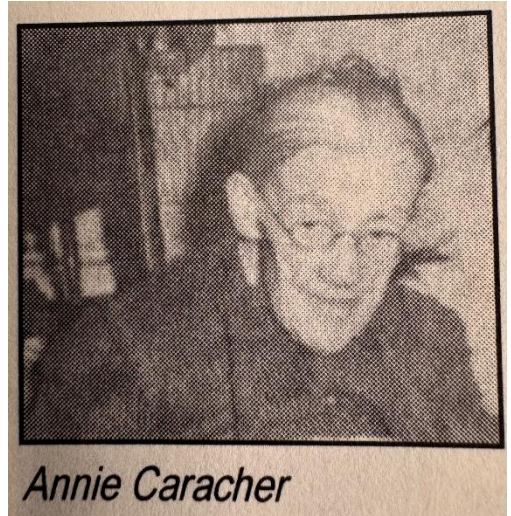
²¹⁷ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 375.

Unfortunately, there is not much information on Helen R. Miller. From what is known, she at least was buried³⁹ in the Marietta Cemetery.²¹⁸ John and Helen Miller sold the house to James S. Caracher.²¹⁹



James S. Caracher²²⁰ (1896-1985),²²¹ who also went by the nickname of “Ted,”²²² was a brother to Ray M. Caracher²²³ and married to Annie Caracher (1847-1948).^{224; 225} James owned a plumbing business, which made repairs to reading stoves and supplied a variety of plumbing parts.²²⁶ He was also a tinsmith who boasted he roofed most of the houses in Marietta.²²⁷ Interestingly, at one point he lost his ladder while working on a roof, and his coworker Byron Bostick, sustained slight injuries from the falling ladder.²²⁸ Earlier in his life, he was actually an actor.²²⁹ Later in life, he also served as a borough auditor and councilman for nine years.²³⁰ He was a member of the Methodist faith,²³¹ and he lived to be the last of his immediate family.²³² Annie S. Caracher lived to be 100 years old, and this made her one of the first few people in Marietta to reach the age.²³³ She originally was a widow of Montgomery M. Caracher.²³⁴ Montgomery died during the Civil War in 1865. He was a Private and a secretary of the 195th Regiment of

Pennsylvania. Not only this, he was a clerk for the Marietta Borough, and he belonged to the Pioneer Fire Company and Episcopal Church.²³⁵ In total, Annie had one step-son and ten other kids. They were Ray, Annie, Bessie, Ella, Irvin, Emma, Jo Ray, Charles, Paul W. Samuel, and John. She also had a few more step-children named Lilla, George, Mary, Elizabeth, William C., Robert S., Frank, and Jennie.²³⁶ Annie Carcher was a member of the Methodist Church in Marietta,²³⁷ and she loved to make fancy quilts.²³⁸ Earlier in her life, at the age of eighteen, she walked with a group of friends to Colombia to see the ruins of a burned bridge.²³⁹ In 1865, she watched the funeral car



²¹⁸ “Helen R. Miller,” *Find-A-Grave*, memorial no. 215182728, accessed February 16, 2026, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/215182728/helen_r-miller.

²¹⁹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book, Vol. 13, 127. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²²⁰ Oberholtzer, “James Caracher,” in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 895.

²²¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 40.

²²² Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 618.

²²³ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), September 5, 1979, image 8, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lcn/sn89077138/1979-09-05/ed-1/seq-8/#words=Caracher+James+S>.

²²⁴ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 36.

²²⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 40.

²²⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 673.

²²⁷ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 895.

²²⁸ “Man Escapes Hurt When Ladder Falls,” *Lancaster New Era* (Lancaster, PA), June 18, 1921, Newspapers.com, accessed March 26, 2026, <https://www.newspapers.com/article/lancaster-new-era-man-escapes-hurt-when/193288519/>.

²²⁹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 895.

²³⁰ *Ibid.*

²³¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 633.

²³² *Ibid.*

²³³ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 36.

²³⁴ *Ibid.*

²³⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 509.

²³⁶ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 36.

