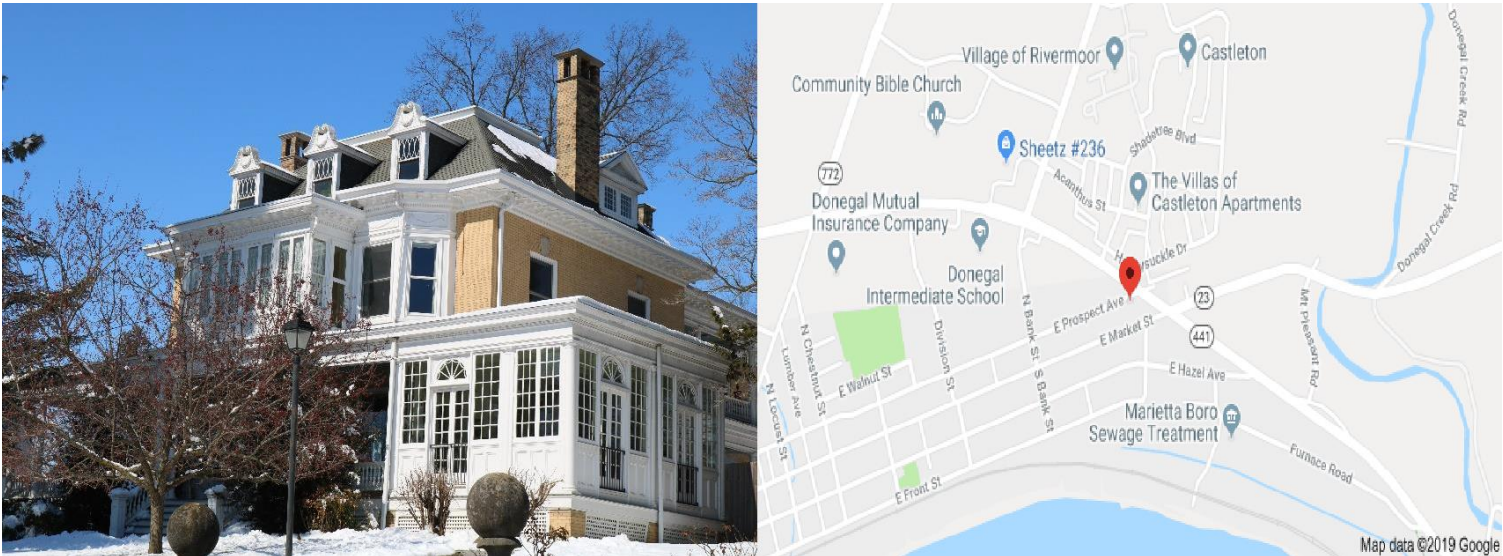


Sunnybank Hiestand Manse 712 East Market Street Marietta, Pennsylvania



Abstract:

In 1897 Henry S. Hiestand (1869-1940) built Sunnybank, this American Four Square house (1890-1930) designed by Cassius E. Urban (1863-1939), a native son of Lancaster County, the community's leading architect from the 1890s through the 1920s. Typical of Urban's work, Sunnybank is stylistically eclectic, reflecting the influence of Queen Anne, French Renaissance, Gothic Revival, Beaux Arts, and Colonial Revival periods. Benjamin F. Hiestand (1828-1919) proprietor of B. F. Hiestand & Sons Planing Mill and Lumber established in 1850 laid out the eastern territory of Marietta naming it "Hiestand's Addition" in 1885. In 1919 Henry S. Hiestand (1869-1940) and Elizabeth McCorkle Hiestand (1873-1965) purchased the "The Pines" sanitarium connected with the Lancaster County Vaccine Farm, created in 1882. This became the Marietta Community House a memorial to their son Lieutenant Benjamin Hiestand (1898-1919) a pilot who was killed in the First World War.

Property Details:

The Hiestand Sunnybank property is located North of East Market Street in Marietta, Pennsylvania. The address of this property is 712 East Market Street Marietta, Pennsylvania 17547. The overall square footage of this building, listed in Lancaster County Records, is approximately 4,120 square feet.¹ The house itself was constructed around 1914.

