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| ARCHITECTURAL INVENTO Legal Description: Stafford #3 Block 6, Lots 6 & 7 Address: 722 W. Water Ownership: name: LePoy & Dolores Dídier C private address: 722 W. Water, Lewistown, MT 594 | |
| HATER STREET HATER STREET HATER STREET KEYHOLE HINDOWS AT SOLARIUM | Historic Name: Huntoon Residence Common Name: Didier Residence Date of Construction: 1916 |

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Describe present appearance of structure/site, then contrast and compare that with it's original appearance, noting additions, alterations, and changes in materials. Discuss significant architectural features.

A sizeable one and one-half story cut stone residence that has an irregular plan and a complex roof shape. The dominant roof is a medium slope wood shingle gable roof with a gabled eave dormer over a solarium and gabled roof dormers on either side of the main gable. The southwest (or left) end of the central gable is intersected by another smaller gable whose downslope runs below the rake of the main roof (similar in appearance to a dutch hip). The edge of the roof is trimmed with a flat wood fascia; the cornice is boxed and the barge boards are curved at the eave to cap the ends of the bead-joint board soffit. The barge is then similar in appearance to a pseudo four-centered arch. The entrance elevation features a projected solarium which forms one side of the offset for an open porch or balcony that accesses the entry. The porch is supported by cut stone columns. The solarium features four ganged fixed windows with wood frames in the configuration of subtle keyhole arches. The front entry door is wood with an elliptical BE plate glass insert (French Provincial). Wood 1/1 double hung windows with aluminum storms are typical although casements and sliders can be seen in upper dormers. Trapezoidal windows can be seen on the sides of the southwest dormer. All wall materials are sandstone (including the window sills) except the wall treatment at the upper dormers, which is surfaced with wood shingles. A concrete foundation wall extends down to form a basement.

This residence does qualify for register listing under Criteria C. This is an excellent example of a very well executed architectural design using the popular stone materials of Lewistown. The details and massing are deligneful; it makes a

Classification: ecclectic; combined influences from romantic revival massing, native stone materials and Islamic keyhole arches can all be seen.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE: Justify how the persons, important events, and/or historical patterns associated with the structure/size and surrounding area lend the property significance.

This property is significant because of its association with J. C. Huntoon, a prominent local actorney. Huntoon was elected county attorney in 1908, an office he held for two years. Blackford & Huntoon was formed in 1914 when he entered into a partnership with William M. Blackford in the practice of law. J. C. Huntoon was appointed Judge of the Tenth Judicial District on November 22, 1922, and served in that capacity for ten years.

The Huntoon home, "the finest and most costly residence to be erected in Lewistown" in 1916, stands as a visible sign of the prosperity and stability of the growing community.

Link and Haire designed the home, which remained in the Huntoon family until 1934.

INTEGRITY: Assess the degree to which the structure/site, and surrounding area accurately convey the historical associations of the property.

Original construction; the residence occupies the original site. This example is a very strong contributor to the survey area in terms of architectural style and use of stone materials. Interior appointments and planning (central hall) are commensurate with the quality exemplified by the exterior.

INFORMATION VALUE: Explain how the extant structure/site may demonstrate or yield information about its historic use or construction.

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