

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

State Inventory No. 09-00753

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 Arns, John and Louisa, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 403 4th 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) 44 Lot(s) S 1/2 Lots 7 & 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

Enter number of:

— buildings
 — sites
 — structures
 — objects
 — Total

If Eligible Property, enter number of:

Contributing Noncontributing

1 1 buildings
 — — sites
 — — structures
 — — objects
1 1 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 (American Four-Square)

foundation

10A Concrete Block

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)

- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended
- Yes No More Research Recommended

- A Property is associated with significant events.
- B Property is associated with the lives of significant persons.
- C Property has distinctive architectural characteristics.
- D Property yields significant information in archaeology or history.

County Bremer
City Waverly

Address 403 4th St NW

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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
1921 check if circa or estimated date
Other dates, including renovation
1976

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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7. Description

This single-family house is estimated to have been built in 1920 according to Bremer County Assessor records. The house form and style are consistent with houses in Waverly built from the 1910s through the 1920s. The property was transferred from Catherine Shanewise to John Arns in August 1921. No house is shown at this address in the 1913 city directory. Given this information it is likely that the house was built in ca. 1921.

This frame house is an example of a vernacular 2-story Hipped Roof form known as the "American Four-Square" that became popular before WW I. This example has a rock-faced concrete block foundation with narrow wood clapboard siding and corner board trim. The roof is a low-pitched hipped roof with flared edges, wide eaves and hipped roof attic dormers centered on the west and front slopes. The plan has a shallow projecting 1-story wing on the north façade; it has a low-pitched side-gable roof with an exposed red brick chimney. The front porch has a flat roof and its width nearly spans the front façade. A broken pediment is centered over the entrance steps opposite the front entrance. The pediment's tympanum or recessed triangular section is clad in matching narrow clapboard siding above a wide architrave. The house has a matching concrete block foundation and pedestals at the outer corners and flanking the steps. Half-height wood piers support the porch roof. The porch deck and entrance steps are concrete and the balustrade consists of narrowly spaced 2x2 inch square spindles.

Fenestration includes a mix of single and paired 1/1 double-hung units on the first and second floors. Oversized 1/1 windows flank the entrance and widely space, narrower 1/1 windows are spaced on the upper level. The dormers have a pair of small 1/1 sashes.

A detached low-pitched front-gabled frame garage is located at the rear opening on to 3rd Ave NW. It has a double-bay width with wide clapboard-style siding on the walls and no eaves. According to Assessor records it was built in 1976.

Alterations: garage, 1976.

8. Significance

The John and Louisa Arns House at 403 4th St NW was built in ca. 1921 and is a well-preserved example vernacular 2-story Hipped Roof house form referred to as the American Four-Square house. It became popular in Waverly before and after World War I. A number of similar forms were built in the same neighborhood during the 1910s and 1920s. The house qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the historic district under Criteria A and C.

According to property transfer records, the property was transferred from Catherine Shanewise to John Arns in August 1921. John and his wife Louisa were farmers in Warren Township when they built this house, likely in anticipation of retirement. The 1924 telephone directory shows the couple living on N. Locust (4th St NW). Louisa died in 1929 but John continued to reside here until his death in 1943. The house was passed to Clara Arns, the couple's youngest daughter, who resided here until she sold the property in 1973 to Donald and Jean Canfield.

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Don Canfield was a coach at Wartburg College and the family's kitchen frequently served as a spot for ice cream parties for his teams. The Canfields sold the house in 1991 to Steve and Teri Lu Edman, who worked at CUNA Mutual Insurance Co. In 1999 the house was transferred to Marty Parry who continues to reside there in 2013.

9. Sources

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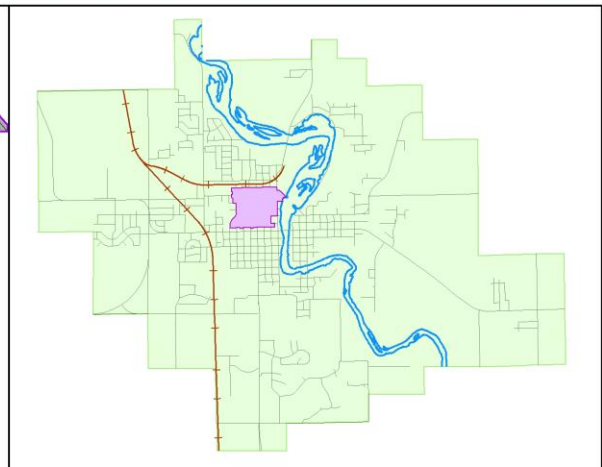
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Site Map: Bremer County GIS Department, 12/2011.

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Floor plan, 403 4th St. NW, Bremer County Assessor website; available at <http://beacon.schneidercorp.com/PhotoEngine/Sketch.aspx?appid=330&keyvalue=0903234009&index=0&size=0>; accessed 3/11/2013.