Deed Search:

The Borough of Marietta is located just South of the Susquehanna River in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. In 1599 Swedish and Dutch settlers fought for the control of the fur trade through the Delaware Bay into Pennsylvania. This fur trade was extended into the Susquehanna watershed.² Around 1608 Captain John Smith (1580-1631) set off to explore the Chesapeake Bay and Susquehanna River.³ Later, "Etienne Brule (1592-1633) a French expert in the Algonquin language...traveled down the Susquehanna River into the Chesapeake Bay. Along the way, Brule explored the tributaries of the Susquehanna River in Lancaster County."⁴ In 1681,

¹ Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Search Online Records, Infodex, accessed February 26, 2019, <https://www.searchiqs.com/palan/InfodexMainMP.aspx>

² Jean-Paul Benowitz, Timeline History of Marietta Pennsylvania, (21 January 2019), 1.

³ Ibid, 1.

⁴ Ibid, 1.

William Penn was granted a land charter by British King Charles. This land was named Pennsylvania.⁵ Around 1717 a man named Peter Logan invited French and Indian fur traders to come and settle the land between the Conoy and Conewago Creeks and he sold land in Pennsylvania as well. This caused a wave of immigration to Pennsylvania.⁶ In 1719 land in Lancaster County was sold to prospective land owners who started businesses.⁷ Between 1775 and 1783 Marietta became a town that played an important role in the American Revolution. Iron, lumber, agricultural goods, and whiskey were all sought after items for trade at this time.⁸ In 1812 James Anderson and James Cook named their towns Marietta. By 1814 Benjamin F. Hiestand had purchased tracks of land from Anderson and created B. F. Hiestand and Sons Planing Mill. His mill was one of the most well known in Marietta.

William Penn owned this land originally in 1774.⁹ It was later owned by James Anderson around 1786.¹⁰ A tract of land was then purchased from Anderson by Benjamin F. Hiestand (15 December 1811-11 April 1849).¹¹ The property was then sold to his son, Henry S. Hiestand (11 April 1849-20 October 1851).¹² Ownership was then given to W. Ralph Harmon and Eunice A. Harmon (20 October 1851-?)¹³. After this, the property was given up to the Orphans Court. The property was then transferred to Fitz Gerald Hiestand (24 March 1966-26 February 1982)¹⁴, who passed away and left it to his wife, Mary Elizabeth Hiestand Stark. The property was then again transferred to Philip A. Young and G. Jeanette Young (15 April 1983-9 February 1987)¹⁵, Robert J. Leaman and Marienne Leaman (9 February 1987-31 October 1988)¹⁶, Robert J. Leaman (31 October 1988- 26 July 2002)¹⁷, Robert J. Leaman and Katherine A. Leaman (31 July 2002- 5 January 2012)¹⁸, and Zita Angelo and Wayne J. Angelo (9 January 2012).¹⁹

Architecture Style:

The design of this property is known as an American Four Square, although there are many different designs and concepts combined in this building. The building is built in a square shape and is two stories with a front porch that originally ran the width of the house.²⁰ This qualifies it to be a Four Square. As stated before, this house can be considered Beux Arts because of its combination of styles. There are also elements of Colonial Revival, Italianate, and Georgian Revival. This building is the only home in the town of Marietta with a hip roof.²¹ This makes the building partly Georgian Revival style. This building also contains a slate roof.²² It also contains dormer windows.²³ This would include Colonial Revival style in the mix. Lastly, there are fan-light windows all around the exterior of the house as well as a sun room built onto the house.²⁴ This includes Italianate as another style of architecture found in this building.

⁵ Ibid, 2.

⁶ Ibid, 2.

⁷ Ibid, 2.

⁸ Ibid, 3.

⁹ Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Search Online Records, Infodex, accessed February 26, 2019, <https://www.searchiqs.com/palan/InfodexMainMP.aspx>

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ Book: U, Volume 20, Page Number: 140.

¹² Book: R, Volume 3, Page Number: 410.

¹³ Book: X, Volume 41, Page Number: 357.

¹⁴ Book: P, Volume 55, Page Number: 846.

¹⁵ Book: O, Volume 86, Page Number: 622.

¹⁶ Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, Search Online Records, Infodex, Instrument Number: 3710236, accessed February 26, 2019, <https://www.searchiqs.com/palan/InfodexMainMP.aspx>

¹⁷ Instrument Number: 3843262.

¹⁸ Instrument Number: 3710237.

¹⁹ Instrument Number: 5972742.

²⁰ Carol Davidson Cragoe, How to Read Buildings: A crash course in architecture styles, (Rizzoli 2008).

²¹ Ibid, 172, 193.

²² Ibid, 41.

²³ Ibid, 163.

²⁴ Ibid, 131, 147, 195.

