

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

**State Inventory No. 09-00842**  New  Supplemental  
 Part of a district with known boundaries (enter inventory no.) 09-00962  
 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 Nolte, Ruth, House  
 other names/site number \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Location**

street & number 309 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE  
 city or town Waverly  vicinity, county Bremer  
 Legal Description: (If Rural) Township Name \_\_\_\_\_ Township No. \_\_\_\_\_ Range No. \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter of Quarter \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If Urban) Subdivision Original Town Block(s) 17 Lot(s) W 46' S 43' Lot 4

**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)	Number of Resources within Property		
	If Non-Eligible Property	If Eligible Property, enter number of:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Enter number of:	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	— buildings	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site	— sites	—	— sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	— structures	—	— structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object	— objects	—	— objects
	— Total	<u>1</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 MPD Historical Architectural Data Base Number 09-028

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)	Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>01A Single Dwelling</u>	<u>01A Single Dwelling</u>
<u>01C05 Garage</u>	<u>01C05 Garage</u>
_____	_____

**7. Description**

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)	Materials (Enter categories from instructions)
<u>10B Minimal Traditional</u>	foundation <u>10A Concrete Block</u>
_____	walls (visible material) <u>09 Asbestos</u>
_____	roof <u>08A Asphalt/Shingle</u>
_____	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 309 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE

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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  
1945  check if circa or estimated date  
Other dates, including renovation  
1945 - 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

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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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House	Bremer
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## 7. Description

This 1½-story single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1941 according to Bremer County Assessor records. Telephone directories, however, show Ruth Nolte as the first occupant in 1945. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built during and after World War II.

This frame house is an example of a vernacular 1½-story Minimal Traditional house form. This variation has a detached garage and a narrow width that makes this house suitably sized for this lot. The house has a concrete block foundation with Transite™ asbestos shingle siding. The house has a steep-pitched side-gable roof with shallow eaves and a single gable attic dormer on the front slope and wide shed roofed dormer on the rear slope. Tall, narrow louvered vents are in each gable peak. The front entrance bay has a gable roof, projects slightly and is located at the right side of the front façade.

Fenestration includes 1/1 double-hung windows of various sizes and shapes in singles and pairs. A strikingly modern treatment is the use of paired 1/1 windows at the north corners of the house. A multi-light octagonal shaped window is located above the front entrance. A metal rectangular canopy with wrought iron brackets is set above the entrance. The door's original sidelights have been replaced with panels and small top lights similar to the replacement door design. The property has no garage.

Alterations: addition of a balcony at the south end above the side entrance.

## 8. Significance

The Ruth Nolte House at 308 1<sup>st</sup> Street SE is an example of a well-preserved vernacular 1½-story Minimal Traditional house form the post-World War II period. It is typical of houses built as in-fill housing during this period. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the historic district under Criterion C.

Ruth Nolte, was the first occupant of this house beginning in 1945. She continued to reside here for more than 20 years. By 1955, Ruth also had either a boarder or tenant also residing here, Norma Buschnel, a widow. Mrs. Buschnel remained a long-term resident of the property.

## 9. Sources

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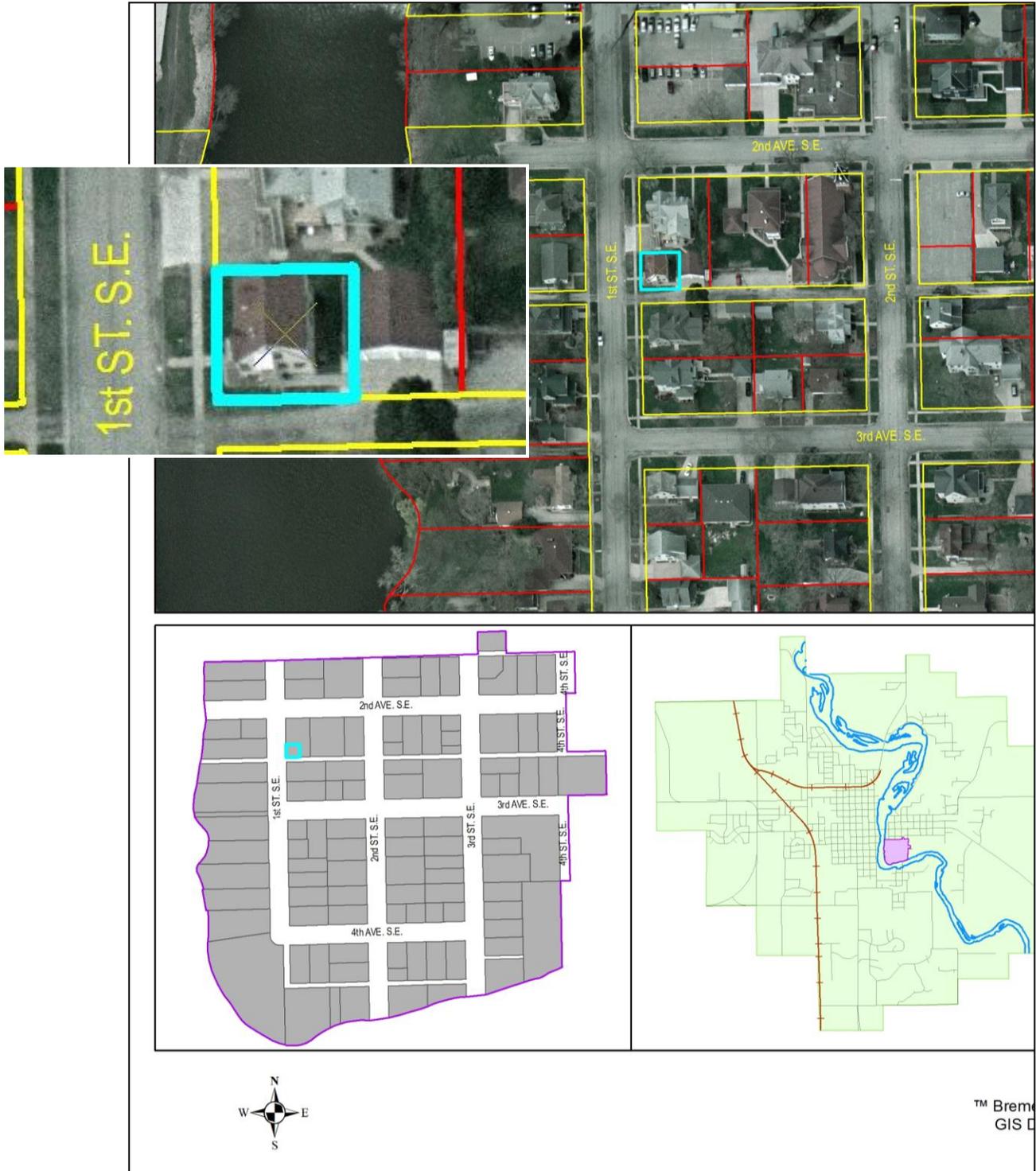
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.



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Floor plan, 309 1<sup>st</sup> St. SE, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/Application.aspx?AppID=330&LayerID=3621&PageTypeID=4&PageID=2342&Q=1880639321&KeyValue=0902184003>; accessed 1/2/2012.