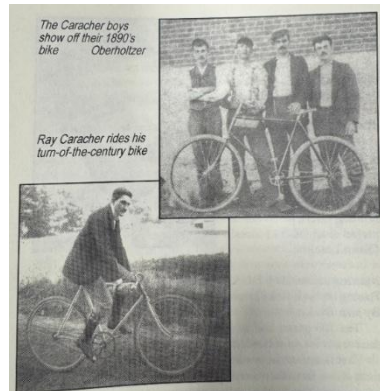
²³⁷ *Ibid.*

²³⁸ *Ibid.*

²³⁹ *Ibid.*

carrying President Lincoln go pass the nearby railroad station.²⁴⁰ Around 1920, she also made a trip to Roundtop.²⁴¹ From the age of 87 to the end of her life, she remained in a wheel chair.²⁴² As a whole, James S. Caracher and Annie S. Caracher^{243; 244} lived in the 257 West Market Street house for thirty-seven years, before they sold the house to James Sterrett Caracher (1897-????)²⁴⁵ and Ray M. Caracher.²⁴⁶

James Sterrett Caracher was involved in World War I,²⁴⁷ and he was a cook at Accomac.²⁴⁸ Ray M. Caracher was born in Marietta,²⁴⁹ and died at his home following a long illness²⁵⁰ at the age of eighty-one.²⁵¹ Ray²⁵² was a brother to James S. Caracher,²⁵³ and was the son of James and Sarah Buchanon Caracher.²⁵⁴ He was a lithograph operator²⁵⁵ who



was a member of the United Methodist Church of Marietta.²⁵⁶ He was also a treasurer and secretary with a few other people for a local club named "The Eddy Club".²⁵⁷ As a fun fact, Ray cut his foot with a hatchet on accident, and he even had to walk around with a sore foot for a while.²⁵⁸ In the end, both of them²⁵⁹ lived in the home for fifty-two years, before they sold it to Harry E. Minnich, Jr. and his wife Louise F. Minnich.²⁶⁰ Harry and Lousie Minnich owned the home for eight years.²⁶¹



²⁴⁰ Ibid.

²⁴¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 888.

²⁴² "Annie Caracher," in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* by Alarie Baker (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 36.

²⁴³ Ibid.

²⁴⁴ Oberholtzer, photograph of Annie Sheaffer Caracher standing behind a chair, 1863, in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 491.

²⁴⁵ Record for James Sterrett Caracher, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:49G2-DGMM), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:49G2-DGMM?lang=en>.

²⁴⁶ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book, Vol. 13, 127. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁴⁷ Record for James Sterrett Caracher, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:49G2-DGMM), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:49G2-DGMM?lang=en>.

²⁴⁸ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 895.

²⁴⁹ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), September 5, 1979, image 8, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1979-09-05/ed-1/seq-8/#words=CARACHER+Caracher+M+RAY+Ray>.

²⁵⁰ *Susquehanna Times*, September 5, 1979, sec. 8, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 18, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1979-09-05/ed-1/seq-8/#words=CARACHER+Caracher+M+RAY+Ray>.

²⁵¹ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 633.

²⁵² Oberholtzer, "Photo of Ray Caracher Riding a Bike" and "Photo of Ray Caracher and His Brothers," 1890, in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 607.

²⁵³ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 49.

²⁵⁴ Ibid.

²⁵⁵ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 633.

²⁵⁶ Ibid.

²⁵⁷ Lyn Baker Alarie, *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town* (Landisville, PA: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 892.

²⁵⁸ *The Morning Journal* (Marietta, OH), July 25, 1912, accessed March 13, 2026, Newspapers.com, <https://www.newspapers.com/article/the-morning-journal-marietta/193289511/>.

²⁵⁹ "Caracher Family Sitting for a Family Picture," in *The Scoop on Marietta: A Small River Town*, by Lyn Baker Alarie (Landisville: Yurchak Printing, 2012), 65.

²⁶⁰ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book N, Vol. 45, 375.

²⁶¹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Property Deed Book Y, Vol. 77, 371.

ESTATE NOTICE •

Estate of Ray M. Caracher, a/k/a Raymond Caracher, late of Marietta Borough, Pa.:

Letters testamentary on said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted hereto are requested to make immediate payment and all those having claims of demands on the same will present them without delay to the undersigned.

Harry Minnich, R.D. #11,
York, PA 17406.

