

**Site Inventory Form**  
**State Historical Society of Iowa**  
 (November 2005)

State Inventory No. 09-00698

New  Supplemental

Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 09-00621

Relationship:  Contributing  Noncontributing

Contributes to a potential district with yet unknown boundaries

National Register Status:(any that apply)  Listed  De-listed  NHL  DOE

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Extant (enter year) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Name of Property**

historic name Bunth, Fredrick H. and Mary, House

other names/site number \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Location**

street & number 303 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW

city or town Waverly  vicinity, county Bremer

Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name \_\_\_\_\_ Township No. \_\_\_\_\_ Range No. \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Quarter \_\_\_\_\_

(If Urban) Subdivision Harmon & LeValley Addition Block(s) 39 Lot(s) Lot 8

**3. State/Federal Agency Certification [Skip this Section]**

**4. National Park Service Certification [Skip this Section]**

**5. Classification**

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

If Non-Eligible Property		If Eligible Property, enter number of:	
Enter number of:		Contributing	Noncontributing
—	buildings	<u>2</u>	— buildings
—	sites	—	— sites
—	structures	—	— structures
—	objects	—	— objects
—	Total	<u>2</u>	— Total

Name of related project report or multiple property study (Enter "N/A" if the property is not part of a multiple property examination).

Title Waverly's NW & SE Neighborhoods Historical & Architectural Survey

Historical Architectural Data Base Number 09-028

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

01A Single Dwelling

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01C05 Garage

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**7. Description**

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

09A06 Hipped Roof, 2-story

foundation 04 Stone

05B Italianate

walls (visible material) 02A Weatherboard

roof 08A Asphalt/Shingle

other \_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Description** ( SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

**8. Statement of Significance**

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" representing your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria)

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|--|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | A | Property is associated with significant events.                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | B | Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | C | Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> More Research Recommended | D | Property yields significant information in archaeology or history. |

County Bremer  
City Waverly

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**Criteria Considerations**

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B Removed from its original location.
- C A birthplace or grave.
- D A cemetery.
- E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F A commemorative property.
- G Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance** (Enter categories from instructions)

02 ARCHITECTURE

**Significant Dates**

Construction date  
1895  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation  
1930 - garage

**Significant Person**

(Complete if National Register Criterion B is marked above)

**Architect/Builder**

Architect

Builder

**Narrative Statement of Significance** ( SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED)

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Bibliography  See continuation sheet for citations of the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form

**10. Geographic Data**

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	_____	_____	2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	4	_____	_____

See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments

**11. Form Prepared By**

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**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** (Submit the following items with the completed form)

**FOR ALL PROPERTIES**

- Map:** showing the property's location in a town/city or township.
- Site plan:** showing position of buildings and structures on the site in relation to public road(s).
- Photographs:** representative black and white photos. If the photos are taken as part of a survey for which the Society is to be curator of the negatives or color slides, a photo/catalog sheet needs to be included with the negatives/slides and the following needs to be provided below on this particular inventory site:

Roll/slide sheet #	_____	Frame/slot #	_____	Date Taken	_____
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- See continuation sheet or attached *photo & slide catalog sheet* for list of photo roll or slide entries.
- Photos/illustrations without negatives are also in this site inventory file.

**FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF PROPERTIES, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS WELL**

- Farmstead & District:** (List of structures and buildings, known or estimated year built, and contributing or noncontributing status)
- Barn:**
  - A sketch of the frame/truss configuration in the form of drawing a typical middle bent of the barn.
  - A photograph of the loft showing the frame configuration along one side.
  - A sketch floor plan of the interior space arrangements along with the barn's exterior dimensions in feet.

**State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line**

Concur with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility:  Yes  No  More Research Recommended  
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluated by (name/title): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 7. Description

This single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1897 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built in the 1880s and 1890s. Property transfer records show Julian Ruddick transferring the property to F.H. Bunth in March 1894. A newspaper account in the *Bremer County Independent* on April 4, 1895 shows the house being painted a year after construction was begun according to a March 27, 1894 article. By the time the 1899 city directory was published, Bunth was listed at 303 Linn St. (3<sup>rd</sup> St. NW). A construction date of 1895 is more consistent with public records for this property.

This frame house is an example of an Italianate Style, Hipped Roof, 2-story house form. The rectangular plan house has a stone foundation with the walls clad in medium-width wood clapboard siding, cove-cut shingles for a belt course on the front façade between levels, and corner boards. The house has a low-pitched hipped roof with a flattened peak and wide eaves lined by paired scroll-cut brackets with pendants on the main block. A 1-story side-gabled wing with matching finishes is on the north façade and includes a separate entrance. The window details are identical as the main house confirming that this was an original feature of the house. A small enclosed porch is centered on the front and has a mansard roof and likely had a wrought-iron decorative balustrade at one time. The angled porch walls are clad in matching siding and have 1/1 double-hung windows flanking the entrance and in the end walls. The porch's original skirting panels remain with a vertical board design.

Fenestration throughout the house includes widely spaced single 1/1 double-hung windows of various sizes. All of the windows and doors on the main block and north wing have decorative lintels that include a crown molding over a series of keyholes with scroll-cut end moldings. Feature windows on the front façade include 1/1 double-hung windows set in recessed canted walls at the corners beneath decorative scroll-work brackets.

