

**APPLICATION FOR LANDMARK OR HISTORIC DISTRICT
QUINCY PRESERVATION COMMISSION**

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**Original name (if known) and address of Landmark or boun
Historic District**

Henry E. Dickhut House

1401 Maine Street

Name and address of property owner(s), if different from appl

Tom and Terri Turner

1401 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 217-223-2530

Description and physical appearance of proposed Landmark or Historic District:

The Henry E. Dickhut House, 1401 Maine Street, is a large two-story red brick house with a stone foundation. It is an eclectic mixture of Italianate, Queen Anne, and ~~Eastlake~~ Second Empire** architectural styles. This large and imposing house dominates the northeast corner of Fourteenth and Maine.

Describe the architectural features of the building(s). Include photograph of facade of building(s) or photographs of groups of structures for Historic District: (Include map for Historic District.)

The Dickhut House was built in 1875-76, based on a study of city tax records, warranty deeds, and other documents. The structure has many outstanding architectural features and contains elements of the Italianate, Queen Anne, and ~~Eastlake~~ Second Empire ** architectural styles.

Some of the architectural features are:

- 1) The house is constructed of red brick and rises two-stories to a wooden cornice and a sloped straight-lined Mansard styled roof.
- 2) The cornice is elaborate with paired brackets and dogged-tooth ornamentation.

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**per Local Landmark Committee

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Architectural Features Continued

- 3) There is a wraparound Queen Anne porch with portecochere on the east side. Architectural features listed as part of the porch are: all ornamental capitals, wooden columns, wooden balustrades, wooden steps, pediment over entrance steps, and wooden skirt.
- 4) West two-story bay windows topped with sloped roof and wrought iron railing.
- 5) Two bay windows on the east.
- 6) Pierced vergeboard on west gable.
- 7) Front exterior doors and all exterior windows topped with stone ornamental hoods.
- 8) Leaded and beveled glass in windows and doors including bottled glass in transom east stairway bay.
- 9) Existing brick walks surrounding house and brick walks on Maine and Fourteenth Street.



Above: Front door and porch entrance facing Maine Street



Above: East bay window. Note bottled glass windows in upper lights and slate roof.

Architectural and Historical Significance Continued

Newton Flagg bought lots 32 and 33 in 1852, and lot 31 in 1855, and built a large 18 room "Old English" mansion on lot 33 that was later (1927) incorporated into and is today part of the First Christian Church. In 1869, Flagg sold his house and lots to John Seamon and the same day of August 17, Seamon sold lots 31 and 32 to Judge Onias C. and Helen Skinner. The Skinners planned to build a house at this corner location. According to an article by Carl Landrum in the April 5, 1970 edition of the Quincy Herald-Whig newspaper, "The Skinners did not want to keep the land, so they sold the corner location to Henry C. and Katie Dickhut on March 15, 1875."

The 1876-77 Adams County and Quincy Directory lists for the first time someone (Henry E. Dickhut) living on the n e corner of Fourteenth & Maine. So it is probable and apparent the house at 1401 Maine was built by Dickhut in 1875-76. (Copies of Abstract pages for blocks 31 and 32; notes of a study of Warranty Deeds, directories and tax records; photographs; and other documents used to determine the builder and dates of construction are on file at the Commission office.)

The 1873-74 City Directory lists "H.E. Dickhut Brothers, wholesale dealers in lumber, lath, shingles, etc., corner Broadway & 5th, also Front foot of Jackson." Dickhut had available to him some of the finest wood and building materials that were undoubtedly used in the construction of his own residence.

Henry E. Dickhut was a prominent businessman who made his fortune in the lumber business. Born in this country in 1848, at the age of 20 he became a partner in the saw-mill of Van Doorn, Dickhut & Co. Later he became part owner and superintendent of the Quincy Lumber Co. located at Sycamore & Quincy Bay, and in 1882 joined several businessmen to build the large Gem City Saw Mill on the North Bottom Road.

The big Gem City Saw Mill cost \$165,000.00 to build and contained an automatic sprinkling system that was considered the last word in fire equipment. Dickhut was acting mill manager. One of the most important and tragic events in Dickhut's life occurred on April 21, 1902, when the mill caught fire and was one of the hottest fires in Quincy history, the loss was over \$300,000.00, and the fire smoldered in the sawdust imbedded in the ground for over 30 years.

In 1885, Dickhut sold his house at 1401 Maine to his brother-in-law, Fred Wilms, for \$10,000.00. The Wilms family lived in the house for 24 years and then sold it to Oscar Huck. The Huck family owned 1401 Maine until 1977 when it was sold to the present owners, Tom and Terri Turner.