**Nikolaus,
Hohenadel & Greiner**

Harry is mentioned in two newspaper articles for an estate notice.^{262; 263} The 41 other newspaper article he is mentioned in is from April sixteenth, 1890. The newspaper mentions how he was previously a pastor, and came to a service to celebrate a person's lifelong membership with the church he was previously a pastor for.²⁶⁴ Harry E. Minnich, Jr. and Louise F. Minnich then²⁶⁵ sold the house to Robert D. Porter (1970-2009)²⁶⁶ and Marilyn F. Porter (1931-2010).^{267;}²⁶⁸ Marilyn had two other sisters²⁶⁹ and lived in seven other previous residences,²⁷⁰ because she was a navy wife.²⁷¹ In fact, she lived in Norway for two years.²⁷² Before marrying her elementary school sweetheart, Robert D. Porter, in 1952,²⁷³ she did many different things. She was a member of the National Honor Society,²⁷⁴ became an RN in 1952 and received this at the Lancaster General Hospital School of Nursing where she was president of her class,²⁷⁵ and she traveled all around Europe.²⁷⁶ After marrying him, she helped him eventually run a rental business,²⁷⁷ and was a mother to four children. Their names were Karen, David, Barbara, and Bob.²⁷⁸ She also eventually became a grandmother to nine children.²⁷⁹ Robert D. Porter and Marilyn F. Porter lived in the home for one year, before they sold it to Beatrice E. McCorkel.²⁸⁰ Beatrice

²⁶² *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), March 19, 1980, image 11, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1980-03-19/ed-1/seq-11/#words=Harry+Minnich>.

²⁶³ *Ibid.*

²⁶⁴ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), April 16, 1980, image 9, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1980-04-16/ed-1/seq-9/#words=Harry+Minnich>.

²⁶⁵ *Susquehanna Times* (Marietta, PA), March 19, 1980, image 11, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1980-03-19/ed-1/seq-11/#words=Harry+Minnich>.

²⁶⁶ Record for Robert D. Porter, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:QJLD-1F9Z), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QJLD-1F9Z?lang=en>.

²⁶⁷ Record for Marilyn F. Porter, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:6Y9S-7R5C), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6Y9S-7R5C?lang=en>.

²⁶⁸ "Marilyn F. Porter, 78," obituary, *Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home* (Lancaster, PA), published June 5, 2010, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.snyderfuneralhome.com/obituary/marilyn-f-porter/>.

²⁶⁹ *Ibid.*

²⁷⁰ Record for Marilyn F. Porter, *FamilySearch* (archival record, ARK: 61903/1:1:6Y9S-7R5C), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6Y9S-7R5C?lang=en>.

²⁷¹ "Marilyn F. Porter, 78," obituary, *Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home* (Lancaster, PA), published June 5, 2010, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.snyderfuneralhome.com/obituary/marilyn-f-porter/>.

²⁷² *Ibid.*

²⁷³ *Ibid.*

²⁷⁴ *Ibid.*

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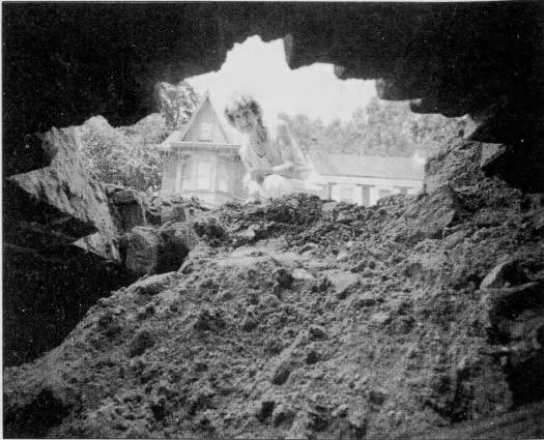
²⁷⁶ *Ibid.*

²⁷⁷ *Ibid.*

²⁷⁸ *Ibid.*

²⁷⁹ *Ibid.*

²⁸⁰ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 3269615. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>



died by an accident at the age of 92.²⁸¹ During the time she had the house, she discovered a hidden underground well.²⁸² She owned the house for nine years,²⁸³ before she sold the house to Hilton S. Anderton (1930-2006).^{284; 285}

²⁸⁶ Hilton S. Anderton was a navy veteran of the Korean war,²⁸⁷ and after the war, he worked as a rolling mill operator for twenty-one years.²⁸⁸ He was also married to Audrey S. Shomper,²⁸⁹ and they had a daughter named Marguerite Angerman.²⁹⁰ Hilton S. Anderton lived in the house for two years, until he willed it to Marguerite Angerman (1954-2014),²⁹¹ Hilton Anderton, Jonathon Anderton, and Kevon Anderton.²⁹² Being the only daughter of Hilton S. Anderton,²⁹³ she was willed the house from him. She was married to Hilton Anderton, and they had two sons named Kevon

and Jonathon Anderton. Marguerite Angerman died at the age of sixty,²⁹⁴ and Kevon Anderton is still living at the age of sixty-two.²⁹⁵ It is unknown whether Jonathon Anderton or Hilton Anderton are still living. After the family lived in the house for seven years, the house was sold to Scott M. Angerman (1952-Living).^{296; 297} As of right now, he is seventy-three years old,²⁹⁸ and is currently married now.²⁹⁹ He has many different family members, and one of them includes Marguerite Angerman.³⁰⁰ To him, Marguerite Angerman would most likely be his grandmother. After he lived in the house for five years,³⁰¹ he got married to Carol S. Mokofsky (1940-Living),³⁰² and added her as an owner. Therefore, an entirely new deed was created. Currently, Carol is eighty-