A detached frame single-bay garage is located north of the house. It has a moderate pitched front-gable roof with exposed rafter tails. The walls are clad in medium-width beveled siding with corner boards. Windows are four-light rectangular sash and the overhead door has a tilt-style fabricated of tongue-and-groove boards. The building was constructed in 1930 according to Assessor records and is considered contributing because it retains its original design and finishes, including the overhead door.

Alterations: porch enclosure (undated); garage (1930).

## 8. Significance

The Fredrick H. and Mary Bunth House at 303 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW was built in 1895 and is an early example of a 2-story Hipped Roof House form with an Italianate Style design. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the historic district under Criterion C.

Fredrick H. and Mary Bunth were farmers in Polk Township in Bremer County before moving to Waverly's Second Ward in 1895 and eventually retiring. The couple bought the property in March 1894 from Julian Ruddick, cashier at the German-American Loan & Trust Co.'s Bank. In the March 27, 1894 issue of the *Bremer County Independent* it was reported that "Mr. Bunth has commenced work on a

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large cellar and foundation for his residence in the Second Ward north of W.R. Bowman's. The plan is to make this one of the finest residences in the Second Ward." A year later on April 4, 1895 the paper noted that Frank Heroux has the contract to paint the inside and outside of F.H. Bunth's new residence in the Second Ward suggesting it was nearing completion. In August 1918 the property passed to Mary Bunth and two years later to Louisa Mundfrom.

## 9. Sources

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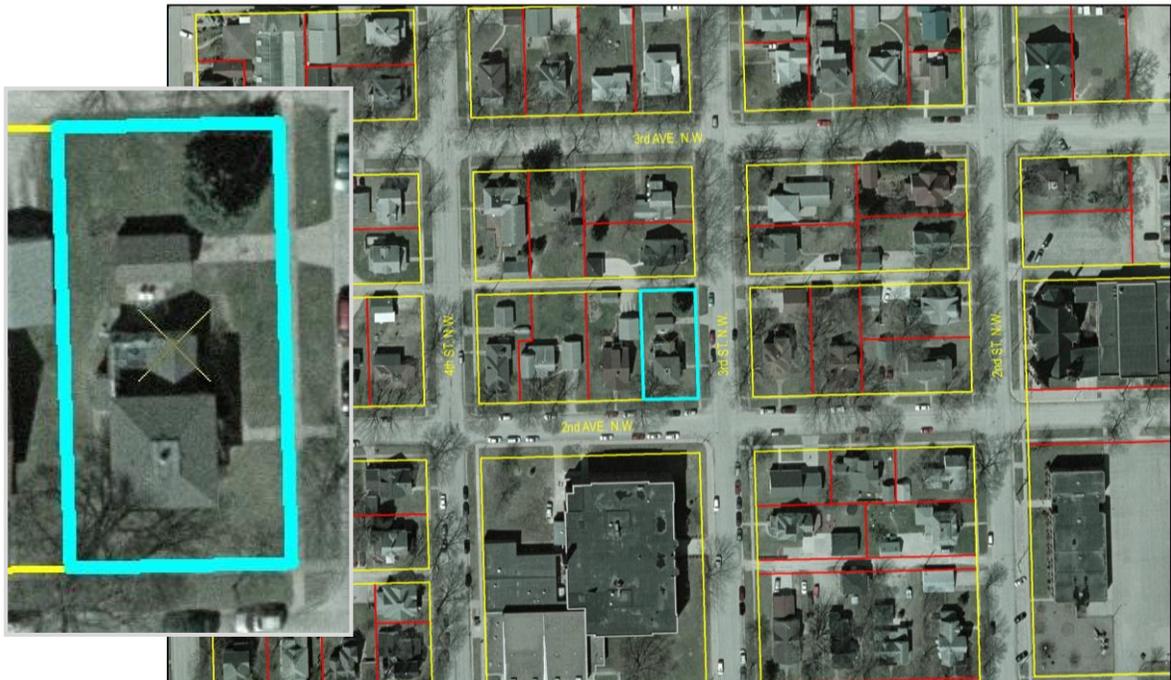
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

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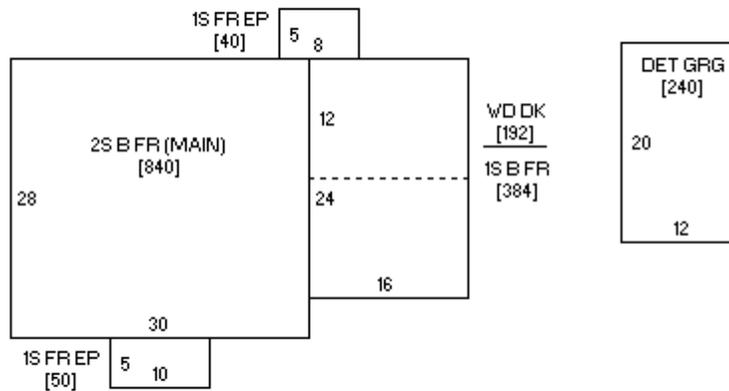
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Additional Information:

Floor plan, 303 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0902109006&index=0&size=0>; accessed 1/5/2012.



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