

Historical Marker - L684 - Masonic And Town Hall (Marker ID#:L684)



Significant Date:

Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

Registry Year: 1979 **Erected Date:** 2002

Marker Location

Address: 20 North Ridge Street

City: Port Sanilac

State: MI **ZipCode:** 48469

County: Sanilac

Township:

Lat: 43.43150300 / **Long:** -82.54215900

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Masonic And Town Hall

The Sanilac Masonic Lodge was organized in 1868. In 1883 lodge members and township officials agreed to build a combined township and Masonic hall on land donated by Christopher Odfield, a Mason. The foundation was built with three-foot-thick walls to provide refuge from future forest fires. When the cornerstone was laid on July 1, 1884, crowds turned out for the event, which was highlighted by Masonic ritual. The building was completed the following year. At the turn of the twenty-first century, the hall retained its fanciful Late Victorian brickwork and interior plan used by both the township and the Masons. The Masonic and town Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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