

WARREN'S Historic MILLIONAIRES ROW

321 Mahoning Ave. NW, Warren, OH 44483

As you stroll along Historic Mahoning Avenue, imagine yourself back in the Victorian era when this area was quite fashionable and filled with a mixture of shops and homes.

This is where the local affluent - the "Who's Who" of American industry, commerce and politics - built and lived in stately homes and mansions that lined the streets during the mid-to-late 1800s. Recognized as national treasures, many of these structures have been restored to their original grandeur. Today they are home to businesses, museums, offices and private residences.

In the early days of Trumbull County, Mahoning Avenue was also known as the Warren-Ashtabula Turnpike, which played a significant role in the local Underground Railroad movement. We hope you enjoy your tour of Millionaires Row.

1 Trumbull County Courthouse

161 High Street NW

Open 9 AM - 5 PM, Monday - Friday

After the previous two burned down, this courthouse was built in 1895 with Amherst sandstone sawed to specification in the square outside. An \$8.4 million renovation completed in 1995--exactly a century after its construction--helped preserve the artistic building. Visitors can go inside--keep an eye out for the intricate woodwork, marble mosaic flooring, and Renaissance style artwork. It is one of the oldest judicial buildings in Ohio still in operation today. Lawyer Clarence Darrow, famous for the



Scopes Monkey Trial and the Leopold and Loeb trial, which was the basis for the movie *Murder by Numbers*, defended many cases here.

2 Warren Courthouse Square

High Street and West Market Street

When Ephraim Quinby founded Warren in 1801, he based the design of this area on the bustling town squares he'd seen in Connecticut: a landmark in the center, surrounded by shops and restaurants, providing a gathering place for townspeople. Over two hundred years later, Courthouse Square is still the heart of the community, hosting festivals and providing a historic backdrop for new downtown businesses. You can see similar examples in nearby Kinsman, Hartford, North Bloomfield, and more.

3 Post Office

201 High Street

Open 8:30 AM - 5 PM Mon. - Fri. 9 AM - 1 PM Sat. Did you know that the Warren post office has been around since the Great Depression? During this tough time for Americans, President Franklin D. Roosevelt enacted the New Deal to stimulate the economy. One of its programs was the Works Progress Administration, which employed millions to construct buildings and roads--including this post office and the murals inside.

4 The Trumbull County Veterans Memorial

West Market Street and Mahoning Avenue NW

Vietnam veteran Marine 1st Lt. William Muter had a dream: he wanted to honor the sacrifice of Trumbull County veterans who served their country.

Although he didn't live to see his dream realized, his Western Reserve Veterans' Memorial Association and community efforts helped complete the goal. The Trumbull County Veterans Memorial was dedicated in 2008 and includes a towering World War II statue and a Wall of Honor, inscribed with the names of veterans. It sits in Monument Park, which runs along the east bank of the Mahoning River toward West Market Street. The Park also includes the famous reconstructed log cabin, which was built on the site of Warren's first schoolhouse.

5 King-Smith Home

241 Mahoning Avenue NW

Judge Leicester King was a pillar of Warren, first as a judge, then as a senator and candidate for governor. He also actively fought against slavery, acting as a conductor on the Underground Railroad. His house on the banks of the Mahoning River provided a perfect hiding place. A fire destroyed the building in 1982, but a historical plaque marks the spot where it once stood.

6 Packard Mansion Site

210 High Street NW

The YMCA occupies this space today, but it was once home to the grandest mansion in Trumbull County: the house of Warren Packard and his family, including famous sons J.W. and W.D. The brothers went on to found the Packard Electric and Packard Motor Car Companies provide philanthropic support of Packard Park, Music Hall, and more.

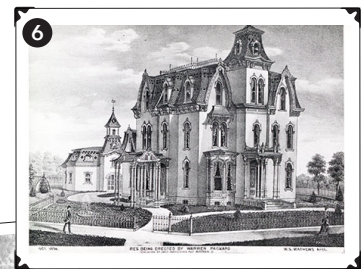


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7 First Presbyterian Church

256 Mahoning Avenue NW · Call ahead for . tours
This has been the site of a church congregation since 1803, when Reverend Joseph Badger journeyed from Connecticut to the Western Reserve as a missionary, and it has been an important part of the community ever since. Before TV and social media, the ringing of its bell signaled important events and emergencies. The previous church on this site served as a "station" on the Underground Railroad, where abolitionists helped runaway slaves on their journey to Canada.

8 Kinsman House

303 Mahoning Avenue NW
Open 2 PM - 5 PM, first Sunday of every month, or by appointment.
This Greek Revival house has had many uses over the years. First, in 1832, General Simon Perkins built it as a wedding gift for his daughter and her new husband. Later, its many rooms were used to hold classes for the Dana School of Music. Now, the Warren Heritage Center uses it as a place to collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts from the city's history and educate the public.

9 Owen D. Morgan House

328 Mahoning Avenue NW
Built in 1894, this Victorian home features the Queen Anne style and includes a picturesque use of an engaged tower with recessed balconies. This house is being renovated and restored for the Trumbull County Historical Society.

10 Peter L. Webb House

352 Mahoning Avenue NW - Private residence
Peter and Marie Webb constructed this house in 1892. While not much is known about their activity when they lived there, owners years later found a clue: in 1991, while doing maintenance under the basement stairs, they found an old case of alcohol bottles that had been there since Prohibition!

