Researching Century Buildings

- **"Chain of Ownership"**. Establish grantor (seller), grantee (buyer) and date of transfer, incorporating construction date up to current owner.
  - *Stark County Recorder's Office*. Online deeds.
  - *Stark County Auditors Office*. Written/verbal request to print out "transfer cards."
  - *Stark County Library* – Genealogy Section has estate (probate) records.
  - *North Canton Heritage Society*. Property abstracts.
  - *McKinley Presidential Library*. Property abstracts.
- **Permanent Parcel number**.
  - *Stark County Auditors Office*. Online search.
- **Year House was Built.**
  - *Stark County Library*. Online search of tax records (1826 to 1838) and deeds. (Note deeds = land not necessarily buildings).
  - *Stark County Auditors Office*. Online information (be careful because the buildings can be "re-dated" when an addition is added). Provides building progression (additions) of structure. Written requests can be made for tax records.
- **Maps Showing Property**.
  - *Stark County Library – Genealogy Section.*
  - *North Canton Heritage Society.*
  - *Fire Insurance Maps.*
- **Historic Photos of Property.**
  - *North Canton Heritage Society.*
  - *Current and previous owners.*
- **Social History.**
  - *North Canton Heritage Society.*
  - *North Canton Library.*
  - *Stark County Library*. Ancestry.com. Obituaries.
  - *Current and previous owners.*

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Stark County Library

715 Market Ave. N, Canton, Ohio 44702
Sunday 1-5; M-Th 9-8; Friday 9-6 and Saturday 9-5.
(330) 452-0665
starklibrary.org

- **Genealogy Section** (2nd Floor). Copy machine available. Can transfer most information onto a flash drive.
    - <u>Maps</u>. Can copy on copy machine.
    - <u>Ancestry.com</u> (Free)
    - <u>Estate (Probate) Records</u>. Submit a written request. Provided with original documents for viewing and copying.
    - <u>Deeds</u>. Book Index (grantor/grantee). Written deeds available on micro fish (can print out or copy to a flash drive).
    - <u>Tax Records</u>. 1810-1825 do not include indication of buildings. 1826-1838 buildings are indicated. 1839-? Records are not available.
    - <u>Obituaries</u>. Online.

McKinley Presidential Library

800 McKinley Monument Dr NW, Canton, Ohio 44708
Sunday: 12-4; M-Saturday: 9-4.
(330) 455-7043
www.mckinleymuseum.org

- Property Abstracts. Contact: Judy Pocock

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Stark County Recorder

110 Central Plaza S Suite 170 Canton, Ohio 44702

M-F 8-4:30

Phone: (330) 451-7445; Fax: (330) 451-7394

recorder@starkcountyohio.gov

o <u>Deeds</u>. Public research room with computers and a printer. Can submit a written request for staff to try to improve the quality of copy of the deed by accessing the original. 24-48 hours to process the request.

Stark County Auditor

110 Central Plaza S Suite 220 Canton, Ohio 44702

M-F 8-4:30

(330) 451-7357

www.starkcountyohio.gov

o <u>Building Date</u>. Online research using property address or current owners name. This date might not be the original date of the structure, but the date of a later addition.
o <u>Parcel Number</u>. Online research (same as above).
o <u>Property Ownership Transfer Cards</u>. Verbal/Written requests. Chain of ownership only goes back so far though.
o <u>Tax Records</u>. Submit written research request for a few specific years, *but not several.*

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North Canton Heritage Society

185 Ream St NW, North Canton, Ohio 44720

By Appointment

(330) 494-4791

www.northcantonheritage.org

- o <u>Maps</u>.
- o <u>Biographies</u>.
- o <u>Property Photos</u>.
- o <u>Abstracts</u>.

North Canton Public Library

185 N Main St., North Canton, Ohio 44720

Hours vary in the Summer

School Year Hours: Sunday: 1-5; M-Th: 10-8; Friday: 10-6; Saturday: 9-5.

(330) 499-4712

www.ncantonlibrary.com

- o <u>Biographies</u>. History of North Canton section.

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<u>Stark County Recorders Office</u> (*starkcountyohio.gov/recorder*)

How to search pre-1900 Deeds:

- Microsoft edge icon (return)
- Starkcountyohio.gov/recorder
  - Search Records
    - User Name:
    - Password:
      - Login (return)
  - Archives (return)
    - Indexes
      - Index Type
        - Deeds (return)
          - Date Range (choose)
            - Alpha Range (choose)
            - Auto Display Image (click box)
            - Find Page # for Letter
              - Listed by 1st Name (A-Z)

<u>Stark County Auditors Website</u> (*starkcountyohio.gov/auditor*)

Researching via Auditors Maps:

- GIS link (home page) * click
- Historical Files * click
  - Click on map in North Canton area.
  - Click on download.
    - Scroll down to desired area on the map?
      - Go to desired property.
      - Write down Volume and page number of Deed.
        (i.e., 3220.389 = Volume 3220 and page 389)
        - Go to Stark County Recorders website and follow the above instructions to obtain Deed information.