

Alliance Historic Preservation Commission

504 East Main Street, Alliance, 44601

Landmark Nomination Form

1. Specific Address or Location: 200 Glamorgan St.
2. Owner's Name and contact Information: Address, Phone, email: Alliance City Schools, 200 Glamorgan St. Alliance, OH 44601 330-821-2100
3. HISTORICAL INFORMATION
 - A. Date of construction: 1904-1905
 - B. Style: Baronial Castle (Revival)
 - C. Original Use: Residence
 - D. Architect or Engineer: Willard Hirsch, Cleveland, OH
 - E. Present Use: Alliance City Schools Administrative Offices
 - F. Contractor or builder: Briggs and Jones, Canton, OH
 - G. Building type or plan: irregular
 - H. Date(s) of alterations:
4. BUILDING INFORMATION
 - A. Foundation Material: steel reinforced concrete: outside measurements are 185 Ft by 115 ft.
 - B. Wall construction: Steel frame with reinforced concrete floors
 - C. Roof type: varies from flat to steeply pitched
 - D. Roof Material: Flat roofs are copper, pitched roofs are red vitrified tile
 - E. Window type: Multiple types, some are casement, others sash, several have tracery. Constructed of cypress wood.
 - F. Exterior Wall Material (s) blue Vermont marble laid up in Ashlar pattern, trimmed with tool finished white Vermont marble
 - G. Building Endangered? No
 - H. By What?
 - I. Please note and describe any significant interior or exterior features:

The entire building has significance and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. While some of the rooms have been changed, many remain more or less intact. Woodwork throughout was done by the Mathews Bros. of Milwaukee. Rooms and spaces to be designated include:

FIRST FLOOR:

 - a. The **Drawing Room** finished in San Domingo mahogany with silk tapestry wall coverings and gold leaf trim
 - b. The round entrance **Rotunda** with ornamental plaster work and Circassian walnut woodwork, grand staircase, circular balcony and colored glass dome
 - c. The octagonal shaped **Dining Room** with large white oak carved fireplace and Elizabethan style plaster ceiling
 - d. The **Reception Room** in Louis XV style.
 - e. The **Sun Room**, the area of the front porch
 - f. The **Solarium**, including the spiral staircase installed in the 1960's.

- g. **Ice Boxes**, located in the former kitchen
- h. **Safe**, located in the large butler's pantry off the kitchen

EXTERIOR:

- i. The **Loggia**
- j. The **Entrance Portico** including the porte cochere
- k. **Morgan Monument**, on the front lawn near Union Ave.
- l. **Sunken Garden**, in the rear of the building

SECOND FLOOR;

- m. The octagonal **Library** which retains the original chestnut woodwork, bookcases and tracery windows.

Note: Most of the details of the bedrooms are gone but 3 fireplaces and some ceiling plasterwork and windows remain.

THIRD FLOOR

- n. **Ball Room** and adjoining **Men's Smoking Room**
- o. **Spiral Staircase** located in the tower

BASEMENT

- p. The **Rathskeller** gathering room which has recently been restored, including reproductions of the original furniture and lighting fixtures.
- q. The original tiled **Swimming Pool** currently used for storage
- r. The **Bowling Alley**, currently carpeted and floored and used for offices
- s. The **Wine Cellar**, installed in the 1960's

5. Brief Statement of History and Significance
 Glamorgan Castle was built by Col. William Henry Morgan (1865-1928), President of Morgan Engineering, an international steel company founded in Alliance by his father in the 1870's. This was the preeminent residence in Alliance at the time it was built and still is the most significant architectural treasure in the City. For more information on the history of the building and the history of Morgan log onto morganengineering.com. or AllianceCitySchools
6. Criteria for Designation: (circle one or more)
 - A. Associated with events that made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of history, or
 - B. Associated with the lives of persons significance in the past, or
 - C. Embody distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction , or
 - D. Yielded or are likely to yield information important in history or prehistory
7. Describe how the property meets the criteria for designation as indicated above
 Glamorgan Castle meets criteria A, B and C because it is an example of outstanding architecture built as a result of The Industrial Era in the United States. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.
8. Photographs: Attach photographic views of the property that show all sides and any related structures such as garages or other buildings. Include any significant interior features such as woodwork, plasterwork or fireplaces.
9. Form prepared by : Roberta Barnhouse and Martha McClagherty with assistance from Maryjo Hepler
10. Date: 1-24-11/ 8-22-12/12-9-12