11 Women's Park

Mahoning Avenue between the Connecticut Land Title Office and City Hall
Women's Park, located between the Kinsman House and City Hall, is a beautifully landscaped tribute. It features a monument to "every woman", a stone bridge over a stream, and a special courtyard dedicated to the pioneer women of the Western Reserve. You can even purchase an inscribed brick to honor a special woman in your life and help fund the garden's upkeep.

12 Connecticut Land Title Office

321 Mahoning Avenue NW
Open 9 AM - 5 PM, Monday - Friday
Did you know that originally, the entire Connecticut Western Reserve was known as Trumbull County? This building served as the headquarters of the Connecticut Land Company, where the land of the Western Reserve was split and sold. People like John Kinsman, Thaddeus Leavitt, and Joseph Howland purchased tracts here that eventually developed into the many towns and townships in Trumbull County. It now is the home of the Trumbull County Tourism Bureau.



13 Perkins Park

Perkins Park, originally known as Perkins Flats, has been a favorite for recreation since the City of Warren bought the land for public use in 1931. The baseball fields hosted games beginning in 1932 and the park continues to develop with new additions. Visitors can also explore an English-style rose garden near the park's entrance.



14 Perkins Mansion / City Hall

391 Mahoning Avenue NW
Open 9 AM - 5 PM, Monday - Friday
It's hard to imagine what it would be like to have even one US president at your home--but over the years, this Victorian Italianate house hosted five! Its owner, Henry Bishop Perkins, was a community leader when Warren was still part of the Western Reserve and his visitors included Presidents Grant, Garfield, Hayes, Harrison, and McKinley. The family lived there until 1934, when the building converted to Warren's City Hall. The property also has a historic carriage house and law library.

15 Harriet Taylor Upton House

380 Mahoning Avenue NW
Open 2 PM - 5 PM, first Sunday of each month April - November, or by appointment.
Women's suffrage activists like Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton are famous, but just as important is Warren's own Harriet Taylor Upton, who lived in this house for many years. She served as treasurer of the National American Woman Suffrage Association for sixteen years and even brought its headquarters to Warren! Later, she became the first woman vice-chair of the National Republican Executive Committee and advocated for child labor laws and women in government. Her influence was so great that Presidents Hayes, McKinley, and Garfield returned to Warren to visit her, along with Harding and Hoover.

16 John Stark Edwards House and Museum

303 Monroe Street

Open for tours 1 PM - 4 PM Thursday - Saturday.
Call for additional hours or appointment.

This is one of the oldest structures in Trumbull County, built in 1807, and the former home of John Stark Edwards, a local politician and attorney. He was also the son of famous preacher Jonathan Edwards and the cousin of Aaron Burr, who both visited Warren. It is currently home to the Trumbull County Historical Society.

17 Sutliff Museum

444 Mahoning Avenue NW

Located on the second floor of the Warren Trumbull County Public Library Main Branch

Open 2 PM - 4 PM Wednesday - Saturday or by appointment.

The Sutliff family arrived in Trumbull County from Connecticut in the 1800s and became an influential part of the community. Brothers Levi and Milton were active in the Underground Railroad while Levi's daughter Phebe was a scholar, candidate for Congress, and the first female president of Rockford College in Illinois. This museum memorializes their work and era, as well as features panels about the Underground Railroad locally.

18 Woods-McCombs Home

624 Mahoning Avenue NW

Private residence

Dr. Daniel B. Woods, a local surgeon, built this home in the 1850s. Though it has been extensively renovated by the new owners, another part of his legacy is set in stone: he was one of the earliest adopters of a new medical procedure called anesthesia, which is now a cornerstone of medical practice.

19 Pioneer Cemetery

661 Mahoning Avenue NW

While the memorial honors more recent veterans, this cemetery is the resting place of those who fought in the American Revolution, the War of 1812,

and the Civil War. Pioneers who first settled the area when it was the Connecticut Western Reserve are also buried here, including Mary Chesney, the namesake of the local Daughters of the American Revolution chapter.

20 Gillmer House

720 Mahoning Avenue NW · Private residence
Elmer Wood Gillmer, the founder of the Peerless Electric Company, bought this house from a local politician in 1894. Soon after, he installed the area's first interior electric lights. This was just a few years after Sterling Electric (also owned by Gillmer) made Warren the first city in the country with electric street lights.

21 Packard Music Hall

1703 Mahoning Avenue NW

William Doud Packard loved music and the city of Warren and dreamed of a city that always valued the arts. In his will, he created a trust to build a music hall and finance a band, both of which are still staples here. Packard Music Hall is a center of culture that entertains over 150,000 people each year at community events, national touring acts, theater, and WD Packard Band concerts.

See packardmusichall.com for calendar of events.

22 Packard Park

This site was once under consideration for the location of a college. When the city of Kent, Ohio was chosen instead, WD Packard purchased the land and donated it to the city to become a public park. He then helped fund the still-standing Shelter House building.

The park also features a Japanese tea garden, located near the footbridge. W.D. Packard founded this tea garden in 1915 as a spiritual oasis, sort of break from the urbanization of Warren. It is the first Japanese Tea Garden built in the United States east of San Francisco.

23 National Packard Museum

1899 Mahoning Avenue NW

Open noon - 5 PM Tues. - Sat. 1 PM - 5 PM Sun. or by appointment. Call ahead for a guided tour.

This museum, on the former site of the Packard Park pool, highlights the history of the iconic Packard Motor Car and the contributions of the Packard family to the nation and community. Exhibits include automobiles, artifacts, and documents that reflect the role this company and family played in our nation's transportation and industrial history. Paid Admission.



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Thank you for taking time to visit this beautiful historic area. We hope you enjoyed your stroll up and down Mahoning Ave.



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