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Swillburg Sweetheart

30 Asbury Street

Located on a quiet, one-way street in Swillburg, the house at 30 Asbury Street has a Queen Anne style asymmetrical façade, with stick-work decoration and a medallion high in the front gable. Underneath, the broad front porch is an inviting place to pass pleasant summer evenings. The foyer is large enough for a table and lamp in the crook of the stairs. The chunky white newel post and stair railings hint at the true age of the house, which has recently undergone six years of remodeling.

Modest in size, the living room has one big window; it adjoins the painted, wood-paneled dining room. The interior is freshly painted, mostly in grey, and carpeted throughout. The new kitchen has attractive cabinetry, stainless steel appliances, and warm-colored flooring. Over the stove, a brick chimney adds character. A nice little powder room off the kitchen has a stacked washer and dryer – no need to do laundry in the basement! Beyond the kitchen is a generous bonus room with cupboards, currently set up as a workshop. A side door leads to the driveway, and has a built-in dog ramp to the fenced backyard. This spacious, shady yard, with its built-in fire pit, offers a blank slate for the creative gardener.

Upstairs there are four bedrooms. The two small front rooms look into trees over the porch. Neither have built-in closets, although

one boasts a bay window and window seat. All have slightly angled ceilings. The third bedroom has a closet, and there is a full bathroom off the hall. My personal favorite is the spacious, well-lit master bedroom at the back. It has windows on all sides, and a generous closet. An old brick chimney rises through the center of the room.

There is a plethora of ethnic eateries right around the corner on South Clinton Avenue: Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Ethiopian, in addition to the Highland Park Diner and the Cinema Theater. At the other end of Asbury Street, children can walk to Pinnacle School #35. Swillburg has an active neighborhood association. Their website (www.swillburg.com) announces an upcoming neighborhood potluck dinner, an annual dinner night out, and a newsletter. High-speed fiber internet access is currently being installed in the area. With some additional love and care, this house could be a nice family home or a rental property. This 1,628 square foot home is listed for \$129,900, with annual taxes of \$3,113. There will be an open house on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, from 2-3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Rome Celli at 585-756-7425.

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