

Property Address: 1145 Main Street  
Historic Name: TBD  
Year Built: Circa 1910  
Architectural Style: Prairie Four Square  
Significance: Architectural  
Designations: Contributing property to the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, Lake and Main City of Racine Historic District.

Distinguishing features:

West Façade (front): Two main levels. Opposing solid brick balustrades with sandstone cap frames a concrete stairway leading to a broad raised porch that extends for approximately 95% of the length of the west façade. The concrete porch deck, which is inlaid with mosaic tile, is surrounded by a solid brick balustrade with sandstone cap. Through the north and south west-facing porch balustrades, one centrally positioned scupper penetrate each at the deck level. Four massive columns of brick support a large beam accented by a single horizontal bead molding suggesting a classic architrave and frieze, and a bed molding supporting a perpendicularly aligned bead-board soffit. To the north, a large vertically orientated rectangular window is flanked on both sides by a narrow double-hung side window. A doorway to the interior consists of a two panel door with a large window. The door is topped by a leaded transom window equal to the door width having tiffany glass inlay. On either sides of the door are large, almost floor-length, leaded sidelights with tiffany glass inlay. To the south, there is a two story bay with a string of four double-hung windows. The second level has a large vertically orientated rectangular window flanked on both sides by narrow double-hung window. A centrally located light has two vertically orientated windows protecting two interior decorative leaded casement windows. A string of four additional double-hung windows penetrates the west face of the second story of the two story bay. The brick wall surface meets a frieze with a bed molding that supports a wide eave boxed with a perpendicularly aligned bead-board soffit. The hip roof is penetrated by a hipped dormer having two casement windows and simulated bead board soffit.

South Façade: Two levels are presented on the main body of the structure, and at an eastern recess. There is also a one level garage addition. The main body is accentuated by a ground to roof brick chimney that is wider at grade and first level, then tapers in three equal steps totaling approximately 27 inches in its eastern side to a narrower chimney at the second level. At the base of the first level, on either side of the chimney, are two four pane, horizontally orientated basement windows. Centered above the basement windows, on either side of the chimney is a recessed double hung window. Above, on the second level, on either side of the chimney is a bay corbelled out for two courses and extending to the eave. These two bays are supported by two simple brackets constructed of brick with each bay having two rectangular, vertical orientated casement windows, all displaying forms of leaded detailing. Below each casement window is a rectangular horizontally orientated window box planter projecting out from the façade approximately nine inches, measuring approximately nine inches in depth, and spanning approximately 105% of the width of the light above. The brick wall surface meets a frieze with a bed molding that supports a wide eave boxed with a perpendicularly aligned bead-board soffit. The chimney penetrates through the wide eave and hipped roof. The eastern recess consists of two

stacked and enclosed solariums, each having a large picture window flanked on both sides by a narrow, rectangular, vertically orientated single-pane fixed window. The floor between the two is spanned by a curtain wall comprised of three recessed panels, spaced in concert with the windows above and below. The stacked solariums are capped by a flat roof that extends north approximately 14 feet to its intersection with the main structure's façade. Above this intersection is the wide eave and hipped roof penetrated by a hip roofed dormer having two casement windows and bead board soffit. This dormer face is flush with the fascia of the eave. Below the lower level windows is a single car flat roofed brick garage addition that juts out (south) approximately 20 feet, the south end of which has a 24 panel (recessed) garage door whose upper panels are comprised of a string of six single-pane windows. In both side walls of the garage, just under the frieze, are five evenly spaced single large glass block windows. In the northern portion of the east wall of the garage is a man door having a single recessed panel and a single square window.

East Façade:

Two main levels are present on the main body of the structure, and at a southern recess. The southern recess consists of two stacked and enclosed solariums, each having a large picture window flanked on both sides by a narrow, rectangular, vertically orientated single pane fixed window. The floor between the two is spanned by a curtain wall comprised of three recessed panels, spaced in concert with the windows above and below. The solariums are capped by a flat roof that extends west approximately 14 feet to its intersection with the main structure's façade. Above this intersection is the wide eave and hipped roof. The windows of the lower solarium rest on a sandstone ledge that forms a strong line across the southern two-thirds of the east facade. To the north is a bay that extends to the sill of a second level light. The bay is highlighted by a string of four double hung windows. The brick wall surface of the bay meets a frieze with a bed molding that supports the soffit of a boxed eave, and is capped by a flat roof. To the north of the bay is a single double-hung window. To the north of this is an elevated porch having a deck and flat roof supported by two brick columns. The porch roof is supported by a beam having a frieze with a bed molding that supports the soffit of a boxed eave. The porch edge is protected by a decorative iron railing system. The porch deck also serves as a shelter for a below grade walk-way which leads to a below-grade basement level service door. At the porch level, there is a single pane window and a service door. The second level of the east façade contains two symmetrically spaced lights, each having two double-hung windows. The brick wall meets the wide eave as in other locations. A hip roof is penetrated by a hip roofed dormer having two casement windows and a boxed eave.

North Façade:

Two main levels are present. The façade is evenly divided by a projection to the north of the eastern half measuring approximately eight feet. This portion of the façade has at its base, three horizontally orientated, evenly spaced basement windows that break the water table. Above, is a strong continuous ledge that runs the length of the north façade until it meets the west façade at which point it returns slightly, then forms the top cap of the front porch baluster. In the first level of the projection area of the north façade, above the ledge, is a light containing two double-hung windows, on the return portion of the façade is another double hung window. Next is a single small window, then a doorway leading to the living space. This doorway is positioned on an elevated side porch to which access is gained via a set of concrete steps flanked on both sides by stepped (solid brick) balusters. Sheltering this porch is a flat roof supported by a heavy beam (with entablature as previously described), which is in turn supported on either side by diagonal curved braces which are resting on the previously mentioned continuous ledge. To the west of the porch, a large

vertically orientated rectangular window is flanked on both sides by a narrow double-hung side window, resting on the continuous sandstone ledge described earlier. Below this light are two horizontally orientated, evenly spaced basement windows that break the water table. On the second level, starting on the east end of the north facade (projecting half), there is a light with two double-hung windows. On the return portion of the facade is a light with a single pane casement window and sandstone sill supported by three rectangular sandstone brackets. Next, on the second level of the north facade is a double-hung window, and then staggered a half story down is a large light, just above the porch roof, having a central fixed leaded window flanked on both sides by a leaded casement window; each having inlaid tiffany glass. Adjacent to the porch area is a bay corbelled out for two courses and extending to the eave. The bay is supported by two simple brackets constructed of brick and the bay having two rectangular, vertically orientated casement windows, each displaying forms of leaded tiffany glass inlaid for detailing. On both halves of the facade, the brick wall surface meets a frieze with a bed molding that supports a wide eave boxed with a perpendicularly aligned bead-board soffit. In both halves, a hip roof is penetrated by a hipped dormer having two casement windows and bead board soffit. The dormers are even with the fascia of the eave.

Roof: Double cross-hipped with multiple hipped roof dormers. Low slope. The roof ridges are topped with a decorative copper ridge crest.

Notes: At grade, the perimeter of the building is visually grounded by what is meant to appear as a smooth stone foundation that forms a water table rising approximately nine to twelve inches above grade and stepped out from the main wall surface approximately six inches. The water table is capped with a 45% bevel that descends away from the main brick wall surface. Downspouts are copper. Eaves contain hidden (Yankee) gutters.