Historical Context and Purpose:

Along East Market Street there lies a good deal of property. This property was owned by Benjamin F. Hiestand. Marietta itself played a large part in making lumber and liquor for the American Revolution. Soon enough the main industry of Marietta became lumber. Lumber was the backbone of Marietta society. Benjamin F. Hiestand established a lumber mill himself. He named it B. F. Hiestand and Sons Planing Mill.²⁵

This mill was established in 1850. A document holding information about the mill stated, "The mills are at Chikis, and the machinery driven by water-power, while the lumberyard and business office is at Bank and second streets, Mairetta. They also have canal and railroad facilities equal to any other firm, and are connected with Columbia, York, and Lancaster by telephone. They employ about twenty men in their business."²⁶ Benjamin kept his mill up and running for a long time. It was a family business, so when Benjamin died it was taken over by his son, Henry S. Hiestand.

Benjamin purchased a vast amount of land along with the property that the mill was located on. He made most of his purchases in 1855. "He laid out "Hiestand's Addition" as an extension of the borough, and in 1895, he sold two-and-one-fourth lots to his son, Henry. Henry S. Hiestand (1869-1940), a second-generation lumber merchant, built "Sunnybank" at this location in 1897. The eminent Lancaster architect C. Emlen Urban designed this graceful home for him."²⁷ Although Benjamin owned this property, he subdivided it and gave a portion to his son. Henry had his home built on this property. Across the street from Henry's house was another plot of land that was sub divided. There was a house built on this property that was later sold to Robert Charles Oelhaf Jr.

The house that Henry owned, otherwise known as Sunnybank, was sold by Henry and his wife Elizabeth in 1949 to W. Ralph Harmon and Eunice A. Harmon. They held onto the property for a short amount of time before it was sold again in 1966, this time to Fitz Gerald Hiestand by the Orphans Court, thus placing it back in the Hiestand family hands. Fitz kept it in the family for a few short years before passing away in 1982. He left the property to his wife, Mary Elizabeth Hiestand Stark. She then sold the property in 1983 to Philip A. Young and G. Jeanette Young. They did not keep it for long and later sold it in 1987 to Robert J. Leaman and his wife Marianne Leaman. It was sold again much later, in 2002, to Robert's son, Robert J. Leaman and his wife Katherine A. Leaman. It was then sold for the last time in 2012 and later made into two purparts in 2017. It was sold to Zita Angelo and Wayne J. Angelo who are the current owners of the property today.²⁸

²⁵ Franklin Ellis, Samuel Evans, History of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania: With Biographical Sketches of Many of its Pioneers and Prominent Men, (Philadelphia: Everts & Peck, 1883), 629

²⁶ Ibid, 629.

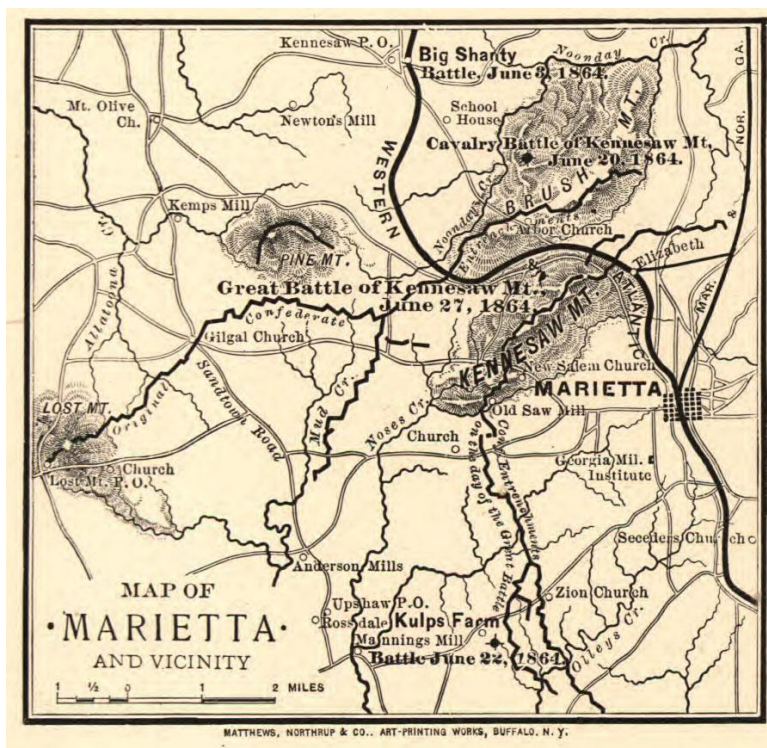
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Appendix Historical Photos:



B. F. Hiestand & Sons Saw and Planing Mill.



Appendix Contemporary Photos

