

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

State Inventory No. 09-00798

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 Woodring, Isaac and Rose, House

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

**2. Location**

street & number 223 5<sup>th</sup> Street 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) 49 Lot(s) North 1/2 of 1 & 2

**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>	<u>1</u> buildings
—	sites	—	— sites
—	structures	—	— structures
—	objects	—	— objects
—	Total	<u>2</u>	<u>1</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)

09A05 Hipped Roof, 1-Story

foundation 04 Stone (parged)

09A02 Gable-Front and Wing (1-Story)

walls (visible material) 06 Stucco

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)

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <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

Address 223 5<sup>th</sup> St NW

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District Number 09-00621

**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  
1881  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation  
ca. 1920 – second house

**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 1880 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built from the 1880s through the 1910s. A house at this address appears in the 1885 Iowa Census occupied by Isaac and Rose Woodring. Property transfer records show Woodring acquiring it in February 1880 from William Boys but it is likely that no house was erected until after Woodring took ownership of Lots 1 and 2. Woodring came from a family of cabinet makers and home builders. A construction date of ca. 1881 appears to be more accurate.

This stucco clad house is an example of a vernacular Pyramidal or Hipped Roof, 1½-story house form. The house has a stone foundation with stucco cladding on the first floor walls and fish-scale wood shingles in the front dormer with a spindled gable treatment. A moderate-pitched hipped roof has a flattened peak and a large gable wall dormer is on the front facade; the eaves have a narrow width. The mansard roofed front porch spans the full front with the closed balustrade and square columns across the front clad in matching stucco. Fenestration throughout the house includes various sizes of 1/1 double-hung windows and several replacement windows with 9/9 configurations. In all cases the main floor windows have a pedimented upper molding design that is consistent with a ca. 1881 house design. A pair of small 1/1 double-hung windows in the front dormer peak may be a later installation. The main entrance door has an etched glass design in the upper half.

A small second house (503 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW) on the north portion of this parcel was constructed prior to the publication of the 1927 Sanborn Map on which the building first appears. Oral tradition has it that a widowed grandfather of one of the previous Woodring family members built the house or adapted a building for use as a dwelling. It is used as a rental property in 2013. The small-scale Gable-Front and Wing house is clad in stucco to match the main house. It has a low-pitched intersecting gable roof with a shed-roofed extension on the south side with all of the eaves lined by exposed rafter tails. It has full-sized 1/1 double-hung windows. One entrance faces south towards the main house defining the original inter-family relationship of the occupants of the two houses with a second entrance facing north.

A detached frame double-bay garage is located to the rear and opens onto 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW. It has synthetic clapboard-style and vertical siding with a wide overhang over the double-wide overhead door. The Assessor estimates the date for the garage as 1957.

Alterations: garage siding (undated); windows in dormer (undated); multi-light windows in main house (undated).

## 8. Significance

The Woodring House at 223 5<sup>th</sup> St NW was built in ca. 1881 and is an example of vernacular Pyramidal or Hipped Roof, 1½-story house form. There are two houses on this parcel that represent an uncommon inter-family housing solution with the elder parent residing in a small-scale adjacent house. The two houses qualify for the National Register of Historic Places as contributing resources to the historic district under Criterion A and C with the garage considered noncontributing.

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Property transfer records show Isaac Woodring acquiring Lots 1 and 2 in Block 49 of the Harmon and LeValley Addition in February 1880 from William Boys who had previously held the two lots for two years. It is likely that no house was erected until after Woodring took ownership of the property. A house at this address appears in the 1885 Iowa Census occupied by Isaac and Rose Woodring and three borders. Isaac was listed as a gun merchant in the census with one of the borders employed as a gunsmith. The couple continued to reside here in the 1895 Iowa Census but without borders. Woodring's occupation was listed as "cream supply" at this time. Four years later in the 1899 city directory, Isaac was listed as an "agent," which may have been the same job. By the time the 1913 directory was published, Isaac "Ike" Woodring and his wife Rose a (listed elsewhere as "Rosalie" and "Rozlia") continued at this address with Ike employed as a commercial traveler.

In 1926, Rose died and it is likely that Ike became the grandfather to move into the small house next door to the main house. He died in 1937 with the property passing to his heirs and eventually Frank W. Woodring in 1938. Frank held the property until his death in 1945 when it was transferred to Catherine Woodring, family relationship unknown. She sold the property to Fred Sale the same year and two years later it passed to Elmer Sale, an insurance agent, and his wife Lois. The couple resided here until 1958 when it was sold to Paul and Clara Schaefer. In 1972 Clara transferred the property to Alfred and Margaret Meyer who transferred the property in 1988 to James and Judy Meyer and the same year to Michael and Cynthia Gabes.

## 9. Sources

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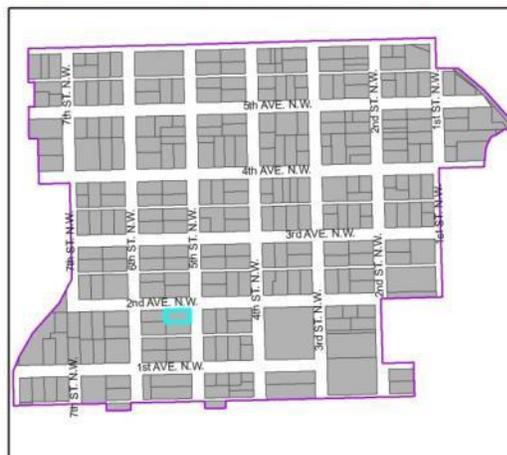
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

**223 5th St NW  
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**Photographs:** 223 5<sup>th</sup> St NW, looking northwest and southwest, Marlys Svendsen, photographer, 11/3/2011.



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**Photographs:** 503 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW, view of second house, looking southwest; entrance, looking south, Marlys Svendsen, IHSEMD, photographer, 11/3/2011.



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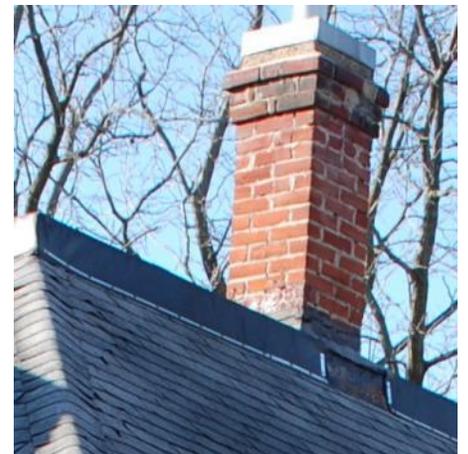
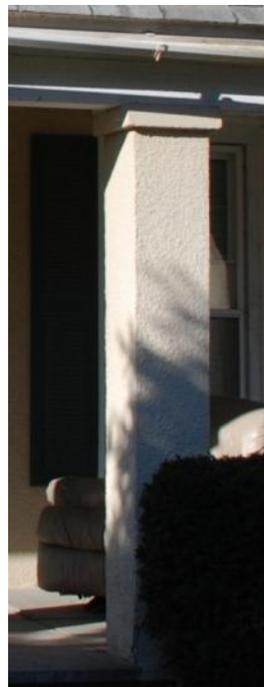
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**Photographs:** 223 5<sup>th</sup> St NW, view of garage as well as window, eave, siding, column, and chimney details, Marlys Svendsen, IHSEMD, photographer, 11/3/2011.



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Additional Information:

Floor plan, 223 5<sup>th</sup> St NW, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0903242005&index=0&size=0>; accessed 11/06/2012