The Dickhut House of 1401 Maine is listed as a significant structure in the 1980 Quincy Multiple Resource Survey by the Illinois Department of Conservation, and as a contributing structure in the 1986 East End Historic District survey by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.



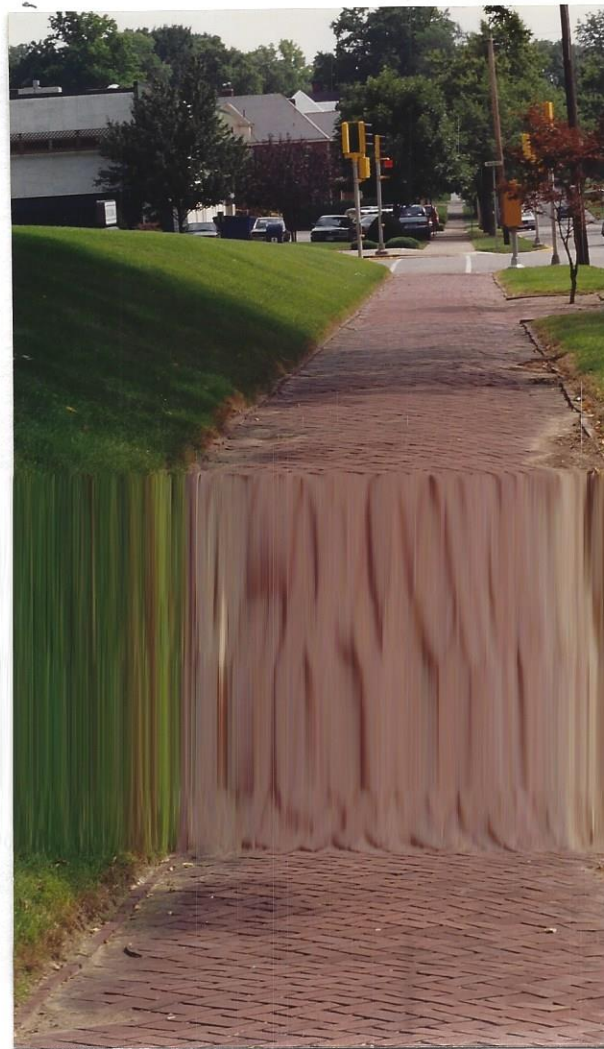
Above: West two-story bay with elaborate detail.

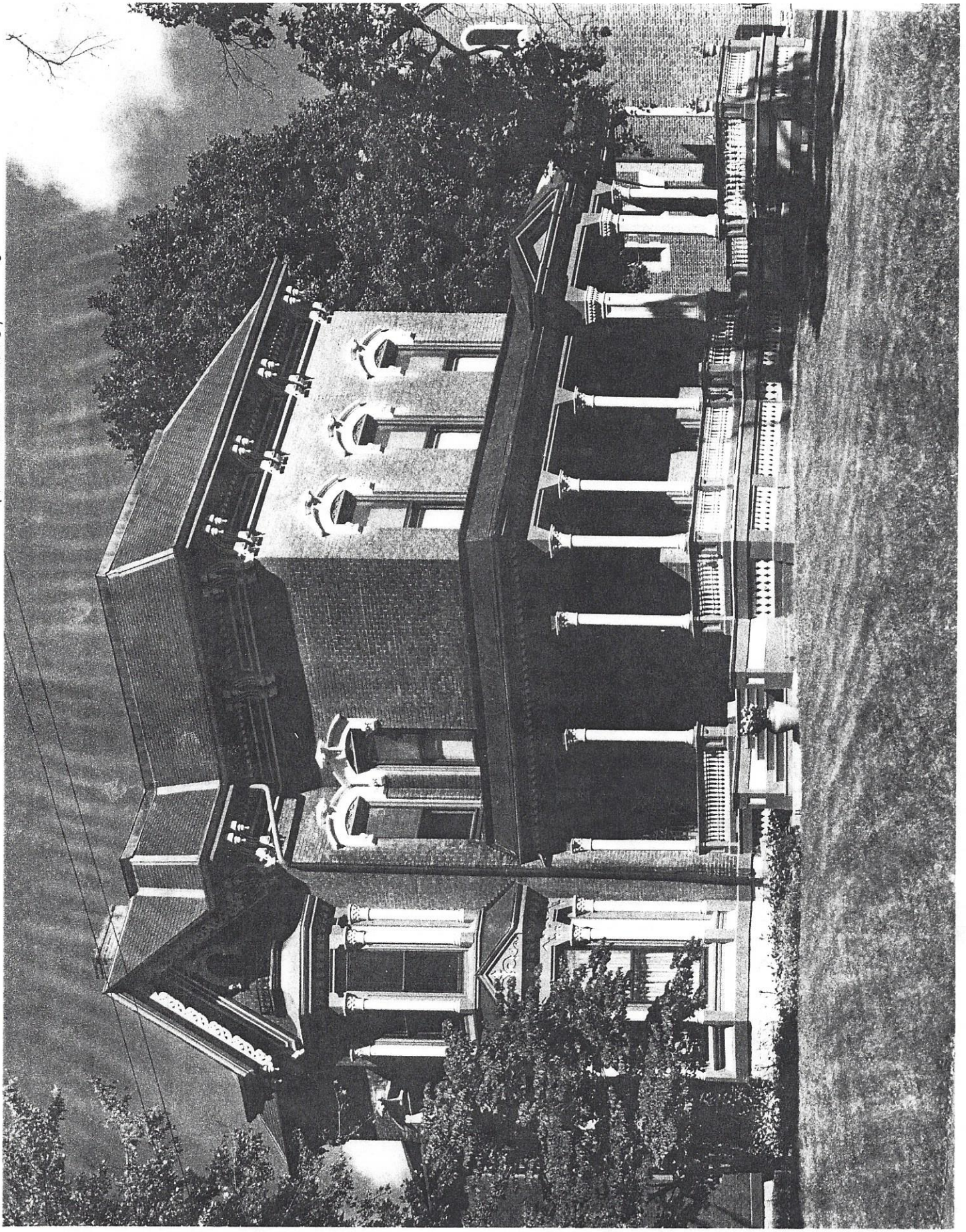
Below: Detail of pierced vergeboard on west gable. Note wrought iron railing located on top of two-story bay pictured above.



