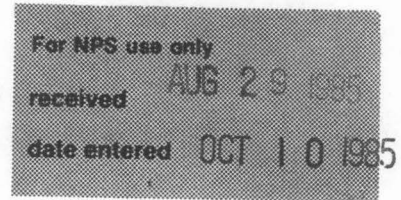


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1. Name: Charles Guthard House
2. Location: 211 E. Michigan Avenue, Saline, MI.
3. Classification: building, private, occupied, unrestricted,  
residential
4. Property Owner: Barbara J. Young  
211 E. Michigan  
Saline, MI 48176

7. Description

Condition: good; altered; original

Stylistically, this transitional Queen Anne/Colonial Revival frame home is an extension of the East Michigan Avenue Historic District (photo #38). The home is similar in size, setback, and design, and like several E. Michigan District homes, is a product of the prolific Elwood Rogers. Like many of Rogers constructions, this building combines the rectangular plan and Palladian window typical of the Colonial Revival with Queen Anne shingle work and a squared corner tower. A full-width one-story porch with a side pediment fronts the building. The residence, which remains in virtually original condition, was recently repainted in brown and gold tones more appropriate to its period of construction. The gambrel-roofed barn/garage to the rear is typical of Elwood Rogers' buildings and also representative of many of the outbuildings preserved throughout the Multiple Resource Area (photo #39).

8. Significance: period--1900--  
areas of significance--architecture, commerce,  
specific date--1907, builder--Elwood Rogers

This residence, with its combination of classical and Queen Anne detailing, is one of local builder Elwood Rogers' finer efforts. The visual interest of the facade is highlighted by the combination of round arched, rectangular, and Palladian windows, the shingle accents of the gable ends and tower, and the hipped roof corner tower itself. The building's first owner, Charles Guthard, was a farmer and later a successful self-made businessman born in Saline Township of German parents. Guthard worked as a farm hand until he saved enough money to found his own business in 1903. The hardware partnership with Adam Hornung dissolved in 1904, but Guthard found a new and more lasting partner in Henry Schroen. Beakes writes of the partners' successful

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enterprise, "They conduct an extensive business as dealers in stoves, general hardware, farm implements, buggies, paints, glass and seeds, and draw a large trade from the surrounding county" (p. 457-58). He later left Saline and moved West.

9. Major Bibliographical Sources

(see General Bibliography section for full citation)

Beakes, Past and Present of Washtenaw County, 1906.

Saline Historic District Commission, Saline Has a Past in Its Future, 1976.

Saline Historic District Commission Survey Notebook, 1975.

Saline Observer, August 15, 1907; August 22, 1907.

Walsh, Rita, 1979 draft of the Saline Multiple Resource Nomination.

10. Geographical Data

acreage: less than one

Quadrangle: Saline, scale 1:24,000

UTM References: 17/270530/4672020

Verbal boundary description: Lot 13, Assessor's Plat 5, also beg at se cor of Lot 63, th n'ly 35 ft. on e ln. of Lot 63, th w'ly paralleling s ln. Lot 63 to a pnt of intersec with the w ln of Lot 13 Assessor's Plat 5 extended n'ly, th s'ly on extended n ln of Lot 13 to nw cor of Lot 13, th e'ly on ln of Lot 13 to pob, part Lot 63, Assessor's Plat 1.

Justification: This includes the entire property associated with the structure.

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Saline MRA  
State Washtenaw County, MICHIGAN

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Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- |  |                                     |          |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------|--|
| 1. Annin, Joseph, House                        | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 2. East Michigan Avenue<br>Historic District   | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 3. Forbes, Jortin, House                       | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 4. Guthard, Charles, House                     | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 5. Lutz, George R., House                      | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 6. Miller--Walker House                        | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 7. North Ann Arbor Street<br>Historic District | Substantive Review                  | ✓ Keeper | <u>accept Patrick Andrews 10/10/85</u> |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 8. Oakwood Cemetery Mausoleum                  | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 9. Saline First Presbyterian<br>Church         | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |
| 10. Sturm, Louis, House                        | Entered in the<br>National Register | ✓ Keeper | <u>Shelover Byan 10/20/85</u>          |
|  |                                     | Attest   | _____                                  |

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EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Guthard, Charles, House (Saline MRA)  
Washtenaw County  
MICHIGAN

Working No. AUG 29 1985  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-3-87  
Date Due: 9/26/85 - 10/13/85  
Action:  ACCEPT 10-10-85  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

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

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category Ownership Status Present Use  
Public Acquisition Accessible

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition  excellent  good  fair  deteriorated  ruins  unexposed  unaltered  altered  original site  moved date \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

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

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national    \_\_\_\_ state    \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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#39

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- a. Saline Multiple Resource Nom.  
(211 E. Michigan)
- b. Saline, Washtenaw Co., MI
- c. L. Sommers
- d. fall, 1984
- e. Mich. Bureau of History  
208 N. Capitol  
Lansing, MI
- f. facing N
- g. photo #38 of 40



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211 E. Mich.?

- a. Saline Multiple Resource  
(211 E. Michigan, barn)
- b. Saline, Washtenaw Co., MI
- c. L. Sommers
- d. fall, 1984
- e. Mich. Bureau of History  
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- f. facing NE
- g. photo #39 of 40

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000333