²⁸¹ "Coroner's Report," *LNP (Lancaster New Era)* (Lancaster, PA), July 28, 1993, accessed March 13, 2026, Newspapers.com, <https://www.newspapers.com/article/lnp-always-lancaster-coroners-report/193286044/>.

²⁸² *The Philadelphia Inquirer* (Philadelphia, PA), newspaper page, Newspapers.com image 564647713 (clipping 193283939), accessed March 13, 2026, <https://www.newspapers.com/image/564647713/>.

²⁸³ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 4038811. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁸⁴ Record for Hilton S. Anderton, *FamilySearch* (archival record, "ARK: 61903/1:1:QVT1-ZJJZ"), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QVT1-ZJJZ?lang=en>.

²⁸⁵ Hilton S. Anderton obituary, *Reading Eagle* (published Nov. 7, 2006), Legacy.com, accessed February 18, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/readingeagle/name/hilton-anderton-obituary?id=15322087>.

²⁸⁶ Beatrice McCorkel looking into a hole, photograph, *Lancaster New Era* Collection, Marietta, PA, July 28, 1993.

²⁸⁷ Hilton S. Anderton obituary, *Reading Eagle* (published Nov. 7, 2006), Legacy.com, accessed February 18, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/readingeagle/name/hilton-anderton-obituary?id=15322087>.

²⁸⁸ *Ibid.*

²⁸⁹ Record for Hilton S. Anderton, *FamilySearch* (archival record, "ARK: 61903/1:1:QVT1-ZJJZ"), accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QVT1-ZJJZ?lang=en>.

²⁹⁰ Hilton S. Anderton obituary, *Reading Eagle* (published Nov. 7, 2006), Legacy.com, accessed February 18, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/readingeagle/name/hilton-anderton-obituary?id=15322087>.

²⁹¹ "Marguerite V. Angerman Obituary," *York Daily Record* (via *Legacy.com*), published May 23, 2014, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/york/name/marguerite-angerman-obituary?id=18653738>.

²⁹² United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 4251925. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁹³ "Marguerite V. Angerman Obituary," *York Daily Record* (via *Legacy.com*), published May 23, 2014, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/york/name/marguerite-angerman-obituary?id=18653738>.

²⁹⁴ "Marguerite V. Angerman Obituary," *York Daily Record* (via *Legacy.com*), published May 23, 2014, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/york/name/marguerite-angerman-obituary?id=18653738>.

²⁹⁵ "Kevon Anderton," *MyLife.com*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.mylife.com/kevon-anderton/e13950183408>.

²⁹⁶ "Scott Angerman," *MyLife.com*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.mylife.com/scott-angerman/e15223053978>.

²⁹⁷ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 6318040. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

²⁹⁸ "Scott Angerman," *MyLife.com*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.mylife.com/scott-angerman/e15223053978>.

²⁹⁹ *Ibid.*

³⁰⁰ *Ibid.*

³⁰¹ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 6318040. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>

³⁰² "Carol Mokofsky," *MyLife.com*, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://www.mylife.com/carol-mokofsky/e73578601842>.

six years old.³⁰³ In 2022, Scott Angerman and Carol Mokofsky sold the house to Eric M. Miller and his wife 43 Jennifer H. Miller.³⁰⁴ Eric Miller was mentioned to have been in boy scouts earlier in his life,³⁰⁵ and he and his wife are the current owners of the house.³⁰⁶

³⁰³ Ibid.

³⁰⁴ Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, "Document Search Record," accessed March 26, 2026, <https://lancastercountypa-web.tylerhost.net/web/document/DOCCLND4266916?search=DOCSEARCH138S1>.

³⁰⁵ *Susquehanna Times*, September 10, 1980, sec. 1, image 3, Pennsylvania Newspaper Archive, accessed February 16, 2026, <https://panewsarchive.psu.edu/lccn/sn89077138/1980-09-10/ed-1/seq-3/#words=Eric+Miller>.

³⁰⁶ United States, Pennsylvania, Marietta, Lancaster County, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Document Number 6673995. <https://searchdocs.lancasterdeeds.com>