Above: Side view of west bay.

Below: Brick sidewalk on Fourteenth Street.





The Henry E. Dickhut House 1401 Maine Street

1401
Maine

CONSERVATOR'S DEED

THIS INDENTURE, made this 19th day of April, A.D., 1977, between Broadway National Bank of Quincy, a National Banking Corporation of the City of Quincy, Adams County, Illinois, as Conservator of the estate of Richard F. Huck, Sr., an incompetent, Party of the First Part, and Thomas E. Turner of the City of Quincy, County of Adams and State of Illinois, Party of the Second Part:

WHEREAS, by an Order of the probate court of Adams County, Illinois, entered on the 13th day of April, 1977, the undersigned Broadway National Bank of Quincy, in its capacity of Conservator aforesaid, was authorized and empowered to sell at private sale to Thomas E. Turner for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in cash, the real estate of the said Richard F. Huck, Sr. hereinafter described,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE UNDERSIGNED, Broadway National Bank of Quincy as Conservator aforesaid, by virtue of the power and authority in it vested as aforesaid and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to it in hand paid by the said Thomas E. Turner, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Thomas E. Turner all the right, title and interest of said Richard F. Huck, Sr., in and to the following described real estate, to-wit:

Parts of Lots Thirty One (31) and Thirty Two (32) in Nevins Addition to the City of Quincy, in the County of Adams and State of Illinois, bounded as follows, viz: Commencing at the point of intersection of the North line of Maine Street with the East line of Fourteenth Street in said City, thence running East with said North line of Maine Street One Hundred (100) feet, thence North on a line parallel with the East line of said Fourteenth Street to a point equidistant between the North line of Maine Street and the South line of Hampshire Street in said City, thence West One Hundred (100) feet to the East line of said Fourteenth Street, and thence South with said East line to the place of beginning.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Broadway National Bank of Quincy, as Conservator of the estate of Richard F. Huck, Sr., an incompetent person,

(1401 MAINE)

has caused this Deed to be executed and its corporate seal hereto affixed by its Vice President and Trust Officer pursuant to resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Broadway National Bank of Quincy the day and year first above written.

Broadway National Bank of Quincy
as Conservator of the estate of
Richard F. Huck, Sr., an incompetent
By Richard C. Edmundson
Its Vice President and Trust Officer

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF ADAMS)

ss.

