

# Historic Libertyville

BEGINNING STREET NUMBER	413
END STREET NUMBER	-
STREET # SUFFIX	-
STREET NAME	N. Milwaukee Avenue
PIN	
<b><u>LOCAL</u></b>	
WITHIN LOCAL DISTRICT?	No
LOCAL DIST CONTRIB/NON-CONTRIB?	C
LOCAL LANDMARK?	Yes
YEAR	2016
LOCAL LANDMARK ELIGIBLE?	N/A
CRITERIA	-



Photo Id: MilwaukeeAveN413(b)(1)

## **BUILDING DETAILS**

BUILDING NAME	Cook, Ansel B. House/Cook Memorial Library
GROUND FLOOR USE	Education - library
UPPER FLOOR USE	Education - library
CURRENT OCCUPANT	Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society

ZONING	-
NUMBER OF STORIES	-
PROPERTY INDEX NUMBER	-

## **NATIONAL REGISTER**

NR DISTRICT CONTRIB/NON-CONTRIB	C
WITHIN DISTRICT?	No
NR LANDMARK?	Yes
YEAR	2001

NR ELIGIBLE?	N/A
CRITERIA	-
ALTERNATE ADDRESS?	-

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

CATEGORY	Building
CONDITION	Good
INTEGRITY	Historic alterations
CURRENT USE	Education - library

HISTORIC USE	Domestic - single dwelling
SECONDARY STRUCTURE	-
NR SECOND	-

# **ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**

## **ARCHITECTURAL CLASSIFICATION**

Queen Anne/Neo-Classical

## **DETAILS**

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## **OTHER YEAR**

1921

## **DATE SOURCE**

National Register Nomination

## **WALL MATERIAL (CURRENT)**

Stucco

## **WALL MATERIAL 2 (CURRENT)**

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## **PLAN**

Rectangular

## **NO OF STORIES**

2.5

## **ROOF TYPE**

Hipped

## **ROOF MATERIAL**

Wood - shingle

## **FOUNDATION**

Stone

## **PORCH**

Full Front

## **WINDOW MATERIAL**

Wood

## **WINDOW MATERIAL 2**

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## **WINDOW TYPE**

Double Hung

## **WINDOW CONFIGURATION**

1/1

## **SIGNIFICANCE**

Originally built for Ansel B. Cook, the late 19th-century residence was converted into a public library in 1921. The original Queen Anne design was altered at that time. The house is a visual landmark within the Village of Libertyville, and is both a designated local landmark and individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## **HISTORIC FEATURES**

Steep hipped roof with multiple brick chimneys; projecting front gable dormers; three-sided south bay with multi-sided roof; historic wood double hung windows; wood windows surrounds with corner blocks; dentil cornice with rosette frieze

## **ALTERATIONS**

House remodeled in 1921--stucco cladding, full-height front portico with round columns Non-historic alterations include: 1-story rear connector built to attach building to new library built in 1968; south side handicap ramp; concrete porch base with wrought iron railings; skylight; replacement door at south side/rear entrance

**ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS**



Photo Id: MilwaukeeAveN413(b)(2)



Photo Id:

Cook\_Memorial\_Public\_Library



Photo Id: MilwaukeeAveN413(b)(3)



Photo Id:

MilwaukeeAveN413(CookHouse1970s)



Photo Id:

CookHouse(LibertyvilleIllustratedp



Photo Id:

Cook\_Memorial\_Public\_Library(2)

## **HISTORIC INFORMATION**

**OLD ADDRESS (CITY DIR.YEAR)**

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**BUILDING MOVED?**

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**MOVED FROM**

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**ORIGINAL OWNER**

Cook, Ansel B.

**ORIGINAL ARCHITECT**

Boyington, William T. (attributed)

**ARCHITECT SOURCE**

National Register Nomination

**BUILDER**

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**SURVEYOR**

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**SURVEYOR ORGANIZATION**

Ramsey Historic Consultants

**SURVEY DATE**

May-June 2016

**SURVEY AREA**

Downtown Libertyville

## **PERMIT/HISTORIC INFORMATION**

**OLD ADDRESS**

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**DATE OF CONSTRUCTION**

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## **PERMIT MOVING INFORMATION**

**MOVING PERMIT #**

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**DATE MOVED**

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## **ORIGINAL PERMIT INFORMATION**

**BUILDING PERMIT #**

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**DATE**

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**BUILDING PERMIT DESCRIPTION**

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**COST**

-

**ORIGINAL OWNER OCCUPIED?**

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**EXTERIOR ALTERATION PERMITS**

No permit # (4/15/1998)--restoration of exterior (restore/rebuild porch, chimneys and stucco; repair rotted wood, add security system); 82-259 (11/8/1982)--replace column shafts on and bases on front porch

**OTHER PERMIT INFORMATION**

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**COA INFO**

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**HISTORIC INFO**

History accompanying historic photograph of building on Illinois Digital Archives (photograph and information provided by Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society and Cook Memorial Public Library): "The Cook Memorial Library is located at 413 N. Milwaukee Avenue. A history of the library, written in 1996 for the 75th anniversary of the library, reads as follows: "Library service started locally in 1909 when the Alpha Club (now the Libertyville Woman's Club) began a subscription library in the Decker and Bond drugstore in downtown Libertyville. The Ansel B. Cook home and property was left to the village for library and park purposes in 1921 and served as the library's home until 1968 when a new building was completed. The Libertyville Township Library Board was organized in 1924 to operate Cook Memorial Library. In 1967, the library joined the North Suburban library system, thus offering its patrons expanded services. The township library board was dissolved in 1973 with the formation of the Cook Memorial Public Library district. Besides the village of Libertyville, the district now includes Vernon Hills, Indian Creek, Mettawa, Green Oaks and parts of Mundelein." -taken from the 75th anniversary publication of the Cook Memorial Library"

<http://www.idaillinois.org/cdm/singleitem/collection/cookmemo1/id/1247/rec/2> Complete history of the house can be found in the National Register Nomination for the property, as well as on the Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society website: <http://www.lmhistory.org/cookhouse.html#top>

**OTHER SOURCES**

Sanborn Maps--1924 (Sheets 2 & 3); 1933 (Sheet 2); 1948 (Sheet 2)

**HISTORIC INFO COMPILER**

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**VOLUNTEER**

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