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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 Gunderson House
other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number 24 South Harvard not for publication N/A
city or town Vermillion vicinity N/A
state South Dakota code SD county Clay code 027 zip code 57069

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.)

Gary D. Vogt
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

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County and State

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: Wilson H. Beall 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>1</u>	<u>1</u>	buildings
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	sites
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	structures
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</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	Sioux Quartzite
roof	Asphalt Shingle
walls	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

1895-1928

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Significant Dates 1895
 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: _____

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one

UTM References

(place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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					<input type="checkbox"/>	See continuation sheet	

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.) See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

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organization SD SHPO date November 2, 2000
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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

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Property Owner

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

name Lawrence and Elizabeth Smith
street & number 24 South Harvard St telephone 605-624-7870
city or town Vermillion state SD zip code 57069

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The Gunderson House is located on South Harvard Street in the City of Vermillion, South Dakota. The house is located in a thriving community, just blocks from the university. The Forest Avenue Historic District borders it. The house is surrounded by both early and late 20th century structures. The house is an excellent example of a Free Classic Queen Anne house.

Architectural Description

The Gunderson House, built in 1895 is a two story, wood clapboard, asphalt shingled house with a full width porch on the front. The house exhibits characteristics of the Free Classic Queen Anne design which include: classical columns as porch supports, columns grouped in pairs and multiple crossing gables. This was a dominant style for domestic building throughout the country from 1880-1910.

The façade of the Gunderson House reflects the Free Classic Queen Anne style. The front porch is the full width of the façade and enclosed on the lower portion with wood clapboards. Three slender classic columns at the front two corners, two columns beside the steps and one at each of the rear corners of the porch support the porch shed roof. The porch roof has an unornamented frieze. There is a large front entry door on the first floor at the northwest corner and a large plate glass window at the southwest corner. This window was replaced in the 1960's. The second floor has a one-over-one window at the northwest corner. Located above the large picture window is a tripartite window. In the center is a large framed one-over-one double hung window. Smaller one-over-one double hung windows flank the larger window. Located in the gable end of the attic is a rectangular vent. The gable end has returns.

The south elevation has a three sided projecting gable bay in the center of the elevation. Both the first and second floors have a one-over-one double hung window in each side of the bay. The gable end of the bay has a rectangular vent. To the west of the bay on the first floor are two one-over-one double hung windows. A chimney located on the exterior of the house divides the two windows. To the west of the bay on the second floor is a one-over-one double hung window and the chimney. To the east of the bay on the first floor is a one-over-one double hung window and an entry door. The east end of the south elevation also has an addition of a three sided gable roof sun-room that was constructed in 1971. To the east of the bay on the second floor is a one-over-one double hung window. The south, east and north elevations of the house have a band that separates the first and

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second floors. This feature was removed when aluminum siding was installed in 1978. This feature was put back in place when the aluminum siding was removed in 2000.

The east elevation has a one-over-one double hung window at the southeast corner of the first floor. The second floor has a pair of one-over-one double hung windows located in the center. Located in the gable peak is a rectangular vent.

The north elevation has a three sided gable projection in the center of the elevation. There are three one-over-one windows on the first and second floors, which follow the staircase on the interior of the building. Located in the gable peak is a small rectangular fixed pane window. To the east of the projection is two one-over-one double hung windows on the first floor and one one-over-one double hung window on the second floor. To the west of the projection is one large, one-over-one double hung window on the first floor.

Garage:

Located at the rear of the property is a non-contributing two stall garage. The garage is of recent construction, 1990.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Gunderson House is significant under criterion C for the distinctive architectural style of Queen Anne. The Gunderson House, constructed in 1895 is a well-preserved example of the Queen Anne style in a college community setting. The ornate home continues to provide a sense of architectural appeal that made it worthy of notice in 1895.

The Gunderson House is located in Vermillion, the county seat of Clay County. Vermillion is notably a college community. Settlement in the City of Vermillion began in the 1820's with a small fur trading post. Permanent settlement did not commence until the 1850's with immigrants from the east. By 1868, the city of Vermillion was growing and establishing itself as a true community. By 1870, the population of the town had doubled. The new immigrants brought with them services that up to that point had not been available in Vermillion, including: lawyers, doctors, druggists and dentists.

In 1895, Harvey and Anna Gunderson had the house at 24 South Harvard constructed. Harvey Gunderson was a second generation Norwegian who came to Vermillion from Wisconsin. Harvey came to Vermillion in 1869 and purchased his 160-acre farm for \$186.00. The Gunderson's put an addition on the house circa 1928. This addition included a kitchen on the first floor and an additional bedroom on the second floor.

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 Gunderson 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, a full width porch, and slender classic columns. The house has had few alterations over time which include the application of aluminum siding in 1978 which was removed in 2000 and minor renovations to the interior. It is also significant as many of the larger Queen Anne style homes in Vermillion have been converted into apartments for student housing.

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

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Verbal Boundary Description

Lot 17 & 18, Block 76 of the Smith Addition.

Boundary Justification

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