I, Patricia D. Smith, a Notary Public in and for the said County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Richard C. Edmundson, personally known to me to be the Vice President and Trust Officer of Broadway National Bank of Quincy, Conservator of the estate of Richard F. Huck, Sr., an incompetent person, and personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as such Vice President and Trust Officer, and as the free and voluntary act and deed of such Conservator for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

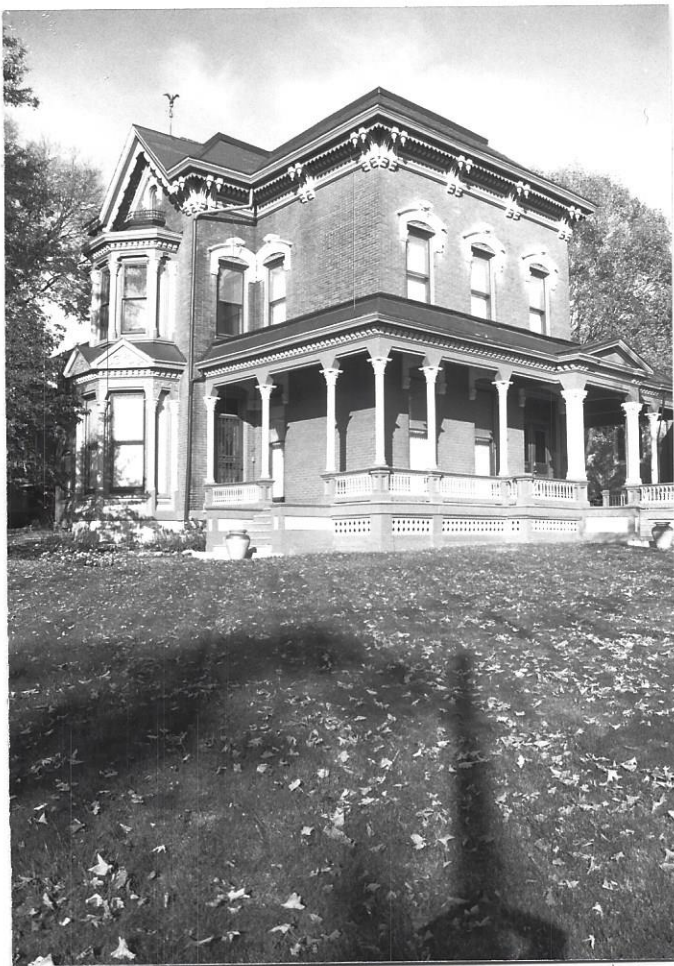
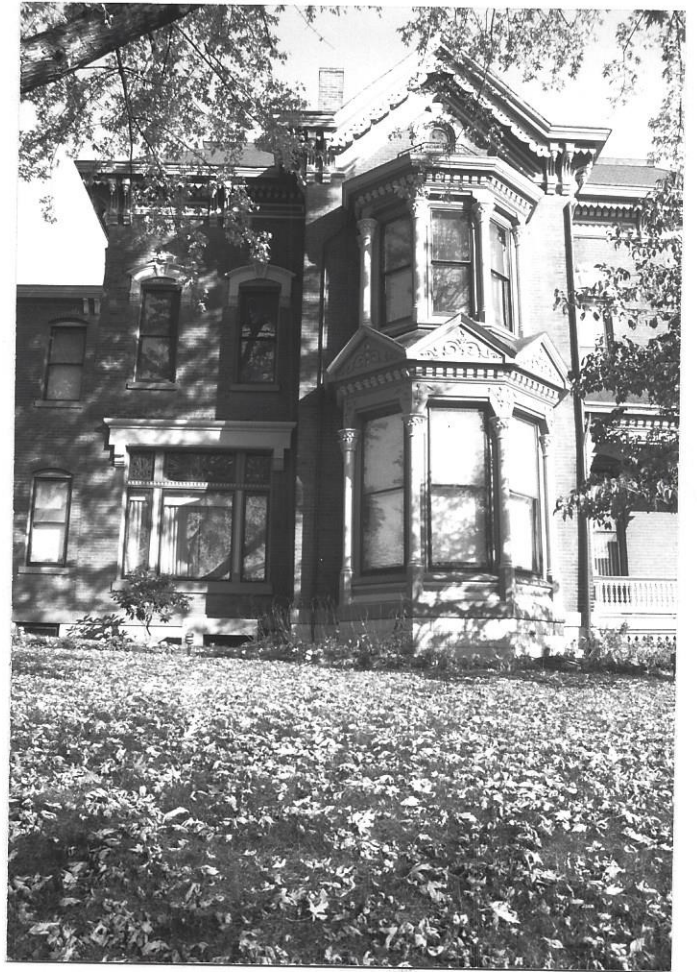
Given under my hand and notarial seal, this 19th day of April, A.D., 1977.

Patricia D. Smith
Notary Public

Deed prepared by:
Delbert Loos, Attorney

Send tax statement for 1976 taxes to:
Mr. Thomas E. Turner

1401 Maine Street,
Quincy, Illinois 62301.



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