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National Park Service**

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Burns House
other names/site number Durand House

2. Location

street & number 816 Pine St not for publication N/A
city or town Yankton vicinity N/A
state South Dakota code SD county Yankton code 135 zip code 57078

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property x meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant ___ nationally ___ statewide x locally. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Jay D. Voigt
Signature of certifying official

01-09-2001
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria. (___ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that the property is:
- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 - determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet
 - determined not eligible for the National Register
 - removed from the National Register.
 - other,
(explain:)

Signature of the Keeper: Edson H. Ball
Date of Action: 2/9/01

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

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

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary Structure Garage

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling
Secondary Structure Garage

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Late Victorian: Queen Anne

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete
roof Shingle
walls Cedar shake shingle
Clapboard
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a 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)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1886-1928

Burns House
Name of Property

Yankton County, South Dakota
County and State

Significant Dates 1886
 1928

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheets

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

Burns House
Name of Property

Yankton County, South Dakota
County and State

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Arlene Schmidt
street & number 816 Pine St telephone 605-668-0866
city or town Yankton state SD zip code 57078

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The Burns House is located at the corner of Pine and 9th Streets in the City of Yankton, South Dakota. The house is located in a thriving community, just blocks from the commercial core. The house is surrounded by both early and late 20th century structures. The house is an excellent example of the Queen Anne style.

Architectural Description

The Burns House, built circa 1886 is a two story with tower, clapboard and shingle sided house with an asphalt shingle roof and a concrete foundation. The house exhibits characteristics of Queen Anne design which include: steeply pitched roof of irregular shape with a dominant front-facing gable; gable returns; variants in siding materials; a tower; and gable end decorative treatments. The first floor of the entire house has clapboard siding, while the remaining floors are covered in decorative shingles. There is an unornamented frieze at the gable eaves.

The façade features a variety of decorative elements. The entry door, located at the center of the first floor, is recessed behind a curved lattice work supported by a decorative newel post. To the south of the entry is a one-over-one double hung window with a triangular pediment. To the east of the entry is the enclosed porch. It has three stained glass windows. The second floor has a massive exposed chimney, located at the center of the façade, which continues to the third floor. To the east of the chimney is a Queen Anne stained glass window. Above this window is a shed roof with brackets beneath that extends to the chimney. Directly above the Queen Anne window is a small gable that has a decorative sunburst in the peak. To the west of the chimney starts the five sided tower with a conical roof. The second floor of the tower has three, one-over-one windows on alternating sides. The sides, without windows, have decorative panels with shingle designs. The third floor of the tower has two one-over-one windows on alternating sides. The sides, without windows, have decorative panels with shingle designs and sunburst patterns. The gable peak of the house, third floor, has a one-over-one double hung window on either side of the chimney.

The south elevation has a one-over-one double hung window at the southwest corner. At the center of this elevation is a bump out. The bump out has two stained glass Queen Anne windows. The

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second floor has two stained glass Queen Anne windows on the southwest portion. The bump out has one stained glass Queen Anne window in the center. Topping the bump out is a gable roof with gable returns. It has a one-over-one double hung window in the peak. The peak is decorated with a wavy shingle treatment.

The east elevation has a central entry door on the first floor. At the northeast corner are four hopper windows. There is one one-over-one double hung window in the center of the second floor. Located on the pyramidal roof is a dormer with a fixed two pane window.

The north elevation has a two pane hopper window at the northeast corner. Located in the center of this elevation is an enclosed shed roof porch. The porch has an entry door and a band of three one-over-one double hung windows. To the west of the porch is a one-over-one double hung window. The second floor has one one-over-one double hung window.

Garage:

This is a one stall, contributing garage. The gable end garage is covered with wood clapboards and has a car door on the east elevation. There is an entry door at the northwest corner of the north façade.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Burns House is significant under criterion C for the distinctive architectural style of Queen Anne. The Burns House, constructed in 1886 is a well-preserved example of the Queen Anne style in a city setting. The ornate home continues to provide a sense of architectural appeal that made it worthy of notice in 1886.

The Burns House is located in Yankton, the county seat of Yankton County. Yankton is notably a business and college community. Settlement in the City of Yankton began in the 1859 with a small group of white immigrants. Though the city of Yankton was the Dakota Territory Capitol, it did not thrive until the mid-1860's. By 1868, the city of Yankton was growing and establishing itself as a true community with three section of town being platted. By 1870, 180 buildings were constructed.

The Burns House was constructed in 1886 for Robert Burns. Burns was employed by the Scougal Bank in the early 1880's and left to take on the role of President for the Mortgage Bank. After leaving Yankton, he worked for Bethlehem Steel Company. The Burns family played an integral role in the City of Yankton, as one of the stained glass windows in the Christ Church Parish is a memorial to Mrs. Burns.

The Burns House was the first house constructed in this section of town. It was constructed atop a ridge in Yankton long before roads were in place. Once roads were laid out in this portion of town, the house became the tallest location on the ridge, a prominent location for a prominent family.

In the early 1900's, the Durand family purchased the house. George Durand was a professor and Vice President at Yankton College. The Durands were avid art collectors and dealers. They purchased many famous paintings during the travels through Europe. They were stored/displayed in the third floor of the tower. In late 1927, the tower of the Burns House had a serious fire. It destroyed the collection of art and the third floor of the house. The second floor also suffered from water damage. In 1928, the Durand's reconstructed the third floor of the tower and repaired the damage to the second floor.

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The Queen Anne style was most popular from roughly 1880 through the turn of the century, although it did persist into the mid-1920's in South Dakota. The style is typified by irregular, steeply pitched roofs, asymmetrical facades and decorative elements to avoid flat walls. The Burns House is a typical representation of the Queen Anne style and the picturesque movement in architecture.

The house exhibits many of the characteristics associated with the Queen Anne style. It has the irregular roof shape, a highly decorative porch, and shingles on the second and third floor. The house has had few alterations over time which include the restoration of the third floor tower rooms and a rear addition. It is also significant as many of the houses surrounding the Burns house are of newer construction.

The Burns House is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C, for its architectural value and significance in Yankton, South Dakota. It is an excellent example of Queen Anne style homes in the City of Yankton.

Bibliography

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Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 1 and 2 Block 32 lower Yankton.

Boundary Justification

All the land that has historically been associated with the house.